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The Municipal Court of Cleveland

LEWIS DRUCKER, ASSOCIATE JUDGE

Aug. 5

July 26, 1946.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi:

I was very much impressed with the paid publication by the Latex Company, ^{which contained} by Senator Mead's statement in the Senate.

Certainly there would be no difficulty in having him obtain permission for leave to print and have that statement printed as part of Congressional Record. If that statement is worth while distributing we perhaps could urge the B'nai B'rith or the American Jewish Conference to pay for the printing of that statement and I would at least assume the responsibility of having it distributed to a number of veteran organizations in the county.

I think that we could persuade the Joint Veteran's commission to authorize and sponsor that distribution.

I would like to have your recommendation to the idea.

Sincerely yours,

Lewis Drucker

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Dear Dr. Silver:

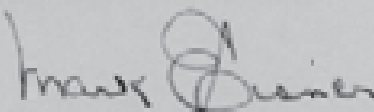
We are writing to you again concerning Jewish Education Month and Week, which will be observed this year from September 8th to October 15th. In accordance with our custom, we are asking the support and the endorsement of outstanding leaders of the Jewish community for this project, the primary purpose of which is to increase the attendance of Jewish children at Jewish schools.

I am enclosing herewith draft of a statement which we will make public just prior to the opening date of Jewish Education Month. We should like to have your endorsement of the "Call to Jewish Parents." We would also appreciate any comments or changes you may wish to suggest on this statement.

I would appreciate it very much if we could hear from you at your earliest convenience. Perhaps you could send us your reply by wiring collect to us.

Thanking you in advance, I am

Sincerely yours,



Mark Eisner
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ME:RF
Enc.

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September 4, 1946

City Editor
Herald Tribune
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

As President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, I sent the following telegram to the widow of Dr. Isaac Landman, who passed away today:

"SHOCKED TO LEARN OF THE SUDDEN PASSING OF YOUR BELOVED HUSBAND. MAY I EXTEND TO YOU PERSONALLY AND IN THE NAME OF THE CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS OUR PROFOUNDEST SYMPATHIES AND AN EXPRESSION OF OUR DEEP SENSE OF LOSS. DR. LANDMAN WAS FOR MANY YEARS AN HONORED AND DISTINGUISHED MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN RABBINATE. HE SERVED WITH UTMOST DEVOTION THE GREAT IDEALS OF ISRAEL AND OF AMERICA. AS EDITOR AND WRITER HE MADE A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TO THE DISSEMINATION OF TRUE KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING THE HISTORY AND LITERATURE OF OUR PEOPLE. I PRAY THAT YOU AND YOUR DEAR ONES WILL FIND A VAST MEASURE OF COMFORT IN THE PROUD MEMORIES WHICH YOUR HUSBAND HAS LEFT YOU."

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:RK

September 6, 1946

Mr. Irving Kene
3159 Kinghley Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Irving:

I know you will be interested in our new letterhead inasmuch as you provided the direct stimulus for the change and for what I believe to be a distinct improvement on the copy carried on our old stationery.

The paragraph to which I refer, and which appears below, will also be used in our Unity for Palestine Bulletin when it next appears. The date of its publication is doubtful, however, inasmuch as the Z.O.A.'s financial difficulties have forced us to curtail a good portion of our activities, and the Unity for Palestine Bulletin is, for the present, a casualty.

I trust this finds you and your family well, and I send my very cordial greetings.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld
Executive Director

AJL:hal

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September 6, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Zionist Organization of America
41 East 42nd Street
New York 17, New York

Dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Caploe asked me to write to you to tell you how sorry all of us were to learn that you would not be available to address our Twenty-Sixth Annual Convention.

Since the convention will not be complete unless we hear from you, we respectfully request that you send us a message which may be read to the delegates.

Looking forward to greeting you at an early date, I am

Cordially yours,

Emanuel Borenstein
Executive Director

EB:lbw

Sept. 28, 29

[September 6, 1946]

C O P Y TELEGRAM

JUDGE LEWIS DRUCKER, MUNICIPAL COURT
CITY HALL, CLEVELAND

I AM UNFORTUNATELY ENGAGED ALL DURING MONTH OF SEPTEMBER. MUCH
AS I WOULD LIKE TO ACCEPT YOUR KIND INVITATION IMPOSSIBLE
FOR ME TO DO SO. PLEASE GIVE MY BEST REGARDS TO RABBI SILVER.
REGARDS.

BARTLEY CRUM

The Municipal Court of Cleveland

LEWIS DRUCKER, ASSOCIATE JUDGE

September 6, 1946

Mr. Bartley T. Crum
Russ Building
San Francisco, Calif.

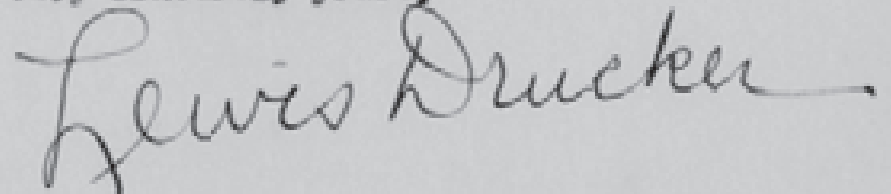
My dear Mr. Crum:

We regret your inability to be our guest speaker at the Jewish War Veterans' rally on the afternoon of September 15th, at the Masonic Auditorium.

It was the general consensus of opinion that your courageous and American like forthright declaration in behalf of our people was an effective factor in stirring the conscience of the American public. You may recall that we made further gallant efforts (I was scheduled as Chairman of the Bartley T. Crum dinner) to intrigue you to be the main speaker at the National Lawyers Guild Convention which was held in Cleveland.

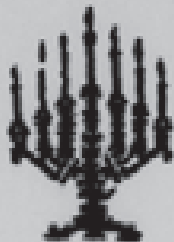
I do hope that Cleveland will be fortunate enough to induce your temporary absence from San Francisco, and its environs. Could you hold out any hope for a date in the month of October?

Very sincerely yours,



LD:BR

cc: Morris Morgenstern
cc: Rabbi Abba Millel Silver



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Mr. Harry Shapiro
American Zionist Emergency
Committee
342 Madison Avenue
New York 17, New York

My dear Mr. Shapiro:

I received this morning the releases and press notices which you had assured me would be forthcoming and am indeed grateful for your splendid cooperation and help.

Your militant and vigorous efforts in providing us with the necessary material and the procuring of our guest speaker certainly gave added impetus to the work of the local Jewish War Veterans Committee.

The plans are now pretty well on their way and I am looking forward to a very successful and well attended and well publicized meeting.

Very sincerely yours,

Lew Drucker

LD:BR

cc: Morris Morganstern
cc: Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

September 12, 1946

Judge Louis Drucker
Fenway Hotel
1966 E. 107th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Judge Drucker:

Enclosed please find the draft of the
speech for the Mayor. I trust that he will find
it satisfactory.

Wishing your meeting on Sunday every
success, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

Enc.

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THE EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT

September 12, 1946

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105th St. and Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In connection with the biographical sketch of you being prepared for the next edition of The World Book Encyclopedia, we would very much like to use a recent full-face portrait photograph.

Can you furnish us with a black and white glossy print with your permission for its editorial reproduction? We will, of course, be more than glad to credit the picture in any way you may stipulate.

As our time is somewhat limited, we will be most appreciative if you can send a picture to us so that it will be in our hands not later than September 25.

Thanks very much for any cooperation and assistance you may be able to offer us.

Yours very truly,
The World Book Encyclopedia
Florence MacNicholas
Florence MacNicholas

September 13, 1946

Miss Florence MacNicholas
The Quarrie Corporation
85 E. Wacker Dr.
Chicago 1, Ill.

Dear Miss MacNicholas:

Enclosed herewith is is a photograph of Dr. Silver which you may use in The World Book Encyclopedia. I am not sure that it is exactly the correct pose which you requested, but it is the only one we have available to send you.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

RJX

Secretary to Dr. Silver

[September 15, 1946?]

The Municipal Court of Cleveland

LEWIS DRUCKER, ASSOCIATE JUDGE

Sam Ede

My dear Rabbi.

You were superb. You were magnificent. Never in all my life had I listened to a more eloquent plea, and a more courageous presentation.

I am exceedingly grateful for the time, the patience you exercised, the counsel you gave me, the courage with which you buoyed me up when I doubted my judgement as I wavered and struggled through the ordeal of contending with the Committee and steering somewhat the zeal and enthusiasm of the County Council of the Jewish War Veterans. I am deeply grateful.

Sincerely
Lewis Drucker

Sun. Eve

E. P. Berthick
City Editor
Plaindealer

My dear Berthick .

Your usual graciousness
gave me the courage to direct my entreaty
for more space and larger treatment of
the Jewish War Veterans and other Veterans
groups Protest rally at the Masonic
Auditorium scheduled for Sun afternoon
Sept 15th.

You were characteristically, comforting,
helpful and responsive
We are all grateful .

Sincerely
Lewis Bruck

Sun Eve

The Municipal Court of Cleveland

LEWIS DRUCKER, ASSOCIATE JUDGE

Mayor Thomas A Burke
City Hall.

My dear Mayor.

I am grateful personally and I know the Cuyahoga Council of the Jewish War Veterans and our Community are appreciating of your gracious and kindly words at the Rally at the Masonic Auditorium to WRAJ.



We thank you for the involvement sacrifice on your part and that you realized that the cause and the occasion merited that consideration.

Sincerely yours
Lewis Drucker

Sun Eve

Norman Shan-

The Press.

My dear Norman

I realized that I was presumptuous
in urging you to give special and extended
space to the story of Edgar A. Mowrer's
address at the protest meeting of the
French War Veterans and other Veteran
groups at Masonic Auditorium -
Sun - Sept 15th

You were gracious and helpful
and I was personally appreciative.

Sincerely
Lew Brucker

Mon. Am.

My dear Saul
Chairman - Jewish Emergency Committee
My dear Saul.

I breathe easier and feel the
relief of a burden carried and set down.

During the trying days of guiding,
restraining and counselling with the officers
and Committee of the Cuyahoga County Council
of the Jewish War Veterans and other
veteran groups I turned to you for guidance,
advice and help. You were responsive, patient,
helpful and reassuringly comforting.

I am personally grateful and
appreciating

Sincerely
Lewis Ducker

Sun Eve

Herman Scharf
Advertising Director
Richman Bros.

My dear Herman.

Again I was glad that I knew
you and that you graciously permitted me
to impose on you.

Thank you sincerely for helping me
and the Jewish War Veterans and our cause
by including references to the Protest Rally
Sun - Sept 15 at the Masonic Auditorium
on your Richman Bros Broadcast.

Sincerely

Lew Bruck

Sun Eve

Syd Andorn
Your Reporter
W S A R
Shaler Hotel

My dear Syd.

I am grateful to you for your
gracious response to my earnest
entreaty to give time & spot to the
Protest Rally of the Jewish War Veterans
and other Veterans groups at the Masome
Auditorium - Sun - Sept 15th

It was in your usual characteristic
and effecting skill. I am grateful

Sincerely

Lewis Duncanson

Sam Eir

Nachum Moxson
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Hestadrub Campaign
1643 Lee Rd

My dear Nachum

. 37957

for your very fine response to our
plea for help in publishing, counselling
cooperating with and generally aiding me
and the Committee of the Jewish War
Veterans in effectively bringing a
fine audience to the Protest Rally
at the Masonic Auditorium - this!
Sun P.M.

I am appreciating and
grateful

Sincerely
Lev Drucker

September 16, 1946

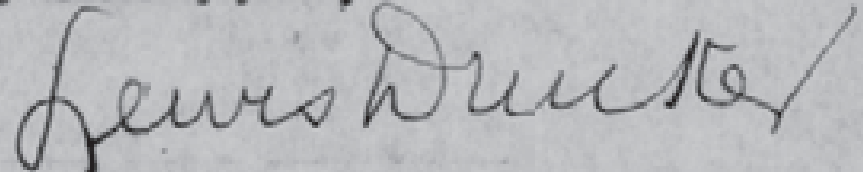
Mr. Harry Shapiro
American Zionist Emergency Committee
342 Madison Avenue
New York 17, New York

My dear Harry:

The resolution, the prepared statement for the Mayor was all delivered in time. The resolution as prepared with some slight modification was passed, approved and endorsed by the Joint Veterans Commission of Cuyahoga County. Subsequently, at the rally meeting, John H. Price, Chairman of the Joint Veterans Commission, presented that resolution with some additional changes which were suggested, prepared and added by Rabbi A. H. Silver in his study Sunday morning before the afternoon meeting.

I, personally; the Jewish War Veterans; and all the other veterans groups who cooperated to make the meeting successful; and their very energetic and active special committee delegated to project the Protest Meeting, are all grateful to you for your fine spirited cooperation and energetic endeavor to comply with our request, to obtain and supply us with the necessary press releases and material, and finally for your very gallant and relentless pursuit of the speaker which culminated in the successful intriguing of Edgar Ansel Mowrer, whose speech and appearance made a profound impression upon the large audience and attracted considerable newspaper comment.

Very sincerely yours,



LD:BR

cc: Rabbi A. H. Silver
cc: Ezra Shapiro
cc: Morris Morganstern
cc: Jack Cooper
cc: Art Cohen
cc: Ann Koblitz

September 16, 1946

Mr. Ezra Shapiro
Guardian Building
Cleveland 14, Ohio

My dear Ezra:

After heartaches, worry and anxiety, the Protest Meeting Sunday afternoon, at least served some good purposes. It was not an easy task. It involved discussions and deliberations by a headstrong committee. Their chairman, Jack Cooper, had definite notions which were fortified by a very determined, rigid and unbending attitude. I was also intrigued by his desire (which he claimed was a mandate from the committee) that the Hatikvah not be sung. In fact instructions had been given by Morris Morganstern to Mrs. Wehenken that she lead the audience in the Hatikvah after they had concluded the Star Spangled Banner. This request by Morris Morganstern, he told me later, was countermanded by Jack Cooper. Some objection was also made to its singing at the close of the meeting.

It was refreshing to find you ever ready and helpful when I called about advice or counsel in guiding the program and in the efforts to locate a speaker. It was most comforting to know that you were always available and patient, understanding and most willing to cooperate in assuring the success of that meeting.

Very sincerely yours,

Lew Bricker

LD:BR

cc: Rabbi A. H. Silver
cc: Ann Koblitz
cc: Sol Danaceau
cc:

cc: Art Cohen
cc: Morris Morganstern
cc: Jack Cooper

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September 18th 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio.

Esteemed Sir:

On behalf of the "ZEBULUN" Palestine Seafaring Society sponsored by the "Altneuland Foundation" I am herewith enclosing the mimeographed text of a letter from Mr. Abraham A. Redelheim, Nassi of "BNAI ZION".

Under separate cover we are sending you our descriptive leaflets about this organization which no doubt is well known to you. The U.S. Branch of "ZEBULUN" which was recently incorporated under the laws of the State of New York wishes to place your name as Honorary President of this body for the U.S.A. and we shall be very happy to have your kind consent to print your name on our stationery.

The Altneuland Foundation consists of old good Zionists many of them personally known to you

Hoping to receive your reply and wishing you and yours a Happy and joyous Rosh Hashonah I am on behalf of our Board of Directors

With Zions greetings

Sincerely yours

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I know how you are burdened with responsibilities and labors for our people and I have, therefore, hesitated writing to you. Nevertheless, I feel that the group carrying on the work for Herzliah deserves your kind attention.

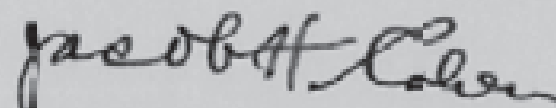
Herzliah is now undertaking to enlarge its educational program and a campaign is being launched to secure two buildings; one for a branch Hebrew high school in Brooklyn and another for a dormitory for out-of-town students in the neighborhood of the Herzliah.

Herzliah has over 400 students registered in its new building acquired two years ago. Practically the whole Hebrew movement is concentrated around this building. There is a great need for expansion as we can secure hundreds of new students who graduated from Yeshivas and Talmud Torahs in Brooklyn to attend a branch of the Herzliah Hebrew High School in Brooklyn.

We would like the honor of having your name associated as Honorary Chairman of the National Campaign Committee.

With Zion's greetings and best wishes for a happy New Year to you and yours, I remain,

Yours most sincerely,



Jacob H. Cohen
President

JHC:AG

September 22, 1946

Mr. Jacob C. Cohen, President
Herzliah Hebrew Teachers Institute
314 W. 91st St.
New York 24, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Cohen:

Thank you for your kind letter of September 19. I was interested to learn that the Herzliah is planning to enlarge its activities and to secure new buildings. I wish you every success. I shall be very happy to serve as Honorary Chairman of the National Campaign Committee.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are very much obligated to you for your kind interest in the Herzliah Hebrew Teachers Institute and Hebrew High School. The Board of Trustees and I are happy that you have accepted the Honorary Chairmanship of the Herzliah Educational Expansion Campaign.

We all realize how busy you are and, therefore, are most reluctant in asking you to give us some of your valuable time. However, we only ask that when you are in New York to give us an hour or two some evening for a meeting of about fifty or more people who are interested in advanced Hebrew education. A meeting of this sort will be held either at the home of Mr. Israel Matz or Mr. William Saltman. With your attendance, I am sure this meeting will bring us from thirty to fifty thousand dollars.

Hoping that the New Year will bring the realization of the fondest hopes of our people and may the Almighty grant you good health and strength to carry on your labors for our people, I am,

With Zion's greetings,

Yours most sincerely,

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Pres.
Zionist Organization of America,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

The present year of BITZARON ends with the
HERZL issue (which, by now, must have reached you),
an issue devoted to Theodor Herzl in commemoration
of fifty years of the "Judenstaat." I hope you will
find this issue to your liking.

Our forthcoming number will mark the beginning
of the eighth year of our Zionist Hebrew monthly in
America. On this occasion, we would very much welcome
an encouraging message from you as leader of the Zionist
movement in this country.

Looking forward to your valued response, I am,
with Zion's greetings and best wishes for the New Year,

Cordially,

Chaim Tchernow

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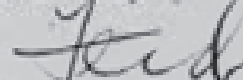
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105th & Ansel Rd.
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Dear Abba:

I should appreciate greatly a message from you
as president of the Conference to be read for the sixtieth
anniversary celebration of Temple Israel on Friday, October
18th or Saturday, October 19th.

With all good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,



Ferdinand M. Isserman

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Dear Dr. Silver,

On Saturday, November 2nd, at 8:00 P.M.,
Dr. Stephen S. Wise is installing me in the pulpit
of the Jewish Center of Kew Gardens Hills.

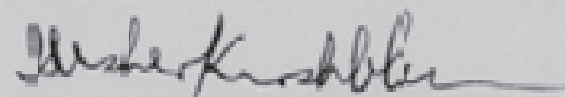
It would be presumptuous on my part to expect
you to attend this occasion. However, I would deem
it a great privilege and honor if you were to send
me your personal, warm greetings.

It may interest you to know that the chief rea-
son for my leaving the Flushing Jewish Center, after
having served it for ten long years, was its objection
to my manifold Zionist activities. Therefore, before
accepting this new pulpit, I made certain that the
membership sees eye to eye with me on that score.
Since September I have addressed seven Zionist rallies
in many Eastern states and thus far the membership
seems to like the idea.

And so, dear Dr. Silver, not so much for my sake
but for the sake of Zion, I respectfully urge you to
lend your word of encouragement on this auspicious
occasion in my life.

With Zion's greetings, I remain

Faithfully yours,



I. USHER KIRSHBLUM

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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR JEWISH EDUCATION
1776 Broadway
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A CALL TO JEWISH PARENTS
JEWISH EDUCATION MONTH AND WEEK
SEPTEMBER 8 - OCTOBER 15, 1946

As a Jewish parent you have inherited one of the world's greatest heritages. If you live only by the newspaper headline, it may seem to be only a heritage of suffering and trials and tribulations. But it isn't—and it must not be regarded as a heritage only of discrimination and distress.

Our heritage as Jews is far richer and more satisfying. It is, and can become for him who desires it, a wellspring of happiness for ourselves and our children. It can become a stimulus to the good life. It can draw our children closer to their parents, to their fellow Jews and to their fellowmen. It can give them priceless inner satisfactions: the deep rich spiritual values that are most sustaining in times of crisis like these.

Do not deny to your children this precious source of inner-strength. Do something about it. Make sure that through a sound and sustained Jewish education, you and your children are enriched by the enduring values of our Jewish heritage.

Jewish Education Month beginning September 8 and culminating in Jewish Education Week which ends October 15 has been designated as the period during which the attention of all American Jews is called to the need for educating our children and youth in accordance with the history, traditions and values of Judaism.

The call is for your child or children. The call is to you, the parent, to make sure that along with their democratic American heritage the heritage of Judaism will be available to our younger generation.

If your child already attends a Jewish religious school, or is engaged in Jewish educational activity, make sure that this education is continued. If he is not yet enrolled, enroll him now.

To have happy, adjusted, informed, inspired American Jewish children and youth there must be cooperation between parents and schools: schools for general education and schools for Jewish education.

A Jewish school is waiting in your community or neighborhood to serve you and your family.

Seek it out now.

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ANNIVERSARY OF TEMPLE ISRAEL. MAY GOD PROSPER YOUR GREAT CONGREGATION IN THE DAYS
TO COME AND UNDER YOUR DISTINGUISHED LEADERSHIP MAY IT MIGHTILY INCREASE IN
INFLUENCE AND SERVICE.

Abba Hillel Silver

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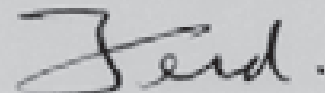
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

My congregation greatly appreciated your fine telegram of congratulations which you sent in the name of the Conference.

With kindest personal greetings, I remain,

Sincerely yours,



Ferdinand M. Isserman

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In a recent message to the Zebulun Conference, Professor Joseph Klausner says: "Palestine must look to its economic resources, not only to agriculture, industry and commerce, but also to develop independent seafaring, without which the Jews in Palestine will not be able to keep industry and commerce in their hands."

Professor Klausner went on, saying: "Zebulun was the first society in Palestine which recognized the great importance of Jewish sea-faring and linked up our modern Renaissance with the days of King David, Solomon and the Maccabees, when Palestine was also a great sea-faring power."

In the training centers, schools and workshops of Zebulun at Haifa, Tel-Aviv, Hedera, Natanya, Herzliyah, Ramat-Gan, Bat-Yam, and on the shore of the Yarkon River, our young men are being trained and instructed in seafaring, shipbuilding and repairing, thus making the sea their lives' work.

Boat Building in Palestine is now going on and increasing from day to day. The Jewish Agency inspects our training centers and workshops regularly. The insignificant financial assistance from the agency places the burden of financing this great national effort on the shoulders of our people everywhere.

Zebulun divisions have been founded in many lands. The British and Palestinian Jews have so far provided six ships. We must build ships in the hundreds. With the establishment of the American Division of Zebulun, an opportunity is given to every American to participate in this great work. We therefore extend a cordial invitation to all our American brethren to join our ranks. Become a yearly member, a sponsor, an annual contributor, or a subscriber.

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER THE TEMPLE CLEVE=

ENDEAVORING TO SET UP A NATIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE TO HELP LAY GROUNDWORK FOR A NATIONAL "CRIME PREVENTION WEEK" IN DECEMBER. COMMITTEE WOULD COMPRISE PROMINENT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS, INCLUDING POLICE COMMISSIONERS OF LARGE CITIES, REPRESENTATIVES OF FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, SECRET SERVICE, INSURANCE COMPANIES, CLERGY, SOCIAL, CIVIC AND JUVENILE AGENCIES AND PRISON AND PAROLE ASSOCIATIONS. OBJECTIVE TO PLAN AND INITIATE A PROGRAM SIMILAR TO NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION WEEK SEEKING TO EDUCATE PUBLIC REGARDING HOW AVERAGE CITIZEN CAN HELP POLICE COMBAT CRIME AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY. YOUR COOPERATION ON NATION PLANNING COMMITTEE WOULD BE APPRECIATED. ALSO ANY SUGGESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE TO OFFER ON SUBJECT. MAY WE COUNT ON YOUR COOPERATION ON COMMITTEE? =

LEWIS J VALENTINE CHAIRMAN ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE
NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION WEEK 1650 68TH ST BROOKLYN
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SMOLLER SPOKE TO YOU ABOUT CAVALCADE DATE IN
CHICAGO AFTER EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING YESTERDAY
PETE AND I TRIED TO WORK UP A SCHEDULE FOR CHICAGO
WE WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO HAVE YOU IN CHICAGO
TUESDAY NIGHT DECEMBER THIRD TO SPEAK ON ISSAC
M WISE TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS OF CHICAGO CONGREGATIONS
AND AFFILIATES WE EAGERLY ANTICIPATE YOUR WIRE OF
ACCEPTANCE=

LOUIS I EGELSON.

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM IT

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

October 25th, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

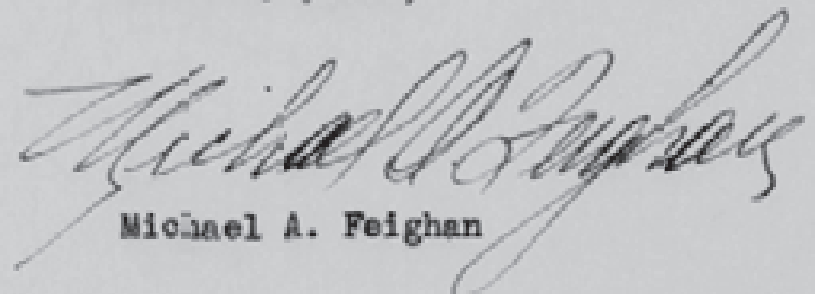
Dear Dr. Silver:

Your ability as a spiritual leader in Cleveland has not been surpassed by any who have preceded you, and will be equalled by few who will follow you. Your wisdom, and patience, your warm personality and sympathetic nature, and your unwavering faith in your fellow man are innate traits which have made your service to your community of inestimable value.

On the anniversary of your thirtieth year at The Temple, I wish you abundant health to continue the valuable service which you are rendering to your people, and I especially offer my congratulations to the members of the congregation who have enjoyed the benefit of your counsel and guidance through the past thirty years.

With all good wishes to you, I remain,

Sincerely yours,



Michael A. Feighan

MARTYRS MEMORIAL SYNAGOGUE

Eternally cherished in every Jewish heart, the sacred memories of our 6,000,000 whose lost lives must be surety, that tyranny, hatred and intolerance disappear from the face of the earth

ד' יסקוד ברחמים החסידים והישרים והתמימים.
קהלות הקדש שמסרו נפשם על קדושת השם.
הנאבדים והנעלמים בחייהם ובמותם לא נפרדו.
יזכרם ד' לטובה עם שאר צדיקי עולם.

October 29th., 1946.

Reverend Dr. Abba Millel Silver,
President of the
Zionist Organisation of America,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Reverend Sir;

When first the CHAPEL OF MARTYRS was projected through the AMERICAN JEWISH SHRINE, more than two years ago, it was praised by National Jewish leaders, as Henry Moncky termed it, "the purpose is very laudable." The very same counselled that the "time was not propitious" because of the great task of "rescue and rehabilitation."

To-day, our responsibilities in rescue and rehabilitation have not abated—there is, however, abundant evidence from current conditions, that the pressing need of erecting a fitting memorial to our 6,000,000 Jewish dead, would not in the slightest vitiate the efforts to rescue the remnants of European Jewry. Any further delay to honor our sacred dead would bring embarrassment to American Jewry and brand it as callously apathetic.

We therefore ask you to join as sponsor, member and worker and bring in your organization; for the MARTYRS MEMORIAL SYNAGOGUE should properly belong to all Jews and all Jewish organizations, indeed—to 5,000,000 American Jews. This is yours as it is every Jew's, and through these sacred dead it should become the SYMBOL OF OUR UNITY.

The Emunah Israel, located in the very pulse of America, was so named before 9,000 Jews on October 17th., last, and the enthusiastic acclaim in unanimity was heartening.

Respectfully,

Chas. J. Abeles

P.S.

It is the earnest wish of the Board that you become an Honorary President.

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Rabbi Louis Egelson

November 1, 1946 19

To

Union of American Hebrew Congregations

Care of or Apt. No. 34 4. 6th St.

Cincinnati, Ohio

Street and No.

Place

REPLYING TO YOUR TELEGRAM I AM LEAVING THE COUNTRY LATTER PART OF NOVEMBER FOR ZIONIST CONGRESS. I AM THEREFORE UNABLE TO ACCEPT INVITATION CHICAGO. IN CONNECTION WITH CAVALCADE MEETING IN CLEVELAND I MAY BE OUT OF COUNTRY BY NOVEMBER 22. WOULD SUGGEST A SERVICE IN THE TEMPLE ON SUNDAY MORNING ON NOVEMBER 17. I AM SCHEDULED FRIDAY EVENING SIXX SERIES OF BIBLE LECTURES FOR NEXT FEW WEEKS. KINDEST REGARDS

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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LOU MANN AVAILABLE FOR CAVALCADE MEETING FRIDAY NIGHT
NOVEMBER 22. IT IS AGREEABLE TO BRICKNER WHOM I SAW IN
NEW YORK YESTERDAY. IS IT AGREEABLE TO YOU? PLEASE CONFER
WITH BRICKNER AS TO PLACE OF JOINT SERVICE FOR THE 22ND.
WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR WIRING ME COLLECT=
LOUIS I EGELSON.

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"I know that your edifice, consecrated as it is to the memory of millions of Jewish martyrs of the last horrible decade, will be a cornerstone in the structure of world brotherhood and a bulwark against the repetition of that inhuman assault on every ideal which humanity and religions hold precious."

VINCENT R. IMPELLITTERI,
President of the Council of the City of New York.

November 5, 1946

Congressman Michael A. Feighan
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

My dear Congressman Feighan:

I received with great pleasure your kind letter of October 25. It was indeed most gracious and thoughtful of you to write to me and I assure you that I derived much joy from it.

I cannot imagine that thirty years have nearly passed since I first came to Cleveland. They have been such crowded and swiftly moving years. I suppose no period in human history has witnessed so many and such radical changes and upheavals as these last three decades. My years in Cleveland have been made exceedingly pleasant by good friends in all walks of life and of all religious persuasions. Your own friendship I value greatly.

With all good wishes and again thanking you for your kind message, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AMS:BK

November 5, 1946

Rabbi I. Usher Kirshblum
The Jewish Center of Kew Gardens Hills
137th Street and 77th Avenue
Kew Garden Hills,
Flushing, N.Y.

My dear Rabbi Kirshblum:

Will you pardon my lamentable failure to send you a word of greeting on the occasion of your installation as the Rabbi of the Jewish Center of Kew Gardens Hills. I had intended to return from the convention of the ZOA in Atlantic City in time to attend to quite a number of duties which I had placed on my schedule. Unfortunately I did not return in time.

I am sure, however, that you will receive my greetings, however belated, as being no less warm and sincere. I send you all my good wishes for success in your new pulpit. Your congregation is to be congratulated upon having summoned to its spiritual leadership a man possessed of that spiritual integrity and courage which you have already so splendidly manifested. You are to be congratulated on the fine new field of service which is opening up for you. I know of your great devotion to all that is finest and noblest in Jewish life, and your consecration to the best in the traditions of America. I hope that you will go from strength to strength and that you will find great satisfaction and contentment in your ministry.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

November 7, 1946

Mr. David Tannenbaum, Director
Palestine Economic Bureau
Zionist Organization of America
41 E. 42nd St.
New York 17, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Tannenbaum:

Mr. Irving Hexter, of the Industrial Publishing Co., 1240 Ontario Street, Cleveland, Ohio, would like to know about Mr. F. J. Jacoby, President of the Anglo-Palestine Publishing Company with offices at 418, the Strand, London. I understand that they are the publishers of the Anglo-Palestine Yearbook and that they have a branch office in Tel Aviv. Could you supply Mr. Hexter with more information?

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

105 ST AND ANSEL RD=

HERBERT BAYARD SWOPE JOINS ME IN URGING YOU MAKE SUPREME
EFFORT BRING MAXIMUM NUMBER FRIENDS TO OVERSEAS NEWS
AGENCY DINNER NEXT TUESDAY TWENTY-SIXTH WOULD APPRECIATE
YOUR ADVISING RESULT SOONEST SO CAN MAKE NECESSARY NUMBER
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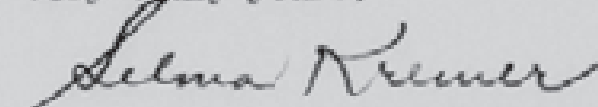
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street at Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Doctor Silver:

As Mr. Tannenbaum is now in Palestine I am taking the liberty of replying to your letter of November 7th.

I regret to inform you that we have no information here concerning Mr. F. J. Jacoby of the Anglo-Palestine Publishing Company.

Very truly yours,



Sec'ty. to Mr. Tannenbaum.

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To Dr. B. B. Glaser

November 25, 1946 /19

Care of or Apt. No. Temple Beth El

Street and No. 8801 Woodward Ave.

Place Detroit, Michigan

MY HEARTIEST FELICITATIONS ON YOUR ANNIVERSARY. MAY YOU BE BLESSED

WITH MANY MORE YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE IN THE MIDST OF YOUR PEOPLE.

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

Sender's name and address
(For reference only)

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November 25, 1946

Dr. Max C. Currick
Congregation Anshe Hased
523 W. 9th St.
Erie, Pa.

My dear Currick:

I received this morning the announcement that your Temple will hold a testimonial dinner honoring you on the occasion of your forty-fifth anniversary as Rabbi of the Congregation. The dinner is scheduled on December 8. I shall be out of the country at that time. I am leaving Friday for Switzerland to attend the World Zionist Congress. I would not wish, however, this significant occasion to pass by without sending you a word of felicitation and warmest greeting.

It is not an ordinary matter to serve one congregation for four and a half decades. That in itself is an unusual occurrence in our ministry. But to have served your people as you have with such rare devotion and distinction, and to have won and held their deep affection and admiration for nearly half a century, is an extraordinary phenomenon, and one that should fill your heart with deepest satisfaction.

I hope that the years ahead will be as richly rewarding.

I send my heartiest felicitations also to Mrs. Currick.

Most cordially yours,

Congregation Shaarai Shomayim

DUKE AND JAMES STREETS
LANCASTER, PENNA.

Daniel L. Davis, Rabbi

November 26, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
105th St. & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We were very happy to have your kind message of greeting on our 90th Anniversary. The Congregation appreciated your thoughtfulness and would have you know of its deep gratitude for your interest in their welfare.

With kindest greetings.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. B. Harry Silver
Anniversary Chairman

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B. Harry Silver

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 26, 1946

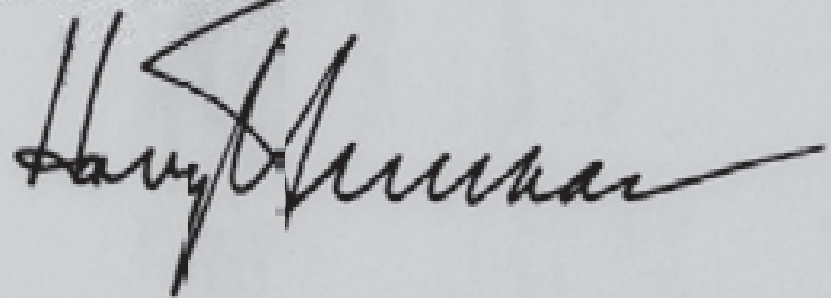
Dear Mrs. Douglas:

It is particularly gratifying to me to congratulate the youth of America and of the world on the occasion of their World Friendship meeting. I subscribe, and I know that every American parent subscribes to your own axiom: "War is the children's worst enemy."

It is heartening to know, then, that you are commencing your fight as young people to achieve a permanent peace, that you are waging peace now in the strong determination that waging war in the future will not be necessary. You are choosing the right weapons -- the weapons of sincere friendship, common understanding, and mutual confidence. Your deeds will give practical expression to the high principles of the United Nations.

I commend your far-sighted program to break down the barriers of mistrust and suspicion. May God give you the strength, the courage, and the growth in wisdom, to build that better world we all so fervently desire.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Harry Truman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Mrs. Helen Gahagan Douglas,
Chairman,
World Friendship Dinner,
2 West 45th Street, Room 1704,
New York 19, N. Y.

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יוזרם ד' לטובה עם שאר צדיקי עולם.

Here's Your Story:—

6,000,000 Jews were killed in the past decade in Europe, and it is pointless to belabour the tragedy, the oceans of tears and blood, as it is vulgar to drain more groans and sobs, from their surviving relatives, which are, all of us. Your story is unparalleled in the history of appalling tragedies.

What Has Been Done About It?

They are "dead." They cannot be restored to "life"; but the stigma can be removed from the innocent "dead" and the shame from us, for they, thus far, are as unhonoured as is Goering and his Nazis, and we, thus far, live in the ignominy of not having honoured them. Thus far, nothing has been done about it.

Our Aim — Yours and Ours:—

To erect for them a memorial worthy of their memories; a striking, living monument to everlastingly remind the world of the crime of our whole generation, Jew and Christian—the crime of indifference to the groans of the oppressed.

Our Further Aim:—

The unity of American Israel, through these sacred dead, in securing our safety in America against future blasts of anti-semitism. No religious—political—or—fraternal—organizational unity is sought; just unity in securing our safety in Jewry's Common Residence, or Symbol of Unity.

What Can You Do?

Become a member for \$1.00 a year (and upward), until the money is there to build something that will look as imposing as a Lincoln Memorial in beauty. Get your organization to sponsor it. With a membership of \$100 (or upward) an organization can send a representative to our meetings and have voice in the development and the ultimate plans; such a representative becomes a trustee. Spread it around to others, and make others as members, until every Jew in America can take comfort and glory in it.

When?

Now! Send in members now!

CONGREGATION
EMUNATH ISRAEL
236 West 23rd St., N. Y. C.
Charles J. Abeles, Rabbi

WILSHIRE BOULEVARD TEMPLE

LOS ANGELES 5, CALIFORNIA

December 20, 1946

Rabbi Louis L. Mann
Chicago Sinai Congregation
5242 Hyde Park Blvd.
Chicago 15, Illinois

Dear Lou:

Replying to your letter of the 18th, I'm sorry
I can't get back to Chicago so soon again.

However, please convey to those present the
gist of our recent conversation while I was in Chicago,
namely, that in my opinion, Abba Hillel Silver ought to
be drafted for the presidency of the Hebrew Union Col-
lege. He has organizing ability, learning, eloquence,
personality, international fame, and everything that
ought to make the College what it should be. Reluctant
as he might be to accept this position, it may be poss-
ible for us to induce him to accede to a strong demand
if he can be made to realize how much Reform Judaism
and the College need him in that capacity right now.

It was swell to see you and Ruth and all the
family.

Best always, in which Evelyn and the family
join me.

Cordially,

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December 26, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, President, C.C.A.R.
The Temple
East 103rd Street & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

May I send you herewith an advance copy of the report of the arrangements with the United States Census Bureau relative to our work of assembling the statistics of the Jewish people for the current federal census of religious bodies. As in the past, the director of the Jewish Statistical Bureau has been appointed United States Special Agent for this census.

It is clear that American Jews must be enumerated in connection with the Federal Census of American religious groups.

As you are president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, and delegate to our National Council, will you kindly peruse the report especially pages 4f and 15f and let me know.

Very sincerely yours,

HSL:RA

H. S. LINFIELD

Dear Dr. Silver: I am very anxious to see the report. The census comes once in ten years. With the census of the summer, I will think of the summer. H. S. Linfield

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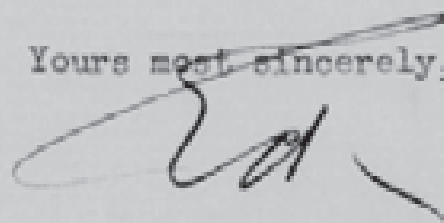
Dear Rabbi Silver:

I notice that you are to address the City Club next Saturday. It will be a fine opportunity to tell the facts concerning the Palestine controversy and I wish you well.

I want you to know that from my humble experience in politics, I am convinced that your approach is the most reasonable one. Anything less will finally result in a compromise much less beneficial to the unfortunate Jews of Europe than the kind of compromise that I believe will in any event be necessary. But in dealing with power politics as it exists in this situation and with special reference to England's ambitions and motives, you cannot go into negotiations compromising in advance. I wish you luck.

With kind regards, I remain

Yours most sincerely,



Edward J. Schweid

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45 EAST 17th STREET, NEW YORK, N. Y.

January 23, 1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Ansel Road and East 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Jewish National Workers' Alliance is arranging an American Good-Will Tour for Palestine's champion soccer team, an affiliate of the Hapoel Athletic League of the Histadrut. The Hapoel Soccer Team will meet America's leading teams in various cities.

The tremendous Zionist educational significance of this good-will tour and its contribution towards interest and achievements for our cause among Americans need not be elaborated on in a letter to you, one of the foremost leaders in the struggle for a Jewish State.

A sponsors' committee of prominent Americans - Jews and non-Jews - for the Hapoel Tour is now in formation. We deem it a pleasure to invite you to join as a member of this committee. Your name will add prestige to our committee.

Looking forward to an early and favorable reply, I am

Sincerely yours,

Louis Segal
Secretary

LS:MA
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Chicago Sinai Congregation

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DR. LOUIS L. MANN
RABBI

January
25th
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My dear Fellow Alumnus:

You will excuse this mimeographed letter because time is of the essence. It is most personal even though mimeographed.

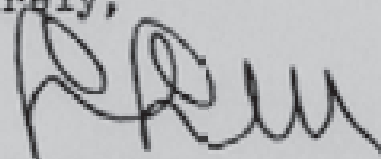
I am enclosing a copy of a letter that I sent to the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College. I would like for you to give very careful thought to my suggestion for the Presidency. Let me have your reaction as soon as you conveniently can.

A dozen or more colleagues who heard of my letter through the Board of Governors, to my great surprise, became enthusiastic over it. With my recommendation for the Presidency, the J.I.R. and the H.U.C. could easily be united and the "mach-ha-loketh" which has not been "l-shem-shomayim" could be brought to an end.

Unless we blaze the new trail and do it vigorously, the future of Reform in America — and therefore in the world — will be none too bright.

With the kindest of personal greetings,
I am

Sincerely,



LLM:BW
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January 14th, 1947

DR. LOUIS L. MANN
RABBI

The Board of Governors
Hebrew Union College
Cincinnati, Ohio

Gentlemen:

I have given a great deal of thought to the selection of a President of the Hebrew Union College to succeed our dear friend, Dr. Morgenstern. I want to share with you at this time my conclusion in the matter.

My first choice who is a Rabbi cannot accept under any and all conditions. He has commitments for the next few years that are sacred to him.

As it is not without precedent to have a non-Rabbi President of a rabbinical college — as was the case with Dr. Cyrus Adler of the Jewish Theological Seminary — I am taking the liberty of suggesting one who is not a Rabbi but yet a Jewish scholar. He has imagination, vision, a contagious enthusiasm, sufficient youth yet mellowed, broadened and deepened by a wide experience.

He has recently been offered the presidency of the Brandeis-Einstein Jewish University. He has several times during the last few years been invited to accept the presidency of the Jewish Institute of Religion by Dr. Stephen Wise. He has quite incidentally collected over two and a half million dollars over the last few years for Hillel Foundation buildings.

By this time you will recognize the portrait of Dr. Abram L. Sachar. I would suggest that we "draft" him for the presidency of the Hebrew Union College. He has great executive ability, a contagious enthusiasm, a magnificent academic background, and has been associated with colleges and universities for twenty-five years. He has lectured at some three hundred American colleges and universities and knows many of the presidents intimately. At this juncture in world history, Jews in general and Reform Jews in particular, must blaze a new path with courage, vision and self-esteem. I know of no one who could do this as well as Dr. Sachar. I hope that he will be considered seriously.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Louis L. Mann

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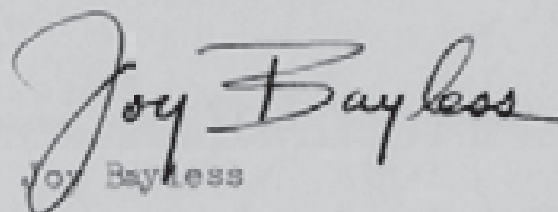
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105th Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We should like to quote in THE CHRISTIAN HOME, a monthly magazine for parents, your "America's Making," as found in The New Hymnal for American Youth, a copy of which is enclosed. Do you own the copyright on this selection? If you do, will you grant us permission to reprint it in our magazine? We shall be glad to give whatever credit you specify.

If you do not own the copyright, we would appreciate any information you can give us in helping us secure the permission. May we hear from you at your earliest convenience?

Sincerely yours,


Joy Bayless

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America's Making

God built him a continent of glory and filled it with treasures untold;
He studded it with sweet flowing fountains and traced it with long winding streams;
He carpeted it with soft rolling prairies and columned it with thundering mountains;
He graced it with deep-shadowed forests and filled them with song;
Then he called unto a thousand peoples and summoned the bravest among them.
They came from the ends of the earth, each bearing a gift and a hope.
The glow of adventure was in their eyes, and in their hearts the glory of hope.
And out of the bounty of earth and the labor of men;
Out of the longing of hearts and the prayer of souls;
Out of the memory of ages and the hopes of the world,
God fashioned a people in love, blessed it with purpose sublime, and called it America.



February 1, 1947

Miss Joy Bayless
810 Broadway
Nashville 2, Tenn.

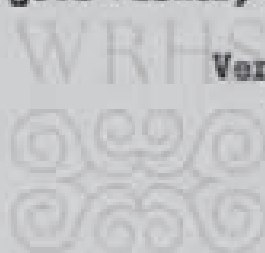
My dear Miss Bayless:

Thank you for your kind letter of January 30.
You have my permission to reprint my poem, "America,"
in your magazine. I own the copyright on that poem
and I am sending you herewith a copy of it.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansell Road, E. 125th St.
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Dear Dr. Silver:

You are cordially invited to attend the
"National Conference on the German Problem"
at the Starlight Roof, WALDORF-ASTORIA HOTEL,
New York City, on THURSDAY, March 6, 1947.

Twice within a generation, the American people
have had to defend themselves against a predatory
and ruthless Germany. This must not happen again.

It is urgent that the American people re-
examine the German problem and support the imple-
mentation of those principles which were originally
established by the Allies to prevent the resurgence
of a strong Germany.

Toward that end, a group of people have formed
a Sponsoring Committee for the purpose of convening
a National Conference on the German Problem. It is
the hope and aim of the Sponsoring Committee that
this nation-wide gathering will prepare a united
program on Germany corresponding to the vital
interest and security of the American people.

We are confident that our Government will
welcome this action as an indication that the
people are taking an active interest in a problem,
the solution of which, in a large measure, will
determine the future of world peace.

Please return the enclosed card.

Sincerely yours,

FOR THE SPONSORING COMMITTEE

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Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt

Edgar Ansel Mowrer
Edgar Ansel Mowrer

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1 P. M. to 6 P. M.
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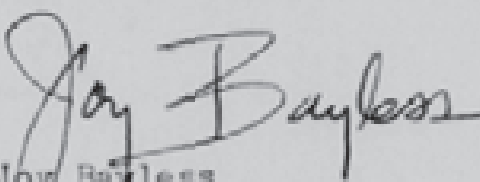
February 4, 1947

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you very much for your letter of February first in which you grant us permission to quote in our magazine your poem "America." We appreciate your sending us a copy of the poem. We have made the corrections in our manuscript and have indicated that the poem is used by permission. Thank you again for your kindness in this matter.

Sincerely yours,


Joy Bayless

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road and East 105th Street
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My dear Dr. Silver:

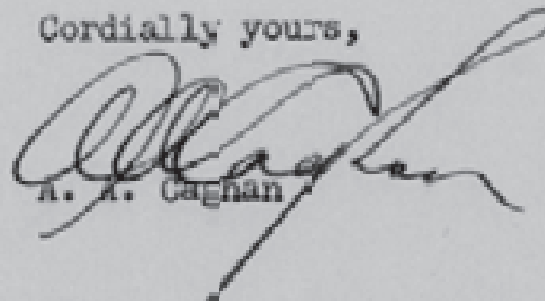
I have just been advised by the War Department that the British Government proposes to confer upon me the Order of the British Empire (or Member of the British Empire, it is not clear which), presumably for services I rendered to the British Forces while serving in the Netherlands during the war.

It is my intention, of course, to refuse the award when it is proffered, and my personal inclination is to do so unobtrusively and without public exhibitionism.

However, as a Zionist and a member of your executive committee of the Society, I feel constrained to ask your advice as to whether my refusal of the award should somehow be made to serve and further the strategic weapons we must use in our struggle.

While my refusal to accept the award will not, I am sure, cause the British Empire to tremble or the course of destiny to be altered, I am mindful of the importance which even small events may play when coordinated and disciplined toward larger objectives. That is my justification for intruding this matter upon you, now so occupied with many more important things.

Cordially yours,


A. A. Caghan

February 20, 1947

Mr. A. A. Caghen
Department of Labor
4237 Post Office Building
Cleveland 18, Ohio

My dear Friends:

Thank you for your letter and your inquiry. I cannot see why you should not make public the fact that you have refused the award of the British Government, and to state your reasons for it. It would certainly be a very dignified thing to do.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

From Stephanie Medevic Sec'y
United Committee of South-Slavic Americans
1119 E. 76 Str.
Cleveland 3 Ohio
PHONE EN. 7529

1947
WORLD FAMED VIOLINIST TO SPEAK
IN CLEVELAND ON YUGOSLAVIA

Mr. and Mrs. Zlatko Balokovic who are appearing in this city on Friday, February 21, at the Sachsenheims Hall, 1400 East 55 Str., held under the sponsorship of the local chapter of the United Committee of South Slavic Americans will give an account on their recent tour of two month's through Yugoslavia. Mr. Balokovic is the world famed violinist and president of the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief, of which Eleanor Roosevelt is Honorary chairman.

Prior to arriving in Yugoslavia, the Balokovic's attended the sessions of the Paris Peace conference.

Their report on their trip is considered of particular importance, because of the controversial nature of most news about that country.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Temple
Andel & E. 105 Street
Cleveland, Ohio



Dear Dr. Silver:

It would so give us pleasure if you oblige us to also speak at this meeting, we are very anxious to have a man of the church speak, perhaps on Foreign Policies. or in any vein you see fit. Enclosed will find a Biographical Sketch of Mr. Balokovic. Thanking you for your kind attention. I remain.

Sincerely yours,
Stephanie Medevic Sec'y

Stephanie Medevic
United Committee of South-Slavic
Americans

Meeting begins at 8:00 P.M.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
President, Zionist Organization of America,
41 East 42nd Street,
New York, New York.

Dear Doctor Silver:

It would be greatly appreciated if you would accept an invitation to become a member of the Executive Committee of the Citizens Committee on Displaced Persons.

Our Committee, which represents all shades of public opinion, is endeavoring to have temporary legislation passed which will permit the United States to do its fair share toward solving the Displaced Persons problem. I am sure you are aware of the fact that approximately 25% of the present Displaced Persons are Jews, and the remainder are adherents of various Christian faiths. We are proposing a bill which, if passed, would permit the United States Government to issue visas to 100,000 Displaced Persons per year for four years, without regard to race or religion, and without regard to country of origin. All of the protective measures which are a part of our present immigration laws would still prevent undesirables from entry into our country. These categories include those with communicable diseases, anarchists, those likely to become public charges, et.al.

We are eager to have as wide support as is possible. I am sure that you and your organization could be most helpful in bringing about this desirable temporary legislation.

Please accept my thanks in advance for your prompt acceptance and your active co-operation.

Sincerely yours,

Earl G. Harrison

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LEONARD M. LEONARD

EDITOR

February 28, 1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I want to thank you most sincerely for your interest in our projected new service, as our managing editor, Erwin van Swol, briefly presented it on the telephone to you yesterday.

You have asked to know more about it and about us. So here is the story.

We began as a nutrition publication 12 years ago, and, as our age suggests, we have earned a competence, and a reputation for ethical practice which I think will be confirmed by a Cleveland neighbor of yours, Dr. Ernest Bueding of Western Reserve University, a medical doctor and outstanding biochemist who has served as our scientific consultant.

Recently, however, acting upon the obvious and basic fact "that man does not live by bread alone"—we decided to fulfill the promise of our title "LIVING" by engaging the reader on broader grounds. Accordingly, we have embarked upon a new effort to help him live a fuller, happier, healthier life in those additional departments which might be termed philosophical, psychological, and spiritual.

Only a few months of this has swelled our circulation to about 300,000 monthly readers at a time when many other publications were feeling the strong pinch of post-war retrenchment. Perhaps we dare not attribute this growth to our own excellence, but we do feel that it stemmed from our sincerity and the concomitant fact that we have been filling a basic need of these times.

Be that as it may, we are continuing to grow, and as we do, more and more of our readers are coming to feel that we are honestly trying to help them and that they can frankly con-

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vide their problems to us. They are soliciting our answers to questions concerning the everyday difficulties of life--some vocational, some social, marital, or moral, but the underlying note is a plea for tranquillity of mind, and for a core of inner quiet.

We are calling upon you, because we do not feel competent in ourselves to supply all these wants, nor do we feel justified in ignoring them. We know, moreover, that if we are to be increasingly successful, we must be increasingly helpful.

Thus we have decided to gather around us those best qualified to advise--in those instances, at least, where advice can morally and ethically be given through this medium. Dr. Max F. Baer, National Director of B'nai B'rith Vocational Service Bureau, for example, is our vocational counsellor; Dr. A. P. Sperling, author of "Psychology for the Millions," is among our psychological consultants; Ruth Brindze, whose work has received official recognition, is our consumer specialist. There are others.

We are now trying to get together a board of spiritual advisers--one for each of the three great faiths. We can think of none we would rather have to represent the Jewish faith than you, if you will consent to help us.

Our plan is to refer to each advisor these questions each month which he is most qualified to answer. One question which might be referable to you, for instance, came in the other day from a woman seeking solace in bereavement and asking our aid in helping her face the future.

Naturally, we expect to compensate each member for the help he gives. It is hard to fix upon a fee in the present fluid state of the plan, but roughly we might begin by paying our regular space rates of 7¢ a word--or it might prove more feasible to pay a flat fee per question answered, regardless of the published space it occupies. Later, a fixed yearly sum may be agreed upon. It goes without saying, that as we grow, those who grow with us can count upon increasing rewards.

We do not plan to give any answers by mail. All will be published, with the signature of the respondent board member. Many questions, conceivably, will be answered by several of our advisers to present different viewpoints.

February 28, 1947

Regrettably, the only issue of our publication now on hand is the January number, of which we are enclosing a marked copy. The magazine has been redesigned, however, to supply the greater dignity and restraint we feel its content typifies, and as soon as the new April issue is off the press, we shall send it to you.

I might point out that our audience falls into the more mature category. We are addressing our message essentially to people of middle age and over, whose growing number and special needs have received but scant recognition to date.

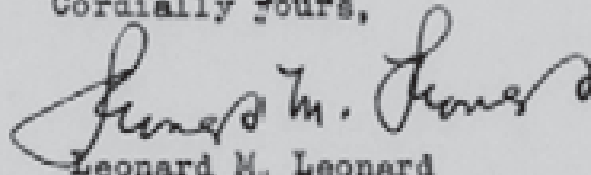
Anticipating a possible question, we cannot state now who will represent the Catholic and Protestant faiths on the proposed board, but there are several of eminent situation with whom we are now in contact, as with you.

You may make your acceptance of our request and offer wholly tentative and contingent upon your subsequent agreement with the entire set-up, as it finally takes form within the next few weeks. However, we are most anxious to get your initial reaction, so that we may guide our efforts accordingly.

Please let us hear from you, and accept our heartiest thanks for your patience and interest. We feel that we have a unique opportunity to render a public service which has never before been attempted along these particular lines or to this broad degree.

We hope that you will find it possible to share both in the effort and the satisfaction.

Cordially yours,


Leonard M. Leonard

LML/t

March 2, 1947

Mr. John S. Knight, Publisher
Chicago Daily News
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Knight:

At the suggestion of Mr. Louis B. Seltzer of the Cleveland Press, I am enclosing herewith a letter which I addressed to The Cleveland Press today in reply to the article which appeared in the March 1st issue of The Press from the pen of Mr. Wallace R. Deuel. I assume that the same article appeared in the Chicago Daily News and in the other newspapers which you publish. I would appreciate it if you would find space in your Paper to give my reply the same prominence that Mr. Deuel's article received.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX
Enc.

March 5, 1947

Mr. Leonard M. Leonard, Editor
Living
1819 Broadway
New York 23, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Leonard:

Permit me to thank you for your letter of February 28. I feel highly honored that you have invited me to become one of the advisers for your periodical on spiritual and religious matters and that you would wish me to write for your magazine through answering questions which would be submitted to me by your readers.

I wish I were free to avail myself of your gracious invitation. It would give me great pleasure indeed. Unfortunately time will not permit it. I have been compelled to neglect many of my activities here at The Temple because of the responsibilities which I have assumed in connection with the Zionist Movement. I travel about a great deal. In fact, I am about to leave for Palestine. I have therefore been compelled to reduce my commitments in other fields.

Your project is a very interesting one and I am sure that you will have no difficulty in finding an outstanding leader of the Jewish faith who will be able to cooperate with you. Should you wish me to suggest some names, I shall be very happy to do so.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK



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Samuel Weiner

April 1, 1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

I see by this morning's Jewish Morning Journal that you have returned home safely. I want to take this opportunity of thanking you on behalf of Bnai Zion and myself for the honor you bestowed upon us in attending and participating in the establishment of the Kfar Bnai Zion in Palestine. I am personally most grateful to you for this evidence of your friendship.

If you will recall our conversation in Pittsburgh, you promised to send me a message to be printed in our Order Day issue of the "Bnai Zion Voice" on the occasion of the 39th Annual Order Day Dinner being held at the Hotel Commodore on Sunday evening, April 20th. I would therefore appreciate it if you would send me this message at your first opportunity, but please make every effort to have it in my hands not later than April 12th, which is the deadline of the publication. Any comments you would like to make as to your impressions of our Kfar Bnai Zion would be most welcome. I leave the length of the message to you. There are no restrictions imposed upon you as to its length.

With kindest personal regards and again thanking you for the interest you have been taking in our organization, I remain

Yours with fraternal and Zion's greetings,

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MOST REV. FRANCIS J. HAAS

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April 3, 1947

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Gentlemen:

A BOOK OF FRIENDLINESS, our Literature Book for Grade Eight is to be published shortly and in it we wish to include the selections on the appended page.

This book, which is to be used in the United States, Canada and the Republic of the Philippines, will be published within the next few months.

Our literature series is designated to promote and extend good citizenship in the parochial schools by way of good literature. Since your publications have such direct association to our work, we would be most grateful for your assent to the use of the ones listed on the appended page. May we hear from you as soon as possible?

Sincerely yours,

Sister Mary Brendan

Sister Mary Brendan, R. S. M.
Consultant on Upper Grades

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Enclosure

For your poem, "America"

April 9, 1947

Sister Mary Brendan, R.S.M.
The Catholic University of America
Washington, D.C.

My dear Sister:

In reply to your kind letter of
April 3, permit me to say that you have my
approval to the inclusion of my poem, "America,"
in the book, "A Book of Friendliness," which you
are publishing.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX

ROGER W. STRAUS

120 BROADWAY

NEW YORK

April 9, 1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, President
Central Conference of American Rabbis
East 105th Street & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You will receive a letter from the United States Director of the Census inviting you to a meeting in Washington re the enumeration of the Jewish people in the current federal census of religious bodies.

The situation before us is this: an attempt is now being made to introduce a new type of official statistics of Jews. The federal government, it is proposed, should redefine the term "person of the Jewish faith" so as to limit it to those affiliated with the congregations. The immediate result, if this attempt is successful, would be that the federal government for census purposes would draw a line between those who are affiliated with the congregations or "Religious Jews" on the one hand, and those that are not, or "Racial Jews" on the other hand; and only the first type of Jews would be included in the government's census of religious groups. In the background, there is the possibility of the enumeration of the Jewish people in the manner of the "American races which are separately enumerated by the government, by occupation.

I desire to write you for your confidential information, that we have been given to understand that if the Jewish religious organizations are united in their stand, the federal government will follow in the current the procedure of the last census, which gave statistics of the total number of Jews in the American population, as the census gave the total number of Baptists in the United States, Catholics, and all other religious groups.

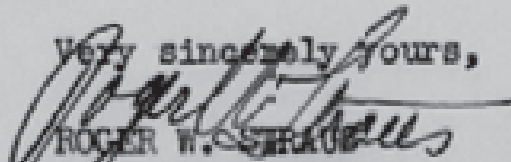
I therefore urge you to be present at the meeting with the Director in Washington. If that is not possible, please appoint a representative and let me know his name immediately.

In order to be duly prepared for this important meeting, I have appointed a committee from the membership of the National Council for Statistics of Jews, which consists of delegates representing your organization and all the other national federations of congregations and national associations of rabbis - orthodox, conservative and reform. It is my hope that this committee will prepare a report, a copy of which will be sent to you as a basis for the meeting with the federal government.

For census purposes, it is clear that American Jews must be recorded as a unit, since we do not recognize the terms "religious" versus "racial" Jews; and surely we must be enumerated in the census of American religious groups on the historic basis that all Jews are members of the household of Israel unless they take steps to disunite themselves. That has been our position for many years. We are now challenged on these two points. I therefore again urge you to be present at the meeting in Washington with the Director of the Census.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am

Very sincerely yours,


ROGER W. STRAUS
National Chairman

RWS/jm

Office of
The Director

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Washington 25

April 3, 1947

Dear Dr. Linfield:

This will serve as a confirmation of our conference several days ago and will also serve as a reply to your letter of March 21.

We should be glad to have a conference of the various Jewish groups concerned with the figures to be obtained from the Census of Religious Bodies. At this conference we hope that an understanding may be reached on the membership definition to be used for this census and the method by which the membership figures are to be obtained.

It is understood that you will suggest the organizations to be included in this conference and a date which would be acceptable to them. It is understood also that the list you suggest will include not only the religious organizations but also the scientific and other groups which have expressed particular interest in the membership definition.

We shall proceed to send out invitations as soon as we have heard from you.

Sincerely yours,

J. C. CAPT
Director

Dr. H. S. Linfield, Director
Jewish Statistical Bureau
National Council for Statistics of Jews
320 Broadway
New York 7, N. Y.

Dr. Silver,

[April 12? 1947]

I thought you might be interested
in some of these erasing
answers.

Barbara H. Foster

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.
March 24th, 1947

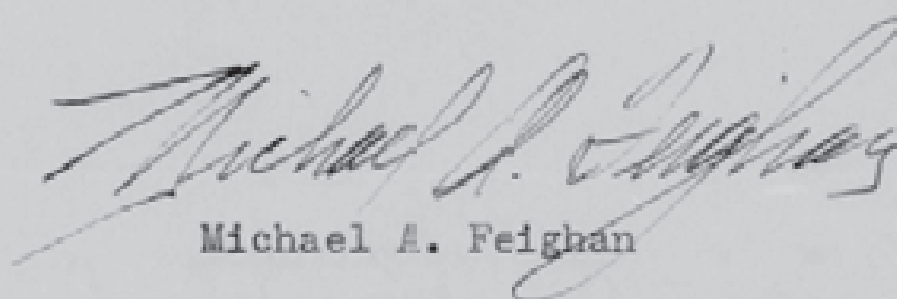
Mr. Isadore I. Kastin
The Great Lakes Packing Co.,
3300 West 65th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Kastin:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 19th regarding Jewish immigration to Palestine.

You may be assured that the expression of your views will receive my careful consideration when this matter is presented to me for legislative action.

Very truly yours,


Michael A. Feighan

FRANCES P. BOLTON
22nd District Ohio

COMMITTEE ON
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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

March 25, 1947

Mr. Isadore I. Kastin
1966 Staunton Road
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

My dear Mr. Kastin:

This will acknowledge your letter of the 19th, urging an appeal to the British Government for immediate action on the Palestine mandate to permit Jewish immigration.

Since under our form of government, our foreign policy is formulated by the Chief Executive and such matters are handled through diplomatic channels, the attitude of the United States can only be expressed by the President.

Word has gone forward to the British Government on various occasions as you know, until the matter has become a rather delicate one in view of the fact that the British Government has resented interference.

Trusting some solution of the situation may soon be found,

Sincerely yours,

Frances P. Bolton

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ROBERT CROSSER
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
21ST DISTRICT
CLEVELAND, OHIO

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON, D. C.

March 29, 1947

Mr. Isadore I. Kastin
1966 Stauton Road
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

Dear Mr. Kastin:

Your letter of recent date, in reference to the admission of Jewish immigrants to Palestine, has been brought to my attention.

Undoubtedly the United Nations' organization must ultimately deal with the matter. In the meantime, however, there is no way in which one Government can force another Government to do anything, except by war. I feel quite certain that the United Nations' organization will make a satisfactory disposition of the matter.

I have, however, called the attention of the State Department to your letter as that Department would be the proper one to confer with the International organization.

Very sincerely,

Robert Crosser

RC/r

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April 2, 1947

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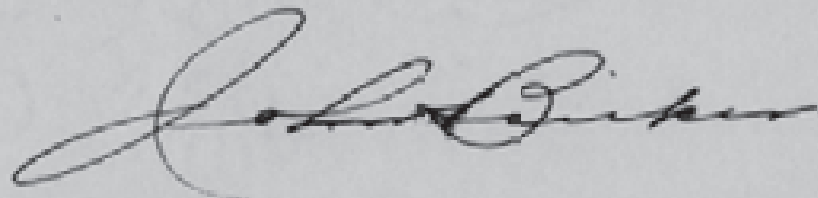
Dear Mr. Kastin:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of
March 19th concerning Jewish immigration into Palestine.

I have been following this matter closely and
you can be sure it will continue to receive my careful
study. I am very glad to have your comments.

Thank you for writing me.

Yours sincerely,



JWB/mls

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April 7, 1947

Mr. Isadore I. Kastin
1966 Staunton Road
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

Dear Mr. Kastin:

I have your communication with reference to the tragic situation of the Jews in Europe and in Palestine. I have received so many similar letters from persons interested in this matter that I find it impossible to write a personal reply to each correspondent as I usually do. I hope, therefore, that you will excuse the use of this form letter.

It seems obvious that regardless of the ultimate solution of the Palestine problem, a hundred thousand Jews from Europe should be immediately admitted. This was recommended last year by both British and American members of the Joint Commission of Enquiry. There is an immediate necessity for the release of these unfortunates from the concentration camps in Germany. Delay in this action should not be used as a club to force the Jews to accept inadequate partition or any other permanent settlement.

The British government has long been obligated to establish a Jewish National Home in Palestine. It should carry out its promises, and I believe it can do so if it will. The recent British decision to submit the entire question to the United Nations General Assembly will have the effect of prolonging for months the plight of the homeless Jews of Europe whose situation is already critical.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Robert A. Taft

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HAVE NOT RECEIVED YOUR MESSAGE FOR OUR ORDER DAY ISSUE WHICH WAS
DUE NOT LATER THAN APRIL 10TH. CAN YOU SEND IT BY MESSENGER TODAY.
VERY URGENT. MANY THANKS.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have been trying to reach you since your return from Palestine to remind you of the message you so graciously promised me for Bnai Zion's 39th Annual Order Day Dinner being held this Sunday, April 20th at the Hotel Commodore in New York. But to my regret I have been unsuccessful in doing so. I will greatly appreciate your sending me this message by wire directly to the Hotel Commodore, Lexington Avenue and 42nd Street, on Sunday, so that it may be read to the more than 1500 guests who will be present there that evening.

This year our Order Day Dinner has been dedicated to the "Builders, Defenders and Supporters of Eretz Israel." We have again gone over the top. The contributions made or secured by the members of Bnai Zion, I believe will make it possible for the Jewish National Fund to redeem another thousand dunams of land in Eretz Israel. It is my hope that this new acquisition will be of land adjacent to the Kfar Bnai Zion which was established near Raanana on Wednesday, March 26th and where you honored us with your presence and participation.

I know that if it were possible, you would have been with us and joined us in our celebration and so I have no other alternative but to accept this substitute of reading your message to our chaverim that evening.

April 17, 1947

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

April 17, 1947

Thanking you again for the keen interest you have displayed in the past in Bnai Zion and assuring you of my personal gratitude for your splendid cooperation at all times, believe me to be, with Zion's greetings,

Very cordially yours,

Abraham A. Redelheim
Abraham A. Redelheim
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April 17, 1947

H. S. LINFIELD, PH.D.
Director

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, President
Central Conference of American Rabbis
East 105th Street & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Re the meeting in Washington, April 24, 1947. As Mr. Straus wrote you, if we abandon the method used in the past (method number 2) and we allow the government to use instead either method 1, 3, or 4, two results will ensue:

- a) The forthcoming United States Census of Religious Bodies will report a small number of Jews in the country as compared with the number of Jews that the census reported ten years ago.
- b) The publication of the statistics will establish the principle of drawing a line, for statistical purposes, between Jews that are affiliated with the congregations, a sort of religious Jews, over against those that are not affiliated, a sort of racial Jews; and only the first type of Jews could be included in the federal religious census.

It is suggested that we proceed as follows:

- 1) If you can come to the meeting please do so.
- 2) But whether you come to the meeting or not, it will be well to submit to the Director of the Census a joint statement embodying the views of all our national religious organizations. I am enclosing herewith the statement that has been drafted by a committee and which has already been signed by the Union of Orthodox Rabbis. I hope you approve of it. Please sign it and return it in an official envelope herewith enclosed, which needs no postage.

Very sincerely yours, *H. S. Linfield*

H. S. LINFIELD

BSL/sh

P.S. I am sending you herewith a copy of the letter that the Union of Orthodox Rabbis wrote to Mr. Capt.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
WASHINGTON 25

STATEMENT ON ALTERNATIVE METHODS FOR OBTAINING MEMBERSHIP DATA
FROM JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE CENSUS OF RELIGIOUS BODIES
(For Discussion Purposes)

Method No. 1. - Ask for enrolled membership, even though the enrolled membership of a Jewish congregation will represent only a small fraction of the entire constituency.

This is the method followed in the Census of 1916. It has the advantage of asking the same set of questions of the Jewish organizations as of the other denominations, though specialized instructions would be required not only for membership but also for some of the other questions on the schedule.

Method No. 2. - Collect from the individual congregations in the larger cities data on those items other than membership, and obtain through the activities of the Jewish Statistical Bureau estimates of the whole number of Jews in the cities concerned. (For small places with only one congregation the membership figures would be obtained on a schedule sent to that congregation rather than through an independent estimate.) This is the method used in the Censuses of 1926 and 1936, the results of which have been vigorously criticised by some users of the statistics because of the method employed in their collection.

Method No. 3. - Ask on a schedule both for the enrolled membership as under Method No. 1 and for the Rabbi's best estimate of the congregation's total constituency, the latter to be defined in the instructions in such fashion as to make the closest possible parallel with the membership of a Lutheran or Roman Catholic church. The sum total of these constituency figures for all congregations in the city would be accepted as representing the membership for any city, where they were not seriously inconsistent with the independent estimate of the number of Jews in the city. All cases of serious inconsistency would be investigated, and adjustment made in accordance with the findings of the investigation.

Method No. 4. - Exactly like Method No. 3, with the addition of a third set of inquiries on the schedule calling for an estimate of the number of persons attending the last high holiday services. This figure would normally be materially less than the total constituency and would perhaps form a more or less uniform percentage of it. In any case, while it would often have to be estimated it would represent a more specific estimate than the total constituency and would therefore afford material assistance in cases where adjustment of the constituency figure was required.

(April 11, 1947)

Mr. J. C. Capt,
Director of the Census
Bureau of the Census
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Capt:

We are in receipt of your invitation to a conference with you in Washington, April 24, re: the definition of our membership for the current United States Census of Religious Bodies.

We appreciate your kindness but we regret that we cannot attend the meeting. Following your kind suggestion that in the event we could attend a written statement of our views would be helpful, we have sent such a statement to Dr. H. S. Linfield, the director of the Jewish Statistical Bureau, who we are sure will present it to you. We oppose any change in the definition of membership, and we recommend that like in the last census, the current federal religious census should include all the Jewish people residing in the communities.

Very sincerely yours,

LOUIS SELTZER, Executive Director
Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the United States and Canada

4-20-47

MR. ABRAHAM A. REDELHEIM
ORDER DAY DINNER
BNAI ZION
HOTEL COMMODORE
NEW YORK, N.Y.

DAY LETTER

DEEPLY REGRET UNABLE TO ATTEND ANNUAL ORDER DAY DINNER OF BNAI ZION. I RECALL WITH DEEP PLEASURE YOUR DINNER LAST YEAR. YOU ARE DOING A MAGNIFICENT WORK. I HAD THE RARE PRIVILEGE OF PARTICIPATING IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF KPAR BNAI ZION NEAR RAANANA IN PALESTINE ON MARCH 26TH AND SAW A NEW JEWISH COLONY RISE ON THE SOIL REDEEMED BY BNAI ZION. PLEASE CARRY ON THE GOOD WORK. IT IS ONE OF THE MOST EFFECTIVE ANSWERS TO THE ATTEMPTS OF THE BRUTAL AND SHAMELESS REGIME IN PALESTINE TO LIQUIDATE THE JEWISH NATIONAL HOME. I TOLD THE NEW SETTLERS OF KPAR BNAI ZION THAT THE TANKS AND ARMORED CARS OF BEVINS POLICE STATE IS DESTINED TO DISAPPEAR BUT THAT THEY THE BUILDERS AND COLONISTS WILL REMAIN. THIS IS THE CONVICTION OF EVERY JEW IN PALESTINE. THIS IS THE FAITH WHICH INSPIRED THE STRUGGLE OF THEIR BROTHERS HERE IN AMERICA. MORE POWER TO YOU.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



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April 23, 1947

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105 Street & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

The committee in charge of the thirteenth annual Conference of the Tamiment Social and Economic Institute, has asked me to extend to you an invitation to speak at one of the sessions of that conference. This year the Conference will take place from June 19 to June 22, at the Institute's summer home -- Camp Tamiment, Pennsylvania.

The overall subject of the Conference will be: ROADS TO WORLD PEACE, built around the structure of the United Nations. The five sessions of the Conference will be divided as follows:-

Thursday evening, June 19: The Role of the General Assembly
Friday morning, June 20: The Role of the International Court of Justice
Friday evening, June 20: The Role of the Economic and Social Council
Saturday morning, June 21: The Role of the International Trusteeship Council
Sunday morning, June 22: The Role of the Security Council

While we would very much like to have you address the fourth session under the sub-heading of "The Position of the United Nations Toward the Palestine Problem", we realize that other topic preference or previous time commitments - and since the subjects do overlap - you may prefer a different session. Please feel at liberty to choose the date and subject best for you.

We are sure you will enjoy addressing the Tamiment Institute, particularly on the topic as outlined. The audience consists of several hundred progressive-minded persons,

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representing among others, trade unions, fraternal and educational organizations. Past meetings have always received nationwide attention in both the general and the labor press.

If you find it possible to accept, we hope you will stay as our guest at the Camp for all or part of the Conference. We shall, of course, make all necessary arrangements for your arrival at and departure from Camp Tamiment.

So that you may have an idea of the general character and setup of the Conference, I am enclosing copy of our last year's program.

The Institute will appreciate greatly your acceptance of this invitation.

Sincerely yours,

Louis Waldman
Louis Waldman
Conference Chairman

cc-enc.

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Aims of the Institutè

IT is eleven years since the Tamiment Social and Economic Institute held the first of its annual conferences. The eleven topics discussed at these annual meetings are virtually a thumb-nail history of the tragic and crucial decade just past, ranging as they do from the domestic problems chosen for presentation during the first five conferences, to 1939's "The Totalitarian Threat to Civilization," to 1942's "War on the Home Front," and last year's "Goals of Victory." This week's conference, the Institute's twelfth, is again concerned with the domestic affairs of the nation in its study of "Roads to Industrial Peace."

THIS may seem a far cry from the magnitude of 1945's discussion, which was conceived as an "attempt to re-evaluate our democratic way of life in a world where vast areas no longer afford frontiers of protection against aggression." But labor peace is by no means a minor matter in a post-war world. Undoubtedly, in the field of world relations there are major problems yet to be solved. At home the priority problems are employment, reconversion, and production. And certainly industrial peace is essential to their solution.

IN the four days of the conference, the Institute will present more than a dozen speakers, drawn from organized labor, management, government and public life. These speakers will give their views on the technical aspects of the question. They will report on noteworthy achievements in the direction of labor peace. They will develop their programs for the promotion of industrial peace. The speakers themselves, no less than their theories and convictions, will represent a cross-section of today's thinking and experience in the field of labor-management relations.

FOR this, in essence, is the purpose and intention of the Tamiment Institute: — to reflect the temper of the times, to focus critical attention on matters of social and economic importance, and always to add to information and to provoke thought.

Conference Committee

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Roads to Industrial Peace

FIRST SESSION, THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 20th

THE ROAD OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

CARROLL E. FRENCH MANAGEMENT'S PROGRAM FOR SUCCESSFUL COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
Director, Industrial Relations Department, National Association of Manufacturers

MATTHEW WOLL LABOR'S PROGRAM
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president, The Union Labor Life Insurance Co.

SECOND SESSION, FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 21st

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LABOR UNIONS

DR. BROADUS MITCHELL THE WAGNER ACT — SUCCESS OR FAILURE
Economic consultant, the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union

MAX ZARITSKY LABOR UNIONS — A FUNCTION OF DEMOCRACY
International president, United Hatters, Cap and Millinery Workers International Union

THIRD SESSION, FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 21st

A DEVELOPING AMERICAN LABOR POLICY

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FOURTH SESSION, SATURDAY MORNING, JUNE 22nd

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President, Rand School of Social Science

HON. JOSEPH H. BALI WANTED: AN AFFIRMATIVE PROGRAM

U. S. Senator from Minnesota

LEO CHERNE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF DEMOCRATIC LABOR

Executive secretary, Research Institute of
America; author; economist.

FIFTH SESSION, SUNDAY MORNING, JUNE 23rd

TOWARDS A MINIMUM OF INDUSTRIAL STRIFE

WILLIAM H. DAVIS MINIMIZING INDUSTRIAL STRIFE

Member of the New York bar; former chairman,
National War Labor Board; former Stabilization
Director.

HON. ROBERT A. TAFT THE PUBLIC AND INDUSTRIAL PEACE

U. S. Senator from Ohio

Conference Chairman — Louis Waldman

April 24, 1947

Mr. Louis Waldman, Conference Chairman
Tamiment Social and Economic Institute
7 East 15th Street
New York 3, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Waldman:

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to participate in the thirteenth annual conference of the Tamiment Social and Economic Institute. I would have been delighted to avail myself of your gracious invitation. Unfortunately I am scheduled to attend two conventions during that period, one in Cincinnati, and one in Montreal. I must therefore forego the pleasure of being with you.

Should you wish someone else to speak on the subject, "The Position of the United Nations Toward the Palestine Problem," I would suggest that you communicate with the American Zionist Emergency Council, 342 Madison Avenue, New York City, who would be pleased to cooperate with you in getting the right kind of speaker for your Institute.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABS:BX

WILLIAM ROSENWALD
15 PARK ROW
NEW YORK 7, N. Y.

April 29, 1947

Dear Abba:

It was pleasant to read the "close-up" of you in last night's New York Post, recalling as it did close associations in working together with you in the past. Needless to say, those relationships were always a source of stimulation and enjoyment.

Our preoccupation with the problems facing the American Jewish community has made it difficult to spend much time together recently. Nevertheless, it goes without saying that I follow your activities with great interest and look forward to the time when we can see each other more often.

Renewed good wishes and warm and heartfelt greetings.

Cordially,

Bill

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

Many joins in
greetings to you and
to your family

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May 4, 1947 19

To Mrs. Henry Monsky

Care of or Apt. No. 90th and Dodge Street

Street and No. Omaha, Nebraska

Place

I NEED NOT TELL YOU HOW PROFOUNDLY SHOCKED WE WERE ON LEARNING THE NEWS

OF THE PASSING OF YOUR DEAR HUSBAND AND DREAR FRIEND. YOU KNOW HOW WE FEEL

FOR YOU AND FOR THE MEMBERS OF YOUR FAMILY. TO YOUR PERSONAL LOSS IS ADDED THE

GREAT PUBLIC LOSS WHICH OUR PEOPLE SUFFERS IN HIS PASSING PARTICULARLY AT THIS CRITICAL TIME. WE PRAY THAT YOU WILL FIND STRENGTH AND COMFORT IN THE MANY

PRECIOUS AND INSPIRING MEMORIES WHICH YOUR DEAR ONE HAS LEFT YOU.

DR. AND MRS. ABRA HILLEL SILVER

Sender's name and address
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May 8, 1947

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I must apologize for my long delay in acknowledging your letter of February 7th with the enclosed copy of your address about Pastor Niemöller. I note that you quoted extensively from Leo Stein's book, "I was in Hell with Niemöller." You may be interested to know that this book has been proved to be a complete forgery and has been withdrawn by the publisher. Niemöller does not even know who Stein was.

You may be interested to know that Allen Dulles, who served as head of the Office of Strategic Services in Berne, Switzerland, during the war, has just published his findings on the German underground and explained what those of us who had known Niemöller had known all along - that he was one of the leaders of the movement to overthrow Hitler.

If he did not in his address in Cleveland make statements which you thought he should have concerning the Nazis, it was only because he couldn't say everything in one address. In the 53 appearances which he made throughout the United States under our auspices, he said over and over again the strongest possible things about the Nazi Party and all its works.

I still feel, as I think I said to you before, that those of us who have been working through the years for better relations between Jews and Christians have suffered a very severe handicap in the attitude which many of our Jewish friends have taken toward Pastor Niemöller. It will take a long time to overcome the additional anti-Semitism which has been caused by this regrettable series of attacks, most of them based on misinterpretation and misinformation.

Yours sincerely,

Henry Smith Leiper
Executive Secretary

HSL:LS

Message of the Prime Minister of Belgium

M. Paul Henri Spaak

President of the First United Nations Assembly

on the occasion of the

WORLD FRIENDSHIP DAY CELEBRATION

in the City Hall of Brussels, Belgium
on World Friendship Day, May 8, 1947

in the presence of representatives of all schools, colleges and universities of Brussels and of the leading youth organizations.

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"During my stay in New York last year as President of the United Nations Assembly, I was deeply impressed by the WORLD FESTIVAL FOR FRIENDSHIP.

On this evening I promised my young friends that I would attempt to make their association known and that I also would attempt to help their links of friendship with the young people in the schools of my country grow always stronger and closer.

Today I am keeping my promise. To build peace it is necessary that the people understand each other, and to achieve this, it is necessary that one knows the other. This is the reason why we have to support with everything in us, to sustain and to encourage the activity of an association like the World Friendship Council of the Future.

I will never forget with what great faith the young boys and girls I met in New York on November 27, 1947 spoke--with what great sincerity they addressed themselves to all the young people of the whole world and how touching was their desire to work with them in confidence and friendship.

I am informed that their beautiful organization grows more and more, becomes more and more numerous, that their activities and their unanimity is multiplied. They seek and find always new forms to manifest their passion to work for a noble cause. For this they deserve our gratitude, and I am sure that the young people in our country will answer to their appeal--I am sure that on this side of the ocean, in this country here, the faith and devotion is as great as theirs.

To the young boys and girls of Belgium:--Let me give you an advice--multiply the links and contacts of friendship with the boys and girls in the United States and everywhere throughout the whole world. You can learn much, one from the other. In the great conflicts which divide the world in the international field, there is not one person who is entirely right, nor one person who is entirely wrong.

Peace can only be an intelligent and reasonable compromise and this compromise can not be found, except by those who make efforts to learn to know each other and to respect and love each other.

To the youth of the whole world--practice this great virtue, it will bring you the harvest of great results and you will become good workers in the most important task of the world--the building of peace."

WORLD EDUCATION SERVICE COUNCIL
2 West 45th Street, Suite 1401
New York 19, N. Y.

May 11, 1947

Mr. William Rosenwald
15 Park Row
New York 7, N.Y.

My dear Bill:

Please pardon the long delay in replying to your gracious note. As you probably know, I have been away from the city practically all the time in connection with the work of the UN, and extremely busy.

I need not tell you that I, too, have missed our earlier contacts which were so exceedingly pleasant. We have both been so engrossed in public work. I do hope that we shall be able to see each other in the very near future again and talk over many things which are close to our hearts.

I send you and Mary my warmest greetings in which Virginia joins me most heartily.

Cordially yours,

AHS:BX

May 12, 1947

Dr. Henry Smith Leiper, Executive Secretary
World Council of Churches
237 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Leiper:

Thank you for your letter of May 8.
I rather think that your letter does not meet the
points which I raised in my address which I delivered
on Pastor Niemöller in my Temple pulpit.

I should like to correct one misconception in
your letter. My address in Cleveland was delivered before
Pastor Niemöller delivered his address in the afternoon
and so it was not based on any statements which he made
or did not make in Cleveland. I addressed my congregation
in the morning. Pastor Niemöller spoke in the Public Music
Hall in the afternoon.

It is of course too bad that whenever Jewish
leaders feel called upon to criticize a policy which a
government or a church is pursuing, that the threat of
arousing anti-Semitism is quickly resorted to. Responsible
religious leaders, especially, ought to be particularly
careful about exploiting that line.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

A. A. WYN, INC.
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NEW YORK 19, N. Y.

12 May 1947

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
246 East 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver:

Dr. Julius Lips was in the office the other day and inscribed a copy of his new book, *THE ORIGIN OF THINGS*, for you. It has gone to you under separate cover, with his and our compliments.

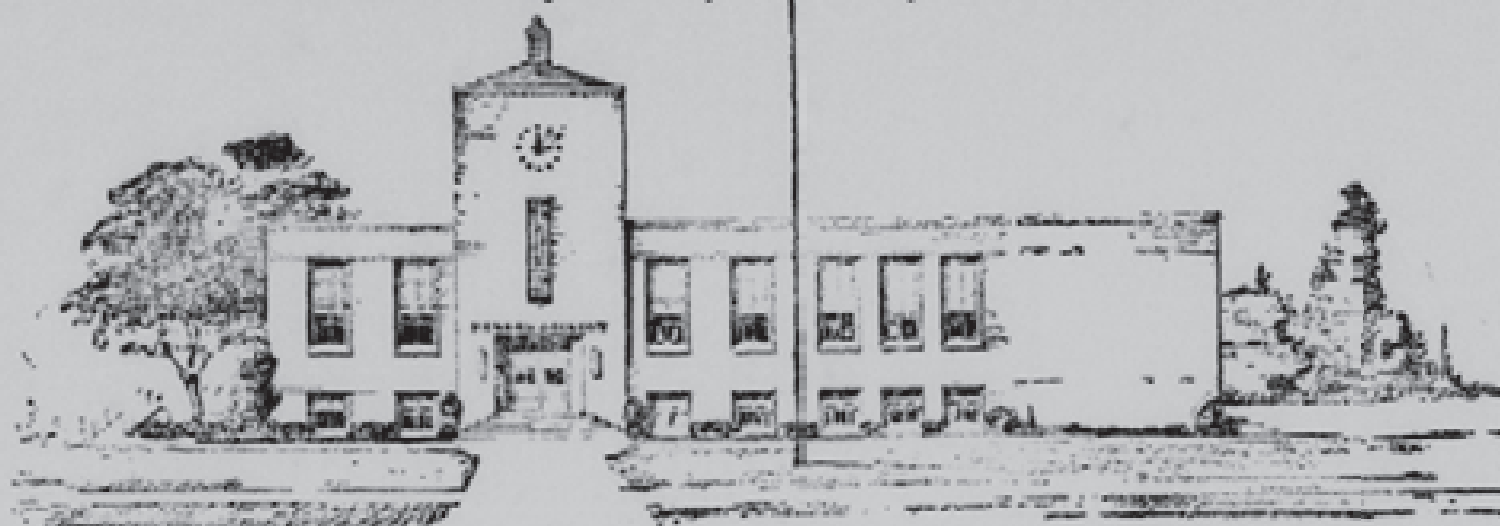
We should be very much interested in your opinion of the book, and of course will appreciate anything you can do to spread word of its publication on May 19th.

Sincerely,

Eileen Kelly
Eileen Kelly
Publicity Director

ECK

Hebrew Academy of Cleveland



May 13, 1947

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

As you are one of the founders of the Bureau of Jewish Education, and as you are very interested in Jewish Education in the city, we extend to you this invitation to visit our school and new modern school building. We have 135 children who are taught Hebrew and Religious Education 18 hours a week, that is, 3 hours a day, six days a week. Besides the Hebrew education, they are given 15 hours a week of secular subjects that follow the curriculum of the Cleveland Board of Education and taught by licensed teachers.

For a good many years all our learned men and scholars have had their training in Europe, and now that that citadel of education has been eliminated, we feel that it is necessary to have some school of extensive education to give the children a good background in order to carry on our heritage. We know it will be most gratifying to you if you can see the children in our school from the first to sixth grades studying their Hebrew and religious education. After the sixth grade, these children go to the regular Junior High School.

We hope that some day, when you have some time, you will come and visit us and see what we are doing. If you cannot arrange to visit the school, the writer would be pleased to have an appointment with you to discuss our school more thoroughly.

If you could make your impressions known of a school for more intensive Hebrew Education, it would be a help for the Jewish Community.

Yours very truly,

HEBREW ACADEMY OF CLEVELAND

By: Irving I. Stone

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To David Pinski

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PERMIT ME TO JOIN YOUR HOST OF FRIENDS AND ADMIRERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

IN EXTENDING TO YOU HEARTIEST FELICITATIONS ON YOUR 75TH BIRTHDAY. I SALUTE

YOU NOT ONLY AS A GREAT CREATIVE ARTIST WHO HAS ENRICHED OUR LITERATURE BUT AS

A COURAGEOUS CHAMPION OF OUR NATIONAL RENAISSANCE. MAY THE COMING YEARS BE

BLESSED FOR YOU.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Sender's name and address
(For reference only)

Sender's telephone
number

May 16, 1947

Mr. Irving I. Stone
Hebrew Academy of Cleveland
1860 S. Taylor Road
Cleveland 18, Ohio

My dear Mr. Stone:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of May 13. I appreciate very much your invitation to visit your School. When things ease up for me a bit, and the pressure of work upon me is lifted, I shall give myself the pleasure of visiting your institution.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

14
April 1954

The Sisterhood and Brotherhood
of

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Cordially invite the members of the Congregation

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To SISTERHOOD AND BROTHERHOOD

Care of or Apt. No. COLLINGWOOD AVENUE TEMPLE

Street and No. COLLINGWOOD AND ACKLIN AVENUE

Place TOLEDO OHIO

REGRET CANNOT ACCEPT YOUR GRACIOUS INVITATION TO ATTEND THE RECEPTION IN

HONOR OF TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF RABBI FEUER'S ORDINATION. PLEASE CONVEY

TO YOUR DISTINGUISHED RABBI MY HEARTIEST FELICITATIONS AND ALL MY GOOD WISHES

FOR HEALTH HAPPINESS AND FRUITFUL CONTINUATION OF HIS OUTSTANDING MINISTRY.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Secretary for Faith and Order

May 16, 1947

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, D. D.
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you for your letter of May 12th.

I am afraid my letter could not have been very clear because you seemed to have missed the point of what I had to say about the documents on which you rested much of your case.

The book from which you quote is spurious and can't be used to prove anything authoritatively.

If I happened to be incorrect in relating your address to that of Pastor Niemöller from the point of chronology, I am sorry.

As for the closing paragraph of your letter, it makes me feel very sad because apparently you do not discriminate between a threat and a statement of facts. I was not threatening anti-Semitism as the result of the attitude Jewish critics have taken toward Niemöller, I was simply observing that it has increased anti-Semitic feeling in many quarters and I am one of those who are dedicated to try to eradicate it in this country, as I am sure you know. Therefore, I cannot accept your reproof implied in your last sentence. It is not exploitation but explanation which I was trying to make. I hope you will accept it as such.

Yours cordially,

Henry Smith Leiper

Henry Smith Leiper

HSL:LS

May 17, 1947

Miss Eileen Kelly
A. A. Wyn, Inc.
23 West 47th Street
New York 19, N.Y.

My dear Miss Kelly:

Permit me to thank you for your kindness in sending me a copy of Dr. Julius Lips' book, THE ORIGIN OF THINGS. I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending it to me. I know that I shall read the book with the keenest of interest. I am particularly grateful that Dr. Lips inscribed the book.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ANS:BX

May 22, 1947

Mr. Alfred A. Benesch
Citizens Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Al:

I have been asked by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations to act as Chairman of a Committee on Resolutions in memory of Henry Monsky, who was a member of the Executive Board of the Union. You have known Monsky so much better than I have, and for a much longer time. I would appreciate it very much if you would write the Resolution.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

May 23, 1947

Rev. Theodore H. Evans
2682 St. James Parkway
Cleveland 8, Ohio

My dear Friend:

I read in the press the other day that you have resigned your post with St. Paul's Church and that you will leave the city to make your home in Charlottesville, Va. I was sorry to read the announcement for it means that we will miss you at the Alathions, and all the pleasant contacts and associations which we have had. I wish you all happiness in your new home. The spiritual life of Charlottesville will be enriched, I am sure, by the abundant gifts of heart and mind which you will bring with you.

I hope that I shall have the pleasure of seeing you before you leave Cleveland. With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AMS:EK

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Care of or Apt. No. 523 W. 9th St.

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WE WERE DEEPLY SADDENED TO HEAR OF THE PASSING OF YOUR DEAR HUSBAND

AND WE HASTEN TO SEND YOU OUR PROFOUNDTEST SYMPATHIES. WE SHALL

MISS HIM AS A FRIEND. AMERICAN JEWRY WILL MISS HIM AS A GIFTED

AND CONSECRATED SPIRITUAL LEADER WHO DEVOTED A LIFETIME OF NOBLE

FAITHFUL SERVICE TO ALL THAT IS FINEST IN OUR FAITH AND IN THE

AMERICAN TRADITION. MAY YOU BE COMFORTED.

RABBI AND MRS. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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V-23-47

Dear Rabbi Silver, -

I am very tempted to come a
professional "revolutionist" in fact, I am a
better known lawyer.

Temptation is a great part of your
tribute to Chairman Weyman - "There is no
reward for leadership etc." but since you are the
author of the revolution - "has power with
might." - I hope the enclosed effort

is satisfactory. - The H. K. movie reel was
excellent. You were temperate, dispassionate,
and convincing. Kindest regards.
Sincerely
Al

May 24, 1947

Mr. Alfred A. Benesch
Citizens Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Al:

Thank you so much for the Resolutions on Henry Monsky which you sent me. I forwarded them today to Mr. Jacob Aronson, Chairman of the Executive Board of the Union with the enclosed covering note.

With all good wishes and again thanking you for your ready help, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:DK
Enc.

RABBI LEON I. FEUER
2335 COLLINGSWOOD BLVD.
TOLEDO 10, OHIO

May 29, 1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

It was very thoughtful of you to remember me on my twentieth anniversary and I appreciate it a great deal.

The Congregation had a very fine affair for me and it really made me very happy to know that they like me just a little.

It seems a long time ago, the day that I graduated and the Monday after that when I went to work in Cleveland. A lot has happened and we have been through a great many things together. Your friendship has been one of the most important things in those twenty years, and I am sure that you know how much I mean that.

Hortense joins me in sending our love to Virginia, yourself and the boys.

As ever,

Leon

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Fairmount, cor. Coventry Road

CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, 6

May 29th, 1947.

My dear Friend:

Your letter means a lot to me and I appreciate it very deeply.

I shall certainly miss my friends in the Althian but to my mind, friendship is one of the indestructibles.

You have my deep sympathy and best wishes in the great responsibility you carry. I hope and pray that the near future may bring justice and hope for the Palestine situation.

Thank you for your many kindnesses and best wishes for you and yours.

Sincerely

"Ted" Theodore H. Evans.

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June 5, 1947

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road & E. 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

This will confirm the invitation cordially extended to you by William M. O'Neill, President of WJW, Inc., and Chairman of the Cleveland Army Advisory Committee, to be a guest of the Committee and the War Department on an inspection tour of Fort Knox, Louisville, Kentucky, on June 12th and 13th.

As explained to you in our telephone conversation, the purpose of this tour is to better acquaint a representative group of leaders in civic and community life with the different aspects of the War Department's Universal Military Training plan. Your acceptance of the invitation constitutes no obligation on your part whatsoever.

All of the guests are requested to be present in the lobby of Radio Station WJW, WJW Building, promptly at 8:30 AM Thursday, June 12th for departure to the Cleveland airport where they will be flown to Fort Knox by United States Army plane. You will leave Fort Knox Friday, June 13th at approximately 2:00 PM on the return flight to Cleveland.

If for any reason you find it impossible to make this trip, we would greatly appreciate your naming some other person to represent you on this trip. Mr. O'Neill will look forward to seeing you at the appointed time.

Very truly yours,

WJW, Inc.

Lawrence Webb

Lawrence Webb,
Asst. to the President

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THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 1947

Morning Session 9:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.

Associate Dean Francis C. Rosecrance, Chairman

Opening Address

Dean Ernest O. Melby

"Economic Development and Reclamation"

Dr. Jamil M. Baroody

Dr. Walter Clay Lowdermilk

Afternoon Session 2:00 p. m. to 5:30 p. m.

Professor S. P. McCutcheon, Chairman

"Stroils and Strategy"

Prof. Clyde Eagleton

Prof. Emil Lengyel

"The Palestine Problem"

Frank W. Buxton

FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 1947

Morning Session 9:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.

Associate Dean Ralph E. Pickett, Chairman

"Illiteracy and Education"

Dr. Edgar J. Fisher

Prof. S. Ralph Harlow

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FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 1947

Morning Session (continued)

Associate Dean Ralph E. Pickett, Chairman

"National and Religious Minorities"

Dr. Habib J. Awad

Dr. Tarachath Das

Dr. David B. Perley

Dr. W. J. R. Thorbecke

Afternoon Session 2:00 p. m. to 5:30 p. m.

Assistant Dean John Carr Duff, Chairman

"Oil"

E. DeGolyer

F. Julius Fohs

"UN and Middle East's Future"

Eliahu Ben-Horin

Edgar Ansel Mowrer

Evening Session 8:30 p. m.

Dean Ernest O. Melby, Chairman

"American Policy in the Middle East"

Senator Owen Brewster

Cong. Helen Cahagan Douglas

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June 5th and 6th, 1947

THURSDAY, JUNE 5TH

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1. Opening Address
Dean Ernest C. Melby - School of Education, NYU.
2. Economic Development and Reclamation
Richard V. Gilbert - Former Economic Adviser to Secretary of Commerce.
Dr. Walter C. Zwodermilk - Soil Conservationist, Department of Agriculture.

Afternoon Session 2:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.

1. Straits and Strategy - 2:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.
Prof. Clyde Eagleton - Authority on International Law.
Prof. Emil Lengyel - Author of "Turkey."
2. The Palestine Problem - 3:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
Frank W. Buxton - Editor, Boston Herald; member, Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry.

FRIDAY, JUNE 6TH

Morning Session 9:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

1. Illiteracy and Education - 9:30 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.
Prof. S. Ralph Harlow - Dept. of Religion, Smith College.
Dean Walter L. Wright - Princeton University; formerly President Robert College, Istanbul.
2. National and Religious Minorities - 10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
Dr. Habib J. Awad - Formerly member of FCC; spokesman of Lebanese Christians.
Dr. Taraknath Das - Author; visiting professor NYU.
Prof. Abraham I. Katch - School of Education, NYU.
David B. Perley - Leader of Assyrian National Federation in U.S.
Dr. W. J. R. Thorbecke - Former Netherlands' Ambassador to China and South Africa.

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1. Oil - 2:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.
A. Lee DeGolyer - Leading Geologist; headed U.S.A. Oil Mission to Arabia.
F. Julius Fohs - Outstanding oil Geologist in U.S.
2. UN and Middle East's Future - 3:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
Elisha Ben-Horin - Author, correspondent, lecturer.
Edgar Ansel Mowrer - Newspaper correspondent and columnist.

Evening Session 8:30 P.M.

American Policy in the Middle East
Senator Owen Brewster - U.S. Senator from Maine
Cong. Helen Gahagan Douglas - Representative from Los Angeles, Calif.



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June 13, 1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I tried in vain to reach you by telephone on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. You were always either out of town or going out of town.

I regret very much that you did not have an opportunity to see our performance of "Shylock '47." Artistically, it was an unqualified success. We have been receiving the warmest of comments from theatre people as well as Jewish audiences, and for perhaps the first time, Hebrew theatre in America is being taken seriously by the critics and the press. You will be interested to know that on the last night we had a complete sell-out, and even sold standing room for the price of \$1! Since then Berthold Viertel has requested permission to translate "Shylock '47" into German for German audiences, the Chamber Theatre in Palestine has requested our Hebrew version for production, Jacob Ben Ami wants it for a Yiddish production, and two Broadway producers (one of them Sam Grisman) are interested in the play for an English production on Broadway. In other words, it appears that "Shylock '47" may have made a real contribution to the general literature of the theatre--and, if this be so, it will be the first piece of creative theatre which has emerged from the Hebrew movement in America, an event whose significance we may not at the moment be able to judge.

On the whole, I think that "Shylock '47" has said something about "The Merchant of Venice" which Jews have wanted to say a long time.

I am enclosing a program and some of the press clippings which will give you a further idea of the play.



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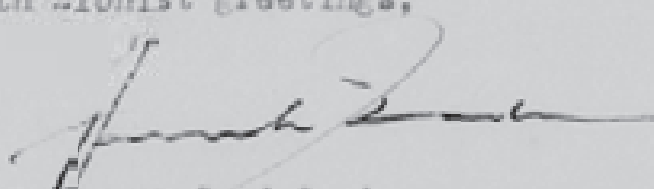
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The response which the announcement of "Shylock '47" drew from Jack Brust, Los Angeles, California, is not too surprising. It is unfortunate that we could not have brought our production to him--but this is something for the future. Perhaps, in the meantime, if the play is published in November, it may be made available for production throughout the country.

We hope to revive "Shylock '47" in the fall, and if so, I hope you will be able to see it then. I know that you are one of the original founders of the Hebrew theatre in this country and that it has a special place in your heart.

Our sincere wishes are with you in these trying days!

With Zionist greetings,


Hannah Grad Goodman
Executive Secretary

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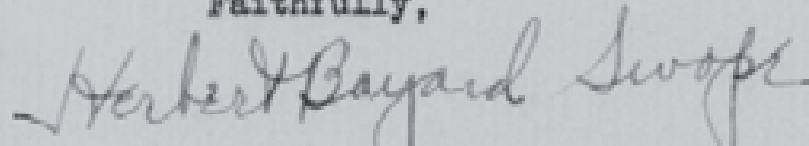
I would like very much to have you with us at a welcome home reception to George Backer, at the Park Lane Hotel (Petit Salon), on Tuesday, July 1st, at 5 P. M.

George has been all over Europe during these past five months. First he covered the peace talks in Moscow in behalf of the Overseas News Agency. Then he went on to tour the DP camps throughout Germany and Austria. During the past few weeks, he has been looking over the situation in Italy, Switzerland, and France. He is returning on the Queen Elizabeth and he is coming to us with some important, fresh, and first hand observations. George has a good eye and a good mind, and is a thoroughly reliable reporter.

I hope it won't distress you too much, but there is to be no fund-raising in any shape or form on this one occasion.

I would appreciate your telephoning Murray Hill 3-2997, to let us know whether you are coming.

Faithfully,



Herbert Bayard Swope

June 23, 1947

Mr. Herbert Bayard Swope
101 Park Avenue
New York 17, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Swope:

Thank you for your kind
letter of June 20 and your gracious
invitation to attend the reception to Mr.
George Backer on July 1. I should have
been most happy to attend this function, but
unfortunately I will not be able to leave
Cleveland on that day.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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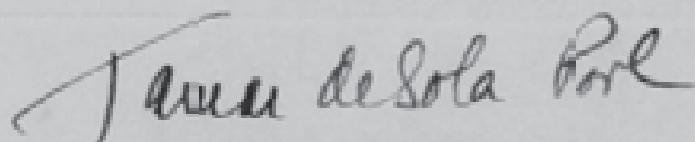
My dear Rabbi Silver:

I do not know whether among the large pile of reports and minutes that come to you of the many committees of which you are a leader, you have had a chance to read the minutes of the Medical School Campaign. There you might have noted that Etta Rosensohn, primarily for reasons of health, has had to give up the Co-Chairmanship of the Campaign. I have been prevailed upon to succeed her.

I have consented to do that both because after my recent visit to Palestine I was so stirred and encouraged by all that I saw there that I would not know how to refuse so great an undertaking in the up-building of the national home, and because also I knew that I could turn to colleagues like you to hold up my weakhand in furtherance of so great a task.

I am writing to you personally because of our old comradeship in a good cause and because I want to feel that we are going to go forward together.

Very cordially yours,



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Dear Dr. Silver:

At the suggestion of the author I am sending you a copy of a special advance edition of Milton Steinberg's BASIC JUDAISM, which Harcourt, Brace will publish on September 11. So convinced are we of the importance of the subject and of the lucidity and fairness with which Rabbi Steinberg develops it, that we are distributing this special edition well in advance of publication to a number of people like yourself, whose comment and influence could help the book reach the widest possible audience. I hope very much that you will have an early opportunity to read it, and will let us have your opinion of it.

Sincerely yours,

Lambert Davis
for The Editors

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סליח נא אתגשרדתי בימים כה טרודים עבורך, אבל למען העם אני עושה, למען הצדק, למען כשם. בימי שהותה של תורה המקירה האנוש-אמריקנית בארץ מלפני כשנה וחצי שלחתי את המכתב הפרוק בכך לומר תועדה. התוכן חרן על הצדק עשה רושם רב עליו וכואב ביקש מחמט להעתיק את החומר בעשרים וארבעה העתקים, כדי שזכא לעיני כל חברי תועדה. כיות דבר הצדק לא חלק ולא יומר לעולמים, דברים אלה טרם הפסידו אר- תוקת האקטואליות שלהם. בקשתי היא, שאתה, אדוני הרב, תשתמש במלים אלו כדי ללמוד שגיבוריה לעמים המאוחדים בשם הצדק הנצחי, או, אם לא יתאים הדבר, לסדר מוסר- העתקים מן החזקיר ולחלקם בין כל באי כח האומות, כי הוא מדבר אל מצפונם, אל לבם. אם אין צורך בכך, מבקש לא לחזיר את שמי, אלא מצת רופא נאמן לעמל מי יתן יוגיע לזמן בו, נכון יהיה הד בית ה' בראש הקרים ונשא מנגיעות ונהנו אלו כל הנשים והלכו עמים רבים ואמרו לבו ונעלה אל הד ה' אל בית אלהי יעקב, ויזרנו מדרכיו ונלכז באורחותיו כי מוציון תצא תורה ודבר ה' מירושלים. ושפט בין הגוים והוכיח לעמים רבים, ונתת חרבותם וחניתותיהם לכוזמות, לא ישא גי' אל גי' הרב ילא ילמדו עוד מלחמות. ה' יעלים דרכך, ה' עוז לעמו יתן. ה' יברך את עמו בשלום.

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O Lord, open thou my lips, and my mouth shall
declare thy praise.

Gentlemen,

The souls of hundreds of thousands of Jews murdered, burned alive, strangled and tortured to their last breath, the souls of innocent children, incessantly persecuted, for two thousand years, now speak to you through my mouth, so I pray you lend your ear and listen in awe and in fear.

The time has come to expiate the sin committed by the peoples of the world against a luckless nation - expelled from its country and scattered all over the world, trodden down and persecuted for two thousand years but still pulsing with life and firmly believing in the immortal laws of the universe called "Justice and Righteousness" by philosophers and "God" by religion.

At the outset let me admit that the wrong is not easily righted especially since, to expiate this sin, another sin must be committed and that against about a million people who, though replete in every respect, bear no blame whatsoever. But the rule is well known to every judge and arbitrator in the world that where there is no way out the lesser evil, the minor hardship, is chosen.

Had our brothers the Arabs more understanding for our tragic plight in the world there would be no need for any evil at all; they would surely have agreed to direct and amicable negotiation. But their feelings are worked upon and instigated by the agents of Hitler and Mussolini, also by anti-Jewish groups - mostly fascist - in England itself. I pity them for I do not hate them, but the time will come when they will pay dearly for their thoughtlessness as is the case with every evil done in this world whether of today or of tomorrow according to God's eternal laws.

The standing demand made long before the wholesale butchery of European Jews by the Nazi system, the demand of the Jewish nation which sought a hearing in consideration of all that Jews have contributed to civilisation, the demand for an independent Jewish Home in Palestine - a demand both natural and human which requires no elucidation - is unique as there is no instance of such a demand in relation to other nations, who, with all their troubles and sufferings, do not lack a land of their own, a homeland, and know not the heavy sorrow and weariness of eternal wandering and endless persecution. There is no question here of extending the boundaries of a country; there is no question of increasing the "Lebensraum" or acquiring colonies or important points on commercial routes, etc. It is a simple question of a piece of earth a nation wishes to recover in order to be able to live as all other nations live under God's heaven.

I shall not dwell here on our historical demands, well known to every one who has studied the Bible and the history of the People of the Bible. These have already been "Discussed" by many important personages and I must admit that the dispute is well reasoned on both sides. I shall not repeat here our justified claim to Palestine pursuant to Balfour's Declaration given to us on behalf of His Majesty's Government and accepted, recognized and signed by 53 nations of the world, the truthfulness of which was attested to a few days ago by Mr. Amery, the Colonial Secretary - God grant him a long and prosperous life - who also said that in many points he agrees with the greatest politician of our time - Mr. Winston Churchill - God grant him a long life so that he may continue contributing to the peace of his country and all the world.- He who held the post of Colonial Secretary himself declared that he sees in England's laws against the Jews in Palestine in the last few years, the most bitter years in all our history, not only a breach of solemn promises but a total failure to fulfil its obligations. I shall not dwell on this aspect of the case; let it be dealt with by people more and better experienced than myself.

But let us assume that all these claims do not exist and that the only question now is: What is the lesser evil in the eyes of the conscience of Humanity, in the eyes of God. Let us carefully examine the evil to the million Arabs which to my regret seems to be unavoidable, and compare it with the terrible wrong to the hapless Jewish nation.

The only reasoned argument of the Arabs is that of any other man in the world defending his private possessions: The property is mine and I am not willing to renounce it; the country is mine and I am the one entitled to administer it and rule in it. The Jewish question is deplorable but it does not concern me, let others take care of that. Till this day it never happened in the history of the Arabs that Jews should rise against them to annihilate them. And the civilized Arabs have no fear of such a thing happening in the future, for even had the Jews been inclined to do so, the Arab nation, far more numerous and better equipped, would justly rise and take revenge. It is a fact that the Arab League has five votes in the UNO Congress and the Jews have none. Moreover, should we examine and weigh what the Arabs have achieved and what sufferings they have undergone in the cause of the United Nations who fought for their very existence against the common foe of humanity during six hard years of war, and what have achieved and suffered the Jews side by side with these United Nations whose allies they were if not for any other logical reason than because they had to as the total extermination craze was chiefly directed against them. How many Arabs fell in the World War in comparison with the number of Jewish victims; how much did they contribute to the war effort, apart from having declared war on Hitler after his final defeat? Moreover many of the Arab leaders joined the foe and fought against England in the deadliest days of the Empire during the last World War. I refer to the battles in Iraq, Syria and the Lebanon and the sour looks given to every Englishman in Egypt whilst being "friendly allies" in war, which is not denied even now by anybody. And to complete the picture the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem officially contacted Hitler, and many were his friends and followers here in Palestine. So much for the sufferings of the Arabs and their War effort.

On the other hand the Jews did pay a great and absolute tribute - the greatest proportional tribute in blood, in spiritual and financial efforts to further the cause of the Allied Nations. Jews served in the armies of all the United Nations and in the ranks of the Brigade when they were allowed to form an independent Jewish Brigade, side by side with the British and Americans. And Justice won. The share of Jewish scientists in all branches of the war effort is overwhelming. It was impossible for their direct help to be great as the Jews were plundered and decimated before they could join the Allied cause, but Jews did everything possible in other countries and not the least in Palestine itself. Their number and physical strength is so small that they could not be expected to make themselves prominent, but their spirit and vigilance has done much to shorten the war, ranging from small inventions in the ranks of His Majesty's Forces, medical discoveries, and last but not least in the exploitation of the Atomic power for the war effort as well as for the amelioration of the living conditions of mankind as we all hope. In these days we have heard over the B.B.C. that the inventor of the heavy water was an Ukrainian Jew, the theory that helped to discover and make use of atomic power was expounded more than forty years ago by the master of physics of our days, the famous Jew, Albert Einstein - may he live long and serve science, mankind in general and his people in particular. Meitner, Oppenheimer, Itzhak Rabi and many others - to name only the most important of those working on this vital issue. In the first official announcement on behalf of His Majesty's Government and that of the United States as to the atomic bomb, the names of Jews were mentioned as if to spite Hitler's men and to show them what they accomplished when those expelled from Germany by them discovered the means to annihilate Germany. The number of Jews in the world is proportionately small; their participation in science working for the war effort was overwhelming. How many scientists have the Arabs given to the world although their numbers are so much greater?

For fifteen hundred years the Arabs have lived in this country; vast areas are wasteland, desert or covered with swamps. After the settlement of Jews here these derelict and deserted places have changed into a paradise on earth - a thing admitted by every visitor to the country be he friend or foe to Jewish enterprise. Under natural law and under the old Ottoman Law land belongs to him who cultivates it and renders it fertile and productive; the more so to the one who cultivates it in the best possible way.

As to the question of re-settlement of the Arabs. Artificial and forced resettlement of innocent people is always a cruel thing to do, but the question here arises: if this be not done what is more cruel to resettle people after having paid them adequate compensation in places near the country - Syria, Lebanon, Transjordan, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Egypt and till Morocco - all in all some hundreds of thousands of Arabs or to let a whole nation dispersed and longing for two thousand years to return to its country after indescribable sufferings, to perish through lack of love and justice in the world.

The Arabs have plenty of places; we have none. The vicious circle of a nation without home and country must be broken at last, even at the cost of some cruelty and minor injustice unavoidable in the solution of this difficult problem. The nations of Europe suffered much more than the Arabs, and the Jews have suffered more than the others; the resettlement of several millions of persons was a thing capable of being effected, while here we have to deal only with several

thousands. Moreover, it is my conviction that there is no necessity to resettle those Arabs who themselves do not desire it and prefer to live in peace with the Jews. I even find this desirable as it will ensure that neighbouring Arab countries will allow the immigration of Jews, so that the security of Arabs in the Jewish country will be guaranteed by that of the Jews in the Arab countries. They can learn many things from us and we will learn from them. I myself dream of a seven working-days week; on the seventh day the Jew will rest and hand over his work and income to the Arab, or, in other words, for every six Jewish workmen there will be of necessity one Arab workman in the Jewish areas. There is another moral and educational aspect that makes it desirable that the Arabs should remain here and should not leave the country: In this country the blood feuds prevail; should a Jew wrong an Arab the latter will rightly seek revenge by a similar deed in an Arab area and this in itself would compel people to keep the peace. However, in case a considerable part of the million or so Arabs would prefer not to live under Jewish rule, there is plenty of space for them to go to and the Arab countries who have combined to help them will no doubt be glad to receive them, and moreover their resettlement must not take place today or tomorrow, as has been the case in Europe, but gradually over a period of many years or not at all.

On the other hand, the Jews are in a sorry plight all over the world, even in the United States where anti-Semitism is growing from year to year. The Jewish history of the last two thousand years tells of all the sufferings of the Jews in Europe, and what happened during the last years to us and is still happening every day, you yourselves can bear witness. For two thousand years we have been hunted from one place to another all over the world, a nation decimated and tortured by one massacre after another, in crematoria and in gas chambers. In Heaven's Name, there must be an end to this; either the United Nations are of the same mind as Hitler, against whom they fought, that Jews young and old should be exterminated, otherwise you are bound to help us as fellow humans to extricate ourselves from the tangle of racial persecution once and for all, and this is only possible by creating a Jewish State in Palestine. All the non-Zionist and anti-Zionist Jews in the world who relied on one or another form of Government to protect them, have been disillusioned time after time and met with failure for which they paid with their lives. Still this did not teach them a lesson. In Germany they believed that should Hugenberg come into power the Jews would be well off; in England they placed their faith in the Labour Party; in another country they believed in the Communists who do not recognise racial differences. None of these hopes were realised and even if they enjoyed well-being for some twenty or thirty years they were eventually expelled and exterminated. I do not wish to go into the causes of these happenings, but the fact remains that it so happened repeatedly during two thousand years. Finally, six million people were sacrificed, and still there is no end. The butchery of Jews goes on and on; nowhere are they wanted. Enough! This festering wound on the world's body cries aloud for healing. Be you the healers and the Jews are known to be grateful to their healers. Give them the chance to live and work in their country where they accomplished great deeds for civilisation and mankind, and you will be blessed. Great deeds will again be done in this country, the Jews will be faithful intermediaries between the declining Western world in Europe and the new civilisation of tomorrow. The Jews have already several times fulfilled the task of mediating between one civilisation and another in the history of the world. They will be brotherly advisers and good neighbours to their neighbours the Arabs and always seek to live in peace with them if for no other reason than for the reason that they will always be a minority compared with the Arab world surrounding them

on all sides. All the neighbours who now do not consent to the creation of a Jewish State will in the end derive great benefit from the small Jewish State and will not regret the creation of such a State even against their wish.

It is to you, the esteemed members of the Anglo-American Commission, that I address myself. When solving the problem of revival of a whole nation do not consider the financial or political interests of either the United States or Great Britain. Today's politics are short-sighted. Some persons think that if they will do the right thing by the Jews they will have trouble with the Arabs when mining for oil in Saudi-Arabia or Iraq, and hope to gain in these countries by betraying the Jews. And I do tell you that if there will be peace in the world they will beg you on their knees to buy from them, to establish commercial points in their neighbourhood, and they will get rich and be happy. But should a new war break out against you, do not deceive yourselves into believing that you have acquired friends. And remember, who can guarantee to you that the oil areas will retain their present importance in the era of atomic power?

Most venerable gentlemen, it is in your power to be the healers of the two-thousand-years-old wound on the world's body, to be Messiah to the Messianic Nation, tools in the hands of God. Our eternal prophets did not visualise God as a statue or a picture or as an invisible tyrant, a capricious power ruling the universe, but as the expression of the immortal laws of Justice and Righteousness governing the whole universe up to the far-away stars, the laws felt and appreciated by every civilised being, by his conscience, no matter by what name each of them calls this divine power. Think of yourselves as the tools of God, the messengers of the God of Justice and Righteousness who knows not of partiality or fear. If the fear of God the Eternal, the God of justice and righteousness, be in your hearts, you will be blessed and blessed will be those nations who have sent you; but even if you do not go in the ways of God my people will not despair for they trust their God though He does take from them hecatombs of six million of sons. We shall not despair as we firmly believe in His eternal justice, He is stronger than you, His will will prevail and not yours or that of the nations who sent you, as you also are in His power like we are. Divine Justice will send its messengers some other time in the form of tools more faithful. We are filled with this belief in God, in the God whom we were first to perceive and who spoke to us through the mouths of our Prophets:

Thou shalt neither vex a stranger nor oppress him;
for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at
all unto me, I will surely hear their cry and my wrath shall
wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives
shall be widows, and your children fatherless. (Exodus 22.20).

The ancient nations of the west, nations highly civilised, the Greeks and the Romans also came to believe in the power of this God, but they did not uplift themselves into understanding Him with their hearts and soul, they saw in the eternal laws of nature, in the laws of justice and righteousness, the power of *Fatum*; but even they came to know that there is no escape from it, either in this world or in the next world and that it is better to be led by it and go its ways. And these are the words of one of their prominent sages: *Ducunt fata volentem, nolentem trahunt*, meaning "God leads the man who goes in the ways of justice and righteousness, the one who refuses to do so (knowingly or not) he drags". The wise man who knows God's ways is being led, he goes the right way whether he knows it or not.

Gentlemen, it is in this spirit that you should approach the finding of a solution for the fate of the hapless people, rich in sorrow but also rich in their trust in the eternity of justice. Pronounce your judgment in the spirit of two great and distinguished men of our times, the late Mr. Roosevelt, be his memory blessed, and Mr. Winston Churchill, long may he live, the authors of the Atlantic Charter, who promised freedom and liberty to all human beings, to the individual and to the public, including a home for the individual and for the nation.

Gentlemen, do not lend a willing ear to the accusers and to those who wish us evil; who only yesterday, yes yesterday, were the friends of Hitler, the enemy of mankind; to those who say that Zionism is nothing more than a Nazi Party with all its traditions, and that proof thereof lies in the acts of terror that have occurred recently in this country and in Egypt. Nobody regrets them more than I do. And without justifying the perpetration thereof or even asking for mercy for them, I only ask to understand them and not to judge them by the ordinary warning rod of law and justice. The rich and replete accusers find it easy to say "here see their deeds and their desires", as if they themselves were always righteous and had never known of terror and civil war. And even were they ever so righteous, do not judge the rich, replete and well-off by the same measure as the poor, hungry or drowning in the sea, or ill. The hungry man speaks another language than the satiated, and if the former shouts, or even strikes, pity him and do not arrest him. We are the drowning people! One of the great poets of France gave a good example. He makes his judges like that. "Our France boasts exalted and eternal laws, our nation is the author of the slogan "Liberté, Fraternité et Egalité". We are not partial, we judge by the same law the rich and the poor. Should Rockefeller steal a loaf of bread, or a poor miserable homeless creature, the same punishment will be meted out to each of them."

You should know this, Gentlemen; we place our confidence not in you but in God the Almighty. Our hope and prayer remembered for two thousand years in our prayer-books and said by every Jew is:

"Father of Mercy, do good in thy favour unto Zion,
build thou the walls of Jerusalem for in thee alone do we
trust O king, high and exalted and Lord of the World."

and once a month we pray and believe:

"He who wrought miracles for our fathers and redeemed
them from slavery unto freedom, may He speedily redeem us and
gather our exiles from the four corners of the earth even all
Israel united in fellowship, and let us say Amen."

Prayers of this kind and many others like them were not created by Herzl, the founder of the "Nazi" Zionist movement; they are as old as the Diaspora. They are the property of the whole Jewish Nation and not of the Zionists only.

Before leaving you I have one request to make, a very important request of all and each of you, most esteemed members of the Commission. You are now in the Holy Land, in the City holy to many religions and nations. Here was created the Book that contains the supreme justice and law of the world and this book is the key to it. This is the classical Book, the Bible, sacred to all the Nations of the World. Do, Gentlemen, read every day while staying in the Holy Land, one chapter of our Prophets, no matter which, and the Holy Spirit will be with you, and everything done by you will be done in the spirit of Holiness. Amen.

August 11, 1947

Rabbi Isaac Marcuson
204 Buford Place
Macon, Ga.

Dear Rabbi Marcuson:

At Rabbi Silver's request I am sending
you a copy of the address which he delivered at
the 58th annual convention of the C.C.A.R. on
June 24, 1947.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Friend:

For the past few weeks I have been associated with the World Education Service Council. This is a very important and worthy organization. Its objective is to enlist the moral influence and the emotional appeal of the children and the youth of the world in the interest of world peace. It has accomplished much already and its influence is ever expanding. The aims and purposes of this organization are strongly supported by the leaders and officials of the United Nations and by our own President and government officials.

Dr. Reinhold Schairer, former professor of education at New York University, and now the Executive Director of the World Education Service Council, will attend the United Nations Week public exercises at Cleveland on September 15, 16 and 17, where he will deliver several addresses.

During that week a special broadcast from Cleveland, coinciding with the opening of the General Assembly of the United Nations, is also contemplated.

At my suggestion, Dr. Schairer would like to invite you to participate in either the broadcast or in one of the other public affairs, taking place during that week in Cleveland and perhaps tie it in with the Palestine case, which will come up before the United Nations Assembly.

In order to make satisfactory arrangements, Dr. Schairer, or both of us will be glad to visit with you at your convenience in your New York office, by appointment.

I shall be happy to hear from you as soon as possible.

Hoping that all is well with you and with warmest greetings, I am

Cordially yours,

Arthur Meyerowitz
Arthur Meyerowitz

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WORLD EDUCATION SERVICE COUNCIL, INC.

The World Education Service Council, with the voluntary cooperation of thousands of children and students, educators and friends of youth, have tested for two years a number of practical projects:

1. WORLD FRIENDSHIP DAY, V-E DAY, May 8th. World Friendship Day gives youth the chance to commemorate May 8th, 1945, and to pledge the same unity and friendship between the United Nations which made the victory possible. World Friendship Day was initiated in 1946 by an assembly in New York City with 2,000 students, officially representing the 1,000,000 in New York City's public and private schools. Radio transmission to the schools of New York City and to Europe linked millions to this event. A message from President Truman opened the assembly. A similar assembly with 6,000 students, took place at the same time in Philadelphia.

The first anniversary of the World Friendship Day was celebrated here in New York again at Hunter College, May 8th, V-E Day, 1947, and at the same time in many other places in this country and overseas. In Belgium, for example, World Friendship Day was celebrated in the City Hall with 1,000 children, and Prime Minister, Paul Henri Spaak as speaker. The report from Yugoslavia told that there wasn't a corner in Yugoslavia that World Friendship Day was not celebrated.

2. WORLD CHRISTMAS AND CHANUKAH FESTIVAL. The first World Christmas and Chanukah Festival took place in December 1945 simultaneously in New York (Carnegie Hall), London (Mansion House), Paris (Gaumont Palace), Copenhagen (City Hall), Brussels (City Hall), Athens (City Hall), Prague (Old Market Place), and other cities. The Committees formed in many nations made the Festival in 1946 a great event. Schools, youth groups, orphans' homes and families took part in the celebrations.

The World Christmas and Chanukah Festivals call for the exchange of presents between children across international boundaries. Five hundred thousand such gifts were donated by American children in 1945-1946, and distributed to orphans in 15 different nations. Each present carried the name and address of the donor and a friendly note. Thousands of children have developed a correspondence.

3. TEACHERS GOOD-WILL SERVICE. The teachers of America are invited to send 10-15 parcels of food or other gifts to teachers in the liberated countries who have risked their lives and health in the resistance movements. Every package is an individual gift from a teacher and includes a letter. About fifty thousand pounds were shipped overseas--correspondences and the exchange of individual educational reports have developed between the American and European teachers.

4. WORLD FRIENDSHIP HOUR. Children and students are invited to give one hour each week to world friendship. This World Friendship Hour should include intensive study of conditions in other nations, reports on children in other lands, resolutions on activities to be undertaken, and study of the structure and achievements of the United Nations. Students should assume responsibility for a large section of the program and make every effort to connect these World Friendship Hours with those of other nations.

The first World Friendship Hour was celebrated in many American schools on the opening day of the San Francisco Conference, April 5, 1945. The New York schools welcomed the first United Nations Commission in January 1946 with a World Friendship Hour. The schools of New York City have given since September, 1946, one hour or more, to the studies and activities of world friendship, each week.

In Europe, Belgium was the first country to adopt the idea of a World Friendship Hour. It was introduced in all Belgian schools in the fall of 1946. Many schools in this country and overseas have followed New York's and Belgium's example.

5. WORLD FRIENDSHIP BROADCAST, for U.S.A., was started in the fall of 1946 and since then was carried through every week here in New York. More than 600 New York schools took part in this broadcast. The World Friendship Broadcast has already spread to many other places in this country. The World Friendship Broadcast for the world was started May 8, 1947 and will be continued over the United Nations Broadcasting facilities in seven languages, in the fall of 1947.

What prominent people of the United States say about this broadcast:

Senator Warren R. Austin: "I am delighted to hear that the experiment has met with success, and that this broadcasting plan is now to be introduced in other states. All of the work toward friendship and understanding of the United Nations deserves hearty support in communities everywhere."

John E. Wade, Superintendent New York Schools: "The New York Schools pioneered in this World Friendship Plan and now cooperate, in every possible way to introduce it in schools in this country and to help spread similar broadcasts through the United Nations. They help build "A Better World."

Commissioner Studebaker: "The schools of the United States have begun a great service toward 'building the defenses of peace.'"

Dr. Givens of the N.E.A.: "It is gratifying to learn that the New York City Board of Education is to continue the 'World Friendship Plan' for I know it will have a good influence toward world good-will. When you can add to the broadcast, the plan for an airmail international interchange between schools and various countries, that will certainly be an important expansion. More power to you in the fine work you are doing."

Mr. Macanrew, Radio Coordinator: "The work you are doing to further the cause of international understanding by spreading the news of the United Nations from week to week is a highly desirable contribution. I hope these programs will pave the way for further progress via radio in this worthwhile endeavor."

6. WORLD FRIENDSHIP COUNCILS OF THE FUTURE. These Councils are composed of children and students selected by their schools to assist children and students in distress. The international World Friendship Council of the Future, the junior group of the World Education Service Council, is composed of boys and girls between the ages of 13 and 20. The purpose is to

have the youngsters themselves take active part in World Education. This group was formed on the first World Friendship Day, May 8, 1946, and has since then taken part in many activities of the World Education Service Council, such as:

- a. Composing and presenting Welcome Scroll to the United Nations' Delegates.
- b. Being hosts to 150 orphans, visiting United Nations at the opening sessions of the Assembly.
- c. Taking part in World Friendship Broadcasts and making speeches in different schools about World Friendship.
- d. Being hosts at the World Friendship Dinner; Helping to prepare and present the World Friendship Dinner play; creating the first World Friendship Passport in four languages.
- e. Helping prepare and present the play at the World Christmas and Chanukah Festival at Metropolitan Opera House, December 15, 1946.
- f. Promoting the gift giving campaign in their schools and colleges.
- g. The foreign members of the World Friendship Council of the Future are also functioning as links between this country and their home lands.

WORLD EDUCATION SERVICE COUNCIL, is on its way towards developing its projects on a worldwide scale. Up to now, 21 countries in Europe, South America and Asia have joined.

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August 25, 1947

Mr. A. Meyerowitz
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Dear Mr. Meyerowitz:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of August 22 to Dr. Silver. Dr. Silver is in Europe at the present time and is not expected in the United States until around the 10th of September. I shall be pleased to refer your letter to him at that time.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver

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Mr. Harry Gellin
The Gellin Co.
2021 Euclid Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Harry:

Would you be kind enough to relay to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver the thanks of the Rocky River Kiwanis Club for his securing as a speaker for the Club, The Rev. Frank C. Ricker.

Rev. Ricker's talk was very interesting and informative and the club membership is very much indebted to you and Rabbi Silver for your trouble in securing his presence. The writer heard much favorable comment based on this talk. I know that the Palestine Question in the minds of the Kiwanis Membership of Rocky River is much more clarified than before the appearance of Rev. Ricker.

Again, thanking you for your courtesy, I am,

Very truly yours,

Phil C. Doyle
Program Chairman

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KIDDUSH

The head of the household lifts the winecup and says:

Let us praise God with this symbol of joy, and thank Him for the blessings of the past week, for life, health and strength, for home, love and friendship, for the discipline of our trials and temptations, for the happiness that has come to us out of our labors. Thou hast ennobled us, O God, by the blessings of work, and in love and kindness Thou hast sanctified us by the blessings of rest through the commandment: "Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath hallowed unto the Lord, thy God."

ברוך אתה יי אלוהינו סלך העולם. בורא פרי
הגפן:

Boruch atto adonoy elohenu melech ho-olom bore peri
hagofen.

Praised by Thou, O Lord our God, King of the universe,
who hast created the fruit of the vine.

The head of the household then drinks from the goblet,
after which he breaks the bread and pronounces the blessing:

ברוך אתה יי אלוהינו סלך העולם. המוציא
לחם סן הארץ:

Boruch attoh adonoy elohenu melech ha-olom ha-motsi lehem
min ho-orets.

Praised be Thou, O Lord our God, King of the universe,
who causeth the earth to yield food for all.

The bread is passed and each one at the table partakes of
it.

PRAYER

At the Kindling of the Sabbath Lights

The table is given a festive appearance. A wine cup and a loaf of bread for the blessing are set before the head of the household. The ceremony of ushering in the Sabbath is begun by the kindling of the lights, during which a blessing by the wife is silently asked upon the home and the dear ones.

ברוך אתה יי אלוהינו סלך העולם. אשר
קדשנו במצותיו וצונו להדליק נר של שבת:

Boruch attoh adonoy elohenu melech ho-olom asher kidshonu
be-mitsvosov ve-tsivonu le-hadlik ner shel shabbos.

Praised be Thou, O Lord our God, King of the universe,
who hast sanctified us by Thy commandments and commanded
us to kindle the Sabbath lights.

May our home be consecrated, O God, by Thy light. May it
shine upon us all in blessing as the light of love and truth, the
light of peace and good will. Amen.

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