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לד"ר אבא הלל פילוור היקר -- שלום וברכה!

לא כתבתי לך עד כה, כי שקועים היינו שנינו, יחד עם כל ישראל, בקדושה החגים, ולא הפצתי לערוב קודש בקודש, עתה שעברו בע"ה כל החגים עלינו לשוב לעבודתנו ולסבלותנו.

הענין המטריד אותי הוא אותו ענין, שעליו שוחחנו בדרכנו הביחה, באנייה "קורין אליזבת".

מסרתי את תוכן שיחתנו לחברי הוועד שלנו, וכולם שמחו לשמוע על התענינותי בענין זה, ורצונו לתת ידך לנו. וכל כך גדול היה הרושם, שמו ברובסקי אץ לבקרך בעירך.

כי זו היא ההרגשה העמוקה שלנו, שאם אחת תתן את ידך למפעל העברית עליה יעלה בידנו להוציא מן המצר אל המרחב. ולפי שעה אנו נמצאים במיצר. אפילו ההסתדרות הציונית, שהייתה הראשונה וכמעט היחידה אשר תמכה בעבודתנו במשך כל השנים -- ולוא גם במידה צנועה -- אפילו היא החלה מושכת את ידה מן העבודה הזאת. זה כחצי שנה שאין היא מקיימת את הבטחתה להסתדרות ול"הדואר", ובעטייה הגענו לידי מצב של משבר קשה מאוד.

ואם גם לא נחדל מדרוש את המגיע לנו, ברור הדבר לכל שהגיעה שעת העצמאות של התנועה העברית, שעת העצמאות וגם -- העצמה. דבר החינוך והתרבות, המפרות והעתונות בלשון העברית צריך להעשות ענינו וקנינו של כלל-ישראל באמריקה, ולא של קבוצה קטנה של מחנכים, סופרים וחכמים.

ואתה, שהוצאת את התנועה הציונית מן המצר אל המרחב, והעמדת אותה במרכזם של חיינו, עד שהגיעה למלכות -- אתה האיש להעלות גם את התנועה העברית לאותה מדרגה גבוהה, שהיא ראוייה לה.

ואנו מצפים לאות אשר תתן, לגשת לכינוס, אשר בו יונח היסוד למפעל גדול לטובת העברית באמריקה.

שלך,

בכבוד ובהוקרה,

מ. ריבולוב.

עמית





*Mrs. Harold J. Deutsch*

[1950]

WRHS



dear Rabbi Silver,

I shall always remember with gratitude your kindness and words of consolation during my recent bereavement.

I have just returned from Baltimore where I have been for the past three weeks. My mother is quite ill. My best regards to Virginia.

Sincerely

Frances Deutsch

[1950]

## HOW HIGH CAN YOU REACH?

By JOSEPH GROSSMAN

*Guardian Bldg*

### I

When you are a baby, you are asked—"how high?"  
And your chubby hands point up to the sky;  
As you grow older, you wish to grow tall,  
But that's not up to you, whether you smile or bawl.

### II

While in school you have a goal to reach,  
And all your instructor can do is to teach;  
But the results you are expected to achieve,  
Are strictly up to you, so as to avoid grief.

### III

Only steady application of all your talents,  
Will bring you joy and to your parents,  
Who pinch, save and sacrifice to help you along,  
In order to make your life like a joyous song.

### IV

With your school days over and facing the future,  
The teacher is not at hand to prod and tutor;  
Your task is to tackle the problems that appear  
And if you aim high, there is naught to fear.

### V

The height of your reach should be your aim,  
In all you undertake and whatever you may gain;  
Because you are judged only by honest endeavor  
That may be achieved solely by work and fervor.

### VI

To make your life worthy as you reach manhood,  
Aiming high and cleanly—is all to the good;  
Because you are judged only by what you achieved,  
Through the very best in you—honestly believed.

*Dedicated to the Youth of America*

*You are still reaching higher  
and H.G.F.R.*



[1950]

Mrs. Robert Jaskulek  
3470 Washington Blvd.  
University Heights 18, Ohio

Dear Robt. Selver,

I wish to take this opportunity to  
address these few lines of appreciation of  
your services at the funeral of my late  
husband Robert Jaskulek.

Your beautiful and timely words of comfort and  
solace will always be remembered by all  
who heard them and especially by all of  
the members of his family.

Many thanks for what you have done for  
us in our sorrow.

Sincerely yours

Mrs. R. Jaskulek



[1950]

Monday

Dear Doctor Silver:

It was uncommonly kind in you to take time out of your busy day to think out loud with me and to write in my behalf.

I am hoping to go East within a few days, when I shall explore the possibilities in New York.

My grateful thanks to you for your helping



Laud.

Sincerely yours,

Abel Rosenberg





[1950]

Sherry Frontenac



ON THE OCEAN AT 65TH  
MIAMI BEACH  
FLORIDA

My Dear Rabbi Silver.

Friday 5:00 A.M.

No doubt by now you  
know that my son William has been sent  
to The New York Hospital, Westchester Division  
White Plains N.Y. Sam and the male  
nurse flew here yesterday and I  
spoke with Sam at midnight last night when  
he returned home. You know I have been  
here for a week trying to regain my  
health and strength that I may carry  
on again when I return to Cleveland.



Sherry Frontenac



ON THE OCEAN AT 65TH  
MIAMI BEACH  
FLORIDA

Rabbi Silver remember me  
telling you that Bill told me you  
were better for him than the doctors?

That means he has spiritual  
belief and so I beg of you Rabbi Silver  
to consult Dr Oscar Weaskey as to the  
procedure of sending a New York Rabbi  
to visit with Bill frequently.

Sam told me he was advised  
by the doctor at the Secretorium that the  
Mother is the last person they advise to  
visit with a son so you can readily



# Sherry Frontenac



ON THE OCEAN AT 65TH  
MIAMI BEACH  
FLORIDA

understand my heartache.

I too have been under the  
doctor's care and am due to consult him  
this afternoon.

Last Friday evening I  
attended services at the Temple led by  
Rabbi Lehman and to-night I shall attend  
services in the Reform Temple at 41<sup>st</sup> St.

I had planned on flying  
to New York as soon as the doctor here  
permitted it but after conversing with Sam  
perhaps I had better return to Cleveland.

My very wishes to you and

Mrs. Silver.

Sincerely  
Josephine Gerson



[1950?]

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My dear Sidney:

You may have heard through the Temple office, that I am on leave of absence under Doctor's care with so-called hypertensive heart. He left Cleveland a month ago & just got settled in our apartment in Phoenix. I confidently hope that with proper rest & relaxation I can overcome this condition & get back to normalcy. If the climate & change of locale agrees with me & pays off in better health I am seriously considering becoming a Phoenician & will keep you informed of my progress.

Should there be anything that I can do for you Sidney upon any matters requiring attention in Arizona or this part of the country, do not hesitate to call upon me.

While visiting in Los Angeles with a relative of my wife (Peg) we talked a little about the Temple



and our Rabbi Silver, we discussed  
his book "Birth of Israel" & I promised  
to send an autographed copy to these  
folks. Will you favor me by asking  
Rabbi Silver to write the following  
over his signature, "My best wishes to  
Lil & Dave Gordon; two ardent workers in  
the cause of Zionism & Israel, at the  
request of my good friend Harry M. Goldwasser"  
Or words of similar import. Mrs Gordon  
just returned from an extended visit  
to Palestine & is a great admirer of  
our beloved Rabbi. Please have the  
book mailed to Mr & Mrs D. Gordon  
8088 Horner - Los Angeles Calif.

Send bill covering this  
volume & mailing expense to me  
"La Fontaine Apt's - Apt #207  
1301 E. Thomas Rd - Phoenix Ariz.  
for which I will forward my check  
promptly.

Sorry I cannot be with you  
to help commemorate & enjoy the Cen-  
tennial Pageant to be presented by  
the talented cast of Temple members,  
but I will be with you in spirit &  
am sure that it will be a complete  
success.

Hope this finds you & your  
dear wife & family in good health  
stay well, regards to all, sincerely  
Harry



[1950]

THE ISRAEL CORPORATION OF AMERICA

425 Fourth Avenue  
New York 16, N. Y.

Murray Hill 6-6293

To the Stockholders of  
The Israel Corporation of America:

The merger of objectives and interests between The Israel Corporation of America ("ICA") and Palestine Economic Corporation ("PEC") has been consummated and ICA has been dissolved. As a result, each public stockholder is entitled to receive \$1 of PEC Common Stock (taken at the PEC offering price) for each \$1 of ICA stock (taken at the ICA offering price) paid for by such public stockholder. Since the PEC Common Stock is being offered and sold at \$28 per share and since the ICA stock was sold at \$25 per unit (each unit consisting of one Preferred Share and one Common Share), this means that each public stockholder is entitled to receive  $25/28$ ths of a share of PEC Common Stock for each unit of ICA stock purchased by him.

Wherever an ICA stockholder is entitled to receive a fractional interest in one share, this fractional interest is evidenced by a scrip certificate. For example, if you hold six units of ICA stock, you are entitled to 5.3571 shares of PEC Common Stock. You will, therefore, receive a stock certificate for five full shares of PEC Common Stock and a scrip certificate representing an interest  $3,571/10,000$ ths of one full share of PEC Common Stock.

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We have handled the liquidation of ICA so as to permit the distribution to you of your PEC stock certificates without your being required to go through the process of turning in your ICA certificates. The PEC certificates enclosed represent your full distributable share of ICA's assets and the ICA stock certificates which you hold are now wholly void and without value. Such ICA certificates should be destroyed by you at your convenience so as to prevent confusion in your own records.

Albert Schiff  
President

Encs.



From  
H L Dawby

[1950]

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The following is an effort on my part to check trends toward State Socialism. I do believe that in America and Great Britain business, as such, has a responsibility in social and moral questions. The facts should be explained, in no uncertain language, to those who work with their hands, and have them feel that they are a part of the system, and not apart from it. It would be most unbecoming on my part to tell the people what they should do. However, we must view with alarm how successfully the politicians in both our countries have built up class legislation and class distinction, dividing our peoples. That is the most dangerous road man can travel.

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England and America face the same problems. The liberty of man is in danger by State Socialism. Liberty is now revealed as the BREAD AND BUTTER DOCUMENT of "we, the people" in our countries. Liberty fostered the growth of our countries into world powers. Without such liberties, we become a socialized people. If we believe that God created man and endowed him with personality above other animals, then we cannot accept State Socialism, which is tyranny over the mind of man.



It is time that Socialism be exposed for exactly what it is, and WHAT IT WILL DO TO THE PEOPLE, AND NOT FOR THE PEOPLE. It was the individual "know-how" - independent planning and financing in free markets, regulated but not controlled, which made England and America leading industrial powers. Bureaucracy, by Governmental direction, should not invade the fields of competitive enterprise and compete with business. Governments never have produced, nor can they produce, wealth. That is not their function or duty. They should police the laws, not control the functions of business. The only money Government has, or can get, is through ~~taxing~~ the people, and when it cannot get enough in taxes - directly - it hides them; and hidden taxes are deceptive and immoral.

Politicians have discovered that votes may be had cheaply when people are fooled and not told the facts about the consequences of policies that embrace Socialism. To have rabbit soup, first snare the rabbit. Socialism, to make headway, must ensare the people. It means the complete denial of the right and capacity of the people to manage themselves and the things they own. MANAGEMENT SHOULD EXPLAIN THAT TO THE PEOPLE.

God created man for HIS PURPOSE, to be free, and to be of service to his fellow man; not to any State. God created man for the purpose of the political State, says Socialism.

The present trends toward Governmental authority and less individual responsibility are more vicious precisely because they are hidden revolutionary acts, and hence imperceptible to the average citizen. The greater the number who profit from Governmental



benevolence, the lesser the public vigilance and the greater the public complacency. These are the erosive processes that wear down the rock of liberty, and then suddenly the rock is not there any more. In its place is the quicksand - political "authority, " and that soon hardens into concrete bands - "the ball and chain." Always remember, power, once usurped, is never voluntarily surrendered. Real power rests in the hands of the people, if we will only use it; and so our countries are in a race between EDUCATION and CATASTROPHE. We cannot expect the people to defend that which they do not understand. The people of our countries can do anything if they are only told why, but they must be told; otherwise they will accept State Socialism - the Welfare State - without realizing it is a sister of Communism. BUSINESS SHOULD EXPOSE THESE TRENDS.

Management is paid its salary by those whose moneys are in the business - so-called shareholders. They expect a return - so-called dividends - for the use of their moneys: their expectation is a reasonable assumption. Management in our countries are the trustees, guardians and administrators of the savings of the people, and they should assume their obligations to public and moral issues. Socialism is a moral issue. If management have not the stomach for a fight to protect their rights to remain as managers of our profit and loss and competitive systems, whom do they PROPOSE SHOULD DO THIS FOR THEM? The vast majority in both our countries are neglecting that responsibility. They have been overstressing the value of silence. They fight like a pack of wildcats to protect their competitive positions, while maintaining a platform of silence and aloofness in



defense of their rights to remain in business. Silence may be golden, but today it is cowardly and suicidal, when witnessing the undermining of the very foundations of our freedoms and wealth creating systems. There are volumes on the theories of Socialism going into plants, - practically nothing on the theories of a sound, Free society!

National and local advertisers spend billions yearly promoting sales for their products. If we are to remain solvent nations, we must RESELL to our people Liberty, which is our BREAD AND BUTTER DOCUMENT, and has more value than all the assets and good will of all our productive institutions. If we lose Liberty, we lose these assets. They become worthless because they become the property of a Socialized State. Then we are ensnared in a socialized millennium. EXPLAIN THAT TO THE PEOPLE.

Not long ago, in political campaigns in both our countries, there was sprung the theory of "SOMETHING FOR NOTHING." A new day dawned in our Republic, and in England. It is an undebatable fact that the public psychology changed. The results have been far-spread, - the production of wealth per individual has been lessened sharply. The initiative of both our peoples formed the habit of napping - loafing on the job. The citizen, himself, changed, and there is no evidence that he changed for the better. Thoughtful people in our countries feel that the acceptance of an UNEXPLAINED SECURITY is rapidly destroying any hope of their security; - yet Socialism - now called the Welfare State - has not been explained.

Today we are financing Governments by taxes upon the backs of the people. They are prefunded by Government Bonds. Much



is made of the security of Government Bonds; little is said of the things too many such Bonds can created. Billions poured into such Bonds have a tendency to remove VENTURE CAPITAL from industry and commerce. Our Governments produce no wealth, and that is the only source which can yield taxes. To docalize industry is to cripple industry in order to EXPAND SOCIALISM. The aims of Socialism should be explained to those who work with their hands in plain and simple words, which bounce along the sidewalk. Our dollars, and the English pounds, which are withdrawn from industry, are taxes for big Government, and the dollars and pounds are LOST TO PRODUCTION. In other words, Government, lacking business ingenuity, returns nothing to the taxpayer as interest on his money, as private industry must do to keep the shareholders' moneys in the business. The reverse of this situation is that Government takes the moneys from the people to compete against business activities, without the "know-how" to return some rent for the taxpayers' money.

Ponder this: should not this be explained to those who work with their hands; or should they be continually and insidiously indoctrinated that Government can run industry better than the industrialists run it themselves?

By continuing wasteful Governmental spending, and increasing bureaucracy, the nation's business is being taxed INTO WEAKNESS. These man-made trends, unless checked and reversed, will make business and those who work with their hands slaves to Government.

The strength of our Governments is the productivity of the



people. It is no more, no less than that. When a Socialized State provides man's security by doing for him that which he could, and should, do for himself, it assails his best work, destroys his initiative, stultifies his inspirations and arrests his imagination. The Socialized State would stuff our nations with a wax managerie of automatons. The politicians pull the string and we jump accordingly. It would still the lathe, stop the plough and sink the future. It would make cringing beggars of proud men, cowards of strong men and serfs of our peoples. It is well we think - write - talk of these things upon all occasions if we are to think about our children. This, in my humble opinion, is the obligation of management of our industrial activities, because they are the trustees and the administrators of the people's moneys at work, which are in the businesses which built our countries.

When freedom is weakened, - Socialism takes over; - the people's moneys at work are out of business, - SO IS MANAGEMENT - Management should carry the torch - to enlighten and inform all the people. A few are doing it; all should be doing it.

E. F. HUTTON  
61 Broadway  
New York, N. Y.  
U. S. A.



[1950]

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SUBJECT LIBERAL JUDAISM MAGAZINE FEATURETO RABBI SILVER

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FROM RABBI NODEL

DEP'T \_\_\_\_\_

Just spoke to Rabbi Egelson, long-distance call.... Managed to squeeze out another page for our story on The Temple Centennial. We can have four pages (about 2500 words) and pictures of rabbis, president, and Temple building. Will be in June issue. Cannot give us cover page for most of the magazine will be devoted to 75th anniversary of Hebrew Union College. In fact, he said College requested entire issue. He won't need material until April 1st. I'll have it ready much before then for your approval before I send it on.



[1950]

# The Temple

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Rabbi Silver:

My regular schedule of office hours to which I try to stick closely, is: every day except Wednesday (when I am at the printers working on the bulletin).

Of course, there are from time to time, certain occasions and problems that come up which require my absence from the Temple. But the front office is usually aware of the time I am away and when I shall return.

I regret that ~~xxx~~ I wasn't around when you wanted me in the last two days, Tuesday and Wednesday. Early Tuesday morning, I took the last of the copy to the printer for the Bulletin. I returned to my office and then around 11:00 o'clock went to Mt. Sinai hospital to make some calls. I would have been here all afternoon, but I had to take Mrs. Nodel for doctor's appointment at 2:00 P.M. Not realizing that her examination would take so long, I waited for her and did not leave the doctor's until 5:00 o'clock. BUT THE FRONT OFFICE KNEW WHERE I WAS AND IN FACT I CALLED THE OFFICE AROUND 3:30 of 4:00 FOR ANY MESSAGES.

Wednesday morning, I was at the printers as usual. In the afternoon, I returned for the TWA meeting and remained until 3:30.

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