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July 3, 1939

Mr. J. Emerson Miller
Route 1
Pineville
Bell County
Kentucky

My dear Mr. Miller:

In reply to your letter of June 30 permit me to state that we have no printed copy of the address which Rabbi Silver delivered at the convention of the Central Conference of American Rabbis to send you at this time. Should the address be printed, we shall be pleased to send you a copy.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

July 3, 1939

Mr. Maurice E. Goldstein
1206 Schofield Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Goldstein:

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your recent letter to Rabbi Silver. Rabbi Silver is spending his vacation abroad this summer and will be gone until the early part of September. I shall be pleased to refer your letter to Rabbi Silver's attention when he returns to the city.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

Dr. Adele Kwaszewska
616 West 137th Street Apt. 2A
New York City

New York July 4th 1939

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Mrs. Rhoda Neumark Gold informed me about the result of your kind intervention on my behalf at Mount Sinai Hospital.

I am very glad that it seems to be at least an hopeful beginning.

You will certainly understand that the least bit of an opening may be a comfort and may restore the scattered courage of someone in my circumstances.

And for this real benefit I beg you to accept my best thanks.

Very sincerely yours

A. Kwaszewska

Irene R. Oppenheimer
245 St. Washington Ave.
N.Y.C.

New York, July 5.39.

Rabbi A.H. Silver
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Often I have heard of your prominence and of the good work you are doing in behalf of the political refugees from Europe. A young lady, who knows the Horkheimer - Family from Wheeling, West Virginia confirmed this also and encouraged me to send this letter to you. I trust you will forgive me if I ask you herewith for your valuable advise and would appreciate your suggestions for the problems, confronting me at this moment.

I have been one of the more fortunate refugees, who came early to this country and am therefore very often asked for advise and help. But when it comes to resettlement-problems I am more or less lost. And it is this problem which I would like to discuss with you.

A very good friend of mine, a young physician, would like to get started somewhere out west or middle west. He has no means to speak of and therefore would like to get a fulltime appointment in a middle sized hospital of a middle sized town. He is a x-ray-specialist and has German as well as American diplomas and training here and abroad. He also has the national board as an x-ray-specialist - he is a diplomat of the American Board of Radiology.

As this friend of mine does not know the young lady of Wheeling, I am taking the liberty of addressing this letter to you. I would appreciate it very much, if I could hear from you and any suggestions will be ~~XXXXXX~~ very valuable.

With best regards and much obliged to you I wishto remain
cordially yours

Irene R. Oppenheimer
Irene R. Oppenheimer.

TELEGRAMS:
KEIGHBRACE, AUDLEY, LONDON.
TELEPHONE:
GROSVENOR 6321.

PARK LANE HOTEL
PICCADILLY
LONDON, W.1

July 8th 1939.

My dear Miss Kline,

I am enclosing herewith carbon
copies of the letters which I answered,
for your reference and file.

Please tell Miss Dworken that I plan
to be back in the States by September 10th, and
if all is well, I shall officiate at her wedding.
Please do not hesitate to bill the
UJA for secretarial services for the month of
June.

We are leaving tomorrow for La Baule,
France, stopping, as in the past, at the Hotel
Hermitage. Please forward all my mail direct to
the hotel.

Our two weeks stay in England have been
very delightful. The family have stayed well.
I hope that you are getting ready to take your
vacation and that you will enjoy it.

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KEIGHBRACE, AUDLEY, LONDON.
TELEPHONE:
GROSVENOR 6321.

PARK LANE HOTEL

PICCADILLY

LONDON, W.1

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With all good wishes,

I remain,

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hahl Rubin



Temple B'rith Kodesh

117 GIBBS STREET
Rochester, N. Y.

THE RABBI'S STUDY

July 10, 1939

Dear Friend,

Because we were expecting the birth of a baby daughter who has since arrived, I was not able to attend the last session of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. From so many who did attend, however, I have heard the most enthusiastic praise of the address which you delivered. I have been informed that it was the outstanding address at the Conference and one of the greatest addresses the Conference has ever heard. I am wondering whether it has been printed or mimeographed, and if so, whether I could get a copy. I will be grateful if you will send one to me, if available.

I trust that you are well and I send you cordial regards and best wishes.

AS ever

Phie

(Philip Bernstein)

July 11, 1939

Mr. J. E. Patterson
Republic Bank Building
Dallas, Texas

My dear Mr. Patterson:

On returning from my vacation, I found your letter of July 24 to Dr. Silver. Dr. Silver has been spending the summer abroad and will not return to Cleveland until the early part of September. I shall be pleased to refer your letter to him at that time.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

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July 14, 1939

Miss Irene R. Oppenheimer
245 Ft. Washington Ave.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Oppenheimer:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of July 6. Dr. Silver is spending the summer abroad and will not return to Cleveland until the early part of September. I shall be pleased to refer your letter to him at that time.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

July 14, 1939

Rabbi Philip Bernstein
Temple B'rith-Kodesh
117 Gibbs Street
Rochester, N.Y.

My dear Rabbi Bernstein:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of July 10. Rabbi Silver and his family are spending the summer in Europe.

I regret that we do not have a copy of the address which Rabbi Silver delivered at the Conference to send you. Should the address be printed, I shall be happy to send you a copy.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

July 14, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver:

To-day must be rather significant for the people in France. It is for me too - I leave for my vacation tonight.

There has been the usual amount of summer mail - mostly of the unimportant variety. I am enclosing all the invitations that were received since the last I sent you. All have been acknowledged with the statement that you are abroad for the summer, that letters would be forwarded and that they would be answered directly or that you would write to me, and I to them.

Mr. Max Dworken stopped in again about his daughter's wedding. It was the same morning that your cable arrived. He said he would write to you directly. The date is September 10. I suppose you will be back by that time. However, it would be nice if you would let us know whether you can take the wedding so that they may go ahead with the plans for Adelaide's wedding.

You might wish to write to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Lowenstein who on the 15th - tomorrow - will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Address - 356 E. 185th St.

You may also wish to write to Theodore Schwarz who, today, married Ruth Stern - 11424 Cedar Rd. Mr. Schwarz is the son of Hattie Einstein Schwarz(deceased).

Nothing new. Mr. Levy is away on vacation. Housecleaning goes on all around and it's pretty warm in Cleveland.

Kindest regards to all.

Cordially,

P.S. Mrs. Silver's note was much appreciated by all and a little misunderstood. It seems the office thought that "Rubin's" was a welcomed spot to stop and eat after seeing the Fair. It's quite all right now. I explained that "Rubin's" is just around the corner from the Temple and that food is not his specialty.

July 17, 1939.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

a dress

I happened to
be present at the last
annual convention of the
Central Conference of American
Rabbis, held in Washington. I was
so thrilled by your address
on "Anti-Semitism"; that I
should like to have a copy
of it. Do you happen to have
a typescript, mimeographed,
or printed copy. I would
certainly like to have it

Thanking you, I remain

Sincerely Yours,
Moe Beckev
Baker

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Richmond, Va.

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July 19, 1939.

Rabbi A. H. Silver
2 East 105th Street
Cleveland.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

A number of years ago you helped support the Cleveland Institute of Music. It now occupies an important place in the cultural and civic life of Cleveland, and is nationally known for its excellent Faculty.

In common with other organizations of its kind, it is non-profit making and is not self-supporting.

For a number of years our interested friends have subscribed to our annual Maintenance Fund, which has met our regular operating deficit. Recent adverse economic conditions have caused a decline of these contributions and have simultaneously caused a still greater need for them. Many of our most gifted students are unable to study without the aid of scholarships.

In view of your original interest in the Institute, we hope that you will render it your further support by contributing to our current Maintenance Fund.

Very sincerely yours,

Ralph S. Schmitt
President.

RS:JB

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4133 and 4134Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
Cleveland, OhioJuly
20th
1939

Dear Dr. Silver:

At the time the writer met you at the luncheon of the Amusement Division of the United Jewish Appeal on June 1st he mentioned to you that he was publishing a book on "Art In Palestine" and wanted you to have a copy with his compliments.

A copy is being sent to you under separate cover.

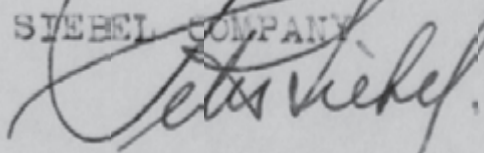
It was not a surprise to learn that Elias Newman knows you and is a friend of yours.

You displayed a most wonderful knowledge of your subject at this luncheon, which was thrilling and appreciated.

Both Newman and the writer would very much appreciate your criticisms of this book.

Respectfully yours,

SIEBEL COMPANY



PETER SIEBEL

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21 July 1939

Lieber Herr Dr. Silber.

Dass bin sehr traurig, dass
ich zu spät erfahren habe,
dass Sie zur gleichen
Zeit wie ich in London
waren. Dass bin nämlich
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seit 3 Monaten in England
und werde Anfang
August wieder nach
Kopenhagen fahren.
Kommen Sie auch nach
Skandinavien? Oder
vielleicht nach einmal

nach London.² Das würde so
glücklich sein, Sie wieder-
zutreffen. Das freut mich
sehr, daß Ihnen das kleine
Büch über meine Kunst
gefallen hat. Das habe
es machen lassen, weil
ich ziemlich verzweifelt
war über unsere Zukunft
und wenigstens auf dem
Papier etwas von mir
in eine bessere Zeit
setzen wollte. Für mich
ist Dänemark bei allem
Erfolg den ich dort habe
ein totes Fahrwasser. Des-
halb bin ich jetzt nach
London gefahren, um mit
meinem letzten Gelde zu
sehen, ob es in der Welt
keine besseren Möglich-
keiten für mich als Kunst
2

ler und Pädagogen gibt.
Ich habe hier sehr großen
Erfolg. Jedenfalls sind
die Aussichten für die Zu-
kunft hier weitaus besser.
Ich habe viele Freunde
gefunden. Meine Idee
ist nach Amerika zu
gehen als Pädagoge.
Wenn ich eine Position
an irgend einem College
bekäme könnte ich
zu jeder Zeit außer-
halb der Quota hie-
hin. Ein amerikanischer
Professor, von der Uni-
versität in Minneapolis
Minnesota, Laurence W. Steefel,
der mich in Dänemark als
Pädagogen kennen lernte,
sagte mir vor einigen
Wochen, ohne daß ich ihn

Die Zeichnung am Kopf
dieses Briefes ist die
Skizze zu einem großen
Bild, das ich für die
fliehenden Frauen und
Kinder gemalt habe
und das ich jetzt als
Relief bearbeite. Das
würde es gerne als eine
Hilfsmarke in großen Mengen
machen lassen.



glauben Sie, daß Sie etwas
für diese Idee tun könn=
ten? Das glaube es wäre
viel Geld damit zu gewin=
nen für die unglücklichen
Menschen. Das bin bis
zum 6 August in London.

darüber gelesenen hatte, das Affi-
davit. Ich es würde wenigstens
2 Jahre dauern, ehe meine
Nr. fällig wird. Hier in Lou-
don habe ich das Interesse
der Universität und der Unter-
richtsverwaltung sofort gewon-
nen für meine Künstlerziehung
gedanken, die ich in Kopenhagen
verwirklicht habe. Es ist beson-
ders die Sparetime arbeit -
Freizeit arbeit an Abend-
schulen. Aber auch die Lehrer-
erziehung. Meine Hoffnung
wäre, daß man mich für die
nächste Zeit nach London
rufen würde, so daß ich mit
einer guten englischen Sprache
nach U.S.A. kommen könnte.
Ich habe hier die besten Ver-
bindungen hinauf bis in
die höchsten einflußreichen
Kreise, die mir sehr leicht
die Einreise verschaffen

aber ich kann das Silberne
Länemark — das allerdings
durch die Freundschaft mit
Germania für mich wesen-
tlich unsicherer geworden ist —
nicht verlassen, wenn man
mir nicht irgendwelche Aus-
sichten für meine Exi-
stenz geben kann. Denn
die 6 jährige Krankheit
meiner Frau hat uns alles
gekostet, was wir noch aus
Deutschland gerettet haben,
so sieht es mit mir aus,
aber wenn der Krieg nicht
ausbricht würde sich viel-
leicht noch einmal ein
Aufstieg ermöglichen. Ich
hätte noch so viel zu schaf-
fen! Ich hoffe, Sie wieder-
zusehen!!!

Stets

Ihr

K. Harald Rosenheim

EVA LIPS
640 RIVERSIDE DRIVE
NEW YORK CITY

July 23rd, 1939

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Rabbi
THE TEMPLE
East 105 Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver :

We are just fixing my lecture schedule for the next season, and I would not like to leave you without a list of my new topics.

I'll be in Pittsburgh on January 18th, and since Toledo (Collingwood Avenue Temple) wants me, too, one could perhaps arrange a convenient date, in order to economize concerning travelling expenses.

In February I will speak in Chicago and in Champaign, Illinois, where the members of the B'NAI B'RITH HILLEL FOUNDATION voted to have me as their speaker.

I tell you all this only because I would love to be in Cleveland again and because I cannot get rid of the selfish desire to see you and Mrs. Silver again.

We are now permanently in New York. Thus, a very great desire, a dream we both had, came true.

With the most cordial regards from us both
to you and Mrs. Silver,

Yours sincerely,

Eva Lips
Eva Lips

EVA LIPS

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640 Riverside Drive
New York City

LECTURE TOPICS

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Winter 1939/40

AS AN AMERICAN SEES IT

A survey of the latest developments in Europe as seen by a new American citizen, a woman of German descent who left Nazi Germany in protest against Hitler's crimes against civilization and democracy. As an eye-witness of the decline of the old German culture under the Nazi régime, Eva Lips describes tactics and causes of Hitlerism and tells us what to do in order to protect American liberties and our pursuit of happiness.

THE FACTORY OF LIES

An insight into the technique of Hitlerism, based upon the latest underground news from Germany, weekly received by the speaker. Hitler's satanic machinery, explained by current events. Interesting details about the European radio war. Dangers for America. On Truth as the remedy against sinister propaganda. On pride and fearlessness; on true citizenship as the shield of American integrity.

IF JESUS WENT THROUGH HITLER'S GERMANY

The testimony of an "Aryan" Christian woman. The fate of religion in Nazi Germany. Shows how the Ten Commandments are broken; how the very foundations of religion, truth, and decency are demolished by Hitlerism; how the persecution of the Jews marks the breakdown of Christian culture and how the persecution of religion marks the decline of civilization. A warning to America. A demonstration of the Hitlerian racial nonsense, an appeal to fight for understanding between all human races. The brotherhood of all human beings who believe in religion as the source of true liberty and civilization.

BACK-STAGE MONTE CARLO

A lecture with lantern slides
after original drawings and photographs
by Eva Lips

E.L., fighter for truth, friend of humanity,
traveller, writer, and speaker, gives new proof of her manifold
interests.

Having been the correspondent for a large German newspaper
she spent years on the French Riviera, making friends with the
gay and shy "natives" of that famous resort and exploring it from
an entirely new angle.

In this talk we gain for the first time an intimate insight
into the daily life of the Riviera people. We hear about the
history, the churches and monuments of Monte-Carlo, that
legendary place described so superficially and untruthfully in
moving pictures and sensational stories. The authentic material
of Eva Lips' new book, THE SONS OF MONTE-CARLO, given by the
author herself in her unique and scintillating manner.



PATTERSON & BRISTOR
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS
REPUBLIC BANK BUILDING
DALLAS, TEXAS

July 24, 1939

Rabbi A. Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

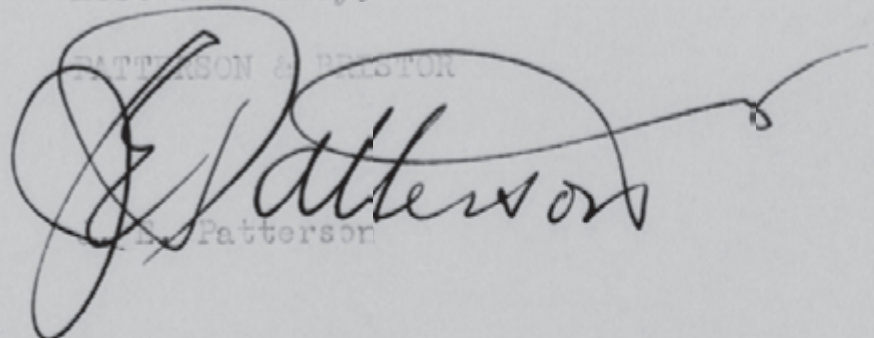
Dr. O. G. Peskin, who is a brother of Mrs. Sol Edgert, is being held in the Dallas County Jail on a technical charge, of which I believe him to be innocent and a victim of circumstances, under a \$1,500 bond awaiting the November Term of Court.

Four months is a long time to languish in jail when \$150 will secure his release on bond, however, his brother-in-law, Mr. Edgert, has not helped him. He believes that you will intercede as an act of charity and humanity with Mr. Edgert, as he does not wish to bring more disgrace to the family by going to the penitentiary, and wishes to spare his sister heart-ache, especially due to her condition.

As stated above, it is my opinion that Dr. Peskin is innocent of the charges, and can easily be proven blameless when his case comes up in November. However, in the meantime, he has been greatly tempted to accept the offer of one year and one day in the Federal penitentiary rather than wait these four months in the County Jail, especially due to the fact that Miss Hunter prejudiced the jailer against him before he returned here, resulting in his being held in practically solitary confinement, which you realize makes every day seem a month.

Please intercede for Dr. Peskin and see if his brother-in-law would relent sufficiently to advance the \$150 necessary to secure Dr. Peskin's bond, or any part of it. This will be greatly appreciated by Dr. Peskin and this office. It is my opinion that Mr. Edgert will also feel better for having helped this man in his hour of distress.

Most sincerely,

PATTERSON & BRISTOR

J. Edgar Patterson

JEP:MJS

TELEPHONE.
CROCKHAM HILL 313.

HIGH QUARRY,
CROCKHAM HILL,
EDENBRIDGE.

26th July, 1939.

The Reverend,
Rabbi Siller,
Cleveland, Ohio.
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Siller,

Miss Phillis Bottome has told me of your generosity in helping refugees from Europe. I shall be glad, if I may trouble you, to be good enough to give me some advice about the possibility of obtaining employment in America. I am interested in the case of a young engineer who has a visa for America, but he also holds a permit allowing him to work as a domestic servant in this Country. He is very anxious to go to America in order to join his parents who also have visas for the U.S.A., but none of them would of course have employment and it would be essential for them to have work.

If the probability seems that it is almost impossible to obtain work in America then it would be better for him to stay in this Country even although it means that he cannot work ~~work~~ at his own profession and must be separated from his old parents. The man is a fitter ~~eng~~ of running belts ~~specialist~~ and was an expert ~~for~~ this job in Austria. It would help me in knowing what advice to give to the young man, if you could be good enough to tell me what you feel about the possibility of getting this kind of employment in the United States.

I know that anyone who is doing work for theses poor people must have innumerable requests of this kind and I hope, therefore, that you will forgive me for adding to your work.

Yours very truly,

Aline Mackinnon

Ameland, Ohio
July. 26th 1939

Dear Patti Silber :

It was indeed gratifying to me in my circumstances, to receive such a beautiful acknowledgment of my small donation to your Welfare Fund.

I have contributed to various funds, in my small way. but this is the first letter I ever received telling

me of the gratefulness of
my donation, and permit
me to say I sincerely
and deeply appreciate it -

Very Respectfully
Leah Klein -

3324 Lorain Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio
July 28, 1939

Rabbi A. H. Silver
2 East 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the Chicago Daily Record in which appears the article "Hope for the Jews of America" which I hope you will read promptly.

My attention was called to the fact that the Jewish Peoples Committee is willing to unite with the General Jewish Council, but do not want to follow a policy of catering to men like Father Coughlin, who represents one of the more than 800 organizations in the United States that are preaching anti-semitism and whose tactics are facsistic.

The Jewish Peoples Committee wants to unite to carry out a militant program that will bring to the attention of the American people and the entire world the false statements made by those who are the heads of the 800 anti-semitic organizations.

Why should a United Front not be formed? Isn't the time ripe for the Jews to take militant action instead of offering excuses to our enemies and begging them for forgiveness as the "Maynfasics" did centuries ago?

I wish to know your opinion in this important matter and if you possibly can do something to bring unity, please start working at once, as time is valuable and we can not afford to lose much of it.

Very truly yours,

Clarence I. Sharnoff

This is to certify that

Abbe H. Silver

has been granted the Safe Driver Reward, in recognition of careful driving and consideration for the lives and property of others. For this distinguished service to the cause of safety and obedience to the law, the recipient has earned the gratitude of the public, the police and civic authorities, and the Insurance Companies which offer this Gold Chevron award.

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PHIL J. DORENKOTT

August 1, 1939

Mr. Abba H. Silver
246 East 105th Street
Bratenahl, Ohio

Dear Mr. Silver:

We are pleased to enclose herewith your reward for safe driving being a check on The Fidelity & Casualty Company in the amount of \$7.27. This is in payment of the safe driver reward under Policy No. A738250 which expired on June 26th.

Congratulating you upon having earned this reward and with best wishes, we are,

Yours very truly,

THE RICHEY-BARRETT COMPANY

By

L O Wood

Vice-Pres.

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enal.

9-17-39
Baltimore, Maryland.
August 7th, 1939.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

You may or, what is more likely, may not remember me but I happen to be Rabbi Alex Segel's ~~only~~ sister, now married and living in Baltimore. What is more, I used to be a most regular Sunday morning Temple-goer when I lived in Cleveland, - that is, before my marriage. However, the rest of my family in Cleveland, viz: Mrs. Peter E. Klein and others, keep me informed about The Temple's outstanding activities, not excluding, of course, your never-to-be-forgotten lectures. And now I come down to the purpose of this letter.

My brother Alex attended the recent Rabbinical Convention in Washington, at which Convention you were the outstanding speaker. It so happened that Alex was to keep me posted on the exact date of your talk, as I was most eager to run in to Washington to listen to you. Alex did drop me a card giving me this information, but for some reason or other, the card arrived too late, and so, unfortunately, I missed this profound and inspiring experience. But Alex wrote me how enthralling it was; how, to the very last one of them who listened to you as to a deep and solemn revelation, they acclaimed you with rapturous and moving applause as you rolled out the very last words of your paper on "The World Crisis and the Survival of the Jew", or words to that effect.

And now I make my plea for a copy of that paper, if you, by any chance, have had copies made. In such case, I would be only too happy to pay whatever cost is incurred herein. On numerous other occasions, when I lived in Cleveland, I purchased some of your lectures, and to this day I cherish each and everyone of them. And I should like so much to add this latest masterpiece of yours to those I now possess.

Incidentally, should you have printed copies on hand of other talks given in recent years, I should like very much to purchase as many of them as I may.

My husband, who was also a resident of Cleveland, and I will very likely be in Cleveland for the coming High Holy Days and, should our plans carry through, we will, by all means, make it a point to attend services at your Temple. That really would be a treat....if only the world scene were a happier one; and if only man's inhumanity to man would not make countless thousands mourn! "Surely it is difficult, if not impossible, for those who FEEL to be happy these days. And yet we know that the immutable laws of the universe work through man's history as well as through the tiny plant struggling out of the dark soil to reach up into the light. And from this knowledge, Faith can glow.....May our High Holy Days rekindle this Faith!

May I hear from you soon? And with warm regards to you, and my sincere thanks for your attention to my request, I am

Gratefully yours,

Mrs. Peter E. Goodman
ne. (Ester Segel)

4019 Barrington Rd.,
Baltimore, Md.

August 8, 1939

Mr. Moe Backer
3413 Ellwood Avenue
Richmond, Va.

My dear Mr. Backer:

On returning from my vacation, I found your letter to Dr. Silver requesting a copy of the address which he delivered at the Central Conference of American Rabbis. I regret that we have no printed copy of the address available to send you. Should the address be printed, I shall be pleased to send you a copy.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

P.S. Dr. Silver is spending his vacation in Europe this summer.

Sent

9-17-39

August 9, 1939

Mrs. Eva Lips
640 Riverside Drive
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Lips:

On returning from my vacation, I found your letter to Dr. Silver. Dr. Silver is spending his vacation in Europe and will not return to Cleveland until the early part of September. I shall be pleased to refer your letter to Dr. Silver at that time.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

August 9, 1939

Mrs. Peter E. Goodman
4019 Barrington Rd.
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Mrs. Goodman:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of August 7 to Dr. Silver. Dr. Silver has been spending the summer in Europe and will be gone until the first week of September. I am therefore taking the liberty of answering your letter.

I regret that we have no printed copies of Rabbi Silver's address before the Central Conference of American Rabbis available to send you. It will probably be printed, and if it is, I shall be pleased to send you a copy.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

Closed Aug 9/39
Rabbi Hillel Silver
The Temple

At your request I have
subscribed after "Seventy Voices"
by which was checked but not
acknowledged when mailing an
issue of the "Seventy Voices" though
I have written for it 3 to 4 times

Yours
Morton Feder

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Says:

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

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

LOS ANGELES
CAL.

Aug 10-39

Dear Rabbi:-

On September 23, 1923 you performed
our marriage ceremony. Immediately
after same, we left on a trip to the
Coast and upon our return to Cleveland
we omitted to procure from your office,
our recorded marriage license.

Will you be good enough to
have someone look thru your
files, where I am sure you
will find this document,
and then mail it to us.

Thanking you in advance,
I remain

Sordially yours
Mollie P. Levin
(Mrs. Harry)

1159 S. Citrus Av.
Los Angeles Calif.

The license was in the names
of Harry Levin & Mollie
Pressler.

August 11, 1939

Mrs. Hubert H. Wilder
13400 Fifth Ave.
E. Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Wilder:

On returning from my vacation, I found your letter of July 29 addressed to Dr. Silver, and the enclosure. As Dr. Silver is in Europe, I am taking the liberty of sending them to the Cleveland Coordinating Committee, which organization may be in a position to be of service to the Wilders of Vienna.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

August 11, 1939

Mr. Marcus Feder Sr.
Swetland Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Feder:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of August 9 to Dr. Silver. Dr. Silver has been spending the summer in Europe and will return to Cleveland the early part of September. I shall be pleased to refer your letter to him at that time.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

August 11, 1939

Mr. Benjamin Wolf
Cleveland Co-Ordinating Committee
Huron-Sixth Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Wolf:

I am enclosing herewith a letter
and an enclosure received from Mrs. Hubert H.
Wilder. They are self-explanatory.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

ISAAC HERZOG, M.A., D. Litt.
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TEL. 2361 ט.ל

13th August, 1939.

ב"ה

Dr. Alha Hilel Silver,
E. 105 St. & Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver,

I was very pleased to hear from my friend, Rabbi M. Kasher, that you have been good enough to undertake to raise the sum required for the publication of one volume of the Torah Shelemah Encyclopedia on the Pentateuch.

It is not necessary for me to dwell on the importance of this gigantic work which has received the praise and approbation of the greatest scholars, both Talmudic and secular. Some of their opinions have been published in a special prospectus which you, doubtless, have in your possession.

In the name of the Palestine Committee and myself I wish to express to you our sincerest thanks for your great endeavour which will ^{help} considerably in the realisation of this great work. I hope your efforts will be crowned with success and thus you will enable the author to continue ^{his} publication which is being ^{urgently} awaited by a wide public.

With the blessings of the Torah and the Zion,

Yours faithfully,

Isaac Herzog

Chief Rabbi of Palestine.

August 14, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Not knowing your exact whereabouts in Switzerland, I am addressing this letter to La Baule and am hoping that it will reach you before you and your family sail for home. I am not enclosing any mail - just in case this doesn't reach you. The following will give you an idea of what is most pressing at the moment.

Doris Kluga, daughter of Mrs. Samuel Kluga (one of the Kluga twins) plans to be married on Sept. 30 to Dr. Emanuel V. Shaw. You officiated at the weddings of both sisters and of course Doris has her heart set on having you perform the wedding ceremony for her. Her address is 1255 C. rlyon. You might perhaps wish to drop them a note inasmuch as the time is short.

Mr. Byron Novitsky of Fort Wayne, Indiana wrote inviting you to address their forum again this year in February of 1940. I acknowledged the letter and said it was being forwarded. I am holding it here for your return.

An another invitation received was from the South Central Division of the Iowa State Teachers Association to address their group at Creston, Iowa on Saturday, Sept. 30. They state that they "would want you or a general address in the forenoon and also for a round table conference in the afternoon." They ask that you state your fee and list subjects which you use. The writer was H. E. Dow, Superintendent of Schools - Villisca, Iowa. The letter was acknowledged stating that it was being forwarded to you. As Sept. 30 is not far off, you may wish to write to them directly.

Louis Nizer of the Habimah group wrote again asking for your address. I sent them your La Baule address and suggested that there was nothing you could do about the Habimah Fund until you returned to Cleveland and that it would be advisable to wait.

Louis W. Norris of Baldwin-Wallace College wrote in saying that Nov. 14 was convenient and was being scheduled.

Nov. 13 is not convenient for the Troy Jewish Community Center. They would like a date - first week in November. That can wait until you get back to Cleveland.

Truthfully, that's all the mail of importance. I have stacks of it waiting for you - but nine-tenths of it will be filed in the waste basket after a first glance.

At The Temple, the quiet of the summer still reigns, and all about, cleanliness raises her beautiful head. The carpeting and new desk for my office arrives in a day or two - and with a new dress, I should be all ready for Yom Tov.

There is really nothing more that I can add except that I hope that You and Mrs. Silver and the boys have had a grand summer and are all well. My fondest regards to Mrs. Silver, and my best wishes for a pleasant voyage home. Am looking forward to seeing you soon.

Very cordially,

Since Rabbi Harris wrote to you last, the following people passed away:

Mr. Isidore J. Stotter, 1397 E. Blvd. He leaves widow and two sons, Ed, and Herbert.

Mrs. Minnie Bloomberg, wife of Edward L. passed away on August 9. Address is 3090 E. Overlook.



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JERUSALEM, AUGUST 15th, 1939

Dear Friend,

The Palestine Foundation Fund is sending to you a copy of the calendar for the year 1939-40.

The calendar is forwarded to you in your capacity as a member of the National Council for Palestine of the United Palestine Appeal, which is the fund-raising instrument in the United States of the Palestine Foundation Fund.

Through the medium of this calendar you have an opportunity to visualize the many notable achievements in every field of economic and industrial activity for which the Keren Hayesod is responsible as a result of your cooperation with the United Palestine Appeal.

Within the United Palestine Appeal are embraced the Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund. The former is responsible for immigration, colonization, education and the advancement of all frontiers which are destined to enlarge the absorptive capacity of Palestine for Jewish immigration.

The extent to which further progress can be registered in the various activities financed by the Palestine Foundation Fund is very closely bound up with the measure of cooperation forthcoming from the Jewish community in America.

May we take this opportunity of expressing to you on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Palestine Foundation Fund our keen appreciation of the leadership you have given in your own community to the raising of funds through which the rebuilding of the Jewish homeland has been accelerated.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Herrmann

הועד המיסד להוצאת האנציקלופדיה העברית לידיעת היהדות, ירושלים - תל-אביב

המוכיר: צבי קאנל, תל-אביב

רח' לבנדה 109.

תל-אביב, ב' אלול, תרצ"ט.

17.8.1939

לכבוד
הרב אבא הלל סילבר,
בקונגרס הציוני הכ"א,
לנבה.

אדוני הרב הנעלה,

אינני יודע אם זכור לפניך שמי מימי הועידה בלונדון
בשנת 1920. הייתי מאושר אילו כך היה הדבר. ואני מסופק אם ישתמש
אדוני בשהותו באברופא לבקר גם בא"י ואם תנתן לי ההזדמנות לראות פניו.
לכן אני פונה אליו בזה בבקשה להשתתף בעבודה מדעית
באנציקלופדיה הגדולה והיפה שנוצרה, בודאי נוצרה ובודאי נגמור.
מעכשיו כבר עובדים במערכת בקביעות ה"ה פרופ' יצחק היינמן, שהיה ראש
הסמינר בברסלאו ומו"ל "המונט שריפט", ד"ר מ. נ. צובל, הרב שאול
ליברמן ובימים אלה קרובים נשלים את חבר המערכת בכוחות מצוינים.
יותר ממאה ועשרים מלומדים למקצועותיהם הבסיחו להשתתף, והנה על פי מה
שנודמן לי לקרא בספר השנה של הרבנים באה"ב על ספר אדוני ותולדות
הרעיון המשיחי בישראל, אני בטוח שבשאלה זו ואחרות יוכל להעניק לנו
מאמרים מצוינים - גם ידידינו מר מסלנסקי הלשין עליו כשבקר בארץ
במובן זה - אני מקווה אפוא לתשובתו החיובית ומודה לו מקרב לבי מראש.
את ספרו הנזכר לא מצאתי לדאבוני בשום ספריה בארץ
ואודה לו הרבה אם יוכל לשלוח לי בשביל המערכת סופס אחד ממנו.
האנציקלופדיה תכיל עשרים כרכים גדולים.

המחלקות: כתבי הקדש, מפרשיהם / ספרים חיצוניים / תלמוד: הלכה, פוסקים; אגדה, מדרשים, ספרות
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ימי ישראל בכל הארצות ובכל החקופות / הלשון העברית / תספרות העברית עד רמח"ל, מימי רמח"ל
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מידיו מפעלנו נמצאים בקונגרס הרב רמ"א עמיאל, מר ברל כצנלסון,

מר יוסף שפרינצק, שיוכלו למסור לו פרטים על תכניתנו.

בתקווה לשמוע את דבריו ושיאיר פנים להתחלתנו הצנועה, הנני חותם

בהוקרה רבה ובתודה מראש



יום

לכבוד ועד המיסד

להוצאת האנציקלופדיה העברית לידיעת היהדות, ירושלים—תל-אביב,

ליד ה' צבי קאנל, מזכיר

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א. נ.

אני מביע בזה את הסכמתי להשתתף באנציקלופדיה

ב מ ק צ ו ע ו ת :

כתבי הקדש, מפרשיהם, ספרים חיצונים, תלמוד: הלכה, פוסקים,
אגדה, מדרשים, ספרות חורוש, הילניזם, עבודה, תפלה, פיוט,
דינים ומנהגים, המשפט, רפואה, מדעים בישראל, פילוסופיה, קראות,
קבלה, חסידות, מוסיקה, ארכיאולוגיה, אמנות, פולקלור, אשכנזי,
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הספרות העברית עד רמח"ל, מימי רמח"ל, יידיש, דימוגרפיה,
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ב מ י ו ח ד :

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August 19, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road & E. 105 Street
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

A Mr. Gerson B. Chertoff has applied to us for a position with our Special Committee of the Jewish Community Council dealing with the problems of Anti-Semitism. He has given your name as reference.

Would you please advise us what you may know about Mr. Chertoff. You may be assured that any information you give us will be treated with the strictest confidence.

Sincerely yours,

Maurice J. Sievers

Maurice J. Sievers
SECRETARY

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August 25, 1939

Mr. M. Tetarn
Bedford, Ohio

My dear Mr. Tetarn:

In Dr. Silver's absence from the city,
permit me to acknowledge receipt of your kind letter
of August 5 and the check for \$6.00 which you enclosed.
Both will be referred to Dr. Silver's attention
when he returns to Cleveland.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

August 25, 1939

Mrs. Harry Levin
1159 S. Citrus Ave.
Los Angeles, California

My dear Mrs. Levin:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of August 10; Dr. Silver has not yet returned from his vacation. I shall be pleased to refer your request to him when he returns to Cleveland.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

August 25, 1939

Mr. Maurice J. Sievers, Secretary
Jewish Community Council
1430 Central Parkway
Cincinnati, Ohio

My dear Mr. Sievers:

In reply to your letter re Mr. Gerson B. Chertoff, permit me to state that Dr. Silver is not yet back from his vacation. I shall be pleased to refer your letter to Dr. Silver when he returns to Cleveland.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

August 25, 1939

Mr. J. H. Biben, Publisher
The American Hebrew
48 West 48th St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Biben:

I shall be pleased to refer your letter
of August 14 to Dr. Silver when he returns from his
vacation in a week or two.

With best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

HB

73 Sherman Ave
Mansfield Ohio
Aug. 26, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I was sorry
to have missed
you this summer.
I attended the Summer
Session of Western
Reserve, and had
hoped to hear you
at the Temple service.
I'm sure you must

3.

this question I would like to ask you.

One of our old and most creditable clubs, a study group, here in the city, has for one of its meetings a discussion of "The Jewish Race, its contributions to Science & Literature."

My question — are we a race or religion, or

have had a most
enjoyable & greatly
needed rest and holiday.

No doubt you are
now in the midst
of all the Holiday
activities and
preparations, but
I do hope that
you will have a
minute to consider

is it considered debatable
and no solution offered?

There is no
controversy about it.
I would just like to
know. In a small city
like Mansfield, these
things come up, and
one wonders.

I am looking forward
to attending some of
The Temple services this
winter & seeing you again.
With warmest regards,
Sincerely yours, Helen Bein

William B. Schwartz,
Rabbi

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Rabbi Melbourne Harris
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Colleague:

I am wondering whether it would
be possible to secure a copy of Dr. Silver's
paper read before the C. C. A. R. in
Washington in June. Unfortunately
I could not get there on that day. I
imagine that Dr. Silver has not yet
returned from Europe - but perhaps you
can suggest how I can get hold of a



WRHS

Copy.

I should be very grateful for your
assistance in this matter

With best wishes for The New Year
with fraternal greetings, I am

Faithfully yours
Abraham B. Schwartz.

Aug. 30/39