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Personal correspondence, 1931 April.

1350 West 102nd Street
Cleveland, Ohio
April 1, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

I am writing to ask if you can give me information or guide me to a source of information relative to the diet of Jewish people, with particular reference to the basic foodstuffs and especially any that may distinguish and set apart their diet from that of other races. My motive in making such an unusual request is a desire to learn of anything that may have a bearing on a rare and baffling disease which occurs almost exclusively among Jewish people - in fact it has been called "Judaische Krankheit." There is one of our drugs which occurs as a contaminating parasite of a certain foodstuff particularly in Russia and Spain. In large doses it can produce an effect somewhat similar to this disease. It has occurred to me that this disease might be the cumulative effect of this drug over a long period of time as a contaminant of the individual's food. I shall not name the drug lest it unconsciously influence our opinion through preconceived ideas.

I am now seeing an individual who is suffering from this painful malady and I should like to find out anything I can suggestive of its causation. I hope this request is not too presumptuous and I shall appreciate any help you can give me.

Yours respectfully,
Dale Van Duzen, M.D.

13314 Milan Avenue
East Cleveland, Ohio
April 3, 1931

My dear Rabbi Silver,

Enclosed find check
for your kind services ren-
dered at the funeral of
my dear husband, Sol.
Caspary.



Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Sol. Caspary.

April 3d, 1931

Mr. S. Strauss,
1840 Coventry Rd.,
Cleveland Hts., Ohio.

My dear Mr. Strauss:-

Please pardon the long delay in answering your letter. I have been out of the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I fully sympathize with all that you say in your letter and I believe that this subject matter ought to receive wider attention.

If you will permit me I shall be glad to send a copy of your letter (without of course mentioning your name) to the Jewish Review and the Jewish Independent in the hope that they will bring it to the attention of their readers.

I shall be very pleased to hear from you in this connection.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

April
Third,
1931

Miss Florence Berkowitz,
c/o Mt. Sinai Hospital,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Florence:-

Permit me to thank you for
your kind note and for the check which you en-
closed. In keeping with my practice I shall
place it into a small charity fund which I use
from time to time.

With kindest regards, permit
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



April 3d, 1931

Rev. L. C. Wright,
Epworth Euclid Church,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rev. Wright:-

What books would you suggest
to the student whose note I enclose herewith?

I do not wish to give him a
"one-sided" list of books.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

April 3, 1931

Dear Rabbi Silver.

This is rather a late date to write and thank you for sending me your "Messianic Speculation in Israel"; but, as you no doubt have heard, Mr. Schiff was very critically ill at the time I received the book.

The book came at a very appropriate time  was  through a rather trying ~~time~~ and the book helped to bring back some pleasant memories. The complement you paid me by asking me to help index it; and, of course, the enjoyable days spent working on it.

I have also seen your new book at a neighbor's home and enjoyed rereading some of your sermons, some of which were my favorites.

Another reason for this letter being late is the birth of our daughter Jeanne. Your sons must be at very interesting age now and I can just about imagine the pleasure and enjoyment you and Mrs. Silver must be having from them.

Please accept my thanks again for your kindness in sending me your book.



My very best wishes to you and Mrs. Silver.

Sincerely
Ruth Meyerson Schiff

3983 - 48th St.

Long Is. City N.Y.

April 3d, 1931

Miss Edna E. Haines,
106 Morningside Dr.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Miss Haines:-

Please pardon the long delay
in answering your kind letter I have been away from
the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence
has lagged.

The quotation to which you referred
in your letter is from the Jerusalem Talmud "Kiddushin 4"
and this is the literal translation of it:

"A man will have to give an account-
ing of himself in the world to come for every lovely thing
which his eyes saw and of which he did not partake."

With kindest regards, permit me
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

April 3d, 1931

Dr. I. S. Wechsler,
1112 Park Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Wechsler:-

I am enclosing a check in payment of
the bill for professional services which you sent me.

You were very generous in making the
bill as low as you did. I need not tell you that I am
deeply grateful for the fine sympathetic interest which you
evidenced in our trouble and the readiness with which you
proffered assistance.

If at any time in the future I can
be of service to you please feel free to command me.

With kindest regards, permit me
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

April 3d, 1931

Mr. Nathan Ranen,
Salem Young Men's Hebrew Association,
Washington St.,
Salem, Ohs.

My dear Mr. Ranen:-

In compliance with your request
I am sending you under separate cover an autographed
photograph.

to remain

With kindest regards, permit me

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

THE
EPWORTH-EUCLID
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
1919 EAST 107TH ST.
CLEVELAND, OHIO
LOUIS C. WRIGHT, PASTOR

April 4, 1931.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

Here are some rather positive, direct
statements that ought to help a young man think.

✓ "Church of the Spirit" - Peabody

✓ "Reality" - Streeter

✓ "Theism and the Modern Mood" - Horton

"The Christ-like God" -- McConnell

✓ "Prayer" -- Puglisi

✓ "Issues of Life" -- Wieman

"The Eloquence of Christian Experience"
-- Calkins

✓ "The Main Points" -- Charles R. Brown

Cordially,

L. C. Wright

S. STRAUSS — GROCER

FANCY FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

1840 COVENTRY ROAD
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS



3479 LEE ROAD
SHAKER HEIGHTS

April 6, 1931

Dearest Rabbi;

Words cannot explain
how happy I was to receive
your reply. In fact I had almost
thought your ~~completely~~ ^{completely} disre-
garded my letter.

I heartily favor your plan
of sending this letter to the
Jewish papers and hope
that it will prove successful.

Thanking you to the
bottoms of my heart for your
kind attention, I remain
Sincerely yours,
Sam Strauss

April 6th, 1931.

Mrs. Sol Caspary,
13314 Milan Ave.,
E. Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Caspary:-

Permit me to thank you for your note
and for the check which you enclosed.

In keeping with my practice I shall
place it into a small charity fund which I use from time
to time.

With kindest regards and best wishes,
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

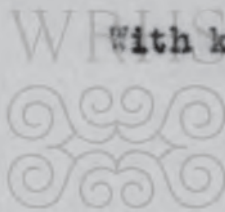
Book Order

April 6th, 1931

The Christian Herald,
419 Fourth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:-

I would appreciate very much if
you will kindly send me a copy of the April issue of
Christian Herald together with your bill for same.



With kindest regards, I am



Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

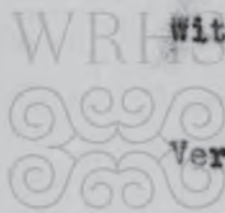
April 6th, 1931

Mr. George H. Sand,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sand:-

I am sending you under separate
cover four volumes of a magazine which I would like
to have bound uniformly. Please keep a sample of the
binding.

to remain



With kindest regards, permit me

Very sincerely yours,



AHS/IR

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April 6, 1931

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

Sooner than I expected I have to write you again. This time it is not a request for another lecture. It is a different purpose altogether.

Let me go medias in res, without an introduction.

I take it for granted that the present situation of American Israel in religious respect interests you deeply.

I am certain that you disapprove to all those cheap and undignified substitutes for religion, employed by so many of our colleagues in order to fill empty pews. I have been engaged with that problem for many years and I am pregnant with an idea, which, in my conviction, offers at least the possibility of a solution. However I desire to discuss it first with somebody who is willing and able to understand. I know that you are.

Have you a few hours to spare in the near future? If you are in New York I would meet you there. If not, I would be willing to come to Cleveland.

An afternoon of an evening of uninterrupted discussion would do.

Please let me know immediately, whether, when and where I can see you.

With best regards, *G. Kane*

Sincerely yours,

Jacob Sonderling

JS:MA

Dear Dr. Silver-

I would like to add
my request to the many
which I feel will be
made, that your
Passover sermon of last

Sunday be printed for
distribution

Very truly yours

WRHS
Miss Janet B Rosenbaum

600 Union Trust
Bldg.

4/7/31

RABBI SOLOMON B. FREEHOF, D. D.

HOTEL ARAGON

54TH ST. AND CORNELL AVE.

CHICAGO

April 7 1931

Dear Abba

I have just bought a set
of Dry Points illustrating The Book of
Samuel. They are by Eric Glicenstein.
Aside from the the unquestionable
merit of the drawings I bought
them to help Glicenstein who is
in dire straits.

In case you would like
to gather a similar fund for
the purchase of a set you would
have a fine series of decorations
for the Temple Halls & would be
doing a mitzvah.

Nellie Turner will write
to you in case you are interested.

Or ever

Sol.

April 7th, 1931

Mr. Sylvester Johns,
Bonebrake Seminary,
Dayton, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Johns:-

Permit me to acknowledge receipt
of your kind letter asking for a list of a few books
which would be helpful to you in your reading.

I consulted Dr. Wright of the
local Epworth-Euclid Church and we suggest the following:

"Church of the Spirit" -	Peabody
"Reality"	Streeter
"Theism and the Modern Mood"	Horton
"The Christ-like God"	McConnell
"Prayer"	Puglisi
"Issues of Life"	Wieman
"The Eloquence of Christian Experience"	Calkins
"The Main Points"	Charles R. Brown
"Procession of the Gods"	Gaius Glenn Atkins
"Which Way Religion"	Harry F. Ward
"The Enduring Quest"	H. A. Overstreet

With kindest regards, permit me
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

April 8, 1931

Dear Robert Silver:-

May I take this opportunity of thanking you for your helpfulness and sympathy during Mrs. Spier's illness and at her death.

It is at such a time one much appreciates spiritual guidance and aid.

Sincerely,
Albert Spier

14800 Superior Rd.

April
Ninth
1931.

Mr. Albert Spero,
14800 Superior Rd.,
Cleveland Hts., Ohio.

My dear Mr. Spero:-

Permit me to thank you
for your kind note of April 8th and for the
check which you enclosed.

In keeping with my
practice I shall place it into a small charity
fund which I use from time to time.

With kindest regards and
best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,



AHS/IR

*United
Home for the
Aged*

April 9th, 1931

Moshav Sekenim,
P. O. Box 8,
Jerusalem, Pal.

Gentlemen:-

I am enclosing a check of
\$25. which Mrs. Sophie Auerbach of 15107 Shore
Acres Drive, Cleveland, Ohio wishes to donate to
the United Home for the Aged.

Please acknowledge the con-
tribution directly to her.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

April 10th, 1931.

Mr. Abraham Goldberg,
c/o Zionist Organization,
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Goldberg:-

Permit me to thank you for your
thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of your new brochure
"A New Orientation Pan-Semitism vs Pan-Arabism."^{3/4}

I am sure that I shall read it
with a great deal of pleasure and profit.

With kindest regards, permit me to
remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

WRHS



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Anshel Rd. and E. 105th St.
Cleveland O.

April 10th, 1931

Mrs. Major Seelig,
4952 Parkview Pl.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Mrs. Seelig:-

I want to thank you for your kind note and for the invitation which you extend to me to be your guest during my visit to St. Louis.

I would have gladly availed myself of your kind offer of hospitality but for the fact that my stay in your city will be just for a few hours. I plan to arrive in the afternoon and leave again immediately after the meeting. During the afternoon I shall undoubtedly have a few conferences so that it would be most convenient for me to stop at the hotel where the dinner is scheduled.

I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you and the Doctor during my short sojourn in your city.

With kindest regards and best wishes in which Mrs. Silver joins me, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



The Temple on the Heights

Bnai Jeshurun Congregation

MAYFIELD AT LEE ROAD

ABRAHAM NOWAK, RABBI

Cleveland Heights, Ohio

April
Tenth
1930

Mr. Jacob Kronenberg,
10308 North Blvd.,
C I T Y.

Dear Mr. Kronenberg:

In answer to your request for a donation in behalf
of a worthy family, I am enclosing a check in the
amount of \$10.00.

Very truly yours,

Abraham Nowak
RABBI ABRAHAM NOWAK.

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THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART

CLEVELAND, OHIO, U.S.A.

STATION E

WILLIAM MATHEWSON MILLIKEN, DIRECTOR

April 10, 1931

CABLE ADDRESS: MUSART CLEVELAND

Rabbai Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Rd. and 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbai Silver:

I hope you will pardon me for bothering you but I am very anxious to get in touch with some source material dealing with Jewish folk lore. I am considering a book for the Macmillan Company which will deal with folk tales of the Orient and Near East. I should like to include one or more Jewish tales and am absolutely unacquainted with this material. I would prefer to adapt any stories I might use myself and would rather have material which has not already been made available for children who do not read Hebrew.

Thank you very much indeed for the attention which I know this note will receive.

Very cordially yours,

Katharine Gibson

Katharine Gibson, Literary Assistant
Educational Department

KG:O

NEW-CHURCH THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL
48 QUINCY STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

April 10, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio,
Dear Sir,

Your book 'Religion In A Changing
World' has just come into my hands and
I have enjoyed it thoroughly, particularly
the chapters on Science and Religion, and
The American Home.

I am at the present time keenly
interested in mysticism, and I hope soon
to delve into your book on Jewish Mysticism.

Could you give me a very brief
statement concerning your 'experience of
God'? Such a statement I would prize as
a guide to further study, especially if you
could indicate how far your experience is
typical of the modern Jewish experience.

Yours sincerely,

Norman Gutry.
Norman Gutry.

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April 10th, 1931

Mrs. Erwin Bry,
535¹/₄ Dolmar Blvd.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Elizabeth:-

Thank you so much for your kind note
of Wednesday.

I should most gladly have availed
myself of your hospitality but for the fact that I shall
be in St. Louis such a short time. I plan to arrive about
noon and leave again immediately after the meeting in the evening
and during the few hours that I will be in St. Louis I will have
any number of conferences.

It would therefore make it easier all
around for me to put up at the Hotel Coronada where the dinner
will be held. Virginia is not coming with me.

I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you
in your home city.

With best wishes to Erwin and to your
dear boy and with kindest regards from Virginia, I am

As ever yours,

AHS/IR



Oakwood Club
1520 Warrensville Road
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

April 11, 1931.

To Full and Limited Playing Members:

Please advise if any of the female members of your household desire to enroll as Associate Members of the Oakwood Club, and thereby have the privileges of playing golf.

According to the new constitution those women that join as Associate Members at this time definitely establish their membership from year to year, until such a time as they may wish to resign. The dues of an Associate Member are \$25.00 per year plus a 10% war tax.

Should any of the female members of your household make application for Associate membership, have them advise at the same time, whether they wish a locker for the season 1931. The charge for this being \$5.00 per season.

Applications for Associate Membership should be made by writing a letter addressed to the Oakwood Club. Even tho you were an Associate Member last year, it will be necessary for you to send in a new letter of application.

Very truly yours,
THE OAKWOOD CLUB

P.S: For your information, all female members of the household of limited or full playing members, who have attained the age of sixteen years or more, are eligible to play golf as Associate Members.



Halperin

The Hotel Charlotte

OPERATED BY
SOUTHEASTERN HOTELS COMPANY

April 12, 1931

Charlotte, North Carolina

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

Dear Doctor Silver:

Had hoped to hear from you about the Aaron Jewish Community Center (Exec. Director) post. While the condition here causes me a great deal of spiritual, emotional and material suffering (my salary has not been paid for over one month and all our reserves have been exhausted by the sickness of our daughter and son), I refrained from writing to you or Dr. Hazzaron. But I nearly experienced this festival the same type of attack to which the late Dr. W. Wise was subjected at Albany. Hence my letter.

I am afraid that the judgement of Rabbi G. Falk (the regional Rabbi for this district) in arguing me to leave this pulpit instead of Hatcher was not very good. It is now quite evident and clear that I must make another connection for next year.





The Hotel Charlotte

OPERATED BY
SOUTHEASTERN HOTELS COMPANY

Charlotte, North Carolina

While I would consider Hatcher, I have come to the conclusion that it is best not to isolate myself in a small town far away from good contacts. I would therefore prefer the Akron post, if it will be available next fall. It would enable me to do some graduate work in psychology and allied fields at Western Reserve; it would keep me nearest to H.C. and the library of the College, etc.

I realize that I have no right whatsoever to impose upon you and ask you to help me. I know right well that you are interested in a number of your former pupils - Rabbis - who would better opportunities. Nevertheless, I feel that you would help me if the opportunity presented itself, as you have been good enough to say so at our occasional meetings. I can assure you that I shall try not to cause you to regret your help. My experience in the Jewish Community House (3 years) at Cincinnati and my work there towards the organization of the Bureau of Jewish Education speak for themselves. It was very unfortunate that we had to go west





The Hotel Charlotte

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SOUTHEASTERN HOTELS COMPANY.

Charlotte, North Carolina

on account of sickness, but thank God my work there was good too. I built a Center at Stockton and it had only a five thousand dollar debt when I left Stockton (after 4 years of service) because the community diminished.

The Jewish Welfare Board of My City knows my record and if Aaron cares they may write to the J.W.B.

You did mention in your previous letter that you would look into the Aaron Center matter on my behalf. Thanking you in advance, I am, with best wishes to you and yours,
Very sincerely yours

(Rabbi) Samuel A. Halperin
Apt. 1, 1211 E. Boulevard
Charlotte, N.C.

P.S. I am more in Center work here than in a pulpit. I have to run a carnival dances, drives to keep the treasury full. It may best not to mention to Aaron my Rabbinic experience, as Stockton, too, was largely Center work.



Bernard Bandler II
1 West 81st St.
The Beresford
N.Y.C.

ENDICOTT 2542



170 WEST 76TH STREET
NEW YORK

Sunday
April 12 '31

My dear Abba,

Please pardon this dictated letter but I am ill in bed in hospital where I have been quite some time. I am very anxious to know whether you are coming East again soon & where & if you are not, whether you could find some time for a very brilliant young friend of mine Bernard Bandler (2nd) One (1) West 81st St. The Beresford - who has recently become deeply interested in Judaism. I feel that this young man can be very valuable if rightly directed & that you are the best person in the world to direct him. He is the heir to millions, a graduate with honors of Harvard University, has spent several years abroad, and is a deep

student. For a period, he edited a magazine and then went in for philosophy and various languages & for the past six months has become intensely interested in Judaism both past and present.

For a time he had planned to enter the Rabbinate. He is the son of one of my best friends & I am keenly interested in his future. It is because I feel that he is not getting the proper direction in New York, that I want him to get in touch with you, because I feel that he has a great deal to offer, hence I shall be very grateful if you would communicate with him direct at the address which I have given you and tell him your plans. So that if you are not coming East, he told me he'd be happy to go to see you.

My dearest love to Virginia and a kiss to your descendants and many

Congratulations about your new book. I'm awaiting the verdict of a doctor's consultation on Tuesday & I do pray they will let me go back to work soon. With fondest love ^{Cousin} Dora Kestel

JOHN ADAMS HIGH SCHOOL

East 116th and Corlett Ave.

CLEVELAND

April 13, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
10311 Lake Shore Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

If you could count all the people who read the Monday morning paper among your congregation it would certainly be a world breaker. I read accounts of your sermons each Monday morning and certainly enjoy them. I particularly enjoyed the account of your talk yesterday which I have put on the teacher's bulletin board here at John Adams. There has been a great deal of favorable comment on it.

I am sending under separate cover copies of two books which Mr. Gordon and I have written and which I hope you will accept with our compliments. I am not trying to sell you anything and I will not feel bad if you haven't time to look them over very carefully, but I just want to let you be even better acquainted with what we are attempting to do in guidance. Perhaps you would be especially interested in some of the typics in the back of the book under Ethical Guidance. The Memory Book part is put in as one means of attempting to prevent "children exploiting their parents." I have used that quotation a good deal and if I remember correctly it is from one of your former sermons reported in the Monday Plain Dealer.

Sincerely yours,

Craig Seasholes.

HCS:MS

april 13, 1931.

Rabbi Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

I would be very deeply
indebted to you if you would
tell me whether you can perform
a wedding ceremony over a
Jewish girl & a Gentile fellow.
I don't mean that he should
change his faith, which is Catholic,
because he can not do so,
owing to the fact that he has
an old sickly mother who
would most likely die should

much it means to me

Please advise me what to
do - dear Rabbi - I want to
do what is right so badly -

I am enclosing an address-
ed envelope & would appreciate
a prompt reply so much.

Thanking you with all my
heart, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Sadie Diamond

4135 Main Ave.

Ashtabula,
Ohio

he do so, but just marry us
and set my heart at ease, -
or in case you can not do it,
can you please refer me to
some one who would.

We have gone together for
three years and love each
other very much. We have tried
to break up many times but
find it impossible as we can
not live without each other.

My parents are dead and
I have no one who really cares
for me in this world like he
does, so you see how very

783 East 88

Cleveland, Ohio

April 14, 1931

Dear Dr. Silver,

I am a Jewish boy of fifteen years, attending high school, and would like to have a personal interview with you. As you probably know, in school the type of elective you choose, is the type of life work you probable will follow. Now I am at the point, when I must make my choices for the next two years. Altho I am certain of what electives I would like to take I cannot foresee just what



afternoon
around 5:30
please call up front

II

They lead to.

My parents are good hearted in their intentions altho unlearned, since they come from a poor section of Russia.

There is so much that I could discuss with you that I am sure, with your foresight and experience in life you could help me.

I also understand that you are interested in vocations from the point of view of a person just starting in life.

If it is convenient will you please call me at Eddy 8524 M. to arrange an appointment except Friday evening.

Sincerely hoping you can help me,
I remain,

Alfred Ahanson.

The St. Clair

Hotel & Apartments

500 ROOMS
APARTMENT
AND
HOTEL SUITES



ON OHIO AT ST. CLAIR
STREETS - ONE HALF
BLOCK EAST OF
MICHIGAN AVENUE

Chicago April 14, 1931

Rabbi Abba Silver, D.D.,
The Temple,
105th Street, East,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

I am writing to you in behalf of Enrico Glicenstein, at the suggestion of Rabbi Solomon Freehof.

I have had to undertake the task of appealing to the generosity, the sympathy and understanding of a few cultured and outstanding Jews in each community who could come to the assistance of this artist and sculptor. He has, because of the cruel apathetic indifference of our people, been permitted to reach a condition of almost penury.

It may be stated rather bluntly that we have permitted this man, who is our greatest creative artist, to become one of the army of the jobless. We have not been patrons to him, nor to his work. We are doing worse than that - we are killing him for we are not giving his genius an opportunity to function. When he cannot create he suffers a worse torture than death. It is a tragedy, a great tragedy. I feel that this condition has not heretofore been brought forcibly to your attention or you would have co-operated to the best of your ability.

Rabbi Freehof has acted nobly and has granted me the courtesy of using his act as a suggestion for your possible emulation.

Mr Glicenstein has executed a series of dry point etchings illustrating the Book of Samuel. These are very original; primitive, deeply spiritual, expressing the essence of the great story of Samuel. They would be a valuable asset to any library, a significant decoration for your Sunday school.

These sets, there are three series, are of 12 plates each. The price is \$300.00 for the 12, or \$30.00 singly. They make excellent gifts and their charm grows daily.

Please do try to act. The need is urgent and the cause is great.

Yours truly

Jeannette Stern Zinner

Apt 10, 8



April 14th, 1931

Miss Sadie Diamond,
4135 Main Ave.,
Ashtabula, Ohio.

My dear Miss Diamond:

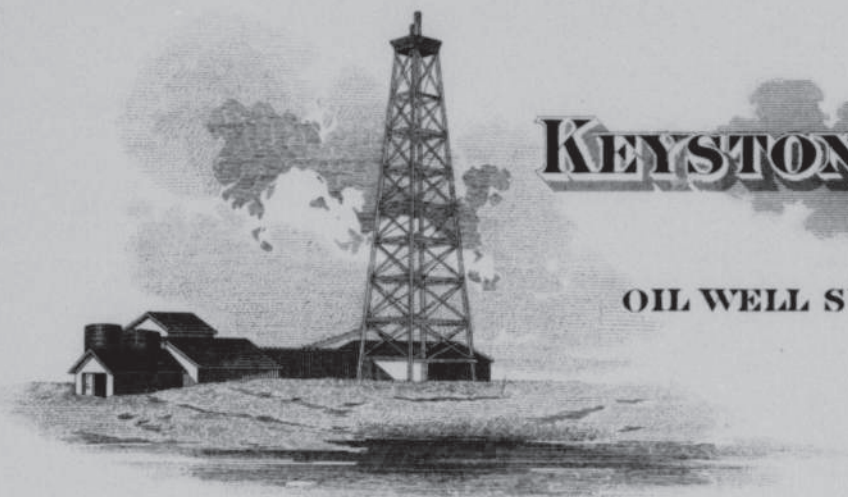
It is not possible for a Rabbi to
officiate at an inter-marriage.

Should you at any time in the near future
be in Cleveland, I would suggest that you come in to see me
and I will explain to you in detail the reasons why and per-
haps advise you.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Rabbi A. H. Silver,
E. 105th Street Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

The writer had the pleasure of hearing your most interesting sermon on Sunday, last, and enjoyed it very much.

Have you arranged to publish this sermon? If so, the writer would be pleased to have several copies for which I will be glad to remit.

Yours truly,

M.A. Berman

MAB:EWK

April 15th, 1931.

Mr. Charles B. Ryan,
The City Club,
712 Vincent Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Ryan:-

In accordance with telephone conversation had with you this morning, I am enclosing herewith the ticket for the Anvil revue of 1931 which you had previously given to Rabbi Silver. I trust that you have forwarded the other ticket to him.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

4/15/31

Rabbi H. Silver;

Dear Sir;

As past President of our B'nai Brith Lodge, I am called on to deliver the Memorial Day services in honor of our departed brothers

Including in the services a sermon is to be read, as I understand you have sermons prepared, would ask that you kindly mail one by return mail, stating cost of same,

Our services are to be held Monday evening April 20, 1931

Thanking you for your kind
attention in this matter.
remain

Jacob Bernstein
168 Riverside Drive
Ashtabula
Ohio



St. George Court
APARTMENTS AND STUDIOS
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April 16-1931.

Dear Rabbi Silver -

After traveling
in Europe for four months I
decided to make my home
in Los Angeles Calif. and I
found out that everything is very
beautiful here but the working
conditions - I am an artist and
the beginning is very hard -

I happened to
find out quite recently that
you are a good friend of
Rabbi Edgar Magnin who is
a very influential and a very
great man in this city -



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I am trying to get in contact
with the leading people for the
simple reason that my work
would not interest the average
individual -

I wonder whether you would
be so good and assist me an intro-
duction I mean a letter of intro-
duction to Rabbi Maguire -
That letter from you Rabbi Silver
would mean a very great deal
to me - you know me and you
know my work and I certainly
do hope that I am not asking
too much -



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I would like to make Calif.
my home because I feel much
better here - The last few years
in Cleveland my health broke
down - I tried Europe but
things over there are worse than
I could describe them - so I
am going to try and try very
hard -

Hoping that I do not trouble
you a great deal I remain very
Respectfully yours
Emory Bellitt

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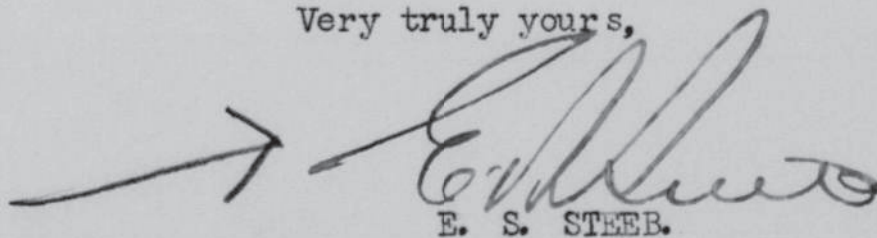
Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are collecting the proceeds of certain insurance policies on the life of the late Philip Gleichman and as part of proofs of death we must submit a statement of a Clergyman.

I understand you officiated at the interment of Mr. Gleichman and am, therefore, enclosing proofs furnished by the Detroit Life Insurance Company and ask that you kindly complete part three. If it is not convenient for you to secure the services of a notary I shall be glad to take care of this detail for you.

The proofs may be returned to me in the enclosed stamped envelope.

Very truly yours,


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Very truly yours,

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April 21st, 1931

Dr. Jacob Sonderling,
Temple Beth Israel,
155 Niagara St.,
Providence, R. I.

My dear Dr. Sonderling:-

Please pardon the long delay in answering your letter. I have been away from the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I should very much like to meet with you and to discuss the matters which you have in mind. Unfortunately I shall not be East for some time now. Most of my out-of-town engagements are through the Middle West. Besides, the pre-Confirmation period is an intensely busy one for me and I will not be able to get away.

Perhaps after Confirmation I will be able to go to New York. In that case I will communicate with you and we could arrange to meet there.

With kindest regards to your dear wife and son and with best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

Set

April 21st, 1931

Mr. M. A. Berman,
Keystone Pipe and Supply Co.,
Butler, Pa.

My dear Mr. Berman:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind
letter of April 14th.

The address to which you refer on
"Choosing a Career for your Children" has not yet been
put into print. I shall be very happy to keep your request
in mind should the address be printed.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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Alba —

Looking forward 2 yr
conv. Please keep Smiths..
so much to talk over.

WRHS AMERICAN BIRTH ARCHIVE
We made rather a
good start at Big Girls'
luncheon last Friday —
nearly 47000 ... while
I don't think we'll make
our full quota of 170,000 we'll
do better than anyone ever
dreamed. And Jim

grateful for the magnificent
push your coming will
mean to the Campaign.

It will be nice for the
two of us to be together
on the platform ... it for
Porg & Times to sit
together to see & hear...

Wine time arrival
also road

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David

Temple Beth-El

BOULEVARD AND HARRISON AVENUE
JERSEY CITY, N. J.

..... Apr. 23 1931

Rabbi A. S. Silver, Cleveland, O.

Dear Member:-

Below is a statement of your indebtedness to the Congregation of Temple Beth-El. If you find it correct will you be good enough to send your remittance at an early date. If this statement does not agree with your records, please call at the Temple any Sunday morning between 11 and 12 when the matter will be adjusted.

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April 23d, 1931

Mr. Craig Seasholes,
John Adams High School,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Seasholes:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of April 13th and for your courtesy in sending me the two books which you and Mr. Gordon have written.

I know that I shall read them with a good deal of pleasure and profit.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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A P R I L
Twenty-fourth
1931.

My dear Rabbi Silver;

Our Jane has told me that no honor certificates for scholarship or attendance will be granted to her for the year, or the grade in which she was "skipped" (the second grade, I believe).

Of course, I can understand why perhaps it might be illogical to give attendance certificates, where there has been no attendance, but I do not believe that the same interpretation lies with reference to scholarship.

The "skipping" was done on the initiative of the Sabbath School authorities and not on the request of the child, a situation which logically would presuppose the child possessed of such a scholarship status as to justify the conclusion that it would attain the certificate if the skipped grade had been actually experienced.

It does seem to be a bit inequitable that a child should be penalized, by a procedure quite beyond its control and that one, not considered eligible for skipping, but who nevertheless makes the honor grades, should be entitled to have a larger number of such certificates than the companion child, who has been prevented from obtaining the same number because the direct action of the authorities has made it impossible.

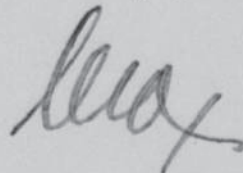
I hope you will not consider this comment presumptuous, but I feel that I must express it not only in justice to myself but primarily out of regard for the keen disappointment which affects the child, creating thereby a feeling of bitterness, which should have no place in this fine and appealing picture.

With kindest personal regards, believe me

MEM:FR

Sincerely yours,

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
c/o The Temple,
Ansel Road and East 105th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.



April 24th, 1931

Judge Maurice Bernon,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Judge Bernon:-

This note will introduce to you a dear friend of mine, Miss Grace Skirball, sister of Rabbi Jack Skirball whom you will undoubtedly recall.

She wishes to consult you in a matter.

Any courtesies which you will extend to her will be greatly appreciated by me.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

9301 Parmelee Ave.,
City.

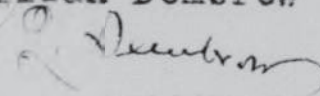
April 24/31.

My very dear Rabbi Silver:

Enclosed you will please find an article I have written on "How a Woman Views Religion" I hope you will forgive me for infringing on your precious time but I want to express to you my gratitude for having "opened my eyes" as it were to the very wonders and beauties I find in the Jewish Religion to which I was blind not until I came to your Temple did I become attuned to prayer and to the realization of the innate possibilities there was in my own nature laying dormant as it were-for I was brought up to doubt and hate religion and now I find beauty in it. To me prayer is now as beautiful and as wonderful as poetry and the Jewish prayer book is to me sacred and full of wisdom.

Forgive me for intruding and be assured that I am thankful for everything you have done for me thus far. All I want is to show my appreciation to you for it was thru your generosity and kindness that I have found myself in the Jewish Religion. I shall always think kindly of you-for to me you are the most wonderful and all-inspiring soul. And I pray for your Life and Health always.

With best wishes,
Lillian Dembrow



I am at the Temple every Sunday and I come out with renewed energy .

II - A Woman Views Religion

BY LILLIAN DEMBROW

I have always felt that the religious beliefs of others are as sacred and as good as mine. The fact is that we are all born with some sort of religious feeling. Study the history of every country and every race and you will find religion as the basis of their life. No individual or nation can endure long without it. There always comes a time when this "prop" is important to the life of the nation and the human being. Godless nations have always crumbled and godless men have always come to sorrow and despair.

In speaking of religion, I can specify no creed or sect, but simply the religion of love, of beauty and of unselfishness. Behind such a religion is to be found the only true happiness and meaning of life. The eternal hunger of the heart must be appeased in some manner, whether it is expressed in prayer, poetry, music, arts, literature or culture. Since human life began, men have tried every material means of satisfying this longing, finally falling back upon the mysterious call of the Unseen. The truly religious men find satisfaction in awe and reverence before the great Unknown. In spite of science—when atoms and electrons and protoplasms are spoken of—the great mysteries of Life and Death remain unsolved. All that science has given us, so far, is a means of controlling natural forces, to a certain extent, but the real problems remain unsolved. Give a man every thing and in reality he may have nothing. Much there is that masquerades in the name of Religion, but true religion is so real and alive to the one who owns it that all else is dominated and subordinated by it; even a great scientist, like Albert Einstein, can be truly religious. True religion is the background that serves and supports in all times of test and stress.

The strongest characters are the religious ones. Religion is what does most to make them strong.

Love of humanity and the betterment of humanity—which is a human urge and which has remained a disappointment thruout the pages of history—is still lurking in the hearts of men and women.

Love for a Supreme Being, a Father, a Helper is the most natural thing in the world, and in this modern world so hostile to human understanding and happiness. We need Faith now more than ever before to keep up courage lest we crumble in the dust. Who else but God can understand so frail a creation as each one of us is? In silence we may go to this Friend of all and unburden the longings and disappointments of our everyday life and be continually strengthened and refreshed in the battle of life.

The soul must have sanctity. When one reaches a vacuity of soul one becomes a savage all over again. Religion is that spiritual power in the life of man which enables him to lift his head to the realm of Eternity and to marvel at the beauties of the human soul; to stand in awe and reverence before God as its Creator.

And because we, women, by virtue of the fact that we are by nature endowed with strong emotions of love, make sacrifices in order that the race may live, we should resort to prayer. Thank God for this privilege!

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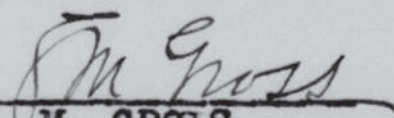
My dear Rabbi:

Regarding the enclosed letter which I received upon my return from the South, the next time I see you, I want to take this matter up with you personally.

I also received the acknowledgement which Mrs. Silver sent on the case of fruit, which I am happy to hear you enjoyed so much.

With the hopes of seeing you very soon,
I remain,

Sincerely yours,


S. M. GROSS

SMG:FCS
enclosure

Wire

April 26th, 1931

Rabbi Morris S. Lazaron

Pikesville, Md.

Will arrive seven fifty-two in morning Regret Virginia not
coming along. Kindest regards.

Abba



THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE

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Department of Social Studies
DR. ABRAHAM CRONBACH

April 27, 1931.

Dear Silver :-

Knowing your interest in the democratic trends of Judaism, I would like to call your attention to my article, " The Manner of Flesh and Blood " in the current issue of the H.U.C. Monthly. I think some of the matter in this article illustrates your contentions.

I have been reading the many reviews of your book. I mean to read the book itself as soon as the incessant demands upon my time leave me a brief breathing spell.

Devotedly,

Cronbach.

THE CLEVELAND SECTION NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

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April 28th, 1931.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Ansel Rd. Temple,
City.

My Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Council of Jewish Women extends
to you a cordial invitation to be its guest at its
annual luncheon meeting, which will be held Wednes-
day, May 6th at noon in the Ball Room of Hotel Statler.

Will you kindly let us know, as soon
as possible, if we may expect you?

Sincerely yours,

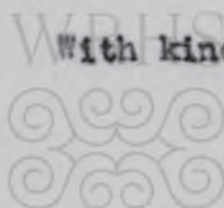
Mollie R. Brudno -

April 29th, 1931

The Jewish World,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Gentlemen:-

I have received the enclosed letter
from the Roumanian Vice-Consul. You may be interested
in passing on the information contained therein through
your newspaper.



With kindest regards, I am



Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

April 29th, 1931

Mrs. Emil Brudno,
2512 Euclid Hts. Blvd.,
Cleveland Hts., Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Brudno:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind note and for the invitation which you extend to me to attend the annual luncheon of the Council of Jewish Women.

I would have been most happy to come but I have a long standing engagement to address the Cleveland School of Education on May 6th at 1:30 o'clock. It will therefore be quite impossible for me to avail myself of your hospitality.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Cordially yours,

AHS/IR

[29 April 1931]



Wir gestatten uns, Ihnen freibleibend zu offerieren:

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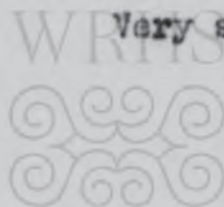
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616 North Ave., W,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Gentlemen:--

Please send me the April, 1931
issue of the Bibliotheca Sacra together with bill
for same.

Thanking you in advance, permit
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,



Secretary to Rabbi Silver

1245 May 18th 1931
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Dear Sir,

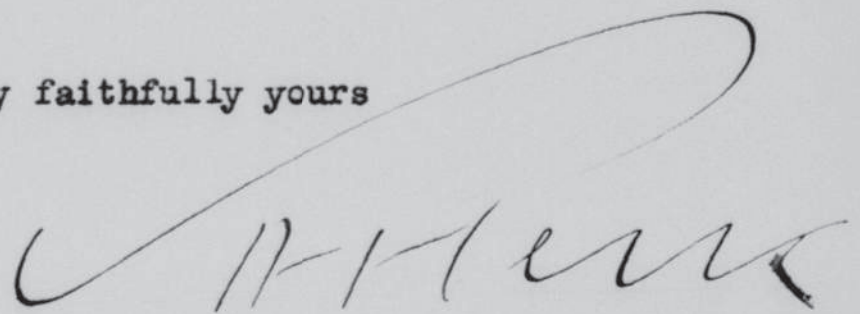
You have ordered some years ago a work entitled: Hosmann,
Das schwer zu behandelnde Juden-Hertz... "Helmstädt, 1701, from our cat. 29. Regret-
tably it was already sold at that time.

Now we have got another copy which we beg to report you without
engagement and beg to join a short description.

We remain, dear Sir,

very faithfully yours

1 description.



PEACE HEROES MEMORIAL SOCIETY

3431 Larona Ave.

Cincinnati, Ohio

April 29, 1931

To Members of the Peace Heroes Memorial Society,

GREETINGS!

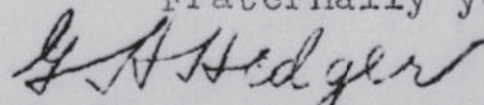
Are you bearing in mind the approach of Memorial Day and the opportunity it affords for a stroke in the interest of peace, through the inculcating respect and appreciation for the heroes of peace? Letters from various parts of the country indicate that persons who believe in the fundamental principle of our Society are organizing centers in their own communities. Printed folders show that in some cases a splendid ceremonial has been worked out. If your community is one in which a start in this work has been made, we send congratulations and hearty good wishes for the success of your venture. If no beginning has been made we urge you to do what you can in the way of a first step.

We are ready to serve you so far as we can. You may learn who are members of the Society in your town by writing to Dr. Abraham Cronbach, 3431 Larona Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio; and from the same source you may obtain our printed pamphlet, "Flower Strewing for Heroes of Social Construction," which may give you suggestions for the arrangement of such a ceremonial.

If you are not in a position to launch so elaborate a programme we suggest that you do what you can to get ministers to give passing attention to the ideal for which our movement stands, in their sermons on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day; or try to influence orators of the day to make the idea a theme in their addresses; or, better still, utilize the radio to reach a still larger audience.

When you have made your trial we shall be happy to learn the results of your endeavor.

Fraternally yours,



Chairman, Executive Committee
Cincinnati Branch of the Peace Heroes
Memorial Society.

I S R A E L.

Art thou still on the wanderer's staff,
Refugee, scornfully hunted by bigotry's wrath?
Why, O Israel, hast thou no home,
Why through the cold hearted world dost roam?

Many were the centuries of thy checkered Past
Valiantly hast thou wrestled first and last,
Evil to crush, Good to enshrine,
Darkness dispel, that Light might shine.

Abraham begot the true spirit of God
When in Mesopotamia he dwelt and plod,
He left behind in old Chaldee
The crumbling faith in Idolatry.

Canaan was the bless'd land of his choice
'Twas there, he had heard the Eternal's voice
To sacrifice Isaac, his beloved son,
And prove his faith in the Holy One.

Moses led thee through the Sea
Out of Egypt victoriously.
Then hast thou known true liberty
The first of nations to be free.

From Sinai, the religion of Truth began
When Moses gave the Law to man,
From Judea's hills was heard the tone-
The high priest chanting, " God is One".

Jeremiah, the seer, tragic and grand
Proclaimed unto thee Jehovah's command,
Through Hillel, the Golden Rule was taught,
Jesus "Peace on Earth, Good Will " has wrought.

Great thinker and philosopher, Maimonides,
Judah Halevy, thy greatest poet, what of these?
Through the cruel ages when sword made right
Their wisdom has shone like a guiding light.

Baruch Spinoza, the Bible has solved,
Then gave to mankind the Philosophy involved.
Moses Mendelsohn, liberator to the end,
Karl Marx, forever, the poor man's friend.

4-29-31.

Dear Father,

If it is not too much trouble with you kindly call me by phone Cedar 0736 and tell me your opinion of the enclosed poem? You may keep the copy, as I have another.

With many thanks and kind regards to Mrs. Silver and your little ones, I am,

Very respectfully,

Mr. H. J. Fisher.

The greatest scientist on this old earth,
Albert Einstein, has proven his worth.
Thy mission, O Israel, will be done
In law and covenant with the Holy One.

A home shalt thou build thee as of yore
'Neath sunny skies on Jordan's shore.
Scorn and bigotry shall pass away
And the King of Glory for ever will sway.

Maxwell Stone Fisher.



from:

Prof. Schatz

Wise Center

Reading Rd and
North Crescent Ave.
Cincinnati, Ohio

April 30th, 1931.

Prof. Boris Schatz,
Wise Center,
Reading Rd. & North Crescent Ave.,
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My dear Prof. Schatz:-

Thank you for your kind letter. I had hoped to hear from you a long time ago. It is too bad that you communicate with me so late in the season.

This month is devoted to Confirmation at the Temple, which takes place on May 22d and thereafter most of our congregational activities, except the religious services, cease for the season.

I spoke with some of our people and they feel that it would not be worth your while to put on your exhibit at this time. Those who would have to be counted on to do the preliminary work are unwilling to take it on after a big year's work.

Should you be in this country early in the Fall, we shall be delighted to have your exhibit with us at that time.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Dear Abba:

Many thanks for your letter of April 21st. A few days ago, I received a letter from the folks, both of whom evidently know already of the death of Pearl. They are naturally broken up about it and want to know more in detail about her hasty passing. I have written to them this week, urging them in particular not to mourn too much but to guard their health. I suppose that you too must have heard from them by now since their receipt of your last letter.

As to the matter of our last correspondence, it might be helpful to go a little more into detail here. I might say to start with, a word about the actual prospects in the bank. Under the old management, my prospects were encouraging. Not, however, since the old fellows left over a year ago. The people running our bank now are all strangers to the very few of the old guard who are still left. The new bosses are Goyim and have no use for the Chosen People. And to make things worse, they have established a policy of low salaries. Thus while we managers under the old regime obtained salaries sufficient for our daily needs and a little besides, our salaries at present are barely enough to cover our ordinary needs. It looks, too, as though they will cut further even the present low salaries. Besides, the very job itself, whatever it amounts to at present, is a very, very uncertain thing. This gives you an idea of the "economic security" and "chances for advancement" of my present job, to which you alluded in your letter. And that also explains why, from the economic angle too, I am seriously thinking of a change.

Now in spite of my anxiety for a change, it goes without saying that I do not expect to throw up my job and rush into my contemplated venture, outlined in brief in my last letter, before getting a definite assurance of some faculty opening with some liberal school of Jewish learning when my proposed period of study at Jerusalem is over. It was such an assurance that I had in mind when mapping out my plans in this matter. And in this connection I therefore believe that the institution to start inquir-

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ies about should logically be our alma mater - the Hebrew Union College. After all I am a graduate of that institution and am known there even to the present faculty. Certainly nothing could be lost by making proper inquiries from Dr. Morgenstern as to whether the College would be interested in sending me to the Hebrew University at Jerusalem for a two years' study in my chosen field of Jewish Ethics in preparation for becoming a member of the College faculty.

While at Jerusalem I propose to make a thorough study particularly of the Talmud, as well as of the apocryphal literature and the Jewish philosophical literature of the Middle Ages in connection with the subject of Jewish ethics and in expatiation of my study of this subject which I treated in brief in my "Justice and Judaism". I expect before my proposed return to America to incorporate my new studies into a new book - a sort of follow-up work on "Justice and Judaism". At Jerusalem I also expect to get much help in my Talmudic studies from father.

Now my point is, and I believe that you too upon reflection will agree with me, that the broaching of this subject to Dr. Morgenstern will certainly come with better grade and more effectiveness from you than from me directly. Unnecessary to specify my reasons for this belief of mine. I believe they are as evident to you as to me.

I don't believe that I can work this thing thru, certainly not as far as the Hebrew Union College is concerned, without your definite and generous moral support. If I can't have that, I may as well give up the attempt at the very beginning. Of course I am well aware of your natural sensitiveness in this regard, and therefore hesitated to ask for your intercession in this matter. But if this plan of mine seems to you as it does to me worth while, something which when realized will afford me not only a respectable and permanent livelihood but ^{also} prove the means of my return to the academic life which is my desire, and if with your cooperation it holds possibilities of realization, I feel that you will decide to put all other considerations aside and do your utmost to use your great influence with the powers that be at the Hebrew Union College to work this thing thru for me. And should they

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decide to send me to Palestine for the purpose in question, I feel sure that the other practical considerations involved in this venture could be worked out by me. May I therefore request that you please try to arrange an interview with Mr. Morgenstern as soon as is possible for you and advise me of the outcome? Needless for me to assure you of my profound gratefulness to you for your efforts in my behalf in this matter.

With love to yourself, Virginia and the children in which Jane and the children join me, I am as ever,

Max

