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ISAAC HERZOG, M.A., D. Litt.

Chief Rabbi of the Holy Land
Jerusalem.

January 1, 1940

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

I have received your letter in regard to Rabbi Krislov.

I must say that it is very strange that the rev. gentleman expects the Kook family to have faith in him when during so long a period he has failed to carry out his solemn and written undertaking to support his wife with 6 pounds per month. I believe, he owes for that period, 1½ years, or thereabout at least of \$350! The Yeshivah Merkaz Harav is not in any way under a duty to maintain his wife, and apart from that the Yeshivah is financially in a very bad state, and this of course means that his brother-in-law, Rabbi Judah Kook, is in a precarious position. Let Rabbi Krislov pay his debt, and then furnish sure guarantees for the future, if he wants the question of a release to be at all considered. So far, he has not done either. He has not discharged even an appreciable part of his debt, and what he offers as a guarantee in future is not at all acceptable.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Isaac Herzog

CHIEF RABBI OF PALESTINE

January 2, 1940

Rabbi Philip W. Jaffa
848 N. 5th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona

My dear Jaffa:

I was very pleased to receive your letter. I did not know that you have not been well, and I am sorry to hear of it. I trust that your condition has improved in the healthful climate of Phoenix.

I appreciate greatly your comments on the Paper which I read at the Central Conference of American Rabbis in Washington. I have been gratified in the response which it has received throughout the country. Under separate cover I am sending you two reprints (all that I can spare) of "The World Crisis and Jewish Survival", and also a copy of "Israel".

With all good wishes for a complete recovery in which Rabbi Harris and Mr. Levy join me, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Jan 4 1940

RABBI SOLOMON B. FREEHOF, D. D.
RODEF SHALOM TEMPLE
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PITTSBURGH, PA.

January second
1940

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

Dear Abba:

I am enclosing a copy of a note from Henry Tavel, the Secretary of the Hebrew Union College Alumni Association. I hope you will be able to comply with his suggestion and send me a check of \$25--\$1 for each year since we have graduated from the College.

I hope that all five of the class will be able to contribute \$50 twenty-five years from now.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Sol

SBF:TK

Enclosure

January 2, 1940

Dr. Harry Friedenwald
1212 Butaw Place
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Friend:

I was very happy to receive your letter of December 27, and was greatly pleased at your reaction to my Paper, "The World Crisis and Jewish Survival". I esteem your judgment so highly that your praise was doubly welcome. I have been gratified at the response which this Paper has won, especially among the Rabbis in the United States, because my sole purpose in writing this Paper was to help leaders of Jewish life in this country not to become shaken and demoralized, and not to lose the true perspective on the present status of our people or on our national experience through the ages.

I shall look forward with pleasure to seeing you in Washington. With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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January 2, 1940

Mrs. Ida Friedman
Temple Beth-El
Pensacola, Florida

My dear Friend:

It was with deep sorrow that I heard of the passing of your dear husband and I wish to extend to you my profoundest sympathies. The news came to me as a distinct shock. I hope that you will find strength and comfort in your great sorrow.

With reference to the matter which you raise in your letter, I would suggest the following procedure. You can join The Temple on a widow's rate, namely, \$55 per year. Although this rate is allowed only to widows whose husbands were members of The Temple, we would make an exception in your case. It would then be possible for you some time after you are officially a member of The Temple to remove your husband's body to Mayfield Cemetery. I have inquired of the office of Mayfield Cemetery and learned that it is possible to purchase a single grave at \$100 or \$125, and a two-grave lot at a minimum cost of \$165.

I shall be very happy to do whatever you wish in these circumstances.

Again expressing to you my deep sympathies in which Mrs. Silver joins me, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Moses Silver,
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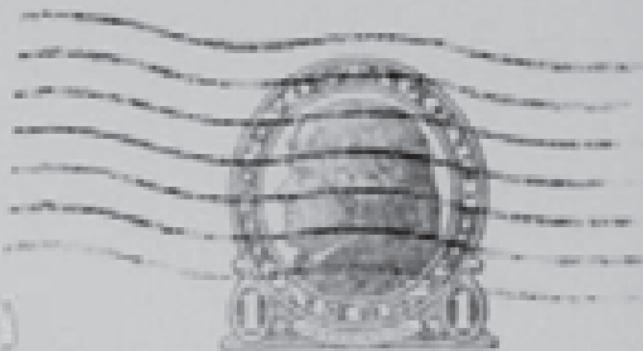
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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESSEE

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

Dear Sir,

1/4-1940

I am a newcomer from Austria, employed at
Lorillard Steel Corp. of Warren and would like to get
in touch with newcomers from Austria or Germany.

I will greatly appreciate, if you will send me
the following informations:

Names of clubs or organizations for general
new-comers.
Where they hold their meetings and the addresses
of such places, also the names of their leaders.

Yours truly
Stephen Reichmer

Jan. 5, 1940.

Rabbi A. H. Silver, D.D.
East 105 St at Ansel Rd,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:— Words cannot express
our gratitude for the manner
in which you conducted the
service of our beloved one.

Kindly accept the enclosed
as a small token from
the immediate family.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. C. A. Licht.
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
c/o The Temple,
Ansel Road and East 105th,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

You may have noted that we are making an effort to secure for Peter Witt appointment to the position of Wages and Hours Administrator for this District, recently resigned by Mr. W. J. Kennedy. We have enlisted very strong labor support and some support from the conservative side as typified by Mr. J. C. Lincoln.

Peter needs the job; not only does he need it from a pecuniary standpoint but of course he is unhappy not being engaged in some kind of useful service. I am sure I may ask you to do what may occur to you as likely to be of some help in the situation.

Undoubtedly a communication to Senator Donahey, whose approval I understand the appointment would have to have, would be helpful. I suppose the appointment is subject also to approval by the Secretary of Labor or at least that her influence might be of value.

Anything which occurs to you and which you can consistently do will be very much appreciated.

With all seasonable good wishes,

Yours most sincerely,

ESS/E

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My dear Doctor

Jan 9th

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On Monday evening next I
am to have the honor of introducing you as the Y.

On one of my visits to the
Forest City at the Ecclessia Club had the privilege
of meeting you and your estimable wife the
latter being distantly related to me my
mother of course, memory having been a
Flescher.

Also was a classmate of the
late Moses Gries in the Public School here.

Looking forward to meeting
and greeting you in the metropolis
of the Garden State Newark

Cordially & sincerely yours

Louis Schlesinger

Rabbi Abraham Silver

Cleveland Ohio

Fiftieth anniversary
1890-1940

First Methodist Church
WILLIAM DWIGHT HEASTON, MINISTER
EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO

January 9, 1940

Rabbi Abba H. Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have read with great interest the novel, "The Nazarene" by Sholem Asch. Have you reviewed this novel for any magazine or paper? If you have, would you kindly give me the name of the magazine or paper. I would like to know your estimate of the book. I am WRHS letter - only known for publicit(?)



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The people of First Church still speak of your fine address given here a few years ago.

Very best wishes,

Wm Dwight Heaston

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

G. M. & R.
Newark, N.J.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

My husband & I were unfortunate in hearing but a portion of your excellent address on Palestine and World Jewish Crisis which you gave over M. & R. on Sunday Jan 7th.

I am writing to ask if, by any chance, it may

January 11, 1940

Rev. William Dwight Heaston
First Methodist Church
East Liverpool, Ohio

My dear Rev. Heaston:

I preached on "The Nazarene" in my pulpit and I am enclosing herewith a Temple Bulletin which contains a brief abstract of that address. It will give you an idea of my reactions to the book which I regard as a great and helpful one.

I, too, recall with great pleasure the meeting which I addressed at your Church a few years ago, and daily I am reminded by the lovely gift which your people sent me of their graciousness and generosity.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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January 11, 1940

Mr. H. Silver
246 East 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Upon looking over the baggage on hand at the U. S. Customs Warehouse, we note one small flat package bearing your name which was landed from the S.S. WASHINGTON.

We have not received any inquiry from you. Apparently the package was shipped by the American Express Company to France. Should the package be your property, will you please fill out the inclosed Customs affidavit, have same sworn to before a Notary Public, and return it to this office, and we will assist you in clearing the package through Customs.

Up to the present time the Customs storage charges are \$2.40, and you may send us a check or money order for this amount when returning the affidavit.

When the package is cleared through the Customs, we will forward it to you via Railway Express.

Very truly yours

J. P. Kauke
GENERAL BAGGAGE AGENT

JM:JR

January 12, 1940

Dr. C. A. Licht
2038 Yorkshire
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

My dear Friends:

Permit me to thank you for your kind note and for the gift 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 kindest regards to you and
Mr. J. H. Wienstien, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BK



RABBI AARON H. LEFKOWITZ
B'ER CHAYIM CONGREGATION
CUMBERLAND, MARYLAND

January 13-19 40-

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Avril Road + E. 105 St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

Your message at last Saturday's Convocation in Washington was most stirring. I should appreciate if you would be kind as to give me the reference in Victor Stroosn's works which you quoted... Your interpretation of this selection was majestic.

With kindest personal regards,

Aaron H. Lefkowitz

Cordially,

Aaron H. Lefkowitz

CONGREGATION BETH-EIL

249 ARCH STREET
SUNBURY, PENNSYLVANIA

DATE Jan. 14, 1940 193

Rabbi Aba Hillel Silver
c/o 105 th St. Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

The Rabbi of our Congregation has left for another position, and Rabbi Myron Machenbaum, formerly of Congregation Ansheh Galitzieh, Cleveland, Ohio, has been referred to us.

In the course of confersation that I had with Rabbi Machenbaum, he mentioned the fact of his acquaintance with you. I therefore take the liberty to ask your kind permission in giving me whatever information you ~~have~~ have about Rabbi Machenbaum. Being fully aware of your high position in Jewish life, it would be a privilege and of great weight to hear from you.

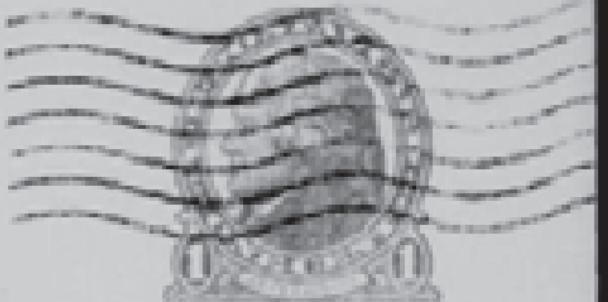
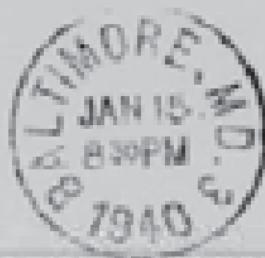
In as much as the matter of selecting a Rabbi for our Congregation as soon as possible is of great importance to us, your early reply will be more than appreciated. May I also assure you of the strict confidence in which such a reply will be held.

Yours very sincerely,

Juel Solomon.

Juel Solomon, President
Congregation Beth-EI

P.S. Will you kindly address your reply to my attention at P.O.Box 15, Sunbury, Pa.



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MEMORIAL
Rev. Dr. W. H. Sawyer,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

January 15, 1940.

Dear Dr. ~~Sever~~:

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January 16, 1940

Raoul Spoleti Bonanno, Editor
L'Araldo
12020 Mayfield Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Bonanno:

Let me thank you for your kindness in sending me a copy of L'Araldo of January 12 which contains the news that an Italian Jew is to receive an award at the hands of Mussolini for bravery in service. This, indeed, is welcome news, suggesting that the Italian Government has not entirely forgotten the rare devotion, service and sacrifices which Italian Jewish citizens have evidenced time and again. It leads one to hope, too, that some day, when the pressure of the axis on Rome will have relaxed, that the Italian Government will see the justice of striking from its statute books all the iniquitous discriminatory anti-Jewish legislation which was enacted a few years ago under pressure from Berlin against the will of the Italian people.

I recall with pleasure the interview which I had with Mussolini in 1933 at which time he expressed his great satisfaction with the loyalty and patriotism of the Jews of Italy, and with the fine contributions which they were making to the life of the country, deprecated anti-Semitism and looked for its sharp decline in Europe as soon as economic conditions would become more normal in Europe.

You may well imagine my amazement when a few years later I found this same Mussolini introducing into Italy the infamous discriminatory racial laws against the Jews which the Nazis originated in Nuremberg.

Very sincerely yours,

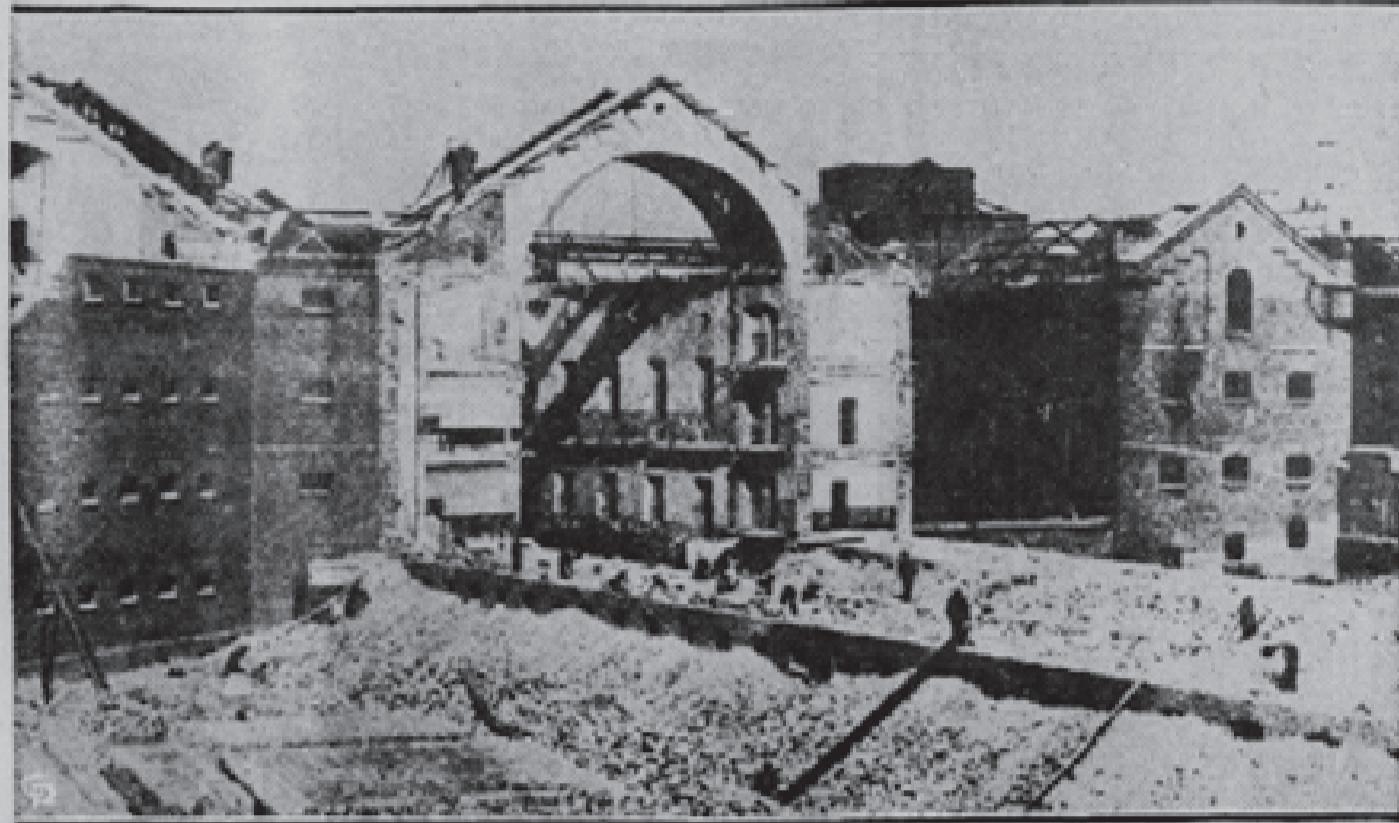
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New Madrid to Rise Amid Ruins of Spanish War



Work of rebuilding Madrid, old capital of Spain, is under way and the Franco regime is planning a bigger and better city. This photo shows the

scene where the new city hall is to arise. While excavating in these ruins, workers found many bodies of bomb victims of the civil war.

Dalla Finlandia L'Olanda e' pronta a difendersi

Ha piena conferma la notizia che un'altra Divisione russa è stata distrutta a sud-est di Suomussalmi. I Finni vanno ora raccogliendo i materiali da guerra lasciati dal nemico in fuga. La sconfitta di due Divisioni alla distanza di pochi giorni costa agli invasori: trenta mila uomini fra morti, feriti, prigionieri e dispersi; 129 cannoni di vario calibro; 54 tanks, 12 carri armati, 1 aereo-piano, 75 mitragliatrici, 428 carri trasporto, 50 cucine da campo, 1420 cavalli e grande quantità di fucili e munizioni.

Il tentativo di un nuovo assalto in forze nell'Istmo di Carella è frustrato dal tiro meravigliosamente preciso dell'artiglierie finlandese. Il bombardamento sistematico distrugge i concentramenti di truppe russe, con tutti gli armamenti di sostegno, prima ancora che l'offensiva sia iniziata.

Ma è un gioco che non può durare a lungo, e le grandi potenze debbono decidersi alla pace sul serio o alla guerra sul serio, prima che la Finlandia cada dissanguata nella lotta impari contro un nemico dalle risorse inesauribili.

ITALIAN-JEW IS AWARDED**HIGHEST MEDAL FOR VALOR**

Mussolini, in First Public Occasion, Will Bestow Extremely Rare Award Upon Brave Lieutenant

(Reprinted from The Italian News)

ROME. — Lieutenant Bruno Jesi, counsellor of the Union of Jewish Communities of Italy, has received his gold medal brevet from the War Office. The medal itself, it is understood, will be presented to Jesi by Premier Benito Mussolini on the first public occasion.

Being in possession of the brevet, however, Jesi is authorized to enjoy all the privileges of a gold medal brevet. The gold medal is given for the most outstanding military valor under fire and is nearly always awarded posthumously. To receive one while still living is an honor perhaps incomparable to military decorations in any other country.

Only 100 living Italian heroes have received the medal since its inception. These fought in the Ethiopian campaign of 1898, the Libyan campaign, the World war, the Ethiopian conquest and the Spanish war. Bearers of this rare award are always referred to as Medaglia d'Oro. They receive honors above a general, even though they may hold the rank of a private. They enjoy all the privileges of a senator, can enter any ministry unannounced, visit the King and Duce almost as a relative, travel on all trains free and on ships and planes for only a small fraction of the fare.

Muraglia vivente contro una invasione sovietica

RE CAROL SPIDA LA RUSSIA

Le minoranze allogene fedeli alla Romania

CHISINAU — Il Re Carol ha indirizzato un vigoroso monito alla Russia dicendo che "la Romania combatterà come una muraglia vivente contro qualsiasi tentativo delle forze russe di invadere la Bessarabia."

Il Re ha pronunciato il discorso dopo la rivista di un grandioso sfoggio di truppe e di carri d'assalto e di evoluzioni di aeroplani in questa città, capitale della Bessarabia, distante soltanto dodici miglia dalla frontiera russa.

Il Re Carol ha insistito che "la Bessarabia rimarrà romena perché sarà difesa con la forza delle armi."

Il Generale George Argesanu, comandante del Terzo Corpo di Armata, ha detto alla folla che si è raccolta davanti al palazzo del Governatore per ascoltare il discorso del Re, che "tutto l'esercito romeno, dal primo all'ultimo uomo, è pronto a difendere i confini orientali della Patria."

I capi delle minoranze allogene in Bessarabia, russe, ucraine e tedesche, hanno reso pubblicamente il giuramento di fedeltà a loro nome e dei loro seguaci verso il Re Carol e la Romania.

Occorre ricordare che la Russia non ha mai riconosciuto la sovranità romena sulla Bessarabia, che fu possedimento russo sino alla fine della guerra mondiale.

Mentre passava in rassegna le truppe, il Re Carol era bancheggiato dal Primo Ministro Tătărescu, dal Principe Ereditario Michele e dai Ministri della Guerra, della Marina e dell'Aviazione.

Il forte discorso del Re è venuto dopo un discorso di simile tenore, pronunciato da Tătărescu per Capo d'anno a Costanza sul Mar Nero.

Mentre alcuni mesi fa la Romania aveva ritirato gran parte delle sue truppe dalla Bessarabia riteneva impossibile difenderla, ora, incoraggiata dalla vittoriosa resistenza finlandese, è pronta a combattere fino all'estremo per la difesa di quella provincia e sul terreno della medesima.

UNA COLLISIONE FRA NAVI FRANCESE E BELGA

BRUSSELLES — Una nave spaziamina francese è rimasta seriamente danneggiata collidendo col piroscafo belga Prince Charles al largo di Dunkerque.

PROBABILE FUTURO
PROVERBIO FRANCESE:

"Dagli Inglesi mi guardi
Eddio, che dal nemico mi
guardo io!"

Al Popolo la Scelta

(Continuazione della 1a pagina)

utilità: perché non farne altri di efficacia più semplice e più diretta?

Il nostro Senatore Taft, se vuole essere un candidato del popolo alla Presidenza degli Stati Uniti, deve avere il coraggio di far suoi i programmi più combattuti, perché più direttamente vanno alla radice del male.

Bisogna spendere molto e bene e bisogna anche "scacciare i mercanti dal tempio." C'è tutto il problema bancario che reclama pronta e rigorosa soluzione. Il popolo deve reclamare che il Congresso riprenda uno dei più importanti poteri assegnatigli dalla Costituzione:—coniare la moneta secondo i bisogni e nella misura che le ricchezze nazionali permettono.

Il "Daily Mail" giornale conservatore indipendente dice: "I Generali dell'Esercito sono nella tregua del divorzio inflitto a Hore-Belisha. Egli non andava d'accordo con i Generali e ha dovuto andarsene."

L'organo laburista, "Daily Herald" dichiara che il pubblico vuole conoscere perché Hore-Belisha è stato "saccheggiato" a questo modo.

Perfino l'organo ultra-conservatore "Times" che di solito rispecchia l'opinione del Governo, esce in queste audaci parole: "La opera fatta da Hore-Belisha sarà apprezzata soltanto con un giudizio retrospettivo."

Il "Yorkshire Post" dice: "È una cosa molto seria che il Governo debba perdere i servizi di Hore-Belisha, un uomo di energia e di saggezza."

Il "Manchester Guardian," giornale liberale, ha questo elogio del Ministro costretto alle dimissioni: "Hore-Belisha ha riorganizzato la gerarchia del Ministero della Guerra, compito che avrebbe speso nove Ministri su dieci. Egli ha fatto più che decenni di amministrazione del Ministero della Guerra per creare condizioni dell'esercito che si avvicinano assai a quelle della vita civile in modo di far scendere alla media degli uomini di arruolarsi."

LA FRANCIA COMPROVA MULI AMERICANI

ST. LOUIS — Un gruppo di ufficiali francesi è giunto in questa città per procedere all'acquisto di un ingente numero di muli americani che dovranno servire per lo esercito francese.

IL SENATORE HOLT CRITICA L'AMBASCIATORE INGLESE

WASHINGTON — Il Senatore Holt ha criticato il discorso pronunciato dall'Ambasciatore inglese, Lord Lothian, davanti al Consiglio delle Relazioni Estere a Chicago, Ill. l'altra sera.

"Il discorso di Lord Lothian ha detto il giovane e coraggioso Senatore federale del Virginia è il discorso di un astuto inglese che cerca di fare ingollare la propaganda a quelli che in Inghilterra chiamano "beceri americani."

E' lo stesso tipo di propaganda inglese che ci fu regalata dal 1914 al 1917, soltanto che ora è un pochino più abilmente coperta. Lord Lothian è inviato agli Stati Uniti appunto per le sue competenze da esperto della pubblica opinione americana."

HERE'S BAD NEWS FOR SUBMARINES

Above is pictured a battery of depth-chARGE throwers awaiting inspection in a British naval plant. Officers and crew of a raiding submarine have learned to fear this weapon above all others. A submarine is highly destructive if it explodes as far away as 300 feet from a submarine.

January 16, 1940

Mr. Isadore Cohen
Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada
Bluefield, W. Va.

My dear Mr. Cohen:

Let me thank you for your kind letter and for what you say about the contribution which the United Jewish Appeal made to Christian refugee causes. We have been gratified by the numerous complimentary messages which we have received from all parts of the country, including one from the President of the United States, which you have probably seen in print.

I am sorry that you were unable to attend the Conference of the United Palestine Appeal in Washington. It was a brilliant affair - the largest in our history, and everyone was greatly moved and inspired.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BC

January 18, 1940

Mrs. Leonora H. Morreau
146 Central Park West
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Morreau:

Our mutual friend, Helen Bing, has informed me that you have graciously donated to The Temple a sum of money to inscribe the names of your dear parents, your husband and son, Myron, in The Temple Memorial Book. I write you this note to express to you my own thanks and that of The Temple for your very generous act. The names of your dear ones will be inscribed, and on the occasion of each Yahrzeit their names will be read at The Temple services, and the Kaddish prayer will be recited.

It is some time now since I have seen you. I trust that you are well. I hope that some day on one of my frequent visits to New York I will have the pleasure of seeing you.

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

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

Apd. 11-10 San Ramon

IS. EICHLER
8756 - 33RD AVENUE
BROOKLYN, N. Y.

January 17, 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland
Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

I recently met a Miss Strauss, a graduate nurse from one of your hospitals in Cleveland, and she wore a medal on which appeared the Hebrew words:

וְתַחֲזֵק נִשְׁכָנָה!

She could not tell me what they meant and so far, I have not been able to find some one who could interpret them for me.

Please let me know what this is and whether it is a quotation from one of the prophets.

Respectfully yours

I. Eichler

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enc.

(I imagine that last means "I will dress wounds" but I can't tie up the first word somehow)

Please pardon this liberty that I take in writing you. Miss Strauss told me that you had presented the medal to her.

January 18, 1940.

Dr. Harry Friedenwald
1212 Eutaw Place
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Dr. Friedenwald:

Permit me to acknowledge your note of January 15 requesting several copies of Rabbi Silver's "The World Crisis and Jewish Survival". Prior to that, I had sent you two copies and I am wondering whether you received them.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

January 18, 1940

Mr. Elias Lieberman
10475 - 111th Street
Richmond Hill,
L. I. N.Y.

My Dear Friend:

It was indeed very thoughtful of you to send me a copy of your book of verse, "Man in the Shadows". What you personally inscribed in it was particularly gratifying to me. I know that I shall read it with a great deal of pleasure.

It is some time since I have seen you. I hope that this pleasure will not be deferred very much longer.

Very truly yours,

AHS:BK

January 18, 1940

Mr. Jacob Silver
Montefiore Hospital
Gumhill Road
Bronx, N.Y.

My dear Uncle Jack:

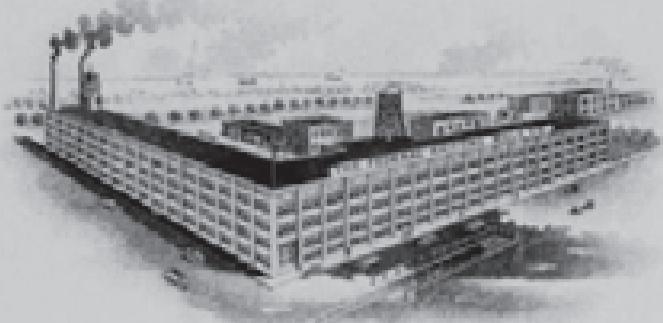
I was out of the city when your son, Irwin, called my home and spoke to Mrs. Silver. I was sorry that I missed him. He said that you were at the hospital. We are happy to learn that you are steadily improving and that the prospects are bright for your complete restoration to health soon. Virginia joins me in sending you our warmest good wishes. I hope that in the near future when I am in New York again, I will have an opportunity of seeing you.

The folks in Palestine are well. I had a letter from them yesterday. In spite of war conditions in Palestine, life seems to be moving quite normally.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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E. 105th St. and Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

The enclosed letter pertains to Edna's cousins who have recently arrived in Cleveland. It appears that a relative of theirs had some money turned over to them in England, and believe it is in the custody of a Rabbi, as the letter sets forth.

The object is to get the money out of England and it seems as though the English Rabbi would like to have the assurance of the giver that it would be satisfactory to turn the money over to me for the Guggenheims in Cleveland. To get this information through Germany, appears to be impractical. Therefore, thought possibly you would be willing to write a letter to England stating my responsibility.

Trusting I shall not be putting you to any great inconvenience, and with kind regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Herbert Goulder.

HGG:B

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January 20, 1940

Dr. Abba H. Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am writing to ask if you plan the publication in book form of any material on which you may have been working. I remember hearing you give an address once, which, if I remember correctly, was later embodied in your book, "Religion in a Changing World." I liked that book very much, and I was hoping that perhaps you might have something else you would like to publish. If such is the case, we would be very glad indeed to see it.

Sincerely yours,

William R. Savage
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

You will recall our few minutes of leisure at the Y. M. H. A. at Newark, last Monday evening, after your splendid and excellently received message to our community.

You expressed a willingness to read some of my experiences as Judge of the Essex County Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court and I am sending you herewith my last writing in pamphlet form entitled "Inside the Home".

I am also enclosing herewith another paper entitled "Exclusive Jurisdiction in the Juvenile Court".

I trust that you will find them of interest and I should like to have your reaction thereof, if you care to express it.

If you happen to see my friends Judges Eastman and Gilbert, I would appreciate your conveying to them my personal regards.

With warm personal regards, I am,

JS/MG
Encs.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH SIEGLER

Cape Charles, Va
Jan 19, 1940.

Dear Rabbi Silver

I have cut out
"Clementine's Mending" from
The New York Times. I
have shown it lots of my
friends, Jews and Gentiles.
They think it is good. I
am an old Jewish lady, 75
years old, but I read lots
of paper and magazines.
and I was real proud of your
poem, as was every body else.
I wish you health and
happiness, and I listen very
often to your broadcasts
Very truly yours

Mrs Bertha Berlin



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Jan. 20, 1940

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

Dear sir:

This is to confirm that we have posted a bond for the consular invoice on seven packages of books that we cleared for you from U S Customs from W Hoffer and Sons Ltd of Cambridge England.

If you will obtain from them the certified U S Consular invoice from the U S Consul in London, we can cancel the bond and refund to you the ten dollar deposit.

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DR. BARUCH BRAUNSTEIN

4445 Post Rd. Residale
New York City
Jan. 21 to 1940

Dear Dr. Silber:

Your kindness and care
Silber solicitude much much to me
last week - when I needed both! Many
very grateful thanks.

It was a pleasure to have
been with you and your family in
your home. Many thanks for your
hospitality.

Having you preach again
reminded me of many years ago
when I was a student at Hebrew U.

when I said many Sunday morning.
He has brought back memories of the
many mornings I took a train or
four o'clock train from Cleveland,
where I was student, to come to
Cleveland and hear you speak. I
regret I can't hear you each week,
and be moved and inspired as I
was last Sunday - and wished
every time I hear you.

Heddy joins me in kindest
greetings to both Mrs. Silver and
yourself - even though she is in
the hospital at this moment I

January 21, 1940

Dr. Solomon B. Freehof
Rodef Shalom Temple
Fifth and Morewood Avenues
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Sol:

In reply to your letter of January 2,
I am enclosing my check for \$25 as a contribution
to the Quinquennial Fund of the Hebrew Union College
Alumni.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:RK

January 21, 1940

E. Heffer & Sons Ltd.
Cambridge
England

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing this order for my young son. He would like to get these books, and although I can procure them here, I feel and he feels that he would derive additional satisfaction if these books came to him from England.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AllS:BK

Mrs. Ruth Cohen

my love &

Rabbi At Philadelphia

my dear Rabbi

Will you kindly advise me
when you expect to be in
New York as I wish to talk
to you of a project regarding
money for Palestine

Very Respectfully yours

Mosé Cohen

#126 Bronx River Ave
Bronx N.Y.

Rockford Ill
January 22, 1940.

My dear Mr. Silver:

About 23 years ago in Lafayette, Indiana, I attended Sabbath school classes and was a member of a confirmation class conducted by Rabbi Silver. At that time I was 12 years old and the respect and admiration which I had for my Rabbi is second only to the respect and admiration I have for Dr. Abba Hillel Silver whom I believed to be the same.

After seeing your picture in the last issue of the "New Palestine" I knew I was right.

Mr. Silver, as a member of your first confirmation class (and I still have my diploma with four stars and your picture) I feel it an honor to know that I was inspired by such a noble and unselfish person.

I am now located in a small Jewish community in Rockford, Illinois.

We have a very fine Synagogue and Temple. Our members are striving to uphold Judaism and accomplishing more than they realize under the spiritual guidance of Rabbi A. Feinberg of the Beth El Temple and Rabbi D. Pepper of the Ohavi Sholem Synagogue.

Rabbi Pepper is a recent graduate of the Chicago Theological College and was an honor student in his class.

Since I feel I know you so well Mr. Silver, and as religious chairman of the Ohavi Sholem sisterhood, I would like to make a request unknown to our spiritual leaders. A message of encouragement

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to them through a letter to me, will inspire not only these young Rabbis, but our entire community of 125 families.

As one of your first pupils and ever your faithful follower, I would consider it a privilege and an honor to hear from you.

With admiration and respect,
I am

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Beatrice Greenberg
nee Neiburger

310 N. Wyman St.
Rockford Illinois



January 23, 1940

Rabbi Is. Eichler
6755 - 23rd Avenue
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Rabbi Eichler:

The inscription on the pin or medal of the nurses of Mt. Sinai Hospital is taken from Ezekiel, Chapter 34, verse 16. "I will bind up that which was broken and I will strengthen that which was sick."

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

ANS:BK

January 25, 1940

Mrs. Bertha Bernstein
Cape Charles, Va.

My dear Mrs. Bernstein:

It was indeed very thoughtful of you to write to me about my poem, America. I am happy to learn that you like it. I am sending you herewith an autographed copy of it with my compliments.

With all good wishes, I remain

WRHS


Very cordially yours,



AllS:BK
Enc.

Chicago Ill 1-23-1940

Dr. H. Silver

Cleveland

Dear Rabbi

Permit me to ask your advice in following matter.

my brother in law B. Silver who lives in Glasgow (Scotland) wrote me a very sorrowful letter. Conditions there are very miserable and he is asking me to help him with an affidavit to enable him to come to the United States

I am in moderate circumstances and am willing to do my

my share, but materially I
am not qualified to sign an
affidavit to bring over a family

Mr Silver who informs me
that you are his cousin (on
his Father's side) asked me to
contact you in this matter.

I would appreciate your
reply and advice in this matter
how we together could help him
and his family.

Thanking you in advance
for your reply

I remain

Respectfully yours
Mrs Celia Hillenburg

626 1/2 Berry Ave.

Chicago Ill

January 23, 1940

Cleveland Coordinating Committee for Refugees
Huron-Sixth Building
Cleveland, Ohio

Attention: Mr. Wolf

My dear Mr. Wolf:

I am enclosing herewith a letter which was sent to Rabbi Silver. Perhaps there is something you can do about it.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:DK
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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January 23, 1940

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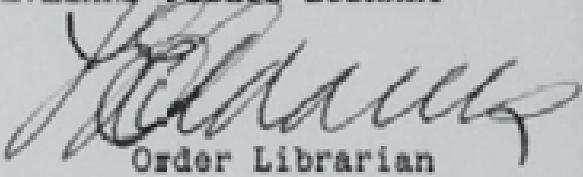
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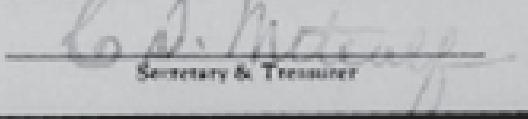
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Secretary & Treasurer

January 25, 1940

Mr. J. T. Selzman
867 Thornhill Dr.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Selzman:

I am returning herewith the letter which you left with me on Sunday. I showed it to Rabbi Silver and he felt that inasmuch as Mr. J. Halbert spoke to you and also wrote to you, it would perhaps be better for you to answer the letter yourself. The Rabbi's suggestion was that you tell Mr. Halbert that you were in touch with him but that he has no available free days on his calendar.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

RJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

January 23, 1940

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Gentlemen:

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With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ANS:BK

January 23, 1940

United States Lines Company
North River
New York, N.Y.

Attention: General Baggage Agent

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of January 11,
I am returning to you herewith the Customs affidavit
properly notarized; also my check for \$2.40 to cover the storage
charges for the package of laundry which you have that belongs
to me.

Thanking you kindly for your help in assisting
us to clear this package, and with best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHC:BK
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ISADORE COHEN
Special Agent

January 23, 1940

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am enclosing an item which appeared in our local Sunday morning newspaper. This was taken from the circular which I received recently on this subject.

This newspaper has a wide circulation and I have had some very favorable comment on it. I know you will be interested to know of this.

I will appreciate if you will write a note to the publisher of the paper, Mr. H. I. Shott, Sr. I know he will appreciate a letter from you. He has frequently printed items which I have given to him, favorable to our people.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Isadore Cohen

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

January twenty-fourth
1940

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

Dear Abba:

Thank you very much for your check for the Quinquennial Fund. I am going to add my check to it and that will make \$50. I am afraid that we will not get anything from the three other members of our class.

I was in Cleveland for a few hours to speak before a group of ministers at the Euclid Avenue Temple. I could not call you on the telephone in the brief time I had at my disposal. I came in from Youngstown just before the lecture and left right afterwards. So I am writing to give my best regards to Virginia and to you. I hope you will soon have occasion to be in Pittsburgh.

I do not know whether or not to congratulate you at being re-elected chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. I am happy that the Washington meeting appreciated the fact that you have given life to the entire movement but I hope that your term of office will not tax your strength too much.

As ever,

Sol

SBF:GK

January 24, 1940

Mr. Max Cohen
1263 Bronx River Ave.
Bronx, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Cohen:

Let me thank you for your kind note. I do not know at the moment when I will be in New York City next. It may be some time before I find it necessary to go there. May I suggest that you write me about the project which you have in mind or, if you prefer, get in touch with our office at the United Palestine Appeal, 111 Fifth Avenue, New York and ask for our Director, Mr. Henry Montor.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AM:dk

Ford College
Tarrytown-on-Hudson
New York

Columbia University

January 24, 1940

Dear Rabbi Silver:

You may think it strange that I turn to you, who played the principal part in the Drecks, when we put it on the stage in Cincinnati; but I assure you that it is only Ardyky Absolute Necessity, that constrains me to do so.

Mrs. Harry had to go to the hospital in New York for a major operation — which saved her life — and I am desperately in need of funds, because the expense was very great and because the financial condition of the college forced the trustees to reduce our salaries forty-two per cent several years ago. Can you come to my aid? It is really very urgent.

Sincerely yours
J. E. Harry

January 24, 1940

Mr. Joseph Siegler
Kinney Building
Newark, N.J.

My dear Mr. Siegler:

Let me thank you for your kindness in sending me the pamphlets containing your experiences as Judge of the Essex County County Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court. I know that I shall read them with a great deal of pleasure.

I am waiting for the first opportunity to see our mutual friends, Judges Hartman and Gilbert and I shall convey your greetings to them.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

January 24, 1940

Mrs. Celia Hillenberg
626} Barry Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mrs. Hillenberg:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of January 23. Frankly, I have signed so many affidavits that I cannot, in justice to myself, sign any more. Furthermore, I do not know of any relatives living in Plongie, Lithuania.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

January 24, 1940

Mrs. John Wesley Potter
614 Walnut Street
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Potter:

Unfortunately I haven't available the script of the brief address which I delivered over the radio on Sunday, January 7. However, I am sending you herewith a booklet which contains the fuller address on Palestine which I delivered at the same Conference in Washington, and also two outstanding addresses, one by Mr. Justice Frank Murphy of the Supreme Court, and one by the Rt. Hon. Alfred Duff Cooper, former First Lord of the British Admiralty. I feel that you will find the addresses of much interest.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

MRS. BERTHA S. BLUM
1781 EAST 87TH STREET
CLEVELAND, OHIO

Jan. 26th 1940

Dear Rabbi. —

Enclosed Please find small
check honoring your Birthday. —
Could not overlook it as it
happens to be the twenty eighth
of Jan. Fifty years from my
wedding day - Married Jan. 28th 1890
I trust the small amount will
make some of the un-
fortunate happy I am de-
votedly Bertha S. Blum.

P.S. Congratulations & best wishes
to all the
Family. —

January 26, 1940

Rabbi Aaron H. Lefkowitz
B'or Chayim Congregation
Cumberland, Maryland.

My dear Rabbi Lefkowitz:

Let me thank you for your kind note of January 13. The quotation of Victor Hugo is from an essay of his called "The Future".

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS: BK

January 26, 1940

Mr. Herbert Coulter
2915 Fairfax
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Coulter:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the letter which Rabbi Silver wrote to Dr. M. L. Bamberger; also the letter from Dr. Bamberger.

With best wishes, I remain

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Very sincerely yours,

BJK

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Jan. 26, 1940

Heartiest felicitations on your 25th wedding anniversary.
We wish you many more years of happiness.

Rabbi & Mrs. A. H. Silver

January 26, 1940

Mr. Herman Moss
900 Union Commerce Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Moss:

I am returning herewith the pamphlet which you were kind enough to send me. I read it with much interest. It is substantially correct although the influence of the communists in Palestine is somewhat over-estimated.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BK

ADOLPHE WOLLASTON
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
CLEVELAND

January 26, 1960.

My dear Passi:

Please accept enclosed check in deep appreciation for the beautiful love tribute you paid to my new wife Rose.

Many friends Jewish and Christian have phoned and written me, how impressed they were, and feel better for attending the service.

They also join me in thanking you.



Very sincerely yours

Adolph Wollaston

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January 26, 1940

Mrs. Chaim Weizmann
Emassador Hotel
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Weizmann:

At the request of Dr. Harry Friedenwald,
of Baltimore, I am sending you herewith a copy of
Rabbi Silver's address, "The World Crisis and
Jewish Survival".

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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There will be card games for those who like it.

E. B. GOODMAN
220 TITLE GUARANTY BLDG.
CHESTNUT 6744
ST. LOUIS, MO.

Jan. 29, 1945.

Dear Dr Silver,

Fourteen years since I saw Prof Chaim Weizmann at Omaha, Neb. Through the local Keren Hayesod there he spread the seed of support for the Palestine Fund.

WR If his itinerary takes in Los Angeles, Calif. I ask the favor to be advised if such date had been set - and if no date had been set up, I cooperate in arranging for such a meeting there which will move the Pacific Coast Consensus of the U.P.A.

Having lived in Southern California for fifteen years - temporarily returning to St Louis to become Executive Secretary of the Jewish Organization - my contacts are statewide, and as at Omaha, could on a short notice, prepare the groundwork. My old college classmate, Prof Max Hader, would make for a united appeal, then, what you had done for the U.S.A. at Washington.

Lett. to H. H. Silver

E. B. Goodman

January 29, 1940

Mrs. Leo Neumark
2943 So. Park Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Marian:

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I received from Mrs. Nager who also called on me a few days ago. Perhaps you might find it possible to give her some of the printing of the Temple Women's Association.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:bk
Enc.

THE COMMUNITY CHURCH
OF NEW YORK

MINISTER
JOHN HAYNES HOLMES

STUDY
TEN PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

January 29, 1940.

Dear Mr. Edelman:

I have your postcard with its two questions. Yes, I remember full well how the church forbade Father Dinnit to speak at the Community Church. That disappointed and irritated me, but reason teaches me that the Catholic Church has a right to impose and practise its own discipline. Their refusal to recognize me is no reason at all for my refusing to recognize them. Nor should it close my eyes to the great good that is still to be found in the Church.

As for celibacy, I have no use for that practice. Yet much is to be said for it, as it frees the priests from all family obligations, and thus makes possible a type of religious service which at its best is unmatched by anything in Protestantism. But this is an exceedingly complicated problem, with a balancing of good and evil which leaves no necessary weight of argument on your side.

With greetings, I am

Very sincerely yours,



Mr. George Edelman,
1784 Prospect Avenue,
New York City.

January 29, 1940

Mr. A. Wollaston
1615 Ridgefield
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Friend:

Let me thank you for your kind note
and for the check which you enclosed. It was
indeed thoughtful of you to write. In keeping
with my custom, I shall place your generous
gift in a charity fund which I use from time to
time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ANS:BK

WRHS
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January 29, 1940

Mr. S. Greenberg
1011 Parkwood Drive
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Greenberg:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter. I have also heard from
Rabbi Louis Engelberg that you would like to
see me. Unfortunately I have been so very busy
in the last few weeks. I shall be out of the
city this week for three days. If you are free
to come in on Friday morning, at eleven o'clock,
in my study, I shall be very pleased to see you.

Cordially yours,

ANS:bk

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January 30, 1940

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

Dear Abba:

A member of my congregation is willing to help bring a Czech-Slovakian orthodox rabbi to this country, and he is willing to guarantee his maintenance.

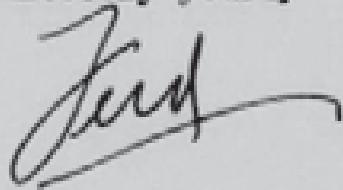
There is a congregation in Cleveland that is willing to invite him to be its rabbi, but that congregation is insisting upon a payment of three hundred dollars. The member of my congregation is willing to pay this amount, but I think it is an outrage for a congregation to levy this sort of tribute.

The rabbi is no relative at all of the St. Louisan. He appealed to him for assistance and he wants to heed that appeal.

Dr. Leo Bendit, a resident of Cleveland, will call on you about this matter, and I know that you will advise him how to act. He is a relative of the St. Louisan. The member of my temple is willing to guarantee to maintain the rabbi, but I am outraged at the thought that the congregations wants this amount of money.

With kindest greetings, and knowing that you will advise Dr. Bendit, I am

Sincerely yours,



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My dear Rabbi Silver:-

I am glad to have the report of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency in re Parinacci's broadcast.

It seems to contradict other facts, but, really, it does not at least to my way of thinking and from other information which I have.

I am in no official position of any kind, nor, for that matter, in any unofficial one in regard to Italian affairs. I am only a student of international affairs and an observer of them, purely as a hobby. It has caused me much sorrow, many losses, and heartaches, for I have been always international-minded and have traveled extensively. Which should explain much.

I have defended Italy because I felt it has needed that understanding which has been denied it internationally. England has been wholly responsible for European turmoil, and you, Jews of the world, have been victims of its faithless diplomacy and double-dealing policy. Just like Italy!

It seems to me-and I may be wholly mistaken- that the facts have consistently belied all declarations, decrees, broadcasts, etc. and I have come to the conclusion-which may be mistaken- that what really has happened and happens to the Jews in Italy, rather than the thunder of the tempest which never occurs, should be considered.

There are "necessities" of state which must be fulfilled with much use of ink, paper, and breath. In cases such as these, we may thank God that such "instruments of torture" are only terrifying in sound and looks rather than in their effects!

I really DO NOT KNOW! What reports I have from private sources, confirm the fact that the Italian Jews have not suffered to any extent. If I am mistaken, I should be grateful for having my impressions altered or corrected. They are represented in the State's highest legislative body by a Counsellor in the person of Jesi-the Gold Medal- just like all the other guilds and unions. This to me points out very much pro my conclusions.

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Mussolini is not Hitler or a Stalio, and you seem to have the same idea.

Mussolini is a thinker and a statesman, besides being a genius. Italy's interests are his whole life, of course, and he will serve them to the best of his extraordinary abilities. I feel, however,

that Mussolini is also a profound "internationalist", and that he may have many surprises for this world of ours in the near future. Just a hunch, based on nothing tangible, you know.

We are here as spectators. Too often, however, we have hissed and applauded the wrong scenes and at inopportune times. We must be better spectators, lest we ruin what should not be ruined.

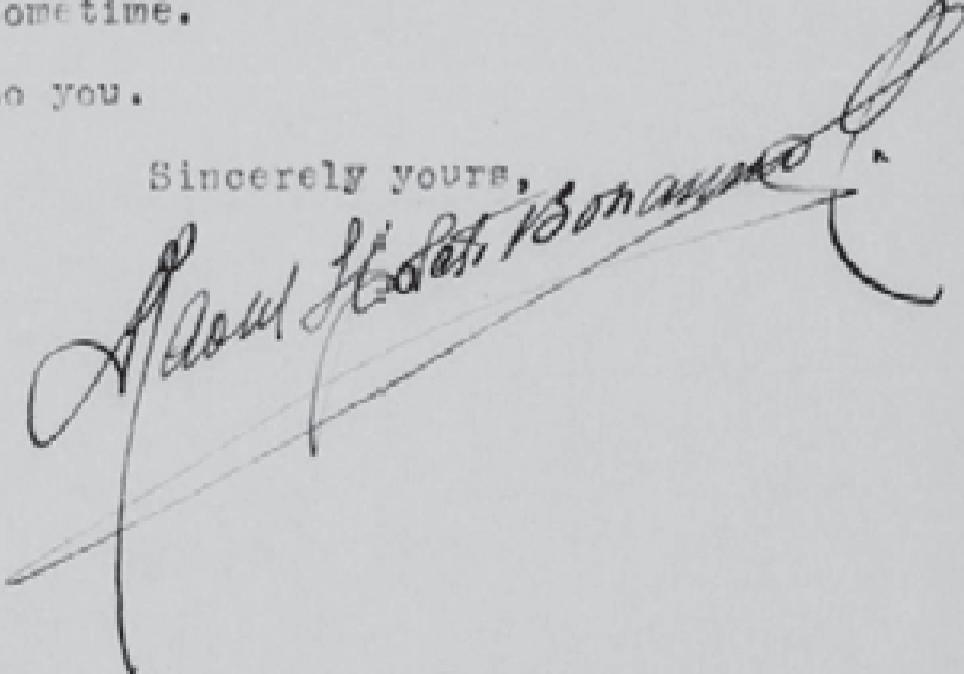
Personally, I have known and have had reason to respect and admire the Jews in three continents. In Cleveland, until lately, I have counted many Jews among my good friends and students. They have dropped out, however, probably including me among their "enemies" for reasons that I will never fathom because I do not know how I could be considered an "enemy"-and that's that!

By the way, do you receive L'ARALDO regularly? If you do not, I want to send it to you.

I have been twenty years in Cleveland and I feel as if I had known you all these years. Yet, I do not remember having met you personally. I trust I may, sometime.

Kind regards to you.

Sincerely yours,



A handwritten signature in cursive ink, appearing to read "Raoul Spolti Bonanno". The signature is written diagonally across the page, with the name "Raoul Spolti Bonanno" in a larger, more formal script above a smaller, cursive "L'ARALDO".

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From

The Professor of Physical Chemistry

and Molecular Physics.

DR. R. SAMUEL. F.I.N.S.T.P.

As From: Parkside Hotel
18, Gramercy Park
New York, N.Y.

January 31, 1940.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I arrived in New York a few days ago
bringing with me the enclosed letter from Mr. Eliezer
Kaplan. I would be very grateful for an early occasion
to see you and to avail myself of your advice.

Please let me know when you are in New
York next.

Yours sincerely,

R. Samuel

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Dear Doctor Silver:

I understand that Doctor Azriel L. Eisenberg has been suggested for the post of director of Jewish education in Cleveland, and would like to recommend him for the position.

I have known Doctor Eisenberg since he was a boy of eighteen, when he first came to teach in the school of my own congregation. When he came to us the school was the typical congregational religious school of about seventy-five children. By the time he left, he had built it up to the very best school of its type in the whole city. The number of pupils increased to about six hundred. Many were so devoted to Doctor Eisenberg that even now, when they are adults, and several of them hold prominent positions, they are still in correspondence with Doctor Eisenberg, as well as with me.

During the last year of his stay at our school, Doctor Eisenberg also served as part-time director of the Department of Information and Service of the Bureau of Jewish Education in New York City. As you probably know, in 1926 he was called to Philadelphia to take charge of the Jewish Educational Center. On my recommendation, in 1929

he was brought back to New York, becoming the Educational Director of the East Midwood Jewish Center, in charge of the four hundred and fifty pupils and club activities. In 1935, Doctor Eisenberg went to his present post in Cincinnati. I have visited Cincinnati since his appointment, and his work has received the highest praise from all groups of Jews in that city with whom I came in contact.

I am sure I need not write you regarding Doctor Eisenberg's books and articles.

Doctor Eisenberg's teachers doubtless would join me in this hearty recommendation, and perhaps you might communicate with Dean Russell, with regard to Doctor Eisenberg's record at Teachers College.

I earnestly hope that Doctor Eisenberg will receive the appointment, for I am sure that he would be of great service to the whole community.

Faithfully yours,

Louis Finkelstein

Doctor A. H. Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio.

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February 1, 1940

Mrs. Bertha S. Blum
1791 East 87th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Friend:

It was indeed very thoughtful of you to remember me on my birthday, and to send a contribution to the Zionist Society in my honor. I need not tell you that I am very grateful. I have turned your check over to the treasurer of the Cleveland Zionist Society. The money, you may rest assured, will be applied to a very good purpose.

With all good wishes for many years of continued well-being and happiness, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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East 105th Street & Ansel Road
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

Reports have reached us concerning the plight of scores of the most famous Jewish authors, journalists and savants, who have been uprooted by the war and driven from their homes and work by the Nazi hordes.

Many of these writers and savants have managed to escape to Wilno and Kovna, while many others, less fortunate, are still in occupied Poland, subjected to inconceivable, inhuman torture.

These men of letters, who have so magnificently held aloft the banner of the Jewish cultural heritage entrusted to them, who have dedicated their lives to our great culture, and who have themselves so splendidly contributed to that culture of which we are so proud, are now homeless and in despair.

In their appeals, these men stress that they are tormented, not by the daily struggle for physical existence, but by the danger that threatens our culture. All they ask, is to be enabled to continue with their work.

As a rabbi and leader in Israel, you will agree with us that there must be no blackout of Jewish culture. We, the fortunate Jews of America, cannot and must not gamble with our cultural heritage by leaving these men of letters to their fate.

We appeal to you, therefore, as a man of culture, to contribute to our Fund, and to appeal to the members of your congregation for aid.

This is the first time that we, Jewish writers of America, who have aided and sponsored every worthy cause, must appeal to American Jewry. We appeal in the name of a great cause. We believe that we have the right to hope for a favorable response.

Sincerely yours,

Sholem Asch

Sholem Asch, Chairman

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February 1, 1940

Mrs. Mary Weil
10909 Florian
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Weil:

After you left our office yesterday I inquired around for work for you. I was able to find a job for housework for you. When you receive this letter will you please get in touch with Mrs. Ted Smukler. Her telephone number is Potomac 4285. Mrs. Smukler is a lovely person and if you filled the requirements, I think that you would be very happy working for her.

Very cordially yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

Western Reserve Academy

Hudson, Ohio

Rabbi and Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
2 East 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Silver:

I had a delightful time at supper with you last Sunday evening which proved an aftermath of joy for the splendid service which you led at vespers time.

Dr. Hayden has told me of your interest in the school for Daniel and Raphael so I am sending you under separate cover some of the pamphlets which describe the goings on here quite in detail. I should be very pleased to answer any questions that you may have regarding the school.



Yours very sincerely,

Farlan R. Parker,
Director of Admissions

February 2, 1940

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Feb 2, 1940

Rabbi A. H. Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

my dear Rabbi Silver

I have received a letter from Rabbi Herzog
that he sent you an answer of your writing
concerning my wife in Palestine and myself. May
I ask you, please, to inform me if you have
received it.

Sincerely yours
I. Krislov

February 2, 1940

Mr. E. B. Goodman
220 Title Guaranty Bldg.
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Mr. Goodman:

Dr. Weissmann had intended to visit the Pacific Coast, but the latest information is that he will not go there. Instead, he will visit Florida for a brief time before he returns to England.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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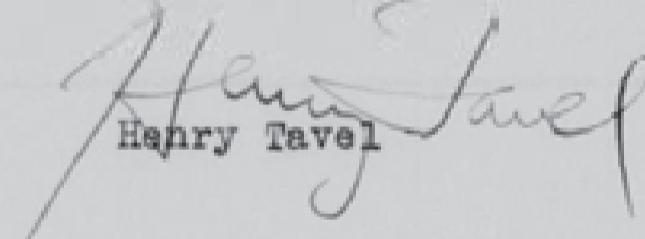
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

I acknowledge with thanks your contribution to the Hebrew Union College Alumni Quinquennial Fund.

Sincerely yours,


Henry Tavel

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February 5, 1840

Rabbi I. Krislow
5450 E. 140th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Krislow:

I have not as yet received the letter
from Rabbi Herzog to which you refer. As soon as
I do, I shall communicate with you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

February 5, 1940

Dr. Louis Finkelstein
The Jewish Theological Seminary of America
Northeast Corner, Broadway and 122d Street
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Finkelstein:

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Thank you for writing me about Dr. Azriel L. Eisenberg. I shall pass the information on to the interested people. I am not a member of the Cleveland Bureau of Education and I have nothing to do with the selection of the individual for the post of director.

With all good wishes, I remain

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Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

February 5, 1940

Dr. R. Samuel
Parkside Hotel
18, Gramercy Park
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Samuel:

Thank you for your kind note and for the letter from Mr. Eliezer Kaplan which you sent me. I hope to be in New York in the near future and will be very happy to see you. Mr. Montor, of the United Palestine Appeal, will give you the information as to when I will be in New York.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

E. B. GOODMAN
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Feb 5, 1940

My dear Dr Silver,

Thank you for your kindness of the 2nd inst.
a copy of which was forwarded to by Max
Radin, Berkeley, Calif. in the hope that he
will get it.

D'Chaim Wizmann's presence on the Pacific
Coast before his return to England will help
not only the U. P. A. but also arouse
interest and support for the Research work in
Palestine.

Knowing how preoccupied you are with these
and other problems, there is no intention to
impose other labors upon you, but with all
earnestness it is urged that you help facilitate
the visit of D'Wizmann to the Pacific Coast.

With sincere best wishes and may your labor
be as the fruit of labor, I am Yours,

E. B. Goodman

Dr. H. A. Silver,
Roots.

Tompkins Corners, New York,
February 5th, 1940.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
10311 Lake Shore Drive,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Sir:-

According to Press reports, you were one of those who, on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, presented \$125,000 to the Rev. Bernard J. Sheil, on December 28th last, to be transmitted to Pope Pius XII as a memorial to his predecessor, Pius XI, as a small token of the abiding affection of the Jewish people; reference being made to the ungodly doctrine of racialism which strikes at the very roots of the religious faith of civilized man.

If I'm not greatly in error, it is the Jews themselves who have uniquely identified themselves as the "Chosen People"; that their articles of faith as recorded in the Talmud portray the non-Jew as an idolater to be wiped off the face of the earth. It would appear rather difficult to reconcile the Talmudic doctrines with the idea of the brotherhood of man which you seemingly advocate, although it sheds some light on the observation of Theodor Benjamin Zeeb Herzl who, in his book, *The Jewish State*, says:

The Jewish question still exists. It would be useless to deny it.*** The Jewish question exists wherever Jews live in perceptible numbers. Where it does not exist, it is carried by Jews in the course of their migrations. We naturally move to those places where we are not persecuted, and there our presence produces persecution.*** The unfortunate Jews are now carrying anti-Semitism into England; they have already introduced it into America.

Bernard Lazare is more specific where, in his volume, *Antisemitism*, he enlarges upon the innate Jewish characteristics:

If this hostility, this repugnance had been shown towards the Jews at one time or in one country only, it would be easy to account for the local causes of this sentiment. But this race has been the object of hatred with all the nations amidst whom it ever settled. Inasmuch as the enemies of the Jews belonged to divers races; as they dwelled far apart from one another, were ruled by different laws and governed by opposite principles; as they had not the same customs and differed alike in spirit from one another, so that they could not possibly judge alike of any subject, it must needs be that the general causes of antisemitism have always resided in Israel itself, and not in those who antagonized it.

While these citations shed no light on the causes of this universal hatred of the Jewish minority wherever they are settled in

considerable numbers, an examination of the Federal Reserve System, foisted upon the American people by the late Paul Moritz Warburg, and its complicity in involving us in the World War, the 1920 panic and the 1929 economic collapse; its monopoly of credit and currency; is reminiscent of an article published in the Zionistische Schriften, Vol. 1, page 238 which, in part, reads:

There are among them (the Jews) a few persons who hold in their hands the financial threads that envelop the world. A few persons who absolutely control the shaping of the most vitally important conditions of life of the nations. Every invention and innovation are for their sole benefit, whilst every misfortune increases their power. And to what use do they put this power? Have they ever placed it at the service of any moral ideal - nay, have they ever placed it at the disposal of their own people, who are in dire distress? *** Without these persons no war can be waged and no peace concluded. The credit of states and individual enterprises are alike at the mercy of their rapacious ambitions.

Is there not a sinister significance in the present European conflict when viewed in the light of an article published in the American Hebrew, June 3rd, 1938, where one may read:

In the hands of non-Aryans lies the very lives of millions. *** It may be that these three great sons of Israel (Blum, Litvinoff, Hore-Belisha) will combine to send the frenzied Nazi Dictator to Hell. He will be lowered-none too gently-into a hole in the ground. And then will the Jews shout Hallelujah. The Almighty has decreed the damnation of the nasty Nazis.

Significantly, it was the Jew-dominated British Government who declared war on Germany; that the British Army was led by a Jew, Hore-Belisha; that it was clad be a Jew, Montague Burton; that it was fed by a Jew, Sir Isadore Salmon, M.P.; and that, thanks to the candor of our unofficial Jewish President, Bernard Mannes Baruch, we are cheered by his statement:

If we keep our prices down there is no reason why we shouldn't get the customers of the belligerent nations that they have had to drop because of the war. AND IN THAT EVENT GERMANY'S BARTER SYSTEM WILL BE DESTROYED. (N.Y. Times, Sept. 15, 1939)

Germany by having small interest taxation into the cost of her goods is able to undersell the nations, the so-called Democracies, who are cursed with interest-bearing currency. Hence her barter system must be destroyed by the sacrifice of millions of non-Jewish lives, least the infamous Jewish system of central banking perish.

Father Coughlin has most ably exposed and denounced this Jewish attempt to enslave humanity by a monopoly of currency and credit. Because of his patriotic endeavor, I venture to suppose that the gift of \$125,000 to Pope Pius XII, by the United Jewish Appeal, will be viewed by many as a transparent attempt to silence him.

Very truly yours,

N.W. Rogers
N.W. Rogers.

February 6, 1940

Mr. H. I. Schott, Sr., Publisher
Bluefield Daily Telegraph
Bluefield, W. Va.

My dear Mr. Schott:

Our good friend, Mr. Isadore Cohen of your city, has kindly sent me a copy of the Bluefield Daily Telegraph which contains prominently a report of the contribution which the United Jewish Appeal recently made to Christian refugee agencies to assist them in carrying on their work of relief and succor among our Christian brothers who are also the tragic victims of persecution abroad. I am happy that you found the gift worthy to be reported extensively in your Paper. It has had a gratifying reaction throughout the country and has stimulated increased interest in the plight of the refugees of all faiths. In this hour of tribulation, men of good will everywhere are discovering common bonds of union and common humanitarian tasks to which they can devote themselves in complete unity of spirit.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:DK

ERNEST SCHWARTZ
Attorney and Counsellor at Law
202 WILLIAMSON BUILDING
CLEVELAND, OH.

February 6, 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.
Bratenahl, Ohio

My dear Rabbi:

Enclosed please find courtesy pass for the season of 1940, covering all the movies listed on the reverse side of the enclosed courtesy card. I hope you will be able to make good use of this courtesy card throughout the entire season of 1940 and derive much enjoyment therefrom.

Extending to you greetings of the season and wishing you continued good health, I am, as ever,

Sincerely,

Ernest Schwartz

ES:LG
INC: 1

February 7, 1940

Mr. W. Rogers
Tompkins Corners
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Rogers:

Rabbi Silver has requested me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of February 5th and to suggest that you consult a competent alienist.

Sincerely yours,

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Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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Rabbi A. H. Silver,
c/o The Temple,
Ansor Rd.,
Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

It is almost impossible to express in words the appreciation of the Alpha Epsilon Pi Fraternity for your visit to "Ohio Northern University."

Dr. Williams, president of the University and the faculty have been exceptionally nice to our Jewish students, consequently, it has been our hope of having you speak to our faculty and student body in order that they could acquaint themselves with the high caliber of our Jewish Leaders.

Rabbi Silver, after you left our Fraternity, I had the pleasure of speaking to Dr. Williams and some of our other faculty members and the praise that they had for you was tremendous. They all expressed the hope that you would again come to "Ohio Northern University".

In the name of the Cleveland Alumni Club of the Alpha Epsilon Pi National Fraternity, I wish to take this opportunity of thanking you for your courtesy and good will trip. If our organization can be of assistance to you, it would be an honor to have that privilege.

Respectfully yours,

Joseph M. Goldwasser
Jos. M. Goldwasser, Pres.
Cleveland Alumni Club
Alpha Epsilon Pi Frat.

JMG:SS

February 9, 1940

Mrs. Hilda B. Klein
2026 E. 107th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Friends:

Permit me to thank you for
your kind note and for the check which
you enclosed.

In keeping with my practise,
I shall place it in a small fund which
I use from time to time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

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February 9, 1940

Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
Ansel and East 105th
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Silver:

I want to express my appreciation for the beautiful tribute paid to dear Lil last Friday and my entire family join me in this feeling. Your courtesy is much appreciated.

Trusting that your boy is feeling better and with best regards from all of us, I am

Yours very truly

Wm. P. Lloyd

February 9, 1940

Mr. Ernest Schwartz
505 Williamson Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Schwartz:

Permit me to thank you for your kindness and courtesy in sending me a pass for the season 1940. I need not tell you that I greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RK

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Ruthie Atta Ethel Silton,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Ruthie Silton:

I am anxious to have your autograph to add to my collection of famous men and women active in
Communism. If today's tract will give me
much pleasure to have your name among the
those that I like and greatly admire, you're especially
in the共产党.

If agreeable, will you kindly enclose your name
across the enclosed card and stamp, canceling
same, but adding greater worth to me personally.
Will you also add date on card.

With kindest personal regards, and best wishes,

I am, Very truly yours

Dr. S. Lichtenstein

Enclosed stamped envelope for your convenience.
L.-

February 12, 1940

Rabbi I. Krislow
3430 E. 140th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Krislow:

I am enclosing herewith the letter which
I have just received from Chief Rabbi Isaac Herzog
of Palestine.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX
Enc.



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February 12th, 1940.

Miss Bessie Kline
The Temple
E. 105th and Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

In accordance with your request, I am enclosing herewith copy of Rabbi Silver's 1940 income tax report.

Very truly yours,

BLOOMBERG AND WOLF

By *S. H. Roth*

FH:R
encl.

February 15, 1940

W. Heffer & Sons Ltd.
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Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is an English Draft
for thirteen shillings and nine pence as per your
bill of January 15th.

Please send me the books requested
on the enclosed order form.

Thanking you for your courtesy,
I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RK
Enc. - 2

February 13, 1940

Mr. M. J. Gallin
749 Eddy Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Gallin:

Enclosed herewith is Rabbi Silver's check for \$40 in payment for tickets which you left for him.

With best wishes, I remain

WRHS
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BJK

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

February 13, 1940

Mrs. Clarence W. Weidenthal
2227 Edgerton Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Weidenthal:

Enclosed herewith is a check for \$150
for the Jewish National Fund. The certificate
is to be made out in the name of MARTHA MARKOWITZ.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:DK
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Rabbi Dr Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street at Ansel Road,
Cleveland,
Ohio, U.S.A.



Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of your letter of 23rd January enclosing a letter from Messrs The A.W. Fenton Co. Inc., which we return herewith. You will already have had our letter of 15th January in which we enclose the certified consular invoice in question.

Yours faithfully,
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Rabbi A. H. Silver

Dear Sir:

The Czech-American National Alliance of Cleveland is sponsoring a Bazaar in the latter part of April. The purpose of the Alliance is to raise and collect funds for the relief and aid of Czechoslovak refugees. The Alliance draws its membership from Czechoslovaks and those of Czechoslovak descent.

The Cleveland Chapter of the Alliance is represented by two hundred organizations such as clubs, lodges, benefit and fraternal groups, also several branches of ladies auxilliaries who sew, knit and make other usefull articles for the welfare and comfort of refugees, these organizations have a combined membership of over 100,000 persons.

We take this opportunity to solicit your support of this good work -- any contribution you may make will be greatly appreciated, and, we believe well rewarded by the favorable consideration of you by our members.

With best wishes for your continued success, we remain,

Sincerely yours,

BAZAAR COMMITTEE OF THE
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Joseph Fréka Pres.

13208 Rexwood ave.

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February 14, 1940

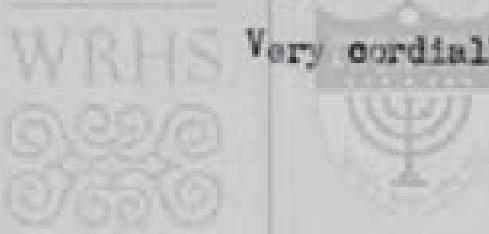
Mr. Joseph Freka
13208 Roxwood Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Freka:

I am enclosing herewith a contribution to
the fund which you are raising in behalf of the
Czech-American National Alliance.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,



AHS:BK
Enc.

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February 14, 1940

Mrs. Beatrice Greenberg
210 N. Wyman St.
Rockford, Ill.

My dear Mrs. Greenberg:

I was very much interested in your letter of January 22, but I am afraid that you are mistaken. You probably refer to my brother, who was Rabbi in Lafayette, Indiana, and who undoubtedly taught you in Sabbath School. My brother, Maxwell, is no longer in the ministry, but in business, and lives in New York.

Please convey my best wishes to the two Rabbis, Rabbi A. Feinberg and Rabbi I. Tepper, who are officiating in your community.

Hoping that I may have the pleasure of meeting you in the not too distant future,
I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

JULIAN B. GALVIN, M. D.
830 HANNA BUILDING
CLEVELAND

Feb 14, 1940

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Please excuse the tardiness of our expression of gratitude to you for performing our Wedding Ceremony. We certainly appreciated your kindness, and since you insisted on refusing your fee, would you please apply this check to any of the Temple Funds you choose.

Many, many thanks again

Dr & Mrs. Julian Galvin



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MEMO

From

DAVID H. WICE

February 14, 1940.

Dear Colleague:

Mr. Morris E. Jacobs, incoming President of my Congregation, is interested in the candidacy of Paul V. McNutt. He sent this story to me and I felt that my colleagues would find it of interest in evaluating today's scene.

David H. Wice.

PHONE ALGONQUIN 4-3600

To Pabbi Abba Hillel Silver
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McNUTT AND THE JEWS

I think you will be vitally interested in the attached statement giving the views of Paul V. McNutt on the Jewish question. You will be especially interested in that part which begins on Page 2 and which tells what has been done for the refugee.

If you feel as I do after reading this statement, I hope that you will pass it on to friends or read it to some group.

Naturally, I would be pleased to receive your reaction if you desire to write to me.

Sincerely yours,

Morris Jacobs
Morris E. Jacobs

MEJ:MSS

Encl.

GOVERNOR McNUTT ON THE JEWISH QUESTION

The followers of Paul V. McNutt may "point with pride" to his achievements. His antagonists may "view with alarm." But either side has yet to mention Paul McNutt's views on religion -- on Judaism, on Catholicism, on paganism, on any form of faith. It isn't surprising. For Paul McNutt is so completely devoid of any form of religious or racial intolerance that it never occurs to anyone to even think about it.

Many of McNutt's supporters are devout Catholics. Many are Jews. Jews of every description -- orthodox, conservative, reform. It is odd in only one way: McNutt is no more "pro-Catholic," "pro-Protestant" or "pro-Jewish" than he is "pro-Republican."

The Indiana Presidential candidate may have shortcomings, but his great, shining virtue is his attitude toward men. To McNutt a man is never a person with a religion. He is a man. This, of course, accounts for his amazing success as high commissioner of the Philippines.

The Filipinos were prepared to dislike McNutt. His statement that he was not going to stay in Manila for an extended period did him no great good across the Pacific. But the Filipinos found in him a man who thought nothing of their brown skin, of their racial differences, or their customs.

McNutt was just being himself. He liked the Filipinos for themselves. They knew it. He could have been a bad administrator and they would have fought for him.

McNutt's record as Governor of Indiana was precisely the same

way. One of his first acts was to name Moie Cook of Logansport to the Indiana Public Service Commission. Cook is a Jew. Some politicians murmured. McNutt looked surprised. "He can handle the job, can't he?" he said truculently. The murmuring stopped.

Jacob Weiss was floor leader of the Indiana Senate. Some of his friends wanted Weiss to be president pro tem of the senate.

Weiss stuck his head in McNutt's door.

"How do I stand on president of the senate?" he said.

"If you can make it, take it," retorted the Governor.

Democrats from the Klan-ridden sections of southern Indiana rushed to the Governor. McNutt looked at them blandly.

"Can he do the job?" he asked.

They turned and walked out. They elected Weiss.

In March, 1933, at the height of the anti-Semitic outrages in Germany. Rabbi Solomon Goldman of Chicago telephoned Weiss. He wanted McNutt to address the giant demonstration in Chicago. Weiss went to McNutt. He was expecting a flat refusal. Banks all over the nation were closed. The Governor was working eighteen hours a day. He was reorganizing Indiana's government. McNutt did not refuse. He said simply that the President of the United States was to call him the next afternoon at 3 o'clock in regards to the banking crisis. If McNutt had to go to Washington, he would have to refuse. If not --

At 3 o'clock the next afternoon, McNutt talked to Washington. He begged the President to give him 48 hours leeway. Then he walked out of the office.

"Make the arrangements, Jake," he said.

The greatest orators in the nation thrilled 100,000 persons in and outside the great Auditorium Theater in Chicago that Monday

night. People were weeping as President Hutchins of Chicago finished his speech. When McNutt was called upon, it was anticlimactic.

McNutt stood before the audience a full minute in silence, the lights glaring down on him. Then he raised his fist.

"For the second time in my life," he cried, "I am raising my voice to protest against the actions of the German government. Indiana has sent me here to protest. We do protest!"

The passion that shook McNutt shook the audience. When he finished his speech fifteen minutes later there were people in the aisles, standing on seats, waving their arms and screaming the applause.

But it was not McNutt the orator. It was McNutt the man. McNutt spoke that way because he felt that way.

He feels strongly about the persecution of the Jews by the Nazi government. How strongly is illustrated by another episode which involves Weiss.

It was at the time refugee Jews were being refused sanctuary all over the world. Senator Weiss wrote a letter to High Commissioner McNutt, asking simply what McNutt thought of the possibilities of refuge in the Philippines.

By return mail came a letter from McNutt. He said he'd talk to Weiss in a few weeks when he returned to the United States.

He did return amid crowds and cheers and the stares of the curious who wanted to see a presidential candidate.

There was no opportunity for the two to talk in Indianapolis. In Washington there was a reception. The line looked a mile long. Thousands were grouped around and in front of McNutt. When Weiss

came into view, McNutt stopped him. They talked there in full view of thousands for 10 minutes. McNutt was oblivious of the line waiting to shake his hand.

McNutt explained that he had to visit the President, the secretary of state, and a dozen other important government officials. Would Weiss stay in Washington for breakfast two days hence? The Indiana senator did.

Two mornings hence he pulled McNutt from bed for breakfast.

"Jake," said McNutt, "it's all arranged. The visas will be okayed by me and won't have to clear through the State Department. When I get back to Manila I'm going to arrange for the proper reception of these refugees. We ought to be able to take care of at least five thousand. We've got to. Some one has to."

McNutt flew back to the Philippines by clippew plane. By return airmail came a detailed letter to Weiss. McNutt said he had organized the Jewish community in Manila. He said that the first boatload of refugees should include so many lawyers, so many doctors, so many artisans, etc.

The upshot was that through the efforts of the Refugee Economic Corporation in New York -- and with McNutt in the background -- 5,000 Jewish refugees were settled in the Philippines.

McNutt urged the Philippine commonwealth to spend \$12,000,000 in preparing the Island of Mindanao for the settling of refugees. President Quezon of the Philippines backed this suggestion to the hilt.

The job was done. The \$12,000,000 is being spent now. Plans are being made for the settling of 10,000 families on Mindanao, a Pacific paradise twice the size of the state of Ohio.

McNutt takes no credit for this job. He never even mentions

it. He thinks it was his job to do it.

It is typical. Whatever else one may say about Paul V. McNutt, he must admit that there are few persons alive with his detached tolerance, his affection for persons he likes regardless of creed, color, or faith.

Perhaps it's the reason he may be this country's next President.

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February 15, 1940

Dr. S. Bernstein, Director
Palestine Bureau
111 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Bernsteins:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness
in sending me your pamphlet on the three
unknown poems of Judah Halevi. I am indeed very
grateful to you for your thoughtfulness.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

February 15, 1940

Dr. Julian B. Calvin
930 Hanna Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Julian:

Thank you so much for your kind note and for the check which you enclosed. You should not have gone to the trouble of sending me a contribution to a Temple Fund. It was a great pleasure for me to officiate at your wedding which, by the way, I thought was an especially beautiful one.

Here is a thought. The Temple is celebrating, this year, its Ninetieth Anniversary, and there is an active membership committee in the field endeavoring to build up a class of a hundred new members at the Ninetienth Anniversary celebration of The Temple in May. It would be a pleasure to add your name to the list of Temple members, and your check would be used in payment of your dues. I assume that you are still under thirty-one years of age. Your dues would then be Twenty-five Dollars.

With all good wishes to you and Beta, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Feb 16, 1940

Rabbi A. H. Silver
East 105 St. and Ansel Rd
Cleveland, O.

My dear Rabbi Silver

I have received yours and the enclosed letter of Rabbi Herzog. I have sent a letter to Rabbi Herzog. However I would greatly appreciate it if you too would write him your opinion in this matter.

If you are in favor of my wish, please, honor me with a date, I will be very glad to meet you.

Thanking you for the interest you have shown and will take in the future, I remain your sincerely

Isaac Krieger

February 16, 1940

Dr. Leo Jung
181 W. 86th St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Jung:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of the book, "Judaism in a Changing World", which you edited. I know that I shall read it with a great deal of pleasure and profit. It is an attractive volume.

As quid pro quod, I am sending you my father's commentary on Genesis. I would send you one of my own volumes, but you told me that you already have them.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RK

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February 18, 1940

Dear Dr. Silver:

By way of a personal postscript, I hope that this year you will be able to have dinner with a few of us of the Congregation, in a more leisurely way than that hurried cup of coffee at the air-port that you, my Dad, brother and myself had last year.

I am of course helping in our local Jewish Welfare Fund Drive that Dr. Weizmann opened so auspiciously a couple of weeks ago; both as captain of my building for the Lawyers Division, and as a member of the Speakers Bureau.

In connection with the latter, you may remember that last year I suggested to you that as I speak out of town quite often anyway, I should be glad to tender my services in a similar way for the UJA, or the UPA. There is no use my making this suggestion through the Zionist office, as, since the Detroit convention when I followed your leadership in support of Dr. Goldstein as against Dr. Goldman, the local Zionist leaders and I have not been very cordial to each other. (Thus, I was not re-elected Vice-President last Spring, and at the New York Convention my name was dropped from the National Administrative Committee. I suppose I could have prevented the latter by speaking to some of my non-Chicago friends, but I didn't care to do so.) I enclose a biographical sketch.

If you can use my services out of town, I shall be happy to place them at your disposal.

As ever,

Charles Mishkin

C.M:GF

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2-17-40.

Dear Ruth Silver,

My mother and all the
rest of the ~~Wicks~~ family except
opposite  and their
service.

Cordially yours,

A. L.

MARCEL KAHN, M. D.
1910 SOUTH TAYLOR ROAD
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Dear Rabbi Silver,

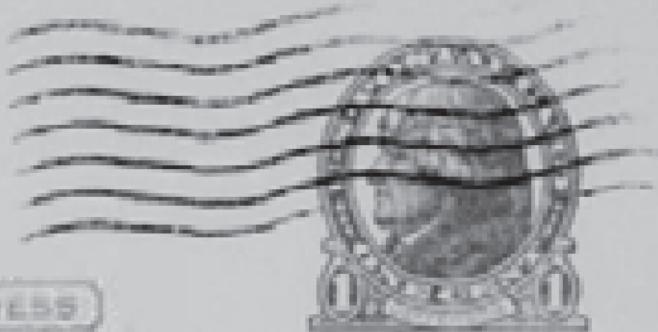
I received a letter from my father, Dr. Bernhard Kahn in New York, in which he wrote me that he met you recently. Since I would be very happy to meet the man who impressed me more than anybody else my father advised me to write this letter to you. If your time should permit seeing me I would be very proud to thank you personally for the enjoyment I had listening to some of your lectures.

Please, ignore this letter if you are to busy with more important matters, because I know how valuable your time is. But if you feel that you can spare me a few minutes I should appreciate it very much.

With my apologies for bothering you,

I am very respectfully yours,

Marcel Kahn



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Dr. A. H. Silver
The Temple
and Rd. + E. 105th St
Cleveland, Ohio

Clark and

Dear Dr Silver, Feb 17th 40
& am remembering
rather your friendly
greeting last night than
my little compliment
which fizzled. A
kind of summation of a
real occasion would be
the following. The crafts
man's esp. of the artist
reinforces ideal purposes
(whether they be those of
 Zionism or of friendly
relations with Latin
American ~~for~~ countries)
which people have at
heart and whose fur-
thering is - the true (finite)
answer to Capitalism.
Am leaving beginning
Thursday. I understand an
exhibition of Mexican Art
at the Main Library. Is it
possible some Mexican works
are there? Sincerely R. G. Clark

POLLY KING

670 Chilton Ave.
Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Feb. 19, 1940

Dear Reverend Silvey

In ten days I am
to read the Sermon at the
Sisterhood Service here -
I would like to read one of
your sermons - I feel that
our community really
needs and thirsts for inspir-
ation such as only you
can give. Would you
send me a copy of one of
your recent sermons which

you feel would help
our community meet
The situation which
every Jew faces to day
Our congregation is most
The Rabbi is a nice person
but lacks the ability to
lift us from the mud of
The day's persecutions to
those realms which our
minds need to take us
to that future which we
Jews must believe lies
ahead in a better world on
This earth - after hearing
you last I walked out
haunted - inspired - re-
bived. Please -

Polly Kutz King

February 19, 1940

Mr. Alfred A. Benesch
Citizens Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Al:

Thank you so much for your kind note. You did not have to send me any check. The service which I rendered to you was in appreciation of the many services which you have at all times been so ready to render to me and to The Temple.

I am placing your check in a small charity fund which I use from time to time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS: BK

JULIAN B. GALVIN, M. D.
830 HANNA BUILDING
CLEVELAND

Feb 10, 1940

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I thank you for your letter. Peter and I talked over the idea of membership in the Temple, and although we are heartily in favor of it, we cannot see our way clear to burden ourselves with any financial responsibility for some time in the future. You probably realize that beginning practice for a young physician is a trying time, economically speaking, and although membership this year would cost us little, yet next year and the year after are something we cannot yet afford.

Therefore please apply the check either to the library fund or float fund, and as soon as we can, you may be assured we will join the Temple, and without the necessity of solicitation.

Many many thanks,

Julian Galvin.

JAMES N. ROSENBERG
165 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

February 20, 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
THE TEMPLE
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

On the way to the Dominican Republic, I read your brilliant and statesmanlike address entitled "World Crisis and Jewish Survival." I should be very glad to have you send me a few extra copies for distribution among some friends of mine whom I want to have read this able statement.

Also, I should like to suggest to you that when you are next in New York, I should like to have a long, entirely private talk with you. Not only would that give me a great deal of pleasure but I venture the hope and the belief that an exchange of views between us might be productive of beneficial results in many directions.

I enclose herewith a copy of the contract which I concluded on January 30th with the Dominican Republic. I hope you will find it a document combining humanitarianism and practical good sense. With all best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

JNR/rf
encl.

James Rosenberg

I hope we may have a chance to get together in the near future.

C
O
P
Y

February 21, 1940

Dear Mr. Luce:

I think that Fortune, Life or Time should take advantage of the recent news about Thyssen and go into the whole story of an enormous capitalist enterprise that thought it tamed the tiger of totalitarianism and that ended up by being swallowed by it. The story of Thyssen is an excellent case history of a capitalist enterprise that was ruined by its flirtation with Fascism. I think it would make an excellent story.

It will interest you to know that I, too, am trying to raise funds for the University in Exile, in which, I understand, you are deeply interested.

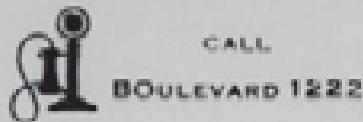
With kindest regards,



Cordially yours,

Jacob Billikopf

Mr. Henry R. Luce, Publisher
Time, Life and Fortune
Rockefeller Center
New York City



J. KRAKOWSKY

MERCHANT TAILOR

DRY CLEANING, PRESSING AND FUR REMODELING

14323 MADISON AVENUE

LAKewood, OHIO

February 23, 1940.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Some time ago I sent you a letter about my son Jacob who is an artist and I asked your advice concerning him. I have not heard from you and wondered whether or not you received that letter. If not I can send you a copy of it.

I would appreciate it if you would take an interest in that matter and if you have any suggestions to make.

Respectfully yours,

J Krakowsky
J. Krakowsky.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Enclosed

is a token of our appreciation
for the early services you
conducted at Mother's funeral.



You helped
comfort us, and lifted the
heavy burden of her loss.

Thanking

you for other kindness in
concerning her, and for the
beautiful thoughts expressed.
I am sincerely

Y.S. 25, 1940

Uncle Louis Bernstein.

February 26, 1940

Mrs. Polly King
670 Chilton Ave.
Niagara Falls, N.Y.

My dear Polly:

I was very happy to hear from you.
It is a long time since I have seen you. I trust
that you are well.

I am sending you two recent addresses of
mine which may be of help to you. You may wish to
select from these addresses certain parts which
would be particularly appropriate for what you
have in mind.

I do hope that I shall have the pleasure
of seeing you before very long. With all good wishes,
I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

February 26, 1940

Rabbi I. Krislow
3430 E. 140th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Krislow:

Permit me to thank you for your note of February 16. I believe that I have done as much in the matter as I possibly can. You are, yourself, a Rabbi in Israel, and you know fully what your obligations are.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BK

February 26, 1940

Mr. James N. Rosenberg
165 Broadway
New York, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

Let me thank you for your kind letter
of February 20. I read with pleasure the document
which you enclosed containing the contract which
you concluded with the Dominican Republic.

It will give me great pleasure indeed
to see you when I get to New York next, which will
probably be in the near future.

I am following with the keenest interest
the development of the Refugee Settlement project
in the Dominican Republic.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

February 26, 1940

Mrs. Philip Bernstein
1552 Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Florence:

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I received from the Folks in Palestine addressed to you and Phil. Grandmother complains that she has not heard from you for a very long time. I think that you ought to write to her at once. She also reminds you of the Yahrzeit of your dear mother.

With love to you and Philip, I remain

As ever,

AllS:BK
Enc.

February 27, 1940

Mrs. Aimee Salen Lowensohn
2823 Winthrop Road
Shaker Heights, Ohio

My dear Friend:

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

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS: BK



[Feb. 1940.]

Dear Mr. Gifford,
I am enclosing herewith a copy of my letter of Jan. 13, 1940, to you, in which I
asked you to furnish me with information concerning the location of the
famous "Giant Pillar" which was reported to have been found in 1938 by
John C. H. Smith, a man who had been a prospector in the area for many
years. I also asked you to furnish me with any information you might have
concerning the "Giant Pillar" which was reported to have been found in 1938 by
John C. H. Smith, a man who had been a prospector in the area for many
years.
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years.

B. J. Winger
860 Larchview
Cleveland Ohio

and 626 Larchview

February 27, 1940

Mr. I. Petrinik
C/O B. I. Winger
860 Lakeview Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Petrinik:

I would suggest that you see the secretary of the Cleveland Co-ordinating Committee for Refugees, in the Huron-Sixth Building. I am sure that they will be of help to you.

I would be very happy to see you in person but I am out of the city so much of the time, and in any case I would have to refer you to this committee which is in charge of all the work connected with refugee problems.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

February 26, 1940

Dr. Marcel Kahn
1910 South Taylor Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Kahn:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter.
I shall of course be most happy to see you. I am
in my study every day in the morning, and if you
will telephone and let me know when you can come
in, I shall be very pleased.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHC:EK



BULLETIN

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Dr. Louis L. Mann, Rabbi
4600 South Parkway

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Religious Service

Sunday, 11:00 A. M., March 3rd, 1940

Dr. Mann

will preach on

What Did Confucius Say?

I am not
sure if
I like it
or not.
Please let
me know.

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CONFUCIUS:

"Do unto others as you would
have others do unto you."

MEETING OF SINAI "25-35 GROUP"

Sunday, March 3rd, 8:15 o'clock, at the Chicago Beach Hotel

DR. PAUL H. DOUGLAS, Professor of Economics at the University of Chicago, who has achieved not only local but nation-wide fame because of his courage for social and civic righteousness, will speak on "What Can Young People Do to Help Clean Up Chicago?"

Panel Discussion — Group Discussion — Social Hour — Dancing

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Parents are cordially invited to attend the children's religious service next Sunday morning, March 3rd, at 9:35 o'clock, in the Temple.

COPIES OF LECTURES

Copies of John Mason Brown's unusually interesting lecture can be procured at the Center at twenty-five cents a copy. Any six of the Monday Evening Lectures are available at one dollar.

GROUP PARENT-TEACHER'S MEETING

Fathers and mothers of the pupils in the first and second grades of our Religious School will meet with the teachers of their children from 7:45 to 8:15 o'clock next Friday evening, March 1st, at the Center. It is necessary to be prompt so that those who desire may attend the Adult Education Lecture by Dr. Sachar at 8:15 o'clock.

MEN'S CLUB OF SINAI—ADULT EDUCATION

Friday Evening, March 1st, 8:15 o'clock

DR. A. L. SACHAR

National Director, B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations
will speak on

THE JEW IN THE MODERN WORLD

Cultural and Religious Changes

Everyone is cordially invited. There will be no charge for the lecture.

YOUR MONEY OR YOUR LIFE

Excerpts from a sermon by Dr. Henry Emerson Fosdick

The phrasing of our subject, "Your Money or Your Life," is commonly associated with rougher scenes than a sanctuary suggests. Nevertheless, this world is a rough place today, and the maintenance of some of the finest traditions of our race, and of the most useful institutions of our society, is a matter of our money or our life. Indeed, this year I do not so much as usual dread the budget sermon. There are some things about money I should like to say.

A book has recently been published addressed by a scholarly Jew to his fellow Jews. It is rich with the history and lore of his people, and is filled with a poignant sense of the high mission of Judaism. In a book like that I was not expecting the sentence that, set in italics, stares out from the center of the page: "*No Jew today of even the most modest means has a right to feel that he is fulfilling his most elementary duty as a human being if he does not include as an indispensable part of his regular budget an item of maximum assistance to his disinherited and hounded fellow Jews.*" I do not see how a Jew can get around that. There is nothing in his Judaism he can use as a substitute for that, or an escape from that—"an indispensable part of his regular budget an item of maximum assistance to his disinherited and hounded fellow Jews." Were I a Jew I should know that I had to face that. I should know that a situation confronted me endangering the integrity of my own faith and the traditions of my people, saying, Your money or your life! . . .

Some say, Money is not the church's greatest need; vital spirituality is its profoundest want; that is what makes a church go. To which I answer, This is absolutely true. But, my friend, gasoline alone will not drive a car. Like it or not, gasoline must be mixed with air to make anything go. And, like it or not, this spirituality which you rightly call the essential element in a church is in the same kind of fix. It must be mixed with money if it is going to drive an organized endeavor to help people. You know that. . . .

Some say, I do not like to hear money talked about in a church; money is secular. To which, I answer, my friend, use your imagination. Sometimes in passing an ordinary post box I am tempted to take off my hat, thinking of all the human life that goes through it every day in messages of joy and sorrow, love and bitterness. That post box, if one has insight to see the truth about it, conjures up the whole drama of human life. It is, as it were, a crossroad where all life's griefs and joys pass by. Use your imagination on a collection plate too. That is not secular. The drama of human life is in that—the needs of children, the decisions of boys and girls, lives that we know personally saved from destruction, some families no longer haunted by the fear of eviction, youths, who otherwise would have gone down, supported by a helping hand, and countless personal redemptions and practical human satisfactions made possible. Do not tell me that such money is secular!

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If some one says, Well, I give as the spirit moves, I answer, Just so! We are well acquainted with you; you are an emotional giver—happy-go-lucky, irregular, sporadic, haphazard. That Jew has something to teach us Christians. A man, he says, does not fulfill "*his most elementary duty as a human being if he does not include as an indispensable part of his regular budget an item of maximum assistance.*" In a generation like this, with our dearest spiritual values at stake and countless folk whom we can help in need, so far as genuine, Christian loyalty is concerned, that demand challenges us, Your money or your life!

Many of us have a blind spot, for example, regarding the historic and essential meaning of free churches in a nation. We Americans do not want a state church; we want free churches. When we say that, we habitually have in mind freedom of religious thought, freedom of religious worship, freedom of religious conscience, but we leave out one basic and indispensable ingredient of a free church—freedom, namely, to support our own churches and not to have the state support them. That is the very foundation of free churches, that they are supported by the freewill giving of the people, and the failure of that is the simplest way to lose them. . . .

In this country you and I have taken free churches for granted. Like sunrise and sunset, like spring and autumn, they were here. It did not occur to us that they might sometime not be here. They were part of the American landscape. But we cannot take them for granted any longer. Look out across the world and see what can happen! The question faces America today, Do you really want free churches? You say that our free churches are full of faults and failures, I agree. You can criticize them from dawn to dark, and they may well deserve all you say. I too criticize the free churches, but only up to the point where I begin to fear that there may not be any free churches left to criticize. So I find fault with democracy, but only so long as I feel sure there is going to be some democracy left to find fault with. When I face the alternatives to democracy, and the alternatives to free churches, I say, Hold on now! Despite their faults, free democracy and free churches are the best we have. . . .

Finally, this challenge applies to our church here. We are not complaining. We are very grateful for the large numbers of loyal givers who maintain our work. A country minister startled his people at a funeral service when he began the sermon over an aged parishioner by saying, "This corpse has been a member of our church for forty years." I should not feel moved to say that about many of our people.

Still, it is obvious that some of our members are still paying dues to this church as though it were a club, and are not giving to this church as though it were a cause, demanding, as an indispensable part of their regular budget, an item of maximum assistance. . . .