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Cleveland, O.
June 24th, 1933.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple - Ansel Rd + E, 105 St.
Cleveland, Ohio.

My Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I consider it a great honor to address a letter to a Rabbi, one who is so whole-hearted in the service of Jehovah, The Great Spirit, even the Almighty Creator.

I have heard you, Rabbi Silver, many times over the radio and I always felt enlightened afterwards. Many times I expressed a secret desire of meeting you and that is why I am writing you now. I would like to have an appointment with you because I think I have information that would be of benefit to The State of Israel. I would also like to ask your advice on a few other subjects which are of great national importance.

I will be able to see you any (over)

afternoon after 1:00 o'clock, as I work
nights. I am sure what I have
to tell you will interest you.
May I hear from you, please.

Very truly yours
Frank E. Houghton
5219 Prospect Av.
Cleveland, 3, Ohio.



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[June 25, 1953]

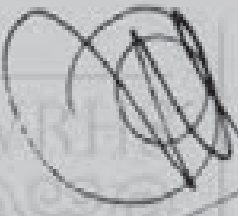
M.F.JR.

Sunday

Dear Rabbi; I could search
and grope forever but in vain,
I ~~was~~ be able to find words
to adequately express my appreciation
for the beautiful eulogy you delivered
for my darling Gertrude. I shall
always cherish every word you spoke.
A sincere thanks from
the bottom of my heart to you
and your dear Virginia - ... not only
for your kind understanding and

deep interest in us all, but
for ^{sharing} your most valuable moments
with us in our time of need. —

God Bless You —

 Mabel

Mabel
Wren
Wren

June 25, 1953

Mr. I. Heftman, Editor
HABOKER
32, Harakevet Street
Tel Aviv, Israel

My dear Friend Heftman:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of June 10th and the certificate informing me that a grove of sixty trees has been planted in the J.N.F. Forest in honor of my sixtieth birthday by the boys and girls, readers of the Youth Section of the HABOKER. Among the many felicitations and expressions of friendship which have come to me from many parts of the world in connection with my birthday, this is the sweetest. I am deeply moved by it. Please tell my young friends how profoundly I appreciated their thoughtfulness in remembering me in such a perfectly charming manner.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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June 26, 1953

Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
East 105th at Ansel Road
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Dear Rabbi:

Herewith check for \$400.00 covering refund of deposit for accommodations on the ILE DE FRANCE July 31st and the LIBERTE Aug. 21st from Havre.

We will appreciate it if you will return deposit receipt No. 2396.

I would suggest that you advise us as early as possible regarding your plans for next year, or possibly for a trip this winter.

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26 June 1953

Rabbi A.H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

AFROTC Cadet Allan Newman has informed us that he is a member of your church. We want to assure you that while he is here for this period of training we will make every effort to provide worship opportunities according to his belief.

We of the Chaplain's Section will do all we can through the opportunities that are given to us to aid the cadet in a spiritual and moral way.

WRHS
Sincerely yours,



ROBERT L. MAASE
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NEWS RESEARCH SERVICE, Inc.

590 North Vermont Avenue
Suite 222
Los Angeles 4, California
NOrmandy 3-2658

Julius Klein

JOSEPH ROOS
Research Director

June 29, 1953.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street & Wansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

As you will gather from the two enclosures, I have been authorized by General Klein to conduct the necessary research in preparing a complete biography of his life. One of the most important chapters in that biography will undoubtedly deal with the things the General has done, because he is a Jew, for his fellow Jews and especially for what is now the State of Israel.

In the research thus far conducted it has become obvious that the General worked closely with you in several instances when the future fate of the young state of Israel hung in the balance. I wonder whether you would be so kind as to write me some comments about the relationship between yourself and the General, and about the matters in which you two worked together for the benefit of the State of Israel.

Searching through some of the material pertaining to the period when the General served in the South Pacific, I came across some interesting items which showed a beautiful relationship which existed between the General and Father Lynch, a Catholic Chaplain who served under him and who was killed in Okinawa. I have come to the conclusion that this beautiful relationship would not have developed the way it did had it not been for the very strong religious convictions of General Klein and for his constant and continuous self identification of a believing and practising Jew. I wonder whether you would care to also comment on that.

The General, as you know, has played some major roles in Republican party politics. Thus he was able to speak to many important Republican officials as a person completely accepted by them and, in my opinion, frequently his requests or advice were listened to with more interest than if similar requests had come to these Republican officials from the professional pleaders for the Jewish interests. If you do agree with this theory I would appreciate your commenting on that also.

If, as you write, some incidents come to your mind relating to the General which make for color in a biography, I would appreciate your including them in your reply.

I hope you do not feel that I have imposed upon your good nature with this request but I am sure you will agree that the story of General Klein's life and his activities is crying to be told to the general public.

May I thank you in advance for your very kind cooperation and with assurances of my highest regard for you, the fine things you have done for your fellow Jews, beg to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Joseph Roos
JOSEPH ROOS.

JR/jc
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JULIUS KLEIN
110 SOUTH DEARBORN STREET
CHICAGO 3, ILL.

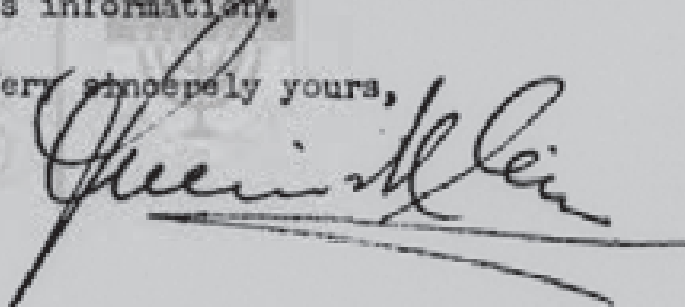
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Mr. Joseph Roos of Los Angeles has requested my permission to write my biography. I have granted this permission with no conditions except that the facts be accurate.

I have known Mr. Roos for many years and have the highest respect for his ability, judgment and integrity. If my biography is to be written, I can think of no more qualified person to handle the job. He has my complete confidence.

It would be greatly appreciated by me if you would furnish Mr. Roos with any information, good or bad, desired by him in this work, and I know he will exercise the utmost discretion in handling this information.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Julius Klein", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Julius Klein/df

JULIUS KLEIN
110 SOUTH DEARBORN STREET
CHICAGO 3, ILL.

Mr. Joseph Roos
News Research Service, Inc.
590 North Vermont
Los Angeles, California

My dear Joe:

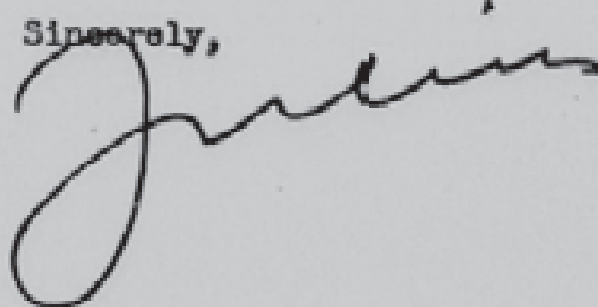
I was honored by your recent visit to Chicago to discuss with me your desire to write my biography. While I don't encourage this project, I want you to know that I will not dissuade it either.

Through the many years that you have been with me from the time you were a young man, I have gained the highest respect for your judgment, integrity and ability. If my biography is to be written, I can think of no more qualified person to handle the job.

It is kind of you to undertake all this research work, and I offer you complete freedom to dig into my past life and into my personal papers. Furthermore, I have no objections to your approaching my friends and acquaintances and shall respect your judgment as to the questions you ask to help you in obtaining all the facts, whether favorable or not.

Wishing you good luck and with kindest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Julius Klein'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

Julius Klein/cf

June 29, 1953

Mr. Casper J. Miller
Collver-Miller Company
500 Schofield Building
Cleveland 15, Ohio

My dear Mr. Miller,

Thank you for your letter of June 26th enclosing a check for \$500 as the refund from the French Line. In accordance with your request, I am enclosing Receipt No. 2396.

I want to thank you for your continued cooperation and help. You may be sure that as soon as my plans for next summer are made, I shall get in touch with you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er
Enc.

June 30, 1953

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Hoffman
Comodore Hotel
Cleveland 6, Ohio

My dear Friends:

Thank you for the check which you sent me. In keeping with my practice, I shall place it into a small charity fund which I use from time to time.

I enjoyed very much officiating at your marriage, and I shall look forward to seeing you upon your return to Cleveland.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

July 1, 1953

Mr. Sylvester W. Flesheim
19015 Van Aken Blvd.
Cleveland 22, Ohio

My dear Sylvester:

I am enclosing herewith an Economic Bulletin published by the Jewish Agency for Palestine. I know that you are interested in the economic developments in Israel, and I thought that you would like to see this issue.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

ABS:er

July 1, 1953

Mr. Marcus Feder, Jr.
2500 Arlington Road
Cleveland 18, Ohio

My dear Marcus:

I want to thank you for your note of Sunday and for the check which you enclosed. In keeping with my practice, I shall place it into a charity fund which I use from time to time.

I profoundly appreciate what you say, and I am happy that I was able to be of some service to you in your sad hour of bereavement. I trust that you will find comfort and strength of spirit in the coming days.

With all good wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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July 1st, 1963

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

Dear Rabbi:

Naturally you may be surprised to hear from me. Thank God, I don't need "certain services" of a Rabbi, but am writing you as a former member of your Congregation and as a personal friend. Perhaps you can do me a favor.

A new Federal Judge is going to be appointed for the eastern district of Michigan and naturally Senator Ferguson of that State and Senator Robert Taft of this State will have a lot to say in the appointment.

My brother, A. C. Lappin of Detroit, is exceptionally qualified for this position, per the inclosed biographic sketch. The organizations referred to are the ZIONIST ORGANIZATION, JEWISH WELFARE FEDERATION and JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL. (He has been President of the former and on the Board of the two latter organizations.)

If you can do anything with either Senator - and I know a word from you will go a long way - be assured same will be greatly appreciated.

I do hope you and your good family are well, and with kindest personal regards and best wishes from Mrs. Lappin and myself, I remain

Sincerely yours

Maxwell L. Lappin

MLL:RPL

A. C. LAPPIN
ATTORNEY AT LAW, ARBITRATOR
CADILLAC TOWER
DETROIT 26, MICHIGAN
WOODWARD 2-1810

BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH

RESIDENT of Detroit, 37 years.

AUTHOR--published articles on arbitration and Workmen's Compensation.

LECTURER--addressed university classes, and many groups upon arbitration-mediation, Workmen's Compensation. Also many broadcasts.

EXPERIENCE--

General & Miscellaneous:

Assisted in business management. Directed or assisted in direction of charitable campaigns. Organized Arbitration Tribunals.

Semi-Judicial:

Presided at hearings of thousands of cases as Workmen's Compensation Commissioner; Public Member of Labor Mediation Board; Arbitrator, conciliator, Member of Draft Board.

ASSOCIATIONS:

Member of Michigan Bar Association, Detroit Citizens League, Caravan Shrine Club, President or Board Member of three large charitable organizations, chairman of Arbitration-Conciliation Committee of large group of affiliated organizations (310).

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES--

Served the Republican Party for more than 25 years, in campaigns of Governors, Senators, Congressmen, State and County Candidates, et al; as adviser, director, writer of ads-speeches-broadcasts, speaker, chairman of speakers' bureaus; arranged hundreds of meetings, etc. (Also in presidential campaigns, including the last in which I supported President Eisenhower long before he announced his candidacy and throughout the campaign.)

P.S. A Justice of the Supreme Court writes: "I doubt if any of them (other candidates) would be more qualified."

A. K. ISREELI
~~242 MADISON AVENUE~~
~~NEW YORK 17, N. Y.~~
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315 WEST 106TH STREET
NEW YORK 25, NEW YORK

JULY 2, 1953

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER
THE TEMPLE
CLEVELAND, OHIO

DEAR DR. SILVER:

YOU WILL BE INTERESTED TO LEARN OF THE CHANGE
THAT HAS TAKEN PLACE IN MY RELATIONSHIP WITH
THE AMERICAN ZIONIST COUNCIL.

THE NEW ADMINISTRATION, IN WHICH
MRS. ROSE HALPRIN HAS VIRTUALLY BECOME THE
GENERAL MANAGER, HAS BEGUN THE REORGANIZATION
OF THE COUNCIL WITH A PROPOSAL TO ME FOR MY
RETIREMENT.

AFTER A MONTH'S NEGOTIATIONS, AND ON THE
INSISTENCE OF THE CHAIRMAN, MR. LOUIS LIPSKY,
I HAVE BEEN GRANTED AN ANNUAL PENSION OF
\$4000.00 FOR LIFE. THE ARRANGEMENT HAS THE
APPROVAL OF THE JEWISH AGENCY.

THE AGREEMENT WAS CONSUMMATED YESTERDAY. I
WAS GIVEN AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT TO THIS EFFECT
BY THE COUNCIL AND, ON MY DEMAND, ALSO A LETTER
FROM THE AGENCY. TO BE SURE, THE LETTER IS
VAGUE, BUT NOT WITHOUT VALUE TO ME.

THE FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS ARE NOT THE ONLY FUNDS
WE WILL HAVE AT OUR DISPOSAL FOR A LIVELIHOOD.
WE WILL BE SUFFICIENTLY SUPPLIED TO AFFORD ME
PEACE OF MIND AND THE POSSIBILITY OF CREATIVE
WRITING.

A. K. ISREELI
343 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK 17, N.Y.
MURRAY HILL 3-1150

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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I TRUST YOU AND MRS. SILVER ARE WELL AND
MRS. ISREELI JOINS ME IN SENDING TO BOTH OF
YOU OUR WARMEST GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES.

CORDIALLY YOURS

Israel M. Isreeli



AKI:CRS

July 3, 1953

Mr. Maxwell L. Lappin
947 West Sixth Street
Cincinnati 3, Ohio

My dear Friend:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 1st. I regret that I cannot comply with your request as I have consistently through the years refrained from making any recommendation of the kind which you suggest.

With all good wishes to you and Mrs. Lappin, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

STEPHEN KLEIN
80 DE KALB AVENUE
BROOKLYN 1, N. Y.

PRESIDENT
BARTON'S BONDONNIERE

July 3, 1953

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

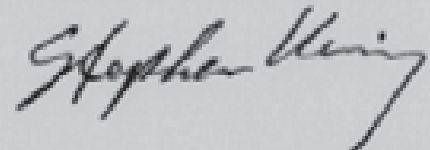
It was indeed a pleasure to speak to you on the telephone today. I assure you that I would not have disturbed you unless the matter was of the utmost importance.

It was kind of you to offer to see me in the near future and at a time and place at your convenience. I would suggest that you set two alternative dates in the event that I cannot arrange to see you on the first date suggested.

The Immigration matter which I wish to speak to you about affects some 500 families and involves approximately 1500 persons. Several of the Rabbinical Organizations and Rabbinical Seminaries are involved. Your advice and counsel is earnestly solicited in an effort to find a solution to the problem.

I cannot urge too strongly an appointment at the earliest date possible.

Very sincerely yours,



*SK:EH

Saturday — [July 4, 1953]

Dear Doctor Silver:

May I add my word of appreciation for the eulogy which you delivered at Mr. Nathan Hoeser's funeral. It was so beautifully phrased that it was a wonderful thing to hear. I have been Mr. Hoeser's Secretary for over thirty years, so you will understand how truly touched I was, and how thoroughly I understand the truth of your remarks about his many fine qualities of heart and mind.

I know how greatly he has always admired you. How often in his correspondence he has called you "Our country's foremost orator" - and in addition he always felt you were his warm-hearted and sincere friend. He has so often expressed these feelings to me, and he never failed to include also your dear wife whom he admired so much.

I am glad God spared him longer weariness, which he accepted so uncomplainingly. His dear ones were home with him, and I think he felt he had received all the consolation their nearness could bring him - and so, quietly, he slipped away from us all.

I cannot shed tears over his passing. I have known him so long and intimately I am just glad he has at last received his well-earned reward for a grand and good life. If tears must be shed, they would be for my own sad loss, for one does not - never so great - and good a "gentle-man" without requiring an affection

and admiration for so kindly and lovable a soul.

With my very sincerest good wishes, believe me to be

Yours very sincerely,

May E. Kelly -



Dear Friend, The trip is so
stimulating and edifying 2252
18 hours each day of
sights and lectures. In

the new Israel I can
feel the ringiers of the
great social voices of
Amos, Isaiah, Isaiah,
Jeremiah, + Jesus. I
shall be looking forward
to talking to you of these
impressive experiences.
With every Good wish

July 5
Very sincerely,
Tom Kepler

STCARD



Rabbi Abba Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

(X)

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July 6, 1953.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

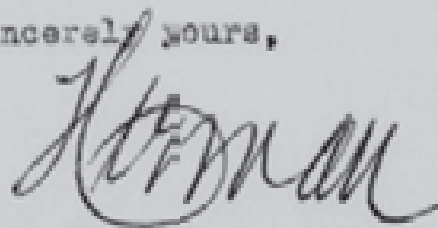
My Assistant Manager, Ralph B. Hunter, was greatly impressed with your eulogy at Nate's funeral and wonders if it would be imposing too much to ask you to send a copy of it. He wants to show it to some of his friends and keep it as a memento of his friendship with Nate.

Here is a copy of Elmer Lindseth's rather significant message, delivered at a Cleveland Rotary Club luncheon recently, about some of the acute problems which exist in Cleveland. You will find it of value, I am sure.

With warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Very sincerely yours,



Dr. A. H. Silver,
The Temple
Ans:1 Road and East 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio.

P.S. Just received the beautiful Brochure entitled
"The Cultural Heart of Cleveland" which I shall enjoy
studying.

July 6, 1953

Mr. Stephen Klein
80 De Kalb Avenue
Brooklyn 1, New York

My dear Mr. Klein:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of July 3rd. I am leaving for my vacation and will not be back in Cleveland for about a month. If the matter is urgent, I would suggest that you write to me and tell me just what it concerned and what you wish me to do about it. Otherwise, I would suggest that you contact me upon my return.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

July 6, 1953

Mr. A. K. Israeli
315 West 106th Street
New York 25, New York

My dear Friend:

Thank you for your letter of July 2nd informing me of your retirement from the American Zionist Council. I do not know what reorganization is planned for the Council, but whatever it is, your absence from the staff will be a serious loss. I hope that the so-called reorganization will not come to spell out liquidation.

I am pleased to learn from your letter that some arrangement has been made to provide you with an annual pension and that you will be able to carry on your literary work without economic harassment. You have certainly deserved well at the hands of a movement which you served with such fine devotion and rare ability over so many years.

Mrs. Silver joins me in wishing you and Mrs. Israeli all happiness.

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

July 6, 1953

Miss Ruth Shortell
CARE
20 Broad Street
New York 5, New York

Dear Miss Shortell:

Enclosed is a check for \$18.25 to cover the cost of a CARE package, including Kosher meat, for Israel - the same package which you shipped for us in April. Would you please arrange to have a similar package shipped to Mrs. Chaya Polonsky, 45 Tachkemoni Street, Jerusalem, Israel, so that it will arrive in time for the Jewish holidays on September 9th.

With many thanks for your cooperation, I am

Sincerely yours,

Elisabeth Rice
Secretary to Dr. Silver

Enc.

July 6, 1953

Mr. Aron Chajuss
Ibn Gabirol 13
Jerusalem, Israel

My dear Friend;

I wish to thank you for your kindness in sending me a copy of your autobiography. It was indeed thoughtful of you to remember me and I know that I shall read your volume with a great deal of pleasure. It will bring back to me our frequent pleasant meetings in Jerusalem and the many courtesies which I received at your hands as well as the hospitality which I enjoyed in your home.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

July 7, 1953

Mr. Herman Moss
900 Union Commerce Building
Cleveland 14, Ohio

My dear Herman:

Thank you for your letter of July 6th enclosing a copy of Mr. Lindseth's address which I know I shall read with a great deal of pleasure. I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending it to me.

Miss Kelly, Mr. Nathan Loeser's secretary, has the only copy of the eulogy which I delivered. I believe she was planning to make a few copies of it, and perhaps if Mr. Hunter communicated with her, she might send him one.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

July 7, 1953

Miss Mary E. Kelly
Mooney, Hahn
National City - East 6th Building
Cleveland 11, Ohio

My dear Miss Kelly:

I wish to thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me the note which I deeply appreciated. We have all lost a dear friend in the passing of Mr. Loeser. Mrs. Silver and I and the members of our family were particularly close to him and very fond of him indeed. Your years of working with Mr. Loeser have, I am sure, given you a host of beautiful memories to treasure.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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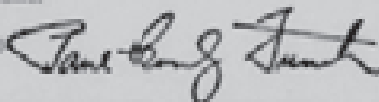
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Miss Elizabeth Rice, Secretary to
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105th St. at Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Re: Your letter of July 6, 1953.

Dear Miss Rice:

Thank you for the order on behalf of Dr. Silver, and
remittance in the amount of \$18.25. The official receipt
bearing the CARE file number L 013 519 is enclosed.

Normal delivery time to Israel is now about four to five
weeks. Therefore, the package should reach Mrs. Polonsky
well before the Jewish holidays on September 9th.

I am always glad to be of assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Shortell
Ruth Shortell, Director
Service Division

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I sincerely trust that you have enjoyed your vacation and are returning to your arduous duties both in Cleveland and in behalf of our people full of renewed vigor, and that you will enjoy good health during the coming year.

The matter about which I recently spoke to you and corresponded with you is summarized in the attached memorandum. The matter is urgent, but I would not impose upon you to suggest that you disturb your vacation to deal with it. However, upon your return I respectfully urge you to arrange an appointment to consider the subject matter.

Very cordially yours,

Stephen Klein
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MEMORANDUM

The Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the United States and Canada, the Vaad Hatzala (Committee for Rescue), National Council of Young Israel, Agudath Israel Youth Council and several other voluntary agencies are faced with a serious problem resulting from their efforts during and following World War II to secure a haven for thousands of homeless displaced persons who were subsequently brought to this country as visitors and students. There are approximately 600 cases involving about 1500 persons. The Vaad Hatzala was organized to represent the leading Jewish religious and philanthropic agencies whose sole purpose was to rescue and rehabilitate a maximum number of survivors from their unfortunate predicament in Europe. The President, the Congress and the State Department cooperated to enable thousands of displaced persons to enter the United States.

In order to secure their entry, it was necessary to post immigration bonds which were issued by various surety companies in their behalf. In order to induce the surety company to post the bonds, the Rabbinical organizations acted as indemnitors, and, in addition, approached private individuals to act as indemnitors. The aliens were not known to the indemnitors who acted solely out of humanitarian and charitable considerations.

Upon the expiration of the varying periods of their temporary stay in the United States, the aliens either were unable to depart because no country would accept them, or because of fear of death or persecution in their countries of origin. The Immigration Service and the State Department, in the great tradition of the United States as a haven for the oppressed, relaxed the strict enforcement of the letter of the law and cooperated by establishing administrative procedures to enable them to remain in the United States. The President and Congress, in the same spirit, caused the enactment of the IP Act permitting these aliens to legalize their status and acquire permanent legal residence with a date of entry retroactive to the original date of their arrival. All of the aliens to whom reference is made herein were certified as good security risks by the Attorney General.

The anomalous situation which developed is that the President and the Congress combined in an effort to keep these homeless people in the United States and to pass legislation to enable them to legalize their stay. On the other hand, the Department of Justice has instituted legal action to require these new Americans, all of whom are citizens or awaiting citizenship, to pay varying sums, over and above the normal head tax of \$18.00, as a penalty, by seeking to collect on the bonds in amounts ranging from \$150.00 to \$1,000.00, originally posted to guarantee their timely departure. However, as outlined above, the aliens were not required to depart on the scheduled dates and their failure to do so was, at most, if at all, a technical breach of the conditions of the bond without loss or expense to the United States.

Because of the economic hardship on the aliens, the Rabbinical organizations will, in the final analysis, be responsible for the payment of these sums of money.

This disregard of the spirit and intent of previous executive, administrative and legislative action to relieve the plight of these unfortunate individuals, cries out for equitable and humanitarian relief from the Chief Executive of the United States.

President Eisenhower, when he was the Supreme Commander in Europe, was most helpful to the Vaad Hatzala in carrying out its objectives of relief and rehabilitation. We respectfully ask for an appointment to present the details of the problem for appropriate Executive action.

July 24, 1953

Mrs. Meyer Atkin
3421 Berkeley Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Atkin:

Upon my return to Cleveland, I learned of the passing of your beloved husband, Meyer Atkin. I wish to extend my profoundest sympathy.

I knew Mr. Atkin over a period of many years and worked together with him in many communal causes. I learned to admire his quiet and unselfish devotion to them and his readiness at all times to give of his energy and his substance to everything which enriched our Jewish community. His passing will be deeply mourned by many people in Cleveland.

I trust that you and his members of your family may find comfort in the noble memories which he has left you.

Very sincerely yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

July 24, 1953

Mr. Eliezer Madder
Operations Research Group
Case Institute of Technology
Cleveland 6, Ohio

My dear Mr. Madder:

The Temple will be pleased to send you an admission card to the High Holyday Services. It will probably be sent towards the end of August.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rlh

July 24, 1953

Mr. Daniel Shorty
1030 Leader Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dan:

I wish to thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me complimentary tickets to the Cleveland Browns' games for the coming season. I hope that I will have the time to take in some of these games.

With all good wishes, and again, thanking you for your courtesy, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rlh

Eliyzer Naddor
Operations Research Group
Case Institute of Technology
Cleveland 6, Ohio

July 27, 1953

Rabbi
Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple
Cleveland

Dear Rabbi Abba Silver,

I thank you very much for your
letter of July 24th. I am looking forward
to attending the High Holyday Services.

I may not be able to acknowledge in
time receipt of the admission card, since
I may not be in Cleveland from August
2nd to September 7th.

Dear Rabbi Silver. I receive from Israel
regularly the newspaper "Haaretz". I would
like to forward it to someone interested in
reading Hebrew. Would you suggest to whom
to send it. I receive the Friday issue on
Mondays & can forward it on the same day.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker Boulevard
Shaker Heights, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The character reference questionnaire which was submitted by you regarding
Philip Wasserstrom was checked by you as indicated below:

Checked as Item

- Yes Has the applicant, to your knowledge, ever been arrested, fined, or convicted? If so, for what reason?
- Yes Is there any history of insanity, intemperance, or unfavorable reputation in the members of his family? If so, please explain fully.
- Yes Has the applicant, to your knowledge, had any serious accidents, diseases, or nervous disorders? If so, please explain fully.
- Yes Do you know of any undesirable habits (immorality, use of drugs, excessive use of alcohol, etc.) which the applicant may have? If so, please indicate fully.

This office considers a derogatory answer, or any blank marked "fair" or "poor" as unsatisfactory and desires additional comment.

It is respectfully requested that you confirm the above by furnishing a brief statement of fact or reason for comment on each item listed above, in the space provided below or reverse side.

A self addressed franked envelope is enclosed for your convenience. Your early cooperation in this matter will be appreciated, and your reply will be kept confidential.

Sincerely yours,

H. M. Boles
H. M. BOLES

Lieutenant, USN
Officer Procurement Officer

(Brief statement of fact or reason for comment for each item listed above)

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Julius Klein

JOSEPH ROOS
Research Director

July 27, 1953.

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

On June 29th I wrote you advising that I was beginning to work on the biography of General Julius Klein and requesting your kind cooperation in supplying me with some background information on General Klein's activities, as you have observed them, especially insofar as they relate to Zionism, to Israel, recognition of the new State and any other aid rendered to Israel since its birth.

Since I wrote you I have received considerable material on this subject matter from General Klein, among them a folder which bears the title "The Forrestal Diaries and the Palestine Question". With the folder there came a carbon copy of a letter which General Klein wrote to you on November 1, 1951 and which I am enclosing a copy.

I wonder whether you still have the folder to which I have referred above and whether in replying to my earlier letter you might take into consideration some of the information contained therein. Certainly it ought to be of some assistance in refreshing your memory. I would also like to be advised whether or not the book that Dr. Neumann was planning to write, according to the P.S. on the November 1, 1951 letter, was actually written and published. If so I should like to obtain it. I would appreciate your advising me with regard thereto.

Hoping that my request for your assistance is not considered an imposition and with assurances of my highest respect for the wonderful things you have done for your people, of whom I am one,

Very sincerely yours,

Joseph Roos
JOSEPH ROOS.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am rather embarrassed to write to you as I do, but I do so at the urgent request of the Chairman of a committee that is arranging a testimonial dinner for the writer of this letter on Sunday, November 1st.

I told Oscar Swartz and Arthur Seder, the Co-Chairmen of this event, that they should attend to the invitation to you themselves, but they felt that perhaps, I might have a little more influence with you - so I am writing to you.

This dinner is being given especially to mark my 25 years of service as President of the Worcester Zionist District and it will also serve as a testimonial for my elevation to the bench of the Worcester Central District Court.

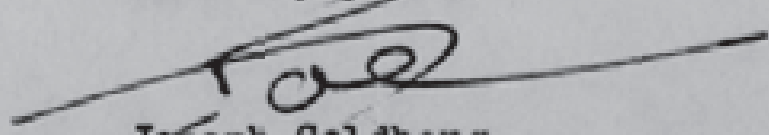
I have tried very hard over the years, to have you accept my invitation to address the Worcester community, but thusfar I have not succeeded in having you honor us with your presence.

I am therefore, writing you long in advance, so that perhaps you can arrange your very busy schedule, to accept this invitation.

Not only will Nel and myself consider your acceptance as a crowning achievement of my Zionist life, but it will also mean much to the entire community and they will be greatly honored, by your visiting with us. This time, I am really pleading with you to try and come.

Please let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours,


Joseph Goldberg

JG/aes

July 28, 1953

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Joseph Goldberg

July 29, 1953

Lt. H. M. Bodes
Officer, Procurement Officer
Office of Naval Officer Procurement
Room 421, New Federal Building
Fort and Shelby Streets
Detroit 26, Michigan

Dear Lt. Bodes:

Please refer to your letter, dated 27 July 1953 to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, 19810 Shaker Boulevard, Shaker Heights, Ohio concerning the character reference questionnaire for Philip Wasserstrom, in which you stated that four of the items were not adequately answered.

In accordance with Dr. Silver's instructions these items should have been checked "NO". If there was an error, it was purely typographical, and I would appreciate your returning this form with a blank one so that I could retype it correctly and check the other items of the questionnaire to make sure that they were filled in correctly.

Dr. Silver thinks very highly of Philip Wasserstrom, and I would not want to jeopardize his opportunity to receive a Commission in the Navy because of a typographical error.

I am very sorry to have caused any inconvenience or undue delay and will promptly rectify the error upon receipt of the questionnaire.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth L. Hirsch
Acting Secretary to
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

Creston, Ohio
Aug. 3, 1853

Miss Elizabeth Rice
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice,

Last April
in reply to an inquiry
regarding your services,
you suggested the 10:30
service on Sunday. We
would like to come either
the 23d or 30th. Will Ralphi
Silver be preaching then?

Sincerely yours,
Lois McJannet

H. HARRY HANDELMAN
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW
112 FINANCE BLDG.
CLEVELAND 11, OHIO
August 4 1953

Mr. Louis Herman
18507 Lamond Blvd.,
Shaker Hts. 22, Ohio

Dear Louis,

The Ohio Association of Personal Finance Companies will meet in its annual State Convention at Hotel Carter on October 13th, 14th and 15th of this year.

The committee, handling the program, has asked me to ascertain if Rabbi Silver would give the invocation at the luncheon of October 14th at 12:15 noon. They are very desirous of having Rabbi Silver as a representative of our faith. It is a long established practice of the Association to have the major faiths represented and though there are not very many of us in the finance business.

The Association membership includes practically all the operators in Ohio, independents as well as large national organizations. Many of the large organizations will have their top representatives here. The speaker at the above luncheon will be Emory Glander, a top speaker in his own right and former Head of the State Taxation Department. Rabbi Silver can leave, of course, any time he chooses after the luncheon.

Cleveland does not get this Convention very often, and the Association has never had a Rabbi of Rabbi Silver's distinction. It would be a great honor to them if he could accept.

I will be happy to get any further information Rabbi Silver would like to have. I will appreciate it very much if you will present the invitation.

Sincerely,

Harry

HH/mh

August 4, 1953

Miss Lois McIlwaine
Greston, Ohio

Dear Miss McIlwaine:

In reply to your note of August 3rd, The Temple does not hold Sunday Morning Services during the summer months. Services will be resumed on October 11th and you will be welcome at any time thereafter.

Sincerely yours,



Elizabeth Rice
Secretary to Rabbi Silver

August 4, 1953

Dr. Samuel S. Cohen
3307 Chadbourne Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Friends:

Upon my return to the city I was saddened to learn of the passing of your dear mother, and Mrs. Silver joins me in extending to you our profoundest sympathies. I am sure that the many lovely memories which you have will sustain you in the days to come.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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August 4, 1953

Cleveland Society for the Blind
1958 East 93rd Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Gentlemen:

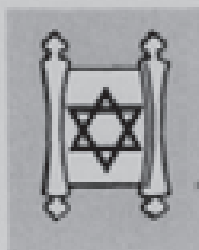
During my absence on vacation, Rabbi Silver received the enclosed letter which I believe you are better qualified to answer than we. If an organization similar to yours exists in Youngstown, I am sure that they might be of service to Mr. Gold. If you will give me the necessary information, I shall be pleased to convey it to the family.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Rice
Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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Dear Dr. Silver

To my consternation I just discovered that our shop has forgotten to insert the special feature article referred to on Page 1. It'll be used next week.

I'll keep you informed on our dinner plans.

See Scrapbook

Kindest regards.

Sincerely



August 6, 1953

Dr. Peretz Bernstein
General Zionists of Israel
33, King George Street
Tel-Aviv, Israel

My dear Friend:

This will introduce my good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kane of Cleveland, who will be spending the Holy Days in Israel. Mr. and Mrs. Kane are not only active members of The Temple, but have long participated in Zionist affairs nationally as well as locally. You will find them a charming couple, and I should appreciate anything you can do to make their visit to Israel enjoyable and profitable.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Miss Elizabeth Rice,
Secretary to Rabbi Silver
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Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice:

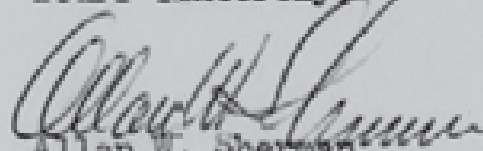
I have received your note and the letter from Mr. Gold from Youngstown. Mr. Gold called me on the telephone about two weeks ago and made an appointment to come here to see me with his son to talk about his problem. We discussed the many points of view and, frankly, did not come to any satisfactory conclusions. I think Mr. Gold is trying to do something which is almost impossible.

It may be, however, that we shall be able to be of some help to him in the fall. We run an adjustment services clinic here and through this we may be able to help Robert Gold, although it would be in a somewhat different environment Mr. Gold was thinking about.

However, if you people think there is any way in which you could assist Mr. Gold, I think it would be fine to do so. I am writing Mr. Gold today telling him that I have had correspondence with you.

AWS:vs

Yours sincerely,


Allan W. Sherman
Director



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple
E. 105th St. at Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland 6, Ohio

ATT: Miss Elizabeth Rice

Re: Your letter of August 4th.

Dear Miss Rice:

In answer to your inquiry regarding the notation "one pound of chocolate" on your signed receipt number K 018 869, may we point out that the new shipment of CARE packages to Israel contained no chocolate in the package. CARE, in its endeavor to help build up Israel's own industries has bought the chocolate from Israeli manufacturers. The chocolate is handed each beneficiary over the counter with, but separate from, the package itself.

The chocolate, of course is of Israel "export" quality and fully meets CARE's standards.

We hope this information is helpful to you. If we can further assist you at any time, please write us.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Shortell, Director
Service Division

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Memorandum

from Lou Herman

DATE Aug. 8, 1953

SUBJECT

Dear Rabbi,

It will be appreciated if you will give the attached matter your kind consideration.

I will phone you in the next few days for your answer which I hope may be favorable.

"What a gin player!?!"

Louis



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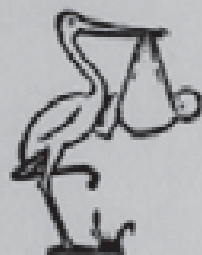
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Dallas, Texas. 1706 Argentinia Drive
August 8/53.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thirty Six years ago we were very fortunate in having you perform our marriage ceremony, which started us on a very happy life which has continued through the years.

We were blessed with three fine children two boys, and one girl, Jacques our oldest Son has been married for some time and has given us a grandson, Ceile our daughter is married and has given us a granddaughter, and now our youngest Son Robert has announced his engagement to a lovely girl, and is to be married in November.

It so happens the date they have selected for their wedding is November 8th and we understand that you are to be in St. Louis, Mo on that date at the Temple Convention.

We realize of course what a busy man you are, we hesitate to ask you, but we would be thrilled beyond words, if you could find it possible to officiate at this wedding, it would be most fitting that our youngest Son be married by the Rabbi who made our marriage such a happy one, it will be an evening dinner wedding at a downtown hotel, and the time could be arranged to make it most convenient for you.

Janet and myself are already thrilled to see you in person, or when we see you on T.V. or hear your voice on the radio, or read your printed words in the news. You are a great man, you always have been, and we love you.

We hope you and Virginia and your family are all well, as is the case with us all at present. May we hear from you as soon as possible, so we may convey the good word to our Son in St. Louis.

With very kindest regards,

Sincerely,
Sam + Janet Oleyson
1706 Argentinia Drive
Dallas, Texas.

August 10, 1953

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Orenstein
1706 Argentinia Drive
Dallas, Texas

My dear Friends:

I am pleased to acknowledge your kind letter of August 8th. It was a great joy to hear from you and to learn about your fine family, especially the engagement of your youngest son, Robert. It would have given me great pleasure indeed to officiate at his marriage. However, on November 8th I am scheduled to be in Pittsburgh. There must be some misunderstanding about my being in St. Louis on that date. Please extend to your son and his fiancée my best wishes and heartiest congratulations to them both.

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

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

ההסתדרות הציונית של ארצות הברית

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חל-אביב, ל' באב תשי"ג
11.8.1953.

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פ"א אבא האלסון
קברניט

אני מקווה ששורותי אלה תמצאנה את כב' ובני משפחתו בקו הבריאות.
צר לי מאד שלא יכולתי עד עכשו לכתב, היות והיה בדעתי לכתב באריכות ומשלא עלה
בירי דבר זה עד עתה בגלל סדרותי הסדובות בקשר עם פהיתח הפעולות של הביח:
תרכותי, חברותי ואחרות - כאחת, החלטתי לא להשהות את כתיבתי זו ולכתב - ולו
גם קצרות.

ר"ב הנני מהכבד להמציא לכב' העתק מהפרק "שרשים" - הרן בחיי
הוריו הכבודים של "גבור" ספרי וידורי הסכונר סאר, ד"ר אבא הלל סילבר. והיות
וידעני כי כב' הכיר יפה את גבורי הפרק הזה, אודה לו מאד אם יואיל לעבור
בעיון על פרק זה וליחן חוות דעתו על הכנו.

כל בקורת והוספה חומר להבהרה דמויותיהם המאירות של הרב משה
ורעיהו דינה סילבר - תרצה ותתקבל בהודה ע"י כותב שורות אלה.

אגב, אף כי, כאמור, הנני עסוק מאד מאד בקשר עם עבודתי, הריני
עושה את לילותי כיסים ככל ואפשר בעבודתי, בקשר עם רשימותי על חיי "גבור"
הנ"ל - אלא, היות ויש לי ההרגשה כי קיים אי-שם ברחבי ארצ"ב, בארכיוני מוסדות
ידועים ("גבור" יוניון קולג' וכו') חומר אשר היה יכול להפיץ אור בהיר יותר
על חיי "גבור" ספרי בהקופת היותו מחלסד בין כהליו, הייתי אסיר הודה לכב', אם
ירצה לקחת בסובו את הסודת להמציא לי כל חומר כזה, היכול לעזר לי בהפקידי -
להעמיד את דמות "גבורי" באור הנכון והמהאים.

יש לי כמו כן ההרגשה כי כב' יכול, אם רצונו בכך, לספק לי קצת
חומר הרן בחיי "גבורי" מבחינה "העניין האנושי" שבו (Stories of human interest)
וכן חומר אשר יעזר לי לגשר ולקשר בין ההקופות של חיי ד"ר סילבר, מאז בואו
לארצ"ב ועד היום.

אודה לכב' אם יואיל להחזיר לי את הפרק הרצוף עם הערותיו, אשר
אין ספק עמי כי יחיו להועלה בעבודתי הקשה והנעימה כאחת, ואסיים,

כד' ובכרחה שנה טובה
ומבורכה

לכב' ולבני משפחתו, 13/8/53

ג.פ.ל.

Mr. & Mrs.
Oved Ben-Ammi
Nathanias

Dr. Benzion Kounine
and Dr. Masha Aharoni
Tel Aviv

request the pleasure of your company to celebrate the marriage of
their daughter
Nitzchir



their son
Akiva

on Tuesday, 11th August 1953, between 5.30 to 8 p. m.
at the home of the bride's parents in Nathanias

Telegrams : Benammi Kounine Nathanias

ישיבת אל-על בן-שא"י

בנהנין

ד"ר אלעזר אהרן
ד"ר בן-ציון קונין
חל-אמ"ג

זהבב"ד אהרן אהרן בן-אלעזר בנהנין

נחיה נחיה נחיה

למנהל בית הלימוד, א' ברחוב חש"ל אל-על בן-שא"י 11.5.30 בן 5-8 חש"ל

בבית הוריו בבנהנין.

המסען-לספרדים קרית-ספר

Benammi Kounine Nathania

Heartiest felicitations on marriage of your children.
wish them all happiness.

abba hillel silver



August 12, 1953

Oakwood Country Club
Oakwood Drive
Cleveland 21, Ohio

Gentlemen:

On Sunday, November 1st, at 1:00 p.m., I should like to arrange for a luncheon for about 200 persons in connection with a Temple affair. Will you please reserve this date for us, and we shall get in touch with you some time during October concerning the menu.

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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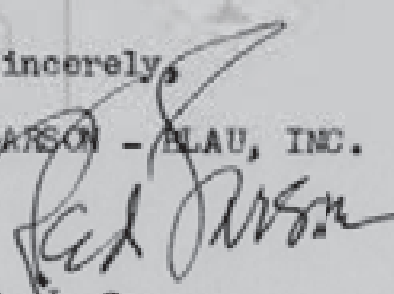
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August 14, 1953

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

I am taking the liberty of sending
you a complimentary copy of my book

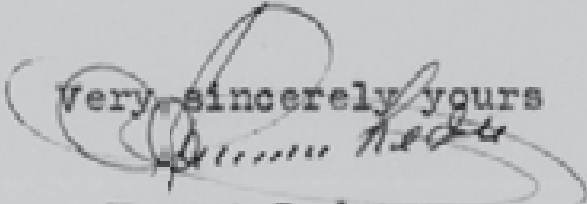
"REISHER YIDDEN"

which was recently published.

I would appreciate your acknowledging
its receipt as well as any comment you care to
make about the book itself.

With my very best wishes, I am,

Very sincerely yours


Herman Leder

HL:M

August 11, 1953

Mrs. Louis A. Bloomfield
3290 Chalfant Road
Cleveland 20, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Bloomfield;

The Temple Museum has received a gift of a beautiful Persian ritual platter from Richard, Daniel, Ned and David Bloomfield in memory of their uncle, Louis A. Bloomfield.

When you are next at The Temple, I shall be very pleased to show it to you.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SIVVER

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August 19, 1953

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Enclosed check is sent

to the family of late Ernestine
Weiskopf.

Please send me receipt.

With cordial greetings, I am

Very sincerely,
A. H.

FANNY E. HOLTZMANN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

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Bar Building
36 West 44th Street, New York

August 20, 1953

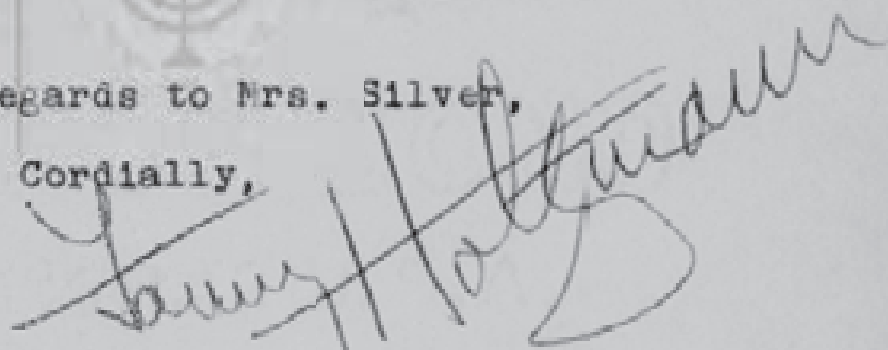
Dear Dr. Silver:

Enclosed are the notes I told you about yesterday which seems to impress Adlai Stevenson sufficiently to have him ask me for permission to use in his report on Israel.

On my recent return to Israel, I was delighted to note the miraculous progress throughout the land.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Silver,

Cordially,



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

NOTES FOR SPEECH DELIVERED BY FANNY E. HOLTZMANN

BEFORE HADASSAH GROUP OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS

October 29, 1951



PANNY E. HOLTZMANN
Bar Building
36 West 44th Street
New York 18, N.Y.

October 29, 1951

MME. PRESIDENT, MRS. _____

MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS CHAPTER OF HADASSAH, GUESTS:

I want to thank you for having asked me to speak to you about my visit to Israel - it has forced me to gather my notes together in preparation for this talk; thus I am reliving a memorable experience.

I am not a reporter, nor a professional Zionist; I am no John Gunther attempting to give you an INSIDE ISRAEL talk. I do not suffer from the handicap of those who go starry-eyed to Israel, visualizing a Biblical Paradise-on-Earth after the shock of facing realities which accompany the birth of a new State, return home sadly disappointed, spreading unfair reports which can only harm Israel. I was glad for that reason to accept Herman Krawitz' invitation to address you tonight as as to combat any false impression which may have arisen about Israel and her people.

As I said, I am not an expert on this subject; my sole qualification is a habit I formed of getting close to people when I travel and endeavoring to find out what they think. This habit I owe to Eleanor Roosevelt. Once, when I was her guest in Hyde Park, she told me, "Franklin always makes me get close to people in my travels; he said, 'Eleanor, what do the people think: that is the only way to understand people!....'" So I followed FDR's advice and got as close to people in all walks of life as was possible and tried to learn what was in their minds.. This is going to be a very informal account of the people I met in Israel and my observations in that country:

How I happened to be in Israel may interest you. Early last Spring, I found myself detained in London because the flu epidemic had forced the postponement of my case. I called on the Zionist leaders with whom I had the privilege of working at the United Nations when we had literally together paced the corridors at Lake Success, London and Paris waiting for the birth of the new Jewish State. The Ambassador was leaving that evening for Israel. He said, "Why don't you fly to Israel also?" I did.

I am an experienced traveler to whom all plane trips are more or less alike; since one flies above the clouds, one cannot even pass the time admiring scenery. Takeoffs and arrivals are routine. But travelling on an EL AL Israel Airline plane is different. Every passenger steps into the plane radiating idealism; everyone is excited about visiting Israel; to each it is obviously a dream come true. In the common emotion, formality is dispensed with. Immediately one greets his neighbor with "Shalom"... soon, it can verily be said, "Kol Israel Chavrim" - "All Jews are brothers", the first lesson I learned in the Hebrew text book. How true that is of Israel in 1951!!

At daybreak the plane arrived at Lydda Airport - a brief overnight flight from London. The rising sun behind the pink hills seemed symbolic - the excitement of the passengers was evident as the plane gently touched the soil of the Holy Land. A young woman in uniform boarded the plane and the loud speaker announced in Hebrew and English "Baruch Aborr" - "Welcome". You are not guests of the State of Israel; we want your visit to be a

happy one; may we call your attention to the fact that there is no tipping in Israel". Every American abroad has come to accept the custom of being fleeced; this was surprising but pleasant news indeed.

Now I shall read from my notes:

"Soon we pass through the Health Department; but for the conspicuous Mogen David insignia on the uniforms; one would take the courteous and efficient customs' officials to be British. Their clipped English might have emanated from Oxford or Cambridge University. As one passes on to the Custom Room, the impression persists that one is at the London Airport; polite officials speed one through the routine. Suddenly one remembers that after all Palestine was a British Mandate and the British left behind them, beside some unhappy memories, uniforms, a "know-how" about government administration, as well as the use of the English language.

As I was about to depart with the representative of the Foreign Office who had come to meet us, I was informed that a plane had just arrived from Yemen carrying the immigrants about whom one has heard so much. I asked to be permitted to remain at the airport and see first-hand what happens.

By this time, all the world knows the dramatic story of "GOD'S STEPCHILDREN" - Yemenites whose existence had been forgotten until half a century ago; Jews who are the direct descendants of the Jews of the Bible who were the first at the beginning of the Diaspora in Yemen, in Arabia, for thousands of years, treated as second class citizens, not permitted to enter the business or professions, confined

to the lowest form of economic existence in a land notorious for its low standard of living, completely shut off from the outside world, living as they did in the days of the Bible.

I was granted permission to accompany the Yemenite Social Service worker who went to the plane to greet the immigrants. I looked at the straggly attired men, women and children, who of course were aglow with excitement. Before I left New York, Belle Rosenbaum, one of the editors of the Herald Tribune Book Section presented me with a new Haggadah containing colored illustrations. My first thought at six that morning was "I am dreaming - the illustrations are coming to life; or am I on a Hollywood set and these picturesque figures are simply extras in a De Mille picture." I was soon aware of the reality of the situation when a child suddenly became sick at my feet - - -.

I was impressed by the consideration with which the new immigrants were handled. They were quickly passed through "Health and Customs" -- there was little for them to declare as all their worldly possessions except their Talism and Tivlin had invariably been paid as ransom to Arabian Sheiks or Overlords before they could leave the country.

Soon they were led to the waiting bus which was to bring them to the camp where they could be quarantined. The Social Service worker warned me that the first trouble always started at the bus because up to that time, the Yemenites had never even seen anything as modern as a wheel, even an ox-cart! They were led to the seats and placed on them - it was their first contact with chairs

as the Dakota plane was seatless and was able to fly many times the number by leaving them to "crouch" on their heels closely together...

As the bus started to move, cries filled the air. One of the men shouted an order to the driver; others took up the cry. The Social Service worker smiled and said, "They are asking the driver to get off the earth and fly as the plane did" - - - Now all of us have at one time or another felt bus-sickness; it is a most unpleasant sensation. My sympathy was with the new arrivals. However, I wondered why the immigrants had behaved so calmly in the plane in contrast to their present frightened behavior. My informant said, "I shall ask them" and turned to the man sitting nearby who had given the order for the bus to fly, and I watched his face as he replied - an inner light seemed to break out as he answered in Arabic, "Yes, the Bible told us that we would be borne back to Israel on the wings of an iron eagle -- the plane was the Iron Eagle.."

In a few minutes, we were at the gates of the Camp which consisted of a colony of tents as far as the eye could see. One thousand immigrants arrived daily, except Sababot, the Sabbath, from all parts of the world and were received with open arms... they were held in quarantine in these Camps or Maboroots until they left on their own initiative or were settled in new communities, to be integrated into the new State. I remained in the Camp a short time and listened with great interest to an explanation of the processing of these new citizens when the Foreign Office representative caught up with me and I got into the car en route to Tel Aviv.

As we sped along the highway the barbed wire and demolished buildings were silent reminders of the war whose wounds were still bleeding! Sentries stood guard; yet every few feet one saw bent bodies of men digging ditches for irrigation pipes, the

bloodstream of this country...building, I thought, not working to destroy.

In a short time we were at the outskirts of a city. It was Tel Aviv; it looked, it smelled familiar. Ah, yes, it was like the Boyle Heights section of Los Angeles -- for that matter the outskirts of most cities are disappointing - how disappointing our wonderful New York City must be to those approaching it for the first time from New York Central or even the airports...

Soon we reached the Hotel Amron mid-town. The main lounge served as a dining room whose tables were packed even at that early hour with coffee drinkers. Later I was to find that these tables always seemed to be occupied regardless of the hour - coffee, tea, talkers.. one always had to make the way through the crowded tables. At one end of the room was the Bar at which I recognized a reporter from New York and a journalist from Fleet Street, London - note the distinction I make in describing their calling! Wending my way across the room, I found myself greeting two novelists, Evelyn Waugh and an author by the name of Squire, both from England. They exclaimed, "I say, what luck - fancy being able to enjoy the luxury of a hot bath, decent food and a flyless night in this part of the world". They were touring the Middle East and had passed through Israel en route to Teheran.

In describing TEL AVIV, one must think of it in the background of the Middle East and compare it to its neighboring capitols - Cairo, Bagdad, Amman, Beirut, etc. - cities of the Middle East which for centuries have been identified with dust, filth, flies, pestilence and diseased beggars. In the short period of thirty or forty years, the Jews have taken a piece of wasteland and built a city which would be the pride of any American Chamber of Commerce, -

spotlessly clean, bustling, growing city of hundreds of thousands of civic-minded people - a city so modern that it is constantly being compared to Miami Beach and Los Angeles, with new suburbs not unlike Beverly Hills.. Certainly the city is overcrowded - but with one thousand immigrants a day pouring into the country, housing and transportation shortages are to be expected.

Everyone in Tel Aviv seems to be hustling - one of the incongruities was seeing bearded Jews hurrying by carrying dispatch cases of lawyer's brief cases - later I learned that for the most part these cases contained their Tvillem!

The cleanliness of Tel Aviv is its outstanding characteristic. The people believe that cleanliness is next to godliness; flies and insects of any kind have little chance of survival there - every apartment has a balcony which, by the way, is the most lived-in place in the home - early in the morning all bedding is put on the balconies to air giving the city the appearance of wholesale spring cleaning..

You have all heard about the wonderful children in Israel. Hadassah is chiefly responsible for these healthy, sturdy kids. Youth Aleiyah is your achievement - you can be justly proud of the product.

HADASSAH does the finest job in the world in looking after these immigrants. Sociologists the world over find Hadassah's work a model to follow. The blending of all these peoples, particularly the children into one nation in so short a period is one of the miracles of the times.

What has amazed the world is the health of the people of Israel. Israel is the cleanest, healthiest nation per

capita in the world. Cleanliness is a religion; in the Middle East where filth and dirt has spread diseases for thousands of years, HADASSAH has succeeded in wiping out epidemics and keeping the population healthy.

After dusk settles on Tel Aviv, the city is hushed for only a brief interval when a hurried meal is had and once again traffic and hubbub of a busy city is resumed. Everyone seems to be headed for school after supper - everyone goes to school at first to learn Hebrew, then having acquired the school habit, they continue taking "courses". Living quarters being so close to each other, neighbors baby-sit for each other when the gregarious educational urge strikes Papa and Mama simultaneously.

The two cities Jerusalem and Tel-Aviv are as different as any two cities can be - although less than an hour's travel apart, they are poles apart in every way, including topography - Tel-Aviv is a seacoast sprawling town on the Mediterranean - Jerusalem rises in great dignity in the mountains entirely untouched by the modern hustle and bustle of its new neighbor.. I say "new" advisedly; Tel-Aviv is the newest large city of its size in the world; it is only thirty or forty years old; Jerusalem is thousands of years old - it was an old city in the days of the Bible; my guide book mentions that it was an ancient city when King David captured it one thousand years before Christ! Nebuchanezzar destroyed the city of Jerusalem six hundred years before Christ. Architecturally, scenically and histrionically it is in a class by itself. I understand now why our forefathers in their prayers would say, "If I forget thee, Oh Jerusalem, may my right arm wither." I could spend the entire evening raving to you about Jerusalem, the Tourists' paradise. Jerusalem is a monument to History, the Past; Tel-Aviv with its modern apartments and its big building program of office buildings,

stores, homes, is a living monument to the Future. A month in Jerusalem would be worth while. It is not a backward city in any sense of the word, I hasten to add; the King David Hotel is one of the best in the world and its guests the most cosmopolitan; it is a city of contrasts - in the morning I visited people in the Meashearim quarter - and found myself back in the Middle Ages; a few minutes drive and I was in a very chic shopping district - a Rue de las Paix. Wandering through the city, one constantly sees picturesque figures - Jews of all ages, young boys, old men, all with varying length curls - not "pious" as we have seen them but curls literally reaching down to the hips. Imagine a young lad of ten or twelve, head shaven, covered with a Yarmakill, lengthy earlocks reaching down below his waist! What lovely curls, too! Their costumes are not medieval, they are Biblical - long flowing garments even more picturesque than the black kaftans.

Everywhere in Jerusalem one encounters figures of ancient prophets walking through the streets looking as though they had just stepped out of an old print of the period, hanging in the Sunday School Class.

I stayed in Tel-Aviv and Jerusalem hotels during my visit in Israel and from there motored through the Negev desert which the Jews had conquered after the Arabs invaded Israel in 1947-1948; I also visited Galilee awarded them by the United Nations partition plan. I drove up to Sacred Safed which is rapidly becoming the Woodstock of Israel. I also spent the day in Tiberius - as thrilling a spa as ever there was or could be. All this, particularly the growth of new settlements in the Negev and Galilee, is exciting.

I could keep on talking for hours about these places and about Nazareth, which the Christian World appears to have

'neglected sadly - but Time is limited. I do want to say that to tourists such as myself, it seems strange to see a road sign "To Jerusalem", as casually as "To Jersey City". --The strangeness increases when one goes to the Bus Terminal and sees signs and buses bearing such names as "Beerashaeba", "Mount Carmel", "Sharon", "Canaan", "Babylon", etc. The hurrying passengers head for the busses as unconcerned with the Biblical association as do the passengers hurrying to catch the 5:14 for Babylon, Long Island, or Sharon, Connecticut.

Israel is the land of the Future; Europe is the land of the Past.

The last two years I have had occasion to be in different parts of Germany. I find the Germans still very bitter, and thinking chiefly of the Past. If one admires a city, the answer invariably is, "Ah, but you ought to have seen it before the War; it can never be the same", they add in a tone of helplessness.

Everyone in Europe seems hesitant to utter a political opinion; if he does, he first makes sure to look around before whispering his views.

Contrast this with Hitler's victims now settled in Israel, who certainly have reason to be bitter and dwell on the Past. What impressed me in Israel was the nobody talked about his Past life - everyone talked about the Future!! Israelis are the only people I met since the War who talk confidently about the future, despite the fact that one can see the enemies' sentries strung around all borders of this small nation.

I attended a party at the home of Gershon Agron,

the publisher of the Jerusalem Post and met friends from New York, London, Hollywood, Paris. What a contrast in peoples! Mrs. John Gunther who is now making her home in Israel, said to me, "There is never a dull moment in Israel; I have travelled the world over - INSIDE ISRAEL is more thrilling than all the rest put together. It is new - it is HOPE. None of us has the time to nurse private sorrows; everyone has suffered untold tragedy; we spend our time building for the future - so much to be done - attending school to learn the language and literature, helping the Youth. It is an exhilarating place indeed - one cannot break away from it."

"What are the Jews like?" one is asked. First of all, let me say that it is as impossible to visualize a composite Israeli as it is an American. If you were asked to draw a picture of an American, would you do as Thomas Benton did and think of his "American Gothic"? Or would you conjure up Remington's figure of the Far Westerner with his ten-gallon hat? Or Sinclair Lewis' Babbit? How many of those figures would you see strolling along Broadway, the most prominent Main Street in the world? In Israel, one sees blond Jews from Scandinavia, Black Jews from Morocco, Jews from every corner of the world who look like they are products of every nation of the world.

I had invited my cousin's family to dine with me at the Hotel Eden in Jerusalem the first evening I was there. The head waiter who was scrupulously attired in proper white tie and tails hovered over the menu and kept addressing me as "Miss Holtzmann", which I assumed was usual, with guests who had reserved tables.... when the dinner was over, he turned to me and said, "How are your brothers? Have they been to London lately? I suddenly recognized him as one of the Italian waiters in the Savoy Hotel, London.

He told me that although his family had lived in Italy for centuries, they had returned "Home" to Israel as soon as possible.

The first Immigrant group to make up the population of Israel consisted of the Russian, Galacian, Polish Jews - the Pioneering Chalutzim - who came to Palestine the early part of this Century in the wake of the birth of Dr. Herzl's Zionist Movement. We can call them the MAYFLOWER JEWS. They came to escape the persecution of Eastern European Governments and to build a Jewish Homeland for the Diaspora. What they found was a land neglected for thousands of years, inhabited by backward Arabs whose standard of living was probably the lowest civilization has known. These Nomadic Arabs were as sick as the soil on which they wandered - they were neglected even by the Christian Missionaries. One must remember that oil had not yet come into existence to play its vital role on the international scene; nor was there any Point Four Program even dreamt about... The Arabs were to those Mayflower Chalutzim what the Indians were to our American Mayflower settlers -- our Chalutzim had to guard the lives of the settlers, their women and children, while at the same time building without equipment the modern Kibbutzim one sees today. These Kibbutzim were built with the pioneers' bare hands - the men and women who fought the Arabs while they were laying the foundation of the Jewish State had no modern equipment - they drained the malaria marshes, with bent backs picked the stones under the burning sun and then irrigated the dry desert, struggling patiently to bring back new life to the soil eroded by neglect of centuries -- they tilled the earth lovingly, planted crops and trees - incidentally, one of the real thrills is seeing these forests, - made possible by the special gift contributions of you and your friends through the Jewish National Fund... When one visits these beautiful modern settlements and sees

The building and grounds which would be the pride of any State Agricultural College - its stainless steel sinks and vat-size pressure-cookers in spotless kitchens - it is hard to believe that all this was achieved in our lifetime.

These Mayflower Jews are the parents of the Sabras, the native born Israeli youth about whom so much has been written in prose and poetry - the wonderful youth who singlehanded won the War against the Arabs to the amazement and admiration of the whole world.

Human nature being what it is, there must be various levels of Society. The Mayflower Jews are the leaders - they are the top layer of the Government, so to speak. They head the Government Offices - Chaim Weizmann, President, Ben Gurion, Prime Minister, Moshe Sharrett, Foreign Minister, Dolleck or David Horowitz, Minister of Economics, etc.

These Jews are the same type as our first American generation Jews who play such a prominent part in our life - they have the same imagination and daring which has brought them to the top throughout America. They are inclined to be impatient with the complaints of the later immigrants, particularly the wave of immigrants who arrived commencing in 1933 and throughout the nineteen thirties. The Mayflower Chalutzim came because of IDEALISM; they coped with death, sickness, heartbreaking and back-breaking labor because of a spiritual strength - to them the present-day Austerity Program is a petty inconvenience in comparison to what they had gone through voluntarily to lay the foundations of a Jewish National State where victims of persecution could find haven.

Hitler-refugees of the thirties, the second group of Immigrants found such haven; the Mayflower Chalutzim are apt to

say, "What are you complaining about? While we were building this homeland for you, you were concentrating on becoming better Germans-assimilating to such an extent that you were more German than the Kaiser.." "You came here because you could not get VISAS to America or elsewhere; Palestine was the nearest FIRE ESCAPE WHEN YOU WANTED TO ESCAPE FROM THE HITLER FIRE. YOU GRABBED YOUR FAMILY AND RAN TO US AND WE WELCOMED YOU"..

The German refugee replies, in effect:

"Oh yeah? We came with our money and equipment; we founded many factories and stores, restaurants and hotels - why, we vindicated your ZIONISTIC THEORY - we proved your plea that a Jewish National Home was vitally necessary to give Jews a nation so that they could be free of the Pharoahs, Hammans, Hitlers of History.."

In a Democracy, one of the nicest prerogatives is the privilege to KREKTZ OR GRIPE. Any GI will tell you that Gripping was one of the most popular past-times. One can understand that when the German Refugee gripes it is not really the Government of Israel that he is complaining about, but the times -- a nostalgia for the security of his old life before Hitler uprooted him from his family, friends and possessions.. this with Time is fading.. the Youth of Israel knows no yesterday, only to-morrow.

The German refugees have contributed much to Israel of today; they are excellent administrators, scientists, physicians, The only German Refugee Cabinet member is the Attorney General of Israel, a brilliant jurist.

But not all German Refugees of the thirties became businessmen. One of the loveliest settlements on the Israel Coast is called Nathanya. It was built by the G.

intellectuals who were the first to be listed by Hitler as undesirable. They fled to Palestine and like the Russian-Polish Galician Idealists who were the first settlers, they tilled the soil and built the city with their bare hands. The tale goes that as a stone wall was being built, one heard a murmur, "...Bitte, Herr Doktor, Danke, Herr Doktor, Gut, Herr Doktor" . Every laborer was a doctor.

In Israel, by the way, Labor is king. Anyone who works with his hands is highly regarded - and highly paid, I hasten to add. You may have heard the story of the new arrival who applied to a Shadchen for a husband; she told the broker how much dowry she had and was offered a doctor; she shook her head and said she wanted no doctor - did the Schadchen have anyone else? A bookkeeper was suggested and she shook her head and said, "Give me a plain workingman". "What," said the Schadchen, "A workingman for your modest dowry? Are you crazy?"

Then we have the next Group of Immigrants - the DP who had survived the Hitler persecution and gas chambers by bypassing every law of every land - in his formative years, he was indoctrinated with the need to use his wits to DISOBEY laws to survive; these are the refugees who after being rescued from starvation and worse by the American Army, were placed in DP Camps in Germany where for five years, they were well-fed and clothed by the JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, where so many, with time on their hands inevitably, drifted into Black Marketeering so that trading with the Germans that way became quasi-respectable - our Army, as you know, was not blameless.

By the time these DP immigrants came to Israel, soon after the British Mandate ended and the gates were open to immigration, they were well-grounded in "angles" in circumventing the laws - currency and otherwise. This group of immigrants are the most difficult

to handle - particularly those who refuse to settle in Kibbutzim and prefer the freedom of Tel-Aviv. I have argued with countless of them - they did not come to Israel because of any ideal; the JDC and the International Refugee Organization of the UN decided since no one else wanted them, they would have to go to Israel so that the DP camps can be closed.

Once they arrived in Israel, the austerity program hit them shrd. For five years they had been without responsibility of having to pay a landlord, butcher, schooling - no family responsibilities as we understand them, worried them. Of course they could join a Kibbutz and continue free of such responsibilities - alas, after living herd fashion in Concentration and later DP Camps, they wanted a private life - not to eat in a community dining room but to taste the sweetness of privacy - a luxury which they had never known since the War. They would have to pioneer and build their own settlements if they wanted to join a Kibbutz - the old prosperous settlements were not open to these newcomers - the "old" settlements in many instances going as far back as the thirties - certainly those built in the twenties or earlier were "old".

These DP Immigrants usually settle in Tel-Aviv. They come with money sufficient to buy a lease. The housing situation is appalling. But that will right itself in time. Already, one sees everywhere projects rising overnight - even as far as Beerashoba in the Negev, a new City with housing for one hundred thousand families has risen.

With the arrival of these DP refugees, all sorts of problems accompany them. One must remember that for every DP coming to the United States with smuggled diamonds in the heel of the wife's shoes, Israel has thousands of such people brought in weekly. It is a tribute to the Israel authorities that they have been able to deal

with such situations in a psychiatric manner rather than a legal way . . .
A particular tribunal of court has had to be established for a special type of crime. I shall try to explain:

When the Allies rescued the Jews in the Concentration Camps at War's end, innumerable of the torturers, the wardens and administrators - persons such as the notorious Else Koch - feared vengeance and death at the hands of the conquering army. It was a simply matter for them to arm themselves with false identification documents - the papers of identity of their Jewish victims were used by them for themselves, families and friends, or whosoever wanted to purchase them. As a result, they were settled in DP Camps; later, if they did not get to the United States (as the incident in Brooklyn disclosed some time ago), they were sent to Israel. Needless to say, often it is these refugees who turn out to be the black marketers one hears about.

When the genuine DP refugee recognize their persecutors, he is arrested. While I was walking on Allenby Road one day in Tel-Aviv, I encountered a hooting crowd - a Tel-Aviv refugee doctor had been identified as one of the officials in Auschwitz who had ordered the wholesale murder of families.. Hysterical men and women sobbed in anger.. These trials are daily occurrences - the prisoners are treated with Anglo-Saxon fairness - - they are afforded every opportunity to prove their innocence... the jails are filled with such prisoners who usually confess their guilt and plead in defense that they were carrying out orders.

Patience and education are gradually making immigrants wonderful citizens - citizens whose imagination and courage and hard work will contribute towards the building of Israel as our people have contributed towards the building of America. Already their

children speak only Hebrew and are integrated into the community to such an extent, that it is hard to distinguish them from the native born. We have seen this happen in our own country - some of our most important citizens are the offspring of the immigration of the early century.

The fourth groups of Immigrants are those Jews caught behind the Iron Curtain states - Czechoslovakia, Roumania, Bulgaria, Poland. You will never know to what length the Israeli Government goes to rescue these trapped Jews and fly them to Israel. I was a guest at the home of the Israeli Ambassador to Roumania, Reuvin Rubin, the great painter. I was amazed to learn the details -- it is not possible for me to disclose this confidential information - all I can say is that every dollar contributed to the UJA is a wonderful investment...

The Israeli people tell me that the Immigrants rescued from the Iron Curtain countries makes the best new citizens; they readily consent to be settled in Kibbutzim and work like the Mayflower Chalutzim with spirit, for an ideal. They are grateful to the country which saved them from totalitarianism; some, it is whispered, may not have been Jews but obtained forged documents to escape to a free country. They practice Judaism and to all intents and purposes are good Jews.

The last wave of immigration consists of the Jews from Africa and Asia who since the birth of the Jewish State are forced to leave their homes where their ancestors had settled as far back as thousands of years. These Jews are of every type and color. They are Jews from Bagdad, Jews from Morocco, Jews from the Levantine countries, Kurd Jews, Jews from China - all Jews who seek haven in Israel.

The thirst for culture shows itself on all sides.

Larry Adler, whom I met at one of the gatherings, told me that he and Paul Draper had never encountered such audiences. Art in any form was worshipped in Israel. They stand in queues for hours for tickets. Those queues are interesting studies - each person is armed with a book -- a recording of the discussions, arguments - political, philosophical, religious - would be interesting.

Music is verily in the air everywhere in Israel.

The cafes echo to the strains of the finest musicians - they are filled with artists whom the New York Philharmonic would welcome as First Violinists. One must remember that the cradle of the great violinists was Eastern Europe - our Elmans, Zimbalists, etc. spring from that part of the world. When the catastrophe of Hitler drove them from Poland, Vienna, Germany, the artists fled to and were welcomed in Israel. Leonard Bernstein told me Israel is a paradise for conductors - not only is the audience the most responsive, but the availability of truly GREAT musicians is a joy; Toscannini, all the leading conductors prefer to conduct in Israel for that reason.

Children in Israel study music early; they receive the benefit of the finest instruction, of course - instructors who would be unavailable to our budding geni if in the old days we had wanted to send them to Europe. From the open windows of Jerusalem, Tel-Aviv, Haifa one hears strains of the "practicers". Of course, musical instruments are at a premium, so children are not forced to study music - whatever is scarce is always wanted..

One morning, I had to be at the Bank when its doors opened. I noticed a queue forming before a modest building in Rothschild Boulevard, which turned out to be the Tel-Aviv Museum - crowds were awaiting the opening of its doors which was showing modern paintings, By the way, I want to tell you about a personal incident

concerning art.. I paint as a hobby and like a true hobbyist, I take my pastime seriously. I have given friends in Israel paintings. When I was being driven into Tiberias, my cousin, Bascha Horn, who was with me suddenly exclaimed, "Oh, look at the large billposters advertising your name all over town.." I looked and sure enough recognized my name in Hebrew letters and beneath it in English. was written in smaller type EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS BY HOLTZMANN. That was a thrill -- had my friends surprised me and gathered my modest work together for this exhibition? We hurried to the Gallery -- alas, the paintings were abstract water colors by the artist Shimsha Holtzmann...

Israel is a land of contrasts and contradictions - a true MOISHE KIPURA Land. Israel is called the Land of Milk and Honey. When I asked for Honey, I learned there is none in Israel; as for milk - well, milk is for the Children for whom nothing is scarce - Children are the Royalty of the land - and they look it - gorgeous, healthy sun-tanned, bright youngsters, the finest, happiest kids to be found anywhere in the world. The new generation's integration in such a short time is the real phenomena - children from every land playing together...

I told you about the extreme differences in Jerusalem - the religious zealots who lock themselves into a self-imposed ghetto called MEARSHEARIM, where one finds himself in an ancient world untouched by the passing centuries which is a stone's throw from one of the most cosmopolitan centers near the fashionable King David Hotel...

Beerashaba is another illustration of what one means when one says there is no bridge to the Biblical Days - when I visited Beerashaba I was shown the very Well from which Abraham drew water - I saw the consecrated spot where he offered his sacrifice of Isaac to God -- when I turned round - and lo, a few thousand yards away

were the outlines of tall white buildings rapidly nearing completion - a super-modern Town Planning blueprint coming into actuality in Israel, the land of Miracles. I am told that there are no "To - Let signs" adorning that project - with the rate of one thousand Immigrants pouring in daily, each building is rapidly filled.

In this land of Moishe Kipura, all concepts about Jews are exploded. The Average person subconsciously associates black-marketeering with Jews - I recall once, in my home, I was discussing a solution for Palestine with the British foreign office official whom Ernest Bevin flew to New York, well, this official, Harold Bealy, who was openly pro-Arab, said to me, "...if ever the Jews were given the opportunity to form their own State, they could not survive - why, black marketeering would flourish.." Mr. Bealy, you may recall, was the diplomat who made the decisions on Palestine for Ernest Bevin; he was wrong on that score as he was when he informed the British Government that the Jews were not fighters, that the Arabs would drive every Jew into the sea in six weeks which would be their solution of the Palestine problem.. The same Harold Bealys, incidentally, are now Israels' best friends who are depending on the Israeli Army to save them in the Middle East!

Black Marketeers are encountered on all travels abroad - they are part of the background but in Israel I saw and heard nothing which would indicate that such activity exists.

Even my law-abiding British friends are not above inviting a guest to a black-market meat meal or taking one to an obviously black-market restaurant. In Israel, where the austerity program makes the pre-Marshall Plan British austerity days appear like Feast Day; in comparison, no housewife would resort to such a practice; also there are no black market restaurants. Israel is

a small country; what one does is known to his neighbors; the people who have fought for its life guard the economy of the nation as fiercely as they do its military security - everyone is a self-appointed policeman - blackmarketeering is a form of sabotage of the new State. Of course there are those, particularly newcomers, who maybe tempted to resort to currency violations by trading in tourists' dollars; however, as in certain other crimes; it takes two to make a deal.. so tourists, beware!

In all other lands, particularly pioneering people work their way up from manual labor to professions; in Israel they work their way down. College professors boast with pride that they are laying pipes, digging ditches - in fact, the more menial the tasks, the greater the pride. There is no snobbishness in Israel as we know it. The taxi drivers invariably are holders of degrees from universities whose names would awe the members of our Board of Regents; the elderly man who stands at the corner selling newspapers may well have been head Professor of Philosophy or Languages or History in an important middle-European University. It is a sure-bet that the owner or salesman of a book-store - and there are as many book stores on a street as there are Bars on Third Avenue - are all scholars, authors, professors, former diplomats.. A flood of new literature in Hebrew is appearing. Poetry flourishes more today in Israel than anywhere - that should not be surprising - it is the Homeland of Kings Solomon and David! Streets are named after poets. A popular Street is Bialik. - Books on every subject abound. A renaissance of Hebrew literature has taken place - The Israeli will become known again as the 'People of the Book'.

Another peculiarity or contradiction, it was pointed out to me, is the knowledge of the Hebrew language. Normally,

newcomers to a land learn to speak the language and then master its script - reading and writing. In Israel, the opposite is usually the case - most newcomers know how to read and write Hebrew but not speak or understand it. A work of literature is the product of the language of the country; those of us who studied Caesar's Gallic Wars know that to be the case only too well; Homer's Odyssey is another example but once again our Moishe Kippura people blast tradition to the winds - the Israeli's language is taken from the Bible, the greatest literary masterpiece in the history of Mankind. I recall as a child how my father, the Late Henry Holtzmann, a Herzl Zionist, used to tell us about Ben Yehuda who revived Hebrew for use as a living language in Palestine the early part of this Century. My father helped by writing for HaDor, the first Hebrew Magazine in America.

Anyone visiting Israel for the first time is forever surprised to hear Children talking to each other at play in the Biblical language or listening to the most mundane gossip in the cafes or hearing Hebrew shouted at by drivers caught in a traffic jam in Tel-Aviv.. but alive the Biblical language has become and soon there will be a slang of Hebrew as there is in all languages. At the moment, however, the language I am assured is as pure as when Moses handed down the Ten Commandments!

When people ask me, "What do you think of the future of Israel? Will they make a go of it? I hear they go without meat for weeks at a time.." Of course Israel has a future - as I said before, it is the only country I have observed which is concentrating on and building for the future. Will they make a go of it? The answer is, they have!! The tough Israelites who fought alone and held out against four hundred million Arabs and their allies are not going to be fazed by a reduction of meat rations for the "kishka"--

they laugh that off at the same time that they may grumble - they point with pride to the children, the citizens of the future and say, "...so we eat Kreplech or ravioli - whatever it may be called in the newcomer's land back home -- what matters if our children get enough meat and milk.."

We must not let these people down by the disturbing reports which I told you I came here to combat; I refer to the stories which returning Americans, good Zionists, unthinkingly spread. I am sure they would be the last to want to hurt the new State for which they had worked and contributed to so much. Their feelings are understandable - all their lives they have been imbued with a burning mission for a Jewish National Homeland. As children, they danced the Hora, sang the Ha Tikva. They spent endless hours in all weather collecting pennies in their little white-and-blue boxes on the streets of America; when they grew older, they worked to get supplies to the underground in Palestine. They resented the British Palestine policy and fought to get Washington to help bring about the political Jewish State; they had their own dreams of what this new State would be like. They were not prepared for the problems which face a new State - internal differences, austerity, etc.

I sincerely hope that Time will vindicate their faith in the State they helped bring into existence.

Before closing, I want to say that after seeing how desperately poor my Israeli friends are in material possessions, I have become a schnorrer for them - I go about asking my American and English friends to send their cast-off toys and clothes to the children in Israel. I bought a doll in Rome and brought it to a child in Tel-Aviv. When she went to the park with it, throngs gathered around her - dolls are unknown in the austerity life there; crude makeshifts take the place.

If you have any bicycles, musical instruments or toys by all means send them to Israel. And if you have to give gifts to people who do not desperately need it but appreciate the thought, do as I do - send either a Gift Script for food to Israel or plant trees in the names of the donees - years later, they will be thrilled as I was to see their names in the forests which have done so much to develop the country.

Before my departure, I travelled North; there, outside of Nazareth, I saw a City of Tents mushrooming over the desert, sheltering the hapless refugees who had been cast out by the Christian countries of Europe. At last they had found a welcome amongst the Jews of Israel who fought and died for the privilege of sharing with them their few and humble possessions. I could not resist the ironic thought that here, on the very Shores of Gallilee where the teachings of the Rabbi Jesus were first given to the world, they were finally being put into practice by his Jewish brethren in Israel..

END

August 20, 1953

Mr. Herman Leder
3034 14th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Friend:

Upon my return to the city, I found your note of August 14th and a copy of your book, "Reisher Yidden". It was most thoughtful of you to send it to me, and I know that I shall read it with a great deal of pleasure and profit.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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August 20, 1953

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I am now working on my Doctoral Thesis in connection with the Messianic Motives in Yiddish Poetry in America. Your book on this subject would be of great value to me and I am wondering if it would be possible for you to send me a copy. I will, of course, be glad to pay any charges there may be for it.

Thanking you in advance,

Sincerely yours,

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August 21, 1953.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
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Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

The enclosed comments were made by Eric Sevareid over the radio on Friday, July 31st, 1953, and give his appraisal of your friend, the late Senator Taft.

When I saw you the other day you may remember that I told you I would drop it in the mail.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Benjamin E. Gordon

Eric Sevareid - CBS Radio - July 31, 1953

It is a little hard to imagine the national capital without Robert Taft. The school-masterish figure in the steel-rimmed glasses and the careless gray suit was not only a forceful personality on this scene; he carried a special atmosphere with him, he was a kind of condition of life. Taft had become a symbol of a distinct segment of America.

He was a very large piece in the mirror of mosaic in which Americans look to see reflected their own image of the American meaning. Only great persons come to have such a meaning to millions of people, and Taft was a very great person.

There was a single-mindedness about Senator Taft, a wholeness; and it was this that made even his bitterest enemies say, "At least you know where he stands."

To many Taft seemed to symbolize a past America, that was simple, good, orderly and safe; a past that anyone who lived before the first World War can hardly help recalling with nostalgia, and a vague, impossible yearning to know again. When families were large, front porches were spacious, habits were regular, property was safe, and progress was assumed as a force of nature.

Many people who disagreed with Taft's most basic policies still voted for him, out of an instinctive feeling that even for them it was important to have such a man in the Senate. The feeling, I think, was this: They saw government grow vast and involve their lives deeply; they saw their country plunging into new and strange enterprises in a desperate attempt to control a world in revolutionary turmoil. They did not really know how things could otherwise be done, but they were a little frightened, and to them Senator Taft seemed a kind of safety device, a brake; and intuitively, they wanted him there as an anchor to windward.

His deepest concern and learning lay in the field of our domestic, internal affairs; and because of his respect for facts, this concern drove him into domestic positions that were liberal and progressive in the highest sense of the terms--often to the confusion of extreme conservatives who regarded him as one of their own.

Because he had not made foreign affairs the same deep concern, because the compulsions of the outside world so often interrupted the pursuit of domestic progress,

he felt alien to many grave questions of foreign affairs. He had, one almost felt, a resentment about them, a wish that they would go away, so that we could all get on with the business of life in America.

Robert Taft seemed almost the last of a valuable vanishing breed of politician. The men like Webster and Clay who dedicated their lives to government itself, to whom the art of politics was a high art, the conduct of government a social science, to be mastered as scholar and carried on with a scientist's devotion. To him the Senate was a temple, not to be entered merely to boost a law practice or to enjoy the sound of one's voice. To him the opportunist approach to politics was almost a sacrilege.

In politics what separates the men from the boys is this: The boys want merely to be a part of the life; the men want power, the highest possible power, and not to be something but to do something; to change the national life as they believe it should be changed. That is why a hush settled on the Senate today. A man had died.

There were two Robert Tafts. The public Taft was austere, insistent, humorless, and sometimes harsh. The private Taft was startlingly different. He was mellow, relaxed, kindly, inclined at times to laugh at himself; and his charm could melt his most guarded enemy. For many here the visual memory they will longest retain is the picture of Robert Taft carefully wheeling his invalid wife through the crowd at some social function. There was no showmanship in this; he was devoid of that. It was simply the picture of a husband caring for his wife in sickness as in health as he had pledged himself to do. In his public and personal life, Robert Taft never lightly gave his word or his affection and never lightly took them away.

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

You probably know that separate from HIGHLIGHTS FOR CHILDREN, I write a daily newspaper column, addressed to parents and distributed widely by King Features Syndicate in the United States and Canada. I thought you might be interested in my efforts at playing up the imperishables and furthering brotherhood. So I am enclosing a few marked releases. You need not bother to return them.

Trusting that you are enjoying good health, Rabbi Silver, I am

Cordially yours,

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August 21, 1953

Mr. Alfred A. Benesch
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My dear Al:

Thank you for your note of August 19th enclosing a check from the family of Mrs. Charles Weiskopf. Please extend to the members of the family my deep appreciation for their thoughtfulness. In keeping with my practice, I shall place it into a charity fund which I use from time to time.

With warmest regards to you and Helen, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

My wife and I will be in Cleveland the afternoon of September 17th. We would appreciate it very much if you could give us one-half hour of your time between 2:30 and 6 P.M. Please let us know when and where we could see you.

Very truly yours,

K. J. Fleisch

K. J. Fleisch, M. D.

KJF/cb

27th August 1938

Dear Sir,

Please forgive for writing to you, but I hope you can assist me.

My name is Shaim Spokojny, and have found out that my cousin Zelig Fingerman lives in Cleveland, but don't know his exact address, I should therefore be very grateful if you would kindly help me.

Zelig Fingerman has come to the States in 1938 to his uncles "Abraham and Wiskie Fingerman", and have since lived in Cleveland, his father's name was Aaron Fingerman and mother Liba Fingerman, was born in Poland "Lomani" Biata Podlaska.

I wish to thank you in anticipation and hope to receive a favourable reply.

Yours faithfully,
Shaim Spokojny.

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August 27, 1953

Miss Fanny E. Holtzmann
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My dear Friend:

Thank you so much for your kindness in sending me a copy of the notes of your address which I read with great interest indeed.

With all good wishes for a very Happy New Year, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Brooklyn 11, New York

My dear Mr. Pomerantz:

Under separate cover I am sending you at your request a copy of my book, "Messianic Speculations in Israel." There is no charge.

With warmest regards and best wishes for a Happy New Year, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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August 31, 1953

Mr. Abe Fingerman
3618 Ludgate Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Fingerman:

Rabbi Silver has received an inquiry from a Haim Spokojny, living in Jaffa, Israel, concerning the whereabouts of his cousin, Zelig Fingerman who came to this country in 1938 and whom he believes is living in Cleveland. He states that Mr. Fingerman's uncle was Araham Fingerman, his father was Aron Fingerman, his mother Liba Fingerman and was born in Poland, "Lomasi" Bista Podasska.

Since you are the only Fingerman listed in the Cleveland telephone directory, I am taking the liberty of writing to you. If you know of the whereabouts of Zelig Fingerman, will you be good enough to advise Mr. Spokojny whose address is Winscha A. Street 219. No. 14, Jaffa, Israel.

Sincerely yours,

Elisabeth Rice
Secretary to Rabbi Silver