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WILL ARRIVE IN NEWYORK MUST SEE YOU URGENT=
MRS MARK HARRIS

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PLEASE BE ASSURED THAT NOT ONLY YOUR OWN PEOPLE BUT ALSO
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ILLNESS KEEPS ME FROM JOINING YOU FROM JOINING THOSE WHO
JOIN ME TONIGHT FOR YOUR GREAT SERVICE TO OUR PEOPLE
LONG LIFE TO YOU THAT YOU MAY CARRY ON=
LOUIS MYERS..

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CONGRATULATIONS ON THE FINE WORK YOU ARE DOING

LESTEM SHOMAIM GOOD HEALTH AND MORE POWER TO YOU.

GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES TO YOU AND INQUIRING FRIENDS=

A L SALTZSTEIN.

Brooklyn N.Y. May 4th 1938

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio
Dear Sir:

Knowing your great interest in human progress, I take the liberty submitting the following for your kind consideration. I am an old man, Mathematician, and have observed many things during the past sixty years. I have written a most timely and sensational manuscript entitled: "Revelation for 1938-1940." One chapter deals with: "What will happen to the wealth of the rich and how they can save part of it in the coming greatest catastrophe." While the biblical Revelations are based on idealistic philosophy, my Revelation is based on dialectical materialism, facts, correct logical deductions and American ideals, stating in plain understandable and concise form all the forces at work for the coming greatest catastrophe. This coming catastrophe is much nearer than most people think and it will not be limited to a few foreign countries only but includes the United States also, in fact all humanity; Therefore all liberty-loving Americans, standing for progress and peace, should know the whole truth. To publish and convey this important truthful message to the greatest number of Americans, especially the upper and middle classes, I am soliciting for a fund necessary. Can I count on your donation for this humanitarian purpose? As soon as my manuscript is printed I will send you several copies which you may wish to give to your friends.

Thanking you for your kind interest, I am

Sincerely yours
Richard O. Bessick
P.O. Box 62 Station S
Brooklyn N.Y.

Home address:

397 Chauncey Street
Brooklyn N.Y.

LAW OFFICES

OF

Joseph Deutsch

412 MARSHALL BLDG.

CLEVELAND, OHIO

May 5, 1938

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

Dear Rabbi:

May I take this opportunity of congratulating
you on your wonderful radio address delivered in New York
City this week?

At the same time, now that relief for the per-
secuted is upper-most in the minds of all right-thinking
people, may I call to your attention that I represent a
client who has forty thousand (40,000) acres of land, that,
according to the information received by me, is ideal for
colonization purposes and, since it's owner is a high-
minded individual, it can be bought at a very low price.

I should like to talk this matter over with you
personally, therefore request that you be kind enough
to let me know when I may see you.

Thanking you in advance,

Very truly yours,

Joseph Deutsch
JOSEPH DEUTSCH, Attorney

JD:AO

*Mr. D. Waldman
461 - 4th Ave*

*#25 Mr. Chas. Waldman
Wanted Siff for (L)*
Ashtabula

May 5, 1938

Dr. Maxwell Silver,
The Public National Bank and Trust Company,
Avenue C. Office,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Max:

I did not get a chance to see Mr. Gersten as I hoped to. My train schedule was such that I had to leave early in the morning in order to keep my appointment in Cumberland. I hope to be in New York again within the next two weeks and I will make it a special point to go down and see Mr. Gersten.

It was good to have seen you and Jane in New York. With all good wishes, I remain

As ever,

AHS:EK

May 6, 1938

Mrs. L. Kollin,
2638 Hampshire Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Kollins:

Rabbi Silver asked me to return the
enclosed letter to you.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



City 5/6/38.

Dear Rabbi Silver-

As, I am leaving
the city Monday
am enclosing check
my bit to help the
Welfare drive.

Wishing you complete
success

I remain

Sincerely yours

Mr. Isaac Wasserman,
2440 Overlook
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Rabbi Hillel Silver
 Ansel Road Temple
 Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I deeply regret that I wasn't able to meet you and speak to you personally. I had the intention of talking with you about the problems and work of our institution.

As you can judge personally on the grounds of the books and literature which you have received in the last year, our Institute has greatly developed. It is becoming a still more important factor in the spiritual life of the Jewery in Europe. Without exaggeration, it has to be considered as the most significant Jewish scientific institution in Europe.

The work of this institution is a necessity, not only for the spiritual development of Jewery, but also for its struggle for life. As only one example, I would point to the work of our department of Statistics and Economics.

As you know, we received support last year from the Welfare Fund of Cleveland to the extent of \$100. This amount must be considered as very small not only from the point of view of the scope and importance of our work, but also in comparison with the support that we get from some of the other Jewish communities in the United States. For instance, the Welfare Fund of Pittsburgh has assigned to us \$500.

I therefore ask your help in enlargement of this support for the next year. I know very well that you will be very busy this week, but I would therefore be doubly thankful if you would nevertheless find time to make an appointment with me by calling Mr. Weintraub at the Jewish Daily Forward, Main 7051. May I also ask you to send to Mr. Weintraub at 505 Prospect-Fourth Bldg. your personal annual contribution.

Sincerely yours,

Noah Maizels

Dr. Noah Maizels

Castellamare (Napoli)

May 7, 1938

My dear Friend:

Your letter with enclosed money order arrived on the 25th of April (just on the birthday of Mrs. Schalit) and we felt very happy about this lovely event. Let me thank you for your always kindest way of acting! You don't know, of course, that this money order saved us from coming into prison: on account of the expected coming of the great Messiah the German Jews should have to suffer very hard. Many weeks ago we heard that all the German Jews (and also other people) should be imprisoned for "public security" until midst of May. We did not believe it, and thought that at the worst only the men would be taken into arrest for a few days only. But it came quite otherwise: about the 20th of April already we heard of the first cases of imprisonment, and what was worse, that also the married women (with children) came into arrest. We and our friends became very troubled about that, because that could mean the loss of freedom for 3 weeks at least, the loss of gaining, an uncertain fate for so many children who would stay at home without their mothers, and - last but not least- a great danger for the health of the imprisoned ones; who would be treated like real prisoners. Now every day we heard of new cases of imprisonment of Jewish doctors, business men and women, until the 25th came with your letter. Now we heard that so many a family (Of course wealthy ones!) left Rome for Sicily, or Milan, etc., in order to escape. On the evening of the 25th now we had been seriously concerned that on the next morning very early the police would come to take us away. Our youngest boy had just overcome a very ~~XXXX~~ hard illness with highest fever (I don't know how it is called in English) and stayed still in bed. Especially my wife was so much struck by all these events so that we decided (now having your cheque) to pack up our children and to go away

this very night. So we did, and arrived at one o'clock in the night at Naples; the next day we came here and are living in a very simple but nice private house. About the 15th we shall return to R. You may realize how happy we are to stay here in this beautiful nature, and to have been in the position to escape from these troubles. But it would be worse while to publish these news in the American papers and to tell the world how the German Jews have been treated during these 3 weeks. We all feel very unhappy about this injustice and cruelty, particularly that mothers have been taken away from their children. Besides that so many a business-man and physician will be half or more ruined by these events, honest and decent men who have been working hard in these 5 years to gain their modest living for their families. In our personal most modest ~~XXXX~~ case it means expenses of at least 1,000 lire, which we would need so urgently for other things. The very journey cost us 400 lire. Of course we are also very depressed about this loss of money, but on the other hand it means saving our own children's health. Also the Chief Rabbi let me know that we have done very well. Of course, if we should not have received your letter we were sitting behind the humid walls of the "Fevere". If you like, I shall write you more fully about all this from at home.

We are much in hope that you will be able selling many of my books in order to make easier our troubles. Here in this country there is nothing to hope for ^{Jewish} ~~XXX~~ musicians. Broadcasting of music of Jewish composers is officially prohibited here. There is no possibility for me getting on and unfortunately nothing has changed for the better in my situation.

About future plans of my brother Leon I do not know anything. They are very much afraid to write something and their fate appears to us much worse compared with 1933! Sterns would very much like to emigrate to us, but new emigrants are not allowed to work here, so we do not know if it

were advisable for them coming here, even if they would be in the position to emigrate for what we hear it will be made impossible for the German and Austrian Jews to go away- it is a devilish plan!

I am always very happy hearing from you; I was really deeply touched by your Seder news. My wife and the children spent the Seder by a German Jewish family (with 3 children) that is now in Sicily! Also they could escape in the last moment - with a baby of 4 months! !

We hope that you and your dear ones are always well, and we send you our most cordial greetings and wishes. Let me hear from you soon.

Yours as ever,

Heinrich Schalit

N. B. Being no ink in the house please excuse pencil and bad writing.
Please inform me at once if this letter arrives.

May 9, 1938

Rabbi Abraham Shusterman,
Temple Israel,
1602 S. Rockford Street,
Tulsa, Okla.

My dear Shusterman:

I have been so busy in the last few weeks knocking around the country that I overlooked acknowledging the card which you sent me. I am delighted to know that you passed your final examinations at the Hebrew Union College and that you will receive your D.D. at the College. That is splendid and I extend to you my warmest congratulations.

Please remember me to Lillian.
With all good wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

AHS:BK

May 9, 1938

Mr. A. L. Saltzstein,
2701 N. Lake Drive,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

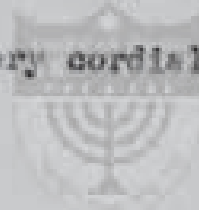
My dear Friend:

Thank you for your very lovely
telegram which reached me at the hotel. I
can't tell you how much I appreciated receiving
it.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX



May 9, 1938

Mr. Joseph Flesheim,
112 Fayette Street,
Charleston, W. Va.

My dear Mr. Flesheim:

Let me thank you for your kind letter informing me that you are to be remarried in the Jewish faith on June 23. I do not know whether or not I shall be in Cleveland on that day but if I am not here on that day, my associate, Rabbi Harris, will be glad to perform the ceremony.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:RK

May 9, 1938

Mr. Joseph Deutsch,
412 Marshall Bldg.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Deutsch:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of May 5 and for the complimentary things which you say about my radio address of last week.

In connection with the land which your client has, may I suggest that you wait until after the local Jewish Welfare Fund campaign when I shall have a little more time. I would then be most happy to see you.

With best wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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PLEASE WIRE CHOICE BETWEEN THESE TWO SUBJECT " MY FAVORITE
BIBLE POEM" OR "THE THREE GREAT BOOKS OF THE YEAR"=

SOLOMON B FREEHOF 4905 FIFTH AVE.

4905

May 9, 1938

Mr. D. Waldman,
481 Fourth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

So finally your conscience got the better of you and you had to send me that liquor. I am going to open the bottle if our Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign, which is now on, closes successfully next Tuesday. If not, I shall have to wait on the outcome of the plebiscite...

With all good wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

AHS:BX

May 9, 1938

Dr. Solomon B. Freehof,
4905 Fifth Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Sol:

I can't tell you how delighted I am that you will be in my pulpit next Sunday morning. I will have the great pleasure of introducing you and of listening to you. I shall not be out of the city. My reason for inviting you is a twofold one. As you know, I am chairman of the Cleveland Jewish Welfare Fund campaign which is on in Cleveland, this week. I am head over heels in work. I shall also be out of the city twice during the week in connection with similar campaigns in other cities and I am simply not fit to write another sermon this week. You will therefore be performing a great mitzvah to one who has worked exceedingly hard in the last few months and who is very tired. Also, you will give him the joy of listening to you. I have not heard you since New Orleans.

The subject which you suggest, "Three Great Books of the Year" is excellent. Do you wish to send me the names of these books so that we can include them in the subtitle?

Your plane leaves the Cleveland Airport at 2:35. I have made a reservation for you and my chauffeur will take you to the airport. You will have dinner at our home at which time we will also have as our guest the Hon. Edwin Samuel, son of Herbert Samuel who speaks in Cleveland Sunday night in behalf of the Hebrew University. I shall make reservations for you at the Statler Hotel or, if you wish, at the Wade Park Motor which is in close proximity to The Temple.

With all good wishes to you and Lillian in which Virginia joins me heartily, I remain

As ever yours,

RABBI SOLOMON B. FREEHOF, D. D.
RODEP SHALOM TEMPLE
FIFTH AND MOREWOOD AVENUES
PITTSBURGH, PA.

May tenth
1936

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

Dear Abba:

I have to speak in Pittsburgh at four o'clock Sunday afternoon but I have arranged for them to wait for me for an hour. The plane which leaves Cleveland at 2:35 gets into Pittsburgh in an hour--which is 4:37 Pittsburgh time. I have arranged with those in charge of the meeting for them to wait an hour for me.

Tell me when your Services begin. Are they at 10:30 or at 11:00? If they start at 11:00, I can take a morning train and get there in time for Services. If they commence at 10:30, the morning train comes in at 10:45 Cleveland time and so I had better travel overnight. Please reserve a room for me at the Wade Park Manor.

Lillian joins me in best regards to you and Virginia.

As ever,

Sol

SBF:MG

P.S. Never mind the titles of the three books; we will keep that as a sort of a surprise.

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CLEVELAND, OHIO

10 May, 1938.

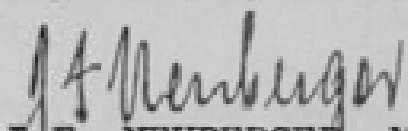
Rabbi A.H. SILVER:
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear doctor Silver:

Mrs. Neuberger and I attended your services last Sunday morning and we both enjoyed your services and lecture immensely. It was a treat for both of us. As perhaps you know I have been in Europe almost every year since 1920, representing the United States Government on several conferences and congresses. Your understanding of the European situation and the plight of the people are a revelation to me.

I hope that I will soon have the opportunity to see you in person.

Very Respectfully Yours,


J.F. NEUBERGER, MD.
Lieutenant Commander, Medical Corps,
U.S. Navy.

JFN/rt.

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May 10, 1938

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

Dear Sir:

Miss Clare Lader is making application as a social investigator and has given your name as reference. While we have no openings at present, we are following up her references so that we may have them on file in case anything develops.

Would you be willing to tell us in what connection you have known her? What can you tell us about her personality and ability? Do you consider her to be a dependable, conscientious worker? Does she have initiative? What can you tell us about her ability to get along with people? Do you feel that she is capable of making friendly, easy contacts with people? What can you tell us about her health?

Any further information that you may be able to give us regarding her will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

EMERGENCY DIVISION OF CHARITIES & RELIEF

Catherine M. Cronin

Personnel Department

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SAM L. SEGAL
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY



May 11, 1938

CHILLICOTHE, OHIO

Rabbi A. H. Silver
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Many years ago, in fact soon after you came to Cleveland, my sister, who held a secretarial position in Cleveland at that time, in the U. S. Court, was accustomed to writing your sermons in shorthand. In one of your discourses the stirring tribute that you paid to America, she transcribed and gave to me.

I have treasured this all these years, and the other day when the local newspapers were soliciting copy for the Northwest Territory Sesqui-Centennial Edition, I took the liberty of using this magnificent quotation of yours, as I thought it most proper and appropriate. I am inclosing a copy herewith.

I do not believe that you will recall meeting me here in Chillicothe during the days of the World War when I was in charge of Jewish Welfare at Camp Sherman, but I have followed you all through the years, and at every opportunity I listen to your eloquent addresses on the radio. Through your perfect understanding and your patriotism you are rendering the American Jewish people a valuable service - more than you will ever know. This is especially true at the present time when such a service is so urgently needed.

Wishing you health and every measure of success, I am,

Gratefully yours,

Sam L. Segal

SLS:MAP

May 11, 1938

Mrs. Harry Frank,
40 Colorado Ave.,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Mrs. Frank:

Virginia told me of the kind invitation which you extended to me over the telephone to have dinner with you this coming Friday. I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness in inviting me. Unfortunately I must leave Detroit for Cleveland on the first train I can get following my address to your campaign workers. This week is an exceedingly crowded one for me inasmuch as we have our own campaign on in Cleveland.

With all good wishes and hoping to see you in Detroit, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK



HAMILTON HOTEL
BERMUDA

My dear Rabbi Silver

Your cablegram arrived
in the midst of great sadness.

My brother's dear wife passed
away yesterday morning;
whilst she had been ill for
some time; we never thought
it serious or fatal.

Ordinarily I would have
deferred my reply; but in
view of my high regard for
you, I am acknowledging

We are leaving here tomorrow
by boat and will arrive in
Pittsburgh Sunday morning.



receipt of your communication
and complying with your
request, and will increase
my pledge for 1938 by adding
\$25⁰⁰ over my contribution
last year.

Sorry I cannot make it
now.

With best wishes and re-
gards to Mrs. Silver and
yourself.

I am cordially yours
Leaura H. Norman

Bermuda

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PLEASE REPLY COLLECT BY WESTERNUNION=

:J DRAIZEN

*Dr. Solomon Fresh of Pittsburgh
will occupy ^{Temple} pulpit Sunday*

B. J. K.

THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE

461 FOURTH AVENUE

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MORRIS D. WALDMAN, Secretary
HARRY SCHNEIDERMAN, Assistant Secretary

May 12, 1938.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I hope your Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign is phenomenally successful for the sake of all of us and I would feel complimented that you would celebrate by opening the bottle; I would be happy to join you on such an occasion. But as for the plebiscite . . .

The pleasure I derived from our sharing the precious product of sunny France is a commitment to me to reserve a bottle for you out of every case I shall bring back with me on future trips abroad. Nothing will please me more than to have the privilege of your company again on one of those trips.

With cordial greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Morris D. Waldman

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

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May 12, 1938

Rabbi Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Sometime ago I was the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Beth Hamedrach Hagodel of the Bronx. One block from where your folks resided, and which my wife was an Assistant Secretary and your mother was the Chairlady of the Ladies Auxiliary. Your father taught my son for his Barmitzveh, and it was a real good job. My son later entered Columbia University and graduated from there with honors.

Dean Hawkes of Columbia said he was one of the most brilliant students in psychology ever turned out and appointed him as Assistant Instructor in psychology and re-appointed him for another year, and then he was appointed as full instructor in Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn. where he is now doing research work for Dr. Charles Johnson, who is on the Board of Directors for the Rosenwald Fund for colored. While assistant in Columbia he made his M.A. and Ph D. degrees.

I would appreciate very much if there is anything you could do for him thru the Rosenwald Fund in a higher capacity, or else thru yourself, as per enclosed B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation if possible here in New York, as of course, Fisk University being a colored college would be of no use to your Foundation.

His mother and myself naturally are very anxious to have him as near home as possible. If you would write to Prof. Gardiner Murphy of Columbia, or Prof. Chas. Johnson of Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn. thru them you will find out as to his work and capabilities, etc.

Thanking you for anything that you may be able to do for my son,
I beg to remain

Respectfully yours,

Philip Marks

pm/o

HIRAM S. RIVITZ
WEST 98TH ST. & WALFORD AVE.
CLEVELAND, OHIO

May 12, 1938

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

My dear Hillel:-

I have given very serious consideration to the matter of my contribution to the Jewish Welfare Fund for 1938 since you were here. In fact, this has worried me a lot because I am not accustomed to make excuses, for I have always tried to give as much as I am able, especially to the cause of Jewry, and I really feel very badly to have to write this letter to you and at a time like this.

I am fully alive to the unusual situation and the great need for increased giving, and I realize that if there ever was a time for Jewry to extend itself, that this is the time to make the sacrifice; but after all, one can only give up to his limit, and I have too much regard for a commitment to make it lightly, and I am not going to make a commitment which I cannot discharge.

My income has been cut more than in half this year, and my expenses have been increased due to illness. I don't think it necessary to go into any more detail and reiterate what I have already said to you when you were in my office.

In 1934 I contributed to the Jewish Welfare Fund \$1250.; in 1935, \$2500; in 1936, \$5000.; and in 1937, \$6000. I doubled my contribution for three consecutive years, and increased it by \$1000. in the last year - which you must admit is not a bad record.

I give what I can willingly and gladly, but there comes a time when one is not able to double or increase one's contribution, and sometimes it becomes necessary to reduce it.

I will subscribe for \$3000. for the year 1938. Based on my present income as against last year my contribution should be considerably less than \$3000.

If you will send me the subscription card I will sign for the amount indicated and return the card to you promptly.

In closing I want to say to you, frankly and as a good friend, that in subscribing \$3000. this year I am going my limit and that there will be no further need for solicitation on your part because I can only give what I will be able to pay.

Sincerely yours,

Hiram Rivitz



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May 12, 1938

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th & Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your letter regarding the meeting to be addressed by Mr. Samuel on Sunday evening, May 15th, has been received, and I regret that I am unable to attend. Last Sunday, my son contracted Scarlet Fever, and as a result, upon the advice of our doctor and the district health nurse, my wife and I are now making any social contacts, nor attending any meetings, during the period of quarantine. I trust that the meeting will be a success.

I do not believe I informed you concerning my interview with Mr. Paul Bellamy of the Plain Dealer. Mr. Bellamy was very sympathetic to our point of view, and I believe that on account of the requests of other persons, as well as myself, their attitude for the past few weeks has been very sympathetic. At the present time, in my opinion, the worst offender in over-emphasis, is the Cleveland Press, and it might be advisable to have some of our people contact them at the proper time.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Louis S. Bing Jr.

LSB:MCS

HERMAN MOSS
900 UNION TRUST BUILDING
CLEVELAND, OHIO

May 12, 1938.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Although I endeavored to thank you on Tuesday for your part in the program, I want to take this additional opportunity to tell you that I shall never forget the all too generous picture of your next-door neighbor which you presented.

If I deserve one-half of it I shall feel that I am most fortunate indeed.

May I also thank you for that portion of your remarks pertaining to the four crowns which, among other things, President Parkinson admired so much in your talk. I am forwarding this to him and know he will enjoy having it.

Thanking you once more, and regretting that Virginia was unable to share the occasion with all of us, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Herman Moss". The signature is fluid and elegant, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

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

May 12, 1938

Dr. J. F. Neuberger,
Lieutenant Commander, Medical Corps, U. S. Navy,
Old Post Office Building,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Neuberger:

Let me thank you for your letter of May 10. I happy to know that you attended our services last Sunday and that you enjoyed them. Please be assured that you are always welcome at The Temple.

It will give me great pleasure to meet both Mrs. Neuberger and yourself. The next time you are at The Temple, please come up and introduce yourself. With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

May 12, 1938

Mr. Herman Moss
Union Trust Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Herman:

I do not know exactly to what part of my remarks you are referring. Perhaps you have this in mind:

"One of the sages of Israel of long ago said, 'There are four crowns within the reach of man: the Crown of Royalty; the Crown of Priesthood; the Crown of Learning; but the Crown of the Good Name excels them all.' It is this latter crown which Herman Moss has achieved in our community, a Good Name, which Scripture says is rather to be chosen than great riches."

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

DR. E. E. SIEGEL
10609 EUCLID AVE

May 14, 1938

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

my dear Rabbi,
may I, at this time, thank
you very, very much for your
beautiful sentiments expressed
for my dear wife, Alice.
your kind and beautiful words
will live forever as a memory
in my heart.

Sincerely yours,
Dr. E. E. Siegel

May 14, 1938

Mr. Hiram Rivitz,
W. 98th at Walford,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Hiram:

I want to thank you for your letter and for the fine spirit which moved you to write. I understand the situation fully. You have done your full share in recent years and you have done it very graciously. I should be the last person in the world to wish to high-pressure you into giving more than you feel able to give this year.

I am anxious, however, that the community should not misunderstand. There have been no decreases among any of the contributions to speak of in spite of the economic recession which has attacked almost everyone. There have been, on the other hand, very substantial increases among those in the lower brackets who clearly are doing it at considerable sacrifice. The rank and file and the relatively poor are making the kind of contributions, this year, which truly make one proud of being a Jew.

I have seen practically all the cards which have been reported. In no instance has there been a fifty percent reduction. And because I am so fond of you, I should not want your name to be singled out. Think it over once more, Hiram. Perhaps you will be able to do a little better. If you can give a little more, let me know. If not, I shall turn in your card next Tuesday evening for the amount which you indicated in your letter.

Whatever you do, please be assured of my high esteem and great affection.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

May 15, 1938

Samuel A. Halperin

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver:

If, in your opinion, the pending readjustments with the Anti-Nazi League will create an opportunity for my services, I would greatly appreciate your help.

My experience in community organization work, publicity, fund raising (independent and with fund negotiations) etc would, in my opinion, enable me to serve with credit.

Needless to tell you that your help would be greatly appreciated, as my situation has not improved—
With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,
Samuel A. Halperin
449-3rd Street
Brooklyn 4, N.Y.

HIRAM S. RIVITZ
WEST 98TH ST & WALFORD AVE.
CLEVELAND, OHIO

May 16, 1938

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
c/o The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Hillel:-

I have your very splendid letter of the 14th inst as an answer to mine. You are not only the "tops" in the Rabbinical field, but a master salesman as well. I had known this of course for a long time, and am therefore not surprised to receive such a gracious response couched in such a manner as to bring out all that is best in any man.

How fortunate it is for Jewry to have such an understanding and able leader will never be realized by the Race, but I am egotistical enough to believe that I know you better than most, and in every epoch and in every crisis the times seem to bring forth a man who rises up above all others to meet the emergency and lead the way.

Repetition does not add weight to any argument. If I were able to give more than \$3000. in 1938 you would not have to remind me of my duty, because it goes against the grain to have to reduce my subscription at a time like this. I know what people will say regardless of explanations, but I have made up my mind to stand whatever criticism might be directed in my direction - and there will probably be plenty.

I am not given to false pride, nor do I wish to follow the pack even though the chase be hot and the bugle calls. As stated before, a commitment with me is a serious obligation to be discharged, and no one has ever had to accept a discount on an obligation due from me - and I hope to continue that record.

I wish I could increase the amount, but I can't - \$3000. is all I can pay, and I will have to pinch to make that good, for I have a number of other obligations which must be paid this year, and which were entered into last year without realizing the extent of curtailment in income to which I would be subjected.

I appreciate your attitude and the way in which you have received my explanations,- for after all, your friendship and good opinion is worth a great deal more to me than money.

Affectionately yours,

Hiram Rivitz

May 16, 1938

Mr. Sam L. Segal,
Director of Public Safety,
Chillicothe, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Segal:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of the Chillicothe newspaper which contained my "America", and also for all the lovely things which you say about me. I do hope that I shall have the pleasure before very long of meeting you in person again. Should you be in Cleveland, come in to see me.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

May 16, 1938

Dr. E. Siegel,
10809 Euclid Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Siegel:

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

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX



M.C. LEVEE

Manager of Artists

1300 NORTH CRESCENT HEIGHTS BOULEVARD

HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

GLADSTONE 3115

May 16th

1938

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

I am confronted with a problem and, at Mendel Silverberg's suggestion, I am going to impose myself upon you and ask that you give me the benefit of your advice. When I explain what it is about, I am sure you will forgive the imposition.

Warner Bros. have a story entitled, "My Country First" - the central and most important character of which is 'Haym Soloman' and it deals with the activities of Soloman during the Revolutionary War.

As Paul Muni's manager and after reading the story, (which, in its present form is not right but which, I am sure, can be made right), I feel Muni should portray the character of Soloman because in so doing he would help tremendously in bringing through a beautifully produced motion picture which would show some of the major constructive activities performed by Jews in fighting for the independence of America from its very inception.

Muni is not only opposed to doing the picture himself but is just as vehemently opposed to Warners making it with any other actor. He seems to feel that if he were to portray a Jewish character on the screen who had contributed something to the sciences or to art or to the culture of the world he would gladly do it but, in his opinion, the major contribution of Soloman's activities deal with the loaning of money and he is afraid that it would point up the financial activities of the Jews and instead of being a picture that would help, on the contrary, it would hurt. I, on the other hand, have taken the position that it is time we stop apologizing for ourselves and if there are Jews in the history of the world who have contributed to constructive measures then we have just as much right to deal with such activities, particularly when it can be done in a manner that does not tend to create the impression that it is nothing but cheap propaganda.

#2

I would appreciate it if you would read the copy of the treatment, which I am forwarding to you under separate cover, and I would like to suggest that you discuss the subject matter with several well-known Jews (if you think it advisable to do so) and give me your reaction as to whether or not this type of a picture could in any sense be offensive to gentiles.

Upon the completion of such a survey (if you agree to it) you can then advise me just what your reaction is to the entire set-up.

Trusting I may have the pleasure of hearing from you in the near future and with kindest personal regards in which Mendel wishes to join me, believe me to be

Gratefully yours,

M. C. LEVINE

NCL
OH



May 16, 1938

Mr. Philip Marks,
The Equitable Life Assurance Society,
Room 2107, Pennsylvania Building,
225 W. 34th St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Marks:

Let me thank you for your kind letter
of May 12.

I do not know that there is anything that
I can do for your son either through the Rosenwald
Fund or the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation. I am
not close enough to either one of these organizations
and I would not wish to approach them on such a matter.

I hope that your son will continue to make
rapid progress in his chosen calling. With all good
wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

RABBI SOLOMON B. FREEHOF, D. D.

THE RUSKIN APARTMENTS

120 RUSKIN AVENUE

PITTSBURGH, PA.

Dear Abba

May 17 1938

My expenses amounted to
fifteen dollars. I am glad we are
so near to each other!

Thank you for your good
opinion of my address. I value your
judgement better than any one else.
Lillian sends her best to Virginia
& you. We both look forward
to seeing you both in Atlantic City

As ever

Sol.

2210 Woodmor Rd
Cleveland Heights
Ohio

5/18/38.

My dear Rabbi Silver,

Please accept my
sincere appreciation for your
kind services in the hour
of our great sorrow. My
daughters and I will always
remember your words of
consolation.

Enclosed find a small
check as a very slight
token of our appreciation.

Sincerely,

Sam DeWay.

Cleveland Ohio, 5/17 1938

Dr. Abba Hiller Silver
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi

Enclosed find 2 pleading letters written in Slovak. Explanation of this 2 letters are as follow: Letter No. 1, Mr. Brannus from Czech Slovak Christian of Catholic faith is writing and would Ohio knowing this window of Rabbi Schlesinger since childhood having an only son Chief Rabbi residing in the City of Eisenstadt near Vienna with wife and 2 children, explaining further in his letter that after being about for 6 months from his native country of Czech Slovak lost Citizenship in Czech Slov. and Eisenstadt being under Hitlers regime has no existence in neither one of them. So Mr Brannus pleading with his Brother to send this Rabbi Schlesinger an Affidavit so that he may enter to his native country so to the United States - Love!

2

Mr. Bramish of Lakewood being ill and out of work is financially bad off and is unable to send him the Affidavit.

Letter No 2 is written by Mrs Schlesinger widow of Rabbi Schlesinger of Olata Moravce in Cecho Slov. Also pleading to Mr Bramish of Lakewood to send her son the Affidavit so he may enter either to his native country Cecho Slov. or U.S.A. and save 4 lives.

It is really pathetic the situation they are in. I, the writer of this letter can't do it either as I only make a bare living for my family. (We as sprichwort set. Der armer mit den guten herzen.)

I know in my heart it is the greatest thing that any human being could do to save this 4 lives and retain the happiness of this poor widow Schlesinger.

Now the Question is. Could anything be done about this matter! and which way it could be done? and how soon can be done! to save this Rabbi, wife, and 2 innocent little children. May the Lord send the
-for 2777 2816, 2818
to all children of Israel and humanity

P.S.

May I get a reply?
it will be greatly appreciated.

Truly yours.

Harry Sherman
11409 Whitmore
Cleveland Ohio

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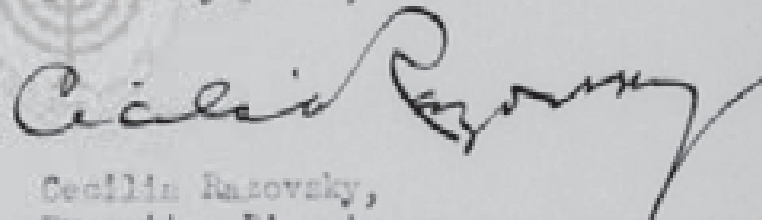
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105 Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Please note the enclosed letter addressed to Miss Steuer.
I shall be very happy to talk with her when she comes to New
York.

With kindest greetings,

Sincerely yours,



Cecilia Razovsky,
Executive Director

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May 18, 1938

Miss Gertrude Steuer
1529 East Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Steuer:

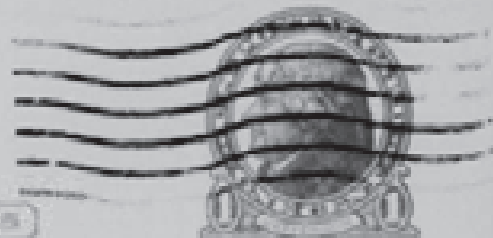
I have your letter of May 16th in which you ask if it will be possible for me to see you sometime between the 23rd and the 28th of May.

I shall be in my office next week and if you will telephone for an appointment or write us now, stating which day you expect to be in New York, I shall be glad to see you. At the present time there is no opening in our particular division, but in any event I shall be very happy to talk to you.

Sincerely yours,

Cecilia Razovsky,
Executive Director

CR:lb



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Dr. Abbe William Smith,

E. 105th St. and Arzel Road,

Cleveland,

Ohio.

The Temple.

Rabbi Henry Cohen
Galveston, Tex.
May 19, 1938.

Dear Dr. Silver;

I want to thank you
for your contribution to
The Southwest Jewish Quar-
terly. Your words are very
much appreciated!

With every good wish,
believe me to be

Yours faithfully,

Hy Cohen

May 19, 1938

Doctor A. H. Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver,

I am very eager to obtain a copy of an article you wrote several years ago in the "Jewish Daily Bulletin" entitled "To The Confirmands" of that year. Since the "Bulletin" is no longer in existence, I am taking the liberty, therefore, to write you directly in the hope that you may have an available copy of that message.

Thanking you kindly for your ^{interest} ~~efforts~~ and with appreciation, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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May 19, 1938.

Mr. A. H. Silver,
Ansel Road and East 105th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:-

We would greatly appreciate it if you will send to
us, a copy of the following:-

Silver, A. H. - The rights of minorities and the next war

We are enclosing postage to cover the cost.

Very truly yours,

Edith Deerr

Edith Deerr,

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New York May 19, 1938
305 BROADWAY, Tel. WO. 2-3583

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We have been informed by the U.P.A. that you have made a pledge of \$ 50.00 for Hashomer Hatzair. May we take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciation of your efforts on behalf of our organization, and of your interest in our work.

Upon the suggestion of Mr. Henry Moxtor we are writing to request that you send the money directly to our office.

With Zionis greetings, we are

Very sincerely yours,
Yechiel Greenberg
Yechiel Greenberg
Hashomer Hatzair Org.

111 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.
May 18, 1938

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The enclosed is the first section of the introductory chapter of my Kant. It will give you an idea of the scope, task, presentation, and style of the book. By right, the volume should be entitled Kant and Moses, but for obvious reasons the original title, "Kant, Plato, and the Prophets of Israel," must stand. I hope to be able to complete the manuscript by the end of August and to have it on the market by the end of December. It will be published by the University of Chicago Press.

The third volume of the trilogy, "Hegel and Heraclitus," will be an easier task. I hope to complete the third volume before 1940. Then -- many things may happen. I may land a chair in a University, or obtain the means to translate Kant into English. But, whatever the case, I do not intend to go back to journalism.

I hope to make my threat good and surprise you one of these days in Cleveland. I won't give you an opportunity to sneak out of the city just the day of my arrival. To make sure that I will find you in Cleveland, I will just walk in on you without notifying you in advance. I am just busy reading your brother's book, "The Ethics of Judaism." It does not make pleasant reading. The fellow has a good mind but a poor pen. I have to read it because I must review it for New Palestine. I have been reviewing such books for New Palestine and similar publications as a way of making my living -- and what a living.

With kindest regards,

Helman

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May 20, 1938.

Rabbi Abba H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I am sure you must have overlooked the letter from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People reminding you that the membership campaign is now in progress and that your membership is due for a renewal.

I realize the tremendous pressure you have been under and congratulate you upon the fine success of the campaign for the Jewish Relief. You and your co-workers are to be congratulated. I hope, however, that you will remember the NAACP in its effort and send your check which is usually for \$5.00 to 7504 Cedar Avenue.

I am again enclosing a self-addressed envelope for your reply in case you overlooked the last letter.

Sincerely yours,

L. Pearl Mitchell
L. Pearl Mitchell

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Enclosure

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Cable Address
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May 20, 1938

Rabbi H. Silver
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.
Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thanks to your kind offices, the Welfare Fund of Cleveland contributed \$100.00 to the Yiddish Scientific Institute last year. Plainly, this amount is not sufficient for an institution like the Yiddish Scientific Institute and is surely not in keeping with its needs.

At the time the Welfare Fund gave us to understand, it was due to the fact that the grants to the various institutions had already been made.

Dr. Maizel writes us this time that he applied to the Welfare Fund prior to the money allotment. Accordingly, we beg to request that, in the first place, you make an effort to get us a place on the list of institutions subsidized by the Welfare Fund, so that we may not have to fall back on the Contingent Fund which is but a casual affair, after all, - and next, you should obtain for us a larger allocation.

As we are aware that you have warm feelings for the Yiddish Scientific Institute and its work, we venture to hope that you will not ignore our plea.

Respectfully yours,

Yiddish Scientific Institute

N. Feinerman
N. Feinerman
Secretary

MF:SK

May 20, 1938

Mrs. Ray Wallenstein,
8408 Empire Avenue,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Wallenstein:

Upon my return to the city, I learned with great sorrow of the passing of your beloved son, Dr. Milton Wallenstein, a true martyr to the great profession which he was serving. I know that your loss is very great and that words of comfort are not always adequate. But in the days and years to come, you will find a great measure of pride and solace in the thought that Dr. Wallenstein had been not only a loving and devoted son to you, but a noble servant of mankind.

Please accept my heartfelt sympathies in which Mrs. Silver joins me. I remain

Most cordially yours,

ANS:BX

May 20, 1938

Mr. Harry Schermer,
11408 Whitmore Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Schermer:

I am returning herewith the letter
which you sent me.

With reference to the content of the
letter, I would suggest that you get in touch with
Mrs. Miriam Jacobs of the Jewish Social Service
Bureau, Huron-Sixth Bldg., who is in charge of
refugee work in our community. She will give you
all the help which she can.

This Bureau, by the way, is supported by
the Jewish Welfare Fund in whose behalf I called on
the Schermer Brothers two weeks ago in order to interest
them in making the sort of contribution which they should.
Last year, the Schermer Brothers contributed the colossal
sum of \$25. This year, I understand they forced themselves
to give \$50. I feel that you ought to know that the
Campaign Committee which reviewed the Schermer Brothers'
contribution was indignant at this sort of giving in
desperate times on the part of those who are known in
the community to be well able to do much more.

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK
Enc.

May 20, 1938

Mrs. Mary A. Pirtle,
10901 Lake Shore Blvd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Pirtle:

My good neighbor, Mr. Nathan Loesser, brought to my attention, yesterday, the very generous gift which you made to the Jewish Welfare Fund. As chairman of the Fund, permit me to express to you our profound gratitude for your most generous act which bespeaks a broad humanity and sympathy for suffering men and women regardless of race or creed. Your contribution is heartening proof of the vitality of that spirit of brotherhood in our world which will ultimately defeat all the dark forces of intolerance and reaction.

Mr. Loesser tells me that you were impressed by the program broadcast at the beginning of the Campaign of the Jewish Welfare Fund in which that splendid artist, Beryl Rubinstein, and I participated. We were both very happy to learn of it.

With all good wishes and again thanking you in the name of those whom your gift will benefit, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ARS:BX

May 20, 1938

Rabbi Ferdinand M. Isserman,
Temple Israel,
5003 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear

It was a lovely thing to have done,
that of blessing Bishop Holt in your Temple before
the opened Ark - a most dramatic and moving act.
Dr. Holt is one of the rare spirits of our day,
one of the truly great

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

[1938]

Morris S. Lazaron
1914 Madison Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland

May 22.

Alb.

Just saw your Bulletin
with its receipt from C.G. —
I'm deeply gratified. You
are all well? I've been
in bed with heavy cold but
not today. Morning
headlines preface — what?
Share with Tenth — say! all
best.

— Matt

May 23, 1938

Dr. Victor E. Reichert,
Rockdale Avenue Temple,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Victor:

Just a word to tell you again how deeply grateful we all are for the trouble which you took to come to us and to deliver that stirring message to our graduates. They will long remember it.

It was nice to have had you, if only for a brief hour, in our home. I hope to see you in the near future again, perhaps at the Rabbinical Conference. Please convey our warmest greetings to your dear lady. With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

May 23, 1938

Mr. Irving Gans,
3080 Broadway,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Gans:

As per your request of May 19, I
am enclosing herewith a copy of the article
which Rabbi Silver wrote for the Jewish Daily
Bulletin called "To a Confirmand in the Year 1934."

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

May 23, 1938

Mr. Sam Devay
2210 Goodnor Rd.
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

My dear Mr. Devay:

Let me thank you for your
kind note and for the gift which you
enclosed. In keeping with my practise,
I shall place it in a small charity fund
which I use from time to time.

With all good wishes, I
remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:EK



May 24, 1938

Mr. Yechiel Greenberg,
Hashomer Hatzair Organization,
205 Broadway,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Greenberg:

I am enclosing herewith Rabbi Silver's
check for \$50 which he pledged to the Hashomer
Hatzair.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

RABBI VICTOR E. REICHERT, D. D.
THE ROCKDALE AVENUE TEMPLE
CINCINNATI, OHIO

May 24, 1938

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

Dear Abba:

Let me thank you and Mrs.
Silver for an inspiring day on Sunday.
It was a great joy for me to be in your
magnificent Temple, to meet your lovely
family, and to hear your masterful
address in the evening.

Looking forward to seeing
you at the Conference next month at
Atlantic City, and with kind greetings
to Daniel, Raphael, and Mrs. Silver,
I am,

Faithfully yours,

Victor E. Reichert

May 24, 1938

Mrs. Florence Ullman,
1612 E. 115th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Ullman:

I am enclosing herewith the memorial tribute which I spoke at the services of your dear husband and my friend, Mr. Monroe Ullman. I regret that I was so long delayed in sending you this tribute. As you know, I have been away from the city a great deal of the time in connection with numerous relief campaigns and I have also been greatly occupied with our local relief campaign.

The words which were spoken are a sincere tribute to a man whom I greatly admired. With all good wishes to you, Rufus and Howard in which Virginia joins me, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.

10608 Orville Ave
Cleveland, Ohio
May 24, 1938

Rabbi Abba Hibel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Under separate cover I am sending
you a copy of the Ladino paper "LA VARA"
which is published in New York. It is the
only Jew-Spanish publication in the
United States.

You will find in "L'Aurore" your article
on the question of the "Haavara" which I
translated for the benefit of the readers of
that paper. I do not recall whether
I had sent you this particular issue of
"L'Aurore".

Sincerely yours,
Joseph M. Papo

May 24, 1938

Mr. M. C. Levee,
1200 North Crescent Heights Boulevard,
Hollywood, California.

My dear Mr. Levee:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of May 16. I have read with interest the story, "My Country First", which you sent me. I liked it very much. I not only can see no harm in producing it but some positive good. The story of Haym Solomon should be told and if it is told with understanding, artistry and restraint, it should prove very effective. In the hands of a great artist like Paul Muni, it can be a powerful story. The fact that Haym Solomon was a merchant and that his contribution to the Revolution was by way of lending money to the revolutionary forces should not cause any misgivings. Of course we Jews have been associated in the minds of many non-Jews with finance and capitalism. What this story drives home is that Jews have used their financial powers and resources to advance great human causes like that of liberty. The American people does not regard business, trade, banking and finance as in any way reprehensible and it holds in highest esteem those benefactors who have used their wealth to advance education, art and science in this country.

Much, of course, will depend upon the manner in which the subject is finally treated. The treatment which is suggested in the copy which you sent me is, in my judgment, quite correct.

With all good wishes to you and to Mendel Silverberg, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

P.S. Do you wish me to return to you the copy which you sent me?

[1938]

S. J. Scheinfeld
Rabbi of United Orthodox
Congregations of Milwaukee

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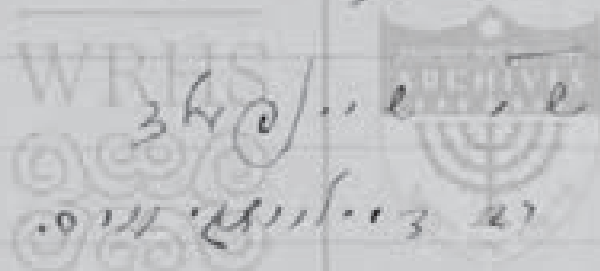
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May 25, 1938.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,

We acknowledge with deep appreciation
your check of \$5.00 to the annual member-
ship campaign of the National Association
for the Advancement of Colored People.

Sincerely yours,

W. O. Walker
W. O. Walker, President

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

The Temple

Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Please accept our sincerest thanks for your
contribution of \$ 50 to Hashomer Hatzair. We assure you
that it will both help and encourage us in our work
tremendously.

Sincerely yours,

Pinah Horowitz
Pinah Horowitz
Secretary



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May 25, 1938

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

Dear Abba,

I was wondering whether you received a copy of my book which was forwarded to you over a week ago. Have received so many acknowledgments already, it made me wonder whether your copy might not have gone astray in the mails.

You will be pleased no doubt to read enclosed copies of letter and review of Dr. Henry Neuman, Leader of Ethical Culture Society, which I received this day. To me this review is particularly gratifying, being the very first one thus far received.

Dr. Holmes in acknowledging receipt of the book writes--"Greetings to you, and warmest thanks for your new book "The Ethics of Judaism." I have had no time to read the book, of course, and shall not get it until I am out of the city and away on my vacation. But I thumbed it through on Saturday, and saw at once how important and interesting a volume it is. I much appreciate your sending me a copy from your hand."

With love to yourself and family-and Florence,

I am

As ever,

Max

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

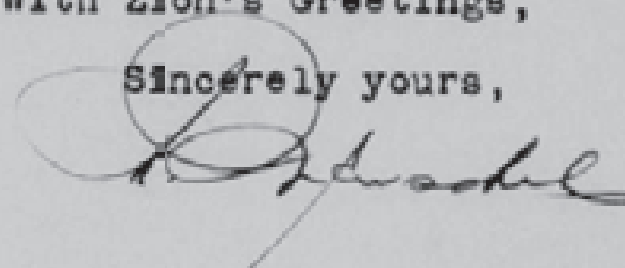
The Zionist Book Shop has been widely acclaimed by numerous Zionists who have seen it within the last 2 weeks. Yet I feel that the "Simchah" is incomplete without your visit.

May I ask you to kindly honor me by your presence on your next trip to 111 Fifth Avenue.

Thanking you, in anticipation, I am,

With Zion's Greetings,

Sincerely yours,





Dear Ratti Silver, -

You can never know how grateful and touched the boys and I were, when we read the beautiful tribute you paid my dear husband and their father.

Through the many years
of friendship with him
you knew his true
character, which you so
ably and sincerely expressed.
I hope the beautiful memory
of our happy years
together, will help me
bear my present sorrow.
With kindest regards to
you and Virginia.

Sincerely Yours.
Florence Fuld Dillman

May, the twenty sixth -

May 26, 1938

Dr. Maxwell Silver,
The Public National Bank and Trust Company,
Avenue C and 7th Street,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Max:

I received your book and I want to extend to you a hearty "mazel-tov". I have only had an opportunity to look at its physical appearance and to re-read here and there small parts of it. It all looks good. I was happy to read the enclosures which you send me. I am sure that there will be many more reviews of your book. It is the sort of a book which will receive a warm reception among the cognoscenti and will make its way slowly but steadily.

I shall probably be in New York before very long and will get in touch with you. Are you planning to come to Florence's wedding? We would all be very happy to have you and Jane with us.

With all good wishes in which Virginia joins me, I am

As ever yours,

AHS:BX

May 26, 1938

Mr. Sydney Polen
12329 Woodside Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Polen:

In reply to your letter of April 25,
I would suggest that you get in touch with
the Palestine Bureau of the Zionist Organization
of America - 111 Fifth Avenue, New York City -
and tell them of the two lots which you have and
which you would like to dispose of. They may
be in a position to advise you in this matter.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

May 26, 1938

Miss Violet Kittner,
The Jewish Social Service Bureau,
Huron-Sixth Bldg.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Kittner:

Rabbi Silver has requested me to send
you the enclosed letters which he received. Is
there something that can be done to help these
people?

BJK

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

May 26, 1938

Dr. A. S. Maschke
7016 Euclid Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Maschke:

Webster's new International Dictionary, which I have just consulted, sanctions both pronunciations of "pariah". The Oxford and Century Dictionaries sanction only the accent on the first syllable. I prefer Webster's pronunciation. It makes a strong word even stronger by accenting the second syllable.

With all good wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

AHS:BX

RABBI VICTOR E. REICHERT, D. D.
THE ROCKDALE AVENUE TEMPLE
CINCINNATI, OHIO

May
27
1938

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

Dear Abba:

My note to you was sent before
your letter of May 23rd, arrived contain-
ing the clipping from the newspaper
which you were kind enough to send me.
I am sending you this word of acknowledge-
ment for this added thoughtfulness and
look forward to seeing you in June at
the Conference.

With affectionate greetings,

I am

Faithfully yours

Victor E. Reichert

[May 27, 1938]

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בזיון ארצות מסרי הארץ איז יצחק נוסקאוו ארצות ארץ.
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May 27, 1938

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

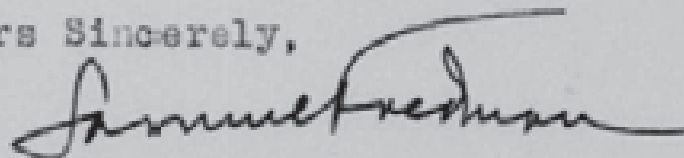
Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am one of those numerous persons who listen eagerly, not only to your spoken word, but read with equal alacrity your written word.

You have an immortal passage somewhere on "America", but I cannot locate it in any of my books. I am sure that you know the reference, because it has been so widely publicized. I want to use it in connection with a Confirmation speech on America. Would you therefore, be kind enough to send me a copy of that passage, as soon as possible?

With many thanks and kind regards,

Yours Sincerely,



Samuel Fredman

May 27, 1938

Mrs. Miriam Jacobs,
Jewish Social Service Bureau,
Huron-Sixth Bldg.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Jacobs:

I received the enclosed letter from Mr. R. M. Calfee and a letter which he received from a Dr. George Wolf of Vienna. I am also sending you a copy of Dr. Wolf's letter.

Mr. Calfee writes that he would be glad to do what he can. I would suggest that you get in touch with him and inform him what the procedure is. You might make an appointment with Mr. Calfee and call on him in person. I would appreciate prompt attention to this matter. I have written to Mr. Calfee that I brought this matter to your attention and requested you to communicate with him.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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May 27, 1958

Dear Mr. Flesheim:

At a Good Will dinner sponsored in Rochester, N. Y., at the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Frank E. Gannett, publisher of a chain of eighteen daily newspapers, delivered an address on the subject of "TOLERANCE, INTEGRAL ASPECT OF OUR HISTORY," which contained a remarkably forceful program for counter-acting hatred and misunderstanding. This event was of wide-spread communal and national significance.

The Better Understanding Foundation, an organization dedicated to the ideals of mutuality among faiths, deems this address an outstanding contribution on the subject. We feel that Mr. Gannett's thoughts should be spread far and wide, and that they cannot help but be instrumental in building a greater harmony among Americans of all creeds.

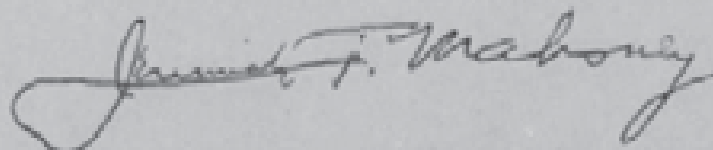
We should like to place a copy of this inspiring talk in the hands of every clergyman -- of whatever denomination --, editor, lecturer, teacher, college, library and public institution throughout the country. It is only by spreading enlightenment in this way that we can help combat and vanquish the ugly sea of prejudice which threatens to engulf free America.

We have reprinted the full text of this talk in a booklet, a copy of which is enclosed. We are inviting your aid to spread the gospel of good will by distributing this booklet.

May we look forward to your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

JEREMIAH T. MAHONEY
B:F



May 27, 1938

Mr. R. M. Calfee
308 Euclid Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Calfee:

I am returning herewith the letter from Dr. Wolf, of Vienna. It is one of those sad human documents which are unfortunately coming to our attention in increasing numbers.

We have established here in Cleveland an office which acts as a clearing house for all information relative to the German refugees. The secretary of the Bureau is Mrs. Miriam Jacobs - Jewish Social Service Bureau, Huron-Sixth Bldg., Cleveland. I have requested her to get in touch with you.

With all good wishes and thanking you for bringing this matter to my attention, I remain

Very cordially yours,

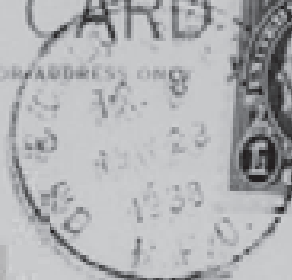
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I'll be seeing
you soon. I hope.
On my way to Cleveland
where I expect to stay
and behave myself.
Regards to Virginia & your
family.

Ed Moss

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THIS SPACE FOR ADDRESS ONLY



Rabbi A.H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland
Ohio.

DATE <u>MAY 1961</u>	
PLACE <u>2-6-61</u>	
DEAR	
OLD THING	
PAPA	MAMA
BOYS	GIRLS
WIFE	
HUSBAND	
SWEETER	
FRIEND	
FOLK	
HOW DOES IT?	
I AM	
FINE	
PINING FOR YOU	
SAD	BROKE
LONESOME	
WILL	
I NEED	
YOU	KISSES
SLEEP	
MONEY	
MORE TIME	
SOMEONE	
TO LOVE ME	
SYMPATHY	



I DO LOTS OF		I HAVE SEEN
HIRING	PETTING	THE MOUNTAINS
FISHING	SIGHTSEEING	THE INDIANS
THINKING OF YOU	MAKING WHOOPEE	COWBOYS
GOLFING	SLEEPING	WILD ANIMALS
WORK	DANCING	LOTS OF FISH
LOADING	BATHING	SNOW BANES
CHEERATING	BUMMING AROUND	THE PLAINS
BUSINESS	EATING	

HOPE YOU ARE	
KEEPING OUT OF MISCHIEF	
THINKING OF ME	
WELL	BETTER
STILL TRUE TO ME	
BEHAVING YOURSELF	
THE PLACE IS	
HOT	COLD
WONDERFUL	
THE BUNK	
PLEASANT	
ALL WET	
DON'T	
FORGET ME	
FORGET TO WRITE	
WORK TOO HARD	
GET PINCHED	
HOPE TO SEE YOU	
SOON	LATER
IN THE SWEET BY AND BY	
YOUR	
NAME <u>Edith</u>	

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May 28th

1938

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

I want to thank you very kindly for your
prompt and courteous attention to my
letter of May 16th.

I appreciate your cooperation very much
and when it is convenient for you, kindly
return the script.

With kindest personal regards and best
wishes, believe me to be

Sincerely yours,

M. C. LEVEE

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CH:b

May 26, 1938

Mr. N. Feinerman, Secretary
Society of Friends of the Yiddish Scientific Institute
425 Lafayette Street
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Feinerman:

I appreciate that the Yiddish Scientific Institute would like a more substantial allocation from the Cleveland Jewish Welfare Fund and that it could very well use a larger allocation. But that, you will understand, is true of the sixty other beneficiaries of the Fund. In the last two years, due to the great need for over-seas relief, our Fund has made no increased allotments to any agencies other than those which are engaged in the direct relief problem.

You are wrong about the Contingent Fund. It is not a casual affair but is a permanent part of the Welfare Fund. By means of it many cultural institutions abroad are assisted. If and when conditions ease up and the need for material relief will grow less, there will be more money in this Contingent Fund to be allocated to these cultural institutions and I am sure the Yiddish Scientific Institute will not be over-looked.

In the meantime, may I remind you that the Institute is receiving certain additional funds from individual members in Cleveland and that the Welfare Fund has raised no objection to this practise provided no campaigns are launched.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

May 26, 1938

Mr. George H. Sand,
1902 Colerain Ave.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sand:

Under separate cover I am sending you
a book which is to be bound. Please put on the
back of the book the inscription you will find
on the paper attached to the book.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

MRS. JOSEPH L. JAFFE
11425 CEDAR AVENUE
CLEVELAND, OHIO

May 30, 1938.

My dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Jaffe, Joseph Jr. and I feel that it was a privilege and a great source of satisfaction to have heard your magnificent and inspiring address over the radio last night.

We need courageous Jews who are unafraid to take their stand among men, and we are indeed fortunate to have you, who can explain our position and ideals in such a forcible and impressive manner.

Sincerely yours,

Stella R. Jaffe.

New Charlotte Sanatorium

Charlotte, N. C.

May 30-1938

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

Dear Rabbi Silver, This may be to you a very unusual request but I hope you will understand my motive in making it.

In Kansas City, I was one of those privileged to hear your masterly address on "The Spiritual Values in the Profession of Nursing." I noticed you had no notes but I wonder if you really had a copy and if I might have one.

You said many beautiful and wise things that I hope I shall always remember but I could not store all of it away in my memory and I would be very happy to have a copy, if this is permissible. I want it for myself and for my young nurses who were not fortunate enough to attend the convention.

Thanking you very much for your consideration of my request, I am,

Sincerely,

Josephine Kerr. R.N. Supt.



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May - 30 - 1938.

Dear Rabbi Silver, —

I have followed your suggestion and exhibited in Pittsburgh at the Y.M.H.A. Dr. Froehof was most interested and thanks to him the exhibition was very successful.

At present we have here a small exhibition following an invitation by the Jewish Community; it will close on this coming Thursday and as I have after this exhibition ten free days I would like very much to materialize a wish which I often felt namely to paint your portrait.

I realize very well how terribly busy you are but may I explain that if you could find



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two or three free half hours, that
will be all I need. Most of
the work I will do without the
need of your posing.

I am very eager to do the
portrait and will be ever so
thankful to you if your time will
allow you to pose.

I could come to Cleveland
this coming Friday to start. Will
wait here until I shall receive your
answer.

My sister joins me in sending
you our best regards. I remain

Most sincerely

Rezalet Schatz.

My address
Jewish Community Center, Bryson St. Youngstown, Ohio

Otto F. Grausz
10319 Somerset Ave
Cleveland/Ohio

Translation

Rabbinat der Synagogengemeinde
E s s e n

Essen, Mai 31st 1938
29 Steelerstr.

R e p o r t
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Mr. Otto Grausz was born on the ninth of August, 1913. He was active in the office of the Temple Community in Essen, and was my personal secretary from the first of May, 1934, to his pending emigration to the United States.

I have been acquainted with Mr. Grausz since his early youth. I especially noticed when he was a pupil in my religious classes his diligence and sense of easy comprehension. After graduating from the Gymnasium Mr. Grausz studied 3 semesters of National Economics, then after the death of his father in 1933, he was compelled to break off his studies in order to accept a practical position so that he could support his mother.

He then entered the services of the Temple Community in Essen. During the employment in the work as my personal secretary he has proven himself most capable. During his employment he became a great aid and support to the administration of the technical and executive phases of my office work.

In his work at the Temple Community he advised and aided the daily callers which with his quiet and considerate manners enabled him to gain the confidence of our Community members. Especially valuable was his cooperation in charitable and social matters in which he proved his executive abilities in the handling of clients as well as in the cooperation with the authorities. His special care was the children's health and recreation department, where he creditably discharged the work that grew out of the recreation-transportation of 200 children.

Increasing duties grew out of our new departments, which were added to our welfare organization. Some of the departments were: aid to commerce and changing and finding of professions, and emigration. His knowledge and experience in social work helped us carrying out successfully these responsible duties. The State Department of the Jewish Agency for Palestine established her branch in Essen under his direction and kept him in sole charge for two years.

A special sign of his trustworthiness was his taking over the editing of the local Jewish paper: "Das Juedische Gemeindeblatt fuer den Synagogenbezirk Essen." In this work as well he showed his comprehension of the editorial necessities of our time.

In spite of his tiring work he found time to strengthen his body. He was active member of the Jewish Sportclub "Hakoah" as well as leader of several united youth organizations.

We all hope sincerely that he will be able to find an adequate position in the United States which will correspond to his former work and capabilities. I am sure that, wherever he may be placed, he will fulfill his work to the satisfaction of everyone.

Mr. Otto Grausz has my best wishes for the future with my strong belief that, whatever he will do, he will show himself cooperative and reliable.

signed;
Rabbiner Dr. Hahn

Otto F. Grausz
10319 Somerset Avenue
Cleveland/Ohio

Translation

Vorstand der Synagogengemeinde
E s s e n

Essen, May 31 at 1938
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R e p o r t

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Mr. Otto Grausz, born on the ninth of August 1913, was employed in our administration from the 1st of May 1934 to the 31st of May 1938.

His work consisted in the handling of correspondence in all our departments including general administration and tax- and welfare-organization. His special charge was the important work involved in the operation of the new departments which were created in 1933 to rehabilitate people in new professions and to take charge of the difficult emigration problems.

Mr. Grausz proved himself a most conscientious and diligent worker who was reliable in the performance of his work. He was especially at home among the difficulties of social work and he proved himself to be efficient in the administration of this department. We view his work with fullest appreciation and entire satisfaction.

In addition to all this, Mr. Grausz edited our local Jewish newspaper in a most praiseworthy manner.

Mr. Grausz leaves us on his own wish in order to emigrate to the United States. We regret with his leaving the loss of an esteemable co-worker. We hope that his work with us will give Mr. Grausz the opportunity to employ his acquired knowledge and experience to advantage in similar manner.

With the best wishes for his future.

signed:

Vorstand der Synagogengemeinde Essen
Dr. G. Hirschland

May 31, 1938

Rabbi Samuel Fredman
Congregation Beth-El
58th and Walnut Streets
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Rabbi Fredman:

Thank you for your kind letter of
May 27. I am enclosing herewith a copy of my
"America" which you requested.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX
Enc.

May 31, 1938

Mrs. Joseph L. Jaffe
11428 Cedar Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Jaffe:

It was very thoughtful of you to write to me about my address which you heard over the radio and I deeply appreciate your warm words of commendation. It was good to hear from you. Please remember me to Mr. Jaffe and to Joseph Jr.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

May 31, 1938

Mr. Leo Weidenthal
The Jewish Independent
Film Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Weidenthal:

Permit me to thank you for
your kind note and for the gift which
you enclosed. In keeping with my practise,
I shall place it in a small charity fund
which I use from time to time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ANS:BX



[May, 1938]

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Film Building, East 21st and Payne

CLEVELAND, OHIO

Rabbi Sam Hillel Silver
The Temple

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Please accept our thanks for
your kindness and your comforting
words in our recent bereavement

Sincerely

Leo Weidenthal and Family

[May 1938]

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May 1938

Mrs. Mark Harris

270 W. End Ave. W. R. H. S.

N. Y.

Will be glad to see you tomorrow

afternoon 4 p. m. Commodore Hotel.

R. H. Silver