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THE TEMPLE CLEVE=



SENDING BEST WISHES FOR A GLORIOUS HOLIDAY SEASON=
WORTH KRAMER WGAR CLEVELAND.

MARTIN L. DAVEY
GOVERNOR



JOHN JASTER, JR.
DIRECTOR
FRANK WEST
REGISTRAR

STATE OF OHIO
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS
BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES
COLUMBUS

Dear Sir: READ CAREFULLY AND COMPLY STRICTLY WITH THESE INSTRUCTIONS

Enclosed is a set of 1938 passenger car application blanks in triplicate to be used in renewing your 1937 number or in applying for the 1938 number reserved in your name. Use only the set of applications enclosed as the blanks bear the special number. If you have more than one reservation, a separate remittance payable to "Frank West, Registrar", by money order, draft, or registered currency must be made for each. Do NOT remit by cash.

In order to expedite the issuance take the enclosed special application blanks, together with your certificate of title, memorandum certificate, bill of sale, clerk's certificate or sworn statement of ownership to the nearest Deputy Registrar who will either complete the application for you or will check and verify the same for correctness. The Deputy Registrar will stamp your certificate of title, memorandum certificate, bill of sale, clerk's certificate, or sworn statement of ownership and will also stamp the application with a notation that the certificate of title or other evidence of ownership form has been inspected and stamped. This procedure eliminates the necessity of forwarding the evidence of ownership form with the application to this bureau and applies in all cases except when the applicant is outside of the state at the time of application in which event the proper evidence of ownership form must accompany the application and proper fee to this bureau. All three copies of the application must be forwarded in the special return envelope enclosed. The owner as named in the evidence of ownership form must personally sign the application before a Deputy Registrar, Notary Public or other person authorized by law to administer oaths.

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This special number will NOT be issued if the car has not been legally registered for the 1937 registration year. If the car has not been properly registered go to your nearest Deputy Registrar and have corrections made BEFORE sending the application to this bureau. All applications for special numbers must be received in this bureau not later than March 1, 1938. Under no circumstances will a special number be held or reserved after that date. You are therefore urged to return the enclosed application at once.

Send only the exact fee according to the following schedule:

25 H.P. or less - - - - -	\$ 7.00
More than 25 H.P. and not more than 31 H.P. - - -	10.00
More than 31 H.P. - - - - -	16.00

Yours very truly,

BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Frank West
Frank West, Registrar.



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[1938]

אברהם בן יצחק בן יצחק

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ד 2115 יולי

(Joseph Seide)

[1938?]

Dear Rabbi & Mrs. Silver:

We think of you
often and hope that
when we again visit
in Cleveland, we shall
have the pleasure of
seeing you and your dear
family.

Please accept our
Very Best Wishes for a
"Happy New Year", may it be
one of "Good Health and
Happiness" Sincerely,
Al & Edna King,

לשנה טובה



חניטה

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Mrs. Alexander Prager

[1938]
Letters for Dr. Krause sent to:

By Mr Wolf

Edward Rosenfeld
Philmore Haber
Adolph Weinberger
A. Lewenthal
Herbert Goulder
Bob tries
Harry Affelder
Phil Frankel
Myron Cohen
Henry Rothen



By Dr. Busch

Walter Haas
Mrs. Ed. Bassett
Dr. Brooks Emery
Homer Johnson
Walter Flory
Mrs. Dudley Blossom
" Chester Bolton
Nathan Loeser
Marc Grossman

[1938]

The rates were advanced
on Nov, 1st and to protect
you at the old rates as
shown in the enclosed
statement we were obliged
to make a deposit of \$35.⁰⁰
as shown on the statement
and then a further deposit
of \$246.⁰⁰ - and will
therefore appreciate your
check for \$603.⁰⁰

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DAY LETTER	DEFERRED
NIGHT MESSAGE	NIGHT LETTER
NIGHT LETTER	SHIP RADIOGRAM

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[1938?]

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

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MRS. D OLSON CARE MRS PHILIP A MYERS
WADE PARK MANOR ROOM 738

KINDLY PHONE RABBI SILVER MY CONTRIBUTION TWENTY DOLLARS IN NAME OF FRIEND AS
I PREFER NOT TO HAVE PUBLIC RECOGNITION FOR GIFTS STOP APOLOGIZE FOR DELAY
WHICH WAS OVERSIGHT OWING TO HASTY DEPARTURE BUT WILL MAIL CHEQUE UPON ARRIVAL
IN CALIFORNIA

JOSEPHINE FORSYTH MYERS

[1938?]

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Never shall righteousness or any of the other ideals of mankind be achieved in this manner.

If one examines the comparative advantages of this principle, righteousness and its insidious adversary, unrighteousness, the benefits of the former appear obvious. In a righteous society altruism would reign supreme, individualism disappear, replaced by the glories of cooperation. Instead of the achievement of the individual ideal, all labor would be devoted toward the land of our desires. The unfortunate would be cared for, the crippled, maladjusted, and poverty stricken aided; crime, with its sources and costs would be alleviated. Countless other evils of the present day would vanish at the realization of the greatest teaching of all time, the indirect hope of all mankind and the most glorious ideal of the universe,--righteousness.

Again, in exemplifying the second characteristic of the perfect individual, brotherhood, we turn to the Testaments. The definition of this ideal is best explained by the prophet Malachi, "Have we not all one Father; hathnot one God created us all?"

At present, as never before, this issue appears in the spotlight. Persecutions, both mental and physical, are striking at America. Superiority complexes of one group over another are evident. The negro, although freed from the chain of slavery is beaten on the oracle of intolerance. One foreign element still holds its head high and believes another to be "far below him." Discrimination exists in every walk of life--in schools, employment, clubs, hotels, and universities. As true as we all assume Malachi's preaching to be, we do not adhere to its practice. The intelligent individual has realized that the basis for prejudice is unfounded; nevertheless, he has permitted it to exist and hinder

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further progress of civilization.

With the superior results of brotherhood, it appears peculiar that this ideal has yet to be realized. This glorious ideal would bring to us the goal of cooperation, through the desire to work with others; it would also stimulate the abolition of wars and would result in each man being able to sit "Beneath his vine and his fig tree," and there would be none to disturb him.

Before proceeding with the evaluation of justice it is necessary that, this term be distinguished from righteousness. Cicero best defines it for us as that which "commands us to have mercy upon all men, to consult the interest of the whole human race, to give every one his due, and to injure no sacred, public or foreign rights, and to forbear touching what does not belong to us."

Our democracy, through the Preamble to the Constitution was supposed to bring justice to a liberty starved people. But now a century and half after the founding of the republic the question is asked, "Do we have justice?" Every man is given the privilege of the trial by jury. But does this necessarily mean justice? Wealth and power, not justice, is still the determining factor. The very fact that there is such an uneven distribution of the benefits of society is evidence of injustice. Justice is more than the law provides. Innocent men are still forced to receive the penalty of the guilty. Not by courts of law, but by the mania of the crowd and the reactions of mobs. Guilty are still permitted to enjoy the freedom and privileges of the innocent. Again not by courts of law but by the influence of power or wealth. Men who are trusted by the public in responsible offices, disregard this

trust and yet enjoy the fruits of freedom.

Injustice must disappear, freedom and equity must be reborn this time not in theory but in practice. This is an important requisit^e for the achievement of the ideals of America.

To the east, to the west, on all sides, America views either wars or war threats that endanger her ability to remain peaceful. Slaughter of non-combatants, erasure of the front lines, destruction of hospitals, disregard for Red Cross posts, bombardment of innocents, all these spell the "progress" of modern warfare that increases the danger of that age-old menace--war.

Our acquaintance with the need for peace is quite evident, nevertheless an analysis into the issue will make us better aware of the problem. Billions of dollars spent in times of war "to bring peace", billions of dollars spent in times of peace to prepare for war--thus the endless cycle of war exacts its costly toll of dollars. Such waste of capital results in poverty for millions. Money that could be used to insure a better and more productive living is employed to destroy those who produce it. Libraries, schools, highways, hospitals, all these and more could replace, with countless greater advantages, the battleships, submarines, warplanes, machine guns, bombs, tank, and cannon. What happens to our great war machine when Mars escapes? It is blown to the corners of the globe, to wreak destruction and then to remain a useless waste.

But all this is submerged to minuteness when the human loss is considered. Firstly, there is the massacre of millions of innocent men, women, children--who have been protected since birth from the scourges of disease, starvation, and exposure, only to die on the field of folly--war. How ironical! Secondly, there is the benefits that these demolished, helpless humans ~~humans~~ could have been to society. Not only the

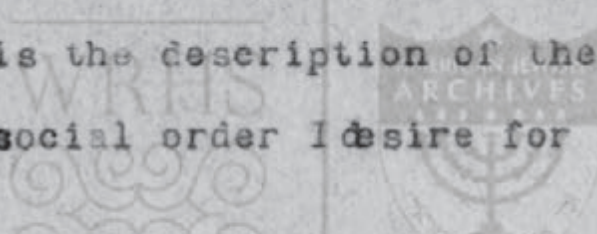
the great poets, authors, engineers, and professional men are lost but also the immense earning power of the multitude of "unimportant" people. Through their aid this country could be built to be the greatest nation on earth, not in might, but in the achievement of this ideal.

Not only the period of belligerency but that to follow is dressed in the black cloak of mourning and sorrow. These millions that die needlessly mar the happiness of many more. The economic collapse that follows war brings on poverty and more grief to millions. And what does it accomplish? Has the war brought progress? Prevented the rise of anything counter to our best desires? No! Rather we can look back on only a useless waste of lives, money, effort.

Thus it is evident that peace is a necessity for the ideal land. A wonderful saving of resources, a saving that could be used for protection of life, liberty and happiness; these can be accomplished when "they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore."

Righteousness with its glories of cooperation and altruism, brotherhood with its ultimate friendliness and amity, justice with its equality and truth, peace with the realization of the age-old hope of tranquillity and undisturbed comfort, from these can come the achievement of that honorable individual that Micah described when he said, "What doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with thy God."

It might appear too idealistic for achievement. Perhaps it is too great a dream to develop into a reality. Nevertheless this was the hope of Washington when fighting for liberty, likewise of Lincoln in the struggle against secession and of Wilson in his desire to save democracy. With the achievement of the ultimate ideal of these statesmen, with the realization of a society excelling in righteousness, brotherhood, justice, and peace, America will answer the description of a Utopia. We will progress as no nation ever has. Life will be an oasis of comfort in a desert of distress. All challenges to happiness will be lost in oblivion, and that wonderful purpose of this nation will be realized. America will walk the world with dignity, be the envy of her neighbors and the heart of happiness and comfort. This is the description of the land I wish to leave to posterity, this is the social order I desire for mankind, this will build the America I want.



[1938]

The Dean of the Graduate School,
The Ohio State University,
Columbus, Ohio

Dear Sir:

I am writing to you on behalf of Dr. Salomon Gandz who, I understand, is applying for a fellowship at your university.

I have known Dr. Gandz for some twenty years and have always admired his learning and honest search for truth. His contributions in the field of oriental and medieval mathematics has already established his reputation on an international basis. He undoubtedly belongs to the foremost investigators in this field which is increasingly widening our understanding of the "diffusion" of cultures." I feel confident that, if given the opportunity to work for a year or two in an institution, he will produce or complete a highly worthwhile piece of research.

May I mention in passing that Dr. Gandz possesses also an expert knowledge of several Semitic languages, especially Arabic and Hebrew? I state this because you may find it convenient to make use of his services while at the Ohio State University in enabling interested students to obtain some formal or informal instruction in these subjects.

Very truly yours,

Professor Salo W. Baron

[1938]

Dear Rabbi Silver;

I come often to the service in your synagogue and thank you for your fine interpretation of many social problems.

Yesterday in the moment of silence at the close of the service one that remained dominant, "Thou shalt not kill" and I wondered when the synagogues and churches of the world would stand apart, if necessary, and make this injunction a dynamic principle of their teaching.

WRHS
Sincerely,

Jennie Auer Harb

[1938]

Purpose and Program

OF THE

American League



FOR

Peace and Democracy

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The American people are now facing a world wide attack upon the democracy they have sought to establish and the peace they have tried to secure. In Europe and in Asia there is aggressive war. In Africa and Asia the aggressors hold their conquered territories. The war makers have organized the Fascist International to carry on these wars and further declare their purpose to destroy the right of the people to govern themselves in ways of their own choosing. To the south of us the first anti-democratic constitution in this hemisphere has just been proclaimed. To the north of us a provincial government has by deed and word signified its adherence to Fascist principles. One after another these events bring the threat of war and the destruction of democratic institutions closer to our door.

Meantime, the struggle for control of this country between the forces of democracy and those of reaction becomes sharper and clearer. The American people are moving to protect their liberties and extend their rights. They are organizing for this purpose in the mass production industries, on the farms, in stores, offices, and in the professions. They are developing a vital progressive movement in politics. They have defeated the attempt of reaction to prevent the organization of labor. Now the reactionaries are rallying their forces for a powerful attack upon the living standards and the democratic rights of the people. The outcome depends upon which side gets organized first and most effectively. The only way in which the forces of progress can win is by united action of all those who desire to develop democracy and to end war. What other way is there?

Therefore, we, the American League for Peace and Democracy, invite to its membership all organizations (except political parties) and all individuals who desire to:

Protect and extend democratic rights for all sections of the American people;

Keep the United States out of war and help keep war out of the world.

It is understood that these basic principles are to be worked out in action with particular concern for those minority groups most restricted in their democratic rights and in cooperation with the peace forces of the world.

PROGRAM FOR 1938

Organize emergency citizens' committees for labor's rights wherever those rights are attacked either by employers or by public officials.

Defeat legislative attempts to compel incorporation of unions and to control or inspect union finances by governmental or other outside agencies.

Press for an anti-lynching law; and measures to guarantee full rights for the Negro people and the foreign born.

Oppose vigorously the propaganda of race prejudice and discrimination.

Defeat the War Department plan to conscript labor and industry and to regiment press and radio.

Support the nationalization of the manufacture of arms, munitions and implements of war, forbidding export except when ordered by Congress in cases of countries invaded by an aggressor.

Promote the people's boycott of Japanese goods.

Seek to remove and prevent restrictions on the access of the governments of China and Spain to our markets, applying regulations to purchases and shipments designed to remove the risk of our becoming involved in war.

Demand a foreign policy based on:

The distinction between the aggressors and their victims.

The necessity of denying our economic resources to the war-making, treaty-breaking aggressors and opening them up to their victims under conditions designed to remove the risk of our being drawn into war.

The necessity of concerted action to quarantine aggressors.

(Above program and purpose adopted by the Peoples Congress for Democracy and Peace held at Pittsburgh, Penn., Nov. 26-28, 1937, and attended by 1,416 delegates who represented 4,025,920 people.)

TO FIND OUT HOW—

YOUR organization can affiliate,
YOU can organize a Branch,

write to

AMERICAN LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND DEMOCRACY
268 FOURTH AVE., NEW YORK, N. Y.

Membership Fees

Membership	50¢
(Receiving Bulletin Regularly)	
Membership and subscription to THE FIGHT	\$1.50
Supporting member	\$2.00
(Receiving THE FIGHT and special leaflets.)	
Contributing member	\$5.00 up
(Receiving THE FIGHT, all pamphlets and leaflets.)	

Membership Application

AMERICAN LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND DEMOCRACY
268 FOURTH AVE., NEW YORK, N. Y.

I am in accord with the purpose of the American League for
Peace and Democracy and agree to help carry out its program in
my community.

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name

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street

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city

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state

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occupation

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date

Enclosed is my membership fee of \$.....

[1938]

MRS. MAX E. MEISEL - 2164 GRANDVIEW RD. - CLEVELAND HEIGHTS - OHIO

My Dear Rabbi Silver,

The enclosed came
this morning. in my Mother's letter.
Shall we tell Virginia?

We brought Max home from the hospital,
today. There has been a heart disturbance,
so the doctor ordered him, to bed. absolute
rest. quiet and no company. As soon as
the ban is lifted, will let you know.

Until then, our very kindest regards to you
and the family.

Very Cordially
Bertine

Dear Rabbi Silver [1938]

Thought you might
be interested in the article
on Pg. 8, and particularly
the cuts on Pgs. 14 and 15

Regards to Mrs. Silver and
the boys, and remember me
to the Temple staff

Sincerely

Stella Lumbert

P.S. Pamphlet "Indians at Work" being
mailed under separate cover. — n.

[1938]

HENRY MONTOR
3338 210TH STREET
BAYSIDE, LONG ISLAND

Dear Mrs. Silver:

Your gracious hospitality has given me memories of a day whose pleasantness exceeds by far what is considered possible in twenty-four hours.

If I did seem to consume more than my just share of waffles and one or two additional portions of the spectacularly caught salmon, it was the only way that I could express my appreciation of the warm kindness of Dr. Silver and yourself. I was willing to lay down Clay is the word - no? My life - or rather be laid by the Agassac waffles.

When I left Mooselookmeguntic with the most irresponsible regret that I could not accept your invitation to stay longer - it was with the hope that someday I shall again have the opportunity of sharing in the electric geniality that radiates in your company.

With regards to Danny, Raphael, Jason and Dr. Silver, I am

- sorry that I am not in the lake in this 93° temperature - -

Cordially yours,

Henry - Harry
(both of us like you)

[1937]

1109 Fifth Avenue

Mrs. Felix M. Warburg

I thank you for your warm
message of sympathy and
understanding appreciation
of my dear Mrs. Oswald's noble
dedicated life of service to
his fellow men -
Riada Schuff Warburg

[1938] Sunday

Dear Rabbi Silber,

The children and
I want to thank
you very much for
being with us
during our sorrow,
and want you
to know that you

were a great comfort
to me. My dear
husband was very
fond of you too and
I know he would
have been happy
to know that you
were there.

Very sincerely
Alma A. Stone

[1938]

Friends:

It is impossible
for me to make material
return for benefits (spiritual)
received, but I do at least
want to do that which I
am able to do however
small that may be.

(Miss) Agnes M. Scotland

Hedden Hotel



[1938] 91 Franklin St.
-Providence.

R 9.

Rabbi A. Hallel Silver.

Dear Sir.

I am
-taking the liberty to
send you one of my
hand made Zionist
picture, it has all the
leaders of Zionism in
the Star of David.
surrounded by songs and

-prayer, in pen and ink
in the smallest Hebrew
writing. I am doing this
kind of work to make
a living and to try to
raise my fare to go
to Jerusalem and any
small donation would
be greatly appreciated

Hoping you will accept
my picture.

Thanking you very much.

Yours Truly -

Louis Duskin

[1938]

2760 Hampshire Rd
Cleveland Heights

Monday 14th 38.

Mr. A. H. Silber
The Temple.
City.

Dear Rabbi:

It is with great admiration
I wish to express as the most inspiring
sermon you have delivered yesterday Sunday^{the 13}

Many have agreed with me, when
I said, that this is a "Gettysburg" address
to Jews in this difficult time by Mr. Silber.

We hope, that a new "miracle"
will come in the proper time.

With Lions Greetings,

Sincerely yours,

Simon Aronson.

[1938]

BALDWIN-WALLACE COLLEGE
BEREA, OHIO

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Sunday
My Dear Rabbi Silver, -

It was just like you to
share with us at the college
in our effort to provide better
conditions and to add your
gracious note. Thanks to
you for the gift and for
the encouragement.

While money comes hard
we have about \$106,000. in
pledges, and good prospects
for a gift of \$100,000. for a
Men's Dorm.

Cordially Yours,
Louis C. Wright

[1938]

Toledo,

Wednesday.

My dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you,
thank you for the copy of your
poem. If you knew how I am
treasuring it, you'd need no
poor word of mine to thank you.
I had thought my power of ex-
pression adequate before,--now
I haven't any way to express
what I

feel about these verses of
your "America."

Busy as you are, don't
stuff this into your waste-
basket quite yet. I've writ
a pome to you. If you laugh,
I'll be ~~furiously~~ ~~er~~ ~~than~~ furious,
so please----.

Warm regards from those
Sangers in Libido, Ohio,--and
try to bear with the effusion
enclosed, from

— May

[1938]

The Cup of Silver

(Do you mind being paraphrased?)

God fashioned a creature to serve Him, endowed him
with faith and with zeal,

With eloquent, powerful tongue; and illumined his
countenance clearly

So that all men who gazed there saw plainly the
light and effulgence of goodness.

A preacher He made him, to carry His word to His
people.

Then the deep wish to help all his fellows and to
walk ever upright and truly

He poured into this earthly vessel; and gave him
The joy of a master who knows that his precepts are
heeded.

And so from the mouth of this man, came words which
once heard

Must be followed by throngs of those thirsting in
soul

For the draught that can quench or can kindle.

Ever brimming, the cup of guidance, of solace, of
warning,---INSPIRED!

HIS Servant Pours.

-W. S.

[1938]



The Gaylord
Los Angeles
California

Dear Rabbi Silver and Virginia, -

How did I know it was
your birthday?

Weren't we Pale before you had
your Virginia sweetheart? x as we
had so many birthdays in Feb.
of the family you remarked, too
bad, mine is in Jan., - I might have
been counted in, - and you were.

I mentioned that, coming
from Arrowhead Hot Springs - a
beautiful ^{trip} up the Mountains, thru
San Bernardino - and Hattie Deutch
said this is his birthday, so we
went to the telegraph office & sent
the messages.

And may I suggest therefore
a line to each - Mrs. Hattie Deutch

756 S. Mariposa St. + Mrs. Lillie Davis
The Raleigh - S. Mariposa St. - they will
feel as I did, so pleased to hear from you.

I was told by Mrs. Good from
Wheeling that she had word from
home, that Mr. Horchimer was very
ill + you were both there.

I hope he is better + will soon
be normal again.

The weather is perfect + the many
Clevelanders here all fine.

In the Bulletin I saw the Election
of Dr. Silver, National Chairman of
United Palestine Appeal + also in 'The
Times' of L.A. - I congratulate 'The
Palestine Appeal' + "God give you strength
& Power." My love to you

Fondly
Celia Hall

[1938]

A NEW PROPOSAL FOR WORLD PEACE

(1)

Revised

Seventeen years ago, the hope of a world's peace was conceived in the mind of an outstanding citizen of the United States of America. The outcome was the organization of The League of Nations, the purpose of which was to outlaw war and make the world a safe place in which to live.

The mechanics of this great organization have never functioned properly, and to-day, Europe finds itself in a situation which may at any time bring forth another serious conflict. The League has arrived at the cross-roads. It must face the issue and protect its weak members, or emulate the Arab who silently folded his tent and stole away.

The Italian invasion of Ethiopia brought League members to Geneva post-haste. They assembled as a fact-finding committee. After reviewing all the evidence placed before them, they unanimously declared Italy to be the aggressor. In accordance with their duty to drive out the invader, fifty-one member-countries voted to impose economic sanctions against Italy, the object of which action was to cut off her importation of all raw materials, arms, munitions, food, fuel and credit. With few exceptions, the countries of the world were against her. To date, however, the most important sanctions have not been invoked. Could the League deprive Italy of raw materials and oil at this time, her motorized army could not long survive.

Japan is making rapid strides in the acquisition of Chinese territory. China, a member-country, has protested to the League on more than one occasion, but to no avail. Our Secretary of State under President Hoover once demanded that Japan remove her troops from Chinese territory within a certain prescribed time. Japan answered by pouring additional forces into the Chinese area.

At this time, the major world powers are engaged in an armament-building race. England, we are informed, will spend two and one-half billion dollars, and the United States one billion. Japan insists on a parity with England and the U.S.A. Italy and France are expending large sums on their armies and navies, while Germany concentrates on army and air fleet.

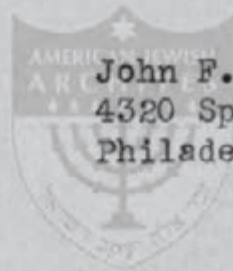
The building and maintaining of large armies and navies has failed as a means of securing and preserving world peace. They are, in fact, the world's greatest menace to peace. Were it possible, at this time, to brush into oblivion all the arms and accoutrements of our armies and our navies, together with all the munition plants, equipment and devices of whatever kind used in the destruction of mankind, never to be renewed or duplicated, at that precise instant would we create a lasting, World Peace. Where there are no weapons, there are no wars.

Frequently, the question is asked, "Why has the League been such a colossal failure?" The League's failure has been due to want of co-operation and lack of leadership. The major powers have used it as a foil to gain their selfish ends. Forgotten is the initial spirit and high purpose for which the League was formed: Peace.

With thoughts still fresh in our memory of the last great world war and the afflictions which were visited upon the people, we view with alarm the war clouds gathering over Europe.

Experience has taught us that our present methods do not make for world peace. Would it not be the part of wisdom to spend less money on armaments and more to further peace? Why not raise an international fund of one billion dollars to be spent on propaganda promoting world peace and the brotherhood of Nations?

If the maintenance of arms is necessary to insure the people freedom from conflict and bloodshed, we submit that the League should control an adequate army and navy, and that all national armies and navies should be disbanded. Under such an arrangement, the countries of the world would contribute to the only armed force in existence; a force maintained solely for the defence of the people. No country could own a munition plant, a submarine, a military airplane, or an independent army or navy. Each could maintain only a limited number of men on a basis comparable to our present National Guard Militia in this country, for the purpose of controlling possible insurrections, riots, or other local and civil disturbances. It is true that time would be required to accomplish a proposal of this magnitude, but it could be realized. It would be largely a matter of education.



John F. Penrose,
4320 Spruce St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

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[1938]

Advance proof of an editorial by
Harry Newman in the April issue of The Judge.
Do not release before March 28th.

THE JUDGE ON THE BENCH

I cannot say how the truth may be. I say the tale as 'twas told to me.

—SIR WALTER SCOTT.

WHERE is that great Jew who could today seize immortality? Where, among all the great Jews of the world, is that one man who, for his race, will cease apologetic docility and stand forth in shining armor, the six-pointed Star of David upon his lance as well as upon his shield? Where is that great Jew who will lift his voice and say to his people: "We are in the gravest danger in the history of our race. Not danger of extinction; that can never be. But danger that the world will soon believe we cannot and will not fight back. The time is come when Jews must attack as well as defend"?

The writer of this page springs, with but one generation between, straight from the soil of Ireland — the North of Ireland, as well — so that neither his race nor his religion know current criticism or attack, except upon the isle itself. This is written that we might make it clear we are not asking another to remove an axe from our own neck.

Jews, the time is come for you to fight. Too long you have left your explanations to your religious men. This will not do, since the world accepts their statements as a part of their job. You need some great figure to step from the ranks of business, or the law, or finance, and lead your legions in attack.

Can you not see how the world would gasp and admire and applaud if, tomorrow morning, the newspapers of the world should announce that a Justice Brandeis had resigned from the Supreme Court of the United States with this statement: "I have today tendered to the President my resignation, that I may devote the rest of my days to puncturing the silly twaddle of Hitler, who maligns and crucifies my people"? Or if a Bernard Baruch should say: "I have long ago made all the money I need; for years I have not tried to make more. I have given my counsel to government and to business, but from this day hence I renounce every activity except to strike back, and to lead my people in striking back, against their enemies"? Or if a Herbert Lehman should say: "It is a great honor to be the Chief Executive of my great State, but it is a greater duty and a greater honor that I undertake today, to join in battling my people's enemies"? Or if a Henry Mor-

genthau should say: "Today I leave the Cabinet of the President of the United States to say to the enemies of Jews everywhere in the world that until my last breath I shall spend my every energy for the sole purpose of destroying their calumny and slander"?

JEWES, add to the great virtues which your race possesses — love of home, loyalty to friends, love of parents, and the guarding of your children — the virtue of willingness wholeheartedly and unashamedly to wage war, and aggressively to demand that you be understood for what you really are. Too, too long you have let the world believe your humility is fear. That is not true, so stop it now. In thirty days, under such a leadership, you can make Adolf Hitler the most ridiculous man alive, and in six months you can see him removed from the leadership of the German people by the Germans themselves. You can make the world, which does not measure itself by its worst elements, stop measuring your race by yours. Of course, you have to clean house. But who doesn't? There are bad Irish, bad English, bad Americans, bad people of every kind.

You have furnished fighting leaders for every other people and every battle for the right since your race began. You have made Jewish names respected and revered in every cause but your own. There are among you so many who could fill this role of Leader. One of you must come forward; and on the day you do you will find that the love that has been experienced in the communities and in the nation for the great Benjamin Cardozo, for Howard Loeb, for Jules Bache, for Felix Warburg, for the Rosenwalds, the Strauses, and the thousands upon thousands of others, will be multiplied a million fold.

You Sulzbergers, you Sterns, you Blocks, you Annenbergs: roll your mighty presses into the teeth of your petty attackers.

Fight, Jews! You don't need armies and navies. You need only a fighting leader, to mass behind him the great intelligence and ability you already possess, to make a mass attack. Fame beyond the power of man to measure waits for such a Leader.

If this is effrontery, it is first a Prayer.

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JINKS AND HER FAMILY..



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I called Judge Samuel Silbert who is the Judge referred to and who is familiar with the case mentioned by Rabbi Friedman. I read the last paragraph of the letter to him. Judge Silbert admitted that the strange man should not have been allowed to be buried in the lot - it evidently was a mistake - but since the man is dead and buried, he felt the case should rest as is. He did, however, say that he would be glad to talk over matter again with parties interested or answer any questions anyone wishes to ask of him. Not knowing exactly what you would wish to do, I merely acknowledged Rabbi Friedman's letter and said it would be referred to you on your return to the city.

[1938]

Rabbi Silver, Is
this the best group
to contribute to
for "Better Understanding?"
Please advise

Sylvester

[1938]

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Brooklyn Society for Ethical Culture

500 First St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Dr. Henry Neumann, Leader

Rabbi Maxwell Silver
c/o Bloch Publishing Co.
New York

Dear Dr. Silver:

Please let me tell you what a pleasure it was to renew acquaintance with you by reading your very thoughtful book. Enclosed is copy of a review to appear in our monthly publication "The Standard."

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Henry Neumann



ONE annual pledge for one hundred welfare organizations and hospitals of Greater Cleveland,—this is the united appeal of the Community Fund, holding its nineteenth yearly campaign November 15 to 23.

A larger goal is showing the Fund's effort to meet pressing needs, not adequately met in recent years. Help rebuild the Community Fund!

Your name is on my list of prospects and I shall take pleasure in soliciting your generous gift during campaign week.

W W Charnick

Volunteer Worker, Division A

over

letter read
over phone



WRHS
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Mrs. Sarah Vick
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Cleveland, Ohio

UNKNOWN AT ADDRESS 633-W.J.McC.

Rabbi & Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver

[1938?]

The Temple.

Kindly fill out the enclosed Cleveland
Community Card for 1938. and return same
to my address. Fern Hall Hotel 3250 Euclid
Ave. Cleveland, O.

[1938]

COPY OF REVIEW

The Ethics of Judaism from the Aspect of Duty by Maxwell Silver
Bloch Publishing Co. pp. 384 \$2.50

To some people ethical living means the best of happiness; to others it is a kind of beautiful fitness; to still others it is response to duty. In modern times the rigorist conception brings to mind Immanuel Kant; and the author of this volume appropriately begins by quoting the German philosopher's "Duty, thou sublime and mighty name!" But with this he joins the reference of Jeremiah to the word of God "as a burning fire in my bones"; for if any people regarded ethics as sublime constraint, it was the Hebrew prophets. This aspect of Hebrew ethics is traced by Dr. Silver through the Bible, the Talmud, Midrash and the writings of such mediaeval sages as Maimonides. He shows how the difficulties encountered by Kant, such for instance, as the relation of the moral imperative to man's native propensities and to some external Power, engaged the thought of many an ancient rabbi. Kant's individualism, (one objection frequently urged) had no place in an ethics in which the social bond was so stressed as in Judaism. Students will be indebted to Dr. Silver for bringing the fruits of a wide scholarship into this convenient volume.

H. N.

[1938]

MRS. PHILLIP L. STEINBERG

16826 Aldersyde Drive Shaker Heights, Ohio

Dear Rabbi and Mrs. Silver

I want to take this
opportunity to tell you
Rabbi, what a
privilege we consider
it for me to have
come under your

influence this year.
She gained much
from us - even tho
at times didn't
manifest that to
you. I suppose
she's just at the
'giddy age' but
I know that is
transitory and from
a conversation we
had just yesterday
I feel certain she's
been deeply impressed.

Again our thanks.

If you ^{and}
Virginia ^{and the}
boys can drop in

on Sunday - we shall
enjoy having you.
In the evening you
cannot - we'll
be wishing you had
and look forward
to is another time
soon.

Sincerely
Lora Steinberg

[1938]

Villa Milan
848 South Oxford Street
Los Angeles, California

Sunday -

Our heartiest-congratulations +
very best wishes for a happy
birthday for the grandest-
man in this big world-

I know dear Rabbi how
you feel about birthdays +
I hesitate to congratulate you
but- I don't hesitate to
congratulate this generation
for having you in their
midst- + I truly hope
that- you will be spared
to us for many years
to come - Best love - Jessie.

[1937]

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POST CARD



Greeting from
the Ravenna
in Detroit.
Everybody is asking
for you.

D. Falkman

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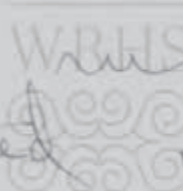
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[1938]

Villa Milan
848 South Oxford Street
Los Angeles, California

Monday -

Dearest Rabbi.

I imagine my surprise upon
seeing this familiar face in the
paper! - Was I happy! -
had heard ~~rumors~~  that you
were expected out here, but -
was afraid to believe it.

It will be great seeing
you, if only for a few moments.
I know you will be entertained
& kept very busy out -
I am hoping maybe, to have
breakfast with you some

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morning, not to discuss World affairs
or even Zionism, but - only
The Silver family.

Do you think it could be
arranged?

You will no doubt stop at The
Ambassador which is within
fifteen min's from our place &
I can get over there at your
convenience, whenever you are
free.

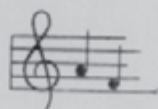
It will be grand to really hear
you again - I have not
listened to anyone since last
I heard you -

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The
George's enjoyed your kind
hospitality, ever so much —
I will write Virginia —
very happy her dear Dad is
so much better —

Best love for you all
from   Jessie.

' [1938]



con amore

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Perhaps you
remember a husky little
musician by the name of
Aunt Frank! (who lived in
Cleveland for a while, and is
now back in Buffalo) -

Here I am!
and I hope you are well
and as happy as one can
be with this poor world in
such a state of chaos -

I am writing
you to tell you a bit about
a wonderful German Jewish
baritone, hoping your B'nai
organization will be interested
in bringing him to Cleveland

next season -

Enclosed is a circular for your program chairman, and if you possibly have a chance, please tell her (or him!) to listen in to a broadcast that Ernst Wolff will give this Tuesday afternoon April 12th at ^{3:30}~~3:30~~ o'clock, N.Y. time. from station W.A.B.C.

It is a national hook-up by Columbia Broadcasting and will be over a local station in Cleveland -

Hill gives the Schöne Müllerin cycle by Schubert with David Ross telling the story -

He has given 2 concerts in Buffalo this season - with great success -

one at Purple Bites Time (in the evening)

{ 1st part - Magnificent traditional
Hobbes Song (his father was a cantor)

{ 2nd part - Lieder

He is the most musical person
I have ever met + has a
delightful personality — He has
just been on a 3 months tour
of American colleges under the
auspices of the Carnegie Foundation —
He gave a lecture, in English
on Lieder, singing & explaining them
— and a formal recital the
next morning — The Foundation has
re engaged him for next season —
I am arranging concerts for
him for December 1938 + Jan 1939
and altho he is worth much
more, he will give a concert
for ~~you~~ for \$100 + expenses —
(they will be small as he will
be around Cleveland)
It is a rare opportunity before
he gets very well known in
America & commands high fees
(and that will be soon !)
He sails this week to sing in

Italy and England —

Forgive me please, dear Dr. Silver,
for taking so much of your
precious time —

I do hope to hear from your
program chairman —

With warm Pesach greetings
to you & your family

Gratefully

Auntie Frank

613 Richmond Ave
Buffalo, N.Y.



Rabbi & Mrs. Frank just had a baby girl!

* (The other concert he gave in Buffalo
was an all ladies program for our
first Gentile woman's club)

[1930]



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My dear Dr. Silver:

Thanks you for your letter and the enclosed letters of introduction. You are kind to send them, and I will enjoy meeting and conferring with Mr. Kaplan and Dr. Glueck. I am looking forward to the visit with friends in Jerusalem, but I do wish I could see them in less troubled times.

Yours Cordially
Milnes Chadrey.

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Mrs. Harold Jacobi
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Terribly shocked to hear of the sudden death of your dear husband. Please accept my profoundest sympathy. The whole of American Israel shares with you a sense of irreparable loss. Mr. Jacobi was a beloved and inspiring leader, a faithful servant of his people, a devoted friend of Palestine and a lover of mankind. We will long treasure his memory.

Abba Hillel Silver

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