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CLEVELAND, July 2nd, 1917.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The few minutes we had together last week would not permit of my discussing a matter with you relating to your life insurance plans and I, therefore, take this method of communicating with you, in order that you may know that I shall be very glad, indeed, to place myself at your disposal for the carrying out of such additional plans as you may have for taking care of some of your future life insurance provisions. Just at this time we have a most unusual policy, which we are offering to select risks and I feel confident if it is your desire to increase your insurance line that this proposition will appeal very strongly to you.

I trust that you enjoyed the proceedings of the Conference at Buffalo.

Mr. Lowenstein has appointed me Chairman of an Acquaintance or Reception Committee and if you have any ideas which you think you would like to have me follow out in connection with your meeting the members of the congregation, I shall be very glad to hear from you.

Looking forward with keen pleasure to our association when you come to Cleveland, I am, with kindest regards in which my family joins,

Sincerely yours,

Rabbi A.H. Silver,

Wheeling, W. Va.

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ANCHOR TO FRANKEL

July 17, 1917

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Wheeling, W. Va.,

My dear Rabbi:-

On Tuesday the 14th of August I expect
to be married, and if agreeable with you, we should very
much like to arrange to have you perform the wedding
ceremony.

Won't you kindly advise me as to whether
or not you expect to be in Cleveland on that date, and
if it is at all possible for me to make these arrangements
with you.

Sincerely,

Harry Frankel

August 1st, 1917

Rabbi Louis D. Gross,

Akron, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Gross,

I have just been informed of your acceptance of my former pulpit at Wheeling, and hasten to convey my congratulations.

I trust that you will find the work in Wheeling as pleasant and interesting as I have found it. You are coming to a wonderful community that is ready at all times to co-operate with you. They will appreciate all your efforts.

If by chance you are in Cleveland during the month of August, I would like to have you call upon me, so that we can talk over your future congregation.

Very sincerely yours,

August 4th, 1917

My dear Rabbi Gries,

Just a line of greeting
to you and your family.

I arrived here last
Tuesday and have settled down to work.

I had a quiet vacation
and feel much refreshed. I trust that
after a year of strenuous work, you are en-
joying a much needed rest.

With kindest regards to
Mrs. Gries, Robert and Lincoln,

Sincerely yours,

Rabbi Moses J. Gries,
Windsore Club,
Boulevard, Mich.

43 W. 32nd St. N.Y.C.

Aug 17/17

My dear Sister: —
Your kind letter reaches
me here. Please accept my
heartiest thanks for your good
words - to you also my
sincere congratulations on your
splendid achievement.

I expect to be back in
Akron some time this month
and if I have the opportunity

I will certainly drop in on you for
a talk, and I know that you will
be able to tell me something that
may be interesting and valuable
regarding my future congregation.

Heartest regards,

Sincerely
Louis D'gros

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Rev. A. H. Silver,

Cleveland, Ohio.

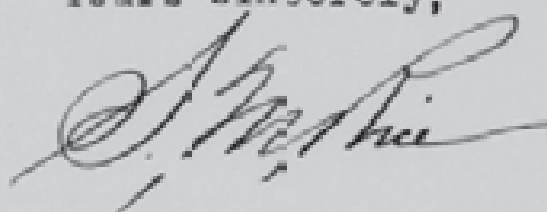
Dear Mr. Silver:

I am sending by Parcel Post, the stogies
that I promised to send. The delay was caused
by the size of the order that I placed with the
manufacturer, and the capacity of the plant.

Notwithstanding all this delay, I trust
you will enjoy the smokes and that you are well.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Yours sincerely,



SMR:MR



Somewhere in the evening
Eve of August 2nd 1877

Dear Mr. Silver - Mrs. Twout & Co.
My dear Silver - How shall I begin?
Dear Silver, Kabbie - How funny!
My Silver I do like. Shush!
Honorable Sir - No.
(It just dawned upon me
that I must have a brain
because something is beginning
to ache in my head from
all this heavy thinking)
Allow me to commend
this extraordinary epistle.

 invariably said "Having
a fine time. Wish you
were here."

My time came of course.
Evelyn C. came from Pitts-
burg to visit me. She is
one of my very best chums.

I do wish you knew her.
She is very interesting and
oh! so funny. She isn't
Jewish but that doesn't
matter. Occasionally we have
religious discussions. At the
end of these talks we deem
each other very pious.

We stick up for our religious like
we do for each other. Our looks
are as different as could be, but
our likes are quite similar. We
love to read, write, sketch, paint,
bike and most of all do un-
usual things; we dislike con-
ventionalities. We like people lots.
Do you know what I mean? I ^{could}
take too long to explain. When we're
together we're most always doing
things that folks around us im-
pudic. "Merced!" This sounds like
an outline for a character sketch.
I'm just wondering if you've
read this yet or if this funny
letter is in a sad little heap in
your waste basket or fluttering
big bits thru in the winds.

It doesn't matter much, anyway
this is good writing exercise. Always
after the summer months my writing
deteriorates and needs practice. So I'll
keep on scribbling.

Well, Eva came to visit me. We
had as lovely a time together as we
had anticipated. A friend had a
little dance for us, and we
had a fudge party.

Saturday eve
Oct. 27, 17

Dear Mr. Silver,

It's just about time
that I'm finishing this
letter, don't you think?

My summer vacation

has dissolved to pleasant memories. The glorious autumn days are here.

Several weeks ago I came across a poem in The Post, I think it was that goes something like this:

Around the corner I have a friend
In this great life that has no end
Yet days pass by, and weeks rush on
And before I know it a year is gone
And I never see my old friend face
For life is a swift and terrible race
"Tomorrow," I say "I will call on you"
Just to show that I'm thinking
of him."

But tomorrow comes and tomorrow
goes
And the distance between us grows and grows

be a bit fair when I have
that and think so much
about you. How I'm going
to see if you're a just man.

This summer has gone
at the speed of a thousand
legger bug. That's not a very
pretty comparison, but I
was thinking only of speed.
It has been a beautiful sum-
mer and I actually lived
thru most every minute
of it.

Up until the last of July
I generously sat back,
wrote train letters, watched
Zalke pack, watched trains
in and out, and answered
picture post cards which

Prince, (akrite?)

Now please don't worry about me and my feeble attempts at a letter taking up your precious time because worry is useless, and anyhow you mite have to accustom yourself to receiving frequent "fitts" from me. But "I Be Show Strong and Show Thyself a Man." You're a Rabbi so ought to try to put up with everybody's shortcomings - and gracefully at that.

Err I proceed I must ask a question: Does your private secretary peruse all your mail?

If she does don't let her waste her time on this cause she'll be thinking funny thots about me, and that would be tragic!

I'm actually falling a sleep over this. I'd give a cent (which is all the money I now possess) if someone would give me an exhilarating shaking. I surely do need it!

Really now, Mr. Silver, I don't intend to let you keep on forgetting me as you have done these many weeks. I do not. It would be

1517 East Blvd.

August Sept. 6, 1947.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

Dear Sir,

Your most interesting letter at hand and for the first time in my career am accused of a crooked transaction.

Firstly I have never heard of or met this Mrs. L.S. Darrell and the property mentioned in your letter I bought outright and sold same to Mr. Brooks. As far as I am concerned I do not know or care to know what understanding this Mrs. Darrell had with any other party. I bought this property from Mrs. Keough and if Mr. Brooks had any previous transaction with this foul mouthed woman I knew nothing of it, and it would seem more proper if she had acted the part of a Lady and asked me of my part in this transaction before accusing me of being dishonest in Public and trying to discredit me in the eyes of my associates and my Temple.

I would not have even taken the time to go into details only I felt it proper to answer your letter written me in confidence.

My first knowledge that the property ^{was} for sale was through Mrs. Grossman who was then living in the House.

I am placing this matter in the hands of my lawyer and he will take the necessary action to keep such a woman within her limits of Free Speech.

I at all times will be pleased to see you in person and give you whatever further details you may require.

Yours very sincerely,

J. Grossman

The Jewish Community Bulletin

EUGENE M. DAER
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Wheeling, West Virginia.

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Sept. 7th. 1917

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Cleveland, O.

My Dear Friend:-

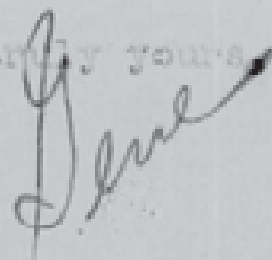
I note with satisfaction through the columns of the Cleveland Newspaper, that you have arrived again on American soil. Certainly glad to see you back. First before we even say, how-do-you-do, let me extend to you the Season's Greetings. May you have many pleasant years to come, and may they all be fraught with joy, health and prosperity.

Now don't forget your promise, expressed or implied, that you would send me something for the Bulletin for this issue.

Phillip Cohen is here, soliciting the advertising, and we are doing wonderfully well. I have not the slightest doubt, but what we will be able to make enough money out of this issue and the one to follow, to defray the expense of the Bulletin through the entire year, as well as reduce considerable of the debt on the Y. M. H. A., but it is no kids job I assure you.

Any assistance you will render me, will be greatly appreciated by

Very truly yours



EMB/FH

Regards & love from all the Daers

Sunday Sept 14th 69

Dear Mr.

You must have seen for fact
not being with you the
Sunday of your invitation.
I did not need some special
invitation thinking the matter
to be known but cancelled
business for the day.

Very truly yours
I have been here but
went to Providence, Rhode Island
where he is to operate
for the holidays.
I know he would have
been very happy to have
been with you. I had
but been here.

both would agree could be
reclaimed for good
restoration. Our friends
have all entire belief
how much they have
suffered because you, but
there we do not expect
anything less.

The girls you are
now visiting are the
most happy & prosperous
of New Haven.

I have a list of names for
you. You have heard us

Effect of Weather, with
no reference to the
matter of a drawing

put this drawing (which
I feel sure you will
not find forward to
know that it is

my intention to call
upon you and have
time to come and meet

as much they will have
no wonder that I
have given you a drawing
of the building

Sep. 13, 1917

Dear Alma Kibel:

Have been here over three weeks but preached my first sermon last Friday at the installation. We had Rabbi Wise here for the occasion, and the service was acknowledged to have been the best ever held in this town. At some later time I shall be glad to write about it length, provided of course, that I hear from you.

I guess I need not inquire how you are getting along with your work. I am sure that you are as successful in your new pulpit as you have been heretofore. I shall wish you, however, still greater success for the New Year. Sincerely yours, J. M. [unclear]

Cleveland, O. Sept. 10-'13

Rabbi A. H. Silver

of The Temple, City.

Dear Rabbi; -

I have a personal matter to take up with you, but do not know where I can reach you evenings, & as I am working - thought I might as well set the matter before you by letter, & you can then favor me with your decision at your earliest convenience.

I have been going with a young lady steady for the past 16 months, & we are devoted to one another - in fact, we have our marriage license, but as she is Jewish & I am not, would like to know what I would have to do in order to have you perform the ceremony.

Her mother carries out the Orthodox customs & as she has many friends & is an old resident of the Jewish

community, you can appreciate the situation & we do not wish to cause her any sorrow or pain unnecessarily.

I know you are a young man & will see my position more readily.

I expect that we can go house-keeping by spring, but if you think it best to have the ceremony performed at once, we will do so.

Her people are all very willing that I should marry her, but, of course, they do not know yet that I am not Jewish.

I am physically fit in every way & as I am chief draftsman for an ammunition plant there is no danger of being called to serve.

You can reach me by 'phone - Edgewater 2661 M or write me to my home. Hoping to hear favorably from you, I am

Sincerely

Walter E. Gross
1909 W. 71st St.

188 Henry St.,
N. Y. Sept. 10, 1917

Dear Abe:-

How happy I would
have felt yesterday had I
been able to be present
at your installation as Rabbi
of (formerly) Rabbi Gries,
and now Rabbi Silber, Temple.
I trust and feel confident
that you know the feelings
and sentiments of Sol
on this great occasion
and happy event in your
life. I can only say to
you *מזל טוב* as *פזנ"ס* *של*
I have tried several
times to secure copies
of the Jewish Independent of

I have no doubt that
 the daily English press
 will write - who - would
 you please send me the

clippings. I promise to
return same to you within
a day or two.

Friend Abe, I have a
grievance to you. You have
done me wrong. As a
friend I expect you to
tell me of all your successes
and achievements in fact
everything about yourself. There
is however, one thing that
I learned to-day ^{which} you
kept back from me. I met
to-day an acquaintance
of yours and mine and
he told me that before
you accepted the position
in Cleveland you ^{of your own volition} wrote
to your present congregation

about your ^{friend} ~~friend~~ and
you told them that if
they think that this will
be in your way, you
wish to withdraw your
application for the position.
Six days later, that acquaintance
told me you were notified
that you ~~and~~ were
unanimously elected. This
was the greatest com-
pliment you could have
received. You have shown
yourself to be a true
Herzian. To be frank, I
doubt whether any one else
of the New England would
have had the courage
you possessed in making such

a declaration. I may be mistaken - and I hope I am - but I have my doubt whether ^{in your place,} another Synagogue member, would have had the courage to expound and openly proclaim his convictions to a ~~body~~ congregation, the ~~which~~ ^{is} majority, & whose members have surely antagonistic to his views. And what a Congregation! Rabbi Gies' Synagogue! One of the largest in the country!

This was certainly glad news to me. But I certainly felt hurt that you did not mention a word about it to me. Why you acted so, I do

not understand. I certainly
do feel hurt.

I know you are
very busy now, but I trust
you will spare some
time and will write
a few words. "There
there is a way" with "There
is a way".
I hope to hear from
you before New Year.
With best wishes
for a happy New Year
Sol

My folks send their
best regards. Miss Solomon
wishes to be remembered.

P.S. Write me ⁷ full particulars
about the installation
ceremony and ~~see~~ about
your activities of in Cleveland.
I heard you address
you made before a Soldiers
organization. The address,
I understand, appeared
in the Jewish Independent.
Can I get a copy of
it?

DR. K. KOHLER
President Hebrew Union College
3016 STANTON AVE.

CINCINNATI, O., Sept 11th 1917

My dear S. Wer:

I herewith send to you the desired copy of my
address and let me assure you that it was a source
of real pleasure and satisfaction to Mrs. Kohler
and myself to have witnessed the auspicious event
of your installation into the position of rabbi and
leader, in which great things are with God's help, expected
of you. May God grant you health and vigor to
carry out your plans and ideas for the promotion
of the sacred cause successfully and with credit
to yourself and all of us who are eager to stand
by you in the cause of progressive and positive
Judaism. With best wishes for the New Year
and the great days that are great tests and great
opportunities for you,
Yours sincerely
D. K. Kohler

September 12th, 1917

The Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co.
Wheeling, W. Va.

Gentlemen:-

I am returning herewith your
bill. Please address this and all future
bills and communications about the telephone
to Mr. August Duga, Woodlawn.

Very truly yours,

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September 14th, 1917.

Rev. A. H. Silver,
University Club,
Wheeling, W. Va.

Dear Rev. Silver:-

I should like to turn for a brief moment from the sorrows and sufferings of our people in Europe to say a word of felicitation on the occasion of the coming New Year. May it bring to you and yours unbounded happiness and prosperity as a meagre reward for your splendid service to our cause.

With kind regards,

Cordially and sincerely yours,

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you success in your new field and
A Very Happy New Year.

Mrs Sol Gross President

Sender

1852 E 73 St

Address

Book No. 497

September 18th, 1917

Wheeling Lodge B'nai B'rith,

Wheeling, W. Va.

Mr. Edward A. Moss, President.

My dear Mr. Moss,

I desire to acknowledge receipt of your kind New Year's greetings, sent on behalf of the Lodge.

I trust that the B'nai B'rith, under the leadership of your new Rabbi, will grow in strength and continue to do good work for the cause of Israel and Judaism.

Fraternally yours,

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September 18th, 1917

Mrs. Sol Moses,,
1582 East 78rd Street
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Moses,

Permit me to extend to
you my deep appreciation of your New Year's
greetings. It is with the utmost sincerity
that I reciprocate the same.

Kindly convey my greetings
to the members of your Sisterhood.

Sincerely yours,

September 18th, 1917

James and Mary Janovits,
1614 East 117th Street
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear little Friends,

I want to thank you ever
so much for your very beautiful New Year's
wishes and I wish to extend to you my
best wishes for the New Year.

Please come in to see me next
Sunday morning when you come to the Relig-
ious School.

Yours very sincerely,

Hebrew Union College Library

September 21, 1917.

Dear Sir:

The books noted below are overdue.

Please give this your immediate attention.

Respectfully,

A. S. OKO,

Librarian

Brüll, Monatsblätter, v.16-17.

Caldecott, Herod's temple.

Edersheim, The temple

Feuchtwang, Das Wasseropfer

Hartte, Zum semitischen Wasserkultus

Hochman, Jerusalem temple festivities

Mehzor ha-Succoth, R8delheim, 1859

These volumes are long passed due. Please
return them on or before September 27th.

Please renew.

September 27, 1917.

Mr. A. S. Oke,
Hebrew Union College Library,
Cincinnati,
Ohio.

My dear Mr. Oke:

I am in receipt of your note of the 21st, informing me that the books which I have drawn from the Library, are long past due.

I am sorry that this happened. You appreciate however, I am sure, the rush of the Holiday season, and my inability to attend to anything but Temple Work.

If you can see your way clear to grant me permission to keep these books for a little while longer, I shall appreciate it very much. I have not had time to go thru them carefully enough.

With kindest regards to you and to Mrs. Oke, and with the Compliments of the Season, I beg to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

AHS*G

September 27, 1917.

Rabbi Morris S. Lasaron,
Baltimore,
Md.

My dear Morris:

I am in receipt of your kind note inviting me to be your guest during my visit to Baltimore. To be sure, I shall be most happy to do so. I am under the impression however, that Mrs. Gans has already invited me, though I am not sure of the fact. Would you tactfully make inquiries about it and let me know of it?

I do not plan to be in Baltimore either Saturday or Sunday, but should I change my plans, I shall inform you in ample time to make your arrangements.

Please accept my best wishes for the coming year.

With kindest regards to Pauline, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

AMS*G

Baltimore, Sept., 1917

Tishri 5678

Dear Friends:

We are about to enter upon another year together. It will be a year of earnest heart-examination, for never have our duties as Jews been so numerous, our obligations as citizens so justly demanding. Not only as individuals shall we find ourselves called upon to work in the common cause, but the institution of which we are members must enlist its full powers in the war against war!

We, who remain at home, have received exemption from physical service. That means a draft into spiritual service!

I greet you this Rosh ha-Sho-nah with the old prayers for your well-being on my lips but with a deeper prayer in my heart; that in this hour you may all be moved to do your utmost as Jews and as citizens in the consecrated cause in which we are enlisted; that our Temple may radiate a potent influence for inspiration and courage to gloriously achieve the ideals for which our beloved country has engaged in the struggle; that it may send forth the message of faith to the numberless men and women whose hearts will be saddened by sorrow and doubt.

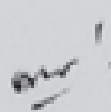
Never have we been given a finer opportunity to vindicate our belief in the truth of religion! We say we believe! Let us now translate into action the faith in our heart.

May the Lord bless you and keep you!

May the Lord cause the light of His countenance to shine upon you and be gracious unto you!

May the Lord lift up His countenance towards you and grant us a righteous peace.

MORRIS S. LAZARON.





Sermon Subjects for the Holyday Season

Sunday, September 16th, Eve of New Year:—

Qui va! Qui vive!

Monday, September 17th, New Year:—

Taking Stock.

Saturday, September 22nd, Shabbas Shubah:—

Fasting.

Sunday, September 23rd:—

Memorial Services at Cemetery.

Tuesday, September 25th, Eve of Yom Kippur:—

Atonement: At-one-ment.

Wednesday, September 26th, Yom Kippur:—

A Statement of Platform.

Saturday, September 29th:—

The Distant Vision.

Monday, October 1st, First day of Succoth:—

The Four Succoth Plants.

Saturday, October 6th:—

Karaism and the Karaites.

Sunday, October 7th, Harvest Festival by the children of
the Religious School.

Monday, October 8th, Last Day of Succoth:—

Moses: An Imaginary Auto-biograph.



Dear Michel:

Happy & successful year!

After returning I learn that
you are to be in the program of one of
our organizations this winter.

Therefore I should expect
you to make your home with us
when you come. If you can arrange
to be here over Saturday or on a
Sunday night when we host dinner
it would give me pleasure to have
you among my guests.

With all good wishes for the
coming year.

Yours,
Moms Clayton

September 27, 1917.

Rabbi Jerome Rosen,
Spokane,
Wash.

My dear Jerry:

I am in receipt of your note of the 11th, telling me of your splendid installation service. I feel confident that you will succeed in your new field of activity, and my wishes go with you.

Drop me a line occasionally and keep me in touch with your work.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:G

September 27, 1917.

Mr. Theodore Fischel,
1728 E. 115th St.,
C i t y.

My dear Mr. Fischel:

Did I tell you how much I
appreciated your very lovely New Year's gift?

I hope that I shall be able,
at some future time, to reciprocate.

With kindest personal greetings,
I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS*G

September 27, 1917.

Mrs. Sarah Skirball,
707 No. Crescent Ave.,
Cincinnati,
Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Skirball:

I am in receipt of your note of the 17th, conveying to me the glad tidings of Rudolph's engagement. I wish to extend to you, and thru you to Rudolph, a hearty "Masel Tov".

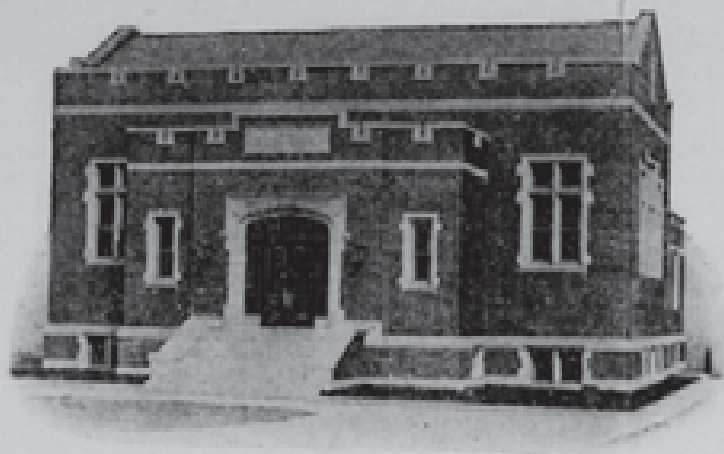
I am sorry that Jack could not attend my installation. However, I have heard from him since, from Oklahoma.

I hope to be in Cincinnati some of these days and I shall be more than happy to come in and see my old friends.

With kindest regards, to all, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS*G



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September 28, 1917.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have your letter of the 27th inst. All that it is possible for me to do is: retain Brüll, Monatsblätter; Hochman, Jerusalem temple festivities; Machzor (Rödelheim, 1859), until ^{but} (not later than) October 15; and Caldecott, Herod's temple; Edersheim, The temple; Feuchtwang, Das Wasseropfer; Hartte, Zum sem. Wasserkultus, until October 31.

Reciprocating your kind wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. S. Oko
Librarian.

Rabbi Abba H. Silver,
% The Temple,
East 55th St. & Central,
Cleveland, O.

October 5, 1917.

WELLS FARGO & CO.,
WHEELING,
W. VA.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find your card
informing me that you held a box addressed to me.

Please forward this box to my new
address, The Temple, E. 55th & Central Avenue,
Cleveland, and oblige,

Yours very truly,

AHS:G-

Enc.

Rabbi Silver—

Dear Sir

Attached please find
Invoice for repairing car— due
to our accident Saturday
afternoon. Will you kindly
mail check to

R.A. Greene

5716 Quinby Ave
city

Oct 8 - 17

Sam & Dave Gideon

Huntington

West Virginia

Oct 10/17

Reverend Mr. Gideon

Cherland O.

Dear Rabbi:

Enclosed please find
Contribution I promised you. I
had expected to receive a Committee
from them regarding same. Hence
the delay in sending Check.
I would kindly forward
to the proper parties.

I hope that you like your
new field - and I am sure
of your success. We of course
are as jealous of your success
as if it were our own, and
can never give as you climb
the ladder of fame - none are
more anxious and sincerely - delighted
than the Gideon Family -

With Best Wishes.

Sincerely

Sam Gideon

Kirk apartments
Pleasant Valley
Wheeling, October 11 1917

Dear Rabbi Silver

I have been impressed, that I should write you as per enclosure.

Of course, I know it is asking a good deal of so busy a man as you are to read a three page letter. It is asking more to invite serious consideration to the matter.

It is, however, quite possible in these times of business turmoil, that mere reference by you of my letter to some big friend may elicit his real gratitude in the end, because I really accomplish things and have always found unexpected resourcefulness in connection with any task I have ever undertaken.

I have made much money for others, and this can be readily verified.

With earnest wishes for your good health, prosperity and usefulness, and my best thanks for any consideration you may give to this matter, and with warm greetings from Mrs Haagoma and myself

Faithfully yours

W Haagoma

Kirk apartments
Pleasant Valley
Wheeling October 11 1917

Rabbi A. H. Silver
Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi It is barely possible, that knowledge of the following may enable you to do a material favor and service to some big Cleveland friend and to myself as well, or to some ~~eternity~~ friend.

Since dropping out of Wheeling Steel & Iron Co I have spent most of my time on a large matter, which should benefit me in a big way, hence I have made no effort to attach myself elsewhere.

That matter is concluded, so far as my own work on it is concerned, and must be brought to a finish by others. It may and may not be successful.

I am now open for just the right connection, but am advising only a few of my closest friends in a strictly confidential way.

I came to Wheeling Steel & Iron Co in August 1914 at the solicitation of President Isaac M. Scott. I thought there seemed to be a fair chance to reestablish myself in the steel business, with which I was quite familiar.

The business was run without knowledge of costs. The personnel was untrained in up to date analysis and imperatively necessary detail, and before I could be of real service, I had to formulate and establish a proper costs and accounting system. What I installed was pronounced by President Scott as the best in the country.

The General Superintendent and I secured the hearty cooperation of all concerned from Vice President down and in less than fifteen months established permanent manufacturing and other economies of large moment, probably exceeding half a million dollars a year.

I exhausted myself in training men, including the sons of the President and in an exceedingly short time established a very excellent esprit de corps.

My personal relations were very pleasant all around, notwithstanding the fact that I was obliged to arouse many a dormant factor and to eradicate a benumbing atmosphere of laissez faire.

Result:

The President made matters so uncomfortable for Mr E. G. Rust, General Superintendent, a splendidly effective man, that he withdrew early in 1916 and became part owner and President of Lebanon Blast Furnace Co, Lebanon, Pa.

And in June 1916 the President called me in and said that I was trying to get his job, when I had under trying conditions sustained him whole-heartedly.

I had exerted myself so intensely to avoid waste, educate men, eliminate bad conditions, show thousands of facts daily and monthly, without upsetting the organization, that I welcomed a rest.

As for my experience will state:

When 37 Companies came together in 1899 to form the \$50,000,000.00 Republic Iron & Steels, I effected all the details of the consolidation as General Auditor and without professional assistance, and established the routine of all departments, including the building of costs and accounting methods. After two years I was also made Secretary. In 1903 I dropped out for valid reasons.

During those years the following learned to know me and my work fully:

Mr James A. Campbell, now President Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co
Youngstown, O.

Mr H. L. Rownd, now Vice President Republic Iron & Steels
Youngstown, O.

Mr Alexis W. Thompson, now Chairman Inland Steel Co
Chicago, Ills

Since that time I have been on all sides of business and made a serious study of many lines and insisted on keeping myself up to date and developing a natural ability of seeing business from all angles.

You know fairly well whether I can dominate men.

I am at my best. The years have made me stronger. In a general administrative capacity in some big business I can be of really great service. In this regard my connection with the Steels here surely was a most crucial test. I was a success.

Now it may occur to you that I should be close to one of your big friends East or West. The nature of the business makes little difference, so long as it is not small.

Possibly some important banker may wish an effective man to represent him and carry out his plans in connection with some heavy industrials. Possibly some banker may require a discreet, confidential man to be used in acquiring control of certain interests. Possibly some large financial interests have not just the man of my intensive training as analyst, student of men and economies, administrator, general officer, general adviser.

Should you deem it a favor to some really big friend to forward this letter for his consideration, I shall be glad to have you do so.

But it should be noted, that I am an expensive, highly trained machine and should in these high price times command a really big income.

Thanking you for your consideration

Sincerely yours

Y. B. Haagsma
Kirk apartments
Pleasant Valley
Wheeling, W. Va

Telegraph address:
c/o Telephone Altenheim 121 J.
Wheeling, W. Va

188 Henry St.,
N. Y. Oct. 17, 1917

Dear Abba:

I am surprised
I did not hear from
you. This is the third
letter I am sending
you. I hope this
time I will fare
better. I realize that
you must be very
occupied. Still I
believe you can
spare a few minutes
and write to me.
You promised to
send me a copy
of a Cleveland
paper containing a

write up about your
installation. I never
received it.

I received two
copies of The Temple
Bulletin, for which
accept my thanks.

Can you put my
name on the subscribers list?

About your installation
I read in the American
Israelite and in the
Baltimore Jewish
Comment. I am holding
you to your promise
to send me copies of
local papers.

How are you? How
 were the journey during
 the holidays? Write
 me all about you.
 I hope to spend a
 few minutes and
 write a letter or two
 after I am feeling
 fine, waiting till
 and - waiting to be
 dropped of spoke with
 you last week. He
 told me that he
 intends to go to
 Cincinnati next week.

year. He is preparing now.
 I told him that you
 wanted to call him up
 the day you left and
 have a talk with
 him, but that ~~to~~
 do, neither you nor
 I had ~~known~~ his
 telephone number.

Miss Solomon's wishes
 to be remembered to you.
 Do not keep me
 waiting ~~long~~ long for a
 reply. I hope and expect
 to hear from you within
 a few days.

As ever
 Love
 Best regards from my folks.

18 Oct 1912

Dear Rabbi A H Silver.

Please excuse the
liberty of this note, but
while I am conscious of
your wonderful ability
I am afraid I am quite
as human as the rest of us
in one respect, that of
leaving your stockings and
knowing that I am away
from your Mothers care

please let me take her place and
do the mending of Jane's stockings
for Jane. I would call
for them when she were returned
from the Laundry on Thursday
& bring them back when
mended.

Hoping Jane looks at this just
as I do

I am Jane's resp.

M. H. Amosbach

Cleveland, Ohio.
October 23, 1917.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
% The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Member:

The Membership Committee instructs me to inform you that your application for admission to The City Club has been passed upon favorably.

Your attention is called to Section 1. of Article III of the Constitution of The City Club, which reads as follows:

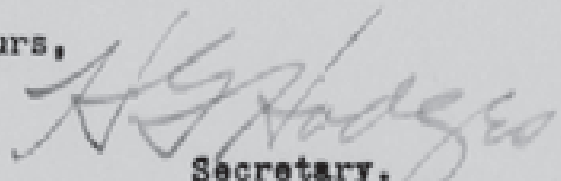
"A member-elect, upon becoming the owner of a share of stock and upon payment of current dues, shall be enrolled as a member. Any member-elect who shall fail to qualify within one month after being notified of his election, may be deemed to have declined his election and such election may be declared void by the Membership Committee."

The fiscal half years of the Club begin June 1st and December 1st. Members shall pay dues at the rate of Five Dollars semi-annually; members admitted during a fiscal half year shall pay for that half year an amount of dues in proportion to the remainder of the half year.

The Committee urges upon all members the frequent use of the Club-Home, Floor III-The Hollenden. New members are asked to observe scrupulously the anti-tipping rule.

The Secretary keenly appreciates suggestions and criticisms by the members.

Very cordially yours,


Secretary.

OFFICERS—George W. York, President; Carl D. Friebolin, Vice President; Allard Smith, Treasurer; Francis T. Hayes, Secretary.

DIRECTORS—Thomas P. Ballard, Thomas Coughlin, Carl D. Friebolin, A. R. Hutton, D. S. Humphrey, De Lo E. Mook, M. P. Mooney, W. M. Partisan, Allard Smith, J. E. Tuckerman, W. B. Woods, George W. York.

CLUB HOME OF THE CITY CLUB—Floor III, The Hollenden.

Oct 24th

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Six inches of
snow outside and a
wasty cold have kept me
in the confines of my room
and tho' Gerardi's book
is very interesting, I soon

open breasted of inactivity,
and just like my German
forbear began to rage war
— on my desk. (I hope
this won't be deleted by
the censor). Papers, letters,
bills and pamphlets
are all neatly stacked
and in order, — but there

is one paper which bothers me -
your Rotary sermon. I returned
it thinking that at some
time you may wish to
practice as well as preach -
Rotaryism (not in Webster)

I hear that the Bulletin is to
be out soon, so I'll not attempt
to chronicle any news.

Just be assured of our
good wishes and of a hearty
welcome when you come down to
see us - I am sincerely yours
Virginia Johnson

October 24, 1917.

Mr. Edward Hemple,
Publication Bldg.,
Pittsburg,
Pa.

My dear Edward:

Are you at all acquainted in
New Kensington? I understand that a congregation in
New Kensington, is in need of a new minister.

I have had the pleasure of meeting
here, a gentleman who has impressed me very favorably,
a man of scholarship and splendid parts, who has with
him, letters of recommendation from some very representa-
tive people. He requested me to put in a good word for
him, with the New Kensington people. Unfortunately, I
know no one there. If you do, you would confer a favor
upon me, and upon this rabbi, Samuel Klein, if you would
suggest his name to some man or men there. I understand
that Mr. Oblaster is an officer in that congregation.

How have you been, and how are things
in Pittsburg? Let me hear from you soon.

Yours, as ever,

AHS*G

Room 609
Schuylkill Bldg.
Apr 7.7.1917

Wheeling, W. Va.
Oct. 27, 1917

Dear Mr. Silver:

I have a faint recollection that you ask me to drop you a card occasionally; but I am going to have audacity enough to send you a letter. You may never ^{answer} this letter and if you don't, why, I'll try not to care because I'll know it's because you don't have the time.

all their time. And dear
Mr. Silver, you ever right,
as you always was and is.
I don't have a thing to do
all day in this office but
read; and then, one gets
tired of that too! I know
if you were here you'd tell
me I was idle and useless
and that's what I am! I
am trying to get some public
work to do, to take up my
time and am also knitting
for the soldiers.

O h. Mr. Silver, how I
miss you! I just can't

Well Mr. Silver, my
School days are over, I'm
working I didn't finish
either, I know you wouldn't
approve of that; but you know
I had an impulse and I
acted upon it. It really wasn't
any use going to school
anyhow; I didn't study; so
I'm a stenographer for G. Fair.

Get Mr. Silver (I hope you
don't find that word. I don't
know a better one) I remember
you once told me a man
is never happy unless
he's working and working

wait for that day when I shall
see you again and feel your big
beautiful hands on my face. Ah!
I miss that too! I miss going to your
study and running those errands
for you.

Mr. Silver I don't want you scold
or be angry with me when I tell you
I haven't met Rabbi Gross, I don't
make myself do it. It would make
me too lonesome for you. But I
guess I must just for the sake
of you. I know you would want
me to continue going to church.

Will close now as I know
you won't read this if I add
any more. The folks at home send their love.
Will say goodbye with lots of love
and kisses to you whom I love
and who has helped me so. No one
has, ^{lovingly} Beanie Schwartz.

October 29, 1917.

Mrs. Theodore Fishel,
1728 E. 115th St.,
C i t y.

My dear Mrs. Fishel:

Enclosed please find
the Lecture Ticket which you were kind enough
to send to me. I regret exceedingly that I
was unable to avail myself of this opportunity.
Other important engagements interfered with it.

Thanking you again for
your courtesy, and with kindest regards to Mr.
Fishel, I beg to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

AHS²⁴

Enc.

October 29, 1917.

Mr. Solomon S. Cohen,
188 Henry St.,
New York City.

My dear Sol:

Please pardon my negligence in the matter of correspondence. You know how extremely occupied I am, in my work here.

I am glad that you are receiving my temple bulletin. That will keep you informed about our work here.

I am mailing you under separate cover, a copy of a local Jewish paper, which contains my installation address.

Don't wait for letters from me. Keep on writing, and telling me all about yourself. You know how deeply interested I am in you and in your work.

With kindest regards to your folks and to Miss Solomon, I am

Yours - as ever,

AMS:C

October 29, 1917.

Mr. Harry Skirball,
707 No. Crescent Ave.,
Cincinnati,
Ohio.

My dear Harry:

Your letter was indeed a revelation to me. I had not heard from you so long that I thought you had completely forgotten me. I am sorry that I could not answer your letter immediately. I thought I would have you wait a while. You see I am paying you in kind, for your promptness.

I am very happy to learn that you are coming to Cleveland soon. Let me know a few days ahead of time, so that I can make all necessary arrangements for your coming. Will try to re-create the good old Cincinnati days again.

With best wishes to all,

Yours - as ever,

ARSG

October 29, 1917.

Rabbi Maxwell Silver,
Lafayette,
Ind.

Dear Max:

I was extremely happy to learn that you were going to Brooklyn. I am absolutely confident that you will succeed. Is there anything that you would have me do in the matter, at the present moment? Personally, I feel that the matter is advancing very satisfactorily and needs no intervention on my part. Should you however, think otherwise, let me know.

Wishing you again, the best of luck in your coming venture, I am,

Yours, as ever,

AMPC

October 29, 1917.

Mrs. Leo Wolf,
So. Front St.,
Wheeling,
W. Va.

My dear Mrs. Wolf:

I know that you will pardon this delay in acknowledging your letter. I have been extremely busy and have not had the opportunity to write to you.

I was very happy to learn that Marc is now at college. I would like to have his address so that I could send him a line. I do want to keep in touch with him, and with his work.

How are things in Wheeling now. I regret exceedingly that I have not, as yet, had a chance to go down. It seems that I shall be compelled to delay my visit until the B'nai B'rith Convention next January, when I hope to spend a few days with you. I wonder whether Mr. Wolf will visit Cleveland in the near future. If so, I would appreciate it, if he would let me know a little ahead of time, so that I could keep a few days open.

Please convey my kindest regards to all my friends.

Yours - as ever,

AHS:G

Cincinnati Ohio

Oct 31, 1917.

Dear Abba:-

You will pardon this note book stationary when I tell you, that I am doing my corresponding in the venerable Goldhard Deutsch's class. Things are quite the same. Mr. Mat Kaufman has just delivered a eulogy and the class is in an uproar.

We had Hirsch here for 3 lectures and he said a great deal of that which we already knew. Wokley was here at the time, and thought he was great. I am telling you this, because he may have spoken to you about the lectures. My personal opinion is that he was brought here to knock Zionism and the Russian Jews who believe ^{for} ^{ever}

me and advocated Zionism. He said that the ~~reason~~ leaders of Zionism had no historical perspective etc etc. He had a fine delivery, and is very forceful, but the boys were sorely disappointed.

Walter told me how well you were doing. Also that you turned 300 away from our temple when you spoke there. He said that you had lost a new spirit to Cleveland. Keep it up old boy - you know.

Now for the most important part. I am in the next draft and after thinking it over have decided not to claim exemption. I have not come to this decision

hastily, but have spent all summer
~~in~~ in deciding upon what
step I ought to pursue.

For this reason I am desirous
of getting into some such service
^{with} religious, or ordnance dept.
Personally I wouldn't mind going
into some combatant dept, but after
all it would be against mother's
wishes & thus again "life is sweet".

Now Abba I thought possibly you
may have some influence in
getting me into some thing of
this sort. I have tried down
here, but I have not enough
influence to get anything. I
wish you would let me know
at once if you can do
anything for me in this over

regard. Please de. not mention
this to anybody.

When are you coming
down and see us. Write
and tell me all the news.

I am teaching the upstream
confirmation class for Dr.

Guionmar, and enjoy the
work. Write real soon.

WRHS
your friend
Jack

536 Clinton Ave.
Newark, N. J.,
Oct 31, 1917.

My dear Cousin,

I doubt whether you can guess who is writing you this letter. For the first time since I left you I am writing to you. This is about 4 years. Do you remember Max Press. Well, while I was living with your good mother and father in the Bronx, you left for Cincinnati. My two sisters Ida and Rose were also with me.

We left for Newark with Mrs. Samuels, after staying for about 2 months and came to the Hebrew Orphan Asylum. I am now 15 years old and am staying in this home, with my sister Rose who is only 12. In high school I am taking up a 2 year commercial course.

also. I am very anxious to hear from
you so please write me the longest
letter you possibly can. Rabbi Solomon
Foster of Newark sends his best re-
gards to you. All of my sisters also
send their best regards to you.
Wishing you further success in
life, I remain,

Your dear Nephew,

Max Weiss.



P.S. Please give my best regards
to all.

My three sisters, Blanche, Fay,
and Theresa are married and
will take me from this home as
soon as it is suitable to them.

Now I want to talk on a dif-
ferent subject. Of course I was
only a small boy when we used
to fool together! I could picture
you pounding away on the punch-
ing bag that was in the bedroom.
Do you remember me sleeping with
you? Of course you do.

I immediately recognized
you when I saw your picture
in the Jewish Observer. You
have certainly made a great
success of life by obtaining such
an honorable position. I have
your picture and often look on it.

How is your mother and
father feeling, your brother and
sisters? Is your brother Abe a Rabbi

891 Forest Avenue,

Dear Abba

Your proceeding was
not nearly half as bad
as I expected, because
I know I deserve it all,
but the fact that it was
written and addressed
to me ~~was~~ ^{was} it so
much more pleasant,
and my hope to see
so much easier. I
think it is so much nicer
to answer a letter, than
to just write one. Now
forgive me like a good
boy, because you know
I mean well, and always
think sweetly of you.
Don't you?

Well, last night

I had the extreme pleasure of meeting
Mrs. Lawton. She is a delightful
person and I enjoyed my chat
with her immensely, especially when
she went into raptures over you.
I called her up and made an appointment
with her at her hall. I didn't feel
just right about having her come
up the house just now, although
I invited her very cordially. She is
going home Saturday and has
very little time to spare anyway.

I haven't too far to go and are going
to have the furniture we just bought.
I'm so happy that we are getting it
at last. My husband did it. He
has selected a beautiful suite and
the house will look lovely hereafter.
Now you need never hesitate in
sending anyone up, because there
will be nothing to be ashamed of.
In the meantime I am looking around
for nice rooms in a nice neighborhood.
I suppose you know that is home
now. He will speak in the Brooklyn
Temple to-night. I'll wish him
luck. When do you intend to pay
us a nice long visit? Make it
soon, because I would love to see

you already and he can't find
your address. I hope just what
what, he can't find I can't see
how all I would love
to ask you and write you
is a letter, and I know
you also are not over fond
of letter writing.

I have made up with
Mrs. Hall and have received
a very sweet letter from
her. It is a letter to mine.
I am also very fond of
writing my letter. I am
giving. Also wrote a
little letter in Trinidad,
Cal. - Don't laugh -

Everyone at home is
fine - and send their love
and good wishes.

I'll write after now.
Love,
Laurie

Friday

November 1, 1917.

Mr. I. Goldfinger, Furrier,
Main St.,
Wheeling, W. Va.

My dear Mr. Goldfinger:

May I request you to send me
my fur overcoat? Will you also please enclose a
bill for the storage of the same?

We are having the first taste
of real cold weather here, and I believe that I
shall need it right soon.

I trust that you and your
family are well.

With kindest personal regards,
I am

Very sincerely yours,

AMS:G

[illegible]

November 7, 1917.

The Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co.,
of W. Va.,
1501 Chapline St.,
Wheeling,
W. Va.

Gentlemen:

This is the second time
I am constrained to write you about the
bill you insist upon sending me, for
telephone number Wheeling 959. I have al-
ready requested you to send this bill to--

Mr. August Daga,
Secretary of the Acff Street Temple,
Wheeling, W. Va.

Please don't bother me any
more with your bills.

Respectfully yours,

AMP:G

Enc.

November 7, 1917.

Mr. Jack Skirball,
707 No. Crescent Ave.,
Cincinnati,
Ohio.

My Dear Jack:

I was mighty pleased to hear from you. Your decision to enlist in some Government Service, came as a surprise to me. I don't blame you at all for wishing to do the work you have decided upon. As you undoubtedly know, there is a great need today, for young people to do Social Service Work in our Camps. I notice where the Jewish Welfare Board for Soldiers and Sailors, has issued a call for such workers, thru the press -- a notice of it appeared in last week's AMERICAN ISRAELITE.

Should you care to undertake such work, please notify me at once, and I shall get in touch with Col. Harry Cutler, who is at the head of this Board.

Please give my kindest regards to all the members of your family.

Yours - as ever,

AHS-C

J.H.S

Amannate 3

Nov. 8/1917

Dear abba:-

Your letter received, and was glad to hear from you. That is just the kind of work I would like to do, and would like to get in the soldier end of it.

I think I could do a good work in the soldiers welfare & social work. I think that thru my experience in a business line, and amusement line, as a supplement to my college work would make me pretty well fitted.

I'm writing to let you

gone into that work at
Rockford Ill.

Now Abba, write me
and tell me some news
who about yourself. How
are you feeling and when
are you coming down &
visit us. Write me a
regular letter. I shall await
with anxiety to hear what
Cutler has to say.
Yours affectionately
Jack

could mention these things. If there
is anything open of course in
the religious dept. I would of
course like to get into it.
However I feel that if a
fellow got into something
pretty good now, he may have
a chance to rise to a Chaplain.

I sure do appreciate your
kindness  and hope that you will
attend to it at once. For I feel
that seeing I have made up
my mind I might as well get
started. And I believe that those
who get in first, will obtain
the better positions.

My cousin Aaron Horvitz has

November 8, 1917.

Miss Mina Baker, Registrar,
National Kindergarten College,
2944 Michigan Blvd.,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Miss Baker:

I am very happy to give
you the information you request, concerning
Miss Sara Leah Moss.

I have known Miss Moss
for a few years and she, at all times, impressed
me as a girl of splendid character and most
pleasing personality. She has a host of friends
in her home town, Wheeling, and was well thought
of by all the members of the community. I am
sure she will bring credit to your institution.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:G



National Kindergarten College

ELIZABETH HARRISON, PRESIDENT

2944 Michigan Boulevard, Chicago

Miss Sara Leah Moss

has entered
~~is planning to take a course in~~
the National Kindergarten College and has given us your name as reference. We shall appreciate from you a frank statement as to her character, ability and general standing in the community.

NATIONAL KINDERGARTEN COLLEGE

Edna Baker, Registrar

November 12, 1917.

Mr. Jack Skirball,
707 No. Crescent Ave.,
Cincinnati,
Ohio.

My dear Jack:

Enclosed please find copy of letter which I sent to Mr. Goldrich, the Field Secretary of the Jewish Board for Welfare Work in the United States Army and Navy. I thought it would be more advisable to write to him, rather than Mr. Cutler, at the present time. As soon as you hear from him, let me know.

With kindest regards to all of the members of your family, I beg to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

AMS:G

Enc.

November 18, 1917.

Mr. Leon W. Goldrich,
Field Secretary,
Jewish Board for Welfare Work,
31 Union Square, West,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Goldrich:

I have read your appeal in the Jewish newspapers for volunteer workers in Army Camps. I take the liberty of suggesting the name of one to you, who, I believe, is most capable to perform the services such an office would demand and who is qualified by training and character for just such work.

Mr. Jack Skirball, a student at the Hebrew Union College, and a personal friend of mine, has expressed to me the desire, some time ago, of enlisting in some such work. Mr. Skirball is 24 years old, has had academic training and also settlement experience in Social Service Work. He is, moreover, of a practical turn of mind and has been very successful in some business undertakings. He is very amiable and makes friends readily. I would suggest to you that you get in touch with him and endeavor to enlist him among your corps of workers.

Hoping that your work will meet with the success which it merits, I beg to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

ALDO



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WRITTEN FROM
HUNTINGTON, W. VA.

11/13-17

My dear Rabbi Hiller:—

Am here between trains
and saw several people,
among them your old
friend and adviser, Mr.
Sam Gideon.

The B'nai B'rith is
in a flourishing condition.

It now has around 70
members and they are
planning a fine campaign,
not neglecting at the same



WRITTEN FROM

HUNTINGTON, W. VA.

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Time intellectual advancement
my stay over here was opportunity
as our famous Rabbi Mr.
Mendelsohn, has caused
a great deal of disturbance,
by attempting to alienate
some members of the
B. B. or vice versa his
activities to the Temple.

Change, not so far Rabbin
do not practice for method
of co-operation and co-ordination.
By Rabbi Mendelsohn



WRITTEN FROM

3

HUNTINGTON, W. VA.

insists in his way, he will
break up the B.B. and broken
the Temple. However, I
understand he is going
to accept a Chaplainship in
the Army. He is in
Cincinnati to-day
and yet did not
have the opportunity of
meeting him.

Four Sunday morning
sermons, were to find
a Echo in President Wilson



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THE FAIRMONT
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WRITTEN FROM

HUNTINGTON, W. VA.

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address to be A. F. of
Labor at Buffalo, Tuesday
last.

My information that
Kerensky and Korniloff as
well as Milukoff and
Koledin will reach an
agreement, is becoming
evident.

If you wish to reach me,
will be at the "Robert Treat"
Hotel, Newark, New-Jersey, Tuesday.
When a meeting of the



WRITTEN FROM
HUNTINGTON, W. VA.

General Comm. Take
place. If you have
any suggestion, please
forward same.

I know it will be
appreciated.

Did not have the time to see
Gardensky and I am
under the impression Mr
Abbi Klein will not do. His
statement on Ambassador
contradictory.

With added attention.
Edw. Hempel

Cincinnati, O.
Nov. 18, '77.

Dear Rabbi Silver: -

Since your
work in ~~the~~ healing was perhaps
the principle motivating force
which caused me to undertake
preparation for the rabbinate,
I take the liberty of informing
you of the state of my affairs
at the present time.

I have settled down to work
in earnest, an essential circum-
stance which was sadly lack-
ing in my study last year. Be-
sides my course of study at W. U. C.
I have been taking fifteen hours
of University work. The C grade
is generally regarded as the
most difficult one at W. U. C. The
amount of time & concentration
necessary to good standing is
greater than last year, but my
increased resolve and determi-
nation have so neutralized,
in fact, overbalanced the diffi-
culty as to make it in reality
much more pleasant to me.
At the university, I am having
no trouble whatever. My mid-
term grades consist of 4 A's and
2 B's. I hope to continue this
standard to the end of the sem-
ester at least.

Because of my advanced academ-
ic standing, which will cause
me to graduate from U. C. five

years before I receive my degree as Rabbi, I am very desirous of completing my H. O. C. course in less than nine years. To this end I hope to set down my work at H. C. next semester in order that I may be enabled to enter the A grade next year after successfully taking the B grade examinations. I have not yet requested the faculty for permission to make the attempt, but hope to do so in the near future. I have been told by a member of the faculty that the course of nine years is not too long, for the curriculum demands that length of time. He did not say, however, that he would use his influence for the denial of my request. I am inclined to believe that he will aid me. If you are not too busy with the duties attending your responsible position, I would ask that you advise me upon this important matter.

Notwithstanding the intensity of the regular book-learning education here, I find time to engage in various activities. In addition to singing in the choir every Saturday, I have "made" a position on the college basket-ball team and participated in the play given by

the college boys in connection with the traditional banquet. Debat-
ing at the university is ^{the} of in-
terest to me; I intend to contend
for membership on the team.

The most radical changes in
my situation from that of last
year are in my state of mind.
Determination & the focusing of
my energies upon one definite
aim have replaced the hesitan-
cy and divided aim of last year.
Instead of brooding over and em-
phazizing the flaws of not only
the college itself but the rabbit-
note as a whole, I look upon the
bright side of the ideal, and per-
ceive the wonderful opportunities
given to the rabbit for making
his life be of some value to the
community in which he moves,
for alleviating, even in a small
way, the sorrow and suffering
so prevalent in the world. On
the whole, my attitude towards
not only the calling I have de-
cided to make the work of my
life, but ^{not} towards the world
in general ^{has improved}. My thoughts are
less trivial, more serious, per-
haps under the sobering effect
of the tremendous blood-lust
which seems to have seized all
the world and to have overthrown
the fundamental foundations
of civilized human society. A
year ago I scoffed at Socialism,
an international league of na-

tions, against disarmament, and
 being idealistic, entirely impossible
 in of realization, but now I firmly
 believe that the loss of life &
 resources resulting from the pre-
 sent war will be so staggering,
 & that the realization of the utter
 futility of armed conflict will
 come with such great force, as
 to sweep away armists navies
 and militarism and petty jal-
 ousies and to usher in the dawn
 of a new era of brotherhood and
 amity among men. Then nation-
 alism, I think, will never be-
 come a potent force again. I
 could mention many other va-
 riations taking place in my
 mental make-up, but your
 patience has probably already
 been exhausted.

The above communication does
 not represent all the aspects
 of college life as it concerns me;
 I think, however, that it is
 sufficient to acquaint you with
 the general conditions as they exist
 at present.

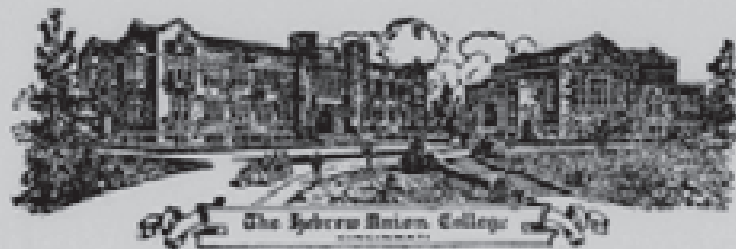
I earnestly hope that this let-
 ter I will be considered by you
 as interesting and important
 enough to merit an answer.

Sincerely and respectfully yours,
 A. L. Feinberg.

To Hebrew Union College.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

ISAAC BLOOM, SECRETARY
P. O. BOX 266



EDWARD L. HEINSHEIMER
PRESIDENT

Nov. 23, 1917.

Rabbi A.H. Silver,
E. 55th & Central Ave,
Cleveland, O.

Dear Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Governors to draw your attention to the indebtedness incurred by you while attending the College. The total sum is \$275.00.

I have always suggested to the boys to arrange for a remittance of a small part of their salary per month, even if the sum be only \$5.00 or \$10.00. In time that might be increased as circumstances permit.

Will you not make a beginning right now and favor me with a check and a promise for further remittances.

Yours truly,

Isaac Bloom
Secretary.

609
Schurwaldt Pl.
7.7 Paris.

Wheeling, W. Va.
Nov. 27, 1917

Dear Mr. Silver:

If, as you say, it was lovely of me to send you greetings, how much lovelier, do you think, it was to me, to receive greetings from you? You couldn't miss, because no body knows how happy and proud I felt when I received your sweet letter.

It seems that every body is surprised to hear I'm working but that's what I intended to do all along; and I can't see why people should be surprised. Maybe the surprise is because I did get a position with what little I know.

Thank you, dear Mr. Silver for wishing me success in my ^{work}.

And I'm sure nobody would tell you to keep on writing someone to keep you out of mischief.

That book should be a swell book to discuss, on account of its different views in religion.

I have met Rabbi Gross and I think he is a very nice man. I did some work for him and I'm sure he wasn't pleased with it. I did the best I could; but my best isn't good.

I go to Temple Friday evening now; I don't want you to be displeased with me.

And how do you like Cleveland? I want you to forgive me for asking you that question now; and for congratulating you at this time but there is a saying "Better Late than never".

Another reason is my selfishness and ignorance. I know Cleveland can't help loving you but it's nice to know that you are

I'm sure with your wishes, I'm
bound to succeed.

As far as reading is concerned
I can never get enough books; but
you know how I love to study!
I have been reading some good books
here of late. One was "The Chosen People".
You know, Mr. Silver, I tried to
picture you as the Rabbi in that
book, Philip Grady, but I couldn't
do it, you seemed more like
David Gordon. The Rabbi seemed
to be a weak character in the
presence of David Gordon, and
he always felt so, too; and for
that reason I cannot picture
you as Philip Grady. I know,
Mr. Silver, that not only your
congregation think you a brilliant
and able man; but men like
David Gordon wouldn't dare
call you nice little boy (remember
I'm referring to that book, and that's
what David Gordon did call the Rabbi).

our Mr. Silver. I wish you all the
luck in the world; I know you'll
succeed.

Pauline Kirtz and Helen Jacobs
just left the office; they came up
for some writing I did for the
Chanukkah Play; and, of course,
they want to be remembered!

There's a new relation added
to our Clan! My sister Paul gave birth
to a baby boy! Isn't that lovely? It
was two weeks old Saturday and
its name is Sammy Rob. Isn't
that pretty; It's patriarchal, too!

I know, Mr. Silver, you'll
want me to stop writing so much
as it's mostly all nonsense; so I shall
stop. ✱

Mother wants to thank you for the
kind way you remembered her; and
also the family and, they all send their
love to you, double fold.

I send my love separately and lots &
lots of kisses. Not that you want it
separately, I know.
Will say good bye again, until
we meet - - - In a letter - - -

Lovingly, Bess.



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Dear friend, Rabbi Silver;

I am writing

this a few minutes before train time - Our party from Camp Perry is returning tonight.

I want to ~~thank~~ ^{thank} you again for your great kindness and courtesy, and to tell you that I have written my friend enclosing copy of all that was in the little book, which I returned as you promise the same night. I trust you have received it. If she ^{what I said} agrees, we may be married next week and in Detroit. Whom do you know there and would refer me to? I would appreciate

An early reply to the following address

14 Oxford Rd.

Co B. 332 Inf.

Thinking you again exceedingly and hoping to see you soon again
I am very truly and respectfully yours, David Rubin

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128 MONTICELLO AVENUE
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JERSEY CITY, N. J., 17-3 1917

Dear Albo.

How are you? Why do you not write once in a while. Its true that I am lazy myself to write. Therefore I have to pardon you.

I ask you all for a favor. not to lend me any money. but to endorse the note which I am enclosing.

I am in need of money and I can raise it with your endorsement. The note is for one year and it will cost me 6%. Uncle Joesph will give me the money. But he do not want you to know that he is asking for your signature..... He told me to tell you that he will ^{also} endorse it. He told me he will get the money for me.

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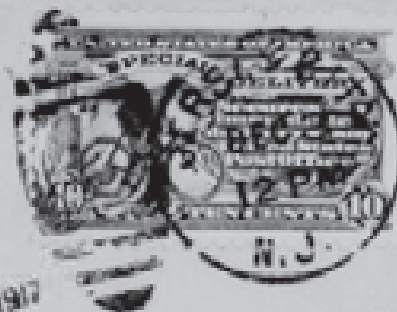
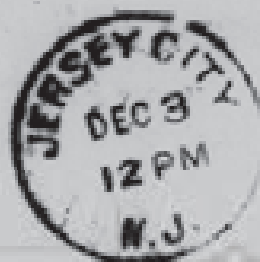
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M.A. I know him, and I really believe
it's true. If you will ever talk
to him about it, make believe
that he got it for me.
About the note itself do not fear
I will pay without any trouble to you.
Uncle Jack has a habit of having
notes endorsed so you re-endorse
the \$100 you took of him. I had to
endorse it. Please do, do not
refuse and mail it to me by
return of mail, to Monticello ^{Store.}
Best regards from Bess
& Irving Love & family.
Yours truly
Ely

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO

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128 MONTICELLO AVENUE
JERSEY CITY, N. J.



Ratti H. H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland
1917

Dec. 4, 1917
Cleveland,
Ohio

Mr. P. H. Silver:

Dear Rabbi.

Enclosed please find
a copy of my new song which I
promised  and you. How
do you like ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~new~~ ^{new} ~~plume~~ ^{plume},
James Albert Fannin. Mother helped
me with the music and her name
is Fannie so you can see how
our French name originated.

Kindest regards from mother
and myself.

Respectfully
Albert Lowenstein

ABRAHAM J. FELDMAN

CINCINNATI OHIO 45211

3351 Reading Road

Dec. 5th, 1947

My dear Abe:

Having failed to receive an acknowledgement of a previous communication addressed to you, I am led to believe that having addressed you at Cleveland, O., it did not reach you. In that letter I wrote telling you of my happiness in hearing from people who heard you in Cleveland and from members of your congregation of the successful work you are doing in your new charge. I also requested that you send me the Temple Bulletin which you are issuing; if possible, to be placed on the mailing list.

In addition to repeating the above, I want to announce to you my engagement to Miss Helen Bloch of Cincinnati. I believe you know the young lady, having met her in the Teacher's Institute during your Senior year at H.U.C., which was also her Senior year at the Institute. The formal announcement will not be made for several months yet, but as a friend you are entitled to this "advance notice".

With all good wishes for your continued success, I am

Sincerely yours

Abe

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Rabbi A. H. Silver,

Garfield Hotel,

Cleveland, O.

My Dear Friend:-

Your notation on the envelope from
Ed. duly received and noted. I have succeeded in
finding the lost box of pictures. It was not at
the Baer Grocer Company at all, but at Miller's
Storage House.

I have since had it hauled down
here, and I am shipping it to you by express today.
I am very sorry the delay occurred, and I hope the
goods will arrive to you in good shape.

We hope soon to have the pleasure
of seeing your smiling countenance.

With kindest regards, believe me

Sincerely yours,

EMB/FH

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Dear Atto.

I thank you indeed for your
kindness. I am sorry I have to
trouble you again. You will
notice that I forgot to express on
top of your 12. a price tag
is very particular.
So please let it again.

Kindly express with my name.

Regards from Al and Irving.

and from me too.

Thank you again

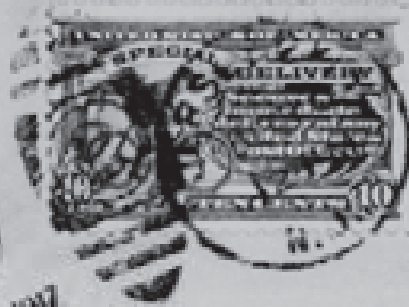
Yours
S. E. Lieb

P. S. I am enclosing Uncle's letter
and a copy of a note which he
wrote to me about 1908. But I have
had an argument with him about it. Make believe you do not
know anything about it.

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Rabbi U. S. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland Ohio
15649

December 11, 1917.

Miss Frieda Grosser,
Statler Hotel,
C i t y.

My dear Miss Grosser:

I trust that you will pardon
this delay in replying to your letter of the 19th.

I can very well appreciate
the sentiments which prompted your letter. I can
fully sympathize with your point of view. It is
lamentable, it is almost unforgivable, that such
men speak as they do, but all wars have their scum,
and this war more than all others. It is best to
be patient and wait for happier days. I am confident
that the true American spirit will ultimately assert
itself.

Sincerely yours,

ARS*G

December 11, 1917.

Mr. David Kraus,
c/o Kraus Bros.,
1319 Market St.,
Wheeling, W. Va.

My dear David:

I am in receipt of your bill of
\$ 40.00, for the suit which I ordered from you. I
was compelled to make some alterations in it, which
amounted to \$ 3.25.

As I recall, I had requested you
to order an extra pair of trousers along with the
suit. Please let me know about this matter as soon
as possible and I shall be happy to send you a check.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS*G

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The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Abe:

Will you do this for me?

I have made application to the Jewish Board for Welfare Work to be one of their representatives in one of the National Army camps or cantonments. You know, of course, the kind of work the Board intends to do and the qualifications of the men they require. They ask for recommendations of three well-known citizens who know me, and about my work. Your name, of course, occurred to me at once in the hope that you will write me such a letter, addressed to the Jewish Board for Welfare Work, 19 West 44th Street, New York City, and mail it to me here at 600 Madison Avenue.

The point you can make is that you have known me for the last twelve years and then tell them all the good things you know about me. I will get other letters from Mr. Hurwitz, Chancellor of the Intercollegiate Menorah Association, and Dr. Harry Wolfson of the Semitic Faculty of Harvard.

With regards from the boys, and with best personal wishes, I beg to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Edward D. Coleman

EDC-CL

P.S. An early answer in this case will be an additional favor.

December 11, 1917.

Mr. Isaac Bloom, Secretary,
Hebrew Union College,
Cincinnati,
Ohio.

My dear Mr. Bloom:

I was very happy to receive
your kind reminder. I had clean forgotten about
it. Enclosed please find check for \$ 20.00 in
part payment of my indebtedness. I shall, from
time to time, send you larger or smaller amounts
until the debt is entirely liquidated.

With kindest personal regards,

I am

Very sincerely yours,

ANS*G

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check

December 12, 1917.

Mr. Edward D. Coleman,
The Menorah Journal,
600 Madison Ave.,
New York City.

My dear Ed:

Enclosed please find the letter
which you have requested. I am more than happy
to render this little service to you.

I tried to include in the letter
as many lines about you as I possibly could and it
is your good fortune that I have not known you in-
timately these last six or seven years, else I
would never have been able to write this letter.

Why don't you come to Cleveland
some time? I should be very happy to have you
visit our community.

Should you be appointed to the
post, see if you cannot be sent to Chillicothe. I
shall be doing some work there myself in the near
future and I should love to have you there with me.

With kindest personal regards,

I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:G

December 12, 1917.

The Jewish Board for Welfare Work,
19 W. 44th St.,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

Mr. Edward D. Coleman, my friend of many years' standing, has just informed me that he has applied to the Jewish Board for Welfare Work, for the post of representative to one of the Army Cantonnments.

Mr. Coleman is at present the secretary of the Menorah Journal and has been an influential member of the Menorah organization for some time.

During his college days at Harvard, he gave many evidences of splendid capabilities and exceptional talent. His interest in social work extends, I believe, over a period of years. He has a fine grasp of the problems involved in the work and a real devotion to it. Above all, he is a man of keen appreciation for Jewish spiritual and moral values. I can recommend him most heartily for the service of representative of the Jewish Board for Welfare Work.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:G

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

ISAAC BLOOM, SECRETARY
P. O. BOX 255



EDWARD L. HEINSHEIMER
PRESIDENT

December 13, 1917.

Rabbi Abba H. Silver,
E. 55th & Central Aves.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge receipt of your favor of
the 11th instant with check for \$20.00 which has been
duly credited.

With thanks for same, I am,

Yours truly,

Isaac Bloom
Secretary *Per H.B.*

HENRY J. HOUSE
J. H. VREELAND
ASSISTANT SECRETARIES

JAMES H. MCCORMICK
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Wheeling, W. Va.

December 15th, 1917

THE JOSEPH EMSHEIMER INS. AGENCY,
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Gabe S. Emsheimer, Manager.
520-521 Schmulbach Bldg., WHEELING, W. VA.

Automobile Department,
Chas. S. Schlesinger, Manager.

Rebbit A. M. Silver.

Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir-

Our brother Mr. A. W. Emsheimer informs us that he has invited you to be our guest at the convention, we desire to extend the same invitation.

In our previous letter we neglected to do so, the same no doubt caused you much uneasiness, we will reserve a room for you, also the razor which you dulled last year.

In your communication which we received this week you mentioned your peaceful stay in Wheeling, we thank you for the compliment which we feel you intended to convey that to a great extent we helped to make it so.

We would suggest in making preparations for your visit that you bring with you your finest Pajamas, Socks etc. as we have some nephews that may be able to use them.

Thanking you for an early reply, regards from all the family
We are yours very respectfully,

James E. Beckman



400 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK

12/17/11

Dear Abe.

Thank you indeed for your
very good letter. I like to believe
that ^{what} you said about me was
not "all lies". I don't know
of course where I'll be stationed
not even whether I'll be
appointed.

I wonder if you come across
at Chillicothe a certain David
Ruhm, from Cleveland. He is a
very good friend of mine: - now
either a first or second lieutenant.
He used to be president at one
time of the Harvard Zionist Socy.
and immensely interested in all
things Jewish.

With best wishes.

Very sincerely

Ed. Solomon.

WRHS





L. M. BOOHER
MANAGING DIRECTOR.

Hotel McAlpin

Broadway at 34th St.

New York City

Dear Abba:-

Have not written you
sooner as I have been so busy
and everything was so upset.
However I found that I had
to stay here for a two weeks
course, which Lundman has
gotten up. As I will be here
over a week I am
sure you will be here.
Call me up and wire me
when you're coming over
this hotel. Excuse haste
& brevity as I am invited out for
one of the first.



L. M. BOOMER
MANAGING DIRECTOR.

Hotel McAlpin

Broadway at 34th St.

New York City

real home meals I am
about to eat.

The work is going
to be great, and I
am sure I shall like
it. Write me

as ever yours
Jack



Dear Abba:

Would have written you sooner, but have been waiting to hear from M. J. However I have not heard as yet.

I suppose ~~you~~ were stunned to hear about Mumukshu's death. I wired Wallace and asked him to call you up. I am afraid that Mumukshu's death will mean a big change in college affairs. Cohen and Philippen's gang now rule.

Things look pretty badly for Deutsch, and all we can do is hope for the best.

you must get the writers cramp
when you write me, as your letters
are so meager.

I had a scrap with Dr. H. C. Brown
today, and as a result will not go
to the convention in Dayton. Are
you going. If so won't you come
down and spend a few days
with me. I know how busy you
are, but a rest will do you good.
Now abba write by return mail
and let me know. Honestly I'll
buy a box of 50 Admiration

We may have 2 weeks vacation
and if so I think I'll run up
to Cleveland for a few days.

I'm sending a photo which
you can put in your Rogers
gallery. Well abba will see you
soon. Best from all
Jack.

Dayton is 1 hr 14 min from Cincinnati.

December 18, 1917.

Mr. Jack Skirball,
707 No. Crescent Ave.,
Cincinnati,
Ohio.

My dear Jack:

Glad to receive your letter.
The chances are that I shall be in Dayton next
Monday. I cannot, at the present writing, state
definitely whether I shall be able to spend any
time in Cincinnati, but if you can come up to
Dayton, there is a possibility that I may be able
to run down to Cincinnati with you and spend a
few hours with your folks at home.

Don't let the little scrap you
had with Dr. Grosman keep you from coming up to
the Convention.

Yours - as ever,

ARG:C

December 18, 1917.

Mrs. Jennie E. Beckman,
"Woodlawn"
Wheeling,
W. Va.

My dear Mrs. Beckman:

Your most formal and impersonal letter received. We appreciated exceedingly its tone of deference and respect. Especially did the editorial "No" appeal to us.

We regret exceedingly that we are unable to accept your cordial invitation to avail ourselves of your kind hospitality during our coming visit to Wheeling, as we have already accepted a previous invitation. However, we should be very happy to subject our August self to another experiment along Home Economics lines. We are growing homesick for the "flesh-pots of Woodlawn".

With kindest regards to all, permit us to remain,

Very distantly and reservedly yours,

AHS*G

December 18, 1917.

Mr. Eugene M. Baer,
The Baer Grocery Co.,
Wheeling,
West Va.

My dear Genet:

I was very happy to receive your letter informing me of the long-delayed shipment of my pictures and photographs. Although they have not as yet arrived, I am expecting them daily.

I am anticipating with great pleasure, my visit to Wheeling the latter part of January, the more so because I shall then have a chance to again spend a few hours with you reminiscing and chumming.

Yours, as ever,

AMB*G

December 18, 1917.

Mr. A. L. Feinberg,
Hebrew Union College,
Cincinnati,
Ohio.

My dear Feinberg:

I was very much interested in the letter which you sent me. I am glad that you are beginning to like college life and to appreciate the great opportunities which the college affords.

I hope to be in Cincinnati some time next week for a few hours and I shall be very happy to see you and talk with you.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS*G

December 13, 1917.

Miss Virginia Front,
21 Maryland Ave.,
Wheeling,
W. Va.

My dear Jinks:

I surely was surprised to receive
your lovely letter. I really thought you had completely
forgotten me.

I am very happy to learn that you
are still loyal to Leason Shomayin and its school and
that you are participating in a Chanukah play.

I hope to be in Wheeling right
soon and I shall be more than happy to see you again.

Please give my kindest regards to
your dear folks and to all the members of your family.

How are the Youthful Daughters?

Very sincerely yours,

AMS*G

December 18, 1917.

Mr. Max Press,
536 Clinton Ave.,
Newark, N. J.

My dear Max:

I was more than surprised and delighted to receive your lovely letter. I am sorry that I was unfortunately delayed in acknowledging it.

I hope to be in New York in the near future and I would love to have you come up to see me at my home. I want to talk to you. I shall inform you of the date of my arrival. For the present - Good luck to you.

Sincerely yours,

AMG

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Wheeling, West Va.

December

Twentieth

1917.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,

Care of The Temple,

East 55th Street & Central,

Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Friend Rabbi:-

~~Re: Policy No. 11753 Connecticut General Life Ins. Co.~~

As to date we have not received your remittance of \$24.12 being the quarterly premium due on the 18th inst., under the above policy would suggest that you forward same to us by return mail, in order to keep in force your life insurance.

With kindest regards from us all, remain

Yours very truly,

THE JOSEPH EMSHEIMER INSURANCE AGENCY

By

Manager.

CES.

N. B. :- Dear Rabbi Silver:- In your hasty departure from this City, you failed to notify the Local Draft Board of your new address. I have performed the needful and in the next week or so you will receive your 16-pages-questionnaire. You have seven days to complete same, and return it to the Wheeling Draft Board. Kindest regards. Hope to see you next month here. Trust you are well and find your new work interesting.

Very sincerely,

Milton J. Schlesinger.

536 Clinton Ave.,
Newark N. J.
Dec. 23, 1911.

My dear Cousin,

I was more than
delighted to receive your letter last
Saturday. I read your "Temple Bulletin"
and hope you would send me a
copy from time to time.

In my first letter
I asked you to give me a short
biography of your mother and father
since I left them. At least I would
like to know how they are and
where they are. I am very sorry
I cannot come to see you in New
York, for it is against the rules
of our institution. You could not
please me more than by coming and
visiting my home. As you know
New York is but a short ride
to Newark. I suppose you can man-
age it somehow. You could also

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visit the beautiful temple in New
ark and its Rabbi. I would very much
like to have you pay me a little
visit. It is about half year al-
ready since I saw Mr. and Mrs.
Spectorsky and I expect them to
come soon again.

Give my love to Mother
Father, Sister and Brother. With
good luck.

WRENS
Sincerely yours,
Max Press.

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Mr. Silver

Dear Sir:

Being informed
that you are to be one of
the honored guests and
Speakers at the Fiftieth
Jubilee of Rodef Sholom
here, Mr. Ritter and my-
self extend to you, a
heartly invitation to be
our guest during your
stay in our city.

It will be an added
pleasure to have you with
us, owing to the fact
that I was a former
Cleveland girl, a sister
of Mr. Sol J. Lichtenstader,
one of your members.
Kindly advise me, as to
Time and Place, so that
we may meet you.

And oblige

Jehiel L. Ritter

(Mrs. Herman C. Ritter)

213 Park Ave.

Youngstown
Ohio.

December 23/17

Hotel Knickerbocker
42nd STREET at BROADWAY
New York

CABLE ADDRESS "REGANPROP"

12/24-17

My dear Rabbi Hillel:-

I have my some good news - it is only of a general nature and the subject upon which the news centers, has been a course of a great deal of meditation and study and always in quest of the deeper meaning. In short, I have become a Zionist.

It was my good fortune last night to be present at a mass meeting, called under

the auspices of the Central Jewish
Committee of New York City to commemorate
the capture of Jerusalem and the
favorable attitude of the British
government in its possible fulfillment
of a guarantee for our people.

Your friend Rabbi Stephen S.
Weiss acted as chairman and
naturally, when a Rabbi acts as
chairman, the auditor could
in a measure judge his ability
and I was deeply impressed with
his wisdom and eloquence.

Will be home Wednesday and
would consider it a pleasure to
hear from you over the a little
while! Best wishes and kindest
regards. Edw. Hareyela

S. M. Hexter
Cleveland

December 26, 1917.

Rabbi A.H. Silver,
City.

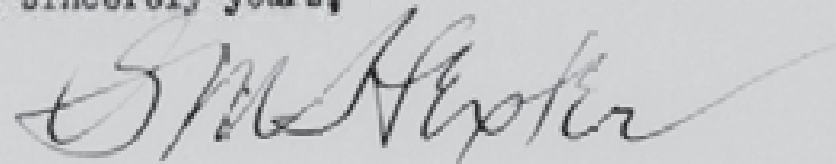
My dear Mr. Silver:-

The Oakwood Golf Club will hold its annual meeting about January 10, and at that time will complete its limit of membership. There are a few vacancies and I feel sure the members will appreciate your application. You will fully enjoy the benefits the club affords.

I herein enclose an application, and I trust that I may have the pleasure of presenting your name.

With my very kindest regards, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,



SMH/MP
Encl.

December 26, 1917.

Mrs. Herman C. Ritter,
213 Park Ave.,
Youngstown,
Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Ritter:

I deeply appreciate your very kind invitation to be your guest during my stay in Youngstown. I shall be very happy to avail myself of this, your gracious offer.

I fear, however, that I shall be able to spend but a short while with you, inasmuch as urgency might compell me to leave Youngstown Friday night.

Anticipating with pleasure, our meeting, permit me to remain,

Sincerely yours,

AHS:G



Hotel Regent
Cleveland

8123 Linwood Ave

Dec. 26-17

Rabbi A. H. Silver

Dear Sir-

I congratulate you for the stand you have taken in your last Sunday's lecture about the Russian Revolution in emphasizing the fact that the fall of the Provisional Government was due to the failure of the Allies to state their true aims. This truth has been even expressed in a few of the more or less independent organs of the Press.

May I also take this occasion to express my gratitude to you for your delightful lectures which I enjoy immensely for the last few Sundays and more so, for reviving the spirit of Judaism which was almost extinct in me.

I would like very much to come in touch with some Jewish centers of interest like any literary organization or Zionist movement which are undoubtedly in existence in this city. Being a stranger and without acquaintance I find it hard to locate them. Any information in this direction will be, I assure you, highly appreciated by me.

Very respectfully, H. Garlick

December 27, 1917.

Mr. S. M. Hexter,
604 St. Clair Ave.,
C i t y.

My dear Mr. Hexter:

I appreciate very much your consideration in forwarding me an application for membership in the Oakwood Club. I should love to fill out the application now, as I am very desirous of joining your organization. I fear however, that owing to the drain on my finances, due to war emergency contributions, I am not in a position, just at present, to sign my application.

I trust however, that in the very near future, I shall be in position to avail myself of your kindness.

With kindest personal regards, I
beg to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

AND*G

S. H. Dexter
Cleveland

December 27, 1917.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
City.

Dear Mr. Silver:-

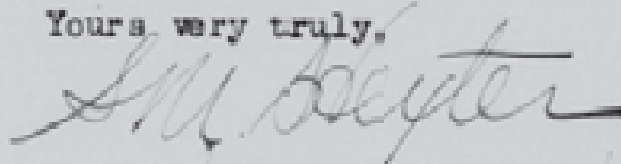
At a meeting of the Oakwood Club held today, I was informed that the Club would be violating one of the rules of the new Government Tax Laws on Club memberships, if we would elect a member at this time, and have the payment of the dues begin April 1.

The Club will complete the limit of its membership, at the next meeting on January 10.

I trust that the above will not interfere with my presenting your name. Please notify me if there is any objection.

I remain,

Yours very truly,



SDH/MP

*Inconstant
Coal - Min Jones*

December 27, 1917.

Miss Anna Front,
Maryland Ave.,
Theoling,
W. Va.

My dear Anna:

In looking thru my books I find that I am still missing Longwell's "The War for the World". I am under the impression that I gave you this book some time ago. However, I am not sure whether you returned the book to me or not. If you have not, I would appreciate it if you would return it at your earliest convenience.

I am anticipating with great pleasure, my short visit to Theoling next month and I do hope that I shall have the pleasure of seeing you and your folks.

With kindest regards to all, I am

Sincerely yours,

ANS'G

December 27, 1937.

Mr. H. Garoluss,
8123 Linwood Ave.,
C i t y.

My dear Mr. Garoluss:

I appreciated very much your lovely note of the 25th and I need not tell you that you are more than welcome at our services and I look forward with pleasure, to meeting you personally.

The B'nai B'rith of this city is a very active organization and has a building of its own on Euclid Avenue at 71st Street. I would suggest that you visit that organization if you desire to affiliate yourself with it. It will afford you an opportunity to meet with a good number of the representative citizens of our city.

Should you care to affiliate yourself with the Zionist Organization, I would suggest "The Volunteers of Zion" which, to my knowledge, is the most representative organization in the city. It meets every Tuesday evening at the Hebrew Institute, 2500 E. 55th St.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:G

December 27, 1917.

Dr. H. B. Kelly,
Chapline St.,
Wheeling,
W. Va.

My dear Dr. Kelly:

Just a word to let you know that I have not forgotten you and that I am thinking of you very often.

I wish to take this occasion to extend to you my best wishes for the coming year. I trust that it will hold for you and yours, all that you fondly hope and pray for.

I hope to be in Wheeling towards the end of January and I am looking forward with pleasure to a nice prolonged chat and smoke in your comfortable workshop.

My kindest regards to Mrs. Kelly. Please remember me also to Miss Seifert.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:G

21 Maryland -
Wheeling W. Va.
Dec 30th - 17.

Dear Mr. & Mrs. -

My! But its got
to be talking to you again -
I went out this p.m. to pay
three calls. At the three
houses were "rien au vu" house
so I came home and here I
am -

Before I begin to talk about
myself - Hurray will be the
topic of conversation - The

is the "guilty" one - Certainly
I realize you loaned me
the book. ~~But~~ it was my
place to return it. Hubert
was the last one to read it
when finished told him to
send it to you with many
thanks which he promised
he would - But somehow
he ignores my commands
and I suffer - So please
be lenient -

My family is looking for -

ward with great deal of pleasure
to seeing you - In fact Mother is
extending to you an invitation to
dinner with us while in Tokyo. And
hopes you can arrange to come -

Hope I'll be here when all this
takes place - Am anticipating a
trip to New York and am not
certain whether I shall leave the
week before or after the convention

This time am going to visit with
Fau & Ann. Frank - Hope Rose can
manage to come to see me - As am
anxious to see her - I have left yester-
day for Love. Hunt -

Please forgive me for the
long delay in receiving "The War
for the World" -

With kindest regards from the
whole family and Best wishes for
a Happy New Year - Sincerely,
Arthur From

December 31, 1917.

Mr. Eugene M. Baer,
Wheeling,
W. Va.

My dear Jones:

I have just received the box containing my pictures and photographs. They are all unscathed from the journey. I am very grateful to you for the trouble which you took in locating them and in sending them to me.

Are you putting things in shape for my coming? Of course, you will be called upon to give an account of your conduct for the last six months when you were without the benign influence of

Yours truly,

AHS:G