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American Council for Judaism, 1946.

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February 13, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Today I learned that on February 18th the American Council for Judaism is sponsoring a meeting at the Biltmore Hotel. I understand that Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen, President of Union Theological Seminary, is scheduled to act as chairman.

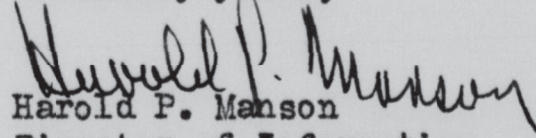
There can be little doubt that the American Council for Judaism's purpose in calling this meeting is to steal the spotlight from the American Jewish Conference, an activity in which the Council will probably be aided and abetted by the New York Times.

The above information has been conveyed to Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr with the suggestion that, if he deems it advisable, he should speak to Dr. Van Dusen in an effort to dissuade him from appearing at the Council for Judaism meeting. Dr. Niebuhr felt that it would be most unwise to approach Van Dusen at this time, inasmuch as this would only produce resentment on his part. So the suggestion was dropped.

If you have any suggestions on this matter, I would be grateful if you would convey them to me by phone.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Harold P. Manson
Director of Information

HPM:BP

P.S. Maurice Schwartz just phoned to remind me that you had promised to send him a letter. Inasmuch as he is preparing to go on the road, he urged that this be done quickly.

HPM