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Personal correspondence, 1939 March.

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Dear Abba -

Many thanks for  
the excerpt of my book  
which appeared in your  
recent Temple Bulletin.  
It was good to see it  
there.

The enclosed is copy  
of a review of my book  
which reached me the  
other day, and which  
appeared recently in  
Israel's Messenger,  
Shanghai. That indeed  
sounds like a far-off



place! I thought  
you would want to  
read it.

With love to yourself,  
Virginia and the children,  
I am

As ever,

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March 1, 1939

Mr. I. Steinberg  
1144 East 105th St.  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Steinberg:

I am enclosing herewith the letters which you gave to Rabbi Silver, last Sunday night. His suggestion is that you get in touch with Mrs. Miriam Jacobs, who is secretary of the Cleveland Co-ordinating Committee for Refugees. Her office is in the Huron-Sixth Building.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK  
Enc. 2

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

3-1-39

MEMORANDUM

FROM - Rabbi Silver  
TO - Miss Leikind

My dear Miss Leikind:

Quite a number of visitors come to The Temple during the week. One of the rooms we always show is the Library. I have found that the Library room does not always look as neat and attractive as it might. Your desk is sometimes littered with magazines, cards, etc; also extra chairs are pushed up against the walls. These chairs should be brought in on Sunday morning when they are need and removed the same day. Please consult with the janitor about keeping the Library ship-shape all the time.



A. H. S.



March 2, 1939

Rabbi Armond E. Cohen  
Jewish Center  
1117 E. 105th St.  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Armond:

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I received from New York. It is a little out of my line. I am wondering whether you could interest yourself in this case and thereby acquire merit.

AHS:EK  
Enc.

Very cordially yours,

# הרבנות הראשית לארץ-ישראל

The Chief Rabbinate of Palestine-Eretz-Israel

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הרב הראשי לא"י הרב הראשי לא"י

Jerusalem March 2nd, 1939. ב"ה ירושלים ת"ו  
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## Translation from the Hebrew

- 1) In accordance to the Judgement given by the Chief Rabbi of Palestine, Isaac Herzog, I hereby undertake to maintain my wife Gitel Krislow (daughter of the late Rabbi Hutner) with a sum of L.P. 10 (Ten Palestine Pounds) a month during her entire lifetime.
- 2) During the period that my own means of support is undetermined and insufficient for myself and family I am discharged of paying the above amount of L.P.10, but under no circumstances can the maintenance be less than a monthly sum of L.P.6.
- 3) This obligation must be given by me to my wife's family in Jerusalem in such a manner as according American Law and acknowledged by the American Consul.
- 4) The amount of my wife's maintenance in compliance to paragraph 1 & 2 I hereby undertake to send month by month to the Chief Rabbi of Palestine, Isaac Herzog.

(Signature) Isaac, son of Moshe Arie Krislow

The above named Rabbi signed in my presence this 12th day of Heshvan 5699 (November 6th, 1938) in Jerusalem.

(Signed) Isaac Herzog

7th Adar 5699 (February 26th, 1939)

I beg to certify that the above is a correct copy of the original.

Samuel Weber  
Gen. Secy



לכבוד

הרב ד"ר מ. א. סילבר,

קליבלנד.

רב סאד נכבד,

תרשה נא לי, רב נכבד, לפנות אליך בקנין אחותי, אשתו של הרב יצחק אייזיק קרוסלוב, כעת רב בביהכ"נ "אהל יעקב" בקליבלנד ברחוב 140.

אני סקוה ובטוחה כי בהשפעתך החברתית והאישית הרבה, אשר בה חנן אותך ה', תוכל לעזור לנו ולתקן את הפעוה אשר סכנים אותנו בסצוקה וסחנק. תסלח נא לי, רבי הנכבד, אם תולדות הענין ישללו מזמנך היקר, אבל חושבת אני כי נחוץ לך לדעת פרטי הדבר בכואך לשאת ולתת עם הרב קרוסלוב לשם סדורו. והנה: אחותי נשואה לרב ק. זה כחמש עשרה שנה והתגוררה אתו כל הזמן - עד לפני שנתיים - בקליבלנד. שם נולדו להם ארבעה ילדים. עוד בשנים הבאשונוה להנשאם הגיעו אלינו שמועות כי הנהגתו של הרב ק. כלפי אחותי והילדים גסה היא. אחותי היתה ספעיטה לכתוב, הוא עוד פחות ועד שחדל בכלל לכתוב אלינו (בסות אבינו ז"ל בתרשיז לא כתב אפילו תנחומין). כתבנו לאחותי כי תכוא אלינו עם הילד, היא ענתה כי בעלה אינו מסכים לנסיעתה וסונע ססנה כתחקף להוציא לפועל את נסיעתה.

לפני חמש שנים בערך, אחרי הפסקה רבה של קשר סכתכים הגיע אלינו סכתב סהרב ק. כי אחותי חולה וזקוקה לסנוחה וספול - וסציע לקחתה אלינו לשם הבראה. שלהנו להם רשיונוה נסיעה לאיי, אולם אחותי סרבה לנסוע עם בעלה כלכד ודרשה שיכנע סישהו ספספחתה לקחתה. אחרי סמים ספוסך והרבה הפצרות סצד הרב ק. ואחרי שהרבה להבסיח את כלכלה אשתו אם נקח אותה לאיי באתי בסוף שנת 1936 לקליבלנד (להוצאת הדרך שלה ביהכנים "נוה צדק" - סקוט שם שפס הרב ק. ברבנות סשנת תרפ"ד ואילך) וסצאתי את אחותי חולה רצינית, וסחלתה - סחלת רוח. היא בקשה לקחתה לאיי אבל רק עם הילדים, בלעום סרבה בהחלט לנסוע. תנאי חייה של אחותי, כפי ספצאתים בבואי לבית הרב ק. היו נוראים ספס; הם התגוררו אצל אנשים זרים בשני חדרים קסנים, סדרה של אחותי שנמצאה בו יחד עם שנים סילריה לא היו לו אפילו ד' אפוט על ד' אפוט; ססרו הצרכים הראשוניים להנהלת סשק-בית ולא היה, כסובן, כל סדר בכלכלת הספפחה. לא סצאתי כל קשר נפשי בין האב לילדיו ואשתו. בנהגתו הגסה והנפסלית של הרב ק. שגרמה לסחלת אחותי נתנה את אותותיה גם ביחס לעצוב דכות חנוך הילדים כסובן השלילי ביותר; לא פעם סצאתי את הילדים, יחד עם האב, ססכוללים באמס החולה; גם היא, כחולה, הציקה להם. ביתם היה גיהנום. אחותי הסתובבה כל היום ברחובות סבלי לאכול ונהפכה לצל של אדם; לא היתה לה הלכשה פשוטה ביותר כדרש לאדם; נעליה היו קרועות וכותונת לגופה לא היה לה. אנסי ביהכנים התכישו בעזובה זו ורגנו על הרב. כלכתי ברחוב ובאסיפות שהיו שהיו לי עם אנסי ביהכנים נגשו אלי רבים ושאלו אותי:



"הידוע לך על התנהגותו של הרב ק. כלפי אחותך - הוא אשם במחלתה". גם הוא בעצמו הודה ולא בוש על היחסים הרעים ששררו ביניהם שיגרמו לפעמים לפחלומות אגרוף" וכמובן "שלא באשמתה" - האנשים היו מבקשים מפני שאחוס על אחותי ואוציאנה מהבית אחרת תלך לאברון. התיעפתי ברופאים כיצד להסיב לה; הם ענוני שאפשר ליעץ רק דבר אחד: להסיב את תנאי חייה; בצורה כזו שלא יהיו לה קונפליקטים עם הסביבה. חשתי אפשרות לסדרה בחדר פרטי בקליבלנד אבל זה לא עלה בירי. כל ידידיו שם יעצוני לקחתה לא"י, אולי תכריא בכביבה משפחתית אשר תעניק לה רגשי אהבה ופסירות וטפול נאמן. הרב ק. בעצמו הסיף לי לעשות ככה סיום כואב ובאם לא - איים - יהיה נאלץ לססור אותה לבית הסוגעים העירוני בקל. ולא יוציאנה משם עולמית. עם הסכיר וסולני תמיד בדברים כי אם אקחנה אתי יסלח כסף למחיתתה וישמור על הפסלוח בדיוק. על יסוד כל אותם הדברים שספתי מפי הרב ק. וספי מכירים והרופאים, ובהוכחי לדעת שהמסך ישיבתה בקל. יגרום אך להרס נוסף של אחותי והמשפחה כולה הלסתי לקחתה אתי לא"י מתוך השערה כי מצבה יוטב בהמצאה אתנו ותוכל לפלאות שוב את תפקידה כאם לארבעת ילדיה, תסקיד שסלאה תמיד בהצלחה פרובה כנלל כסרונותיה וסגולתה הנפשית.

נמלכתי גם בעורכי דין והם ענוני כי אין להבטיח את טפסלוח הכסף סצרו של הרב ק. יותר משהחוק עצמו מחייב אותו בזה כבעל לאשתו. היות ופאסור לא רצתה אחותי לנסוע פאפריקה בלי הילדים הוכרחנו לקחת אתנו את כל ארבעת הילדים וגם הרב ק. בעצמו נסע אתנו כבעל רשיון העליה. למנשי כיהכ"נ "בנה צדק" אסרנו כי הרב ק. ישוב בהחלט 1937 לקליבלנד, והסרוידנס ה' גולדמן הבטיח לי כי במקרה אם הוא באמת יחזור יסלמו לו גם הלאה את חצי מסכורתו לסמאות שסלמו לו עבור שמונה חנשים למסרע. וכך באנו בחודש מאי 1937 ליורסלים.

הרב ק. אחרי ששהה בארץ חדשים חזר לאטרופקה, כי לואכוננו לא עלה בידינו להשיג כסבילו איזו מסרה לפרות העפדלויותינו המרוכות. לפני נסיעתו חתם על התחייבות אצל עורך דין וגם אצל הרבנות היורסלמית כי יסלח - 12 \$ לעורס לצרכי כלכלת אשתו ושני הילדיה שנסארו אצלנו. התחייבות זו קיים רק באופן חלקי ובמקום - 12 \$ לחודש שלח, באופן מסוצע, רק - 8 \$ לחודש. אפי הזקנה התגוררה יחד עם אחותי והילדים, ספלה ועבדה קשה ע"י הילדים וגם שאר בני משפחתנו התענינו נספלו בהם מתוך מסירות. בסוף שנת 1938 בא שוב הרב ק. בארץ ואחרי שהותו כאן שבועים לקח אתו את שני הילדים הקטנים וחזר לאפריקה.

נסיגת הילדים ועזעה בפעם השניה את ה"י אחותי. כל ענין חייה היו הילדים, כל תקוותיה ונחמתה היו הם, אולם לצערנו הרב לא היה לאל ידנו לעכבם באופן חוקי פלקחת את הילדים. הילדים בנסעם ככו פר והצטערו על עזבם את הארץ ואת אסם, כי הרב ק. לא הביא אתו רשיון נסיעה לאפריקה כסביל אשתו ואזרחות אפריקאית אין לה. לפני נסעו מא"י בפעם השניה חתם התחייבות על פי מסק דענו של הרב הראשי הרצוג לשלוח לפרנסת אשתו לכה"פ 30 \$ לחודש לפרדו של הרב הרצוג. את התחייבות זו קיים הרב ק. מאז נסעו בחודש דסמבר 1938 רק פעמים, בסייה קבלנו ממנו סכום של 50 \$ ויותר לא הוסיף. אחותי סודרה בבית פרטי אצל אנשים מתאיכים לטפול בחולים כאלו. תנאי חייה כעת טובים ככל האפשר, לפי פצנב, והיא מפחוצה מהטפול שהיא סקבלת שם, אולם כסופן שאין היא מפסיקה לככות ולהתגעגע על הילדים. אנו משלמים עבורה 25 \$ לחודש (25 דולר) סלבו הלבשה והנעלה וכו'.





# בני יקירו .

תדעו אברהם אבינו ואלה הרב צבי ונחמיה הנביא דנו לך רבין המזון קוק לך, דעו  
 המנהג הקדש המלך אשתו, בידו, נכדו ונכדו יחד, הדורש את המנהג  
 בדבר מנהגו, וקדש מנהגו כי חפץ גמ חתי מלך מחנה בלתי מנהג, אנקדש לאלה  
 כל אשר קדשם אלהים בידו, מנהגו ונכדו ונכדו אלה ואלה בן המנהג,  
 ואשר שמו אדיר וזהו המנהג בדבר - דעו מנהג אלה ואלה קדשם בן המנהג  
 בקדושתו, מנהגו ואלה ואלה בן המנהג, מנהגו ואלה ואלה בן המנהג  
 המנהג, דעו - מנהג ואלה ואלה בן המנהג, מנהגו ואלה ואלה בן המנהג  
 "דעו מנהג" ואלה מנהגו ואלה ואלה בן המנהג - ואלה ואלה בן המנהג  
 מנהגו ואלה מנהגו בידו ואלה, ואלה בן המנהג ואלה בן המנהג  
 אדיר המנהג בלתי מנהג ואלה  
 ואלה

מנהג .

יד אלה המנהג  
 מנהג, ידו מנהג .



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Rabbi Aba H. Silver

Rabbi Isaac  
Kinkaid

WRHS



The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio  
U. S. America

March 2, 1939

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

My dear Morris:

Virginia would love to come to Baltimore with me, but as I am to be there only for a few hours, she doesn't feel like coming along. I do not know as yet the exact hour of my arrival. I have to be in Cleveland for a meeting Monday night. I will probably take a late night train which will get me into Baltimore sometime in the afternoon. Please don't bother about meeting me. I shall go straight to the Hotel. My plan is to leave the same evening for Cleveland.

With all good wishes and looking forward with pleasure to seeing you, I remain

As ever yours,

AHS:BK

2-11-39  
PASADENA CITY SCHOOLS  
PASADENA JUNIOR COLLEGE  
LINCOLN AND WYOMING  
PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

OFFICE OF THE  
ASSOCIATE DEAN OF WOMEN

March 2, 1939

WEST CAMPUS

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Although I was not able to attend the Cleveland Convention of the National Association of Deans of Women, I have seen the program and believe that some of the papers which were presented would offer some valuable suggestions. One which I think would be of help to me is the one which you presented on Thursday on "How Can Schools and Colleges Foster Democracy in the Students?"

Will this paper be published or has a similar discussion by you appeared in print? If not, I would appreciate it very much if I might have a copy of the paper presented at the Convention.

Sincerely,

*Oliver W. Kelso*  
*By O.W.K.*

Oliver W. Kelso  
Associate Dean of Women

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TEMPLE ADATH ISRAEL  
JOS. RAUCH, RABBI  
LOUISVILLE

March 2, 1939

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

Dear Colleague:-

In reply to your letter of February 6 calling attention to the Hebrew translation of the apocrypha under the editorship of Prof. Abraham Kahana, I am enclosing check for \$10.00 for a set. In all frankness let me say that I do not need the work but inasmuch as Prof. Kahana has sent ten sets to you the least I can do is to give you a little relief from the crowded condition of your library, if it is anything like mine.

With every good wish to you, I am

As ever

Cordially yours,

Sent  
3-3-39

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Baker

*After the first of May*

28 East Sixty-fourth Street  
New York

March 8, 1939

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Backer  
29 East 64th St.  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Friends:

Mrs. Silver and I were most happy to receive the announcement of your marriage and we hasten to extend to you our warmest felicitations. I am sorry that I could not attend your wedding or participate in the marriage ceremony.

I do not know your husband, my dear Eleanor, as well as I know you. But I hope that I shall have the good fortune before very long to get acquainted with him.

I pray that the future will hold in store for you the fulfillment of the dearest wishes of your hearts.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:DK

Morris S. Lazaron  
1914 Madison Avenue  
Baltimore, Maryland

March 3, 1959.

Dear Abba:

I am wondering if you would care to meet any of our Jewish leaders Tuesday evening after the lecture or if there are any things at all you would want me to do for you before you come. We are still hoping Jinks will come along.

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Morris", is written over a faint circular postmark. The signature is slanted and fluid.

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



March 3, 1939

Mr. L. Sands  
Du Barry Apartments  
Fifth and Catalina St.  
Los Angeles, California

My dear Mr. Sands:

I was happy to receive your letter of February 18. I am sending your letter to New York in the hope that they may have need for the kind of services which you can offer. When I hear from them, I shall communicate with you. If there is no immediate need for your services in New York, we may be able to use you here in Cleveland when you return. As you probably know, we have an important service for refugees established here.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



## ORDER SHEET

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March 3, 1939

Mr. Charles Ginsberg  
2885 Courtland Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Friend:

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I received from the Free Synagogue Child Adoption Committee of New York. Evidently you will have to be patient until they are able to take up your application.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK  
Enc.

THE RESETTLEMENT DIVISION  
of the  
NATIONAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE  
165 WEST 46th STREET NEW YORK CITY

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Dear Abba, Two more letters from my ancient files and they certainly bring up memories. Saw Felix Frankfurter and Brandeis in Washington on Wednesday. Both very much concerned about the Palestinian situation.

One night last week I went to the dinner at the Commodore given by you and Jonah. Went there specifically to see you and was disappointed.

My love to you and yours,

As ever,

Jacob Billikopf

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

March 4, 1939

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March 5, 1939

Dr. Abraham Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver:

Three or four years ago you very kindly made available a copy of your volume on Messianic predictions which I found very interesting and profitable.

I wonder if I am asking too much when I inquire whether you are acquainted with the four names cited in the Margoliouth translation of the commentary on the Book of Daniel, by Japhet ibn Ali Karaite, who lived in the 10th century? He is discussing the prophetic symbols and the time-periods of the Book of Daniel, and I gather that these men, or at least some of them, were also Karaites. Do you chance to know where any of their writings may be found.

May I also ask whether you are acquainted with any rabbi or leader of the Karaite sect from whom I might obtain information concerning the reasons for their variance from the Rabbinical Jews in their calendar with its feast days? I should be most grateful to you for any information you can give to me.

Most sincerely yours,

*L. E. Groom*

LEF/n

The four names: Joseph ibn Bakhtawi; El-Fayyūmī; Solomon ben Jeruchan; Benjamin Mahawendi.

March 7, 1939

Dear Abba:

I just to remind you that  
we are again making our  
usual collection for our poor  
relations, in order that we may  
send something for the Easter Holy

Days; I regret very much to inform  
you that Uncle Jack is bedridden  
and it seems to be a hopeless case  
all here join in sending  
our best regards:

Uncle Nathan

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VICE PRESIDENT

March 7, 1939.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Ansel Road Temple,  
East 105th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am enclosing copy of a letter of introduction  
which I am today mailing to Mrs. B. P. Bole.

I trust that if and when you hear from her it may  
prove convenient and agreeable to you to accord her  
this desired interview.

Very sincerely yours,

I. F. Freiburger



# The Cleveland Trust Company

CLEVELAND, OHIO

March 7, 1939.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Ansel Road Temple,  
East 105 and Euclid,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am taking the liberty of handing to Roberta Holden Bole (Mrs. B. F. Bole) this letter of introduction, with the hope that when she communicates with you it may prove agreeable and convenient for you to grant her an interview.

Mrs. Bole is one of a relatively small group of Cleveland women who this year are particularly studying the Jewish question, and she is expecting to submit a report or write a paper on the future of the Jewish race.

Your cooperation in this matter will be very greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

IFF:P

I. F. Freiburger.



March 7, 1989

Rabbi Benjamin Friedman  
Temple Society of Concord  
501 University Avenue  
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Ben:

I am sorry that I did not get to see you yesterday in Cleveland. I phoned your hotel late in the afternoon but they told me that you had checked out. I hope that you enjoyed your stay in our city.

I read a report of your address in this morning's paper. It must have been fine. I am sorry that I could not attend the meeting inasmuch as I had to preside over a similar meeting of the Cleveland Zionist Society at The Temple.

With all good wishes to you and yours,  
I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:DK

March 8, 1939

Mr. Nathan Silver  
1675 Townsend Ave.  
Bronx, N.Y.

My dear Uncle Nathan:

I am enclosing herewith a check towards the fund which you are raising for our relatives abroad.

I am sorry to hear about the condition of Uncle Jack. Please send me his address.

With all good wishes to you and yours,  
I remain

As ever yours,

AHS:BX

1460 Robinwood Ave.

Lakewood, O.

March 8, 1937.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Due to illness in early February I was unable to hear your address before the members of the G. M. B. A. on February Seventh. I am the widow of a Presbyterian Minister, - and have earned it a privilege to have heard you on several occasions in past

Agassiz.

I had it in mind when I  
would meet you after your  
address on February recently  
to ask you whether you had  
read Helen Hunt's poem on  
Martineau. In all probability  
you have. I consider it a  
fine tribute to piety  
character. I have been  
giving close reading of the  
gifted woman's poem.

May I ask you reading of  
another poem, - which I have

recently sent to friend who  
 Lura sorrowed over the  
 death of a little son - then  
 only child. I consider this  
 poem - "Lifted Over"  
 classic - as is the fine  
 poem on Mordecai.

Yours sincerely  
 Frank W. Powell.  
 (Mrs. William A. Powell.)

March 3, 1939

Miss Olive W. Kelso  
Associate Dean of Women  
Pasadena Junior College  
Lincoln and Myoring  
Pasadena, California

My dear Miss Kelso:

In reply to your letter of March 2, permit me to state that we have no printed copy of Rabbi Silver's address "How Can Schools and Colleges Foster Democracy in the Students?" to send you. Should the address be printed, we shall be pleased to send you a copy.

With best wishes,

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

March 9, 1939

Dr. W. F. Albright  
Gilman Hall  
118, Johns Hopkins University  
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Dr. Albright:

It was only after I left the meeting, the other night and spoke to Rabbi Lazaron, that I realized that the Dr. Albright who introduced me so graciously was the Dr. Albright whose name has been known to me for many years in connection with his extraordinarily fine work of archaeological research in Palestine. The latest of your writings which came to my notice were your articles in the February issue of the Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research - the article on the "Lachish Letters" particularly. I shall not be quite so dull the next time I visit Baltimore and Johns Hopkins. I do hope that I shall have the pleasure of spending a little time with you on my next visit.

I was in Palestine a year ago last summer and spent an evening at the School in Jerusalem with my dear friend, Nelson Glueck, who spoke with such enthusiasm and admiration of you and your work.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ANS:BX

March 9, 1939

Palestine Office  
Zionist Organization of America  
111 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I wonder whether you would have a record of the address of Mr. Emanuel Newman of Tel Aviv, Palestine who is connected either with an Investment Company or with a Bank in Tel Aviv. Rabbi Silver would like to communicate with him but does not have his address.

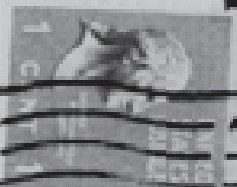
Thanking you for an early reply, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.





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Miss Alice H. Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland  
Ohio

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3/9/39  
Miss Alice H. Silver  
Cleveland, Ohio

at the temple here last night  
over \$11,000 were subscribed  
by the handful of Jews here.  
August 7 - 5,000,000  
Jews on a raft - yes as many  
washed one - at that -  
Frida. Reported

205 North Main St.  
Allentown, Pa.  
March 10, 1939



Dear Mr. Silver,

It is improbable that you will remember me, but I recall well the times when we met at the home of my Grandmother, Mrs. Morris Reichblum, in Wheeling.

We are delighted that you are to speak in Allentown on April 21st., and my husband and I would be happy to have you take dinner and spend the night with us in our home at that time.

I think that we can confidently promise you

more rest and quiet than  
you would find in a  
hotel bedroom.

We hope very much  
that you will be able  
to be with us.

Very sincerely,

Pauline Collins Stenberg  
(Mrs. Louis Stenberg)

Cleveland, Ohio  
Mar. 10, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver

I have meant all week  
to say an appreciative word for your  
personal one on Sunday.

Your subject of tomorrow is one  
(naturally) that I want more light on.

The more time passes the more I  
am assured for the line I follow.  
What seems to me may be described as  
the "staccato" note <sup>in life</sup> is one about which  
something should be done. It is one, I  
believe, fostered rather than necessarily  
consequent to it. It speaks of clamor  
for one's own demands or point of view  
without the facility that is the evidence of  
right of survival for effort.

But this may seem intrusive,  
I should like to follow the line  
in a letter.

Sincerely Yours

Blumenthal & Rosenbaum

# Hebrew Union College Library

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
c-o Ansel Road Temple, March 10, 1939.  
Cleveland, Ohio.  
Dear Sir:

The books noted below are overdue.  
Please give this your immediate attention.

Respectfully,  
*Halter Rothman* XXXXXX  
Librarian.

Cohen. Umrechnungs Kalender.

Simon & Cohen. Lapteach.

1865.

.עלמח נ'א

.נ'ב ס'ס ג'א

March 11, 1939

Mr. Meyer Atkins,  
City.

My dear Meyer:

As you well know the feud between the Rockers and Leo Wesenfeld has been disturbing the entire Jewish community. We all realize that two newspapers cannot possibly exist here. We likewise realize that something tangible should be done for the sake of peace. The fires of hatred that are smoldering must not be allowed to grow into a blaze. Matters will have to assume their normal functions. Something should be done to bring about peace and this peace must be with honor and dignity to both sides. Here is what I would suggest to you as a friend of both sides:

A Committee of three, headed by yourself, should be formed. It would then see both and urge that the entire dispute be submitted to an Arbitration Committee of five who shall pass on this dispute and whose decision shall be final.

The arbitration agreement entered into between the parties shall be entered into with honor and dignity to both sides. There shall be no retreating nor should anything be said or done that would reflect on either side, or make that side look bad in the public eye. This can all be arranged for if everything is definitely understood at the outset. Let me illustrate my meaning:

The printers at the plant should be definitely placed in charge of their own foremen. Wesenfeld should have nothing to say or do with reference to that department. Wesenfeld, on the other hand, should have sole and exclusive charge and management of the editorial department and should be supreme in that field of endeavor.

So too, it should clearly be understood that Mr. Rucker should define the policies of the newspaper; after all it is his paper and he should have something to say about it. Weisenfeld should definitely keep out of politics in any regard, particularly do I refer to local and state issues. This does not mean he shall stultify himself. As far as Zionism and the European situation, and strictly Jewish issues are concerned, Weisenfeld has an uncanny knowledge as to same and in those fields Weisenfeld shall be supreme.

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It would seem to me that this whole problem can be worked out easily and smoothly if we all lend our energies to the task. I say we can solve the problem if we work concertedly together and if we are only willing to work it out.

As far as personally am concerned I wish to state this. It is a thankless task and the best you can get is the worst of it. However, both men are my dear friends and I stand ready to serve them in any capacity in which they may deem me capable of being of service to them both. I would be willing to act as one of the Arbitrators, or in any other way I may be of service to them or to our people.

With kindest regards and with hopes that you will get at the suggestions contained in this letter and see this matter through, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

*Samuel H. Haskin*

SHS:D

*Dear Rabbi,  
Just a suggestion  
I'd like to see carried out.  
Cordially  
Samuel Haskin*



THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY  
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

March 11th, 1939

Dear Dr. Silver,

Many thanks for your kind letter of the 9th. As a matter of fact, I should have entered into a more active conversation with you if I did not suspect that you were pretty tired before your address. The address itself was very fine and pleased me greatly.

Nelson Glueck's latest letter (of the 6th of February) contains much rather disheartening news. The Moslem quarter near the American School and back of St. George's has now become the center of rioting between the Nashashibi and the Husseini factions, so that Magnes and others have had regretfully to leave it after many years of happy relations with their Arab neighbors.

However, he will by now be beginning his second campaign of excavations at Ezion-geber and be far from troubled Palestine for a few weeks. I succeeded in securing an adequate subvention for the purpose from the American Philosophical Society and another source

Very cordially yours,

W. F. Albright

New Bethlehem

Mar 11/39. P.

Rabbi Silver

Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir

Each Saturday  
our family listen  
to your religious  
hour. Since be-  
ginning to listen  
to these very in-  
spiring sermons,  
we have been  
brought to a clear  
understanding  
of the Jewish people.  
You make us  
feel like we are  
one of you or  
vice versa. These  
troubled times have

broadened our  
minds and opened  
our hearts to the  
great suffering of  
so many peoples  
of the world.

Two years ago we  
purchased a farm  
to keep from going  
on Relief or being  
without work.

However since there  
is just my husband  
and I the work  
is too great at times.  
Since Relief is so  
easily obtained  
we find help hard  
to get. Was won-  
dering if there  
would be any

refugees who would be glad to have a home in exchange for help they could render us. We have two small bays, live on a farm, electricity, gas, telephone and of course Radio. Attend Church regularly, and would treat anyone as our own.

If interested and my letter is not out of order please reply.

Thanking you I remain Sincerely, Mrs Wine

Chicago, Ill. March 11<sup>th</sup> 1939.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear and much esteemed Rabbi.

Your Sermon this evening over the radio on the "Message of Israel" hour, was indeed a Message to all humanity that Your listeners will long remember.

I feel Confident that You have succeeded in winning a good many of Your listeners to Your way of thinking, and in showing the entire Chaotic conditions existing in Central Europe in just the way You intended ~~them~~ to accept Your talk.

I for one was thrilled with it and am very happy to tell You so, and what is true of me, is true of the rest of Your listeners I am sure.

I wish You would be on for a Month, I am certain that Your Sermons would be listened to by all who own Radios and the result would prove of tremendous Value to humanity in

General and to our people in Particular.

May God grant You and Yours long life,  
the very best of health and loads of real happiness

With kindest regards, I am believe me to be

Obediently and Sincerely Yours.

Salomon Lieberman.

5200 Sheridan Road.

Sunnyside 1130.

P.S.

I am the Executive Secretary of the Chicago  
Division, for the Defense of human Rights  
against Nazism, of which Mr. Salmon O.  
Levinson is the Chairman, I am also the Past  
President of Aardath Achim North Shore Long.  
Where You to Picture next Wednesday - and have  
always been a real booster and staunch friend  
and follower of Yours. —

# Freshman G. R. Visit Temple

The Freshman Girl Reserves of Bellaire high school will visit the Sons of Israel Temple Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, where they will be told of the special customs of the Jewish Temple as well as to be shown the traditional features that are emblematic of Judaism, including the eternal light, the Menorah, the ark, the torak and the symbol of the Ten Commandments.

This has been a custom among the G. R. group for several years, S. H. Blum to be in charge of the short meeting of the group in that temple that afternoon.

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My dear friend -

I just heard your  
wonderful message over  
the radio -

It was so appealing  
and beautiful and true -  
the tone of your voice  
was ample evidence of  
the sincerity of your ser-  
mon - my heart aches, too -  
the same as yours seemed  
to be sad -

(over)

I wish it were possible for you to give that appealing talk before the House of Commons - I know you could "melt their hearts" too -

May God give you increased strength to enable you to keep up your wonderful work -

Hope you & yours are well & happy -

Sincerely yours  
G. H. H. [Signature]

aratoga Spr N.Y. Mch 11 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver :-

Having just listened to your very able address over the radio which I enjoyed not as to what it depicted but as to its honest outline and I trust propnetic view.

Er my part permit me to say, that I can see no hope untill a country recognizes the large part of its a being in a state of disinheritdness. This condition existing in and throughout the world.

I am taking the liberty to enclose a few leaflets along my way of thinking.

May the good Lord strengthen you in all good works

Very sincerely

*FR Temple*

Egon W. Winter.

THE  
117 West 79 St  
New York City  
March, 11, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver!

I am just listē<sup>n</sup>g to your radiospeech and I must confess that I am deeply impressed. I have been for seven weeks in this country of freedom and justice, therefore I ask you to excuse my bad English. Till 1933 I was in Germany as first professor assistance at an university Women's clinic, than I emigrated to Czechoslovakia, became Czech citizen and now I had to emigrate for the second time. My parents are so happy to live now in Holland for 3 weeks. My father-also a physician, was for several weeks in a German concentration camp. There await now in Holland their visum for the United States. I was so happy to get it in Prague from the American consul, whose wife I ~~apart~~ treated.

Never I had the opportunity to listen to such a speech, and I am strengthened that there are men who are fighting for justice and Jewish humanity.

I have to take now my medical examination, and I would be very glad, if I would get your permission, to pay you once a visit. At the moment I don't ask for any favour, but I am sure, that, if I would need something (perhaps I will open my office in Cleveland), you would have a willing ear.

So I thank You again for your remarkable and distinguished speech.

Very respectfully yours

Egon W. Winter.

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ELLEN BUTTENWIESER.

March 12<sup>th</sup>

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Bill and I just learned that you are to be guest speaker for the Welfare Federation dinner next Sunday.

We know that as usual, you will be pressed for time while here, but the invitation for "potato laches" still stands

We look forward  
to your response.

Cordially,

Helen Goodman,

32 Miller Rd.,

Newton Center, Mass.



for any hour of the  
day, at your convenience.  
If you have any free  
time during the day and  
want to "grab a bite" with  
us, your ~~brother~~ Bill will  
be very glad to call for  
you, and deliver you to  
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Otherwise we shall try  
to attend the dinner, in  
order to greet and hear  
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MISS ELLEN BUTTENWIESER  
511 EVANSWOOD PLACE  
CINCINNATI, OHIO

MARCH 13, 1939

DEEPLY GRIEVED TO HEAR OF THE PASSING OF YOUR DEAR FATHER AND OUR DEAR FRIEND.  
PLEASE ACCEPT OUR PROFOUNDEST SYMPATHIES.

DR. AND MRS. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

March 13, 1939

Dr. Walter Rothman  
Hebrew Union College Library  
Cincinnati, Ohio

My dear Friend:

I am returning herewith the two books by Cohen and Simon and Cohen. The two other books, I would request that you permit me to keep a little longer, as I am not through with them.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RB

WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY  
CLEVELAND, OHIO

DEPARTMENT OF SPEECH

March 13, 1939

Dr. A. H. Silver  
The Temple  
Ansel Road and East 105th Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

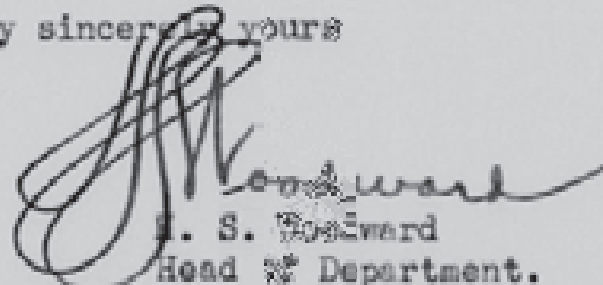
The enclosed letter is from a woman Mrs. Woodward and I met some years ago when we were fellow passengers on a train between Wien and Budapest. This casual meeting is our only acquaintance with her. While it was a passing experience, it was a very pleasant one at the time.

To supply the affidavits she requests of course would mean that we would assume responsibilities which might become financially burdensome. Our own situation is such that it is entirely impossible for us to involve ourselves in any such financial risk.

I do not know what would be the best disposition to make of her letter so that it might have consideration on the part of interested individuals or organizations. I am sure you will know if there is any such possibility, consequently I am sending the letter to you.

I am writing Mrs. Perlstein that I am sending her letter to you and that conditions make it impossible for me personally to assume the obligations that would be entailed in the furnishing of the affidavits she requests.

Very sincerely yours



E. S. Woodward  
Head of Department.

HSW:n

230 Jefferson Street  
Ravenna, Ohio



March 13, 1939



Rabbi Silver

The Cleveland Temple

My dear Rabbi Silver,

As one who once was  
a teacher in the city's  
public schools where  
I had all sorts of  
races represented,  
I want to tell you  
how deeply I felt  
your address on  
"The Message of Israel,"  
altho' I am only an  
English-Irish American.

There are two problems weighing on many hearts, and there must be in regard to children: the one of <sup>badly-chad</sup> little ones in Cleveland not able to go to school; and the one of European refugee children. This idea  has come to me,  which I am sure you can judge to see if it be good. The great opera season approaches, in which it is said that sixty-eight thousand people will attend performances. If two artistic, appealing posters

might be placed in  
the Public Hall (after  
due notice in the  
papers) with two recept-  
acles, one for those  
who wished to aid  
Cleveland children  
with any sort of con-  
tribution, and one  
for those who long  
to help suffering children.  
It was   that  
made me - to do  
(or otherwise) pressing  
ly in anticipation  
of grand success.  
might have their  
hearts moved by  
the pathetic needs  
of our children of  
the world!

Sincerely

(Miss) Julia M. Parsons



March 2, 1939

Dr. S. Ginzburg  
Palestine Hebrew Culture Fund  
125 East 85th St.  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Ginzburg:

I am deeply grateful to you for sending me the two volumes on Moses Chayim Luzzato. I shall read them with keenest interest. It was indeed thoughtful of you to think of me in this way.

I hope that you have been successful in your mission. I spoke to Rabbi Cohan, a few days ago, about the effort in behalf of the Palestine Hebrew Culture Fund here in Cleveland and he said that he would work on it right away. You will probably hear from him.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

March 14, 1939

Rabbi Harold Goldfarb  
The Community Temple  
9801 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Goldfarb:

Permit me to thank you for the check of \$55.00 which you sent me representing donations made from time to time at various Community Temple functions, for the relief of refugees. I need not tell you that I deeply appreciate this fine contribution.

I am forwarding it today to the secretary of our Jewish Welfare Fund who will in turn send it on to the United Jewish Appeal Campaign in New York.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

March 14, 1939

Mrs. William Goodman  
32 Miller Road  
Newton Center, Mass.

My dear Kelsey:

It was good of you to think of me and to write to me. I wish my schedule would permit me to have dinner with you and Bill on my visit to Boston on Sunday. However, I plan to arrive late in the afternoon, and in all probability, will leave again that night for New York.

I am looking forward with pleasure to seeing you and Bill. With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:UK

## GERSON NAHM

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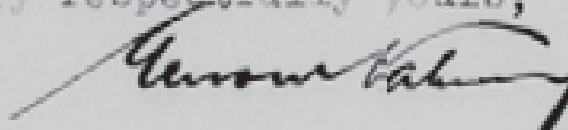
Rev. Dr.  
Abba Hillel Silver  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

I was privileged to listen to your sermon on the "message of Israel" program, and wish to say, that I have never heard a clearer and truer presentation of the refugee problem. I am a refugee myself, not quite 3 months in this country. I was able to leave Germany in November of last year after my release from the concentration-camp, and after I had been deprived of my business and of the money I had accumulated during 30 years of business activity. I am glad to be in this country and hope to find means of support here for my family. However, others are less fortunate. I take the liberty to enclose a letter from Mr. Aron Koenigsbuch. This man has been in my employ for some time, and I can vouch for his respectability and worthiness. He was also together with me in the concentration-camp and was released recently. He realizes that he cannot obtain a visa for this country for himself and his family for a long time to come, but he begs for an affidavit for himself, his wife and his children to prove his intention of emigrating, as he fears, that otherwise he will be returned to the concentration-camp. He hopes also, that the affidavit will facilitate his admission to some other country for temporary residence until entrance to the United States will be possible. Can you help this family, dear Doctor, by referring this very worthy case to one of your friends who are willing to furnish an affidavit?

Thanking you very much in anticipation of your kind assistance,

Very respectfully yours,



(2) Enclosures

March 14, 1939

Mrs. Louis Stanberg  
205 North Main Street  
Allentown, Pa.

My dear Friend:

Thank you so much for your kind letter and for the invitation to have dinner with you on the occasion of my visit to your city. I appreciate your thoughtfulness very much. However I do not eat before speaking. I prefer to spend the hour or two before the address resting, especially since my schedule for the last few months has been so hard. My plans are to leave Allentown right after my address.

I am hoping to have the pleasure of seeing you in Allentown. With all good wishes, and thanking you again for your kindness in offering me your hospitality, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

March 14, 1939

Mr. Casper J. Miller  
The Colliver-Miller Co.  
2063 East Ninth Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Miller:

While you are getting the information for us on the Kungsholm, please inquire also about accommodations on the "Paris" Norway-Europe Cruise. We would like to go with the "Paris" to Plymouth and rejoin it at Oban; and from there, stay on it until it reaches Havre on July 26th. I would like two outside rooms on "B" deck, like 241a and 241b. See what rates you can get for the children.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

March 15, 1939

Rev. John Compton Leffler  
St. John's Church  
Ross, Marin County  
California

My dear Rev. Leffler:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter. I have been away from the city most of the time traveling throughout the country in connection with campaigns to raise funds for the refugees abroad, and my correspondence has accordingly lagged.

You compliment me when you say that you wish to include me in the book which you are writing. I have written two other books besides "Religion In a Changing World". One is a study on "Messianic Speculations in Israel", and the other is a booklet on the "Democratic Impulse in Jewish History". I have requested my secretary to send both of them to you along with some of my printed sermons. I have not printed many sermons in recent years.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX



March 15, 1939

Mrs. Helen Lonnerstadter  
19 Ramban Street  
Jerusalem  
Palestine

My dear Mrs. Lonnerstadter:

It was indeed very thoughtful of you to write to me and to inform me about the health of my mother. I was considerably worried about her condition.

I hope that when I am next in Jerusalem that I shall have the pleasure of seeing you. With all good wishes, and thanking you again for writing to me, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX



March 15, 1939

Rabbi George B. Lieberman  
Eoff Street Temple  
Wheeling, W. Va.

My dear George:

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

I should be very pleased to write to Mr. Wolff about you. I am sure, however, that the gentleman has by now been flooded with letters from all over the country and that possibly pressure applied by Rabbis in New York will prove the most telling. When I hear from Mr. Wolff, I shall send on his answer to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

March 15, 1939

Mr. Ernst Altschul  
2384 Euclid Heights Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Friends:

I do not know how I came to slip up on your seventy-fifth birthday anniversary and I hope that you will pardon these belated congratulations which both Mrs. Silver and I are delighted to extend to you. I suppose the pressure under which I had been working in the last few months is responsible for it. We hope that you will enjoy many more happy years of well-being and contentment in the circle of your dear family.

The news, this morning, about the final dismemberment of Czecho-slovakia makes very sad reading. The Beast of Berlin seems to have his way everywhere. But the day of reckoning and retribution cannot be far off.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

March 15, 1939

Rabbi and Mrs. Abraham Shusterman  
Temple Israel  
1802 S. Rockford St.  
Tulsa, Okla.

My dear Friends:

When the announcement of the arrival of your child reached me, I had every intention of writing to you and sending my heartiest congratulations. Somehow the announcement card became lost in my desk among an accumulation of letters, and it was only this morning that I chanced upon it. Please be assured that my good wishes are both hearty and sincere although belated. I hope that David Emanuel will enjoy a good and useful life in a happier world than the one in which we are living.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

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March 15, 1939.

Rabbi Abba H. Silver,  
East 105th St. & Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

This will acknowledge the receipt of  
the two calendars which you returned.

We have extended the time on the two  
items you still have for another month.

Sincerely yours,

*Walter Rothman*  
Librarian.

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March 15, 1939

Dr. H. S. Woodward  
Department of Speech  
Western Reserve University  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Woodward:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter and for the enclosure. I am forwarding the communication from Vienna to our local Refugee Office. Perhaps something can be done in the matter although the number of requests which come from abroad is overwhelming.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:DK

March 15, 1939

Mr. Joe Weingarten  
Houston, Texas

My dear Friend:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of February 28. I read with interest what you say about your friend, the Hon. Judge Joseph C. Hutcheson, Jr., and on the basis of what you say of him, I can understand your interest in his appointment to the Supreme Court. I have, however, made it a practice not to recommend anyone for any appointment. You can understand the pressure that a man in my position is under from all sides to use his influence in behalf of local, state or national candidates.

With all good wishes and hoping that your campaign has been tremendously successful, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

March 15, 1939

Mrs. William A. Powell  
1460 Robinwood Ave.  
Lakewood, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Powell:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing to me and in calling my attention to the poems which I shall read, I am sure, with a great deal of pleasure.

I enjoyed my meeting with the members of the Lakewood Young Women's Christian Association a great deal. With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

March 15, 1939

Rabbi Emanuel Eckstein  
10508 Drexel Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Eckstein:

Rabbi Silver has requested me to send  
you the enclosed check to Rabbi Doshinsky.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.





# THE PIONEER WOMENS ORGANIZATION

די פיאנערער פרויען ארגאניזאציע פאר העלפונג אין ארץ-ישראל

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CLEVELAND, OHIO

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March 15, 1939.

Dear Friend:

We acknowledge with thanks your contribution of 10<sup>00</sup> dollars to the work of the Pioneer Women's Organization.

As you no doubt know, our funds are used for the vocational training of the young women immigrants into Palestine from Germany, Poland, and other countries, as well as for day nurseries and other social welfare work among the women of Palestine.

In the present world situation of the Jews, we all realize the importance of this task of helping in the readjustment and rehabilitation of the life of these refugee women.

Your help has been not only a financial but a moral support to our people in Palestine.

Yours sincerely,

PIONEER WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION

Chairman *E. Silver*

Treasurer *S. Isaac*

March 15, 1939 .

Mr. Reuben Fink  
2 Horatic Street  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Fink:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of March 12. I appreciate very much all the things which you say about my broadcast of last Saturday. These are sad and desperate times and every day the picture gets darker. I do hope that we may have some light in the not too distant future.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

March 15, 1939

Miss Elsa Wise  
Secretary to Rabbi Jonah B. Wise  
35 East 62nd St.  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Wise:

The enclosed letters request copies  
of my address of last Saturday night.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:EK



March 15, 1939

Mr. Leo A. Weil  
719 West 8th Street  
Erie, Pa.

My dear Mr. Weil:

It was indeed kind of you to write to me following my broadcast of last Saturday. I appreciate very much all the nice things which you say about it.

I am forwarding your request for copies of the address to the New York office and I am sure that they will send you some.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

March 15, 1939

Mr. and Mrs. Max Ozer  
Pacific Coast Club  
Long Beach, California

Dear Friends:

I did appreciate greatly your thoughtfulness  
in sending me a wire following my broadcast, last  
Saturday. It was good to hear from you.

I trust that you are both well. My  
mishpacha is doing fine. With best wishes,  
I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

March 16, 1939

Secretary to Rabbi Jonah B. Wise  
35 E. 62nd St.  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

I am enclosing herewith two letters  
which request a copy of the address which  
Rabbi Silver delivered on the radio last  
Saturday night.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

March 16, 1939

Mr. Gerson Nahm  
4730 Ingleside Avenue  
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Nahm:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of March 14 and for what you say about the address which I broadcast over the radio last Saturday night.

With reference to Mr. Aron Koenigsbuch and his request for an affidavit - I would suggest that you get in touch with the local Jewish Charities in Chicago. I am sure that they must have an office which applies itself specifically to the work of refugees and to the procurement of affidavits. We have such an office in Cleveland and it is overwhelmed with the number of affidavits which are being requested from friends and relatives here in Cleveland.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK  
Enc. - 2



March 16, 1939

Dr. Solomon B. Freehof  
Congregation Rodef Shalom  
4905 Fifth Avenue  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Sol:

You are to be here with us next Friday afternoon. The Temple Women's Association is looking forward with pleasure to your coming.

Virginia and I would love to have you with us for the Sabbath meal at our home if you plan to stay over until late in the evening or through the next day. Please let me know what your plans are.

With all good wishes to you and Lillian, and looking forward to seeing you, I remain

As ever yours,

AHS:BX



SAMUEL FRIEDMAN

Real Estate and Insurance

811 N. Third Street

Harrisburg, Pa. 3-16-39.

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

Reverend Sir:-

You will pardon me for writing to you on the subject which agitates all Israel and also all Christian believers. (?)

Please appeal to the conscience of the believers in the Bible to induce Great Britain and the Geneva Conference not to create an Arabian State with the Jews forming a Minority Group. This kind of government will or should offend all Christian believers. [

✓ Palestine should be an Historic Home for the Jewish People. But since the Mohammedan or Arabian population in Palestine number over 900000, Jews should be allowed to come in and settle down as many as the Arabians are now. When this has been brought about or before, say now, the League of Nations with the consent of England, or vice versa, should appoint a Jewish, a Gentile and an Arabian Commissioner. The three Commissioners should appoint a Chairman who shall be called a President.

✓ Those Four officials should govern in the name of the entire population and in the name of HUMANITY. Palestine should become the center of Religion of the Three Religions. The main thing is that no one religion should be favored. This might please the narrow minded Arabians.

You remember a lawsuit was held in some county court a few years ago when two women claimed to be the mothers of a son. (A similar case to Solomon's.) The judge took it under advisement for three months. He decided that the child shall not be handed over to neither woman, but be entrusted to an institution.

While this case does not apply to Palestine, still the foolish Moslems might feel inclined to submit.

Permit me to quote here a conversation I had with the late Dr. Gaster, whom I met frequently in the dining room of my late chief of the London Jews' College. Dr. Gaster stated then that Palestine should be the center of the East. The Jews, if allowed to populate or settle down in Palestine and permitted to spread over the East it will make the East like the West. The entire world will be One. East and West will meet together on an equal footing.

All know, and so do the Moslems that the east needs reviving. The Jews will do it without the sword. Without the shedding of human blood. This is very important.

I thank you for the last Saturday's address you delivered and I shall listen to the one coming Saturday. May God give you strength for the tremendous and noble work you have undertaken.

Yours very truly

Samuel Friedman

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#### *Executive Secretary*

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing you today in reference to the conversation which you had with a member of our faculty, Rabbi Dr. Samson R. Weiss, about the refugee problem of the Ner Israel Rabbinical College.

Our institution has a student body of 53 students between the ages of 17 and 25 which represents 17 states of the United States, four provinces of Canada and Palestine. We have 14 refugee students from Germany who came over through affidavits given by our College. All these students studied in the largest Rabbinical Colleges in Europe or had positions as teachers and spiritual leaders in Jewish communities. Our college took upon themselves the responsibility to take care of these students and to provide them with all their needs. We receive no assistance whatsoever from any outside agency for the maintenance of these refugees. We are happy in our undertaking because we can see the success, firstly, in saving lives of German Jewish youth and secondly, in bringing over most learned scholars to the United States.

With the exception of these 14 students we have sent out affidavits for many more who are expected to arrive within the next few weeks. At present we have 263 applications on file for entrance to our College.

It is the aim of our institution to inculcate a love of Torah and Judaism and to perpetuate Jewish knowledge in complete instruction of Talmud, Hebrew Law and Jewish ethics. Our graduates are and will be capable leaders of the coming Jewish generation, either as Rabbis or educated laymen.

In order to continue our work we must ask aid from the Jewish Public. Our institution which has students from the whole of America and is undertaking such grandiose refugee work as saving lives of German Jewish youth cannot depend on the financial support of Baltimore alone. Each student costs our college \$10.00 weekly because we are giving them free tuition, board and lodging. This

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#### *Executive Secretary*

means, for our German refugee students alone there is an annual expense of \$7,000. In addition to this expense, we are building at the present time new dormitories and a new dining room which makes altogether an expense of \$10,000 for German refugees alone in our budget for this year. We are unable to carry this burden any longer and we thank you most sincerely that you will speak in our behalf at the National Coordinating Committee in New York from which we received a letter under date of January 3, 1939 that our application will be presented before the committee in charge of stipends for students.

Perhaps it would be possible for you to include us as a beneficiary in the Charity Work of your Temple or perhaps you can give some recommendations to private people in Cleveland about our institution.

Thanking you for your efforts, we remain

Sincerely yours,

*Herman N. Neuberger*  
Herman N. Neuberger  
Executive Secretary

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March 17, 1939

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

Gentlemen:

Please send us at your earliest convenience

three copies of Silver, A. R. - Rights of minorities  
and the next war listing at 28¢ each.



Please send accompanied by your bill in duplicate, and  
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March 17, 1939

Mr. Eugene L. Geismer  
c/o The Stearn Co.  
1021 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Geismer:

Rabbi Silver has requested me to send  
you the enclosed copy of a letter which he received  
from Rabbi Alexander J. Burnstein of the National  
Coordinating Committee of New York.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK  
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

Cleveland, Ohio  
Mar. 17, 1938

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I was not up to the mark yesterday - which is not important for its own sake, but some ideas were on my mind - ones correlated to the work that I mentioned I would like to set about.

This artist has not seen enough of the world of late or met with associates that would be stimulating for art, but so far as the latter is concerned I have influenced myself and have reason to mistrust much of prevailing art outlooks.

But the ideas - have not found the need if not the necessity to strengthen themselves in their inner resources?

In the present day that end may, I believe, best be attained by an exercise of this qualities for common external objectives. The more one exercises his faculties the more he has need of the fortification that is essentially his and that is given affirmation by religion.

This looks as though I want to provide you with thought but I am trying to state my case, I do so



poorly, I am aware. Perhaps I want to make clear that there is a consistency between my ideas and what I want to accomplish.

I was a little queer to me that - it did not occur so to me til later - you should suggest that Mr. Beltran contact the Guggenheim Foundation for me. In view of all the demands upon you I could not claim the exercise of your friendship for me but your sympathetic response to the object I mentioned gives an emphasis to it for which I am grateful and causes me to wish it to flourish if the expense is not too great.

Would you feel justified, or what news may be the word - in getting in touch with the Guggenheim Foundation for me in respect to the work that I mentioned? I am not disloyal to the newspaper but their courage in respect to needful and even pressing objectivism is not great.

This is long and I will clarify my ideas later if you wish it.

Yours truly,  
14914 14th Ave. B. H. Rosenberg

March 17, 1930

Miss Clara Soslowsky  
1155 E. Donald Street  
South Bend, Indiana

My dear Miss Soslowsky:

Under separate cover I am sending you  
an autographed copy of Rabbi Silver's book "Religion  
in a Changing World" for your Karniwal on March 18.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

RJK



Secretary to Rabbi Silver.





## ERNST ALTSCHUL

~~2544~~ ~~Greenock Road~~ 2384 Euclid Hts. Blvd.  
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, O. March 17 '39

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland

Dear Rabbi:

Accept my heartiest thanks for your kind wishes and congratulations to my 75th birthday, and as to your slip-up - there are about 1500 other members of your congregation who, no doubt, also have birthdays, and you would have your time pretty well taken up with this kind of jobs in addition to your other duties, which, as some of your members may think, are of lesser importance.

As to the dismemberment of my home-land - you may have read some verses on the subject the P.D. was kind enough to print and of which I had heard repercussions even as far as from Prague it self. A little later I had sent a "follow-up" poem on the subject, predicting the identical situation which took place the last few days. Mr. Bellamy returned the verses, and accused me of being too visionary.

As I have a pair of twin sisters, (78), still living there and am trying to get them over here with their respective families, I can not even dare to express myself as I would like to, and though they WERE all very comfortably situated, I may expect that they will be penniless, if or when they will ever be able to migrate.

As to the fuss made and enthusiasm shown in the reception of the two Bohemians now traveling in this country I came to the conclusion that we all, (the Jews especially,) were taken in by some very clever booking and press agent, since they had nothing to tell us, nothing to offer, and were very cautious in their expressions in regards to Hitler and their own lack of statesmanship in that rape upon the only real democracy in Europe under the leadership of old Masaryk. It seemed like a case of rats

leaving a drowning ship, or rather more like the officers of an institution, the most important part of which was destroyed, going out with a cup begging for donations, instead of staying on the job trying to rebuild and restore their home. And 80 million in the treasury ! And now, after everything has gone to smash, still begging - for what ?

And where is the peace-loving Vatican in this crisis? A Slavic priest in Pittsburgh starts the ball rolling to dismember Czechoslovakia. Another Canadian vile reprobate accusing Czechs of "bombing in England", another priest delivering Slovakia to Hitler personally, each of them with an ax concealed beneath their cassock to chop down the flagpole of their country.

And this weeks Sat. Eve. Post article as much as tells; Everybody is kicking the Jew around, why should we interfere ? Only the usual attitude of the Post. -- But why bother you with my observations?

With kindest regards to you and Mrs. Silver, in which Mrs. Altschul joins me, and again thanking you both for your thoughtfulness

and wishing you peace and happiness, I am sincerely

*Ernst Altschul*

BARNEY M. MENDELSON

POST OFFICE BOX 227

WOOD, WISCONSIN

Saturday evening  
March 18, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear "Rabbi Silver"

Words fail me to adequately express appreciation, your excellent sermon on radio program, "Message of Israel".

Please accept enclosed as memento to add tangibly to my few words.

Sincerest respect and reverence:

Barney M. Mendelson

Member Peter Royal Feldman Post  
No. 145, Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.

March 19, 1939

Secretary to Dr. Jonah B. Wise  
22 East 32nd St.  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

I am enclosing herewith the address which  
I broadcast Saturday evening.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX  
Enc.



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

March nineteenth  
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Dear Abba:

I appreciate your generous hospitality. It is always a pleasure to be with you but this time I expect to take the first train home after the lecture. I am badly rushed next week-end and the sooner I get back to Pittsburgh the better it will be for me. Thank you very much anyhow.

With best wishes,

As ever,

*Sol*

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
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Rabbi A. H. Silver  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abe:

Your address last night was masterful and I have no doubt it has made and left a profound impression upon the minds of all who were there. When I left your room after midnight to get my coat, I noticed the hour was too late and that your company would remain for some time. I then telephoned to your room to tell you that I was returning home--but due to the conversation in the room, you probably could not hear the telephone.

The next time you come, perhaps you ought to put a sign on your door not to allow any to interfere with your rest. I was glad to see you of course.

With all good wishes from house to house.

*Sam*

SJA:BP

1155 East Donald Street  
South Bend, Indiana  
March 20, 1939

Rabbi A. H. Silver  
10 The Temple  
East 105th Street at Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I received your book and want to thank you very much for your kindness.

Although our Carnival did not net us enough for our goal, we do believe that with one or two more small affairs we may succeed.

may I also take this opportunity to tell you that your gift helped make the Famous People's Booth a great success.

Very truly yours,  
Clara Foslowsky



## Committee for the Reappearance of

# The JEWISH VOICE

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[REDACTED]  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear [REDACTED]

Under separate cover we are sending you a copy of a pamphlet concerning LEON WIESENFIELD, who for fifteen years was editor of the Cleveland Yiddish Daily, the JEWISH WORLD, and who is widely known in our community. We should like to request you to give this pamphlet a few minutes of consideration. Read it and acquaint yourself with the signal achievements of Mr. Wiesenfeld.

We urge this because, as you may be aware, Mr. Wiesenfeld has lately been compelled to sever his relations with the JEWISH WORLD, and had launched a newspaper of his own, THE JEWISH VOICE, publication of which had to be suspended temporarily due to his serious illness, and other reasons set forth in the pamphlet.

A perusal of its contents will familiarize you with some of his more conspicuous achievements. He has labored for everything that is vital and enduring in Jewish life; he has organized some of the important organizations and institutions; he has led a formidable and ceaseless struggle against the Nazis in our city and against all other Jewish foes; he has assisted every vital Jewish undertaking and, in general, has stood in the service of Jewry like a devoted soldier at his post. Today, at 54, he has a background of over thirty-six years of unflagging activity in Jewish life, fifteen of which he has devoted to our city.

Besides his new newspaper, which will soon be published again in English only (until Mr. Wiesenfeld regains some of his lost health), he has also established a printing plant which was made possible with the generous assistance of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver. Rabbi Silver always recognized Mr. Wiesenfeld's labors on behalf of Jewry and is seriously concerned that he should be able to rehabilitate himself.

It is to this printing plant, which is equipped with the latest facilities and for all manner of work, that we would particularly like to direct your attention. May we ask that you favor him with a portion of your printing needs? The prices are most reasonable and the work most satisfactorily. Your gracious cooperation will be appreciated not only by him but by his many friends, including Rabbi Silver, who are exerting themselves to see him established on a sound basis.

Mr. Wiesenfeld has richly merited the support of every Jew in the city, in order to be enabled to continue with his new undertaking. Now, when he is seriously ill and left adrift after severing his relations with the JEWISH WORLD, your cooperation will be more recognized and appreciated than ever.

We should, however, like to ask you once more in closing, to read the pamphlet on Mr. Wiesenfeld, before you decide to come to his support in any way possible.

We hope to hear from you soon, and remain,

Cordially yours,

Committee for the Reappearance of THE JEWISH VOICE



Ben Arsham,  
President

P. S. May we urge you to subscribe for one year of the JEWISH VOICE at two dollars per year, or to send us your greeting?

Thank You.



## **Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Says:**

**"IN REGARD TO MR. WIESENFELD, PERMIT ME TO SAY: I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE COMMUNITY OF CLEVELAND WILL NOT LONG PERMIT EITHER MR. WIESENFELD'S PHYSICAL VOICE, OR HIS WRITTEN "VOICE" TO REMAIN SILENT. CLEVELAND NEEDS HIS COURAGEOUS PEN AND HIS KEEN PUBLIC SPIRIT. I AM CONFIDENT THAT HE WILL SOON BE ENABLED TO RETURN TO HIS DUTIES. I AM MORE THAN HOPEFUL THAT THE CLEVELAND JEWISH COMMUNITY WILL NOT PERMIT THE SUPPRESSION OF HIS FINE "JEWISH VOICE" AND HIS ABLE LEADERSHIP."**

(Quoted from a speech at the United Galician Jews of Cleveland Banquet, March 12, 1939.)

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JULIAN B. FEIBELMAN, RABBI

Marcy 20, 1939.

Dear Dr. Silver,

I have had the privilege of hearing you over the Message of Israel hour in your two recent broadcasts.

You will permit me to tell you how deeply compelling, and magnificent you were. I suppose you are used to this type of comment, but do not allow it to impose an additional task of acknowledgement.

I can not resist telling you, however, that I have seldom been so moved and inspired. The choice of words is so perfect, and your tones so adequate to the refined expressions, that perhaps the only fault is that old old one of leaving nothing to be desired.

Really these are not just fulsome words. Ringing in my ears ever since last Saturday evening have been your words not to despair nor be disillusioned, but to accept the situation as a sacred challenge.

You may also be interested <sup>to</sup> know that I heard Maurice Evans give parts of Richard III last evening, (Charlie McCarthy called it Dick der Duce), and the tones of Evans' voice caught me up quickly, and I realized that he possesses the same range of inflection and depths that you have. I hope you won't think the comparison odious.

I am sorry I did not get to speak to you and Mrs. Silver in Cincinnati. As long as I am "telling you" why not add that you sublimely reached the heights the night you and Gilkey spoke. You let us believe that you were facing a hard task, and then you convinced us that even before <sup>building</sup> bridges, however light in weight and small in bulk they be, <sup>the earth</sup> must be DUG DEEP, before they have any carrying power at all. You were Great. And the convention should have ended that night, notwithstanding the stuffed guinea, or the stuffed shirts of the succeeding evening.

With sincere regards for your strength and welfare, which blessings I hope your wife and dear ones share, I am, with but poorly expressed admiration for your uniquely perfect addresses,

Sincerely

*Julian Feibelman*

JOE WEINGARTEN  
HOUSTON, TEXAS

March 20, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
East 106th Street at Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Friend Silver:

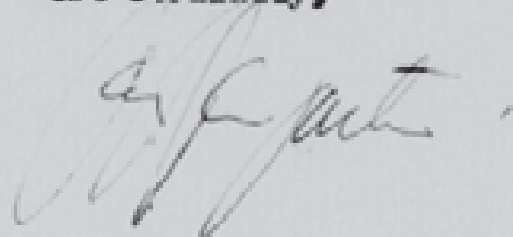
Regarding the honorable Judge Joseph C. Hutcheson, Jr., I want to say this is no routine proposition by any means, and I realize your position fully. However, I want to say sincerely that Judge Hutcheson is not only a man of the highest type and ability, but that he is democratic at heart and has proven his friendship for the Jewish people at times when we needed him.

If at any time you can on the q.t. put in a good word for him, you will be doing a favor not only to me personally but to all Jews as well.

Hoping that you are feeling fine and bearing up under the hard strain you are undergoing during this campaign, and that you can in some way come to Houston and stay a day or so with me at my home, I am

JW:b

Most cordially,



*Red Cross*  
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March 21, 1939

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

Dear Rabbi and Mrs. Silver:

The Annual Roll Call of the Greater Cleveland Chapter of the American Red Cross is being held from March 22 to April 5, 1939. In addition to the regular memberships solicited, the Red Cross is eager to have an increasing number of contributing members.

No doubt you are well acquainted with the services of the Red Cross organization, internationally, nationally, and locally. For many years the Red Cross has been identified with aid and succor on the international scene, as well as disaster relief throughout our country.

In recent years the local Chapter of the Red Cross has also developed a complete program of local service, including First Aid, Home Hygiene, Care of the Sick, Disaster Preparedness, Braille work, and many other educational and community service achievements.

The support of the local Red Cross must now come altogether from Memberships, which also apply as a membership in the National Red Cross.

Knowing your interest in general community welfare, we are addressing this letter to you to request that you join in the support of this valuable non-sectarian work.

We trust that you will become a contributing member, and would be pleased to have you send your check for \$5.00 or more to one of us or direct to the American Red Cross, Greater Cleveland Chapter, 3443 Euclid Avenue.

Respectfully,

*Louis S. Bing, Jr.*  
Louis S. Bing, Jr.,

*Milton T. Daus*  
Milton T. Daus

Moritz M. Gottlieb  
Allentown  
Penna.

March 22nd, 1939.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I have pledged myself to see that thousands of copies of the book FOR THE HONOR OF THE NATION, which will be off the presses about April 15th, are sold. ( I am not a book seller). This book, however, strikes at the core of the American Jewish 'problem'. It is the most constructive answer I have seen, to give the lie to the expressions of the anti-Semite.

This 'dummy' gives a few of the high lights of the book. I have a set of proofs, which I would love to have you read, if you cared to do so.

Proofs are also being read by the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B. B. The latter have purchased 1500 copies, pre-publication.

I would be indebted to you for a frank expression of opinion, after you have looked at the 'dummy'-----and if you can read the proofs, and give me your opinion, it would be marvelous.

I await your verdict.

Sincerely

*Moritz M. Gottlieb*

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Traylor Hotel,  
Allentown, Pa.



Dr. T. Jakobovits

Praha V.,

Pařížská tř. 19.

Prag, 23.III.1939.

Sr. Ehrwürden

Herrn Rabbiner Abba Hillel Silver, Litt. D.

Cleveland. Ohio

Vor einigen Jahren hatte ich das Vergnügen, Sie bei Besichtigung unserer Bibliothek kennen zu lernen. Seither habe ich viel von Ihnen gelesen und auch unserer Bibliothek ist in neue Räumlichkeiten übersiedelt.

Heute sehe ich mich genötigt, an Sie mit einer sehr grossen Bitte heranzutreten. Ich suche an einer jüdischen Bibliothek in Amerika eine Beschäftigung, wozu ich Ihre bekannte hilfreiche Vermittlung erbitte. Seit 1912 bin ich als Bibliothekar an der Bibliothek der jüdischen Kultusgemeinde in Prag angestellt und habe diese Bibliothek im Laufe der 27 Jahre zu einem grossen wissenschaftlichen Institut ausgebaut. Durch Anlegung eines Zettelkataloges aller Hebraica und Judaica, durch Zusammenstellung eines systematischen Katalogs in Buchform, zudem ich auch einen Namen- und Sachkatalog in Arbeit habe, wie durch Neuorganisierung des Ausleihdienstes, habe ich unsere Bibliothek zu einem modernem Musterinstitut gestaltet, wie es nur wenige jüdische Bibliotheken gibt. Durch Veröffentlichungen bibliographischer Arbeiten über unsere Bücherschätze /in öechischer Sprache wie durch wiederholte Ausstellungen aus unseren Bücherbeständen, worüber die Lokal- und Weltpresse berichtete, habe ich unsere Bibliothek populär gemacht und hiefür oft literarische Anerkennung gefunden. Dieses muss ich zu Ihrer Orientierung hervorheben. Nähere Auskunft über meine berufliche und wissenschaftliche Tätigkeit würde Ihnen sicherlich die Repräsentanz der jüdischen Kultusgemeinde in Prag V, Maiselova 18 erteilen.

Ausserdem habe ich an den hiesigen Staatsschulen Religionsunterricht erteilt und bin in einer Kultusgemeinde staatlich anerkannter Rabbiner. Dass ich nebenbei ein Rabbineramt ausübe teile ich Ihnen deswegen mit, damit ich die Einreise nach USA ausserhalb der Quote erhalten könnte. Ich bin am 23.XI.1887 in Lackenbach, Burgenland in Oesterreich, geboren und würde sonst, wie Ihnen ja bekannt sein wird, wahrscheinlich lange nicht darankommen.

Ich weiss, dass Sie, sehr geehrter Herr Rabbiner, durch ähnliche Schreiben aus Eurppa überlastet sein werden. Wenn ich es dennoch wage, mich an Sie mit dieser notgedrungenen Bitte zu wenden, so ist es, weil ich von Ihrem jüdischen Mitgefühl und von Ihrer

26.11.30  
menschlichen Hilfsbereitschaft weiss. Ich hoffe auch deswegen bei Ihnen keine Fehlbitte zu tun, da es in Europa nur wenige geschulte jüdische Bibliothekare gibt und ich die Ueberzeugung habe, an einer jüdischen Bibliothek in Amerika noch Hervorragendes leisten zu können.

Gleichzeitig erlaube ich mir Ihnen einen Teil meiner historischen Arbeiten über die Geschichte der Juden in Prag und Böhmen einzusenden mit der Bitte, sie sich zu behalten oder einer jüdischen Bibliothek übergeben zu wollen.

Nun habe ich mir erlaubt, Ihnen meine tiefen Sorgen darzulegen und ersuche Sie, meine Bitte an Sie nicht als Dreistigkeit anzusehen. "Ješ kone olamo bešaah achat" kann auch Ihre rasche Hilfe für Sie zum Lohne haben. Mit den besten Empfehlungen bin ich stets

Ihr sehr ergebener

*N. Tobias Jakobowitz*

Bibliothekar der jüd. Kultusgemeinde in Prag





*From the desk of—*  
H. S. RIVITZ

3/22/39.

You will find this a very  
interesting article and I  
hope you have time to read  
it.

HIRAM RIVITZ.

# St. John's Church

ROSS, MARIN COUNTY,  
CALIFORNIA  
REV. JOHN COMPTON LEFFLER, Rector

March 22, 1939.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, D. D.,  
The Temple  
East 105th Street At Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi:

Your letter received the other day greatly relieved my mind as I did want to use you as "one of my subjects" and I was afraid my letter to you had gone astray. However, since you have been away on such an important mission, I feel rather apologetic for even bothering you.

I wish I were writing a book about preaching in modern America, but unfortunately it is just a delayed thesis for my B.D. Degree. Rabbi Reichert, who is a good friend of mine agreed with my feeling that you should be the Jewish representative and I certainly appreciate your co-operation and await the printed material with great pleasure.

Some weeks ago, I sent you a printed copy of my sermons which I preached on "The Christian and the Jew". I have discovered that several copies mailed at that time went astray and I am taking the liberty of sending you another one. Reichert was a great help to me in preparing the final proof and has been very kind in ordering several copies for his own distribution. I would appreciate your taking the time to look it over and if you desire any extra copies I shall be glad to let you have them at the cost price of 10¢ each.

With every good wish, I am

Gratefully yours,

*John C. Leffler*

JCL/J

March 23, 1939

Rabbi Armond E. Cohen  
Jewish Center  
1117 E. 105th St.  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Cohen:

Rabbi Silver has requested me to send  
you the enclosed letter.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

BJK

March 23, 1939

Mrs. F. Clayton  
2487 Ryde St.  
Montreal, Canada

My dear Mrs. Clayton:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter and for the contribution which you are making to the Refugee Fund in behalf of the persecuted Jews of Germany. I am forwarding your contribution to our headquarters and I am sure that you will receive an acknowledgment from them.

With all good wishes, and again thanking you for your generosity and good will, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

March 23, 1939

Mr. William E. Fertel  
2861 Euclid Heights Blvd.  
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

My dear Mr. Fertel:

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of the check which you sent me. In keeping with my practice, I shall place it in a charity fund which I use from time to time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

March 24, 1939

The Jewish Publication Society of America  
320-35 Lewis Tower Building  
225 South 15th St.  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sirs:

Please send Rabbi Silver the following  
books during 1939:

THE SHIP OF HOPE  
THE HISTORY OF THE JEWS IN COLOGNE  
THE JEW IN THE LITERATURE OF ENGLAND

These books are to be sent to him  
as part of his 1939 membership.

Thanking you for your courtesy, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

bjk

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

March 24, 1939

Mr. Barney M. Mendelsohn  
Post Office Box 227  
Wood, Wisconsin

My dear Mr. Mendelsohn:

Let me thank you for your kind  
note and for the card photographs of yourself  
which you sent me. I appreciated both very  
much.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

March 24, 1939

Mr. Samuel Friedman  
811 N. Third Street  
Harrisburg, Pa.

My dear Mr. Friedman:

Let me thank you for your kind letter which you wrote to me and which I read with great interest. We are, of course, trying to impress both the English and the Arab World with the ideas contained in your letter.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



March 24, 1939

Rabbi Julian B. Feibelman  
Temple Sinai  
St. Charles and Calhoun  
New Orleans, La.

My dear Friends:

It was indeed very kind and thoughtful of you to write to me and to tell me about my broadcasts. I need not tell you that I greatly enjoyed reading your letter. Your praise, most generous and altogether undeserved, is nevertheless greatly relished.

I was very happy that my broadcasts were so well received throughout the country and I hope that they will help in moving people to a larger measure of sympathy and generosity in behalf of our refugees whose numbers are tragically mounting week by week.

I hope that you will have a very successful campaign for the United Jewish Appeal in New Orleans. I had hoped to come to your community this year in connection with the campaign but unfortunately I could not manage it.

With all good wishes and hoping to see you in the near future, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

March 24, 1939

Miss Mary C. Walker  
City Missionary Society  
14 Beacon Street  
Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Walker:

Your request for a copy of Rabbi Silver's address broadcast on March 18 on the "Message of Israel" program has been forwarded to the New York Office. When the address is printed, they will be glad to send you a copy.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

March 24, 1939

Secretary to Rabbi Jonah B. Wise  
35 East 62nd St.  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

I am enclosing herewith several  
requests for the addresses which Rabbi Silver  
broadcast on the "Message of Israel" program.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK  
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Secretary to Rabbi Silver

March 24, 1939

Mr. James H. Webb  
Van Antwerp Building  
Mobile, Alabama

My dear Mr. Webb:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing to me. I need not tell you that I greatly appreciated the sentiments contained in your letter. I am happy to know that my broadcasts pleased you. Generally, I have been gratified by the response which the two broadcasts have received throughout the country. I am encouraged to believe that there will be a readier response to the needs of the refugees.

I am writing to headquarters in New York requesting them to send you a copy of the broadcasts when they are printed.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

# City of Cleveland

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March 27th, 1939

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

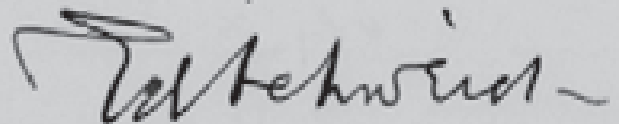
This morning I received a letter from a friend of mine in Asheville, N.C. As you know, this is the home of Mr. Pelley as well as Senator Robert Reynolds, who has strong Fascist leanings. The clippings are from the two local newspapers, which my friend advises me are reactionary.

It is interesting to see the attitude which these papers take against Fascist manufactured merchandise; likewise their interest in the refugee appeal.

I thought this information might be interesting and helpful to you.

With kind regards, I remain

Sincerely,



Edward J. Schweid.

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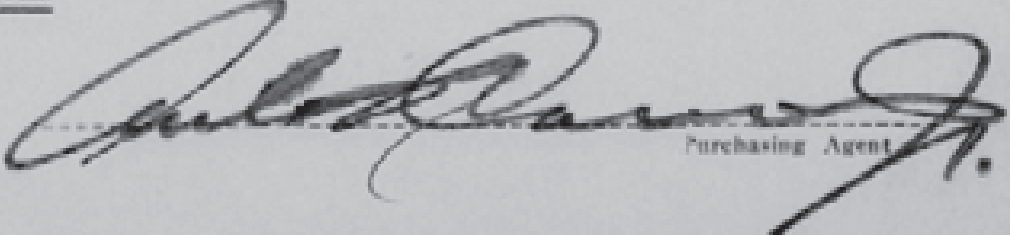
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Ansel Road Temple,  
East 105th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I believe my friend, Mr. Freiburger, has written you about my desire to see you in regard to a paper which I was preparing for the Interfolio Club, a group of women who make a study of some particular subject each year. We are this year making a study of the history of the Jews and my subject is the second Zionist Movement and in general the prospect for the future.

Since talking to Mr. Freiburger the club has decided, at my suggestion, that it would be of greater interest to have someone of authority give this talk at the last meeting. All the members are most anxious that I should try to persuade you to do this for us. This meeting will be at my house on May eleventh. We meet at half past twelve and the paper usually takes about an hour, after which we have luncheon. We should hope very much that you will remain for luncheon with us.

May I say also that, in the event you are willing to do this, we should like to make a contribution of the amount that we usually pay a local lecturer, to the cause of relief of the Jews in Germany.

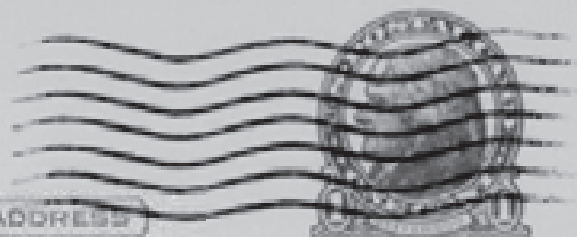
If you would prefer to see me in regard to this before agreeing to give the talk, I should be glad to suit my convenience to yours.

If it would save you the trouble of writing, you can call me by telephone any morning before twelve at my house, Glenville 4490.

I enclose our program for this year which will give you an idea of the ground we have covered.

Sincerely yours,

*Roberta Hilda Bole*



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Ansel Rd.  
Cleveland O.

3/28/39

Dear Rabbi Silver

I want you to know how much I enjoyed your most inspiring sermon you gave at the Temple this past Sunday Mar 26<sup>th</sup>.

How may I get a printed copy of it to mail to a friend in Washington? Are there any printed copies of your previous addresses available? Please advise

Joseph Rothman  
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
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My dear Rabbi:

I have just emerged from an illness of several days. While in bed, at leisure, I looked over my old correspondence and there I found several letters from you pertaining to the Welfare Fund Campaigns in our city. In almost every letter you are expressing thanks to me "for the fine support that you are giving to this campaign."

I believe, my dear Rabbi, that I need not tell you that there is no living person in this city who has contributed more to popularize the Welfare Fund among the Jewish masses than I did. I helped with all my heart every campaign from the very inception of this fund and I especially worked diligently since the first day when you assumed chairmanship.

You will be wondering why I am writing you all this? I am doing it in connection with my repeated request to give me at least some of the printing which is at present being done for the Welfare Fund for the coming campaign. I am bringing this to your kind attention just as another proof of my justified disappointment. I have labored in Cleveland hard, served the Jewish people with all my heart and with all that is in me. Now, when I am a so called business man and forced to appeal to these same institutions for a little work, I am politely refused. Will you blame me for being disgusted? I know, my dear Rabbi, that you spoke to Mr. Bernstein about this matter and I am also thankful to him for his honest endeavors on my behalf. But it seems that not even your or Mr. Bernstein's intervention could bring results... I think that it will not hurt to bring this fact to your attention.

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Dear Rabbi Lazaron:

When I was in Baltimore a few weeks ago, I was very sorry to hear that you were out of town, so that I could not have the pleasure of seeing you. However, I hope to be in Baltimore soon again, and I shall be sure to find out from the Rosenblatt's in advance whether I can see you.

As I wrote you, Mother has left Germany for good, and I just received a letter from her and my brother saying that she arrived safely in Chile, where she intends to make her home, for the time being. You can imagine how relieved I am to know that she is far away from that "powder barrel." I hope that she will be able to come to this country within the next two years, with my brother, even if it is only for a visit.

I am planning to go to Cleveland and Chicago during the next two weeks, and while I am in Cleveland, I should like to meet Rabbi Silver. I know that he is overburdened with work and has very little time to spare, but I wonder whether you would be good enough to secure an introduction for me, so that I can see him for a few minutes and discuss Haavaramarks.

What is Morrie Jr. doing? If he should be in New York and has a free evening, I should like to be with him.

I am going to college again and I am taking evening courses in English, etc. I enjoy them very much, and I hope to get a degree within the next ten years.

I should be very grateful if you would write to Rabbi Silver for me.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

*George.*





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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
E. 105th Street and Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have definitely decided to leave Fort Wayne. I am not staying here another year. Every effort to reconcile myself has failed. Hence I throw modesty to the winds and appeal to you directly. Surely your Congregation could very profitably employ a man of my experience and equipment. Indeed Jewish Religious Education throughout the country would benefit by the arrangement. Thus far very few materials have been produced in our large city Congregations. I need hardly tell you that when I speak of Religious Education I do not mean the Religious School exclusively. I have in mind a definite program of religious reconstruction including the home as well as the school.

You have the traditional lore and the basic Jewish values; I have been trained in the techniques for making them operative. The combination should be of inestimable benefit not only to your Congregation but to Reform Judaism generally. If the arrangement does not prove satisfactory at the end of a year or two, I shall release you from all obligations. I am perfectly willing to take the chance. I know that I have a definite contribution to make. I have produced a little with my limited facilities here. Vastly more is possible in a Congregation like yours.

I am absolutely convinced that we could work together effectually. But if not, the experiment will have been eminently worthwhile and we will part friends as always. I am certain that I could select my successor here, and, of course, Rabbi Harris would be my choice. It should be advantageous to him because, as you know, this is a good Congregation. I hope you will give this matter serious attention. I would be willing to come to Cleveland to discuss the matter in detail. I have had it in mind for a long time; but I have hesitated to speak. Now my mind is made up.

With cordial greetings from house to house and awaiting your reply, I am

Sincerely yours,

S. H. Markowitz, Rabbi

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple,  
Cleveland.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

The most beautiful  
portrait of a gallant  
lady was revealed in  
your eulogy on the pass-  
ing of our Beloved Mother.

We, her children,  
who were privileged  
above others, to share  
her bounteous gifts,

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fully realize how generous she was with her endowments; and she was richly endowed.

Thank you very much for your effort to make the loneliness caused by his death, a little easier to bear.

With kindest regards,  
we are, Sincerely,

Sons & Daughters of  
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TWO EAST FIFTY SIXTH STREET  
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My dear Virginia and  
Rabbi Silver,

The book you  
so kindly sent Herman,  
arrived today. He thanks  
you so much for it.  
It is the one book he wanted  
that has not appeared  
in his newly acquired  
hospital library.

I am glad to see she set  
up for the first time  
today, and outside of being  
a bit wobbly, she feels  
pretty well.

We have been part of the  
radio audience at Rabbi  
Silver Saturday night

broadcasts, and the  
message came in  
beautifully.

Hope to see you in  
Cleveland soon,

Many thanks,

Yours  
Florence.



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With sincere good wishes for  
A Happy New Year  
Robert P. Goldman

EMARCH 1939J

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I take this means to express my deep gratitude to you for honoring us on these most happy occasions of our daughters weddings. I wish to verify, at this time, the exact time that has been arranged between you and the girls: Franco has set her date for March the eighteenth, at eight o'clock P.M., and Lois is to be married at two o'clock P.M. March the twenty-sixth.

It makes the pleasure infinitely greater to have you officiate at these nuptials.

Should you wish, for any reason, to get in touch with us prior to the occasions, we are at your pleasure.

Most respectfully yours,  
Sara Grossman

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