



Abba Hillel Silver Collection Digitization Project

Featuring collections from the Western Reserve Historical Society and
The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives

MS-4787: Abba Hillel Silver Papers, 1902-1989.

Series III: Personal Correspondence, 1914-1964, undated.

Sub-series B: Alphabetical, 1915-1963, undated.

Reel
144

Box
50

Folder
320

Morocco, trip to, 1962.

**THE AMERICAN JEWISH
JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, Inc.**
3 EAST 54th STREET, NEW YORK 22, N. Y.

PAUL BAERWALD, Honorary Chairman

EDWARD M. M. WARBURG, Chairman

I. EDWIN GOLDWASSER, Honorary Treasurer

HERBERT H. LEHMAN, Honorary Chairman

Vice-Chairmen

JOSEPH I. LUBIN, Co-Treasurer

JAMES N. ROSENBERG, Honorary Chairman

JAMES H. BECKER
I. EDWIN GOLDWASSER
MONROE GOLDWATER
WALTER A. HAAS

ALEXANDER KAHN
WILLIAM ROSENWALD
SOL SATINSKY
JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ

IRVING H. SHERMAN, Co-Treasurer

SOL SATINSKY, Chairman, National Council

MOSES A. LEAVITT, Executive Vice-Chairman and Secretary
CHARLES H. JORDAN, Director General

DOROTHY L. SPEISER, Assistant Treasurer

ALEX A. LANDESCO, Comptroller

January 17, 1962.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
19810 Shaker Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I enclose copy of a letter to Henry Kirsch. Our office in Casablanca is located at 53, Blvd. d'Anfa and the telephone number is 247 17.

I am sure Henry Kirsch will be contacting you at the hotel but, in any event, do not hesitate to call him.

With all good wishes to you and Mrs. Silver for an enjoyable stay.

Sincerely yours,

Moses Leavitt
Moses A. Leavitt

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RICHARD J. ABEL, Columbus, Ohio
 *ABRAM J. ABELOFF, New York
 BENJAMIN ABRAMS, New York
 GEORGE ABRASH, Paterson
 ISAAC ALCALAY, New York
 BERNARD ALEXANDER, Trenton
 GEORGE ALPERT, Boston
 ROBERT ARNOW, New York
 ALEXANDER E. ARNSTEIN, New York
 SAMUEL E. ARONOWITZ, Albany
 MORTIMER I. ARONSON, New York
 GEORGE BACKER, New York
 *PAUL BAERWALD, New York
 BARNEY BALABAN, New York
 *JAMES H. BECKER, Chicago
 PHILIP BELZ, Memphis
 *MORRIS W. BERINSTEIN, Albany
 JOSEPH M. BERNE, Cleveland
 ISRAEL BERNSTEIN, Portland, Me.
 LOUIS BERRY, Detroit
 WALTER H. BIERINGER, Canton, Mass.
 NEWTON BISSINGER, San Francisco
 DAVID BLACKER, Omaha
 JACOB BLAUSTEIN, Baltimore
 JACOB H. BLITZER, New York
 LOUIS J. BORINSTEIN, Indianapolis
 *F. GORDON BOROWSKY, Philadelphia
 SOL BRACHMAN, Fort Worth
 *LOUIS BROIDO, New York
 ABE BRONFMAN, Montreal
 *SAMUEL BRONFMAN, Montreal
 LOUIS CAPLAN, Pittsburgh
 AVERY CARP, Granite City, Ill.
 NATHAN CHANIN, New York
 DAVID COLEMAN, Los Angeles
 PHILIP N. COLEMAN, Jacksonville
 SAMUEL DAROFF, Philadelphia
 AMOS S. DEINARD, Minneapolis
 DAVID DIAMOND, Buffalo
 SAMUEL C. DRETSZIN, New York
 DAVID DUBINSKY, New York
 MELVIN DUBINSKY, St. Louis
 ARTHUR H. EDELSTEIN, Toledo
 IRVING M. ENGEL, New York
 WILLIAM P. ENGEL, Birmingham
 LEON FALK, JR., Pittsburgh
 *MRS. MYRON S. FALK, JR., New York
 GEORGE W. FARBER, Worcester
 MEYER FEINSTEIN, Philadelphia
 MOSE M. FELD, Houston
 L. E. FENN, Bridgeport
 HERMAN FINEBERG, Pittsburgh
 JOSEPH L. FINK, Buffalo
 LOUIS FINKELSTEIN, New York
 LOUIS A. FISCHL, Ardmore, Okla.
 JULIUS FLIGELMAN, Los Angeles
 *FRED FORMÁN, Rochester, N. Y.
 PHILLIP FORMAN, Trenton
 ABRAHAM L. FREEDMAN, Philadelphia
 MAX FREEDMAN, Cleveland
 GEORGE FRIEDLAND, Philadelphia
 MAX L. FRIEDMAN, New York
 NORBERT FRIEDMAN, Louisville
 LEO C. FULLER, St. Louis
 MEYER W. GASNER, Toronto
 LEON GELLMAN, New York
 GERALD GIDWITZ, Chicago
 HERMAN GILMAN, Boston
 MRS. ISAAC GILMAN, New York
 JULIUS GINSBURG, Chicago
 FRANK GOLDMAN, Lowell
 NATHAN GOLDMAN, W. Palm Beach
 ABE GOLDSTEIN, Atlanta
 MRS. H. B. L. GOLDSTEIN, New York
 JONAH J. GOLDSTEIN, New York
 *I. EDWIN GOLDWASSER, New York
 *MONROE GOLDWATER, New York
 SAM GOLDWYN, Los Angeles
 EUGENE H. GOODMAN, Cleveland
 LAZURE L. GOODMAN, Indianapolis
 ROBERT GORDIS, Belle Harbor, N. Y.
 BENJAMIN GREEN, Fall River
 EMANUEL GREENBERG, Brooklyn
 IKE GREENBERG, Los Angeles
 E. N. GRUESKIN, Sioux City
 REUBEN B. GRYZMISH, Roxbury
 MURRAY I. GURFEIN, New York
 **WALTER A. HAAS, San Francisco
 WILLIAM HABER, Ann Arbor, Mich.
 *MORRIS W. HAFT, New York

(*Member of Executive Committee)
 (**Ex-officio Member of Executive Committee)

SAUL HALPRIN, Newark
 DAVID E. HARLEM, Denver
 D. LOU HARRIS, Toronto
 HENRY N. HART, Chicago
 *SAMUEL HAUSMAN, New York
 SAM HEIMAN, Miami
 *ADOLPH HELD, New York
 MARCO F. HELLMAN, San Francisco
 SIMON HEROLD, Shreveport
 WALTER S. HILBORN, Beverly Hills
 MRS. WALTER A. HIRSCH, New York
 HENRY HOFHEIMER, New York
 JOSEPH HOFHEIMER, Scarsdale, New York
 S. S. HOLLENDER, Chicago
 ALEXANDER E. HOLSTEIN, Syracuse
 BEN HOLUB, Akron
 MRS. HAL HORNE, New York
 BERNIE HUTNER, New York
 ALBERT D. HUTZLER, JR., Baltimore
 STANLEY M. ISAACS, New York
 CARLOS L. ISRAELS, New York
 LESLIE L. JACOBS, Dallas
 MORRIS E. JACOBS, Omaha
 ERNEST JANIS, Miami Beach
 *ALBERT B. JOFFE, New York
 *LEO JUNG, New York
 ALBERT M. KAHN, New York
 *ALEXANDER KAHN, New York
 MILTON KAHN, Boston
 ABE KASLE, Dearborn, Mich.
 SIMON J. KATZ, Springfield, Mass.
 J. BENJ. KATZNER, Baltimore
 ADOLPH KIESLER, Denver
 MILTON W. KING, Washington, D. C.
 SIDNEY M. KLEEMAN, Charleston, W. Va.
 JOSEPH J. KLEIN, New York
 PHILIP M. KLEINFELD, Brooklyn
 RALPH N. KOPELOVE, Dayton
 BERNARD P. KOPKIND, New Haven
 ABRAHAM KRASNE, New York
 ABRAHAM KRIEGER, Baltimore
 EDWARD KRONSBERG, Charleston, S. C.
 SAUL J. LANCE, New York
 *ALEX A. LANDESCO, New York
 HAROLD M. LANE, New York
 *MORRIS E. LASKER, New York
 JEFFREY L. LAZARUS, Cincinnati
 RALPH LAZARUS, Cincinnati
 BENJAMIN LAZARUS, New York
 OSCAR M. LAZARUS, New York
 SIDNEY LEFCOURT, Miami
 CARL LEFF, New York
 JOSEPH N. LEFF, New York
 ROBERT LEHMAN, New York
 ARTHUR D. LEIDESDÖRF, New York
 *SAMUEL D. LEIDESDÖRF, New York
 EMIL W. LEIPZIGER, New Orleans
 SAMUEL LEMBERG, New York
 ALBERT A. LEVIN, Cleveland
 THEODORE LEVIN, Detroit
 EDWARD I. LEVINE, New Haven
 HAROLD LEVITON, Brooklyn
 DAVID M. LEVITT, New York
 JEROME LEWIN, New York
 FRANK H. LICHTENSTEIN, San Antonio
 ABRAHAM LIEBERMAN, Weehawken
 *ALBERT H. LIEBERMAN, Philadelphia
 JULIUS C. LIVINGSTON, Tulsa
 BENJAMIN M. LOEB, St. Louis
 *JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN, New York
 ARTHUR M. LOWENTHAL, Rochester, N. Y.
 PHILIP W. LOWN, Boston
 *ISADOR LUBIN, New York
 *JOSEPH I. LUBIN, New York
 SOL LUCKMAN, Cincinnati
 IRVING L. MALNICK, Oakland
 FREDERIC R. MANN, Philadelphia
 JOSEPH MARKEL, Buffalo
 SAMUEL MARKELL, Boston
 YOLAND D. MARKSON, Los Angeles
 JAMES MARSHALL, New York
 MAURICE MASCHKE, JR., Cleveland
 BEN J. MASSELL, Atlanta
 ARMAND MAY, Atlanta
 JOSEPH M. MAZER, New York
 *HANS J. MEYER, New York
 *JOSEPH MEYERHOFF, Baltimore
 PHILIP MEYERS, Cincinnati
 JAKOB MICHAEL, New York
 ABRAHAM MILLER, New York
 CHARLES W. MORRIS, Louisville

JOSEPH MOSKO, Denver
 ELKAN R. MYERS, Baltimore
 STANLEY C. MYERS, Miami
 MARCUS NADLER, New York
 BEN E. NICKOLL, Milwaukee
 J. IRVING OELBAUM, Toronto
 JULIUS OFFIT, Baltimore
 MAX OGUST, New York
 NATHAN M. OHRBACH, New York
 HARRY C. OPPENHEIMER, New York
 ISAAC PACTH, Los Angeles
 OSCAR S. PATTIZ, Los Angeles
 HARRIS PERLSTEIN, Chicago
 DAVID deSOLA POOL, New York
 MEYER L. PRENTIS, Detroit
 JOSEPH M. PROSKAUER, New York
 BENJAMIN J. RABIN, New York
 LEONARD RATNER, Cleveland
 GERSON REICHMAN, New York
 JOSEPH W. RESS, Providence
 IRVING G. RHODES, Milwaukee
 HENRY A. ROCKER, Cleveland
 *DAN RODGERS, New York
 *EDWIN ROSENBERG, New York
 **JAMES N. ROSENBERG, New York
 WILLIAM F. ROSENBLUM, New York
 *WILLIAM ROSENWALD, New York
 SAMUEL ROTHBERG, Peoria
 HENRY ROTHMAN, New York
 JACK H. RUBENS, Rochester, N. Y.
 ISADORE SABEL, Philadelphia
 MAURICE SALTZMAN, Cleveland
 PETER SAMPSON, Chicago
 **SOL SATINSKY, Philadelphia
 S. H. SCHEUER, New York
 HERBERT H. SCHIFF, Columbus, Ohio
 ROBERT W. SCHIFF, Columbus, Ohio
 IRVING SCHNEIDER, Long Beach, Calif.
 SAMUEL S. SCHNEIDERSON, New York
 YALE SCHULMAN, New York
 CHARLES E. SCHWARTZ, Akron
 *JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ, New York
 ULYSSES S. SCHWARTZ, Chicago
 MURRAY SEASONGOOD, Cincinnati
 MORRIS SENDEROWITZ, JR., Allentown
 BEN R. SHAMAN, Dayton
 NATE S. SHAPERO, Detroit
 ALFRED SHEMANSKI, Seattle
 *IRVING H. SHERMAN, New York
 SAMUEL SHINBACH, Columbus, Ohio
 JOSEPH SHULMAN, Paterson
 MAX SIÉGEL, Salt Lake City
 MENDEL B. SILBERBERG, Los Angeles
 EDWARD SILVERA, New York
 ARCHIBALD SILVERMAN, Providence
 WILLIAM D. SINGER, Miami
 LOUIS P. SMITH, Boston
 ABRAHAM SRERE, Detroit
 ALEX STANTON, Philadelphia
 MICHAEL A. STAVITSKY, Newark
 JESSE H. STEINHART, San Francisco
 *ALFRED R. STERN, New York
 HORACE STERN, Philadelphia
 DEWEY D. STONE, Brockton, Mass.
 LEWIS L. STRAUSS, New York
 ALAN M. STROOCK, New York
 EDWARD A. SUISMAN, Hartford
 SAM SUTTON, New York
 MAURICE S. TABOR, Buffalo
 MORRIS C. TROPER, New York
 SAMUEL Z. TROY, Richmond
 JEROME I. UDELL, New York
 JULIAN B. VENEZKY, Peoria
 F. FRANK VORENBERG, Boston
 JULIUS WALDMAN, Atlantic City
 *EDWARD M. M. WARBURG, New York
 JACK L. WARNER, Burbank, Calif.
 CYRUS WECHSLER, Gary
 *JACK D. WEILER, New York
 MILTON WEILL, New York
 MORRIS WEINBERG, New York
 JOE WEINGARTEN, Houston
 EMANUEL WEITZ, Jersey City
 MARVIN WELFELD, Chicago
 MRS. JOSEPH M. WELT, Detroit
 MOSES WINKELSTEIN, Syracuse
 ROBERT I. WISHNICK, New York
 MORRIS WOLF, Philadelphia
 HARRY ZEITZ, Brooklyn

January 17, 1962.

To : Mr. Henry Kirsch
AJDC, Casablanca

53 Blvd. d'Anfa
Telephone: 247 17

From: Moses A. Leavitt

Dear Henry:

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and Mrs. Silver will be arriving in Casablanca on January 27th or 28th. They will be staying at the El Mansour.

I do not have to tell you who Rabbi Silver is and I know he would welcome your good offices and courtesies to make his visit a more productive one so that he will get a complete picture of Jewish life in Morocco. He plans to go to Marrakesh and it may well be that you can work out an interesting tour for him, particularly in the light of the present situation.

With all good wishes to you and Rose,

Sincerely yours,

Leon Benaliel
89, Rue Moussa Ben Noussair
Tangier, Morocco

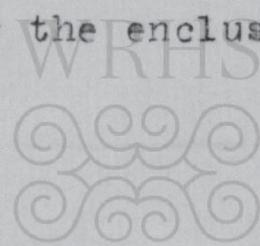
Tangier, February 23, 1962.

The Temple
East 105th St. & Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Gentlemen:

To the attention of:
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and
Mrs. Miriam Leikind

Thank you very much for your letter of February 16
as well as for the enclosure.



Cordially yours,

Leon Benaliel

*Re
Trip*

March 5, 1962

My dear Mr. Leavitt:

I have just returned from my visit to Morocco. I spent nearly three weeks visiting Casablanca, Marrakesh, Fez and Tangier. Your office was most helpful and cooperative. Mr. Henry Kirsch was not in Casablanca but Mr. Laufer and his staff were more than attentive. We visited many of the institutions in the country -- schools, clinics, kindergartens, etc., which receive support from the Joint Distribution Committee and I was tremendously impressed with the fine work which the "Joint" is doing.

I want to thank you for having written to your people in Casablanca in advance of our coming. With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

AHS :bfm

Mr. Moses A. Leavitt
The American Jewish Joint
Distribution Committee, Inc.
3 East 54th Street
New York 22, New York

ALTHAUSEN Léopold.
AJDC.53 Bld d'Anfa.
Casablanca.

Casablanca le 7 Mars 1962.

Chère Madame, Cher Monsieur Silver.

Je me permets de me rappeler à votre bon souvenir en vous faisant savoir que j'ai été très heureux d'avoir eu le plaisir de vous piloter au Maroc.

Je vous fais parvenir, avec cette lettre, les photographies prises par moi dans la vallée de l'Ourika.

De plus, également, je joins une vue de la maison construite et habitée par MAIMONIDE, à Fez, vers le milieu du XIIe.

Comme vous le savez, je collectionne des objets d'Art et des autographes de personnalités célèbres.

J'ai en ma possession deux pièces; pièces originales, du début du XVIIIe.

Un placet et une lettre, qui sont:

1°- Placet présenté, par les Juifs de Metz résidant à Paris, menacés d'expulsion, à Monsieur de Machault d'Arnonville, lieutenant général de police du 28 Avril 1718 au 20 Janvier 1720.

2°- Appuyé par une lettre signée du Maréchal de Villars-1653-1734- faisant valoir qu'il est dû, à nos coreligionnaires de l'époque, des sommes considérables pour des vivres et fourrages, avances aux officiers, etc..., c'est les ruiner que de leur défendre de séjourner à Paris, qu'il faut les y laisser, leur interdisant toutefois tout commerce d'agiotage.

Pour vous être agréable, j'ai fait faire, de ces documents, deux photo-copies que vous trouverez avec cette présente feuille et que je me permets de vous offrir en vous priant de bien vouloir accepter ce modeste présent.

Je termine en vous demandant d'agréer, Chère Madame et Cher Monsieur Silver, l'expression de mes très respectueux sentiments.

*Althausen
Leopold*

March 14, 1962

My dear Mr. Althausen:

We received the photographs which you sent us and also copies of the two very interesting documents. I need not tell you that I am very grateful to you for your thoughtfulness. I spoke last Sunday morning in the Temple about our visit to Morocco which we recall with a great deal of pleasure.

Please convey our greetings to all of our friends in Casablanca. Mrs. Silver wishes to be remembered. With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS: bfm

Mr. Leopold Althousen
AJDC. 53 Bd d'Anfa
Casablanca
Morocco

VIA AIR MAIL