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July 1, 1940

Rabbi Samuel A. Friedman
127 Summer St.
Plymouth, Massachusetts

My dear Rabbi Friedman:

Please pardon the delay in acknowledging your kind note. I have been away from the city most of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I am deeply grateful to you for your kind invitation. If the people of the First Church Unitarian of Plymouth have not made any other arrangements for me, I shall be very happy to have lunch with you. My plans call, however, for my leaving Plymouth early in the afternoon for Boston.

With all good wishes, and hoping to see you at Plymouth, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RB

July 1, 1940

Mr. Stephen Griglak
416 W. Paradise Street
Orville, Ohio

My dear Mr. Griglak:

I consulted with Mr. Philip Bernstein relative to your communication to me, and I am enclosing herewith his letter as well as the copy of the letter which was written to you on July 5, 1939.

Under the circumstances, I do not see that there is anything that I can do further in this matter.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:RB

*11 Francis Avenue
Cambridge, Massachusetts*

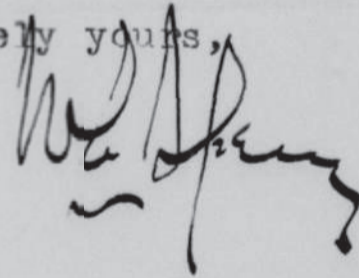
Camden, Maine

July 2 - 40

Dear Rabbi Silver,

You are very kind to let me see a copy of your address on the present troubled times. What you said is very true, and needs all the men of good will who can be found to keep on saying it. I shrink from the forest fires of uncontrolled sentimentality and fear and mis-placed patriotism that sweep across us in emergencies. We may thank God that we are still a young country, not an old and weary one, but we pay for our youth in the unwitting cruelties of which youth is capable.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Walter Dill Scott", written in a cursive style.

July 3, 1940

Mr. Sidney Weitz
Leader Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Sidney,

I received this morning the enclosed letter from Hiram Rivitz. I am inclined to think that his resignation should be accepted. If you agree with me, please let me know and I will write to Mr. Rivitz expressing my regrets at the fact that he finds it necessary to resign, and stating that I will transmit the letter to the Board.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RB

July 3, 1940

My dear Rose,

Would it be possible for you to have the celebration of Danny's Bar Mitzvah a week or two before New Years? After New Years, I shall be terribly busy and it will be quite impossible for me to get away. But if you hold the celebration, say, on Saturday, September 21st, I would be able to come East.

With love to you and all your dear ones, I remain

As ever,

AHS:RB

Mrs. Rose Matlaw
9403 68th Avenue
Forest Hills, New York

July 3, 1940

Jewish Telegraphic Agency
1560 Broadway
Room 914
New York City

Gentlemen:

Beginning Wednesday, July 12th, and thereafter,
I would appreciate if you would forward my Jewish
Telegraphic Bulletin to my summer address:
Mooseluckmeguntic Inn, Haynes, Landing, Maine.

Sincerely

AHS:RB

July 5, 1940

Mr. George Tepla
8314 Carfield Blvd.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Tepla,

Let me thank you for your kindness in writing to me. I greatly appreciate the spirit which prompted it.

Wish all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially,

AHS:RB

July 5, 1940

Mr. Hiram Rivitz
W. 98th and Walford
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Hiram,

I was sorry to receive your note of resignation, although I fully understand. The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held early in September, at which time I shall present your resignation. I hope that at some future time you will have more leisure, and that we might then call upon you for more active service in the life of our Temple.

I trust that you will have a restful summer. I am leaving tomorrow for a week at Harvard University, where I am delivering a series of lectures, and after that I shall join my family for a few weeks up in Maine.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RB

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July 10, 1940.

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
246 East 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mrs. Silver:

In the absence of the members of the Committee of Congress Refugee Houses, I beg to make inquiry of you in the following matter. For some time, there lived with us at Congress Refugee House, Mr. and Mrs. Reutlinger and their son. Mrs. Reutlinger claims that her paternal grandmother and your paternal grandmother were sisters, their maiden name having been Beer. I mention this so that you may know whether or not it is true that her father, Mr. Stein, and your father were cousins.

Because she has spoken of this relationship, we have departed from the rules governing Congress House, and have permitted Mr. and Mrs. Reutlinger and their son to remain for nearly three months. We cannot keep them as our guests any longer because there is a great demand for places in Congress Refugee Houses by refugees who are now coming in and from little children sent over from England.

The Committee has had the opportunity to observe them, and they find that the parents are energetic, cooperative and altogether fine people and deserving of whatever help relatives like yourself may find it possible to give them.

Will you be good enough to let me know as promptly as you can what you plan to do in the matter of caring for them now that they cannot, to our regret, remain any longer in the Congress Refugee Houses.

Very truly yours,

Rita Pick

Secretary.

A. M. Luntz

Cleveland, Ohio

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July 10th, 1940

Dr. Rabbi Silver

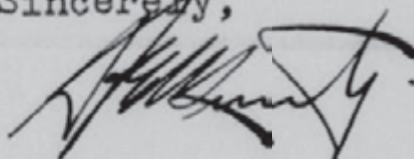
Dear Doctor:

I am enclosing the acknowledgments and comments that I received from the recipients of the pamphlets. About 2500 were sent to colleges, approximately 200 to leaders in industry, several hundred to libraries. Altogether nearly 10,000 have been sent out to congressmen, senators, various civic organizations and radio commentators.

Since I have no use for these letters, you may dispose of them as you wish.

I am

Sincerely,



AML:LB

Hebrew Union College Library

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,

Ansel Road Temple, July 18, 1940.

Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

The books noted below are overdue.

Please give this your immediate attention.

Respectfully,

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Walter Rothman Librarian.

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July 19th, 1940

Mrs Abba Hillel Silver
Mooselookmeguntic
Haines Landing, Maine

Dear Mrs Silver:-

In reply to your letter, I would say that what is to be done about the "Reutlinger Family" cannot be determined by us. Our work consists in caring for people while they live in the Congress Refugee Houses until such time as the National Refugee Service finds something for them to do, and the time limit at Congress House is one month.

I would suggest that you take the problem up with the National Refugee Service, the head of which is Professor Haber.

We must ask that the earliest possible disposition be made of this case as we have kept the "Reutlingers" three times as long as the average dweller remains at Congress House. The Reutlingers would have been utterly without a roof over their heads had we not kept them at Congress House for this length of time, because the money they received from you would not have been enough to put up three persons anywhere at the smallest cost.

Sincerely yours,

Rita Pick

Secretary.

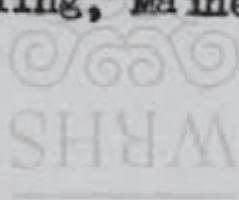
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On June 30 I received a letter from
 Mrs R. informing me that she had
 obtained employment & thanking me for
 the help she ^{had} ~~received~~ from me
~~May I remind you again of my~~
~~offer to help meet the problem now~~
 The money which I sent the Rent was ~~not~~
 intended to maintain them, but just a
 small bit to ease
 for them & I shall
 do my best to help
 to them from time
 to time

C. H.
46-48-50 WEST 68TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY



Mrs Abba Hillel Silver
Mooselookmeguntic
Haines Landing, Maine



*Mrs. Silver who contacted the
Wise in New York, advised me
that she would take complete
responsibility & I had assumed
she had done so - sincerely -*

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

SINCE WRITING YOU LAST WEEK DICK AND MARY HAVE DECIDED
THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE MARRIED ON THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 5
PROBABLY IN THE AFTERNOON OF COURSE WE WANT YOU TO
PERFORM THE CEREMONY HOPE YOU WILL SURELY BE HOME
PLEASE LET ME KNOW IMMEDIATELY AS THE TIME IS SO SHORT

HERB AND EDNA GOULDER

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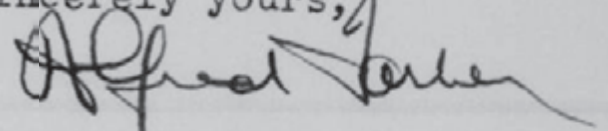
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
2 E. 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you sincerely on behalf of my mother, brother and myself, for the beautiful services which you gave at my father's funeral.

My father always felt so close to you that it was a very great consolation for all of us to have you there.

Sincerely yours,



ALFRED J. FARBER

AJF:RG
Enc.

SIDNEY N. WEITZ
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW
LEADER-NEWS BUILDING
CLEVELAND

August 5th, 1940

My Dear Rabbi:

I am pleased to note from your letter that you are having a much needed rest and I trust that you will be fully rested by the time you return to Cleveland. Nothing would please Sylvia and me more than to drive up to Maine but unusual circumstances make this impossible. Elizabeth is announcing her engagement to Jerry Faulb, a very fine young man for whom we all have a high regard.

Elizabeth and Jerry are planning to be married about the end of September and when the date has been fixed definitely you will be notified as your assistance will be required. The shortness of the time makes it necessary for Sylvia to devote most of her time during the next few weeks in preparation for the event. The wedding will be a small one at our home but we are planning to have a reception for our friends on August 18th.

I was at Georgian Bay for a week during which I fished and rested but the heat here at home has taken away most of the benefit of the rest. We had two days of cool weather last week but it is very warm again and there is no relief in sight.

With kindest regards to you, Virginia and the boys in which Sylvia joins me, I remain,

Most cordially yours,
Sidney



P. O.
Mooselookmeguntic
Maine

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Telephone
Rangeley 18-3

Aug. 6 - 1940

My dear Miss Marie.

I am glad that you are back and that you have had a nice vacation. I hope that the severe hot spell in Cleveland has broken. We are all well and enjoying this delightful spot.

Even up here I must pay bills and I am short of check blanks. Please send me about 2 dozen.

With all good wishes in which Mrs. Silver joins me. I remain,

Most cordially
Archie Hibel Silver



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MAINE

RANGELEY LAKES REGION
HAINES LANDING, MAINE
MRS. MABEL BURNS THOMAS, PROP.

TELEPHONE
RANGELEY 18-3

August 8, 1940

My dear Miss Kline,

I have scheduled the two weddings:

(1) Leicher- Shaft, November 21st.

(2) Freidman- Rappaport- September 15th.

Please request Rabbi Harris to send me
a draft of the Holiday Booklet.

Mrs Silver and Raphael send their best wishes
Also Daniel whom we saw in camp this morning.

Cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver

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August 9, 1940.

Air Mail

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

A Mr. I. L. House came in to see me yesterday and showed me what purported to be quotations from a statement made by you, deploring the fact that President Roosevelt had accepted a third term nomination.

He said that you had suggested that he see me and that you were to become a member (amongst a number of others, of course) of a committee to be headed by Dr. Hamilton Holt and to be known as the "No Third Term for any President Committee".

He asked me whether I would become an official of the Committee. I replied that I would not but that I might consider becoming merely one of a considerable number of members.

For my own personal information, would you perhaps wire me whether what Mr. House told me is substantially correct, in so far as you are concerned. I might say, parenthetically, that I personally believe that the "No Third Term for any President" proposal is sound, and that there is no justification for any deviation.

Sincerely yours,

Alvin Untermeyer

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba:

The Board of Editors of the Encyclopedia invited the officers of The Central Conference of American Rabbis to appoint a committee of the Conference to aid us in selecting members of the Conference who may be eligible for individual biographies in the Encyclopedia. Leipziger is of the opinion that this should not be done officially by the Conference. He does urge strongly, however, that I, as Editor-in-Chief, consult informally with a few men upon whose judgment and impartiality I can rely.

I have chosen you and four others to form such a consultative group. I am taking the liberty to enclose the Conference list under letters "C," "D," "E," "F," and "G," which will comprise subjects within Volumes III and IV. My feeling in the matter is that the rabbis should be judged by some such standards as these:

- 1) Specific contributions to Judaism, either through literature or utterances, or the initiation of movements or institutions of more than local scope.
- 2) Conspicuous services rendered to, and acknowledged by, the Jewish community or the community at large; in this category the problem of Christian-Jewish relations should be considered.
- 3) Leadership in movements of national and international character—Jewish or general.
- 4) Educational achievements, Jewish or secular.

Perhaps you can augment these articles. In accordance with these standards and whatever judgment you may want to apply, please mark these names (a), (b) and (c). Do not mark those that have no ranking at all.

You need not sign your name to the list. Please mail it in the enclosed envelope. It is important that we have your list back by Monday, August 19. There will be no follow-up.

Sincerely yours,

Isaac Landman

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My dear Phil. Bernstein

I received the enclosed cable from Jerusalem. Does our Fund still owe the "Moshav Zekenu" any money on the 1940 account? If so, please send them the money by cable. Is there anything left in our Fund? Can an additional \$100- be sent to this very worthy institution?

We are all here. Vigor and the children join us in sending you and Florence our love —

Abba Hallel Selman

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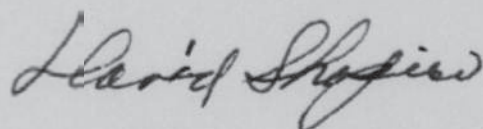
Dear Rabbi Silver:

Permit me to thank you for your kindness
in sending me your bulletin in during the past season. I
would greatly appreciate the continuance of this service
during the coming year.

Did you print any of your lectures or
addresses which you delivered during 1940? If so, I
would appreciate you sending me copies of these. I will
be glad to defray any expenses involved.

With New Year's greetings.

Sincerely yours,



David Shapiro

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am addressing myself to you as to one of the sponsors of BITZARON who has given to it his material assistance. You, I assume, can fully realize the great struggle and the tremendous difficulties which, as Editor and also publisher of the magazine I have had to overcome for the first year. At the opening of the periodical, which has since been so highly acclaimed and joyfully received by all shades of Jewry in this country as well as in Palestine and the world over, I expected not only your kind material help, but also and chiefly your personal assistance in having more friends join us who could make the BITZARON a permanent and independent journal. Unfortunately, I had to be disappointed in this respect. With the exception of one or two of the donors, most of them have not shown further interest than making their contribution, thus leaving me alone to shoulder the entire financial burden!

After a few months of publication, I found out that it was impossible to continue the journal without adequate funds particularly after my vain appeal to you sponsors to come to my aid in order to enable us to continue at least for this first year. However, as no further aid came, I had to face the situation alone and cover the expenses from the income of my own salary. I could, of course, have discontinued the publication in the middle of the first year. But this I would have considered to be the greatest shame for American Jewry and for you, known as BITZARON'S sponsors, as well as for myself, since ending the BITZARON in the middle of the year would have meant declaring it bankrupt and evading the responsibility towards its 2500 subscribers half of whom had already paid their subscription in full.

Consequently there now is a deficit of nearly \$5000 for the period of the first year. This deficit was already partly paid by me, or is partly yet to be paid from my promissory notes or else partly due to our collaborators. The sum in fact is just about what we expected from the Zionist Organization. It is true, I am now more optimistic regarding the Z.O.A. than

than last year, but the subvention cannot be secured without the united efforts of all of us. However, granting that we do get the \$5000 subvention from the Z.O.A. I wish to make it clear that it would cover only the deficit of BITZARON'S budget as it is now constituted, but not any further expenditure which is badly needed for BITZARON'S second year, namely \$5000 to \$6000 for editorial assistants. The budget set for BITZARON'S first year represents a bare minimum and is a highly underestimated figure, i. e., \$15,000; it cannot work out under normal conditions. For instance, the Hadoar with the Histradruth have a yearly budget of about \$50,000, the greatest share of which naturally goes for the Hadoar. I cannot continue all alone the exhausting work as Editor, (without assistant editors) as publisher and also as fund-raiser which I have done in this past year. It is above my physical strength to give up all my time, and against all my moral convictions to give up all my other literary activities, particularly my life-work, Toledoth Hanalakah, for the sake of BITZARON.

I am still ready to continue to assume full responsibility as Editor and also to write articles gratis as before but it is only fair that I should not be expected to do writing, all the editorial work and other work such as proofreading and attending daily to a voluminous correspondence all alone. I need assistants in the editorial department, and a good staff will naturally have to cost at least \$5000 a year. Yet this is relatively a very small sum in comparison with the tremendous success the BITZARON has achieved both morally and culturally having already become a world famous institution and a cultural "stronghold" for American Jewry as well as a means of support for scores of eminent Hebrew writers and scholars in distress in Palestine and Europe. I am confident that if every one of you does his part jointly or individually, the small sum of \$5000 in addition to the Zionist subvention and to your own yearly contribution, can easily be raised, so that in a few years the BITZARON might become self-supporting. Otherwise as much as it will grieve me to see the BITZARON out of existence, I will have to face realities and be forced to discontinue it altogether.

But before doing that, I must advise that it would not be fair for me to take alone the responsibility for this alarming and shocking step and so I am addressing myself to you in a last appeal asking you to answer within a few days the enclosed questions in a straightforward and frank manner.

On your friendly and frank reply now depends the momentous decision I am about to reach whether to continue or discontinue the BITZARON.

Thanking you for the friendly assistance you gave me thus far, I am

Respectfully yours,

Chaim Tchernowitz
CHAIM TCHERNOWITZ

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

PLEASE ANSWER AND RETURN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

- 1) Are you or are you not in favor of the continuation of the BITZARON?
- 2) Can I count on your material support this coming year at least for the same amount you gave this past year and if so when would you be ready to send in your check?
- 3) Can I also expect your assistance in jointly raising, together with the other sponsors, the additional sum of \$5000 needed for the coming year?
- 4) Can I count on you to give your open and active support in our fight to obtain the \$5000 subvention from the Z.O.A.?
- 5) Can you promise to form or to participate in a committee of a few members among the sponsors to take over the burden of the financial administration of the BITZARON?
- 6) In case you cannot give an affirmative answer to question 3 and 5, can you promise either to add yourself a substantial sum to the amount you are to donate this year, or else help raise personally among your friends a substantial sum and if so, how much and when?





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I do not know you. However I have
never agreed to anyone to see you
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Wm. A. Thomas
Aug. 14-1890

1, Salisbury Rd.,
Hove 22nd August 1940.

Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
2, E. 105th St.

Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir,

It may be that in writing to you I am taking a liberty, but the time we are living in, and the trial we are put to, are so cruel, that I hope you will allow for it, and not consider it intruding or ill mannered.

Let me introduce myself and say what it is all about.

I am a daughter of the late David Golomb, the author of many works well known to you (Hatorah W'Hatalmund, Targumim, Oruch etc.).

I live in England with my family consisting of a daughter (age 13) and a son (age 9) since 1933.

The war turned this island into a fortress, which will have to go through the horrors of Hitler's

war. To spare my children of that ordeal I would have liked to take them away to the U.S.A. or to Canada for the duration of the war. But I have no visa either for the U.S.A. or for Canada; it is possible that this may become immaterial if U.S.A. or Canada will agree to accept children from this country for the duration of the war (which looks very likely). But our Authorities require to be satisfied that the children are going to a home of either a relative or a friend willing to maintain them for the duration, thus ensuring that no funds in dollars would have to be transmitted from this country for the maintenance of the children. The Authorities will require a formal affidavit of the person expressing his undertaking to maintain them.

In this country I possess more than sufficient funds to live on all my life. I also have relatives outside Great Britain (not in U.S.A.), who are willing to provide for me as soon as I get to U.S.A. or Canada. But I am not allowed to take out money from this country, and an assurance that my relatives would provide for

me is not acceptable to our Authorities; they require an Affidavit from an American or Canadian.

This is the substance of my address to you. I shall be indebted to you for ever if you will come to my help with the necessary affidavit.

However, should you consider it quite impossible, I would be grateful for any helpful advice from you.

Here are the particulars necessary for the affidavit:

- 1) Rachel Rubinstein (née Golomb), born 22.1.1898 in Brest-Lit. (Russia before 1914, then Poland; now Russia again); I am Polish subject by birth, and Lithuanian - by marriage.
- 2) Judith Rubinstein, born 25.7.1927 in Berlin; Lithuanian subject,
- 3) Michael Rubinstein, .. 5.9.1931

I conclude my letter with the expression of hope that you will not misunderstand my appeal to you, and also do your utmost. I thank you!

Yours sincerely,
(Mrs.) R. Rubinstein,
née Golomb



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Aug. 23-1940

My dear Miss Klein.

The two weddings - Weiner-Togerson and
Burners are all right.

We are leaving for N.Y. Sunday. I will
remain until Saturday when I shall
go to Boston for the Convention, the
Jen. War Veterans, returning to
Cleveland Sat. 1st or 2nd.

Cordially
Alma Hilbel Shuman

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

August 23, 1940.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
2 E. 105th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:-

I am attaching, hereto, a copy of an address by Mr. Philip D. Reed, Chairman of the Board of General Electric Co., which I heard recently and which impressed me immensely.

Mr. Reed expressed so very forcibly the ideals I had in mind many years ago when you first started the Jewish Bureau of Education, that I thought you might like to read it also.

Cordially yours,

Julius Tuteur.

JT:RM

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HARRY A. LEVY
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

August 23rd, 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Commodore Hotel
New York City

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I was greatly surprised to receive your telegram stating that you are leaving the Lake for New York. I thought you had planned to stay in Maine until after Labor Day.

I have booked a wedding for you for October 20th at 4:30. The young man, a Mr. Hyman L. Aaron, joined The Temple and he is to marry one of our confirmants, a Miss Phyllis Shaw. ✓

I am also enclosing a duplicate deposit slip for a check received the other day.

There is not much news of The Temple other than to tell you that Mrs. Lena Abrams, one of our old time members, passed away. She is the mother of Dr. Sol Abrams and Mrs. J. B. Dworken, both members of The Temple. If you care to drop them a line of condolence, Dr. Abrams lives at 3189 So. Moreland and Mrs. Dworken at the Westlake Hotel.

Anticipating the pleasure of seeing you soon and with kindest regards to you and your family, I am

Yours sincerely,

Harry

H. A. LEVY

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I often recall with great pleasure the splendid address you gave at the meeting of the American Nurses' Association in Kansas City two years ago.

I am teaching a course entitled "The Personal Equipment of a Good Nurse" and I have one section on the spiritual life of the nurse. I am anxious to get inspirational readings to use in connection with this subject and am writing to ask if you would be so kind as to send me a short list of books which you think would be interesting and valuable for this purpose.

If you can do this I shall greatly appreciate it and I am sure it will mean a great deal to those who are taking my course.

Thanking you very much, I am,

Yours sincerely

May Kennedy

May Kennedy - Associate Director
New York Hospital School of Nursing
1320 York Avenue, New York, N. Y.

MK/NHH

September 3, 1940

The Society for the Advancement of Judaism
15 West 86th St.
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Gentlemen:

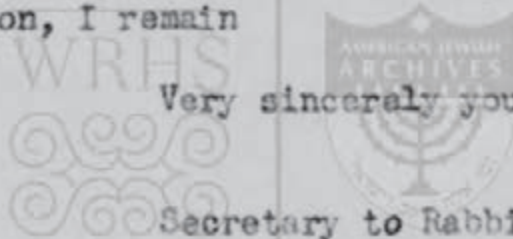
Please send us seven diaries for the
year 5701 (1940-41) at your earliest convenience.
Upon receipt of same, we shall send you our check.

Thanking you in advance for your
prompt attention, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



Cleveland, Ohio
September 4, 1940

Dr Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland Ohio

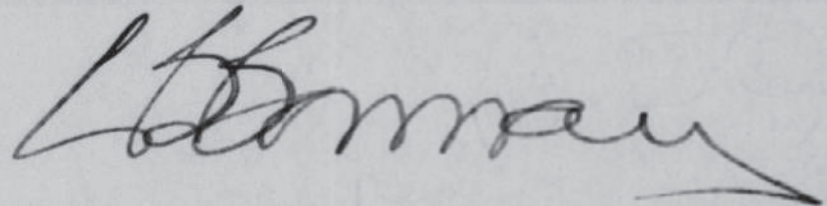
My dear Dr Silver:

Some time ago our mutual friend, Mr A M Luntz, forwarded me two copies of an article written by you, "The Outlook for America."

I have found it very interesting and the thought which you have expressed is well worth anybody's time in reading it. It is particularly interesting due to the fact that you are ranked as one of Cleveland's public minded citizens.

I hope to have the pleasure of meeting you personally within the near future.

Yours very truly

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "L G Gorman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

L G Gorman
3146 Warrington Rd
Shaker Heights Ohio

2348 Brookhaven Ave.
Far Rockaway, N.Y., Sept 4, '40

Dear Silver

I am enclosing a telegram from a cousin of mine, but first do me the kindness of reading my letter.

Here is an English boy, ^(21 years old) born in London, whose father my uncle sent him some four years ago to Poland to study in the "Mivres" (I think) Yeshivah. He is now stranded in Lithuania, and has a scholarship to the Mesiftha Talmudic Seminary of Brooklyn. He has received his American visa, but he has not the fare which is about \$450, as he has to travel through Russia, via Japan, and the West Coast.

His family in London can-

not do anything for him now.
He has turned to me and
to my brothers (in Pokropsie).
My brothers would not help
a man who was studying for
the Rabbinate, and I am in
no position whatever to help.
All our present income is
from ^{what} my wife earns in a
dress shop. I do not sell
any paintings.

I just cannot write to
this boy: "Sorry, I cannot help
you. The times know no mercy.
You must go down with the
rest." I cannot write this.
That is the reason for my
delay in answering him,
and so this final outcri^y of
his - this telegram.

Whom am I to turn to?

and I thought of you. The fact
is I thought of you when I
received his first letter, the
first note of his distress, some
five months ago, - but I did not
dare trouble you about it.

But I have no other alternative.
Perhaps you yourself will be
interested in a valiant student
stranded and in such (!) a plight,
a perhaps you might interest
some of your friends.

To drop this boy now, now
that he has his free scholarship
and American visa would
make me too miserable. Do
help me save him. It will be
saving a human life indeed.

Respectfully
Your old friend
Tope

My cousin's name
is Pinchos Berliner
Please return telegram

Thursday, September 5, 1940

Dear Rabbi Siver:

I would like very much to thank you for all the aid you rendered me as I sought admission to Hebrew Union College.

When I recieved notice of my acceptance, quite naturally I was thrilled and exceedingly grateful to those who helped me. It was fairly easy for me to thank the others but the help I recieved from you was so much more intangible and so much more important that it is rather difficult for me to show my real gratitude. I will try, however, to explain just how much it has meant.

Four years ago in the midst of my freshman year, I was on the verge of despair. My summer savings were running out and it appeared as though I would be unable to complete my first year of college, let alone the desired four. I wanted very much to enter the rabbinate but was just about to give it up as impossible when I dropped into your office for a chat. It was you who assured me that with just a little more effort I could work my way through school. You told me the stories of your struggles and of others you knew who had attained their ambitions with far greater disadvantages than I. I left your office inspired and was eventually able to finish the four years with suprisingly little trouble.

Four years are a long time and you have probably forgotten the entire incident, but I haven't and I don't think I ever shall. Two years ago you sent me to Mr. Shuster and helped me outline my course of study without both of which I could never have hoped to pass even my preliminary examinations.

I am deeply grateful for your letter of recommendation to the College and for your efforts in procuring for me the Temple Women's Association scholarship but I think you can now understand that most of all I am thankful for the inspiration you have offered me. I shall never forget it. I am hoping that some day I may be able to repay you.

Sincerely yours,

Jay Herbert Kaufman

46-9TH AVE.

N.Y.C. Sep 5/40

Dear Abba -

Just about six months ago
I wrote to you asking a
little money for cousins of
yours in Minsk. You
were kind enough to send
me \$1500 then.

Now with the holidays
approaching, we must
help them again. There
are three families. One
widow with four children
and no one to turn to.

They used to receive
a little money from
England but now
they are cut off completely
and with prices in Lithuania
sky high they are actually
in need of bread.

If you were to read the
Heartbreaking letters you
would pardon me for
taking the liberty of
writing to you. My
brothers and I are doing
more than we can afford
but it is not enough.

Please Abba do what
you can, I know that
if mother knew about
it she would help too
With best wishes
& regards. Sincerely,
Jack.

September 6, 1940

Mr. Jennings Tofel
2348 Brookhaven Ave.
Far Rockaway, N.Y.

My dear Tofel:

I regret greatly that I cannot help you in the matter of your cousin, Pinchos Berliner, much as I would like to. I have had, in the past few years, to bring over a great number of my own relatives and those of Mrs. Silver as well as to give assistance to relatives of friends, and I cannot do any more. It seems to me that you ought to bring the matter to the attention of the Mesifita Talmudical Seminary of Brooklyn to which school your cousin is going. Perhaps the officers of that school may interest a few of the friends of the school in providing the fare which is required.

I am enclosing herewith the telegram.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.

September 6, 1940

Mr. Julius Tuteur, President
Electric Vacuum Cleaner Co., Inc.
1734 Ivanhoe Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Tuteur:

Let me thank you for your kindness
in sending me a copy of the address of Mr. Philip
D. Reed which I know I shall read with a great
deal of pleasure and profit.

I trust that you have had a pleasant
summer. With all good wishes to you and to the
members of your family, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

September 6, 1940

Mr. Donald V. Senour Hahn
2062 East 77th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Hahn:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter and for your invitation to meet Major W. E. Simnett at your home on Sunday evening. I have a wedding scheduled for the evening of the eighth, but I shall make every effort to drop in at your home and meet your guests.

Thanking you for your thoughtfulness,
I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

JOSEPH F. RUPPELT
6529 BRECKSVILLE ROAD
INDEPENDENCE, OHIO

Independence, O. 7/8/40

Rev Abba Hillel Silver

My Dear Rabbi

To me it has been

plain that you are a man of sterling qualities and sincerity of purpose. Therefore listening to you today I couldn't help thinking how paradoxical is your yearning for a defeat of Germany, with the love of Germany, where you probably also have close ties. I am a German of first generation and German song and Poetry of the clear and sentimental variety makes me feel sad for Germans sake. How is it possible that anyone born there or having parents born there, does not wish at least for a conclusion on any terms and leave things going to God. God can help after peace just as well I think. And what amount of suffering could be spared the world if Prayer were actually a thing or action of the heart. "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those that trespass against us". You recently wrote in the newspapers quoted you as being against a third term, and therefore by necessity for Willkie. I am still in doubt

whether the powers of irreligion will leave the problem as simple as that. There can be no denying that a man of God recognizes (whether Hitler wins or loses) forces not favorable to religion will be in control. At the head of either War Department no friend of piety or absolute devotion to God exists. By their acts you shall know them, the sudden clamor for God's help notwithstanding. We know the devil can quote scriptures, in the messages of Churchill, Hitler, Eden, Mussolini and Cooper. The help of God is with them. The American people are praying to end the war some with a smitten Germany, others with a special damnation for the British Empire. On it goes, the name of God misused while actually children, millions of them, are even now dying of malnutrition in England, France, Belgium, Germany, and other countries. Are we praying for the speed up of these deaths to mortify

Hitler, to shake the fat sinews of Mr Churchill, are we praying for hate to be intensified in the breasts of Father and Mothers? I need only to point to an article by Jay Franklin (Carter) in last week's Plain Dealer, to point out what shallow thinking and hate are furiously whipping the country into obscenity and cold blooded callousness. The article I refer to was on "motherhood" and I was waiting for some man of God to expunge him as a thinker, or a man ~~not~~ worthwhile. I heard and read nothing though. We need today a great Jewish Leader who will step out and openly declare himself for Willkie, providing he is for the Commandments in all there simplicity, and not for the Golden calf on which the Table of commandments shattered. I also wish you were this Jewish Leader and

JOSEPH F. RUPPELT
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while I am writing you, I believe another great act would be the reconciliation of the great religious men who are fighting one another. While Father Coughlin and honest Godfearing Jewish leaders agree on evils, they are at odds on methods and causes. To me it seems much energy is wasted that could go to defeat Immorality, Divorce, Good Books and pictures. I am a devoted reader of "Social Justice" and attend the Catholic Church. However I am an admirer of the Jewish People (the chosen people) so far as they are attendant to their Faith. When they part company with their God, I find them in the ranks of the Liberals and I can't see why they should be immune from criticism anymore than any other Socialist or Communist or Nazi. For surely they are trying to help set up a Godless order (and they rank) due to their brilliancy. Many of them sincere as Spinoza. Respectfully yours
Joseph F. Ruppelt



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Dear Rabbi:

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Inter-faith program today and it
seemed after we heard your voice
that we were back in Cleveland
again. We enjoyed hearing your
voice and ~~W. H. Sank~~ your talk
was very impressive.

Don't know whether
you recall me or not but I am
Lillian Shertoff's brother. My
niece Gertrude was just confirmed
from your temple.

Please give Harry
Levy my best regards.

Here's hoping
we can hear your voice more often.

Best regards

Carl A. Richards



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Rev. Abba-Isaac Schror,
Chorland Temple,
Chorland
Ohio.

As the author of a forthcoming book
entitled *Weighed in the Balances*
or *Thus Sault the Law!*
I shall be glad to include therein
your excellent Radio address of Sunday
if to your pleasure to provide a copy.

Yours for Universal Service
Charles Lummus Robinson

55 Randolph Place
South Orange, N.J.

Sept. 9, 1940.

September 9, 1940

Musical Arts Association
11001 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is my check for \$90
for two Thursday Symphony tickets for the coming
season. I assume that these tickets will be same
as those which I had last year.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK
Enc.

THE CLEVELAND INSTITUTE OF MUSIC
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

September 9, 1940.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your support of the Cleveland Institute of Music has been a vital factor in bringing it to its present important position. Without such financial aid as you have given the Institute, we could not have attained the high scholastic standing which is accorded us by authorities all over the country.

A year ago you gave twenty-five dollars to our Maintenance Fund. We hope that you will be interested in contributing to it again at this time.

We hope to have the pleasure of seeing you often at the Institute.

Sincerely yours,

Beryl Rubinstein
Director.

BR:JB

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September 9, 1940

Mr. Jay Kaufman
11416 Hopkins Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Jay:

Thank you so much for your kind letter of September 5. I appreciate all you say in it. I am happy to learn that you have been admitted to the Hebrew Union College. I know that you will enjoy your work, and I am confident that a splendid career awaits you after you graduate. Please come in to see me before you leave for the College.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

629 Highland Ave.,
Fall River, Mass.
Sept. 9, 1940

Rabbi Silver,
Temple,
Cleveland
Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver

I listened to your talk
last Sunday. - I remembered
your words, "We have no great
leadership". -

I have read Father Coughlin's
"Social Justice" - he says the
same thing.

A country set to fight
for a "gold bloc" can have no
great inspiration - hence no
leader. -

Men fight for gold, rather
than sit quietly and, with pro-
found minds, plan a way to meet
a situation with no gold, - thus
placing mind above matter.

Roosevelt is an old pattern
a pattern that brings disaster, always

Would that the great minds
would unite and bring us through
by the might of their God given reason.
Trusting no intrusion, I am
Graciously,

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

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Los Angeles, Calif.
Sept 11 ch. 1940

Rabbi Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:-

We would appreciate
very much to have a copy
of your sermon of Sunday
last Sept 8-1940 on the
National Day of Prayer - at 11 AM
(P. S. T) over The National Broadcast-
ing Co. It was one of the finest
we have ever heard -

Thanking you in
advance for your kindness
and trouble.

Sincerely
Mrs. B. A. Futterer

September 11, 1940

Miss May Kennedy, Associate Director
New York Hospital School of Nursing
1320 York Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Kennedy:

Perhaps some of the books on the enclosed
list might be of service to you in connection with the
course which you are giving.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.



Mrs. Isaac Joseph

announces the marriage of her daughter

Emma Joseph Howard

to

Mr. Ralph S. Joseph

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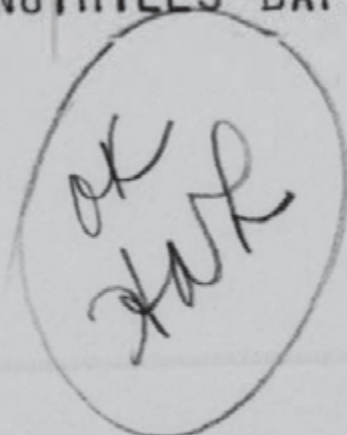
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Sept. 13, 1940.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am sending you a copy of my new Morning Service, recently published. This is the one written in commemoration of my twenty-fifth year as Organist of Temple Emenu-El in this city, and which was sung there in its entirety last December.

Will you be so kind as to give it to your Music Director, who, I hope, may find at least some of the numbers useful for your service.

Thanking you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. H. Federlein.

September 13, 1940

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With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

September 13, 1940

My dear Friends:

I have received the formal announcement of your wedding and I hasten to send to you my warmest felicitations in which Mrs. Silver joins me. You know what I wish you both. I pray that the future may hold in store for you the fulfillment of the dearest wishes of your hearts. Much joy has come into your home in recent months in which I have shared, and I hope that it will abide with you through the days to come.

We will give ourselves the pleasure of calling on you in the near future. With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,



Mr. and Mrs. Ralph S. Joseph

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Sept. 15, 1940.

*Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio.*

Dear Rabbi Silver:

*On last Sunday I enjoyed the
broadcast of the interfaith service for
world peace. Your address was very
excellent. May I have a copy of it?*

Thanking you in advance, I am

*Respectfully
Mrs. J. E. Sutton*

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am addressing myself to you as to one of the sponsors of Bitzaron who has given to it his material assistance. You I assume, can fully realize the great struggle and the tremendous difficulties which, as Editor and also publisher of the magazine I have had to overcome for the first year. At the opening of the periodical, which has since been so highly acclaimed and joyfully received by all shades of Jewry in this country as well as in Palestine and the world over, I expected not only your kind material help, but also and chiefly your personal assistance in having more friends join us who could make the BITZARON a permanent and independent journal. Unfortunately, I had to be disappointed in this respect. With the exception of one or two of the donors, most of them have not shown further interest than making their contribution, thus leaving me alone to shoulder the entire financial burden!

After a few months of publication, I found out that it was impossible to continue the journal without adequate funds particularly after our disappointment with the Zionist Organization and after my vain appeal to you sponsors to come to my aid in order to enable us to continue at least for this first year. However, as no further aid came, I had to face the situation alone and cover the expenses from the income of my own small salary. I could, of course, have discontinued the publication in the middle of the first year. But this I would have considered to be the greatest shame for American Jewry and for you, known as BITZARON's sponsors, as well as for myself, since ending the BITZARON in the middle of the year would have meant declaring it bankrupt and evading the responsibility towards its 2500 subscribers half of whom had already paid their subscription in full.

Consequently there now is a deficit of nearly \$5000 for the period of the first year. This deficit was already partly paid by me, or is partly yet to be paid from my promissory notes or else partly due to our collaborators. The sum in fact is just about what we expected from the Zionist

Organization. It is true, I am now more optimistic regarding the Z.O.A. than last year, but the subvention cannot be secured without the united efforts of all of us. However, granting that we do get the \$5000 subvention from the Z.O.A. I wish to make it clear that it would cover only the deficit of BITZARON's budget as it is now constituted, but not any further expenditure which is badly needed for BITZARON's second year, namely \$5000 to \$6000 for editorial assistants. The budget set for BITZARON's first year represents a bare minimum and is a highly underestimated figure, i.e. \$15, 000; it cannot work out under normal conditions. For instance, the Hadoar with the Histadruth have a yearly budget of about \$50,000, the greatest share of which naturally goes for the Hadoar. I cannot continue all alone the exhausting work as Editor (without assistant-editors), as publisher and also as fund-raiser which I have done in this past year. It is above my physical strength to give all my time and against my moral convictions to give up all my other literary activities particularly my life-work, Toledoth Hahalakah, for the sake of BITZARON.

I am still ready to continue to assume full responsibility as Editor and also to write articles gratis ad before but it is only fair that I should not be expected to do writing, all the editorial work and other work such as proof-reading and attending daily to a voluminous correspondence all alone. I need assistants in the editorial department, and a good staff will naturally have to cost at least \$5000 to \$6000 a year. Therefore the present BITZARON budget of \$15,000 should be increased by at least \$5000 to the figure of \$20,000 a year. Yet this is relatively a very small sum in comparison with the tremendous success the BITZARON has achieved both morally and culturally, having already become a world famous institution and a cultural "stronghold" for American Jewry as well as a means of support for scores of eminent Hebrew writers and scholars in distress in Palestine and Europe. I am confident that if every one of you does his part jointly or individually, the small sum of \$5000 in addition to the Zionist subvention and to your own yearly contribution, can easily be raised, so that in a few years the BITZARON might become self-supporting. Otherwise, as much as it will grieve me to see the BITZARON out of existence, I will have to face realities and be forced to discontinue it altogether.

But before doing that, I must state that it would not be fair for me to take alone the responsibility for this alarming and shocking step and so I am addressing myself to you in a last appeal asking you to answer within a few days the enclosed questions in a straightforward and frank manner.

On your friendly and frank reply now depends the momentous decision I am about to reach whether to continue or discontinue the BITZARON.

Thanking you for the friendly assistance you gave me thus far, I am

Respectfully yours,

Chaim Tchernowitz
CHAIM TCHERNOWITZ

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

----- PLEASE ANSWER AND RETURN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

- 1) Are you or are you not in favor of the continuation of the BITZARON?
- 2) Can I count on your material support this coming year at least for the same amount you gave this past year and if so, when would you be ready to send in your check?
- 3) Can I also expect your assistance in jointly raising, together with the other sponsors, the additional sum of \$5000 needed for the coming year?
- 4) Can you promise to form or to participate in a committee of a few members among the sponsors to take over the burden of financial administration of the BITZARON?
- 5) In case you cannot give an affirmative answer to questions 3 and 4, can you promise either to add yourself a substantial sum to the amount you are to donate this year, or else help raise personally among your friends a substantial sum, and if so, how much and when? -----

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September 17th 1940

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Please accept my thanks for the list of books which I received this morning when I returned to my office. I appreciate this courtesy very much indeed and I know that the list will be very helpful. Four of the books are entirely new to me, the others I have been using. I am very much interested in getting these additional books for our library.

I am,

Yours sincerely

May Kennedy

May Kennedy - Associate Director
New York Hospital School of Nursing
1320 York Avenue, New York, N. Y.

MK/NHH

September 17, 1940

Mr. Charles L. Robinson
55 Randolph Place
South Orange, N.J.

My dear Mr. Robinson:

As per your request, I am enclosing herewith
Dr. Silver's address on the "National Day of Prayer"
program.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

September 17, 1940

Mrs. B. A. Futtere
426 Cedar Street
Los Angeles, California

My dear Mrs. Futtere:

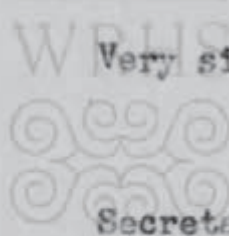
As per your request, I am herewith enclosing
a copy of the address which Rabbi Silver delivered
on the "National Day of Prayer" program.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



September 18, 1940

Mr. C. M. Finfrock, Treas.
Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies
614 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Finfrock:

Enclosed herewith is Rabbi Silver's
check for \$5 for two patron tickets to the
meeting on Monday evening.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

September 18, 1940

Mr. Jason Rich
13509 Garden Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Jason:

Rabbi Silver received the enclosed letter
from Mr. Benjamin Rabinowitz this morning, and
requested me to send it to you.

Very cordially yours,

BJK



September 18, 1940

Mr. Harry L. Kaplan
1819 Lee Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Kaplan:

I am enclosing herewith the letter which I received this morning from New York which is self-explanatory. The laws of Palestine make it impossible to carry out the request of Mr. Weinberg.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Enc. 2

I am also returning letter which you sent me.

METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

NEW YORK CITY

EVERETT T. STUMP, Manager
EUCLID, OHIO, DISTRICT

10609 SUPERIOR AVENUE
CLEVELAND, OHIO

September 19, 1940

Dear Reverend Rabbi Silver:

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company is tendering me an Anniversary Dinner in commemoration of my 30 years of service with them. The honor of your presence is requested.

The dinner will be held in the Ballroom of the Carter Hotel, on the 17th day of October at 6:30 P.M.

I trust you can arrange to be present, as it will give me great pleasure to have you with us on this occasion.

Very truly yours,

E. T. Stump

R.S.V.P.

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September 23rd, 1940

11 West 42nd Street
NEW YORK, N. Y.

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

Dear Colleague:

You will receive, under separate cover, an advance copy of our new magazine, the JEWISH DIGEST, the first issue of which will be officially released on the 25th of this month. I sincerely hope that the scope and quality of the articles will speak favorably for themselves and I can assure you that every subsequent issue will likewise be edited in the best taste of American journalism.

May we have your reaction to the magazine, with the privilege of quoting you in our next issue? And may we also count on your cooperation in sundry ways to further the circulation of the magazine? We honestly believe you will be serving a good purpose by introducing it to the members of your Temple.

Also, you could do a good turn to some worthy man or woman in your community who might be interested in soliciting subscriptions for the magazine, for the money there is in it. The subscription price is \$3 a year, and we give the agent one dollar for each paid subscription. An agent-general, that is, one who organizes and supervises a crew of solicitors, gets an additional margin of profit.

We would accept such a representative on your recommendation. Each representative will be provided with sufficient copies of the first issue so that he or she can leave one with the subscriber at the time the subscription is taken. This perhaps is imposing on you; yet, someone in your community would bless you for it, as the magazine has already proved itself to be a highly saleable article. May I not hear from you at your earliest convenience?

Sincerely yours,

David Goldberg

Regards!

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615 NORTH BROAD STREET

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LOUIS WOLSEY, D. D.
RABBI

EUGENE J. SACK
ASSISTANT RABBI

September 23, 1940

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
E. 105th St. and Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Abba:

Will I be trespassing too much upon your time and patience if I ask you to do a mitzvah for a sadly broken family in Cleveland? Let me explain the situation to you first, and then you make your decision.

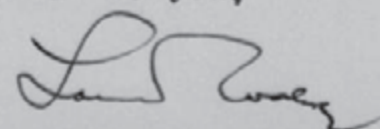
One of the valuable members of our congregation is a Mr. Samuel Rosenbloth, who comes to me with a rather sorry story of an unfortunate marriage of his daughter Sylvia. She is the wife of one Dr. Gordon Stone, 10219 Edgewater Drive. It is a family with two little children, where the difficulties between husband and wife are very grave, as you will note from the enclosed letter from the daughter to her father and mother. This Dr. Stone appears to be a dope fiend, and his attitude toward his wife, toward himself, and toward life in general leaves very much to be desired -- according to Mr. Rosenbloth's story to me. It seems he was married once before and that he has a daughter thirteen years of age by his first wife. He uses the vilest kind of language in the family life, is greatly repulsive in his personal habits and clothing, frequents his own home very slightly, has a clinic for industrial workers, but does none of the work himself and assigns it to assistants, and seems to need a great deal of personal straightening out.

While the father greatly opposed the marriage when it took place and was very unhappy about it, at present he would like to keep them together. He realizes that such a wholesome situation can be attained only by the man being straightened out. This is where he requests your kind mediation. Would you be willing to have either the husband or wife, or both, come to see you at your office and try to establish a situation of peace and understanding? If you would, you would be rendering a real service, which would be tremendously appreciated. There is no financial situation at all involved, for both the father and Dr. Stone are in excellent circumstances. Perhaps a little religion might be of some service, for here is an excellent illustration -- so I take it -- of what happens to a man without religion.

With heartiest greetings from Florence and myself to you, Virginia and the children, I am,

LW:Y
enc.

Very faithfully yours,



September 23, 1940

Mr. E. T. Stump, Manager
Euclid, Ohio, District
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company
10609 Superior Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Stump:

I greatly appreciate your kind invitation to attend the anniversary dinner which will be given in honor of your thirty years of service to the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company on the evening of October 17. It would have given me great pleasure to attend this dinner. Unfortunately I am leaving for the East that evening to attend an important meeting in New York.

Wishing you every success, and continued good health in the future, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

THE WALNUT HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

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September 24, 1940.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

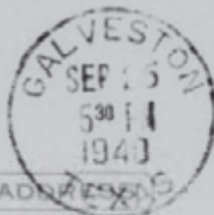
I want to express my sincere appreciation for your graciousness in promptly sending me the beautiful copy of your lovely tribute to America. Our people liked it very much. I am enclosing \$1.00 for the expense involved and do thank you very much.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Arthur E. Cowley

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105th Street & Ansel Road
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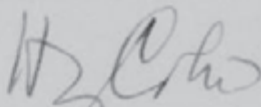
Galveston, Texas
September 25, 1940

Dear ~~Dr.~~ Dr. Silver,

If your lectures at the Harvard Summer School Conference in July are printed, may I receive a copy?

Every good wish for the coming Holydays!

Faithfully yours,


Henry Cohen

Colonial Village
Arlington, Virginia
September 25, 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Euclid Avenue Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

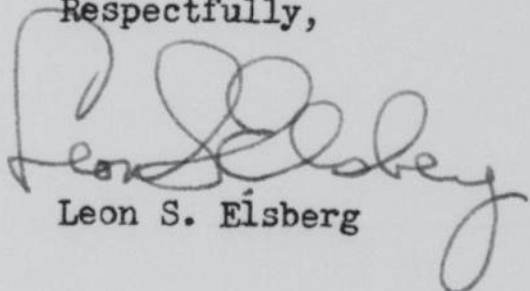
Will you please send me a reprint of your paper on "Israel", which was delivered several years ago before the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

This paper has been suggested as a basis for class discussion in the Education course at the Jewish Institute of Religion.

If the number of copies you have on hand is not too limited, could you send me as many as five? Please inclose a bill.

Kindly address your reply to me at the Jewish Institute of Religion, 40 West 68th Street, New York City.

Respectfully,


Leon S. Elsberg

September 26, 1940

Professor Chaim Tchernowitz, Editor
Bitzaron
1141 Broadway
New York, N.Y.

My dear Professor Tchernowitz:

In reply to your letter of September 16,
and to the list of questions which is appended to
it, may I recall to your mind the letter which I
wrote to you on December 5, 1939.

I am sorry that the Bitzaron is having
financial difficulties. I expected that it would
and I regret that I am not in any position to
help you out. There must be other people who are
not as heavily burdened with responsibilities for
raising funds as I am to whom you can turn.

With all good wishes for a happy
new year, I remain

Very cordially yours,

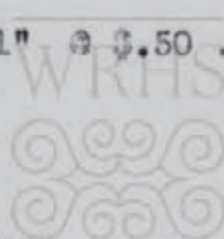
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September 27, 1940.

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Dear Bessie:-

I hope things have been well with you. It has been long since I saw you last. Cleveland is a city beyond my frequent reach, and when I do get there it is always a crowded, tumultuous day.

I spent most of the summer studying in Cambridge, Massachusetts. A happier summer I have never had.

There is something immediate that makes me address this note to you. In these days of American patriotism they have resurrected Rabbi Silver's "America". A patriotic organization has asked me how they could get hold of two dozen of his "America" printed artistically on long orchid cards, copyrighted 1920. Please let me know so that I may inform the good ladies who wish to ornament their homes with the Rabbi's "America."

How is your mother now?

With sincerest good wishes to you all for happiness and fulfillment in the New Year!

Cordially yours,

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

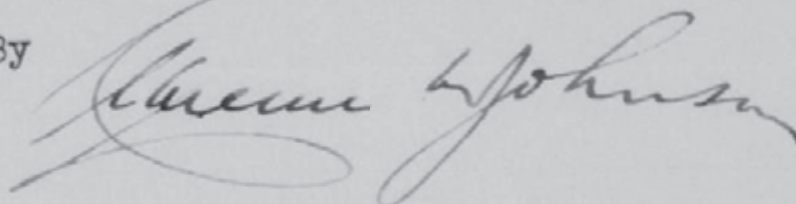
At the request of Mr. Pollak, who is out of the city, we are pleased to enclose herewith renewal fire insurance policy covering your household goods at the above address, which policy we trust you will find entirely in order. Should any changes be necessary, kindly let us know.

Thanking you on behalf of Mr. Pollak and our office for this further opportunity of serving you, we are

Very truly yours,

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The Temple
E. 105th St. at Ansel Rd.
Local.

קֹהֵל כִּי קִיבֹלְאֵיךָ יִצְחָק (ת"ש" א)
 אִיבִיבְנֵיכָם הִרְבּוּ הַנֶּחֱמָה וְדָגְלָן מִפְּנֵי
 שֶׁלֹּא יָדָעוּ הָאֵלֹהִים וְיָצִיט גִּזְרֵי אֱלֹהֵי הַלֵּל
 יִקְרָא וְכֵן "אֵלֹהִים אֵלֶּיךָ יִתְּנֶה יָמֶיךָ
 וְגַם אֲנִי לֹא יָדָעְתִּי שֶׁכֵּן יִהְיֶה מִיָּדְכֶם
 וְכֵן אֵלֶּיךָ הֵיכָל הַקֹּדֶשׁ - דְּרָגָה הַגְּדוֹלָה
 וְהַקְּדוּשָׁה כִּי יִשְׁתַּחֲוֶה אֲדָמָה
 קֹהֵל יֵשֶׁת הַיָּמִים אֶת קִדְּשֵׁי (אֲשֶׁר)
 יִהְיֶה רִצְוֹן מִלִּפְנֵי אֱלֹהֵי הַכֹּל
 אֲכַתְּעֵב אֶתְּכָם וְאֶת כָּל הַנְּלוּיִם
 אֲלֵיךְ כַּמְּבָרֵךְ חַיִּים טוֹבִים וְיִתֵּן
 לָךְ מִשְׁמַחַת הָאָרֶץ עַסְכָּל שֶׁאֵין
 מִלִּקְדוּשָׁתוֹ (with all the times)
 וְכָל אֲבֵיט בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל יִשְׁעוּהָ בִּקְדוּשָׁה -
 אֲתָן וְאֲתָן

דְּרָגָה עֲבָדֶיךָ הַנֶּחֱמָה הַמְּקִינִיךָ
 כִּיבֵּן וְנִפְשָׁה (כִּי יִצְחָק רִיבֵיךָ)
 (לֹא אֶדְוֹר כִּי יִהְיֶה וְלֹא עֲשִׂיךָ)
 כִּי מִשְׁמַחַת יִתֵּן בְּשִׁיךָ (שֶׁאֵין נֶחֱמָה)

רַק מִשְׁמַחַת אֶת שְׂמֵחָת וְקִרְבֵּי אֲנִי
 וְהַלֵּל שְׂמֵחָת יִתֵּן אֶת -
 וְשִׂמְחָתוֹ קִבֵּל אֶת אֲנִי
 הַפְּרִיט פִּינֵיךָ אֵלֶּיךָ

September 30, 1940.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Please pardon me for writing this note. Since I am not sending printed New Year's cards, through no fault of my own but of my circumstances. You undoubtedly expected me on the 19th of September when you were here, but I wanted to act as a gentleman and therefore did not come. I hope when you next visit here, I will have to come to see you, if, of course, I know when you are expected. My conditions are the same. Now, may I acquaint you with news about the last meeting in Washington. Goldman saw that none of the opposition was present, so he requested the Administration to publish his speeches and have them circulated among the Zionist membership. All present agreed and no one objected. He then attacked the Emergency Committee and flew away. I do not have to explain to you how this looks, but if you will look at this number of the New Palestine, you can see what a face the whole organization now has. Now, after the Holidays and the election, is the time for you to take the leadership in your hands. I do not mean this as a joke, nor is it my opinion alone. I have spoken to leading writers of the Jewish press and everyone agrees with me that you must be King on the throne. You understand my feelings towards you and you must overlook all past misunderstandings between you and Lipsky and prove that you are the leader and provider for Palestine. With this I close my letter. Do not forget to see me when you next visit here. When you pray on Rosh Ha Shonch, please pray for me too and for all Jewry throughout the world. May the New Year bring you and your Family Joy and Happiness.

With Zionist Greetings,

222 E. 13 St.,
New York City

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