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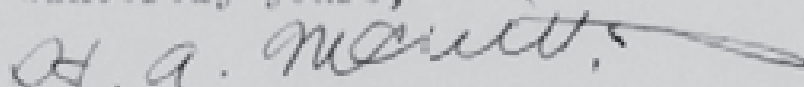
Dear Rabbi Silver:

Several months ago we made
a halftone plate of you
for the Jewish Voice. Our
charge for this was \$5.27.

I am sorry to advise that
all our efforts to collect
have failed. We have been
advised however that you
will pay the bill if it is
sent to you direct. It is
accordingly enclosed.

Thanking you, I am,

Sincerely yours,



H. A. McNitt, President

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May 1, 1939

Miss Alice Lloyd
8 West 3rd St.
Maysville, Kentucky

My dear Miss Lloyd:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter of April 27. I was deeply moved by its contents. The spontaneous action on your part and that of your friends to raise funds in behalf of the unfortunate Jewish refugees is a most beautiful act and greatly heartening in these hard and trying times. As national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, I wish to thank you for the leadership which you have given this cause in your community, and through you, I should like to thank all the generous people who have contributed to the fund. I would suggest that you send the amount raised to our national headquarters - 342 Madison Avenue, New York City.

Incidentally, in the article which you sent me, I came on the name of C. Burgess Taylor, whom I recall with great pleasure from my early days in Wheeling, West Virginia. He was a splendid and leading citizen in that community and I am sure that he has been as great an asset to Maysville as he was to Wheeling.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

May 1, 1939

Mrs. M. Erwin Bry
9629 Ladue
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Elizabeth:

I was very pleased to receive your note and your invitation to enjoy the hospitality of your home while in St. Louis. As you probably know, by this time, I did not go to St. Louis. Flying conditions here Sunday afternoon were such that Mrs. Silver persuaded me not to go. I regret greatly to have missed the meeting which I hope was very successful.

With all good wishes to you and Erwin, and hoping to have the pleasure of seeing you in the near future, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AMS:BX

May 1, 1939

Mr. Joseph M. Kaufman
2468 Overlook Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Kaufman:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness in
sending me the snapshot which was taken in Germany.
I will refer it to our Campaign organization.
Perhaps they will have occasion to use it.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BK

MAY 1, 1939

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May 1, 1939

Mrs. S. W. Flesheim
2566 Norfolk Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Flesheim:

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

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX



May 1, 1939

Dr. H. L. Rockwood
Mt. Sinai Hospital
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Rockwood:

I received the enclosed letter. I am, of course, in no position to answer it. Should I answer it, and if so, what shall I say?

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:HK

May 1, 1939

Miss Mary Sachs
Harrisburg, Pa.

My dear Miss Sachs:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of my good friend, Rabbi Bookstaber's new book, "Judaism and the American Mind". I know that I shall read it with a great deal of pleasure and profit.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ANS:RX

[May 2, 1959]

THE ROOSEVELT PARENT TEACHERS ASSOCIATION
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OHIO

Tuesday

Dear Rabbi Silver,

It is well-nigh sacrilegious to speak of such mundane things as programs et cetera after that magnificent and inspirational talk which you gave at The Statler yesterday but several mothers have asked me more about Confirmation details, one of which I forgot to mention last week when you met with the parents.

How are people to know which Confirmants will not have a reception? Will the program specify such details?

With kindest regards

I am

Sincerely

Effie Q. Vactor

33 Rehav Ben Maimon,
Rehaviah, Jerusalem.
May second, 1939.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,

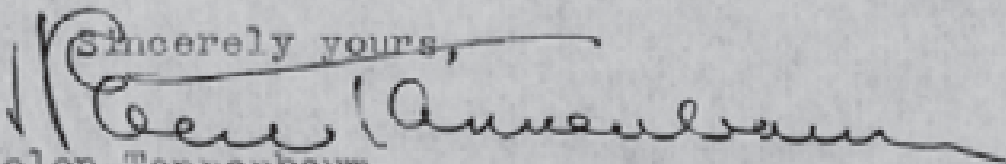
My departure for Eretz Israel on January first was quite sudden. I presume Rose told you of the very difficult period I experienced in New York due to some of our Zionist friends. As things turned out however, it seems as if the Fates took matters in hand and destined my return to Palestine - a step which I do not now regret in the least.

I do not want to go into details at the present moment with regard to conditions here since I am fully convinced that you are au courant of events as they develop. However, before stating what is on my mind, I want to assure you that I have been following your devoted and untiring efforts on behalf of our Homeland. If American Jews would respond only in a measure comparable with the self-sacrifice, stoicism and spirit of the Yishuv, then not even the impending White Paper or any other decree or action of the British Government would prevent our forging ahead in the rebuilding of Eretz Israel. I am amazed at the discipline, optimism and faith of the Yishuv during these very trying days. No matter what the morrow may have in store for us, you can tell our American Jews, the Yishuv is holding the fort of Eretz Israel for all Israel.

And now for the purpose of this letter: I have been seeing your parents quite frequently. I work in the Jewish National Fund offices and pass their home at least twice a day, so that I visit them as frequently as I possibly can. I spoke to your mother to-day. She is up and about and quite well considering how ill she was. Her one complaint usually is that she hears so very little from her children - and particularly from Rose from whom she has not heard for some time. I have written to Rose but received no answer. I am sure that it is only negligence on her part. Can you impress upon her to write more frequently and regularly to her mother. It is something that she should not neglect since letters from her bring your parents so much joy and happiness - and your mother worries unnecessarily because of this. I know that Rose is quite busy with her family, with Jack's business and her social engagements, but a letter to her mother should be a primary consideration on her part.

In any case this is a regards from your parents of whom I am very fond. If there is a service that I can render, either with regard to your parents or anything else at this end, please let me know.

With kind personal regards to you and your family,
I am

Sincerely yours,

Helen Tannenbaum.

New York City, May 2nd 39
807 West End Ave 6^A

Dear Dr. Silver,

First of all - may I thank you once more for the very kind reception I found in Cleveland both in your house and in your Society and Congregation. I can think of the most agreeable hours I was allowed to spend in your company.

The only I had to regret is the fact of not having perfectly met the expectations of my audience. I felt it and said it immediately that the content of my lecture was a little too scientific and not entirely fit for the aim of the meeting. But I hope the mistake once made shall not be repeated. If you could help me in any way to show that I am not only a beginner but a good pupil too, please help me.

and give me within the frame of the
U. J. A. the opportunity to show it and
to prove it.

My trials to legalise my staying
here are going on, but very slowly.
Rabbi Bernstein works for me
eagerly but it seems to be not so
easy. I sent an application for the
vacant post at Ottawa to Mr. G. J. Freeman.
If you could write to him some kind
lines (very kind) on behalf myself
do it please. I would be very obliged
to you.

And finally if you would see
any possibility, please, Dr Silver,
think of me and write to me.

Did you receive my Wolffsohn^A-book,
which I let send you by my publisher here?

I remain, dear Dr Silver,
with kind regards for you and your
family

Yours very truly
Emil Berns. Cohen

WASHINGTON 9469

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Mr. R. Lustig
12519 Buckeye Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Lustig:

Permit me to thank you for the check of \$10 which you sent me which was raised by the members of Congregation Shomrei Hadath for the Jewish National Fund. I shall send the amount on to the Jewish National Fund headquarters in New York.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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May 2nd, 1939

Mr. Samuel Goldhamer,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Goldhamer:

Where can I get a half-dozen extra copies of Rabbi Silver's radio addresses, "Seeing our Problem against the larger Background", and "The Morals of Aid to Refugees"?

type of Incidentally, do all of the cities, in their drives, have the use of the yellow-colored campaign circulars which are being sent to our workers from day to day?

I would like to get one or two copies of each of these circulars if possible.

Sincerely yours,

Nathan Loeser

NL-K

MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL
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EXECUTIVE OFFICES

May 3, 1939.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

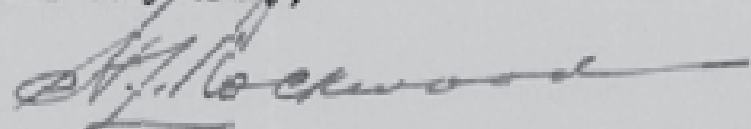
I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 1st enclosing a letter from the Mutual Hospitalization Association, William C. Dixon, President.

I shall, of course, be pleased to discuss the matter of acceptance of checks from this Association with Mr. Dixon should he care to see me.

It is our policy to deal only with patients or their families as they are responsible for their hospital bills. We have no objection to accepting checks made directly to patients but insist that the liability for payment is constantly lodged with the persons to whom we render service.

In the case of our Cleveland Hospital Service Association this organization is acting as our agent and for other non-profit hospitals of Cleveland, but no other organization has authority to sell our services in a similar way.

Yours very truly,



H.L. Rockwood,
Director.

HLR:RAS

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

May
3
1939

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

Dear Abba:

I am writing to you in an eleventh hour appeal to put the Jacob Mann Publication Fund over the top. I think you will be pleased to know that we have now reached the \$2000.00 mark in our solicitation of funds. That means that we have rounded second base but we still have to cross third and the home plate. Some of my colleagues have put their shoulders to the wheel and have given splendid assistance. I single out for especial thanks in this connection Sol Freehof, Jake Shankman, Bill Braude and Bob Kahn for the effective help they have rendered.

I am now appealing to a small group of whom you are one, to undertake to raise \$50.00 within the next three weeks. You can - -

- 1-Tap the Charity Fund of your Religious School,
- 2-Ask the Sisterhood and Men's Club for a small contribution,
- 3-Get something from your Board of Trustees,
- 4-Have your Parnas give \$10.00 for a

copy of "THE BIBLE AS READ AND PREACHED IN THE OLD SYNAGOGUE," which can be presented to your local University or Public Library.

Let's not let Prof. Mann down now that we are in sight of the goal. If you will go out, really appeal to your friends, and raise this money within the next three weeks, we can go to press by Shabuoth.

I am appealing to you for help in the name of Prof. Mann and on behalf of the cause of Jewish scholarship to which he has made such illustrious contributions.

I await with confidence your contribution whatever it may be.

*We've been entertaining Mr. Davidson
of Sincere Press the past few days. He's a
delightful chap, charming wife. He's giving them
a warm reception at Cleveland.*

Sincerely

Victor E. Reichert

May 3, 1939

Miss Dorothy Forrest
Superior Branch Library
1347 East 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Miss Forrest:

Enclosed herewith is a list of books
which Rabbi Silver has chosen as the ones which
should be in every Jewish home.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

BJK
Enc.

May 4, 1939

Mr. Nathan Loeser
National City Bank Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Loeser:

Mr. Samuel Goldhamer informed our office that you were interested in procuring some extra copies of Rabbi Silver's radio addresses, "Seeing Our Problem against the larger Background", and "The Morals of Aid to Refugees". I am enclosing herewith six copies of each.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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May 4, 1939

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I should like to thank you again for your kindness in giving me the information yesterday that I so much needed. I was somewhat startled to find how much of your time I had taken and that I would have an irate husband waiting for me at my son's house.

May I ask you to accept the enclosed check, to be used for the benefit of the Jewish refugees and to be turned over to any agency in which you are interested?

I am making my regular contributions through other channels and this is only an extra gift in appreciation of the trouble you took for me. It is not as much as the Club had expected to donate if you could have given us all a talk on the subject, but we realize that it would have been impossible for you just now to give the time to prepare and deliver a discourse.

However, I feel very grateful to you as your

answers have clarified greatly my own views. I think I shall be able, with this help from you and that of the various articles and magazines, to write a better paper on this very puzzling but engrossing subject of the future of the Jewish people.

Sincerely yours,

Robert H. R. R.



May 4, 1939

Rabbi Wendell A. Phillips
Temple Mount Sinai
El Paso, Texas

My dear Rabbi Phillips:

Thank you for your letter of April 24.
The check which you sent was applied to our Library
Fund as you designated.

It was the Popular Dry Goods Company of
your city who requested that a copy of my book,
"Messianic Speculations In Israel" be sent to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

Cleveland O.
618 E. 109 St.
May 5 - 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.
to The Temple.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Please find check enclosed,
my contribution to the Welfare drive
in memory of my dear husband
Leo Sampl.

Yours truly

Mrs. Leo W. Sampl

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

May 5, 1939

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

Dear Abba:

It was very kind of you to promise Rabbi Kasher that in the autumn you would raise some funds for the publication of one volume of the Torah Shelemah. Knowing how busy you are with the United Jewish Appeal, it was particularly generous even to give consideration to any other fund raising effort.

Please give my best to Virginia.

With best wishes,

Very sincerely,

Sol

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"A great and wonderful thing is being created in Israel, a gigantic and encyclopedic opus the like of which has not come down to us since ancient days and which will, upon its completed publication, be a source of eternal pride to the Eternal People and particularly to the generation which was fortunate enough to witness the conception and realization of such a mighty work, such a contribution to the holy lore of our Torah."

(Excerpt from an appreciation by the late sainted Rabbi A. I. Kook.)

For many generations, students and scholars of the Torah and of Biblical literature have felt the need for an Encyclopedia of Commentaries on the Bible, a compendium of all the Talmudic-Midrashic literature, both in Halakah and Agadah, on the Pentateuch. The fruits of the intellectual labors of our teachers, luminaries and sages of past generations over a period of nearly two thousand years, which storehouse of learning is usually referred to as the "Torah She'be'al Peh", the Oral Law, is founded upon and revolves about the "Torah She'bichsav", the Written Law, the Bible. This great wealth of material was left us by our sages in a vast sea of multitudes of books on a profuse multiplicity of subjects. Their words are not cited on the verses of the Torah to which they refer, at their appropriate places, but are scattered over literally hundreds of thousands of dispersed passages in tome upon tome of Talmudic and Midrashic lore. So that even after considerable training it always involved expending much time and effort to find a Midrashic or Talmudic passage bearing upon a particular verse in the Pentateuch. Innumerable references and cross-references had to be consulted and even then success was not always assured.

And, lo! The signal fortune is ours that in this, our generation, there has arisen a great and energetic scholar who has taken upon himself the lofty but gigantic task of supplying us with this long-needed and long-desired wonderous creation, of giving us a Pentateuch containing in a systematic and scientifically ordered manner all the literature of the Oral Law on every word and even letter of the Torah. Every commentary, exegesis and interpretation is here to be found cited in its proper place near the actual text of the Pentateuch. We refer, of course, to the Talmudic-Midrashic Encyclopedia, "TORAH SHELEMAH", compiled and edited by that eminent scholar and gentlemen of profound learning, RABBI MENACHEM KASHER of Palestine. RABBI KASHER has given us a work of consummate scholarship and, at the same time, of great utility. For now it is for the first time possible for anyone studying the Pentateuch to have at his fingers' tips an exhaustive and comprehensive compilation of all the Talmudic and Midrashic material, from Mishnaic times to the end of the Geonic period, to be found on the passage he is perusing. RABBI KASHER has also with much patience and diligence gathered from manuscripts in all the great libraries of the world much important material, hitherto practically unknown, which finds itself in print for the first time in the pages of the "TORAH SHELEMAH". In addition, the author has graced his work with a running commentary of his own, written in a clear style and in concise form, explaining and clarifying difficult and obscure passages and also embodying many important notes and novellae. Thus this veritable treasure of learning, the "TORAH SHELEMAH", reflects all the brilliant coruscations of the genius of our sages and is the repository of all their pearls of wisdom.

It is indeed difficult for the one examining the already published volumes of the "TORAH SHELEMAH" to believe that this magnum opus is the result of the unaided efforts of one man: for to bring forth such a stupendous creation a staff of scholars each one expert in his field would seem necessary. Yet the enormous talents, indefatigable energy and inexhaustible zeal of RABBI KASHER have combined to accomplish the seemingly impossible.

It is incumbent upon everyone to whom the lore of our holy Torah is dear to have the "TORAH SHELEMAH" on the shelves of his library. And everyone who values true Jewish scholarship should take an active interest in establishing endowments so that RABBI KASHER may be enabled to continue issuing succeeding volumes of his Encyclopedia of Commentaries with regularity. It would be an everlasting disgrace to our generation if, for lack of necessary funds, there should be a serious interruption in this all-important work.

Everyone who has seen the first eight volumes of this Encyclopedia (which is to encompass thirty volumes) must await the issuance of subsequent volumes with impatience. But it is unfortunate that there is delay in the publication of the remaining volumes because the worthy author-compiler must spend so much of his precious time in traveling about to raise means for the continuing of his noble enterprise.

It is therefore the solemn duty of Jewish leaders, Rabbis and other men of Jewish learning, who are able to properly evaluate the "TORAH SHELEMAH" and to appreciate its worth, to subscribe to this Talmudic-Midrashic Encyclopedia themselves, to get others to subscribe and to influence patrons of learning in their community to take an active part in facilitating the completion of this monumental spiritual-intellectual undertaking.

And may it soon come to pass that "out of Zion shall go forth the Law and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem". (*Isaiah 3, 2*)

RABBI DR. ISAAC HERZOG

(*Chief Rabbi of Palestine*)

RABBI MOSHE AVIGDOR AMIEL

(*Chief Rabbi of Tel-Aviv*)

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(*Chief Rabbi, Agudath Israel in Palestine*)

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The purpose of the TORAH SHELEMAH COMMITTEE is twofold: cultural and financial.

Firstly, we aim to disseminate information concerning the TORAH SHELEMAH and to popularize it. This great Encyclopedia of Commentaries is not only a storehouse of scholarship but is a very useful instrument in acquiring a greater knowledge and a more comprehensive understanding of our holy Torah. We feel that every person of cultural interests, particularly one who has tasted of the fruits of the "tree of knowledge" which is our Torah, must give the TORAH SHELEMAH a prominent place on the shelves of his library. He can then give himself many hours of intellectual pleasure and spiritual joy perusing its stimulating and illuminating pages.

Secondly, we aim to raise sufficient funds through subscriptions, endowments and subventions to enable RABBI KASHER to push forward the publication of the remaining volumes of his magnum opus without unnecessary delay or inconvenience. To date, the first twelve portions (Sedrahs) (Genesis complete) have been issued to an admiring world. There still remain, however, forty more portions (Sedrahs) to be published. The cost of publication is approximately \$1,000 per portion (Sedrah). It is therefore the ardent desire of the Committee to procure forty subventions of \$1,000 each from individuals, congregations, societies and organizations. The individual or group contributing this sum toward the publication of the TORAH SHELEMAH will have a page dedicated to him or to it in the volume containing the portion (Sedrah) for which the fund is donated. This dedicatory page may also serve to memorialize one's dear ones.

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TORAH SHELEMAH

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DR. CYRUS ADLER, *Pres. Jewish Theological Seminary and Pres. Dropsie College*, writes:

Rabbi M. M. Kasher, of Jerusalem, has published the first volume* of a work, to be completed in twenty-five volumes, entitled "Torah Shelemah", a complete Torah. It is a plan which will bring together in the compass of one set all the important passages in Rabbinic literature relating to the Biblical text. In short, it is a commentary on the Torah, based upon the whole of Rabbinic literature.

The great merit of this work is that it will save all students and scholars an enormous deal of time in themselves searching for these passages, and to students and scholars in isolated places or without great libraries it will be invaluable.

I heartily commend his publication to the general support of those who are interested in Jewish learning and in promoting Biblical study.

DR. H. G. ENELOW, *Pres. Central Conference of American Rabbis* writes:

Rabbi Menahem M. Kasher is the author of an encyclopedic collection of rabbinic comments on the Bible, and a commentary of his own accompanying it. The first volume, which he has just published, reveals a marvellous amount of learning and systematizing ability. There is no doubt but such a work will prove valuable and stimulating to every student of the Bible who is able to use it. The learned rabbi deserves to be supported in this enterprise, and I bespeak a hospitable reception on the part of every lover of the Bible and Jewish scholarship.

PROF. LOUIS GINZBERG, *of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America* says:

I am very much beholden to you for your kindness in forwarding to me the first part of your great work, "Torah Shelemah". I examined it very carefully and I was most favorably impressed with the great learning displayed by you. Your eminent qualifications for the work undertaken are evident on each page and I hope you will succeed in completing the work you have begun. Students of the Bible as well as of post-Biblical literature will be greatly indebted to you for a work of this kind, which has been a crying need for so long a time. I hope that American Israel will come to your assistance and provide the means necessary for the publication.

DR. B. REVEL, *President of the Faculty of the Yeshiva Rabbi Isaac Elchanan*:

Rabbi M. M. Kasher, noted scholar and author, has completed a most comprehensive commentary on the Torah, bringing together, alongside the text, all passages in the wide rabbinical literature relating to the biblical text, and supplementing the whole with his own learned and illuminating notes.

The scope of this work is unique and monumental: it will make available to the student and scholars the treasures of Biblical exegesis contained in hundreds of volumes of the Talmudic-Midrashic literature. It will bring to them the blessing of great libraries. It combines in harmonious blending the written and the unwritten law.

*Please note that this letter as well as several of the ones following, was received when the first volume of the Torah Shelemah appeared. Today, the first eight volumes of the Torah Shelemah (Genesis complete) are already published.

The first volume of the great work, "Torah Shelemah", which is to be completed in 25 volumes, testifies to the extraordinary exhaustiveness of the work and the profound erudition and full equipment of the author. When the work has been brought to its completion, it will satisfy a great need, felt by every student of the Bible and post-biblical literature. It will help remove many misconceptions in regard to Rabbinic exegesis of the Bible and will help answer many questions that have troubled Biblical students.

This monumental achievement will be a great sum of understanding shedding light upon the basis of our spiritual world, the Bible; it will bring a fuller understanding of the Torah within general reach by making readily available in unified presentation all the sources and all the views in the vast Rabbinic literature, all revelations of the Jewish outlook on life, history and morals, that have their sources in the Bible.

I can think of no more important work, in connection with the Bible, than this great concordant study. It is my sincere hope that all to whom our laws and lore are dear will come generously to the assistance of Rabbi Kasher in the publication of this great work, so that without delay or inconvenience, its inestimable material and scholarship may be placed at the service of students and scholars, to the deeper love and understanding of Torah and the glory of God.

PROF. JULIAN MORGENSTERN, *President Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati, Ohio*, writes:

I have examined the first volume of your work, The Torah Shelemah, with great interest and am deeply impressed by it. It evinces not only your own scholarship and ability to satisfactorily cope with the difficult and complex task which you have undertaken, but it likewise demonstrates the immense practical value which this great work must necessarily have for Jewish scholarship. It is a work for which Jewish scholars and all other scholars engaged in the scientific study of the Bible have waited for many years. It fills, therefore, a long-felt want. It is greatly to be desired that the publication of this work should be completed at as early a date as possible, in order that Jewish scholarship may begin without delay to reap the benefit therefrom. I commend the work, therefore, heartily and unreservedly to the interest and the support of the Jews of America and bespeak for it their ready and generous support, either in the way of direct contributions to the publication fund or in the way of subscription. I might suggest also that whereas on the one hand this work ought to be in every public and university library, but whereas on the other hand many libraries may not feel able or inclined to subscribe to it, it would be well worth while for public-spirited Jewish citizens to subscribe for a set of this volume and present it to the public library or university library of their community.

PROF. MAX L. MARGCLIS of the Dropsie College, Philadelphia, writes:

The student of Scripture, who work to lay bare the often hidden plain meaning, has need at every point of all that has been grafted upon the written word by the teachers in the Talmud-Midrashic literature. Such search in many volumes requires a great deal of time. It will be a great convenience to consult your finished work, of which I have seen a specimen. But that specimen, short as it may be, shows that you rightly claim it to be "most complete" and in advance upon all similar works previously published. To the preacher and Talmudist, who are directly interested in haggadic matter woven out of the Scriptural words, your work ought to be especially welcome. I hope that you will succeed in enlisting the aid of benevolent patrons, to the end that you may labor without interruption and that all the parts may be speedily issued.

GEORGE F. MOORE, *Professor of Religion, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.*, writes:

I have read the preface and introduction to the volume of the "Torah Shelemah" which you were good enough to send me some time ago, and I have also examined the collections and notes on several verses here and there in the first chapter of Genesis. The collections seem to me to be comprehensive, and — where I am able to judge — exhaustive, and the references and notes to furnish an adequate commentary upon the texts.

A work of this kind would be useful for several purposes and for different classes of readers. I hope that you will be able to carry your enterprise to completion.

PROF. J. Z. LAUTERBACH, of *The Hebrew Union College*, writes:

I thank you very much for your kindness in sending me the first volume of your encyclopedic work "Torah Shelemah." I am very happy indeed that a work the need of which has long been felt will at last be brought forth by a man who is in every sense fully equipped for this great task.

To the Rabbinical Jew, the authority of the Torah is not limited to what it actually contains, but extends to all that which the Jewish genius has discovered in or read into it. To paraphrase a well-known saying of the Talmud, "He who keeps the Torah naked, that is, according to the bare sense of the letter of the Law, will die without ever having rightly fulfilled or correctly understood the commandments of the Torah." We must keep the Torah in the dress, so to speak, and with all the embellishments given to it by the Rabbim. Your work will present the Torah to us in such a dress, adorned by all that which the Talmud and Midrash literature has derived from or added to it. It will indeed give us the Torah in its completeness, bringing together all the teaching and ideas found in both the written and the oral Law.

It will be of great help not only to students but to great scholars and I hope that you will be enabled to complete the work very soon.

RABBI DR. J. H. HERTZ, *Chief Rabbi of the British Empire*:

"Torah Shelemah" is a work of outstanding importance and should be in the possession of every student of the Torah. I am glad to introduce to the Jewish Public the wonderful work of Rabbi Kasher . . . The great work deserves a hearty welcome by all lovers and seekers of the Torah.

Haham DR. M. GASTER:

Rabbi Kasher has set himself an enormous task. He has ransacked not only the sea of the Talmud, but he has explored the entire Midrashic Literature. Whenever a verse of the Bible is cited or is the subject of comment, he makes a complete extract of the passage. He has now prepared his Magnum Opus. It is a new edition of the whole Hebrew Bible.

PROF. A. BUCHLER, Ph.D. and RABBI DR. I. EPSTEIN, B.A., Ph.D., D.Lit., *Jews' College, London*:

Rabbi Kasher's "Torah Shelemah" is a veritable storehouse wherein have been gathered the choicest fruits garnered from the vast field of Hebrew Commentaries on the Pentateuch. His entries, culled from the whole range and extent of the Rabbinic, Midrashic, Gaonic and post-Gaonic literature, constitute the most representative and comprehensive collection of its kind that has ever been, or is ever likely to be, attempted. The scientific character of the work is reflected in the sure mastery and skill with which he handles and interprets his material. It is a work of interest alike to the specialist and to the layman, and all lovers of the Bible will find in the volumes a full array of knowledge exceeding their expectations.

PROF. S. BRODETSKY:

I am glad to have an opportunity of saying how glad I am that the publication of "Torah Shelemah" has now been taken in hand. The work is a mine of Rabbinical knowledge and research and will be of the greatest value to Talmudic and general Hebrew students. I understand that six of the twenty-six parts are now ready and I very much hope it will not be long before the rest of this scholarly and important work is available.

PROF. MAURICE A. CANNEY, *Manchester University*:

The "Torah Shelemah" impresses me as being a very valuable work. In Encyclopaedic form it supplies a real need felt by many students of the Torah. It should be in as many private libraries as possible and should also be made accessible in public libraries, for its wide use may be expected to improve the knowledge of the Torah and to promote its deeper study.

PROF. A. W. GREENUP, D.D., Litt.D.:

Rabbi M. Kasher has undertaken a herculean task in compiling all the comments on the Pentateuch from both Mss. and printed editions down to the close of the Gaonic age. The work will be indispensable to students of Biblical and Rabbinic literatures; and future commentators in whatever language, have here a mass of material which they may turn to advantage.

PROF. R. TRAVERS HERFORD M.A., D.D. (*Chester*):

All students of the Midrashim, even expert scholars, must own the value as they have felt the necessity of such a work as "Torah Shelemah", now in course of publication; but few perhaps ever imagined that such a colossal enterprise could be undertaken, let alone be carried out. The wonder is all the greater that it should have been accomplished by one man. His labour ought not to fail of reaching its goal, which is the publication of this great work so as to make it accessible to all students. That any word of mine can promote that object does not seem likely, but I cordially recommend the publication of "Torah Shelemah" to all who can assist in that good work.

PROF. S. H. HOOKE (*Davidson Professor of O.T. Studies, University of London*):

It will be a great boon to students of the Old Testament to have at their disposal a comprehensive collection of Midrashim to the Pentateuch. This service is ably and adequately rendered by Rabbi Kasher in his great undertaking, the publication of "Torah Shelemah." I sincerely hope the learned author will receive every assistance.

PROF. EDWARD ROBERTSON, M.A., D.D., D.Litt., *Manchester University*:

Rabbi Kasher contemplates publishing further volumes of "Torah Shelemah" and steps are being taken to assure their publication. I need hardly say how desirable this is. The work, I think, justifies its title and is invaluable to all students and researchers in Rabbinic studies. I hope his efforts will meet with full success.

PROF. A. S. YAHUDA:

I consider "Torah Shelemah" as one of the most important works, especially for the history of the interpretation of the Pentateuch from the earliest times. It is indispensable for Biblical research and the volumes already published have been of great use to me. I hope that the author-editor will be assisted by all students and lovers of the Bible towards the completion of his work.

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Dear Rabbi:

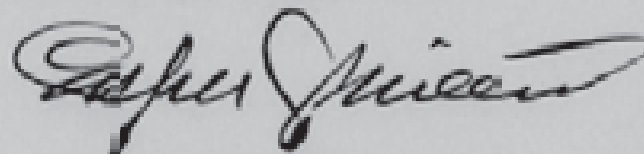
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May 6, 1939

Dear Dr. Silver:

It is always inspiring to receive large gifts from wealthy philanthropists and foundations, but under present conditions such gifts are made only after careful consideration of the needs and qualifications of many applicants.

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161 Neptune Avenue
Jersey City, New Jersey
May 7, 1939

Dear Uncle Abba,

In the April issue of
the National Education
Association Journal. I
noticed a picture of you
addressing the Elementary
School Principals at the
Cleveland School Adminis-
trators Convention. That
delightful smile of yours
was unmistakable. We
hear from Irving and Flo.
That you and Aunt Virginia
and the boys are well. I
am glad of that.

I think you may be

surprised to learn that I shall be graduated from college this June. Not only that — I am seriously considering my chances for making a place for myself in the world.

You see, for nearly four years now I have been preparing myself for the teaching profession at the Montclair State Teachers College. Although I realized that someday I would actually have to apply for a position, I had always relegated that grim reality to a vague and distant background.

However, I have just completed twelve weeks of

actual teaching - practice teaching is the technical term - and I know now that teaching is my work above anything else.

That brings me up to the present, where I am reviewing my chances for actual placement as a teacher. As in any other profession, the field of teaching is over-crowded. My college placement bureau places only a negligible percentage of our graduates each year, and among them the Jewish students are conspicuous by their absence.

My professors and instructors at school advise me that my chances would be best in a big city. Since I have a brother whom I adore, a cousin who is

close to me, and an aunt and uncle of whom I am very proud, living in Cleveland, one of the places I should like to apply to for a position in that city - Cleveland.

So that you may know something of my general experience and qualifications, I list them now:

I shall be certified to teach English, Social Business, and Social Studies from the fifth to the twelfth grades.

My general experience includes twelve weeks of practice teaching, four years of acting and directing in dramatics at college, three years on the college newspaper, four years of typing, one

year of club leading in my community, and four years as camp counselor.

In conclusion, I sincerely hope that you will not think it an imposition if I call on you - an important man in Cleveland - besides being, as one of my professors, a former Cleveland high school principal, says, an "outstanding churchman in the nation," - for a letter of recommendation to the superintendent of schools in the near future.

(I must say that last paragraph is definitely involved. Please forgive me for it!)

I believe I shall address this letter to The Temple,

because I do not have
your new address.

Mother, Dad, Ruth,
and Naomi all send their
love and wish to be
remembered to Aunt Virginia
and the boys.

I myself continue
to watch your magnificent
career with a growing
thrill and pride.

Your devoted niece,
Estelle.

May 7, 1939

Mr. H. A. McNitt
2042 East Fourth Street
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. McNitt:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of May 1. I have no connection whatever with the Jewish Voice and I did not order any halftone plate made of me.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.

May 8, 1939

Mr. Harald Isenstein
Gl. Kongevaj 31
Copenhagen, Denmark

My dear Friend:

It was very thoughtful of you to send me a copy of the brochure written about your work by Mr. Svend Rindholt. It brought back memories to me of our pleasant associations in Berlin so many many years ago, it seems. So many things have transpired in the world since 1933 that it looks as though we met in another age.

I am delighted to know that you have found a home and an opportunity to carry on your creative labors in one of the peaceful spots left in Europe. I hope that you and Mrs. Isenstein are well. It may be that I shall visit Europe this year (if there is no war) and perhaps spend a few days in Denmark where I have never been. In that case, I shall of course give myself the great pleasure of calling on you.

With all good wishes to you and to your dear lady,
I remain

Most cordially yours,

ahs:bk

May 8, 1939

Mrs. Benjamin Patterson Bole
Lake Shore Boulevard and Bratenahl Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Bole:

May I thank you for your great kindness in making a contribution of \$25 for the benefit of the Jewish refugees. I am turning your contribution over to the Jewish Welfare Fund which is at present engaged in a campaign for Jewish refugees. I need not tell you that I, personally, and the organization of the Jewish Welfare Fund deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness and your generosity.

It was a pleasure for me to have had the opportunity to talk over with you some of the problems in which you were interested. If at any future time I can be of service to you, please feel free to call on me.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

May 8, 1939

Mr. William C. Dixon, President
Mutual Hospitalization Association
Williamson Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Dixon:

The letter which you kindly sent me, I forwarded to Dr. Rockwood, director of Mount Sinai Hospital and I am enclosing herewith a copy of his reply.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
City.

My dear Rabbi:

It is indeed with profound regret that I am once more compelled to take up your valuable time, especially in these your busy days, with regards to my personal and perhaps insignificant affairs. But, you may believe me, that I am yielding to the desperate pleas of my wife who is unceasingly and heartbreakingly imploring me to turn to you once more. I am yielding to her pleas in a moment when -- as the Yiddish proverb goes -- "the slaughter-knife is at my throat" and I am actually suffocating under the unbearable burden of the existing conditions.

This is my only - and last - "S.O.S." in a desperate effort to save my printing, that is at present all that I possess, and which I am about to close. I have reached the point of total exhaustion in every respect: financially, physically, mentally and - morally. I cannot carry on my printing, in spite of a marked improvement in orders within recent days, because of want of operating-capital and insufficient equipment. I will be compelled to close my doors, perhaps by the end of this week, because I am unable to meet my rent and the payments on the machinery.

However, should I really be forced to take this last step I will automatically deprive myself of my only means and at the same time also of my only hopes to ever to reestablish myself in public life and in my own profession. I will lose all chances for economic independence and that will, de-facto, mean the total exit and extinction of Leon Wiesenfeld.

The printing was the only hope that I had in recent months - in months of humiliation, disappointment, discouragement and despair. My physicians assert that I am living on my nerves only. If that is true then I must assume that the printing was the stimulant that strengthened my nerves and supplied them with the vitality to keep me going in face of all reverses.

So long as I had hopes of keeping the printing I also entertained hopes that some day, sooner or later, I would again be enabled to publish a paper. When this opportunity would manifest

itself I would finally find the long-sought opportunity to rehabilitate my reputation for which I labored arduously for nearly four decades in public life, and which has recently been mercilessly discredited through baseless aspersions and vile intrigues and calumnies by a sadistic and viciously-vindictive gang. But once the printing is gone I will have to succumb to the existing circumstances and to perish in misery.

It is deplorable that I have been so often misunderstood within recent months and that my assertions and conclusions were so wrongly misinterpreted, not only by people who are incapable of comprehending the true significance of the situation, but even by you. I am well aware that even at this moment, when I mention the undeniable blow that has been dealt to my reputation, ~~I fear~~ ~~that~~ you will again suspect me of being obsessed by a "persecution mania." But the truth of the matter is that the local Zionist gang, together with the Jewish World henchmen, succeeded to greatly harm my reputation not only here, in Cleveland, but also nationally.

Beginning with the Zionist convention in Detroit I have been until this very day the object of baseless aspersions and vile slanders which were carried on by the leaders of the Zionist bunch. In New York, for instance, as my relatives are informing me, it is "commonly known" on the literary rialto, that I was "shamefully" fired from the Jewish World because of my "racketeering tactics." I am supposed to be the "most hated and most despised" person in Cleveland, where I "lost out completely" thanks to my "detrimental" activities. The "entire city" is supposed to be "rejoicing" that my "destructive work" has finally been halted. Every Jew in this community, including even you, is repudiating me for "certain things" that I was supposed to have done and which were a "disgrace" to the community.

I told you already that the reasons why I could not accept the position in Chicago was due to these and other wild calumnies which created advance prejudice and would beyond the least doubt make it impossible for me to keep my new position. But this gang did not stop in Chicago. They carry on their vile works everywhere where Yiddish newspapers are being published ostensibly out of fear that if I shall succeed to obtain a job in a newspaper this would most probably give me an opportunity to show them to ~~the~~ country in their true colors.

You will recall your colleague Brickner's sudden and entirely unprovoked attack on me from the platform of the convention hall in Detroit. Immediately after this shameful outburst he turned to Dr. Margoshes and Z. H. Rubinstein and cried to them that I was "on the way out" from Cleveland; that the people here were already satiated with my "destructive activities." He asserted that "very soon he'll be aus groiser mensch", etc. Margoshes and Rubinstein then came to me and, in all seriousness warned me, that he was liable to ruin me. I laugh at their warnings at that time. But, I am sorry to say, now I know better; what later transpired gave prove that he knew exactly what he was talking about.

But it wasn't really until after the Hebraist convention in Cleveland that these rumors about me being such a "terrible fellow" began to spread in all earnestness in New York and other cities, until my "down-fall" in Cleveland became commonly known. In Detroit the watchword was given by Brickner and in Cleveland Friedland, Hurwitz and others finished the job in a time when I am at least temporarily helpless and defenseless.

People that are not acquainted with this situation do not conceive the enormity and the real significance of all of this. They don't understand that though I am well known nationally I have, in this country, built my reputation on my activities in Cleveland. But once Cleveland "repudiates" me my reputation is nothing but a dead-letter. Slanders of that character, or even less violent, have already ruined the best men in my profession. You will say that intelligent people would not give credence to such a wild accusations. But you will be mistaken; you have no idea how light-mindedly this sort of aspersions and calumnies are accepted as truths.

I hate to refresh your memory again. But did not this same thing take place in your case? Did not the slanders of your enemies open the way for a known demagogue to come to your city, where you have such an admirable record of great and lasting accomplishments, and tell over three hundred people, who knew you so well, and who only yesterday applauded and loved you, that you were a "leach" on the body of Jewry in general and on the body of this community in particular? And did not these three hundred, or more, men and women enthusiastically applaud the demagogue because they believed that the devil himself was at that time embodied in Rabbi Silver? Later I heard the most unbelievable accusations against you in New York and even here, in Cleveland people were ready to give credence to everything. At the convention in Detroit delegates from all over the country, among them men and women who idolize you otherwise, were under the impression that you are the worst man in the world. People are always fickle inclined to give credence to everything.

And do not forget that, after all, I am not Rabbi Silver. I do not enjoy your position, your power and your influence in Jewish life. I said already that I have built my reputation in Cleveland only and almost exclusively in my own field. In addition you had devoted, honest-to-God friends who stood with you to the limit and took up your battles. On the contrary my so-called friends shamefully proved to be almost exclusively "publicity friends." They are keeping themselves cowardly aloof out of fear that close relations with me might hurt their publicity-chances with the Jewish World and, perhaps, also with the Jewish Independent. I stand alone against a murderous and vindictive gang which swore to ruin me in every respect.

This, my dear Rabbi, is not an obsession; it is not a mania. This is a strangulation of a man for the sole sin that he dared to say and to write the truth. Besides. The Zionist gang is not the only one that is doing me great harm. In the Federation there are some people who are likewise, in their own, quite and "civilized"

way contributing to my extinction. They are minimizing my accomplishments and one certain gentleman is brazenly accusing me of being an "impostor." This is the gentlemen that refused to favor me with a little printing inspite of your intervention. This is their sadistic revenge because I found it necessary sometimes to criticize some of the Federation activities. That I have also supported every good move from the Federation; that I contributed more than *any* other individual, outside of you, to popularize the Welfare fund; that I was a great force during the organizing of the Community Council -- all this is forgotten; they remember only my so-called "destructive" work...

But you will be mistaken if you'll believe that I am thinking of the harm that has been done to my good name and until recently unsoiled reputation locally and nationally only. On the contrary: right now I am much more concerned with my unfortunate and most desperate economical situation than with anything else. I am, first of all thinking of my printing, because the day after this last hope will be gone I will be left a mere bankrupt without prospects for the future and without means to live. The hopes to obtain a political job did not materialize and the prospects in this respect are, at best, very remote. I will be left hopeless and helpless. I will lose not only my printing but also my home which my poor wife has built so arduously during all these years, because I cannot meet the rent. That is what really bores my mind to day. The desperate question: What is to become of us, does not give me rest for one second. It pains me deeply, naturally, to know that people who ever dare to name themselves Jewish leaders have so much contributed to my present plight. But this is not outmost in my mind.

The other day you reproachingly turned to me with the somewhat shocking question, if I thought that I was the only one suffering reverses now-a-days. When my answer was, of course, negative, you followed up with another question: "Then, why do you complain?"

I am sure that for that moment it must have slipped off your mind that there was a great difference between me and other people. They lost their fortunes, their positions in life, but not their health; they are not continually losing from their weight and rapidly assuming the appearance of a skeleton; they are not so weak that they can hardly walk from their homes to their place of business as is the case with me. In addition they have no helpless, deaf wives and they are not themselves threatened by deafness. The most of these people have somebody to help them while we have nobody. They, too, are not hunted by bitter enemies, and they did not suffer morally because they did not have to ~~be~~ ^{is} slandered and disgraced. That is the great difference between me and other people suffering reverses, and that you have overlooked.

Reverses are not new to me, just as enemies and fights are no novelty. In fact all my life I knew of nothing else but reverses. But never before was I threatened to become a public charge. No matter of what occured in my life I could always manage to be economically independent. No living person ever had to come to my assistance. Until recently I have justly prided myself that I can look straightforward into everybody's face because nobody ever gave me anything and *at* ~~no~~ ^{that}

Time

could anybody buy my pen or my principals.

Now things have changed so much that at the age of fifty-four, after having sacrificed my life for my people, I am threatened to become a relief-client. Need I tell you what that means to me? I am about to become a mere number on Uncle Sam's relief-books. Are you wondering why I am sick? Will you still ask why I complain, though you are the only one to whom I thus complain, and why I am discouraged and desperate? Need I tell you that before I will have to appeal for public charity I will, as it behooves a former officer of a proud army, kill myself? The mere thought of such a danger is driving me crazy. I am but a physical wreck and my nerves are so shattered that I can think only in this one direction.

But how will these consequences reflect on our great and charitable community to which I devoted the best fifteen years of my life in honest, true and faithful service?

You already know that I have recently listed the most important of my accomplishments in this community and published them in a pamphlet which has not yet been distributed. But if and when it is distributed will it not make every individual Jew feel ashamed of himself after I pass out of the picture? Will not every self-respecting Jew condemn himself for permitting me to perish in misery just because an ignorant and uncouth publisher of a newspaper consented to aid in the contemptible strangulation of his editor for the return of an abominable financial support of a so-called English supplement or for the "honor" of being elevated to the vice-presidency of the Bureau of Jewish Education?

During our last conversation I noticed that you were under the impression that the sole reason that led to my final parting from the Jewish World was the question of my salary. But the truth of the matter is, ~~that~~ ^{from you} there were far more "important" reasons. I have been withholding the whole story with regards to this matter because you were so much involved that I feared you should not wrongly interpret my words that just of what really has transpired I was holding you under some special obligations towards me. But the truth is that the salary question, too, became acute only after the convention in Detroit. Until that time, and for the last two years, Rucker paid me almost regularly in accordance with our agreement of 1936. But after the convention he, very suddenly, ~~that~~ ^{and} that he was doing injustice to the remainder of his employees. Then he told me point blank that he would not continue to live up to our agreement. At the same time conditions in the Jewish World became unbearable in all other ways. During the entire fifteen years that I have been connected with this paper did anybody dare to use such a methodes, such a vile language and such insults as since that time. They were actually bathing in my blood. I am in possession of unimpeashable prove that the for-man of the composing-room, the one that spat in my face because he did not like my article on the convention, worked systematically according the plans which were laid out by his brother-in-law Dr. Samuel Feigin whom Friedland "imported" from Chicago for that purpose. Friedland and Feigin know me very well. They knew that if matters in the Jewish World will be brought to a climax I will not be able to

bear them and would rather leave. I must admit that their calculations were well made.

It will interest you to learn that even now they are continuing with their efforts to keep me out of the Jewish World. You asked me in the course of our last conversation if I would like to have you assist judge Silbert in his efforts to bring me back to that paper. That very day the typesetters were feted in Friedland's house and there Friedland and my "successor" Hurowitz exacted from them a promise that if Rucker yields to outside pressure and decides to reinstate me they should stand by their formman and "editor" and refuse to work with me. On the other hand Herman Stein and Max Simon exerted themselves to make peace between myself and the Zionist gang because they were of the opinion that once an all-around reconciliation could be effected all obstacles to my return to the Jewish World would be automatically removed. But this adventure was rejected by the gang on the ground that I am supposed to be your mouth-piece (though you cry that you don't want a mouth-piece) and they could not "trust" me for the future. That is how they "work" now and how they worked before until I was forced to give up my position and they had me, to use their own words, where they wanted.

That is the way Cleveland Jews "rewarded" me for my faithful work for everything vital and sacred in Jewish life for fifteen years in their city, and for over twenty-two years before my coming here. I devoted my hearth, my soul and everything that was in me to this community. Notwithstanding all indecent attempts to minimize and even to deny my accomplishments I can justifiably pride myself with a record which is next to your own. There is no other journalist who can point to such a record. And while it is true that I at no time expected to be rewarded for all this work, it does also not mean that I ought to be left alone in my plight, alone to extinguish because some people don't like me. Wouldn't it be a terrible crime if that would have to happen?

Even in my present mood I refuse to believe that the "entire community" is really "repudiating" me. I am sincerely convinced that the people of this city would not permit my complete down-fall if you would consent to take the lead in a small movement to restore me not to public life but to life itself. This is the sense and the purpose of my writing to you this long letter.

You will recall that immediately after the publication of my paper was halted I appealed to you to aid me in raising between three and four thousand dollars which are essential to put my printing on a sound basis. You refused. But I dragged along without a cent until now, and during this time I gained the conviction that this little business could be developed, through hard work, to be sure, into an undertaking that would give me a livelihood. Now, more than ever, I know that if you would come to my assistance I could establish myself permanently.

I told you many times that I do not expect that you should help me with your own money, I would not accept such ~~sort of~~ a help.

But I appeal to you in this eleventh hour to invite some of your friends and perhaps also some of those that still profess to be my friends and to suggest to them that a common loan should be made to me for the necessary capital. This loan, that would not be charity, I would undertake to repay, barring the first year, within a few years. I am sure that I would not mislead anybody because I know that I could make good and make my printing go as soon as I could regain at least a little of my health and throw myself into hard work with renewed energy and vitality.

As far as I can vision this could be the only constructive way of securing my future. All other suggestions are worthless and lead nowhere. They only contribute to make my life more bitter and desperate. Since you, unfortunately, told some of my friends that I refuse to take your advice but am forcing my will on you, every Thom-Dickens-Harry believes that he is the "right man" to advise me. Your words spread quickly all over the Jewish sections just as the calumnies of my enemies. Some of my "good friends" found comfort in your words. Now they can justify their own actions... But these advices are like salt on open wounds. They are increasing my worries and fears because they prove to me that I cannot rely on anybody.

But, as I said, I still refuse to believe that the whole city has taken the attitude of my enemies or even my friends. If that would be so then there would really be nothing left for me. Any way it will, I am sure, pay to make an attempt to find out the truth. As conditions are now I cannot exist much longer. I may say without fear of exaggeration that I am dying slowly but steadily under the burdens of all these worries, uncertainty and fear for the day after tomorrow. Life like that is worst than death; it is an agony that cannot last for ever.

In closing I want to say that much:

I wish I could write a better appeal than this one. For nearly four decades I almost specialized on writing appeals for other people - appeals that touched the human hearth and inspired to action. But I cannot appeal for myself; it just does not go! I know that this letter, too, will rather impress you of expressing more my complains and reproachments than an appeal. I admit that some of the lines might be taken as quarrelsome. But that is the only methode I can apply when I am forced to write pertaining myself. Please try to understand me.

This is the first time in my fifty-four years that I am thus forced to appeal to anybody for personal assistance. But I assure you that it is also the last time and that is why I do not have to learn this painful handicraft... All I can say, in all seriousness, is that were it for myself only this letter would never be written. But on my life hinges the life of another person - that of my wife. She would not survive long if anything should happen to me, and she loves life so much! She hasn't really lived yet. I promised her "eternal happiness" when I led her to the altar. But I gave her eternal hell...

If it were only for myself I would rather this very minute write down on the door of my printing "Finita la Comedia" and I would tell the whole world to go straight to hell... I would tell my wife, too, that we lived under an illusion and in a terrible nightmare all these years. I would tell her that while I thought that I am really working for humanity I was building but a pons asinorum which I am now leaving to those for whom it was built.

But, as I said, I am responsible not for my life alone. It is, therefore, for her sake that I am now imploring you not to let us perish; it is for her sake that I bear all these humiliations and am permitting hearthless people to suck my blood with their advices, "I told you so's" and other reproachments. It is for her, too, that I am now taking up your time.

For thirty-seven years I have been clever, intelligent, almost a scholar. People looked into my mouth; they admired me, loved me, honored and applauded me. In this community people arranged three banquets in my honor and I was the hero of the hour. But a merciless gang chose to destroy me; an inhuman and ignorant publisher picked to trade my ability for selfish interests and I am no more! My wife and I are left to -- die. Are so-called friends abandoned us in a time when my health is seriously affected and when we have no one to help us. If this is the "reward" for my work, then I may repeat that the whole world may go straight to hell.

But enough! I hope you will forgive me for writing you such a long letter. You are the first -- and last person -- to whom I revealed my true feelings; you are the first - and last - friend to whom I opened my hearth. No other man is acquainted with my real plight. This is because I am convinced that if the true situation would be revealed there would hardly be anybody left with whom I could still exchange a few words; they would keep away from me ~~at~~ completely. That is how people are. I wish I would have known all this when I was younger!

With best personal regards and thanks for all past favors, I beg to remain, as ever,

Faithfully yours,

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May 8th, 1939.

Rabbi A.H. Silver,
The Temple,
City.

My dear Rabbi:

The enclosed letter was written Saturday though dated today. I hoped that something will crop up that will spare me from mailing the same to you. But nothing happened and since two lives depend on this last move that I am now making I am reluctantly putting this letter in the mail.

Whatever your decision and answer might be I beg of you, in consideration of our long close relations, to grant me a few minutes of your time and to read the whole letter, page after page and line after line, attentively. It is for the first time that I am here revealing to you the truth of the situation and of the conditions and reasons that led to my present plight.

this No matter of your attitude I promise you solemnly that ^{this} is the very last time that I am thus troubling you with my own affairs.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Leon

May 8, 1938

Mrs. S. H. Vactor
3035 Washington Blvd.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Effie:

Usually those people who have receptions in their homes announce the fact in one or the other of the two Jewish newspapers. Our confirmation programs do not specify which family is holding a reception.

I hope that you and yours are all well. With best wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

May 8, 1939

Mr. C. Burgess Taylor
508 Forest Avenue
Maysville, Kentucky

My dear Mr. Taylor:

I was very happy to receive your note and to learn of your whereabouts. It brought back to me pleasant memories of our contacts and friendship in Wheeling.

I was very much gratified with the beautiful act of charity of Miss Alice Lloyd and her friends in Maysville. It is a fine tribute to the spirit and high-mindedness of those women.

I hope that I may have the pleasure of seeing you in person some day soon. With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:PK

May 8, 1939

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

My dear Al:

I received the enclosed correspondence from New York, and at the request of the New York office of the National Council of Jewish Women, I am forwarding it to you.

I hope that you and Selma had a pleasant and restful vacation out West.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX
Enc.

May 8, 1939

Manager
Mayflower Hotel
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Please reserve a double room and bath for
me beginning Wednesday morning, June 14th through
Saturday, June 17th.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



May 8, 1939

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

My dear Maxwell:

I received your letter and I would like to meet with you, but it will not be possible in the next few weeks. The campaign for the Jewish Welfare Fund opened last night and will last for ten days. I am chairman of the campaign and must remain in the city through that period. Following that, I shall be busy with confirmation which is on the 24th of the month. However, I hope to be in New York at the end of the month or during the first few days of June. We will arrange to get together then so that we can talk over some of the problems which are bothering you.

I was very happy to read the review of the book which you sent me.

With love to you, Jane and the children, I remain

As ever,

AHS:BX

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May 10, 1939

Rabbi Louis Wolsey
615 North Broad Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Rabbi Wolsey:

When you were in the office last week I spoke to you concerning Dr. Otto Sittig of Prague, a prominent neurologist. Dr. Sittig had written to me that he had applied to Western Reserve University for a teaching position. As you know, persons with teaching positions are admitted as immigrants outside of the quota, and Dr. Sittig is therefore anxious to obtain an appointment at Western Reserve University. Dr. Sittig is a cousin of my mother, and I assure you that all of us would be grateful if you can contact any persons in Cleveland who could in turn contact the authorities of Western Reserve University.

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter which I received from Dr. Sittig, and a summary of documents concerning his work which he has sent to me.

Thanking you for any interest you may take in this matter and with kindest personal regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

Frank E. Hahn, Jr.

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Prof. Dr. Otto Sittig
Prague II.
Vaclavske namesti 47.

April 4th, 1939.

Mr. Frank E. Hahn jr.
1418, Packard Building
Philadelphia

My dear friend,

With many thanks we acknowledge the receipt of the affidavit from Mrs. and Mr. Goodman. We have forwarded it to the United States Consul here, and were told to expect further information. If any difficulties should arise, we shall make use of your kind advice and let you know immediately all that is requested by the Consul.

As far as we know, it takes 1 - 2 years till it will be our turn for immigration. But as I have no possibility of working here now, that would be too long a time for waiting. There is only one better way, namely if I might get an appointment at a university or at a hospital in the U.S.A. I applied to some colleagues in this matter, but without success till now. If it would not be too presumptuous, I should ask you, if you would be kind enough and try to get into touch with some influential authorities concerning this matter. That would be also the surest way for me of not getting dependent on my relatives or charity. Therefore, I make so bold as to send you, anyway, my curriculum vitae, a list of my scientific papers, and a list of colleagues, who know me either personally or by correspondence.

Especially I should point out prof. Adolf Meyer of Baltimore (Johns Hopkins Hospital), who called on me here in Prague many years ago, and with whom I am also corresponding now. I have translated some scientific papers from English into German and have published some papers of my own in English and American journals. I add a passage from a letter of prof. Meyer written to me on November 25, 1938:

"However, if you should succeed in immigrating, it might be possible to find a place to work.....I hope, however, that contacts can be made on arrival which otherwise would not become accessible. I certainly hope that you, with your keen interest in Hughlings Jackson and as one who has done so much to make his work accessible to the European Continent, should earn the rewards and also recognition for your own work."

Another American colleague, who knows me personally, is Dr. Curt P. Richter of Baltimore (Johns Hopkins Hospital).

Furthermore, an institution, whose member I was, applied for me to the following address: Mr. Josef Herbach, 709 N. Franklin Str. Philadelphia. Perhaps, if you can get into touch with this gentleman, it might be useful, and you might get further information about me.

Hoping that you will excuse my troubling you so much, and thanking you for all your kindness and friendship, I am, with kindest regards,

Sincerely Yours,

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CURRICULUM VITAE

I, Otto Sittig, was born on the 7th of September 1886 in Prague. I studied medicine at the German University in Prague 1905 - 1910. I graduated doctor of medicine at the German University in Prague in 1910. Then I was appointed assistant physician at the psychiatric and neurological clinic of the German University in Prague under the late prof. Arnold Pick 1911 - 1916. From 1916 till 1918 I participated in the war as physician in the Austrian army in Przemyśl and later in a regiment. After the war I worked at the psychiatric and neurological clinic of prof. Bonhoeffer in Berlin 1918 - 1919 and as assistant physician in the neurological institute of prof. Kurt Goldstein in Frankfurt am Main, 1919 - 1920. From 1920 till 1932 I was again appointed assistant physician at the psychiatric and neurological clinic of the German University in Prague under the professors Arnold Pick, Otto Pötzl and Eduard Gamper.

In 1921 I got the title of "docent" for psychiatry and neurology at the German University in Prague and in 1931 I got the title of "professor extraordinarius" in the same subject at the same university.

Since 1925 I have been appointed consulting neurologist at the Hospital of the Brothers of St. John of God in Prague, at the polyclinic of the German University in Prague (prof. Walko), at the clinic for infants of the German University in Prague (prof.

B. Epstein), and in a sickness insurance company.

I have worked scientifically in psychiatry, neurology and nervous histopathology. My main field is clinical neurology. I have published many papers in German, English, American, French and Czech medical journals. I have published a book on apraxia and an article on tuberculosis of the central nervous system in Handbuch der Neurologie (Springer, Berlin, 1935). I have published several translations from English into German.

In 1935 I was elected corresponding member of the "Société de Neurologie de Paris".

I made journeys for scientific purposes; several times I was in Breslau with prof. Otfried Foerster, twice I was in London and twice in Paris.

References.

Colleagues, who know me either personally or by correspondence:

Prof. Adolf Meyer, Baltimore, Johns Hopkins Hospital.
Prof. Harvey Cushing, New Haven, Yale University, Medical School.
Prof. J. J. Dusser de Barenne, New Haven, Yale University.
Dr. Curt P. Richter, Baltimore, Johns Hopkins Hospital.
Dr. Walter Freeman, Washington.
Dr. Charles Davison, New York, Montefiore Hospital.
Sir Henry Head, Hartley Court near Reading (England).
Dr. Gordon Holmes, London.
Dr. Macdonald Critchley, London.
Dr. C. P. Symonds, London.
Dr. George Riddoch, London.

Dr. E. A. Carmichael, London.
Dr. J. G. Greenfield, London.
Dr. James Taylor, London.
Dr. J. B. Doyle, Los Angeles.
Dr. F. R. Ferguson, Manchester.
Prof. Philip Cloake, Birmingham.
Dr. S. E. C. Turvey, Vancouver.

There is a list of over 70 publications, books and papers appearing in the following journals:

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- (3) Monatschr. f. Psych. u. Neur.
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Morris S. Lazaron
1914 Madison Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland

May 10, 1933.

Dear Abba:

In a few days you will hear from Andrew Gottschall in reference to the lectures for next year. I just want to recall our conversation, emphasizing the importance of these lectures as over against the Hopkins "Y" lectures, under which auspices you spoke this year. Our lectures offer a definite sponsorship of the University itself jointly with our Conference and you will have a group of not less than four hundred and perhaps six hundred people, and most representative. Gottschall will tell all the details but I am deeply anxious that you accept.

I had hoped to get to Wheeling for Dad's birthday, but it is utterly impossible. I am tied up too heavily - much too much so as I feel weary and rather done in, not so much emotionally as physically.

With love to you all,

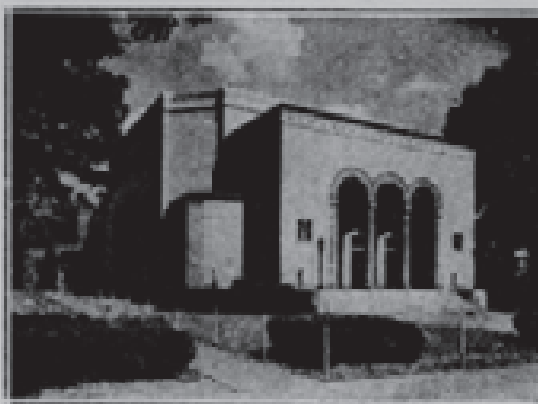
Faithfully,

M. S. Lazaron

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

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May 11, 1939

Mr. Robert Schleider,
1965 E. 116th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Schleider:-

I would like to get a copy of the patriotic poem (the name of which I do not know) which was read by Dr. Silver over the radio last Monday night, May 8th. If you can get a hold of a copy of this poem and mail it to me immediately, you will be doing me a great favor, and it will be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I am,

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Sincerely yours,

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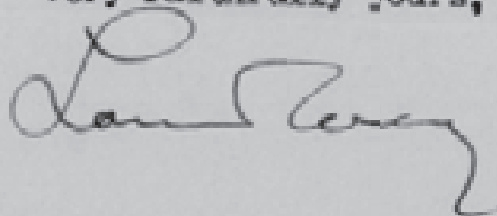
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
East 105th Street and Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Abba:

I am herewith enclosing you correspondence concerning Dr. Otto Sittig of Prague, who is attempting to obtain an appointment as teacher at Western Reserve University. You will note from his letter and from his Curriculum Vitae something of his scholarly standing. Do you think you would be in a position to be of service to this eminent gentleman? If you could do something to impress the authorities of Western Reserve with some kind of inclination to permit his immigration to this country, I know both he and his relatives in Philadelphia would be very deeply grateful to you.

With very kind regards from Florence and myself to you and Virginia, I am,

Very faithfully yours,



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May 11, 1939.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver,

Perhaps you saw in the press the news that my beautiful mother has passed away.

What that passing means to me as daughter and constant companion, I need not tell you. A man of your vision and feeling understands such things. Besides, how could I put it into words?

But life goes on and before time completely claims the memory of my mother for its own, I want to make some provision for an observance by those who would care to observe such memory.

I am writing to ask you, therefore, whether you would be interested to arrange a memorial service for my mother on some given day next Fall, which would coincide with such service in New York and other large cities. Of course, I appreciate the fact that it would entail a great deal of work, but perhaps you would call upon a Committee of prominent citizens, who, I feel, would respond to assist you and take the burden of details off your hands.

I am asking much of you but somehow I think you would like to do this, to add a green wreath to my mother's name. I remember so well that it was you who first asked my mother to step upon the rostrum of your Temple. As an Orthodox Jewish daughter, she felt it almost sacrilegious for a Yishe to mount your pulpit. You and your kind wife urged her to accept the modern trend of womanhood and I shall never forget the reverence and humility with which she took her stand and made her first impromptu and inspired address. Many times since then she spoke from the pulpit of the leading Temples and Synagogues throughout the Union, but never could she forget yours.

It was with great pride and love that she watched your development and rise as great Rabbi of the United States. Your sermons inspired and stimulated her thought; always she had a deep regard for your God-given gifts.

Dear Rabbi Silver, you know all this but I cannot help writing it to you now.

That mother suffered much in recent years is only too well known-- she has gone to her rest-- but like a soldier on the field of battle, it is no exaggeration to say, she was the Grand Artist to the end.

With love to you and your wife, and the hope that you both are well,

Sincerely,

Lillian Kalich

Lillian Kalich

Fifth Avenue Hotel
24 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.



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Dear Rabbi Silver:

The American Torah Shelemah Committee has been informed by Rabbi Kasher of the great interest which you displayed in his work, the Talmudic-Midrashic Encyclopedia on the Bible and of the fact that you very kindly agreed in the early Fall to obtain the sum of \$2000.- from a number of donors in order to publish one volume in the name of these donors of the Cleveland community in the same manner as other cities. We desire to thank you for your generosity and to assure you that your action has greatly encouraged the committee as well as Rabbi Kasher to redouble our efforts to complete the great task.

We have also been informed that you agreed to furnish us with the names of several laymen in the United States who could be approached by us with your help in order to interest them in the publication of one volume. We shall appreciate receiving this information at your convenience.

The work which is still to be done by Rabbi Kasher is of so tremendous a nature and the demands upon his time are so great that we realize that the only practical way in which this monumental undertaking can be brought to a successful conclusion is by communities and individual interested laymen undertaking to publish volumes. We believe that your action will provide an outstanding example and encourage others to do likewise.

It is our intention to add your name to the list of honorary chairmen, some of the members of which are: Dr. Cyrus Ailer; Dr. Julien Morgenstern; Dr. Bernard Revel; Dr. Louis Ginzberg; Dr. Samuel H. Goldenson; and trust that you will not object to this action upon our part. Under separate cover, we are sending you 8 volumes of the Torah Shelemah and would appreciate being informed of your receipt of same.

Again thanking you for your kind efforts, we
are
Cordially yours,

AMERICAN TORAH SHELEMAH COMMITTEE
By B. Harris

May 12, 1939

Honorable Robert A. Taft
Washington,
D. C.

Dear Senator Taft:

I have noted that the Wagner-Rogers Bill to permit the admission of 10,000 refugee children into the United States in 1939, and 10,000 more in 1940, has been reported favorably by the Joint Committee of the House and of the Senate.

This letter is for the purpose of urging you to vote for this most humane measure. The population of the United States is almost entirely composed of the children, grandchildren or great grandchildren of refugees from conditions which in each generation have become intolerable in Europe for one reason or another.

The admission of refugee children at this time is in keeping with the best American traditions.

Yours truly

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May 12, 1939

Mr. I. Evans
Willard Hotel
Washington, D.C.

My Dear Friend:

Through your son, I learned that you would be in Washington and I am writing you this letter in the hope that it will reach you in time for you to reply by wire so that we can make an announcement of your contribution to the Jewish Welfare Fund Tuesday evening when the Campaign closes.

As you undoubtedly know, we must raise this year \$800,000, two and a half times what we raised last year. This is done in order to meet our share in Cleveland of the Twenty Million Dollar Drive in the United States for the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Co-Ordinating Committee for refugees in the United States. All of our people here have been asked to give three to four times what they gave last year in order to reach our goal. Knowing your complete understanding of the present situation in Jewish life, both here and abroad, and your full realization of hundreds of thousands of our refugees, I need not make any further appeal to you. I shall look forward with eagerness to hearing from you by Tuesday afternoon.

I trust that you and Mrs. Evans have had a very pleasant vacation.

Most cordially yours,

P.S. The Quota Committee has given you a quota of \$1200. This, you understand, is not to be an annual contribution but an emergency contribution for 1939.

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Rabbi Abba Silver,
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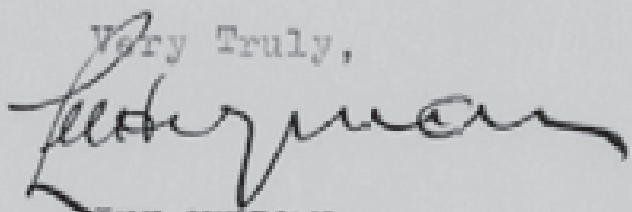
Dear Dr.:-

Several years ago I read in a booklet an article, written by you, on the American Flag. I saved this article and had a number of copies made from it to distribute among my friends. Recently I was in the home of a friend where I saw the American Flag framed and the young lady student to whom it belonged was deeply interested in the article about which I told her. I have tried to locate it among my papers and in all my files. To date the search has been in vain.

It has been my pleasure to receive a number of letters from the Joint Distribution Committee and others with your name attached and I feel that I should have no hesitancy in asking you to forward me a copy of that article if you have one available.

Thanking you for this great favor .

Very Truly,



LEE HEYMAN

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May 17, 1939

Mrs. Jack Matlaw
6823 Clyde Street
Forest Hills, L.I.
New York

My dear Rose:

I received a letter, yesterday, from Miss Helen Tannenbaum, of Jerusalem. Among other things she writes that the Folks are well but that they have not heard from you for a long time and are considerably upset. I wish you would write to them immediately.

It was nice to have seen you in New York.
I trust that you, Jack and your entire family are well.
With love,

As ever yours,

AHS:BK

May 17, 1939

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

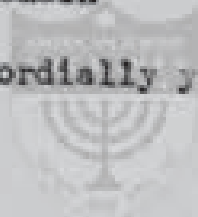
My dear Victor:

I am enclosing herewith a check for \$50
for the Jacob Mann Publication Fund. I hope that
you will succeed in raising the full amount.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK



May 17, 1939

Mr. Casper J. Miller, President
The Collver-Miller Co.
2065 East Ninth St.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Miller:

Enclosed herewith is my check of \$265.00
as per your request of May 6th.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX
Enc.

May 17, 1939

Mrs. Eugene Davis
Alcazar Hotel
Derbyshire and Surrey
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Davis:

The enclosed letter mentions the name of Mr. Leopold Arnstein. I assume that this is your father. If so, you may be interested in the contents of the enclosed letter which I am forwarding to you.

With all good wishes and trusting that you are well, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

[1939]

May 18

Dear Rabbi

The names of the fifteen members
of the Oakwood Board are as follows

Low Schwaigberg

Irvin Loren

J M Benet

Phil Francis

Dave Skell

Edwin Joseph

Low Bing Jr

Alan Littman

Robert Hays

Joby Feller

Harry Kohli

Phil Haber

Will Schomburg

J B Wise

S. Liebsenthal

Please phone me as often as necessary

Regarding the matter

Sincerely yours

SRS. P. Hall

MR. MARCUS FEDER, SR.
SWETLAND BLDG.
CH. 2630 FA. 2608

May 18th, 1939

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
c/o The Temple
East 105th St. & Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

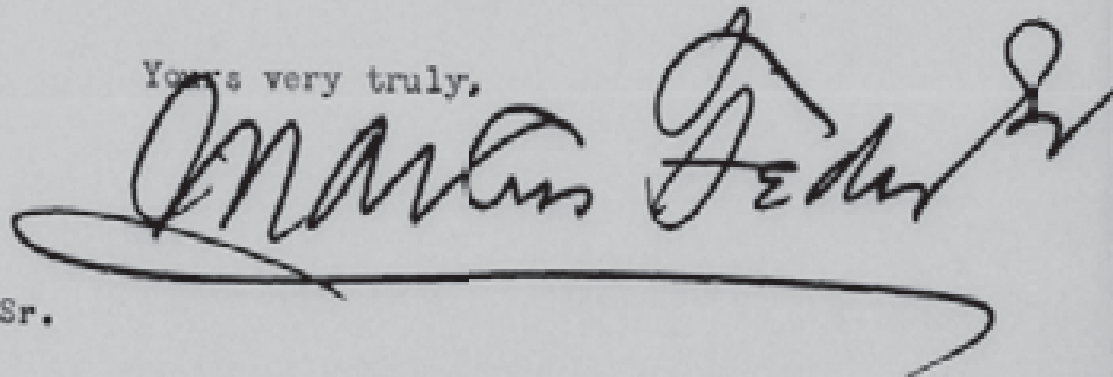
My dear Doctor:-

I have silently suffered during the last 20 years and it is my conviction that the present method of establishing a National Jewish Home in Palestine will lead to a complete failure.

If I were 25 years younger, I would go to Palestine and establish Hebrew Free Loan branches in all industrial districts near all the misguided followers of rich arabs landlords struggling to exact an honest living - where the masses of rebellious arabs are obliged to pay exorbitant rents to their rich arab landlords and where they are obliged to pay 25 to 50% interest on small loans.

What we must do to become owner of Palestine is to cripple the rich Arabic leaders and bring their misguided followers to help us to destroy them - by establishing a personal service Society - such as we had during the Russian Exodus - helping all refugees to become self-supporting - get intimately acquainted with them socially and help them in all their struggles.

Yours very truly,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Marcus Feder, Sr." with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Marcus Feder, Sr.
BR

May 18-1939.

Mr. Samuel Goldhamer,
c/o Jewish Welfare Federation,
1001 Huron Rd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Sam:-

You might want to make a note of some things for the campaign next year. I would suggest changing the order a bit.

1 - Instead of an opening dinner where only the workers are invited, an opening meeting to which all Jewry in Cleveland can be invited, could take place. Such a meeting could be held at the Music Hall of the Public Auditorium which seats several thousand, and then the message we want to go out for a campaign opener, could be given to several thousand prospects, as well as to our workers. Two outstanding speakers, such as Rabbi Silver and some other person who could be invited, would be sufficient, aside from the general plans in connection with the campaign which might be announced at that meeting. It would probably cost no more than the opening dinner, and perhaps much less, and besides it is a change from the routine of prior years.

2 - I believe that it is unnecessary to have a speaker at each noon-day luncheon during the progress of the campaign. Besides, time does not permit. Several of the workers discussed with me the elimination of the noon-day speaker. We can get them down to business and save twenty-five to thirty minutes and do our noon-day job better. The workers will turn out without a speaker. In addition, the speaker will not be telling us anything new.

3 - There should be some further revision of the teams and some of the fine and good blood that was discovered this year, together with some of the older blood should be put into some key positions.

4 - I think two or three short speeches should be prepared for the person or persons who might talk to the different teams in the Men's division, as I did this year. It is a little too much in the short space of ten or twelve days to have one man, as I did, talk to 23 or 24 different groups. The right men should be picked out for that job and their talks properly prepared for them.

I want to advise you at this time that it will be impossible for me to undertake the work for another year. Please therefore consider this as my resignation as Chairman of the Men's division. I am writing you at this time in order that you will have plenty of time to go over the field and pick a new man sufficiently in advance of next year. I have had great fun in the work. The association has been most pleasant, but I want to be relieved.

Sincerely yours,

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May 18-1939.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
c/o The Temple,
East 105th & Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi:-

Feeling dejected as I was Tuesday night at the finish of the campaign, I thought you forgot all about me, and now comes your letter of May 17th enclosing check for \$50.00 in payment of the little "campaign business transaction" between us, which in my opinion, proves to me that you are not only the most outstanding Rabbi in this country, but you are one of the most outstanding good sportsmen I have run into in many a day.

There is, however, one little discordant note in your letter accompanying your check. I quote - "I am hoping that before the campaign closes", you will return the enclosed amount, etc.

We held a victory dinner Tuesday night and I thought that was the close of the campaign. I arose to my feet in an endeavor to continue the campaign for another week, but "you all would not let that be", - so officially the campaign is closed.

Aside from all of the foregoing, you will recall that we had called the "transaction" off at the Sunday night meeting out at Oakwood Club, so with these few kind words, we are all even.

It has been a distinct pleasure to know you. It is even a more distinct and greater privilege to have worked side by side with you again this year in this campaign. I am still beside myself wondering how you can "take it", - and better than that, ^{give it} never stopping until we get to the end. It is simply wonderful.

My only regret now is, - (and it is difficult for me to tell you) - that I will not be able to undertake the work next year again, though I know in this respect, I will no doubt be the loser. I wrote Sam Golchammer this morning to "include me out" of next year's campaign, copy of which letter I am enclosing herewith.

Sincerely yours,

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May 18, 1939

Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
Amel Rd. & East 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

I have your favor of the 17th inst.
enclosing check for \$265.00 covering deposit for

NORLANDIE - June 28th
New York to Southampton
cabin 120 with bath & toilet
cabin 130 with shower and toilet
rate, for 4 \$1403.00
U. S. Rev. Tax. \$5.00 ea. 20.00

SS ILE DE FRANCE-Sept. 1st
Havre to New York
cabin 462 with bath & toilet
cabin 464 with bath & toilet
rate, for 4 1183.00
French port tax 14.00
Total \$ 2620.00
deposit paid 265.00
Balance \$ 2355.00

for which kindly accept thanks.

Very truly yours,

THE COLLVER MILLER CO.

Casper J. Miller,
President

CCM:VB

UNITED STATES SENATE
Committee on Appropriations

May 19, 1939

Mr. E. H. Freedheim
National City Bank Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Freedheim:

I have received your recent communication with regard to the Wagner-Rogers Bill, providing for the admission of 20,000 German children in addition to the regular immigration quota.

I have not found it easy to decide what is the right thing to do with reference to this bill. I have the utmost sympathy with the terrible position of the German refugees, and the appeal for assistance to helpless children is hard to resist.

On the other hand it proposes a substantial modification of the immigration policy which the United States adopted after an unfortunate experience with immigration, and I am loath to vote for any modification of that policy. I do not think anything is more responsible for our present condition than the unrestricted immigration before the world war, which provided cheap labor for the steel mills and the mines.

Particularly at the present time, I think it unwise to encourage immigration. Nearly twenty million people are dependent on the federal government for relief. Among them are millions of children unable to obtain a sufficient amount of food, clothing and housing. It is said that the refugee children will be provided with homes, but if homes are available in America for twenty thousand children, then certainly there are at least 20,000 American children whose condition could be tremendously benefited by access to such homes. Furthermore, there is no assurance that in years to come, when the additional children are looking for jobs, conditions of unemployment will be better than now, and if the refugees obtain jobs, they will displace 20,000 young Americans engaged in the same search.

It is urged that America should contribute its share to relieving the terrific results of oppression in Europe, but America already is admitting 27,000 refugees within the quota and many additional thousands on special and visitors' visas. I believe that we are doing more than our share to relieve the situation. We cannot cure it in any event. No substantial part of the refugee problem can be solved by immigration into any country, because there are practically a million and a half refugees, and no country is willing to receive more than a few. The only practical method of dealing with them seems to be some plan for colonization in Asia or Africa.

Finally, the plan of admitting 20,000 children, and separating them from their parents, does not seem desirable to me. It imposes a hardship which may be greater than may result in many cases if these children remain with their families. It inevitably suggests a reunion, and a request for the admission of the children's families at a later time, which it will be hard for any humane person to resist.

I have tried to consider all the arguments that have been urged, and to weigh them carefully and I have come to the conclusion that I shall vote against the bill.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Robert Taft

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JOSEPH L. FINK, Ph. D.

May 19, 1939

My dear Friend :

My heartiest congratulations on your splendid campaign. It is an extraordinary record that you have established in Cleveland, and we all share in your joy and are proud of your achievement.

With kind personal greetings,

Cordially yours,

Joseph L. Fink

Mr. Nathan Looser,
National City Bank Bldg,
Cleveland, Ohio.

May 19, 1939

Mrs. Malcolm Yost
3579 Reidham Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Yost:

I am enclosing herewith four admission cards for the Confirmation Service which will be held at The Temple on May 24th at 9:30 in the morning.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX
Enc.

May 19, 1939

Judge David Copland
Municipal Court
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Judge Copland:

Under separate cover, I am returning to you
a legal record which you left here for Rabbi Silver
some time ago.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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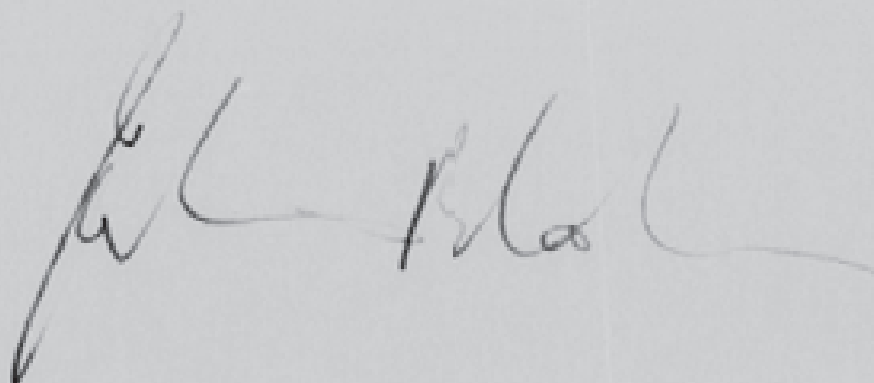
May 20, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Being a member of your congregation, I am especially proud of your wonderful accomplishment as head of the Welfare Fund drive, and congratulate you with all my heart. Success follows you and it has a most worthy object.

I am told you are not feeling well and truly hope it is nothing serious and that you will soon be out to defy England's "machinations" to betray our people as it has lately been doing to others in the path of a glorious fascist triumph.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Alfred Palat', written in a cursive style.

924, Avenue O
Brooklyn N.Y.

May 21, 1939.

Dear Rabbi:

I am a german refugee badly in need of assistance. You have probably received many letters for help from refugees like myself, but in this case the appeal comes not from a total stranger, but from a relation. - My father Benzel Kanter, is related to your parents. He originally came from Lithuania and emigrated later to Germany.

When I came first to New York, I lived for a while with my uncle Philip Kanter, who is also a relative of yours. I worked a few months and later lost my job and find it increasingly difficult to find an other one.

I am not appealing for money, but for some sort of employment. I speak and write english, french, german, portuguese and spanish and have

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office and department store experience -
Knowing, that you are an influential
individual, I feel, that you can aid
me in this respect.

Won't you consider this message an
urgent one and please give it your serious
attention.

With hearty greetings and kind
regards, I am

Your cousin
Richard Kanter
c/o David Rabinovitch.



RABBI VICTOR E. REICHERT, D. D.
THE ROCKDALE AVENUE TEMPLE
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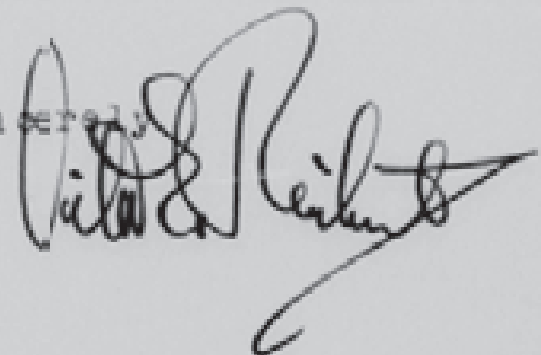
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Dear Abba:

Please accept my sincere
appreciation for the contribution of \$50.00
for Dr. Mann's publication, "THE BIBLE AS
READ AND PREACHED IN THE OLD SYNAGOGUE."
We now have \$2000.00 in the bank, and I am
confident that our Committee will raise
the other \$1500.00 needed.

With kindest personal regards
from house to house, I am

Sincerely,



Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
East 106th St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

May 23, 1939

Mr. Lee Heyman
Lee Heyman & Co.
West Point, Ga.

My dear Mr. Heyman:

Thank you for your letter of May 16th.
I believe the article you refer to is my poem,
"America", a copy of which I enclose herewith.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.

May 23, 1939

Mr. Nathan Loeser
National City Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Nete:

I think that the local papers ought
to reprint the enclosed either as a new item
or comment on it editorially.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS
BJK



May 25, 1939

Mr. Julius B. Cohn
Cohn & Pippner
1015 Public Square Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Cohn:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of May 20th. I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness in writing to me. I have fully recovered from the illness which confined me to my home for a few days and I am now looking forward to a rest this summer.

These are not easy times for our people, but with the help of God, we shall come through all right.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK



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25-5-1939

Mr. Allen Klivans
16901 Shaker Boulevard,
Cleveland,
Ohio, U.S.A.

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Dear Mr. Klivans,

Yesterday I received your affidavit in behalf of my wife and me from the Cleveland Co-ordinating Committee for Immigrants. Thanks ever so much for this generous action which is the greater because you don't know us and probably you will never know us. Also all the terrible things which happened to us in Germany and which are god be thanked behind us and all our frightful experiences in Costa Rica you don't know.

The Costa Rican government expells just now 32 german and austrian jews who have to leave the country till May 30st. They will have to sail to a very uncertain destination. The newspapers here inspired by nazi-german influence write as often as possible about the jewish question and a so called "Costarican Patriotic Liga" built up by german and oriental merchants who fear the competition holds meetings to bait against the jews. All this concerned also ourselves and we were threatened by deportation on a german boat sailing for German. From this consequences you have safed us by your affidavit.

In the next days Mr. Brown the american consul in San Jose will receive your affidavit. He has promised me already to bring through my case as quick as possible and I hope that I can immigrate to the States in the near future. All about this I will let you know if you don't mind. But whenever we will receive the immigration visa for the time being it is very important that Mr. Brown can prevent with your affidavit our deportation and that he can force the Costa Rican government to let us stay here till we immigrate to the States. For this please accept the heartiest thanks of two people the life of whom you safed by your affidavit.

Yours very sincerely

Werner Fuchs

May 25, 1939

Mr. Philip Bernstein
Jewish Welfare Federation
1001 Huron Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Phil:

I would appreciate it if you would answer the enclosed letter stating that I have referred it to you. This lady is evidently under the impression that the Jews are not contributing to the Community Fund. Please enlighten her. Also remind her that the Jews of Cleveland are not the only ones who are conducting supplementary campaigns. The Catholics do it as well as others.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.

[May 26, 1939]

Dear Dr. Silver, -

Write me a letter at your convenience, giving your honest judgment concerning these two men, as possible speakers for our Community Speaker Office -

1. Joseph Remenigi - He speaks on the subject of "Propaganda in Literature," and similar subjects.

2. Dr. Wilber W. White - Political Science at Western Reserve University.

Hope you will be able to come to us next winter. Will

write later about that.

It is with great regret that
I learn of your illness and trust
that you will soon be well -

Loyally

Ralph B. Hindman
One The Circle

Buffalo, New York.

Friday - May, 26, 1938 - 11:10 A.M.

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May 26, 1939

Dr. Ralph B. Hindman
100 Wadsworth Avenue
Buffalo, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Hindman:

I dreadfully regret that a misunderstanding on the part of the clerks of The Temple made it impossible for me to welcome you and to spend some time together. I have been convalescing from an illness which kept me indoors for nearly a week and I dropped in my Temple office for a short time this morning to check up on some very urgent matters. The office people were requested not to allow the customary stream of visitors to come in to my study this morning. But all that was not intended for you.

I assume that you were in Cleveland to attend the Presbyterian Convention. I had hoped to attend some of the sessions and to listen to the messages of some of your great leaders. However, my health will not permit me to do that.

Mr. Joseph Remenyi is a good platform speaker and thoroughly at home in the world's literature. He gives a very informative and wide awake discourse on literature subjects. He has been very popular. I do not know anything about Dr. White.

With all good wishes and hoping that I will have better luck the next time you come to Cleveland, I remain

Most cordially yours.

AHS:BK

P.S. I tried to locate you at the various hotels and at Headquarters, but without success.

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May 27, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel and E. 105th
Cleveland

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I regret more than I can say that I shall be out of the city Monday. I read Sholom Asch's great book "The War Goes On". I thought it a tremendously moving piece of work, and I should have counted it an honor to have seen him and heard him.

It is so long since I have seen or heard you that I shall count it a high honor when that privilege occurs again! I hope it will be sometime before we go our various ways for the summer.

Blessings on you,

Ever sincerely your friend,

Harold

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May 27, 1939

Rabbi A. H. Silver
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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

This will confirm reservation of

SS QUEEN MARY- from New York, June 21st - 1:00 PM
due Southampton, June 26th
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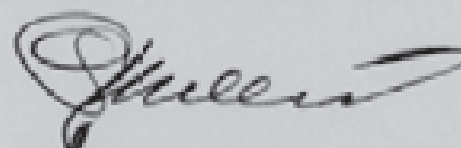
SS ILE DE FRANCE- Sept. 1st
Havre to New York
cabins 462 and 464 each with private bath
Rate, for 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1162.00
French Port Tax, for 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ 14.00
\$ 2547.00
Deposit paid 265.00
\$ 2282.00

We will make an effort to secure connecting rooms
on the QUEEN MARY if at all possible.

Herewith passport renewal application blanks for
your passports. You are to sign one of them, and Mrs. Silver
the other, returning them to us together with the passports.

Very truly yours,

THE COLLVER MILLER CO.



Casper J. Miller,
President

CJM:WB

*Merely sign the blanks and I will fee
in the balance -*

* D. S. BLOSSOM, President

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The Musical Arts Association
supporting
The Cleveland Orchestra
Severance Hall
11001 EUCLID AVENUE
CLEVELAND

May 27, 1939

Mr. and Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Silver:

On behalf of The Musical Arts Association and the Friends of
The Cleveland Orchestra, permit me to thank you for your generous
subscription of \$100.00 to the Association's Maintenance Fund for
The Cleveland Orchestra for the 1939-40 season, and to assure you
that it is deeply appreciated.

Enclosed is a membership card of enrollment in the Friends of
The Cleveland Orchestra, whose plans for the coming season will be
announced at a later date.

Sincerely yours,



Thomas L. Sidlo, Chairman

TLS:k

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May 28, 1959

Rabbi Armond E. Cohen
Jewish Center
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Cohen:

Rabbi Silver requested me to send you the
enclosed two letters.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

RJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

May 29, 1933

Journal-News Corporation
77-79 Bowery
New York, N.Y.

Circulation Department

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is Rabbi Silver's check for \$6.00 which will cover his subscription to the Journal-News Corporation to June 1st. Please discontinue the Paper on June 1st until further notice.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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Dear Doctor Silver:

As I told you, I was looking forward to seeing you on Saturday afternoon, and discussing with you a matter of real importance. However, I appreciate your consideration for me, and the message Armond Cohen gave me, suggesting that it was too long a walk to undertake on a hot day.

I hope that by this time you are feeling quite well again, and that I will be able to see you soon.

With most cordial good wishes,

Faithfully yours,


LOUIS FINKELSTEIN

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