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Personal correspondence, 1933 December.

December 1<sup>st</sup>, 1933  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Enclosed you find that portion of my article to the "Hoard" in which I sought to set forth your views on certain articles that appeared in the Palestinian press, dealing with the commercial agreements with Germany and the boycott movement in America. Upon receipt of your consent and approval I shall send the article for publication.

Very truly yours

Solomon Abramov.

Solomon Abramov  
10221 Kempton ave.

December 2, 1933.

Maclan,  
77, Great Russell Street,  
London, W.C. 1  
England.

Gentlemen:

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 19th. You write that you never received my check of June, 1933. I take pleasure in enclosing herewith this check signed by your organization and your manager.

I am afraid there is something wrong with your bookkeeping system. You seem to have a habit of sending bills whether money is owed you or not. Please credit the payment which you received from me in June to my next year's subscription.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK  
Enc.

December 2, 1933

Mr. Solomon Abramov,  
10221 Kempton Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Abramov:

Thank you so much for your courtesy  
in letting me see the paragraphs in your  
article which referred to our conversation.  
I believe that they are a correct summary  
of our conversation.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:AY  
ENCL.1





MRS. ARTHUR FRIEDMAN  
11209 LAKE AVENUE, APT. 1  
CLEVELAND, OHIO

Monday,  
December the  
fourth, 1933.

Dear Bathi Libus -

Surely you will give some  
compensation or allowance to the  
numerous children who came last  
Friday, supposing there was to be  
a pre-Confirmation Class.

Florence was obliged to wait  
an hour for me to call for her, it  
also making ~~WANTS~~  for me  
from the ~~street~~ . So, we were

further annoyed as Florence's dance-  
ing teacher, Miss Pettin gale was ob-  
liged to change her time, greatly  
inconveniencing the mothers and  
daughters of the class.

I do not know who was  
personally in error, but feel I am  
warranted in calling your atten-  
tion to same as the expression of

the children and mothers who  
came to the Temple, only to be  
disappointed, showed plain by the  
holiday had been spoiled for them.

The fact they have not had any  
work on this day in previous years,  
is no excuse, for these children have  
not taken this work before.

I trust you will please give  
this matter ~~your~~ <sup>WRHS</sup> personal attention,  
and be ~~able to~~ <sup>make</sup> some  
amends to the children for same.

With kind personal regards,

Very sincerely yours,  
Blanche S. Friedman

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Cleveland  
December 4th  
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Rabbi A.H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Pursuant to my telephone conversation this morning, I am enclosing herewith my file in the case of George Lieberman, which I want to get back from you after you have read it.

It seems to me that both you and I would be placed in an unfair position if we should recommend any course other than that suggested in Mr. Keenan's letter. I shall, however, hope to have an opportunity to talk the situation over with you before I take any further action.

In the meantime Mr. Canny has assured me that he will not press the matter until he hears from me again.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Robert J. Bulkley

ENCL  
RJB:G

DR. ARNOLD PESKIND  
2409 ~~73rd~~ EAST 55th STREET  
CLEVELAND, OHIO

Dec. 4, 1933.

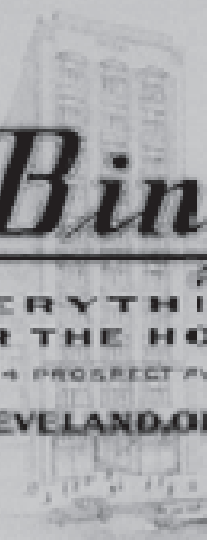
Dear Rabbi:

On November 18th, I sent you our small contribution to the "War Chest for the Defense of Human Rights", and I also wrote, and intended to inclose, a personal note to you that expressed my opinion, or rather, my deep concern, on a serious question that confronts our present day Jewry. Before closing the envelope, a thought occurred to me that my words might be misinterpreted and I withheld it. In your inimitable sermon of yesterday, you expressed thoughts similar to those I tried to convey in my note. It is a subject which has troubled my mind for many years. Because of your sermon I take the liberty of sending you the note which I withheld, but did not destroy, at the time.

With sincere appreciation of your bringing this question to the attention of your congregation, believe me, dear Rabbi, I am,

Cordially yours,

*A. Peskind*



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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple  
Cor. Ansel Rd. & E. 105th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

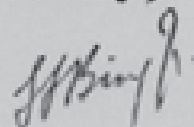
Dear Rabbi:

With further reference to our conversation regarding Dr. Rogoff, I have gotten in touch with Dr. Goldblatt who says that Mr. Wise has never been approached on this matter.

Will you please get in touch with me with your suggestion regarding the best manner of approaching Mr. Wise.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,



LSB:EMA







December 5th, 1933

Rabbi Abba H. Silver  
E. 105th St. & Ansel Rd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

At the suggestion of Rabbi Philip Bernstein, I am taking the liberty of sending to you a copy of "The Christian Jewish Tragedy" by Prof. Conrad Moehlman.

This book was published by me not as a business venture, but because I recognized it as a courageous and important contribution to an understanding of the causes of anti-Semitism and to the elimination of it.

The value of a book like this lies in a wide distribution. It is only if many people read it and talk about it that its effect will be felt. Thus far, although it was a selection of the Religious Book Club and has been favorably reviewed in the important magazines and newspapers, it has not been as widely read or discussed as we feel it should be. If you could do anything to this end, either through your pulpit or the press of your city, we feel you would be serving the same good cause in which we are interested. We will be grateful. Kindly let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

THE PRINTING HOUSE OF LEO HART

BY

*Horace Hart*

JRC/ROSS  
2216 Lee Rd  
Cleveland  
Ohio

Dec. 5, 1933.

Rabbi A. Silver,

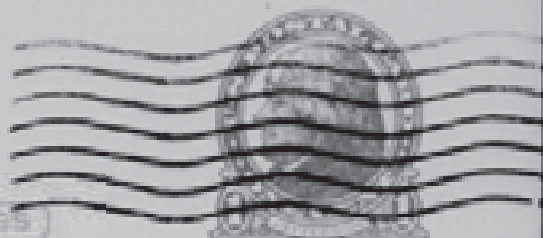
Dear Sir:

I would like to get a position in the  
Baltimore department of agriculture as an  
entomologist. I have a B.S. degree  
from Ohio State University.

I would appreciate any information  
you can offer.

Very truly,  
J. Ross





THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

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CITY.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Accept my heartfelt  
thanks to you for your kindness in that  
of saying to me that prayer for my  
beloved mother. I will never forget your  
kindness to me and your soul thru my tears  
when I listened to you. May God bless  
you...

Thanking you again, I always want  
to remain your friend. Best wishes to your  
family,

Sincerely,

LILLIAN DEWBROW.

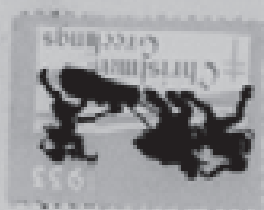


1868 Olvasan Road,  
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December 6, 1933

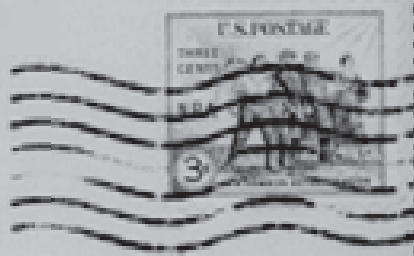
Dear Rabbi Silver —

Allow me to present The  
Rising Son of Judaism to you  
in appreciation for the splendid  
afternoon with you and Mrs. Silver  
last Saturday.

My sincere gratitude for  
your kindness. Sincerely  
Isaiah W. Blum



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Rabbi Abba Silver  
90 Haystack  
10229 Lake Shore Blvd  
Cleveland  
Ohio.

Dec 6 1933

My dear Rabi:-

I cannot begin to tell you how much I enjoyed seeing with you this dinner, in such an informal way, on Saturday, & Helene, too, was so happy & knew you both. And what a

treasure the time as

a delightful surprise.

Many thanks. & I do

enjoy the process of all

these things. How do you

that you have done. The

decision was splendid. You

are indeed kind, but please

always tried you for that

of I lived in Cleveland, how

I would enjoy my Sunday morning

my guests & you know to

find my guests & you know to

December 7, 1933.

Mr. S.D. Wise,  
The Arco Co.,  
7301 Bessemer Ave.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

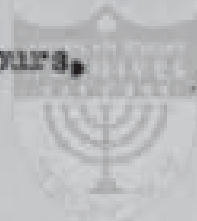
My dear Mr. Wise:

Dr. Harry Goldblatt is anxious to interest you in the case of Dr. Rogoff of Western Reserve University who has an interesting project on hand. He wants the privilege of presenting the matter to you and get your reaction. I trust that you will be able to grant him an interview.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX



THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE

CINCINNATI, OHIO

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 7, 1933.

Mr. Alfred Benesch,  
912 Society for Savings Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Benesch:

I have your good letter of the 5th inst. and am replying to it at my very first opportunity.

I appreciate far more than I can tell you in mere words the generous and helpful interest which you are taking in this case of George Lieberman. We here at the College regard him as a student of fine spirit, high ideals and large promise, and we are therefore eager to have this case nolledd, if this be at all possible. It is our feeling that if this end can not be attained, and the case be actually tried in Court, and Mr. Lieberman be found guilty, as he undoubtedly would be, since the bald facts are facts beyond all question, and since he would plead guilty to the charge, that it would constitute a blot upon Mr. Lieberman's record, so black and so permanent, that it would permanently handicap his usefulness in the pulpit, and probably even disqualify him for service.

I have just communicated the contents of your letter to Mr. Geismar over the phone, and am likewise now sending him a copy of your letter for his file. He told me over the phone that he had received a letter of practically the same content from George Lieberman, whom evidently you must have reached after writing your letter to me. Accordingly, Mr. Geismar got in touch with Mr. Canny this morning by long distance, since Mr. Canny is at present in Dayton and apparently making his headquarters there. Mr. Geismar informed me that he found Mr. Canny in a seemingly none too friendly and sympathetic attitude, and apparently disinclined to do anything further in the matter, and especially reluctant to communicate with Mr. Keenan further. He said that he might do so, but he would not obligate himself to do so. There is accordingly no telling what Mr. Canny will or will not do. It is, of course, altogether unsatisfactory to leave this rest in such an unsettled and uncertain condition and in the hands of a person who apparently is unwilling to go beyond a certain non-committal point. I am wondering whether it might not be possible, therefore, for me, as President of the College and in a certain aspect as guardian or responsible supervisor of George Lieberman, to address a letter to Mr. Keenan directly, informing him precisely of what the sentiment of the Faculty of the College is with regard to the moral aspects of Lieberman's offense, and asking him to exercise a maximum of magnanimity in dealing with it. I could send this letter



-2- Mr. Alfred Benesch.

directly to Mr. Keenan, or, if you would be willing to undertake the task, I might address it to Mr. Keenan to be forwarded by you. I am eager to have your reaction to this suggestion, both as to its propriety and the probability of its usefulness. I shall, of course, do nothing until I hear further from you.

With cordial greetings and all good wishes,  
I am ever

Faithfully,

*William J. McGowan*  
PRESIDENT.

JM/s

*My dear George, - I have written Dr. McGowan that a letter from  
him to Mr. Keenan will not help. There  
must be definite recommendation from  
you. Caution - maybe someone will have  
to be excited on this from the University.  
and I being about the desired result.  
Mr. Keenan's office must keep its skirts clean  
and only a recommendation from the Student  
attorney will suffice. Sincerely  
as ever*

SIEGFRIED GEISMAR  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
2205-06 CAREW TOWER  
CINCINNATI, OHIO

December 7, 1933

Mr. George B. Lieberman,  
11424 Durant Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear George:

When I received your letter this morning, I was not much pleased, and by no means anxious to carry out your request. However, I did speak to Mr. Canny over the long distance telephone at Dayton. Mr. Canny resented very much that he should write again to Mr. Keenan. He said he was not playing politics, that he had given full information to Senator Bulkley, had sent in copies of all of the papers, etc., that he had made his recommendation to Mr. Keenan, that he could see no reason why he should write to Mr. Keenan again, etc.

I told him that he might write to Mr. Keenan stating simply that the ends of justice would be subserved if there was no prosecution in this case. He stated that he might write such a letter, but that there was no particular point to it, that he considered you guilty, etc., and that the only reason why he had made his recommendation to Mr. Keenan in the first instance was that he had the highest regard for the Hebrew Union College, and that since the faculty was ready to back you up completely, it was his impression that the Department of Justice should show considerable consideration for you.

You will have to act now thru Rabbi Silver and Mr. Benesch, upon Senator Bulkley and Mr. Keenan. I do not believe that Mr. Canny is as friendly today as he was up to now.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

*Siegfried Geismar*  
SIEGFRIED GEISMAR-MT

December 7, 1933.

Mrs. Helen Haiman Joseph,  
3165 Fairmount Blvd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Joseph:

As per Miss Gilson's request,  
I am enclosing herewith the clippings which  
you so kindly brought to Rabbi Silver. Please  
return them to her.

Very sincerely yours,

EX

Sec'y to Rabbi Silver.

December 7, 1933.

Association Des Communautés Juives Confessionnelles,  
Vuka Karadzica 12,  
Beograd, Yougoslavie.

Gentlemen:

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your kind letter of November 12th. I have referred it to the officers of the Joint Distribution Committee whose headquarters are 7 Hanover Street, New York, N.Y., who will undoubtedly communicate with you at once.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:EK

16303 Detroit Ave.  
Lakewood, Ohio  
Dec. 8, 1933

Rabbi A. H. Silver  
The Temple  
Ansel Road N. E. & E. 105th Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In case you were interested in the sequel to the canary bird story, I write to say I refused to write the story. The humor of an issue over so small a matter does not escape me, but you, as a rabbi, doubtless realize how many rationalizations are made on the argument "it's a small point."

It all seems rather silly, especially in view of the fact that another large store did not hesitate to indicate that their birds were German, but of course The May Co., as Jewish merchants, are a little more sensitive in the matter.

Yours truly,

*Sheldon D. Clark*

reporter

Dear Dr. Silver:

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The newly met  
greet you! We're celebrating  
our first anniversary  
tonight and a wave  
of bells to the third  
members of the community  
makes it complete.

honey moon. This has been  
most delightful, and  
we are looking forward  
to a few more days of  
isolation. We are too hot  
regards. W. H. Silver. Sincerely  
Brother Silver

Rabbi A. W. Silver  
The Temple  
1055 Chestnut St.

Cherish

Oliver

G. S. F.

December 8, 1933.

Mr. Maxwell Silver,  
The Public National Bank and Trust Company,  
103rd Street Office,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Maxwell:

I am enclosing herewith the checks  
for the Folks. I trust that you will find  
it satisfactory.

I am sorry that I did not get a  
chance to see you in New York but I hope to  
be there soon again when we can spend some  
time together. With love to Jane and the  
children, in which Virginia joins me, I  
am

As ever,

AHS:EK  
Enc.



# Hotel Doanbrooke

105th STREET JUST NORTH OF EUCLID AVENUE

Cleveland, Ohio



December 8, 1933

My dear Rabbi:

Words cannot express the  
happiness you caused my Mother with  
your visit to her at Mt. Sinai  
Hospital.

Her high spirit in the  
"New Home in Israel" as she refers to  
you, has multiply increased and may  
you be credited with the fact that  
she is at present on the way to  
recovery.

My own thanks to you my  
dear Rabbi, for helping my Mother in  
time of need.

Sincerely yours,

Pauline Tack.

# 103  
Mt. Sinai Hospital

December 8, 1933.

Mr. J.R. Gross,  
2216 Lee Rd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Gross:

In reply to your letter of December 5th, I would advise you to get in touch with the Palestine department of the Zionist Organization of America, 111 Fifth Avenue, New York City. They will supply you with the information which you require.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK



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December 9, 1933.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Do you publish your sermons in booklet form, and if so, I would greatly appreciate being put on your mailing list. You may have your secretary send me a yearly bill for same.

I occasionally visit your Temple and enjoy your Services and Sermons. I had the pleasure of attending Services in your Temple on Sunday, Dec. 3.

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

WH:SH

LEONARD BIALOSKY

ATTORNEY AT LAW

UNION TRUST BUILDING

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December 9, 1933

Rabbi Abba Hill Silver,  
The Temple,  
Ansel Rd. & East 105th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Doctor Silver:

The enclosed article was published in  
The Daily Legal News, and I thought perhaps you  
might write me a letter commenting on its  
accuracy.

Best regards!

Yours respectfully,

*Leonard Bialosky*

LB:FP  
Encl.

Chicago, December 10, 1933.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

You may recall that some time ago I wrote you a letter of appreciation on your famous book, "Religion in a Changing World", to which you sent me a very gracious reply. You may also recall that I had the pleasure of meeting you at the Hotel Morrison in Chicago during the Sunday session of the "Fellowship of Faiths".

I am an American-born boy, nineteen years of age. At the present time I attend my third year at Lewis Institute. For the past six years I have also attended the Hebrew Theological College of this city. A year ago, I definitely made up my mind to study for the Rabbinate. Since I want to become a Rabbi, I mean to become a good one. Furthermore, I have come to believe that, in order to succeed, a Rabbi must be a good speaker. This has been especially impressed upon

me while attending several of your brilliant speeches.

Now the faculty of the Yeshiva does not seem to be aware of this fact and, tho it offers excellent instruction in the Talmud and its Commentaries, and in Bible, it gives little or no instruction in Public Speaking. In a few years I hope to get my "smichah", but in the interval I desire to develop into an experienced speaker.

Dear Rabbi, for many years you have shown yourself to be one of the few great masters of the spoken word in our country. Therefore, I should be extremely thankful to you for any suggestions you may give me on acquiring a good speaking technique. I shall deeply appreciate every pointer you may give me as to what steps I should take in order to develop systematically my speaking ability.

Very respectfully yours,  
Solomon Bernards



COPY

Dec. 11, 1933.

Dr. A. Peskind,  
2409 E. 55 St.  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear doctor:

Ambassador Luther of Germany was invited by one of the societies of Columbia University to deliver an address before it on the Columbia campus. The University did not invite him.

A large number of the students and some of the professors protested to Dr. Butler objecting to Ambassador Luther's speech but Dr. Butler refused to interfere. Of course, the faculty was very much divided but a vast majority of them stood by Dr. Butler. Among the majority was Professor Bergen Davis, professor of Physics, who issued the following statement:

"Personally, I have always thought that it would be more modest if the Jewish people would humbly examine themselves to see if there is not a reason for some of their difficulties which have extended over thousands of years, even before the Christian era."

Personally, I think there is a great deal in what Professor Davis says.

Yours very truly,

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December 11, 1933.

Dr. Arnold Peskind,  
2409 East 55th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Peskind:

Let me thank you both for your generous contribution to the fund which I have been raising as well as for your thoughtfulness in writing to me on the subject of the prevention of crime and delinquency among the rising generation of American Jews. The subject has also been on my mind for a long time. I have recently written an article for the Jewish Daily Bulletin of New York on this subject, a copy of which I shall send you within a few days. I plan to bring this matter up at one of the early meetings of the Jewish Welfare Federation.

I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you in the near future and of talking this matter over with you in greater detail. With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

Dec 11, 1933

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Will you  
please accept this  
small check with our  
very grateful thanks for  
your service at Father's  
burial.

Sincerely

Helen Fleun

2158 Westminster Rd

# Labor Palestine

*Official Organ of the League for Labor Palestine*

1225 BROADWAY

New York, N. Y.



Dec. 11, 1933

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
c/o The Temple  
Ansel Rd. & E. 105th St.  
Cleveland, O.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Under separate cover we are sending you a copy of the 128-page December issue of our magazine, with English and Yiddish sections.

In the English section you will find articles and messages by Albert Einstein, David Pinski, Leo Wolman, Norman Thomas, Wm. Gillies (of the International Dept. of the British Labor Party), and others. Of special interest are four articles by Palestinian writers containing a wealth of information on Palestinian Jewish labor and its institutions, as well as on recent immigration and population growth in Eretz Israel.

We regret keenly that you are missing from the list of distinguished contributors to this special number of our publication. As you know, the fault is not ours.

Last Friday I was visited by a man from your city, an attorney named Joseph Saslaw, who told me that the stenographic report of your recent speech before the Cleveland chapter of the League for Labor Palestine had been forwarded to you for correction ~~and revision~~. If you are done with the revision, will you not please mail it to me for publication in our next issue? Ac-

# Labor Palestine

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1225 BROADWAY

New York, N. Y.

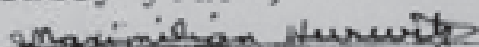


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According to Mr. Saslaw, it is the intention of the Cleveland chapter of the League to reprint the speech in pamphlet form for nation-wide distribution.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain

Cordially yours,



Maximilian Hurwitz,  
Editor.



December 11, 1933.

Miss Helaine D. Blum,  
1868 Alanson Road,  
E. Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Helaine:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me the appreciative study which you made of me. I read it with a great deal of pleasure and much blushing. I will show it to Mrs. Silver as proof of what other people are thinking about me. This might cause me to rise in her estimation. Please do not print it anywhere ~~else~~ for none of my friends will recognize me.

With all good wishes and hoping that we may have the pleasure of having you in our home real soon again, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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December 11, 1933.

Mr. Francis C. Canny,  
United States District Attorney,  
Government Building,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Canny:

I learned only the other day, to my extreme surprise and disappointment, that the Department at Washington had decided not to nolle the case of George Lieberman.

I was distinctly under the impression, as the result of our several conversations, that, if the Faculty of the Hebrew Union College would affirm an unqualified and unanimous opinion that Lieberman, despite his offense, still gave promise of a useful Rabbinical career, and should, therefore, be continued, if possible, as a student of the Hebrew Union College, you, in turn, would make a distinct and positive recommendation to the Department at Washington that the case be nolle. Of course, I understood that the possibility always existed that the Department at Washington might decide not to act in accordance with your recommendation, no matter how strong and positive this might be. But, while I realized that the possibility existed, I felt none the less that this possibility was so small that I could hope with large assurance that the case would actually be dismissed completely. It is for this reason, therefore, that I am so painfully surprised and disappointed.

I am writing to you today to reaffirm as strongly as I can the opinion of the Faculty that, despite his offense, Lieberman is still a man who offers great promise for a useful and beneficent career in the Rabbinate, perhaps all the more useful and humane because of this very experience. Accordingly, I am venturing once more to urge you as strongly as I may to give this matter again your kind and generous consideration and to renew your recommendation to the Department at Washington, if possible in even more cogent terms, that this case be nolle.

It is, of course, neither my privilege, nor my purpose, to presume to even suggest to you what are the implications of that very highest Justice, of which I know you are a devoted respecter and servant. I can only affirm my own belief that this very highest Justice would be served most truly in this case, in the light of the unquestionably extenuating circumstances by which this young man was affected, and in view likewise of the fact that he himself had not the slightest thought of personal advantage through his wrong action, if this case would be nolle and the young man be given the opportunity to serve the cause of his religion and of mankind unhampered, and perhaps even completely frustrated therein by this ineradicable blot upon his reputation. May I therefore appeal to you fervently and sincerely to give this case your renewed interest and sympathetic and forceful support.

-2- Mr. Francis C. Canny.

With every assurance of high regard, I am

Very truly yours,

PRESIDENT.

JM/s





December 12, 1933.

Dr. Arnold Peskind,  
2409 East 55th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Peskind:

I am enclosing herewith the article  
which I promised to send you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:EK  
Enc.

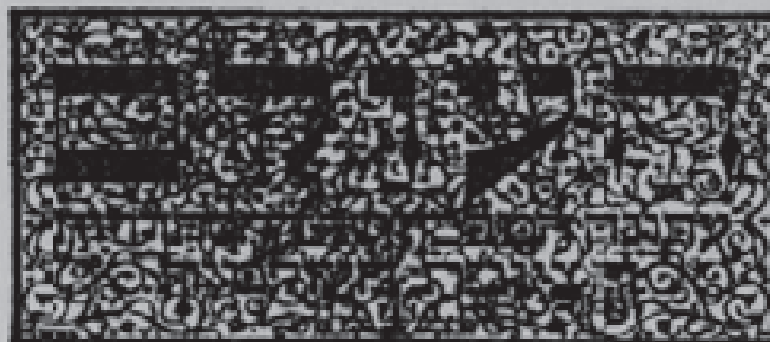


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12. Dec. 1933.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
Cleveland  
U.S.A.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst. enclosing cheque as proof for your payment.

While I wish to apologise for the error occurred and inconvenience caused to you, I would like to mention that this oversight was partly, if not entirely, due to the fact that this cheque of yours was sent in an ordinary envelope without a covering letter.

Surely it is not fair to generalise and state "there is something wrong with your bookkeeping system. You seem to have the habit of sending bills whether money is owed you or not!" If subscribers were a little more careful and considerate and just send in a few lines with their cheque, such an error would not have occurred.

As it happened your \$6 were credited to another subscriber's account of the same town and with a similar name.

We have now credited your account at the old rate of \$6 p.a. as from the 15th of October 1933, and hope that you will accept our apologies for the inconvenience caused.

I beg to remain

Yours sincerely

  
Manager

THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE

CINCINNATI, OHIO

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 13, 1933.  
(Dict. Dec. 12)

Mr. Alfred Benesch,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Benesch:

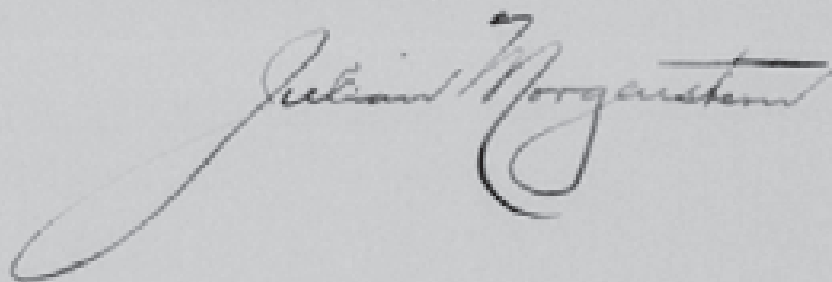
Let me thank you for your second letter to me, dated December 8th, and replying so promptly to my last letter.

I note your opinion with regard to my suggestion that I myself would be glad to write directly to Mr. Keenan in George Lieberman's behalf. Of course, you know best.

I, immediately upon receipt of your letter, got in touch with Mr. Geismar and, after discussing the situation thoroughly with him, he concluded that the best thing would be for me to write another letter to Mr. Canny, a letter as tactful as possible, urging that he take a more positive stand in favor of George Lieberman. I enclose for your consideration a copy of the letter which I have sent to Mr. Canny. I hope it will have the desired effect. Meanwhile I know that Mr. Geismar is endeavoring to influence Mr. Canny from his own end. We are hoping most earnestly that something may be accomplished. Meanwhile you may be sure that we appreciate your warm and generous and most helpful interest in this unfortunate case.

With cordial greetings and all good wishes, I am ever

Faithfully,



Enc.  
JM/s

December 13, 1933.

Miss Helen Klein,  
2158 Westminister Rd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Klein:

Permit me to thank you for your  
kind note of December 11th and for the check  
which you enclosed. In keeping with my  
practice, I shall place it in a small charity  
fund which I use from time to time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK



December 13, 1933.

Mr. Wm. Horwitz,  
Keystone Pipe and Supply Company,  
Butler, Pa.

My dear Mr. Horwitz:

In reply to your letter of December 9th, permit me to say that I have not been publishing any sermons in recent years. A book of my sermons appeared in 1931 called "Religion in the Changing World." You may obtain a copy of it in the Temple office. The price is \$2.

When you next visit Cleveland and attend Temple services please come up and introduce yourself. With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

DRS. A. S. AND B. PESKIND  
CLEVELAND

Dec. 13, 1933.

Dear Rabbi:

Your letter with inclosure was received this morning. Thank you.

I received yesterday a copy of an article written in the Journal of the Columbia University which may be of interest to you. I wish I had time to answer the question propounded in that article. By the way, have you read Waldo Frank's article in the Republic of last week? It is certainly worth reading.

Very truly yours,

*A. S. Peskind*

December 14, 1933.

Senator Robert J. Bulkley,

Bulkley Bldg.,

Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Senator:

I am returning herewith the letters which you sent me in the case of George Lieberman. I have tried to reach you half a dozen times within the last four or five days but evidently you are too busy.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX

Enc.



December 14, 1933.

Miss Eva Ann McCheskey,  
Lake Erie College,  
Painesville, Ohio.

My dear Miss McCheskey:

Please pardon the long delay in  
answering your kind letter of November 20th.  
I have been away from Cleveland a great deal  
of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I am happy to know that you enjoyed  
our services. I wish I had the address which  
I delivered that morning in print so that I  
could send you a copy of it. Unfortunately  
I have not. We shall be very happy to welcome  
you to our Temple at any and all times.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

Cleveland Ohio  
Dec, 18, 1933

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I was delighted to find that I had entertained a thought that you expressed in your address Sunday while I expressed as follows.

The Jew in America has got time to avoid the errors as well as the disasters that have befallen his brethren in Europe. There he had fallen into the pattern of European life. For the problems that it had to offer he disregarded the initiative and pride of freedom that were his birthrights.

I do not know what provoked this thought, but I do not think that its motive was different from your own. It comes into the following: In America he (the Jew) should exercise these capacities, and so far from begetting enmities by so doing he will find on the contrary, that he shall have won himself respect and generous appreciation.



It occurs to me that culture, in the general application of the word, has been at stake more than we have been aware in recent years; that in its present state of so great integration it might be said that even Jewish culture was dependent upon the sustaining of the general culture, of which it is, I think, no exaggeration to say that it was threatened by the shallow and pseudo scientists who but feathered the nests, so to speak, of those bent upon making this — a wholly materialistic society. The subject has a great many implications, it seems to me, and I only put this forward tentatively, hoping that at some future date I may discuss it with you.

Sincerely Yours

Blumen H. Rosenbaum

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December 15, 1933.

The Temple,  
E. 105th St. at Ansel Rd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Attention: Mr. H. A. Levy

Enclosed herewith please find check for \$2.00 for which, kindly  
mail me your book, entitled "RELIGION IN THE CHANGING WORLD."

Yours very truly,

WH:SH  
ENCL.

Khava Cohen; Thursday

STEPHENS COLLEGE  
COLUMBIA, MISSOURI  
December 16, 1933

Rabbi Aba Silver,  
East 105th and Ansel Rd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Many of my students ask me for references on the modern Jewish attitude toward the personality of Jesus and the historical position of the Jews. What books or articles would you recommend to me to suggest to my students?

Some of my students would like to write term papers on the beliefs and practices of modern Judaism. What references would you recommend to me to give to them on that subject?

We are attempting to build up a very liberal department of books dealing with comparative religions and for that reason I shall especially appreciate your suggestions in regard to the above questions.

Very truly yours,

*Mellie Lee Holt*

Mellie Lee Holt.

Professor Religious Education.

Joseph Jacobs (5) As others saw him

Joseph Klausner (1) Jesus of Nazareth

Thomas Walker (2) Jewish Views of Jesus

Israel Abraham (2) Judaism

Kaufman Kohler (1) Jewish Theology

David Philipson (3) Reform Movement  
in Judaism



Köln- Ehrenfeld, 17. December 33.  
17 Werkenstr.

The Honourable Rabbi Dr, Silver

Ohio.  
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Dear Sir,

From my aunt Miss Emma Shield I heard your address and therefore I take the liberty, to address to you these lines, which I hope you will not take amiss. I might mention, I am a member of the Benei Brith lodge in Cologne and if such a lodge is in your town, perhaps you also could inform the chairmen of this society, about what I herewith ask you. For Your information I might say: I live with my family in Cologne, I have a son who is about 28 years and a daughter of 22 years. My son was since 1½ year settled as doctor of medicine, when the new government came. He then had to give up his practice, as the cashes and nearly everyone belongs to such an assistance, were taken him. He then went to England, in order to obtain also the English degree and now he has to pass an examination, to get the English diploma. After having the English diploma, he would like, to go to U. S. A. and settle there as doctor of medicine. For what I ask you Sir, is the following: Is there any possibility for a Jewish German doctor with English degree also to settle in your town or in your country at all? I have seen the American council for an immigration permit, but sorry I was told, that, if my son would immigrate to America, first of all, an American citizen had to guarantee, that my son never would ask for any supportance from the state. Sorry I do not know anybody, who would overtake such a guarantee and I myself am not in the situation, as to be able to support my son for the future. Could You give me any advises Dear Sir, how to help my son or could You interest some other philanthrop. Jewish people of your town to help my son in this situation. I do not doubt, that he will succeed with his examination in England as in Germany he has succeeded without laudae. I must mention, that he is such a good boy, that he has friends only and even in the short time he was settled as doctor, he was able, to support his parents. My son is single and his present address is: Doctor med. Arich Rosendahl 75 Broadhurst gardens London N. W. 6.

Let me know, Dear Sir, if there is any possibility that anything can be done for him. You would make him happy as well as all of us. Take our most heartily thanks in advance and please understand a father, who dares to write to you in this matter. Hoping to hear from you and to get a favourable reply, I am again thanking You in anticipation, I remain, Dear Sir, with kindest regards,

Very sincerely Your

*Paul Rosendahl*

Cleveland, O. Dec. 17, 1933.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
Cleveland, O.

Dear Sir:-

I am prompted to write you about a condition in your synagogue which gentile visitors find most annoying. I am sure that you would want to remedy it & I believe you can in your usual tactful manner. I refer to the lack of consideration - of attention - on the part of your own members or rather your own race as I have no means of knowing if the offenders are really members of your congregation. The past few Sunday mornings I, a gentile, have attended your services only to have the periods ruined for me because of the constant visiting between persons seated close to me, young, middle-aged & of both sexes. Through out your discourse, during the singing, at any & all times, the ceaseless



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talk goes on & on. I am powerless as it  
would no doubt be considered an affront  
on my part were I to remind such  
persons of its discourtesy not alone to  
you but to those who stand through  
interest - who regard your utterances so  
highly as to give it undivided attention  
& who value your discourse sufficiently  
as to resent the "conversations" which  
break in so rudely. Can't something  
be done about it? The offenders are  
your own people - I regret to again  
emphasize.

Very sincerely yours,  
C. F. Bisnette

184 1/2 E. 97th St.  
Cleveland O..

P.S. And the young people, especially,  
should understand their symposium  
is not a fitting place for social titles  
and courtesies.



December 18, 1933.

Miss Nellie Lee Holt,  
Professor Religious Education,  
Stephens College,  
Columbia, Missouri.

My dear Miss Holt:

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of  
your kind letter of December 16th.

On the subject of the modern Jewish  
attitude towards the personality of Jesus, I  
would suggest the following three books: Jesus  
of Nazareth, by Joseph Klausner; Jewish Views of  
Jesus, by Thomas Walker; and As Others Saw Him,  
by Joseph Jacobs.

On the subject of beliefs and practices  
of modern Judaism, I would recommend the following  
three books: Jewish Theology, by Kaufman Kohler;  
Judaism, by Israel Abraham; and The Reform Movement  
in Judaism, by David Philipson.

I shall be pleased to be of service  
to you at any future time. With all good wishes,  
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:RK

ROUMANIAN ROYAL CONSULATE  
1501 EUCLID AVENUE  
CLEVELAND, OHIO

December 18th, 1933.

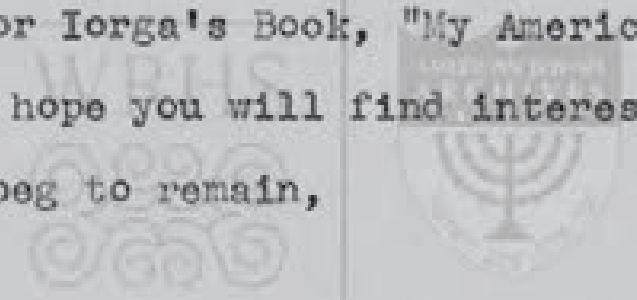
Dear Dr. Silver:

Permit me to thank you again for your kindness in participating at our celebration yesterday. Our Roumanians felt very much honored and pleased to have you among them.

May I take the liberty of sending you as a remembrance of this occasion, a copy of Professor Iorga's Book, "My American Lectures", which I hope you will find interesting.

I beg to remain,

Yours most sincerely,

  
*George Anagnostache*  
George Anagnostache,  
Vice-Consul.

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

December 18, 1933.

Mr. George Lieberman,  
The Hebrew Union College,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear George:

I attended a meeting yesterday afternoon at which Senator Bulkley was the Toastmaster. I had occasion to speak to him about the matter and to impress upon him the importance of contacting with Mr. Canny. He said that he would do it. I thought that you would be interested in knowing this.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX

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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
c/o The Temple,  
Ansel & E. 105th  
City

Mr. Milton M. Alexander,  
343 John R St.,  
Detroit, Mich.

My dear Milton:

It is needless for me to say that I was mighty glad to see you Sunday evening. I also want to tell you that I enjoyed your lecture.

While I have heard speeches on Hitler and Hitlerism many times, I do want to say that you have put a different phase on this whole situation. You referred to Mr. Holmes' article on "wishfulness" on the part of German as well as American Jews. By this it was inferred that the Jews now wish that they had anticipated the trouble and done something before it was too late to offset the effects of the catastrophe.

May I offer a suggestion? Father Coughlin, who has a large following, in each of his Sunday radio services, has referred to "Christian humanity", "International bankers", "money changers" and oftentimes to the "House of Rothchild", etc. While these terms, in themselves, carry no antisemitism, they may develop into anti-semitic inferences. In my humble opinion, therefore, it appears that you or a committee of nationally prominent Jews, should gradually "warm up" to Father Coughlin, get acquainted with him, learn his general personal feelings, find out who is in back of him and what his sole and ultimate purpose is and to indirectly learn his attitude toward the Jews. He is a dynamic speaker and should he come out with any anti-Jewish statements, directly or indirectly, with his great influence, it certainly would do us an untold amount of harm.

While I do not suggest we invite trouble or even anticipate trouble, - think we ought to be on our guard, and not later fall in the same trap as we recently did - in the trap of "wishfulness". I would also suggest that, if possible, that Father Coughlin be invited to speak before your Temple or perhaps, sponsored by your Temple, to speak before a Detroit public group.

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Mr. Alexander -page 2

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No doubt you know how to handle the situation far better than I do.

The above is written only as a suggestion and can be taken for what it may be worth.

With kind personal regards, I remain

Yours very truly,

My dear Rabbi:

This copy of a letter to Mr. Alexander, is self-explanatory. I believe it would be a very wise move on your part, for you or other men of national prominence, to contact Father Coughlin.

*M. L. Lippin*  
Most respectfully,



816 Swetland Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio,  
December 18, 1933

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

My dear Rabbi:-

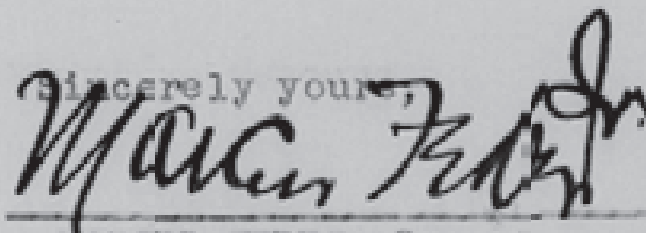
The conspicuous absence of our Temple Board Directors during our Religious services, particularly during the "SCHABBES" morning service, so beautifully rendered by our children, evidently counteracts all your sublime efforts to resurrect our traditional "SCHABBES" service.

The inspiring sight of your present "SCHABBES" service so beautifully inaugurated by you, so nobly aided by Rabbi Feuer and so devotedly carried out by your teaches, deserves the fullest support of all our members.

Permit me to suggest to you, to place an appealing letter in each child's hand to induce their parents to attend their services, you to induce the Board members to appoint a Visiting Committee to secure the attendance of all willing members,

The Auditorium also needs to be made more cheerful with a great radiating center chandelier, towards which I gladly will contribute \$5.00.

MF:E

Sincerely yours,  
  
MARCUS FEDER, Sr.

RUTH HILL, PUBLISHER

371 CHARLES STREET  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

December 18, 1933.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I was so much interested in the account of your lecture on "Jew and Christian in the New Era" that it occurred to me that possibly you might have enough material on hand for a book.

I certainly hope that such is the case and that I may have the pleasure of hearing from you in the near future.

You may rest assured that anything you send in will receive my careful consideration.

Faithfully yours,

RUTH HILL

H:K



December 18, 1933.

Mr. Wm. Horwitz,  
Keystone Pipe and Supply Company,  
Butler, Pa.

Dear Mr. Horwitz:

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of  
your letter of December 15th and the check  
for \$2.00 which you enclose.

Under separate cover I am mailing you  
a copy of "RELIGION IN A CHANGING WORLD" which I  
trust you will receive within the next few days.

Very sincerely yours,

BLK

Sec'y to Rabbi Silver.

December 18, 1933.

Mrs. Arthur Friedman,  
11209 Lake Ave.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Friedman:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of December 4th. We regret exceedingly that the misunderstanding occurred and that the children of the pre-confirmation class came to the Temple when they should have been notified not to come. I have informed the members of the class that they will be credited with attendance on that day and that they will be allowed one Friday afternoon off towards the end of the season.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

December 18, 1933.

Miss C.E. Bisnette,  
1840 E. 97th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Bisnette:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing to me about the annoying experience to which you were subjected at The Temple. I am sorry that there are visitors at our services, especially among the younger people who do not know the importance of maintaining decorum. I shall take the matter up with our Usher Corps at once.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:EK



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Rabbi Abba H. Silver  
10311 Lake Shore Boulevard  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It would give me pleasure to have you and  
your party as my guests at the 1933-1934  
opening of the Rainbow Room at ten o'clock  
P. M. Friday, December 22nd. Admission  
ticket is enclosed.

Cordially,

*Folsom B. Taylor*

FOLSOM B. TAYLOR  
Managing Director

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New York Dec. 18/33

Dear Abby:

I thank you from the bottom of my heart for fulfilling my wish by sending me your book which I prize most highly, more so because it comes from you direct. I hope I am not wrong by thinking that you sent it to me with the same goodwill and feeling as you would if nothing would ever have happened between us my consciousness are for ever bothering me, I could never forgive myself

I ask humbly your forgiveness,  
this is an opportunity I long  
sought to beg this of you in  
writing, and though I believe  
that you bear no malice I still

C The great-souled can not harbor a grudge. would feel  
much happier, my mind  
restful if I only knew this to be  
so. Reading your books  
bring back to me the old happy  
days when I used to call on  
your father and discuss on  
such and different topics.

Excuse my english  
but take from where it comes.  
(the heart) Our best wishes  
to your family. Sincerely yours

Uncle Jack  
Silver

219 W. 81 St.

December 19, 1933

Mr. George Anagnostache, Vice-Consul,  
Roumanian Royal Consulate,  
1501 Euclid Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Anagnostache:

Permit me to thank you for your kind  
note and for your thoughtfulness in sending  
me a copy of Professor Iorga's book which, I  
am sure, I shall read with a great deal of  
pleasure.

I enjoyed Sunday's meeting very much.  
With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:AY



George B. Lieberman

Hebrew Union College  
Cincinnati, Ohio

December 19, 1933

Rev. Dr. Abba Hild Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Dr. Morgenstern received and read to me a copy of the letter which Mr. Canny sent on December 16<sup>th</sup> to the Attorney General's office in Washington. In this letter he asked the Attorney General to reconsider my case and to authorize him to "vouch" it.

I am such a "Schlimmazel" that I don't even dare to think about the outcome. I only hope that Mr. Keenan will keep his promise to Mr. Benesch and will endorse the recommendation.

Referring to your kind letter, which I have just received, it seems that Senator Bulkeley's intercession with Mr. Canny comes somewhat belatedly. But, on the other hand, I feel certain that it will help much in bringing the matter to a close.

Dr. Morgenstern knows that I am writing to you. He asked to present his greetings and thanks for your sympathetic response to my trouble. And of course you know - do you not - that I am deeply grateful to you for having interested Mr. Benesch and Senator Bulkeley in my behalf.

Were it not for the understanding and encouragement of friends and of the H. U. C. faculty, things would seem completely insurmountable.

George B. Lieberman

Hebrew Union College

Cincinnati, Ohio

I hope you did not consider me presumptuous for having troubled you and for having taken so much of your crowded time.

Perhaps the future will give me a chance to serve you in an equally worthy but much happier cause.

With gratitude and appreciation, I remain  
Respectfully yours,  
George B. Lieberman

P.S. If you have no need of them, will you be kind enough to send me Dr. Morgenthau's letters addressed to Mr. Blewack, which I left with you. Mr. Geismar may need them.  
Many thanks, indeed.  
G.B.L.

MORRIS S. LAZARON  
1814 MADISON AVENUE  
BALTIMORE, MD.

December 19, 1933.

Dear Jinks:

I have been so pressed since my return that I have hardly had time to do anything more than the immediacies; also, vainly attempt to catch up with myself.

It was good of you to send the youngsters the Hanukah gifts and they are deeply appreciated. Did Daniel and Raphael get the candy from New Orleans? It is very rich and ought to go a long, long way, but I think they will enjoy it as a novelty and I hope Abba and you also.

Mademoiselle spoke so beautifully of you - of your sympathetic understanding of her problem and of the long talk she had with you. Things are not just right, but I am sure they will work out. She feels that she may have to get rid of Dolly, although she hesitates to do so. It seems that Lolly will not yield to her authority. I shall have a talk with Lolly. Of course it is the old story of the antique canine and the new tricks. Then, too, the other maid has been stirring up a bit of trouble.

The children, however, are well. Clem and Harold will leave for Wheeling on the train Friday night and Dad will see that Harold gets to you either by train or motor from Wheeling. I think I told you I will feel better about having Clem accompanied by Harold on the train rather than that she will travel alone. Morris has lost Allen's address which you gave over the phone. He has not yet heard from Henry. The kid is so fine and manly; I am deeply proud of him.

He is very unhappy, however, about the room arrangement: said my stentorian snoring last night robbed him of sleep. Harold apparently has inherited

the habit from his dad; and so the poor kid "has nowhere to lay his head". He is furthermore unhappy because his things are scattered all around. Just what I shall do, I don't know yet. Polly and I talked of converting the servants' room, but it was hardly necessary at that time. I am going to have a man out who understands and talk over the whole situation and see what can be done, because my big boy must be comfortable. I shall also discuss your interesting suggestion to make the dressing-room into a bedroom.

Again, I can't tell you how much joy your coming here brought the children. Again and again they revert to it.

Abba, I am sending you for your confidential perusal copy of the log of our trip. I shall be very happy if you will read it and give me your reaction to it. I felt so sorry that you wrote as you did in the beginning without hearing of our ideas. As a matter of fact, we have specialists lined up on committees in the local communities everywhere and the same type of men are working with the executive group in New York. I wish I might have the opportunity sometime to tell you my reactions to the trip. I feel we have really started something that holds untold possibilities. Of course, share with Jinks (if you care to read it, dear) the account, but please with no one else. Excerpts from the log will be published in two bulletins, the intimate reactions, however, being eliminated. We shall have a meeting to make a report in New York sometime in January.

Pardon my dictating this letter but it is the only way that I can chat with you, as I have been in town since Saturday morning and have not yet seen "Dickie". I plan to visit her for a little while, then must rush back to the office.

Went to my first dinner last evening and can't

say that I was in much of a mood for it. The shrei-erei was something "orful". I sometimes think that Maurice Samuels was right when he said that noise is a Jewish characteristic - but perhaps it is my nerves and not the noise.

My love to the boys and to you two.

Yours,

*H. M.*



Cleveland Heights Ohio  
Dec. 20, 1933.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

My children  
and I wish to thank you for  
the beautiful services which  
you conducted at the funeral  
of my dear husband Abram Koral.

Am enclosing a check for \$25.01  
to show our appreciation of  
your kindness.

Sincerely

Mrs Koral and  
Children.



December 20, 1933.

Mr. Horace Hart,  
The Printing House of Leo Hart,  
Rochester, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Hart:

Thank you for sending me a copy of Professor Conrad Moehlman's book "The Christian Jewish Tragedy." We have already reviewed it in our Temple Bulletin and have displayed it in our library. I shall be very happy to bring it to the attention of more people.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

December 20, 1933.

Mr. Folsom B. Taylor, Managing Director,  
The Carter Hotel,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Taylor:

Let me thank you for your kindness in inviting me to the opening of the Rainbow Room on Friday evening, December 22nd. I wish I were free to come. But as we do not attend any social functions on the Eve of the Sabbath, I must forego the pleasure of attending the celebration.

With best wishes for success,

I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX

December 21, 1933.

J.D. Deutch Co.,  
1486 Crawford Rd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Friends:

I just received your lovely  
Chanukah gift and I hasten to thank you  
for your thoughtfulness and courtesy.

Wishing you every success, I  
remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

December 22, 1923.

Mr. Jack Silver,  
219 W. 81st St.,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Uncle Jack:

I received your letter of December 18th, and frankly, I am at a loss to understand what wrong you had done me or why I should harbor a grudge against you. Let me assure that I have not been conscious of any ill will towards you. Life has moved very swiftly for me in the last twenty years or so and things which may have happened in my boyhood have for a long time been crowded out of my mind.

You may be interested to learn that Jack Matlaw is returning or has already returned from Palestine. Rose and the children are remaining there for the time being. I am anxious to hear from Jack about his experiences in Palestine.

With all good wishes, I remain

As ever,

AHS:BK

December 22, 1933.

Mr. Ben Schwartz,  
717-718 Guardian Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Schwartz:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind note of inquiry. I have been out of the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence has lagged. The question which you ask requires a lengthy answer and I would much rather give it to you orally than in writing. If you can come in to my study any day next week I shall be very pleased to talk the matter over with you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

December 22, 1933.

Mrs. Abram Koval,  
3418 Washington Blvd.,  
Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Koval:

Permit me to thank you for your  
kind note of December 20th and for the  
check which you enclose.

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

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS: BK



December 22, 1933.

Rabbi Morris S. Lazaron,  
1914 Madison Ave.,  
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Morris:

I enjoyed reading the log of your continental Good Will Tour a great deal. You evidently had a most interesting and stimulating experience. The contact which you had with so many groups of laymen and students must have been very illuminating.

I was very pleased to know how much my judgment was confirmed by the reactions which you received on your Tour. I refer to my observations which I made in my editorial in the J. D. B. and to you, Clinchy and Ross in person when you were in Cleveland. I am inclined to believe my conversation with you did influence your attack on the problem. For judging from your own log, your meetings in Baltimore and Washington did not get down to the bedrock economic discussion which is the crux of the whole problem as far as we Jews are concerned.

I am happy that you had the opportunity to speak to the representatives of the Moving Picture Industries. There is one of the sore spots in American Jewish life. The Jewish moving picture producers have done us, I am afraid, an irreparable amount of harm. I have been gathering material for an editorial on this subject in the J. D. B.

We are looking forward with pleasure to the coming of Harold.

As ever yours,

AHS:RK  
Encl. 1

December 22, 1933.

Manager, Maclan,  
77 Great Russell Street,  
London, W.C. 1,  
England.

Dear Sir:

Thank you so much for your letter of December 12th. Your explanation, however, does not explain. You say that you credited my \$6 to another subscriber's account of the same city and with a similar name. My name, Abba Hillel Silver, was printed on the check and there is no other Abba Hillel Silver in Cleveland.

I am glad that you credited my account as from October 15th and I hope that I will not receive any more bills from you until October of next year.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

AHS:EK

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December 24, 1933

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( P.O.Box 444 )

SAMUEL A. HALPERIN, RABBI

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

Dear Doctor Silver:

I want to take this means of telling how much I have enjoyed reading your articles in the Jewish Daily Bulletin, Sunday editions.

Today's article is especially good. It is a rebuke to those who "lo shonu v'lo lomdu" and yet want to give a new revelation, almost a "shuchan aruch". They need to be told where to get off, and that they need or must first learn to know Jewish literature, history and lore.

There is nothing new with me. I am still in a very difficult condition and must find another connection in order to take care of my family here, and my sister and her family in Germany.

Please keep me in mind for a pulpit or an educational, or a social service post.

Should I happen to make a change for another pulpit, what advice and plan could you suggest of enabling me to finish my work at the HUC. I was prevented from doing that while at Cincinnati by illness (both I and my daughter: I contracted arthritis in the spine and a knee, and my daughter had to undergo four mastoid operations in a period of 5 years). And that made it necessary for me to go and take my family to California. When I wanted to come to the summer school for my degree, I was kept back by a new ruling, that one had to have three years of pulpit experience, and I had only two). I could have been in a much better post, if not for the lack of the HUC. diploma. I am a member of the C.C.A.R. While I am not sure, I think that Rabbis Fineshriber, Binstock and several others of recognized standing would be willing to give me support in this matter. You have promised to help me in this matter some time ago. Would you approach Doctor Morgenstern and the faculty on my behalf to permit me to do work in absentia. I have some credits. I would like to earn credits in each department separately.

Kindly forgive me for the bother. I know that you are a very busy man.

With best wishes, I am

Thankfully and sincerely,

*Samuel A. Halperin*

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Dec. 25, 1953.

Rabbi M.H. SILVER,  
The Temple, City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Enclosed please find my check  
towards Temple Expenses, because of my admiration  
of the work you are doing, and the pleasure derived  
from attending occasional Sunday morning services,  
although I am not now a member.

Also please find enclosed a few clippings,  
you may find interesting.

Sincerely yours

*Silas Auerbach*

December 26,  
Cleveland, Ohio

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,  
With the ending of the year it is of special importance to obtain a subscription, the more so in view of the fact that the Editor of the Hapioni Harkali expressed his desire to have you as one of the readers of this publication, copies of which I already sent to you. I am sure that you will honor me with your favor so that I will be in a position to report to Palestine that you joined the ranks of the readers of this publication.

Very truly yours  
Herman Chayer.

1078 E. 99 St.  
Cty.

Lang Branch Dec. 26/33

Dear Abba

I came back to the state  
last Wednesday, and am beginning  
to look around for something  
to do. I am visiting my  
brother Lory for a few days.

When I left Palestine  
the folks were all well.  
They are hoping that I will  
come back to stay, but there  
is hardly a chance. It  
was quite cold and they  
said it started to rain.

I hope the children keep  
well during the winter season  
as it is quite different  
from the state.

They are attending school  
and by this time I am sure  
they speak Hebrew well.



Max thought, that I ought  
to get away from N.Y.  
but it's not an easy thing  
to decide.

Do you expect to  
be in N.Y. soon. I would  
like to see you — and  
talk things over. Let  
me hear from you.

Please remember me  
to Virginia and the children

Sack.

You may write to  
54 E. 23rd St  
N.Y.C.

Danny says "It's 22/11", every  
morning and Goodsoe is  
just killed. He sings the  
songs of Palestine and  
even took part in a Chautauq  
play. Sylvia is doing  
real well in school and  
likes it there.

I had no plans  
or any idea as to what  
I will do. I suppose  
I will stick to my old  
line and just something  
real soon. My brother  
asked me to come out  
to Kansas City, but will  
consider it very carefully.

202 Euclid Ave.

Akron, Ohio

Dec 26, 1933

Rabbi A. H. Silver

The Temple

Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I have been informed that you recently visited in Palestine, and later gave several lectures about your experiences there. I should appreciate it very much if you would send me some information on the everyday life in Palestine, as I am gathering material for an essay.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

Revella Sholiton

December 26, 1903.

Mr. David Schonberg,  
Schonberg Printing Co.,  
1635 E. 25th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Schonberg:

Let me thank you for your  
lovely gift of a pencil which you sent  
me. It was indeed very thoughtful  
of you and I am very grateful.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX



December 26, 1933.

Mr. Isadore R. Morris,  
Union Trust Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Isadore:

I have drafted a letter which I hope you send over your signature and on your stationery to the Cleveland Plain Dealer in reply to the letter of Mr. A. H. Schaff which appeared in the Plain Dealer on December 16th. I am enclosing Mr. Schaff's letter.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK  
Encl. 1.

December 26, 1933.

The Editor,  
Cleveland Plain Dealer,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Mr. A. H. Schaff, writing in the Plain Dealer on December 16th against the recognition of Russia by the United States, makes the statement: "Outside of Union Square, it is difficult to find any desire for this throughout the rest of the country. Certainly the Protestant and Catholic churches are uncompromisingly against it."

At the Biennial Council of the Congregational-Christian Churches held in 1931, the following resolution was adopted: "Be it resolved that the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches respectfully urge upon our government the recognition of the Soviet Union of Russia."

Mr. Schaff also states "That those who favor recognition have been the organized needle trades of New York City, some bankers and some industrial concerns plus a lot of 'forward looking' doctrinaire college professors who seem always ready to give their country away generously on a theory." It might interest Mr. Schaff to know that two-thirds of 1139 newspapers in the United States, asked if they favored immediate recognition of Soviet Russia, replied in the affirmative. This questionnaire was sent out by the committee on Russian-American Relations of the American Foundation.

I hope that Mr. Schaff is more accurate about the other facts and statistics which he gives in his lengthy letter than he has been in this instance.

Sincerely,



SAMUEL MILLER  
1802 CENTRAL AVENUE  
CLEVELAND, OHIO

December 28, 1933

Rabbi A. E. Silver  
The Temple  
Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

About four years ago, I had the pleasure of meeting a Mr. Isenstein and his wife in Berlin, and we have since corresponded occasionally. In his last letter to me, he enclosed a letter for you, which I am sending herewith.

Mrs. Miller tried several times to deliver this letter to you in person, but was unable to see you, so I am taking this means of getting it into your hands.

Sincerely yours,

*Samuel Miller*

December 26, 1933.

Mr. Max E. Gottlieb,  
2725 Derbyshire Rd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Gottlieb:

I was pleasantly surprised one evening to find the beautiful lamp which you sent me as a Chanukah gift. I need not tell you that I am deeply appreciative of your thoughtful and friendly gift. I have placed in my study where it will frequently remind me of you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Rabbi. Abba. Hillel. Silver

DEC 27 '33

Cleveland

Dear Rabbi

I am just reading my  
Bnai B'rith Magazine & saw your  
name mentioned & it reminds me  
that I had the pleasure of seeing  
you some years ago here in N.Y.  
I should love to hear you again  
If you expect to spend time  
again. May I ask you to drop  
me a line & say where it may be  
I shall appreciate it very  
much

With My Best Wishes  
Faithfully  
Maurice S. Levy  
c/o above Hotel

December 27, 1933.

Mr. Silas Auerbach,  
American Oil and Paint Co.,  
9915 Harvard Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Auerbach:

Permit me to thank you for your kind note of December 25th and for the check which you enclose toward Temple expenses. I need not tell you that both the Temple and I are deeply appreciative of your interest.

I read the clippings which you sent me and I enjoyed them very much, particularly the one from the Ohio Legion News. It is very important that in the press of the American Legion the true state of affairs in Germany should be presented.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I take the pleasure of sending you the copy of Hazoni Hachlali in which you find my article dealing with the Ohio Region Zionist Convention.

I wish to call again to your attention the matter of subscription to this publication which is the official organ of the General Zionist Organization in Palestine. Your remittances I shall greatly appreciate.

Very truly yours

Herman Chany.

1078 E. 99 St.

Cleveland, O.

December 27, 1933.

Mr. Herman Charyn,  
1078 E. 99th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Charyn:

I am enclosing herewith my subscription  
to the Hazoni Haklali.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Concerning Hitler of Germany, he can be very easily "run out." Now if you would like to have a humble Yankee contribute his bit towards the establishment of a fair government in the country in question, so indicate.

In dealing with Germans antagonism and seriousness are the very things to be avoided. Probably the best way to throw out Hitler and the Nazi Regime is to cause them to appear absurd or ludicrous. Dignity turned to absurdity is the result to be desired. Just as soon as the people of Germany cease to take serious interest in Nazism so soon will that government come to an end. If you can tickle the Teuton's sense of humor you can accomplish your end. In so many words, to cause the people to laugh at Hitler. That does the trick.

I know exactly how to make Hitler the Laughing Stock of Germany. If you don't think it is clever just let me tell you about the method. IT WILL WORK.

The way to deal with Hitler is from within the confines of his own country; otherwise the public would think that it was the work of foreign powers and would, therefore only rally to the Swastika Banner.

A knowledge of the subtle actions or reactions of the human mind is the powerful weapon with which to bring about the desired conditions. Crudeness won't work: the Germans are crude. Therefore one should be clever.

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I have several other methods-- all different-- that could be worked in conjunction with the indicated method.

There would be scarcely any expense involved, considering the magnitude of the work to be accomplished. It would not be difficult to do. Also it would not be dangerous and if the government in question would prosecute, it would cause an epidemic of laughter.

It can be done by a small group of native American Jews whose name and whose appearance would indicate anyone except a Jew. That is, a red-haired Jew with an Irishman's features, etc. Having an Anglo-Saxon name would also help. Also they would have American passports and any action against them would cause trouble with the American Embassy.

If you would like to have me come to Cleveland and meet any competent men whom you think would like to do something relative to this subject, let me know.

I would like to help organize a private Intelligence Bureau to study upon this subject.

I expect no remuneration, but if you wish to have me come to Cleveland it would only be courteous to advance a fund sufficient to pay for roundtrip, meals and incidentals.

A private office would be a good place to discuss the matter.

Kindly answer this letter

Respectfully,

*H. K. Walrath*  
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