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January 11, 1943. To Whom It May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for Mr. Stuart Wintner. Mr. Wintner attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Wintner comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHE bw

AMERICAN RED CROSS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

January 13, 1943

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

> Re: Mr. Jason B. Rich 1732 Coventry Road Cleveland Heights, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are considering the person mentioned above for a position in connection with our program of Services to the Armed Forces. This assignment may take the applicant outside the continental United States.

The enclosed statement describes the qualifications required and the responsibilities involved in the assignment. Because of the varied nature of the work to be undertaken we are seeking persons who possess qualities of flexibility, leadership, sound judgment and the ability to establish and maintain harmonious relationships. Since the duties of the position involve close contact with the militiary personnel there must be no question of the applicant's loyalty to the United States.

For your guidance in replying, it is suggested that the following be among the points covered: Ability, Integrity, Loyalty, Habits, Personableness. Do you consider applicant qualified for the position? If so, why? What are applicant's outstanding qualifications? State your relationship to applicant. If employer, what position did applicant hold? Was work record satisfactory? Would you re-employ?

We cannot make a final decision until we have heard from all references, and for this reason we should like to have your confidential reply at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Christopher Sower

Assistant Director of Employment

. Encl. ARC 830



AMERICAN RED CROSS CLUBS

Men

GENERAL

Club program directors are assigned by the American Red Cross to Red Cross clubs serving members of the armed forces in leave areas abroad. Program directors are on the staff of and under the supervision of the club director.

Candidates for positions must be in good physical health as evidenced by a physical examination by a physician of good standing with the American Medical Association. They must be citizens of the United States and must be able to furnish a certified copy of a birth certificate or other proof of citizenship. Their records as citizens must be satisfactory to the military authorities as well as to the American Red Cross. Red Cross club program directors will usually be sent from the United States.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

A program director shall be responsible for:

- Operating the recreation program and information service carried on by the club.
- 2. Planning, organizing, and promoting recreation activities, including the organization of resources for individual pursuits such as reading, writing, lounging, talking, or just sitting; social recreation; entertainments outings; craft activities; music; dramatics; sports; libraries; game rooms; and hospitality services.
- 3. Conducting an information service.
- Directing and supervising paid and volunteer staff operating in the program division.
- Establishing and maintaining contacts with persons, agencies, and groups outside the club as they pertain to and benefit the program division.
- 6. Serving, when needed, to conduct recreation leadership training for volunteers, soldiers, or others assigned to recreation duty.
- Serving, as needed, as the person responsible for recreation on shipboard while enroute from the United States to an insular or foreign base by troop convoy.
- Making suggestions from his experience to the club director for the improvement of policies, standards, and procedures relating to the recreation program for the able-bodied service men.

AGE AND SEX

Men only are considered as program directors. Applicants should be between the ages of 30 and 50. Those with outstanding qualifications who do not fall within these age limits may be given consideration. Men of selective service age are not considered unless they have dependents or are eligible for deferment for other valid reasons. Proof of such deferment is necessary.

EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND EXPERIENCE

Graduation from a standard college or university with a major in recreation or a major in a related field such as education, group work, physical education, sociology, public welfare administration, and the equivalent of a minor in recreation. In exceptional instances, outstanding experience over a long period of time may be acceptable in lieu of such graduation.

Three years of full-time work in leisure-time activities with a responsible public or private agency. This experience shall include the organization and leadership of recreation activities, recreation administration, and community organization. A working knowledge of skills in the various major types of leisure activity is essential.

PERSONAL QUALIFICATIONS

A friendly personality, a sense of humor, poise, maturity, executive, supervisory and leadership ability, racial and religious understanding, and originality and imagination. He must be able to work harmoniously with other members of his staff and with the men, who seek his assistance. He should also possess those qualities of appearance, intellect, sincerity of surpose, integrity, and personality which will enable him to develop and maintain respect and confidence.

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January 18, 1943. To Whom It May Concerns I am happy to give this character reference for Mr. Charles R. Miller. Mr. Miller attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, atmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Willer comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, ARS thw

January 18, 1943. Mr. Christopher Sower, Assistant Director of Employment American Red Cross, Washington, D. C. My dear Mr. Sowers In reply to your letter of January 13th, permit me 35 say that I have known Mr. Jason B. Rich for quite a number of years. He has been an instructor in my Temple Religious High School. In that espacity he has given evidence of the fine qualities of a teacher and a friend of young people. He has been associated for many years in the capacity of Assistant Director at the Council Educational Alliance where he has worked with young people and where he has achieved splendid results with them. Mr. Rich is a man of exemplary character, high ideals and complete dependability. He has a pleasant way with people, kindly, thoughtful and helpful. His loyalty and patriotism are unquestionable. I am sure he will fill any position of trust and responsibility which you may assign to him to your entire satisfaction. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS 1 bmw

AMERICAN RED CROSS NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON, D. C. January 22, 1943 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Ansel Rd. & E. 105 Cleveland, Ohio Re: Mr. William Greenfield Evans My dear Rabbi Silver: We are considering the person mentioned above for a position in connection with our program of Services to the Armed Forces. This assignment may take the applicant outside the continental United States. The enclosed statement describes the qualifications required and the responsibilities involved in the assignment. Because of the varied nature of the work to be undertaken we are seeking persons who possess qualities of flexibility, leadership, sound judgment and the ability to establish and maintain harmonious relationships. Since the duties of the position involve close contact with the military personnel there must be no question of the applicant's loyalty to the United States. For your guidance in replying, it is suggested that the following be among the points covered: integrity, ability, habits, personability, loyalty. Do you consider applicant qualified for the position? I? so, why? What was applicant's position with you and was work record satisfactory? Would you re-employ? What are applicant's outstanding qualifications? We cannot make a final decision until we have heard from all references, and for this reason we should like to have your confidential reply at your earliest convenience. Very truly yours, William W. Hinckley William W. Hinckely Assistant Director of Employment Encl. ARC 821



FIELD DIRECTORS FOR MILITARY AND NAVAL STATIONS

GENERAL:

Field directors and assistant field directors are assigned by the American Red Cross to Military and Naval stations, both within and without continental United States. Assistant field directors are on the staffs of and under the direct supervision of the field director.

Field directors are selected mainly from among assistant field directors who have proven, through satisfactory work as assistants, their ability to serve as field directors.

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RESPONSIBILITY AND DUTIES OF FIELD DIRECTORS IN WILLTARY AND NAVAL WELFARE SERVICE OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS:

A field director:

- Is accredited to the commanding officer of the station and interprets all Red Cross services to him and to his subordinates.
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- 4. Leads in organization of Roll Call at the station.
- 5. Arranges for instruction of first aid and water safety for service men.
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- Assiss in the formation of Camp and Hospital Service Councils and coordinates their activities.

AGE AND SEX:

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EDUCATION, TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE:

Graduation from a standard college or university is desired. (In exceptional instances, outstanding experience over a long period may be acceptable in lieu of such graduation.) Training in a graduate school of social work and successful experience in a social agency as a case worker and supervisor, or closely related experience, is desired.

Since there are some situations in which the volume of work and the size of the staff of the field director indicate the need for a person primarily skilled in organization and administrative abilities, there may be limited opportunities for workers who may not be professionally trained and skilled in the social sciences. Proven ability in law, education, consular service, military services, or in insurance counselling may be helpful. Generally, however, such experience should be supplemented by active participation, at least on a voluntees basis, in community activity of a social welfare nature. This might include Boy Scouts, community chests and councils, health agencies, settlement houses, etc.

PERSONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

The field director must have an outgoing friendly personality, a sense of humor, dignity, poise and maturity. He must have executive, supervisory and leadership ability. He must have racial and religious understanding. He must recognize and accept military regulations. He must be able to recognize and accept the fact that Red Cross represents the public in its service to the military stations. He must be able to work harmoniously with other members of his staff and with the men who seek his assistance. Since a field director is accredited to the commanding general and must interpre: Red Cross services to him and to other officers of high rank, he must have those qualities of appearance, intellect, integrity, and personality which will enable him to develop and maintain their respect and confidence.

THE AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

January 25, 1948 To Whom It May Concerns I am happy to give this character reference for Mr. Theodore Goldstein. Mr. Goldstein attended my religious school and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will dhacharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Goldstein comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHSabs /

January 28, 1943

Mr. William W. Hinckley Assistant Director of Employment American Red Gross Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hinckleys

I am very happy to recommend Mr. William Greenfield Evans as a candidate for a position with the American Red Cross. Mr. Evans is a young man of excellent character qualifications. He is honest, trustworthy and efficient. He possesses a quick and alert mind, and has those qualities of leadership which would make him valuable to your organisation. He cames from an excellent family background. His family have been identified with The Temple for many years and have been loyal supporters of every civic and religious cause. I can assure you of Mr. Evans' whole-hearted loyalty to the United States. His personal habits are beyond represent.

I have known Mr. Evans for many years as teacher, spiritual guide and rabbi. I have always found him to be courteous, forthright and amiable.

Trusting this account of Mr. Evans' character will recommend him for the position which he seeks with your organization, and with all good wishes, I remain,

Very truly yours,

January the thirtieth

To Whom It May Concerns

I am happy to give this character reference for Mr. Jack Weintraub.

He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Weintraub comes from a home of refinement.

Very sincerely yours,

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AMERICAN RED CROSS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Feb. 8, 1943

Abba D. Silver D. D. East 105th At Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you very much for your letter of reference concerning Mr.

William G. Evans. I am sending you a copy of the letter which I

have written to him tuley.

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William W. Hinokkey

Asst. Director of Employment

WWH:mmh Enc.

Feb. 8, 1943 Mr. William G. Evans 16251 Aldersyde Drive Shaker Heights, Ohio My dear Mr. Evans: Your application has been processed and we are in a position to consider you for the position of Assistant field Director when and if opportunities develop for men in that position in our oversess service. as i wrote to you on January 22, I cannot two you any encouragement at this time. We have had a few openings for Assistant Field Directors in the past few days but these had to be filled by men who have been waiting or consideration since before December 10. if and when a new quota develops you will be given consideration. Should you not hear from me and should you still be interested and available on or around March lat, will you let me know. Very sincerely yours, William W. Hinckley Asst. Director of Employment KWH; mah

HOWARD SPENCER NICKMAN One day nearer to Victory Rabbi Q. H. Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio Dear Rabbi Silver, as your confument of some six odd years Jaga. Yhat was the last time we talked legeter. Ormy. I have an appeternity to apply for Office's Candidate School. Va letter from you would aid me considerally in attaining my goal. I am certain you will help me now, as you have done so aften in the Thenkyon for you known . Smirely Howard S. Mikman Put Howard A Nick Signal Property Office Camp Campbell, Ly U. A. an



AMERICAN RED CROSS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

WASHINGTON. D. C.

February 17, 1943

Dr. A. H. Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Re: c/o S. M. Hexter Co. 2810 East Superior Avenue Cleveland, Ohio

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Assistant Director of Employment

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GENERAL GUIDE FOR SELECTING FIELD DIRECTORS AND ASSISTANT

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Since, in some instances, the work of a field director is essentially of an administrative and executive nature, proven ability in law, education, consular service, business personnel management, military service, insurance counselling, etc., will be considered in lieu of the above. In general, however, such experience should have been supplemented, at least on a volunteer basis, by active participation in community activities of a social welfare nature such as Boy Scouts, Red Cross Chapters, Community Chests and Councils, health agencies, municipal housing developments, settlement houses, etc.

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February 19, 1943 Mr. William W. Hinckley Assistant Director of Employment American Red Cross -- National Readquarters Washington, D.C. My dear Mr. Hinckleys I am very happy to send a letter of recommendation for my young friend, Mr. Max Meisel, whom I have known for many years. He attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. I have been very close to his family. His father, who passed away, a few years ago, was an eminent citizens of the City and was Vice-President of my Temple for many years. Their home was always one of refinement and culture. Max Meisel is a young man of high ideals and of splendid character. He has a high sense of duty and honor. He has a pleasant way with people and has made many friends in the community. His patriotism and love of country are beyond question. I am sure that you will find him a very conscientious, able and faithful servant of the great cause which he would like to serve. Most cordially yours, AHS:BK

February 22, 1943 To Whom It May Concerns I am pleased to give this character reference for Mr. Howard S. Nickman. Mr. Nickman attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Nickman comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

February 22, 1943 Pvt. Howard S. Nickman Signal Property Office U. S. Army Camp Campbell, Ky. My dear Howards I am enclosing herewith the letter of recommendation which you requested. I trust that it will aid you in getting into Officer's Candidate School. Drop me a line from time to time and let me know how you are getting along. With best wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS:BK Enc.

February 28, 1943 Mr. Jack Holdstein 15515 So. Moreland Cleveland Ohio My dear Jack: Enclosed herewith is the letter of character reference which you requested of Rabbi Silver. I hope that it will be of assistance to you in gotting into the Marines. With best wishes, I remain Very sincerely were, BJK Secretary to Rubbi Silver.

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March 2, 1945 To Whom It May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for Mr. Elmer Koenig: Mr. Koenig attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Coenig comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

March 4, 1943

Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin Wilshire Blvd. Temple Los Angeles, California

My dear Ed:

The bearer of this note, Miss Evelyn Marks, is a confirmant of my Temple, and her family has been closely identified with The Temple for many years. She is a splendid young woman of excellent character. She intends to make her home in Los Angeles, where her mother has been living for a few years. I know that she would like to make the acquaintance of congenial people. Any courtesiss which you might extend to her would be greatly appreciated by me.

with all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ARS: BK



March 4, 1943 To Whom This May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for Miss Evelyn Marks. Miss Marks attended my Religious School and I confirmed her. She is a young woman of excellent character and of utmost dependability. I have no hesitancy in recommending her for any position for which she may apply. Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

March 10, 1943 To Whom It May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for Lt. Bernard Mandel, whom I have known for many years. Lt. Mandel attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Lt. Mandel comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

March 10, 1943 To Whom It May Concerns I am very happy to write this note of introduction for my dear friends, Mr. and Mrs. Richard S, Luntz, of Cleveland. Private Lunts is now in the armed services of our country. The young people have been very close to me. They are cultured, refined and high-minded. Private Luntz' parents are members of my congregation and are prominently identified with many philanthropic and cultural activities in the community to which Mr. Luntz Sr. has been a very generous contributor of his time and of his substance. I write this note in the hope that the young people may the more readily make friends in those communities where the demands of army life will send them. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially, ARS DE

March 17, 1943 To Whom It May Concerns I am happy to give this churacter reference for Robert J. Kahn. Mr. Kahn attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Kahn comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very cordially yours, AHS:BK

19810 Shaker Blvd. Shaker Heights, Ohio March 22, 1943

To Whom It May Concern:

Ina Nordstrom was employed by me in my home for over four years. She is a trustworthy woman, competent, capable and cooperative. I most heartfly recommend her.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Dilworth Lupton has been a social force in our community. For many years his pulpit was a radiant center of spiritual and intellectual guidance. More recently, people have been turning to his written word — his daily column in one of the great newspapers of Cleveland. I have heard Dr. Lupton speak often, and with increasing admiration. He thinks clearly and penetratingly, and expresses himself with forthrightness, vigor and elequent persuasiveness. He instructs and elevates his audience. His message is at all times broadly human in the great tradition of free men.



April 19, 1943 Dr. C. William Huntley Western Reserve University Cleveland, Ohio My dear Dr. Huntleys I am happy to give this character reference for Richard Henry Dietz. Richard attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. He proved an excellent student in my School and gave evidence of serious scholarly interests and a capacity for hard and honest work. He was a leader in a number of supplementary activities. He has a friendly disposition and was popular among the young people of the School. I am confident that he will fulfill whatever trust and confidence which may be placed in him. Richard comes from a home of culture . and refinement and his people have been active in worthy community enterprises. Very sincerely yours, ARS:BK

April 19, 1943 Dr. C. William Huntley Western Reserve University Cleveland, Ohio My dear Dr. Huntley: I am happy to give this character reference for Richard Henry Dietz. Mr. Dietz attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Dietz comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very cordially yours, AHS:BK

WARD-BELMONT A JUNIOR COLLEGE. A PREPARATORY SCHOOL AND A CONSERVATORY FOR YOUNG WOMEN BELMONT HEIGHTS NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE JOSEPH E. BURK PRA May 7, 1943. Dr. A. H. Silver Cleveland Heights, Ohio Dear Dr. Silver: Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Stecker have made application for the admission of their daughter, Lita Joy Stecker, to Ward-Belmont. Your name is given as reference. Will you please write us concerning the standing of this family in the church and in the community? Any information will be most helpful. Sincerely yours, Alma Paine, Registrar APtee

May 14, 1943 My dear Miss Paine: I am happy to write a recommendation for Lita Joy Stocker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Stocker of Cleveland. Lita is an unusually fine girl of attractive personality and excellent mental abilities. She possesses many artistic talents. Her parents are members in good standing of our congregation, and have been both loyal and generous to the institution. They are well-respected in the community, and have taken an active part in many communal affairs. I am confident that Lita will be an asset to your school. With all good wishes, I remain, Very cordially yours. Miss Alma Paine, Registrar Ward Belmont School Nashville, Tennessee AHS: DE

To Whom It May Concern:

I am happy to give this character reference for Private Harold Lieber, whom I have known for many years.

Private Lieber attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Private Lieber comes from a home of culture and refinement.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS : BK



AMERICAN RED CROSS

WASHINGTON, D. C.
May 27, 1943

Rabbi Abba H. Silver The Temple East 105th Street Cleveland, Ohio

> Re: Mr. Robert N. Weil 1833l Scottsdale Boulevard Shaker Heights, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

We are considering the person mentioned above for a position in connection with our program of Services to the Armed Forces. This assignment may take the applicant outside the continental United States.

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Very truly yours,

Laure Herring

(Mrs.) Louise Berring Personnel Correspondent

June 2, 1943 Mrs. Louise Herring, Personnel Correspondent American Red Cross National Headquarters Washington, D.C. My dear Mrs. Herrings In reply to your kind letter of May 27 inquiring about Mr. Robert N. Weil, of Shaker Reights, Ohio, permit me to say that I have known Mr. Well for quite a number of years and that I have no hesitancy whatsoever in recommending him for the position for which he has applied with your organization. He is a young man of attractive personality, high principles and fine idealism. He works well with people and has a quality of making friends and holding them. Weil has been active in quite a number of worthwhile community projects and has given evidence of initiative and leadership. His home is one of culture and refinement, and his parents have been leaders in important philanthropic activities in our community. His patriotism and loyalty are unimpeachable. With all good wishes, I remain Most cordially yours, AHS: BK

June 25, 1943 The Chief of the Bureau of Personnel United States Navy Washington, D.C. Dear Sir: I am happy to give this character reference for Merle Marx, Ph.M. 1/C, whom I have known for many years. Mr. Marx attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Marx was successful in the business world in civilian life and showed remarkable executive ability. For many years he was affiliated with our Temple Alumni Association, our young people's group. He held office in the Association and demonstrated excellent qualities of leadership. Mr. Marx comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

June 29, 1943 To Whom It May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for Lincoln Opper. Mr. Opper attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Opper comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS:EK

July 1, 1943 Mr. Simon Wampold, Jr. % Dr. Edward Levy 305 Riverside Drive New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Wampold: I have contacted some my friends and inquired about Alvin Haas and his family. His father is a reputable citizen of our community, and men speak very highly of him. The home of alvin is one of culture and refinement. Alvin himself is a splendid young man and his unfortunate experience in his first marriage in no way reflects upon him. The woman whom he had married was having affair with another can at the time of her marriage to Alvin, and the marriage was broken off as soon as the facts became known. Alvin is very well liked in our community and has a host of friends. I confirmed him at The Temple and his folks have been members of our congregation for over twenty years. I hope that you had the opport-mity of seeing Mr. Hass before you left the city. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

July 8, 1943 To Whom It May Concerns I am happy to give this character reference for Sergeant Bernard Task. Sergeant Task is a member of my Temple and I have known him for several years. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. His home is one of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

July 16, 1945 To Whom It May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for Mrs. Alvin Marchand. I have known Mrs. Marchand for many years. She and her family have been closely identified with The Temple. Mrs. Marchand was % tesk ar in our Religious School. She is a your soman of excellent character and of utmost dependebility. I am confident that she will discharge whatever duties are assigned to her with samplete fidelity and loyalty. Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

Child Adoption Committee of Free Synagogue 40 W. 68th St. New York, N.Y.

Dear Friends:

This letter will introduce Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Stone of Cleveland. They are interested in adopting a baby. I am happy to give them this note of introduction.

I have known the Stones and their parents well for many years. They are representative people in our community, people of fine character and high standards. Their home is one of culture and refinement. Any service which you can render to them will be greatly appreciated by me.

With all good ishas, I remain

Cordially yours,

AHS: BK

September 23, 1943 To Whom It May Concerns I am happy to give this character reference for Ted Moses, whom I have known for many years. Ted attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

September 25, 1943 To Whom It May Concerns I am happy to give this character reference for Stanley J. Emerling, whom I have known for many years. Stanley attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

November 3, 1943

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that Mr. David Brunswick has been a resident of the city of Cleveland for the past five years, having come here from Detroit, Michigan. He has been engaged in the floral business during this time. Mr. Brunswick is a member of The Temple in good standing.

I understand that Mr. Brunswick has made application to enlist in the United States Coast Guard. I trust that he will be given an opportunity to serve his country in this branch of the armed forces.

Sincerely yours,

AHS: DB

November 4, 1943 Chaplain Julius Mark Great Lakes Naval Training School Great Lakes, Ill. My dear Chaplain Mark: This letter will introduce Mr. J. B. Kohn, of Cleveland, who I understand has an appointment to see you this coming Saturday afternoon regarding his son, Robert, who is now stationed at Great Lakes. I have known ar. John as a friend and as a minister for many years. He and his family have been identified with The Temple over a period of many years and Mr. Kohn is a mumber of our Temple Board. He is a prominent business man and is highly respected in the community. Mr. Kohn has been interested in many civic and philanthropic activities of Cleveland. Their home is one of culture and refinement. Any courtesies which you may be able to extend to Mr. Kohn and to his son, Robert, will be greatly appreciated by me. With all good wishes, permit me to remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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Jan. 18, 1944

Rabbi Abba Sitner The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Sitner:

Rabbi S.H. Marknowitz has applied to the Jewish Welfare Board Army and Navy Service Division for a position on our USO field staff. The nature of the work with members of the armed forces and the importance of good relations with community committees and Army and Navy authorities require special qualifications and abilities. Rabbi Markowitz has referred us to you. Will you be good enough to write us your opinion of the applicant, using the following questions as a guids.

How long and in what connection have you known the applicant? Is the individual in good health?

Has the applicant a pleasing personality that makes for friendly relationships quickly?

What positions has the applicant held, including responsibilities involved?

Can the applicant work with people, Jewish and non-Jewish; has the applicant the ability to stimulate a community to undertake a co-operative program?

Is there interest in men and in social questions? Is there a positive Jewish philosophy; is there a broad Jewish background?

What ability has the applicant to think and express thoughts clearly, to assume responsibility; has the applicant initiative, imagination, emotional maturity, potentialities for growth?

Does the applicant work systematically; attend to details?

What are the applicant's limitations?

Your occoperation in submitting a full report will be appreciated. Of course the information will be kept confidential.

Sincerely yours,

SAMUEL JOSOLOWITZ Personnel Department

MEMBER OF THE UNITED SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, Inc. (USO)

January 20, 1944 Mr. Samuel Josolowitz, Director Personnel Department National Jewish Welfare Board 220 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Josolowitz: In reply to your letter of January 18, permit me to say that Rabbi S. H. Markowitz is well known to me as a colleague in the Ministry, and as a friend. I believe him to be eminently qualified for the position for which you are considering him. He is a man of excellent character and utmost dependability. He has a fine way with people and has worked successfully among Jewish and non-Jewish groups. His excellent book. "Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World," is a good index to his philosophy and his general attitudes. I recommend him most heartily. Very cordially yours. AHS: BK

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January 25, 1944

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you very much for your letter in response to my inquiry regarding Rabbi S.H. Markowitz. We are pleased to receive your good opinion of him. You have been helpful and we are grateful for your ocoperation.

Sincerely yours,

SAMUEL JOSOLOWITZ

Benjamin Rabinowits

Director, Personnel and Training MEMBER OF THE UNITED SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, Inc. (USO)

February 23, 1944 To Whom It May Concernt I am happy to give this character reference for Robert Senor. Robert attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Robert comes from a home of culture and refinament. Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

February 23, 1944 Mr, Samuel Senor 3525 Silaby Cleveland Heights, Ohio My dear Mr. Senor: Enclosed herewith is the letter of recommendation which you requested for your son, Robert. I trust that it will be of assistance to him in getting into the Merchant Marine. With bost wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours, BJK Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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May 24, 1944

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver 19810 Shaker Building Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver

Mr. Albert M. Brown has applied for a position on the overseas staff of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee and has given your name as a reference.

As you may know, our organization is the major Jewish agency in the field of rescue, relief and rehabilitation of refugees and war victims overseas. Because of the tremendous burden and responsibility which we carry, it is important that our representatives and personnel be chosen with extreme care.

Applicants should have not only adequate and appropriate professional preparation and experience, but also personal qualities that would make them acceptable to a variety of Jewish and non-Jewish, private and governmental personnel in the field. The work of the Joint Distribution Committee requires tact, strength without aggressiveness, ingenuity, adaptability and the capacity to carry a heavy load in an emergency atmosphere. In the field, the personnel is almost always subjected to pressure, requiring considerable physical stamina and emotional stability.

Would you be willing to give us your best judgment of Mr. Brown in the light of the above requirements? Inasmuch as time is of the essence, would you be kind enough to do this at your earliest convenience? May we ask you to keep this inquiry confidential? It goes without saying that if you so desire, your statement will be considered confidential by us.

Very sincerely yours,

Louis H. Sobel

Assistant Secretary

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P.S. If it is convenient, would you be good enough to send us a copy of your reply in addition to the original?

P.S. Denjoyed your address at the Jovish Social welfare conference.

May 25, 1944 To Whom This May Concerns I am very happy to give this recommendation for Miss Arlene Cohn whom I have known for many years. Miss Cohen was confirmed from my Temple and was graduated this year from our Tample High School. Miss Cohn is a young woman of excellent character and has a pleasing personality. She has made many friends for herself at The Temple. Her family is one of culture and refinement. Very cordially yours, ARS: BK

May 29, 1944 Mr. Maxwell Lyons, Registrar Hebrew Union College Cincinnati. Ohio My dear Mr. Lyons: My nephew. Daniel H. Matlaw, wrote me this week that he had applied for admission to the Hebrew Union College and that he had received a letter from you stating that his application came too late inasmuch as the rules of the College require that all applications for admission be in before February 15. I am sorry that Daniel did not consult me earlier when I could have advised him to send in his application in time. I do not know whether any exceptions are ever made. If they are, I would deeply appreciate it if consideration would be given to young Matlaw. I would not like him to miss a year of schooling at the College. Family bias apart, he is a splendid young man who would make a good student at the College, and a good Rabbi after his graduation. For an American born lad, he has had a rather intensive training in Hebrew, having attended the Hersliah School in New York, and having had the advantage of a year's schooling in Falestine when he was on a visit to that country with his parents. He is of fine personal appearance, has done excellent work in High School, and has won many honors in supplementary-curricular activities such as debating, writing, etc. Whatever consideration you can show him will be deeply appreciated. Most cordially yours, AHS:BK

THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE CINCINNATI, OHIO OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR May 31, 1944 Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland Dear Dr. Silver: I am replying to your letter of May 29th con-cerning your nephew, Daniel H. Matlaw, of Forest Hills, N.Y., who is desirous of becoming a student of the College. Although the Committee on Admission of Students has already taken action upon all applications for admission this fall, we shall be glad to redsive Mr. Matlaw's application at this time, provided he will have full sophomore standing in the University this fall. I am writing to Mr. Matlaw to this effect and am sending him the various blanks to be filled out. If his application is in order, we shall invite him to come to Cincinnati during June 12th to 14th, when the new students for the coming year will appear for their final oral examinations and for an interview by the Faculty. A personal interview of this nature, I feel, will facilitate action upon your nephew's application. With kindest greetings, I am, Musuell Thous REGISTRAR ML: da

THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE CINCINNATI, OHIO OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR June 2. 1944 Dr. Abba H. Silver E.105th Street & Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio My dear Dr. Silver: The attached letter is self-explanatory. We cannot at this time admit any student as a regular student since such action requires the approval of the Committee on Admission of students. In fact, the entering class has been approved by the Committee and nothing at this late date, in accordance with our rules, can be done. However, the Faculty is empowered to admit Daniel next Fall as a Special Student under the conditions as outlined in the enclosed communication. I am confident on the basis of Daniel's training and background together with your judgment of him, (as indicated in your letter of May 29th), should aid materially in creating a favorable action upon his application for admission next Fall as a Special Student. With kindest personal regards, I am MAXWELL LYONS Registrar ML:es

C 0 p Dr. Silver June 2, 1944 Mr. Daniel H. Matlaw 9403- 68th Avenue Forest Hills, N.Y. My dear Mr. Matlaw: Supplementing my letter of May 31st, I notice that through error I requested you to let me know whether you would be able to appear on June 12th to 14th in order that you might meet with the Faculty of the College. What I had intended to state was the fact that you could not be considered at this time for enrollment as a regular student. We could, however, give you consideration to enroll as a Special Student next Fall, provided that you have qualifications essential for such enrollment. I suggest, therefore, that you send us your application for admission, as suggested in my letter of May 31st, together with your formal request that you be considered for enrollment as a Special Student in the Fall of 1944. Further, it is my advice that you pursue studies over the summer in accordance with the pamphlet sent to you bearing upon instructions to applicants for admission; assuming further that you are not called to Military Service, that you present yourself here at the College next Fall. You must bear in mind your request for such consideration, namely: as a Special Student, must not be interpreted as a commitment upon our part to enroll you. If you meet our requirements for admission and you make a favorable impression upon our Committee on Admissions, I personally have no doubt that we will be happy to give you an opportunity to show what you can do as a Special Student. All of the above, of course, is with the understanding that you will have no difficulty in enrolling at the University of Cincinnati next Fall with at least a Sophomore standing. Awaiting your reply, I am Sincerely yours, MAXWELL LYONS Registrar ML:ea

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June 5, 1944

Rabbi A. H. Silver The Temple Ansel Rd. at E. 105th St. Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Following is the information you asked me to get for you regarding the qualifications and experience of Albert Brown, now employed in the Jewish Federation at Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. Brown has been known to the Alliance for many years. He is a young man of fine character, unlimited patience, a fairly good mind and a good capacity for work. He has had a great deal of experience in working with children and some experience with adults. His administrative experience has been over a short period; in fact, I think he did little in the nature of administration until he took the position in Toledo.

He works very well with children and they are very fond of him. I am not able to estimate his qualifications in working with adults, as I have had little opportunity to observe him in that sphere.

I think if he were placed with JDC under good direction, he would do a fine piece of work. He is interested in his work and no effort will ever be too great for him to carry out the responsibility which will be placed upon him.

Miss Lillian Strauss, who directs the Council house at 1122 Forest Avenue, has worked with Mr. Brown. He was in charge of the children's work under her, and you might get some further information about him from her.

If there is anything further which I can help you with regarding Mr. Brown, will you please let me know.

Sincerely yours

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June 7, 1944 Mr. Louis H. Sobel, Assistant Secretary The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee 270 Madison Avenue New York 16, N.Y. My dear Mr. Sobels Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter of May 24. I have been emay from the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence has accordingly lagged. I knew Mr. Albert Brown before he want to Toledo. He was connected, for many years, with the local Council Educational Alliance. As I recall him, he was a young man of fine character, a fairly good mind with a good capacity for work. He had a good deal of experience in working with children and some experience with adults. I think he did little in the nature of administration until he took the position in Toledo. He works very well with children and they are fond of him. I have not had much opportunity to estimate his qualifications in working with adults but I am inclined to believe, however, that he would do a satisfactory piece of work. He is greatly interested in social work and he would be unsparing of himself in carrying out his responsibilities. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS:BK

June 28, 1944 To Whom This May Concerns I am very happy to give this recommendation for Miss Alice Winkelman whom I have known for many years. Miss Winkelman was confirmed from my Temple. Miss Winkelman is a young women of excellent character and has a pleasing personality. Her family is one of culture and refinement. Very cordially yours, ARS: BK

June 30, 1944 To Whom It May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for Private Leonard H. Benson whom I have known for many years. Private Benson attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Private Benson comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

July 7, 1944

To Whom It May Concerns

I am very happy to give this character reference for Mr. Ben E. Miller, whom I have known for many years.

Mr. Miller attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patrictism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Miller comes from a home of culture and refinement.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS: BK

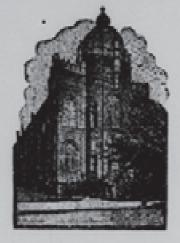
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August 3, 1944 To Whom It May Concerns I am happy to give this character reference for Private Samuel Federman whom I have known for many years. Private Federman attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. His home is one of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS: EK

September 10, 1944 To Whom This May Concerns I am happy to give this character reference for Robert Senor whom I have known for many years. Robert attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young wan of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Robert comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE Office of the President Cincinnati, Onio September 14, 1944 (Dict. Sept. 13) Rev. Dr. George B. Lieberman, Wheeling, W. Va. My dear George: I returned only last night from a visit to Sioux City, Iowa, where I conducted a Seminar for Christian ministers, and found upon my desk, when I came to my office, your good letter of the 7th inst. I am happy to be able to tell you that, last Sunday afternoon in Sinux City, I had a conference with a committee from the Omaha congregation. They informed me that Arthur Lelyveld has resigned from their pulpit, effective November 1, and asked me to recommend a number of men whom they might consider as his successor. I discussed with them quite a number of graduates of the College. The list was finally narrowed down to three men, of whom you are one. I am inclined to think that you hold the inside track in their consideration. I have no doubt that they will act promptly after the Holydays are over, and perhaps even sooner. So be prepared to hear from them. I hope earnestly that this time everything will turn out to your satisfaction. With affectionate greetings for yourself and Sylvia and the sincere wish that the New Year may bring to both of you and to all your lowed ones unending happiness and blessing, I am ever Faithfully, Julian Morgenstern PRESIDENT JM/s

Law Offices of Abrahams, Kaslow, Carnazzo & Frenzer 509 Insurance Building Omaha 2, Nebraska September 16, 1944 Rabbi George B. Lieberman Wheeling, West Virginia Dear Rabbi Lieberman: On November 1, 1944, Temple Israel of Omaha will lose the services of Rabbi Lelyveld, who has resigned to accept the directorship of the Committee on Unity for Palestine. The Worship Committee, of which I am chairman, has been charged with the responsibility of seeking a successor. A salary of \$6,000.00 per annum is presently contemplated. I am writing you at the suggestion of both Habbi Lelyveld and Dr. Morgenstern. It is their impression that you have no commitments which would preclude you from accepting a call from our congregation. I will appreciate a candia statement of your attitude in this connection, as well as any comments that you care to add. In the event that you would be inclined to accept such a call, should it be forthcoming, we would like to have you visit Omaha, at our expense, of course, during the period October 6, 1944, through October 8, 1944. We have no intention of subjecting you to anything in the nature of a "try-out", but would welcome the opportunity of making your acquaintance, presenting you to members of the congregation and having you occupy our pulpit. Thereby, both you and we would be better able to discuss the subject matter of this letter. I will be grateful for a response by air mail at your earliest opportunity. very truly yours, MILTON R. ABRAHAMS. MRA: AO



DAVID TAYLOR, PRESIDENT BEN F. BAER, SECRETARY

EOFF STREET TEMPLE WHEELING, W. VA.

GEORGE B. LIEBERMAN, LITT. D.,

October 18, 1944

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

Dear Rabbi Silver :-

I turn to you again with a plea for a favor. You will recall that at the last C.C.A.R. meeting in Cincinnati I consulted you about a change in position, and you felt that after so many years of service it would be wise for me to leave Wheeling.

From the enclosed copies of letters from Dr. Morgenstern and from the chairman of the Pulpit Committee, you will notice that my name has been under consideration for Temple Israel of Omaha, Nebraska.

I spent in Omaha three days, met with the people, and spoke on several occasions. I was made to feel that I have a good chance to be elected to that position.

Of course, developments in such matters are unpredictable. There are other candidates yet to be heari. My observation is that the outcome will not depend so much on the oratorical competition as on the influence from the outside upon the leaders of the congregation.

The other three candidates are Louis Cashdan, Norman Goldberg and Lou Silberman. I know that they have flooded the Committee with letters of recommendation from other Rabbis. I had hoped that I would not have to trouble you in the midst of your crowded schedule, yet I am forced to do so.

The Committee knows through the records that you recommended me to the Hebrew Union College, and through your own contacts in Wheeling you know of my work here. Can you possibly snatch the time to write a letter in my behalf to the Chairman of the Worship Committee?

Mr. Milton R. Abrahams, 509 Insurance Building, Omaha (2) Nebraska.



DAVID TAYLOR, PRESIDENT BEN F. BAER, SECRETARY

EOFF STREET TEMPLE WHEELING, W. VA.

GEORGE B. LIEBERMAN, LITT. D., RABB

October 18, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

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Mr. Henry Monsky and his wife are very influential with the congregation. I met them when I was in Cmaha for the interview. Do you think it would be helpful to send to Mr. Monsky a copy of your letter to Abrahams?

> Mr. Henry Monsky 737 Omaha National Bank Bldg., Omaha, Nebraska.

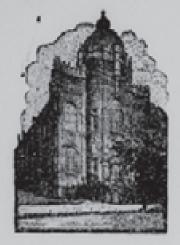
Believe me, I never forget the things that you have done for me and the encouragement that has come through you. I only wish that I could have some opportunity to prove of service to you. I shall be very grateful for your letters to Omaha.

Sylvia and I send you our devoted greetings.

Faithfully yours, Guoy

GBL/rr Encs.

October 27, 1944 Dr. George B. Lieberman Eoff Street Temple Wheeling, W. Va. My dear George: Thank you for your letter of October 18. I was in New York last Tuesday attending a meeting of the Interim Committee of the American Jewish Conference and talked to Henry Monsky about the Omaha pulpit and about yourself. I gave you the highest kind of recommendation. Mr. Monsky said that they were considering a few people and that no decision had as yet been arrived at. I send you and Sylvia my warmest greetings in which Virginia joins me. Most cordially yours, ARS: BK



DAVID TAYLOR, PRESIDENT BEN F. BAER, SECRETARY

EOFF STREET TEMPLE WHEELING, W. VA.

GEORGE B. LIEBERMAN, LITT. D.,

October 30, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, East 105th St. at Ansel Road. Cleveland (6) Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

When I read in the newspapers about your activities which I know burden your heart and mind completely, I feel the more guilty to trouble you with a problem which only touches me personally. Please do not consider me presumptuous. In my own limited way, I should also like to prove of greater usefulness and to find an opportunity for growth in a larger field.

I am sorry that you were not well when I telephoned you on Sunday. As I told Mrs. Silver, I am genuinely grateful for your speaking about me and my qualifications to Mr. Henry Monsky, but it so happens that he is not a member of the Board of the Omaha Temple. In his busy life, he may never bring your words to the attention of the Board. They are soon to take action. May I ask you, if at all possible, to write a letter at your earliest convenience to the Chairman of the Worship Committee?

> Mr. Milton R. Abrahams, 509 Insurance Building, Omaha (2) Nebraska.

When you write, will you be kind enough to mention that you had a chance to discuss my qualifications at the New York meeting with Mr. Henry Monsky?

I am always your debtor. Do forgive me for adding a new task to your crowded schedule.

To you and to Mrs. Silver, Sylvia and I send our devoted Gratefully yours, Pure greetings.

GBL/rr

November 1, 1944 Mr. Milton R. Abrahams 509 Insurance Building Omaha 2, Nebraska My dear Mr. Abrahams: May I be permitted to speak a word in behalf of my good friend, Rabbi George Lieberman, who I understand is being considered as spiritual leader of your congregation. Mr. Henry Monsky, whom I met in New York last week, mentioned the fact to me and I was happy to tell him something about Rabbi Lieberman of Wheeling. I was myself Rabbi of Wheeling, many years ago, and I have maintained interest in that congregation and that community ever since. Rabbi Lieberman has been extraordinarily successful in his work both among his own people and in the community at large. He is a gifted preacher and a fine pastor. He has participated actively in community life and is eagerly sought after by many civic organizations in Wheeling and in the entire state of West Virginia and elsewhere. He has brought honor and distinction to his community. He is now fully equipped by experience and maturing years for a larger field of service. I have had occasion to observe Rabbi Lieberman as a young man in Cleveland before he went to the Hebrew Union College, and I have always been impressed by his idealism and his profound devotion to what is finest in American and in Jawish life. I recall with pleasure my last visit to your fine community. I hope that I may have the opportunity in the not too far distant future to revisit it. With all good wishes, I remain Most cordially yours, AHS: BK

November 1, 1944 Rabbi George B. Lieberman Eoff Street Temple P. O. Box 124 Wheeling, W. Va. My dear George: I have written to Mr. Abrahams of Omaha and I trust that things will work out satisfactorily. With all good wishes, I remain Most cordially yours, AHS: BK

November 14, 1944 To Whom It May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for David S. Roth, whom I have known for many years. Mr. Roth attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Roth comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

December 2, 1944 To Whom This May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for Private Richard Dietz. Private Dietz attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of un-questioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Private Dietz comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

I am happy to give this recommendation for Miss Kathleen Blau, whom I have know for many years. Miss Blau attended our Religious School and I confirmed her. She also attended our High School.

Miss Blau is a young woman of high ideals, and has a very pleasant personality. She was a leader scholastically and made many friends for herself at The Temple.

Miss Blau comes from a home of culture and refinement. Her parents have been identified with The Temple over a period of many years and are active in the many civic and philanthropic institutions in our community.

THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE

CINCINNATI, OHIO

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

February 12, 1945

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland

Dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Robert Joseph Marx, of your city, is an applicant for admission to the Hebrew Union College. He has mentioned you as one who might recommend him for admission to our institution.

As you no doubt realize, applicants for the ministry must possess fine qualities of spiritual leadership in addition to their own native endowments.

We will, therefore, greatly appreciate it if you will give us your full, free, and confidential answers to the questions appearing on the attached blank.

Since the Committee on Admission of Students will meet very shortly, we shall be grateful for your early reply.

Enclosed is a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Sincerely yours,

MAXWELL LYONS
REGISTRAR

February 12, 1945 To Whom It May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for Radio Fechnician Gerald Gerson whom I have known for many years. Mr. Gerson attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young men of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Mr. Gerson comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE

CINCINNATI, OHIO

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

February 16, 1945

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland

Dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Daniel H. Matlaw, of Forest Hills, New York, is an applicant for admission to the Hebrew Union College. He has mentioned you as one who might recommend him for admission to our institution.

As you no doubt realize, applicants for the ministry must possess fine qualities of spiritual leadership in addition to their own native endowments.

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Sincerely yours,

MAXWELL LYONS

REGISTRAR

Febru ry 22, 1345 Mr. Maxwell Lyons, Registrar The Hebrew Union College Cincinnati, Ohio My dear Mr. Lyons: In reply to your letter of February 16 concerning Eaniel H. Matlaw, I should like to refer you to my letter of May 29, 1944, a copy of which I am enclosing herewith. I recommend him most highly for admission to the Hebraw Union College. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Eno.

February 28, 1945 To Whom It May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for Edward Stillman whom I have known for many years. Edward attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. His home is one of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

February 27, 1945 Mr. Maxwell Lyons, Registrar Hebraw Union College Cincinnati, Ohio My dear Mr. Lyons: I have known Robert for quite a number of years. I confirmed him and he is in the graduating class of our Temple High School. He has been taking special Hebrew instruction in preparation for the Rabbinate. Robert is very active at The Temple and participated in quite a number of extra-curricular activities, especially debating. He is an earnest, likable and energetic young man, makes a good appearance and manifests qualities of leadership in his group. He has fine Jewish loyalties and has for some time indicated a leaning towards the Jewish Ministry. I recommend him for admission to the Hebrew Union College. Very cordislly yours, ARS: BK



CLYDE N. ZIRM

aged a yes.

March 15-1945

Jear Rabbi Siever;

The Grief details of the letter, South Ale and I would greatly appreciate from you, in recommendation to the "defendancy Discharge" use are applying for with the U.S. Army, are as follows:

- Addressed to: Lt. Chas. Ramsall. Ord. Co.

Camp Gruber Okla.

du regard to: Pfc. Abraham A. Margolin. of same company.

wife of : Margoria Wess Margolin

both confirmed from the Temple and married

by you Rabbic Silver, in november, 1936. We would like some reference to the physical and mental strain, verified by doctors for which I have written o notarized letters) from the ocharation of Plc. A.A. Marghin from me (his wife) and our three Chiebren - Barbara aged 7 - Judy aged 5 and Kelearis



CLYDE N. ZIRM

A recommendation for the benefits of his returning to his family at this time, after one year in service

is quite necessary.

That, I believe is all I can tell you, Rathi bilver for I am Dure you, as our outstanding Rathi will express are this in a more beautiful and satisfactory manner than I dave hope for.

I not Even more than I am, in our appreciation for all your Even more for us. Our Marriage ceremony sopecially use forever remains in our Rearts and souls. I do believe even unto our children. Rabbi dituer you fied a tust of eternal lare, when you married us in a double-ring ceremony. For as you life has grown each hour of each day and life has been shared to the greatest extent, thus I explain the longing and the fair insurred by our separation.

Con Rumble thanks to you, again

Suicerely Marjorie and J. Margolini

March 27, 1945 Lt. Charles Ramsall 939th H.A.M. Ord. Co. Camp Gruber, Oklahoma My dear Lt. Ramsall: Mrs. Marjorie "eiss Margolin, wife of Pfc. Abraham A Margolin, of your Company, has asked me, her minister, to write to you concerning a dependency discharge for which Pfc. Margolin has applied. I have known Mr. and Mrs. Margolin for many years. They attended my religious school and I confirmed them. They are people of fine character and standing in the community and their families have been associated with The Temple over a long period of years. Mr. and Mrs. Margolin have three children, aged seven, five and two. During this past year, Mrs. Margolin has been ill and their forced separation has been a severe strain on her both mentally and physically. You have no doubt received letters from h r physician attesting to these facts. Whatever can be done for Pfc. Margolin in getting his dependancy discharge would be greatly appreciated and would in my judgment be well merited. With all good wishes, I remain Most cordially yours. AHS: BK

April 2, 1945 To Whom It May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for Ronald David Harris whom I have known for many years. Renald attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

April 2, 1945 Dr. W. G. Leutner, President Western Reserve University Cleveland, Ohio My dear Dr. Leutner: I understand that Miss Phyllis Hausman has applied for the Ranney Scholarship in Music. I have known Miss Hausman for many years. She attended my Religious School and I confirmed her. At present she is on the staff of our Religious School. Miss Hausman is a fine young woman of excellent character and of high ideals. Scholastically she was always at the top of her class. She has made a host of friends at The Temple and is active in the affairs of the young people. Miss Hausman comes from a home of culture and refinement. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

April 4, 1945 To Whom This May Concern: I am happy to give this recommendation for Carol Colbert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Colbert, who have been members of The Temple for many years and whom I know very well. Carol is a member of my Confirmation Class. She has a pleasing personality and has made many friends for herself at The Tample. Scholastically she is a fine student. Mr. and Mrs. Colbert are active in the life of our Temple and also in the life of the community. Their home is one of culture and refinement. Most cordially yours, AHS: BK

Morton Kanter, 17-years old 3227 E. Overlook Rd. Cleveland Heights 18, Ohio

senior at Cleveland Meights High School will be graduated January, 1946

editorial employee at Cleveland Press, 3 years write of Scout activities and youth groups in general

write for Heights Press, 2138 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights on Scout and high school news

active in Boy Scout circles for past five years am a L9fe Scout have worked on the Boy Scout summer camp staff

father A. Kanter is World War 1 Vet

brother Leonard H. Kanter, has served three years in armed forces after honorable discharge under medical conditions from Naval Air Corps entered U. S. Coast Guard. Van Georden - June 1996

May 29, 1945 The Honorable Harold H. Burton United States Senate Washington, D.C. My dear Senator Burton: Morton Kanter, a young man whom I confirmed here at The Temple in 1943, was in to see me this afternoon. He would like to receive an ap ointment to the Naval Academy for admission in June, 1946. I have known Morton for quite a number of years. I have also know his parents who have been members of The Temple for many years. His father is a world war I veteran. His brother, Leonard, who served three years in the armed forces and was honorably discharged under medical conditions from the Naval Air Corps, has entered the U. S. Coast Guard. Morton Kanter is an upstending lad of fine character and standards. He was exceptionally well liked here in the Religious School of The Temple. He has been exceptionally active in Boy Scout circles and is a Life Scout. He has also worked on the Boy Scout summer camp staff. He has been writing of Scout activities and the activities of youth groups for The Cleveland Press for the last few years. Morton is a senior at Heights High School and will be graduated in January 1946. On the basis of character, mental endowments and presentability, I am most happy to recommend him. Whatever you can do for Morton will be deeply appreciated by me. With all good wishes, I remain Most cordially yours. AHS: BK

May 29, 1945 Superintendent Merchant Marine Cadet Corps c/o Training Organization War Shipping Administration Washington 25, D.C. Dear Sir: I am happy to give this character reference for Morton Kanter whom I have known for many years. Morton attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confident that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. Very sincerelly yours, AHS: BK

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My dear Lt. Col. Parsons:

I am happy to give this character reference for Sheldon David G rson whom I have known for many years.

Sendon attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character, utmost dependability and of unquestioned loyalty and patriotism. I am confide t that he will discharge whatever duties he may be called upon to assume with complete fidelity and devotion. He comes from a home of culture and refinement.

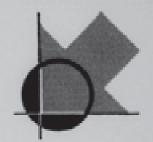
Very sincerely yours,

AHS: BK



July 3, 1945 Dean of Women Housing Division University of Illinois Champaign, Ill. Dear Madam: I am very happy to give this recommendation for Arline Cohn. Arline attended my Religious School and I confirmed her. She is a young woman of good character and high ideals. Scholastically, she was at the top of her class and was well liked by her classmates. She comes from a home of culture and refinement. Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

COMMISSION ON COMMUNITY INTERRELATIONS
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Coordinator of Research

July 11, 1945

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silvers

We are considering Mr. Jason D. Rich for a position in the Commission on Community Interrelations, and we are told that you know and can tell us something about his qualifications.

The Commission on Community Interrelations is engaged in a broad action-research program focussed upon minority group tensions and conflict.

We are building up a professional staff representing skills in community organization, survey procedures, opinion measurement, research analysis, group work, case work, interpretation and visual education.

We should appreciate your appraisal of Mr. Rich concerning his experience in any of these fields or any additional experience which may be related to our activities. We should appreciate also your estimate of his flexibility and creativeness in group thinking, his ability to adjust quickly to social relationships involving tensions, and the ease with which he fits into a staff that stresses team work.

Sincerely yours,

Juliet O. Bell

Administrative Assistant

for Personnel

JB: rb

July 17, 1945

Miss Juliet O. Bell American Jewish Congress 212 West 50th St. New York 19, N.Y.

My doar Miss Bell:

In reply to your latter of inquiry of July 12th, permission to say that Mr. Jason B. Rich is well-known to me.

He has been a teacher in the Temple Religious School and Temple High School, where he gave evidence of exceptional qualities as a guide and leader of young people. He is a man of high Standards and unimpeachable integrity. I have also known de his work with the Cleveland Council Educational Alliance, where for many years he was a leader in its youth activities, and where his work received the highest commendation.

With all good wishes, I reston,

September 24, 1945 To Whom This May Concern: This is to certify that I have known Pvt. Sanford Safier for many years. He attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. I also officiated at his marriage ceremony. Pvt. Safier is a fine young man of excellent character and high ideals. He and his family are respected members of our community. I am sure that any assistance you may be able to render him will be deserved. With all good wishes, I remain Very sinceraly yours, AHS: BJK

October 23, 1945 To Whom This May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for T-5 Richard Dietz. Corporal Dists attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a young man of excellent character and high ideals. Corporal Dieta had a host of friends at The Temple and scholastically was at the top of his class. At the time he entered the Army he was an honor student at Western Reserve University, majoring in Chemistry. Corporal Dietz comes from a home of culture and refinement. With best wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

December 28, 1945 To Whom This May Concern: Permit me to state that I have known Mr. Leo Federman of 2431 Traymore, Cleveland, Chio for many years. He has been a member of The Temple for over ten years. Mr. Federman is a man of fine character and integrity and is well thought of in the community. He has been in the Drygoods business for over eightsen years and owns his own home. I know that Mr. Federman would be well able to take care of the people whom he wishes to bring to this country and that these people would not become public charges. Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

SCHOOL OF ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL STUDIES Conducted under the aussices of the FOREIGN SERVICE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION 1906 Florida Avenue, N. W. Washington 9, D. C. January 14, 1946 Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple 105th Street and Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio Dear Dr. Silver: Lt. Wesley Fishel, who has applied for admission to the School of Advanced International Studies, has indicated that you are in a position to give an estimate of his ability, aptitudes and character with reference to a program of graduate studies in international afficient. I shall be much indebted if you will live it is a retement covering these points which would be of expistence to us in taking action an his application. Probably you are accuminted with the objectives of the School of Advanced International Studies. If there are any particulars you wish to have, I shall be happy to supply them in the form of our current bulletin or otherwise. Halford L. Hoskins Director H:am

January 18, 1946 Dr. Halford L. Hoskins, Director School of Advanced International Studies 1906 Florida Avenue. N.W. Washington 9. D.C. My dear Dr. Hoskins: Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter of January 14. I am glad to give you the information which you request concerning Lt. Wesley Fishel. I have known Lt. Fishel for quite a number of years. I confirmed him here at The Temple, with which his family, a well-known and representative one in our community, has been identified for many years. Lt. Fishel is a young man of fine abilities, personable, of high integrity and of splendid mental endowments. He has a host of friends and is very well liked. Wesley was a student at Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service and graduated from Northwestern University, specializing I understand, in International Relations. He has from time to time discussed with me his interest in a career of Foreign Service, and more recently, in that of teaching International Relations. Wesley held a U. S. Naval Fellowship to study Japanese at Harvard. He has been to the Orient, and I understand that he speaks, reads and writes Japanese fluently. In 1943-44, he was an instructor at the Military Intelligence Officer's Candidate School. I feel free to recommend Lt. Wesley Fishel most whole-heartedly. Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

Graduat Beorgetown Univ. School of Fros. Service 1937-1939 Braduate Korthwestern Univ. (B.J. in Asternat. Rel.) 1989-1941 all my studies have been slauted toward a Foreign Lervice eareur But my ambition has changed Olightly since I started college - diginally to enter State Dupt! Hor. Serv. experience as an instructor at Milit Intell. Experience as an instructor at Milit Intell. Experience (andidate School 1943-44 convinced me I could be of greater solvice in a career of teaching internat, relat. That Is now my aim Speakoread, write Jafanen Steently. Been to Dreint 1940).
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January 17, 1946 To Whom It May Concern: Miss Marilyn Gerson, the bearer of this note, is going to New York to establish herself professionally in her chosen calling. I have known Miss Gerson for quite a number of years. I confirmed her here at The Temple and I can recommend her most whole-heartedly as a young lady of fine character, of refinement and culture. She comes from a representative family in our community. Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

February 2, 1946 Director of Admissions Cobb Hall, University of Chicago Chicago, Ill. Dear Sir: Mr. Wesley Fishel, who has applied for admission to the Division of Social Sciences of the University of Chicago, has asked me to write a letter of recommendation for him. I am happy to give you the following information concerning Mr. Fishel. I have known Wesley, who was a Lt. in the Army, and who was recently honorably discharged, for quite a number of years. I confirmed him here at The Temple, with which his family, a well-known and representative one in our community, has been identified for many years. Wesley is a young man of fine abilities, personable, of high integrity and of splendid mental endowments. He has a host of friends, and is very well liked. Wesley was a student at Georgetown University. School of Foreign Service and was graduated from Northwestern University, specializing, I understand, in International Relations. He has from time to time discussed with me his interest in a career of Foreign Service, and more recently, in that of teaching International Relations. Wesley held a U. S. Naval Bellowship to study Japanese . at Harvard. He has been to the Orient, and I understand that he speaks, reads and writes Japanese fluently. In 1943-44, he was an instructor at the Military Intelligence Officer's Candidate School. I feel free to recommend Mr. Wesley Fishel most wholeheartedly. Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

February 2, 1946

To Whom It May Concern:

Captain and Mrs. S. S. Sogg have been members of my congregation for the past ten years, and in that time I have learned to know them very well. They have been a very happy and well-adjusted couple.

In the past several months, Mrs. Song has come to me with her problems. I found her to be in a depressed state of mind due to the fact that she has been forced to live with her parents. It has been very difficult for her and her son to make adjustments after having lived in their own home for sixteen years. Richard, too, does not seem to be the happy child I have known since he started Sunday School. He needs the guidance of his father.

It is my feeling that Captain Sogg should be returned to his home as quickly as possible so that his family may start living a normal and happy life again.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS: BK

February 12, 1946 Mr. Paul T. Schoenberger Palmer House Hotel Chicago, Ill. My dear Paul: I am enclosing herewith the letter which you requested. I hope that it will prove helpful. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Enc.

: Paul J. Schoenberger Un service 39 months overseas 18 1/2 months. Two brothers overseas at grescut. Father died two years ago norther's condition one of severe Eldest sen Balel returned home from overseas 3 weeks ago Thru recommendation of Red Cross & endition is such that Mrs. behoevergers he released from the army in reer, It. Bauf J. Schoenberger To Palmer House Hotel Chicago, del. Rand. 4391

February 12, 1946 To Whom It May Concern: I have known Lt. Paul T. Schoenberger for many years. I confirmed him here at The Temple, with which his family has been identified for some time. Lt. Schoenberger has been in the service for thirtynine months, and overseas for nearly nineteen months. His two brothers are overseas at the moment. His father died two years ago, and his mother's condition has been one of severe nervous anxiety. Paul, the eldest son, returned from overseas three weeks ago through the recommendation of the Red Cross and the physician of the Schoenberger family. I feel that the condition of Mrs. Schoenberger is such that the release of Paul from the Army, and his return home, would be an act of humanity. I remain Respectfully yours, AHS: BK

April 10, 1946 To Whom It May Concern: I am happy to give this character reference for Perry K. Peskin, who is a student in our High School. Perry is a fine young man of excellent character and fine ideals. Scholastically he is at the top of his class. He is very well liked and has made a host of friends for himself. His porents are represent tive members of the community. Their home is one of culture and refinement. Very cordially yours, AHS:BK

Cleveland Heights Public Schools

Serving Cleveland Heights and University Heights

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT 1749 Lee Road - CLEVELAND HEIGHTS 18, OHIO

THOBURN S. DAVIS Asst. Superintendent

June 14, 19L6

Rabbi Abba H. Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Bernard Mandel is an applicant for a teaching position in the Cleveland Heights Schools and has given your name as a reference.

I shall greatly appreciate it if you will send me at your early convenience any information which you may have concerning the professional preparation and experience of this teacher.

Yours very truly,

F. L. Wiley

Superintendent

F. L. WILEY Superintendent 為化學 明神 超影圖 June 18, 1946 Office of the Registrar University of Miami Coral Gablas, Florida Dear Sir: I am happy to give this character reforence for Miss Rosalyn England, whom I have known for many years. Rosalyn was confirmed from The Temple and was graduated from our Temple High School. She is a fine young woman of high ideals and excellent character. Rosalyn is a good student. She was well liked by her classmates and made many friends for herself. Her grandparents, with shom she makes her home, are representative mambers of our community and are active in the life of The Temple. Their home is one of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

June 20, 1946 Mr. F. L. Wiley, Superintendent Cleveland Heights Public Schools 1747 Lee Road Cleveland Heights 18, Ohio My dear Mr. Wiley: In reply to your letter of inquiry regarding Mr. Bernard Mandel, who has ap lied for a teaching position in the Cleveland Reights Schools, permit me to state that I have known Mr. Mandel for many years. Mr. Mandel attended our Religious school and I confirmed him. He was also graduated from our High School Department. Mr. Mandel is a young man of fine character and high ideals. He received his degree from Western Neserve University after which he entered the army where he served from 1941 to January, 1946, when he was discharged. Since his return to eivilian life, Mr. Mandel has been teaching Literature and History in our Junior High Department. We have found him capable, cooperative and well-liked by the students. I am most happy to recommend Mr. Mandel to you. Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

September 29, 1946 Dr. Edger F. Magnin Wilshore Elvd. Temple 636 S. Hobart Ave. Los Angeles, Cal. My dear Edgar: I seem to be introducing people to you. Phyllis Hausman has left Cleveland to make her home in Los Angeles and is attending the University of California. She is a splendid girl, intelligent and talented. She is an excellent musician. Phyllis was very active here at The Temple, particularly in The Alumni Association. She was chairman of the Program Committee. She comes from a very nice home and I should very much like to have her continue her contacts with Jewish life. She would fit in easily in any young people's activities in your Temple. I know that you will give her a warm welcome. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

October 21, 1946. Hollywood, Calif.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Dore Schary, producer, is calling a meeting here in about ten days at which time I shall present our case to a number of the prominent members of the film colony. Only Jewish members of the industry will be present. Dafni of the Hagana will also speak, but there will be no fund-raising.

In this connection it would be helpful if you could give me a "To Whom It May Concern" Letter which would establish my right to speak on behalf of the Zionist parties in this country.

I do not know the make-up of the meeting but it is entirely possible that I may be challenged to present my proff as to whom I am qualified to speak for and should therefore be prepared for any eventuality. I am also asking Mr. Monsky for a letter indicating the approval of the Conference of my work here.

May I remind you about the letter to Harry Warner?

Most cardially yours,

Hang a. Steinberg Harry A. Steinberg.

Harry Steinberg - c/o Sid Mintz 858 N. Mansfield Hollywood, Calif.

November 5, 1946 TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Mr. Harry A. Steinberg is an accredited representative of the American Zionist Emergency Council. He is authorized to speak for the Council on all matters which are related to his mission on the Pacific Coast. Mr. Steinberg has for some years been connected with the American Zionist Emergency Council, and has rendered distinguished service to our cause. Respectfully yours, AHS: GR



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November 14, 1946

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IN REPLY REFER TO: 6G

Dr. A. H. Silver East 105th Street and Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Re: Chaplain Abraham J. Feldman

Dear Sir:

The above-named clergyman has made application for appointment as Chaplain in the Veterans Administration and has given your name as reference.

It will be appreciated if you will furnish this office with an expression of your opinion concerning him and his standing in the community, his ability as a clergyman, and any additional information which will assist this office in determining his fitness for appointment.

Please be assured that all statements made will be held in strict confidence. It will be appreciated if you will reply to this communication at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Rawford W. Brown.

Chief, Chaplaincy Service.



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November 18, 1946

Dr. A. H. Silver The Temple E. 105th Street and Ansle Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver:

Miss Harriett Gertrude Fox has applied for admission into this School of Nursing for the March 1947 class, and has given your name as reference.

Will you kindly fill out the enclosed form of behavior traits, and return it to me at your convenience.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Florence W. Gipe

Superintendent and Principal of the School of Nursing

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January 51, 1947.

Rabbi A. E. Silver The Temple Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

MML: hcs

Rabbi Harold Goldfarb has applied for a position on the overseas staff of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee and has given your name as a reference.

As a person familiar with the work of our organization, I am sure you will appreciate the fact that applicants should have not only adequate and appropriate professional preparation and experience, but also personal qualities that would make them acceptable to a variety of Jewish and non-Jewish, private and governmental personnel in the field.

Would you be willing to give us your best judgment of Rabbi Goldfarb in the light of the above requirements? Inasmuch as time is of the essence, would you be kind enough to do this at your earliest convenience? It goes without saying that if you so desire, your statement will be considered confidential.

Sincerely yours,

Maxwell M. Luchs Personnel Director

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P.S. If it is convenient, would you be good enough to send us a copy of your reply in addition to the original.

February 21, 1947 Crawford . Brown, Chief, Chaplaincy Service Veterans Administration Washington 25, D.C. Re: 6G My dear Mr. Brown: Please pardon the long delay in answering your communication of November 14. I have been out of the country part of the time and a way from Cleveland much of the remainder of the time. You inquire about Rabbi Abraham J. Feldman who has made application for appointment as Chaplain in the Veterans Administration. I have known Rabbi Feldman very intimately for many years and I recommend him most highly. He is at present vice-president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, of which I am the president. This is an organization representing over four hundred Reform Rabbis in the United States, the largest Rabbinical body in this country. He will be elected president of this body next, June. He is highly regarded by his colleagues throughout the country. He has served as Rabbi of his congregation in Hartford, Connecticut, one of the leading Reform congregations in the United States, with distinction, and he has been an important factor in the civic life of his community. Very cordially yours. AHS: BK

February 21, 1947 Mr. Maxwell M. Luchs, Personnel Director The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee 270 Hadison Avenue New York 16, N.Y. My dear Mr. Luchat Please pardon the delay in answering your letter of January 31. I have been away from the city most of the time. I am very pleased to give you some information about Rabbi Harold Goldfarb. I have known Rabbi Goldfarb ever since he came to Cleveland. He has presided over a congregation which has thrived under his leadership and which holds him is high asteem. He is regarded very highly also by those who are not sembers of his own congregation. He has appeared before many organizations in the community and has creditably represented our people. He has been identified with quite a number of important civic activities. As you know, during the war, he was Chaplain in the armed services, and as I have learned, served with competence and devotion. I believe that he would be a splendid addition to the oversess staff of the Joint, and would render valuable service. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, ARS: BK

February 28, 1947 Dr. Edgar F. Magnin Wilshire Blvd. Temple 636 S. Hobart Avenue Los Angeles, California My dear Edgar: The son of a very dear friend of mine, Daniel Frisch, has applied for admission to the University of Southern California. You probably know of Mr. Frisch. He is the chairman of the Administrative Committee of the ZOA, and a leading figure in our movement. His son, Larry Frisch, who is seventeen years old, and who has already demonstrated unusual talent in the field of Radio, is desirous of attending the University of Southern California because of its fine departments for cinema and the drama. Those who have listened to young Larry's work on the radio, have been greatly impressed and have prophesied a brilliant career for him. He is a graduate of Cherry Lawn School, one of the fine private schools in this country. He is a personable lad, and of fine character. You know that it is difficult for young people today to get into the schools in which they wish to enroll. Any help which you can give young Larry to facilitate his admission to the University of Southern California will be deeply appreciated by me. I send you and your dear ones my warmest greetings and good wishes. As ever yours, ARS: BK

March 21, 1947 Mr. Joseph E. Maddy National Music Camp 303 So. State Street Ann Arbor, Michigan My dear Mr. Maddy: I understand that Gerald Goodman has applied for admission to the National Music Camp. I have known Gerald and his family for many years and I am most happy to recommend him to you. Gerald is a member of the Eighth Grade of our Temple Religious School. He is a good student and a fine looking young fellow of excellent character. He has a pleasing personality and is well-liked by his many friends. Gerald's family are representative members of the community and have been identified with The Temple for many years. Their home is one of culture and refinement. Vary cordially yours, AHS:BK

THE TAFT SCHOOL WATERTOWN CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR April 11, 1947 Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street Cleveland, Ohio Dear Dr. Silver: Mrs. Jerome M. Friedlander has made application for entrance to Taft of her son, Jerome / Jr., and has given your name as reference. Would you be so kind as to write, giving me your estimate of the boy and any information about him and his background which you feel might be helpful to us? Your aid in this matter will be greatly appreciated. Sincerely yours, JFM/eh 5/ 8456

April 18, 1947 Mr. David H. Roberts Counselor on Admission Western Reserve University Glaveland, Dhio My dear Mr. Roberts: I understand that Herbert Strauss has applied for a Scholarship and I am happy to give him this recommendation. I have known Herbert for a number of years. He attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is now a member of our High School Department. Herbert is a fine young man, of excellent character and high ideals. He has made many friends for himself

and is well-liked by all. Scholastically he is at the head of his class. Herbert comes from a home of culture and refinement.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

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AHS:BK

April 18, 1947 Mr. David H. Roberts Counselor on Admissions Western Reserve University Cleveland, Ohio My dear Mr. Roberts: It gives me great pleasure to recommend Jay Hirsch, whom I have known for many years, to you. Jay attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. At present he is a member of the High School Department. Jay is a fine young man of excellent character and high ideals. He is a very good student and has always stood at the head of his class. He is popular with his classmates and is president of the Student Council, Jay comes from a home of culture and refinement. His parents have been members of The Temple over a period of many years and representative members of the community. With best wishes, I remain very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

April 19, 1947 Mr. John F. Morse, Registrer The Taft School Watertown, Conn. My dear Mr. Morse: In reply to your letter of April 11, permit me to state that I have known Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Friedlander for many years. They are members of The Temple and are representative citizens of our community. Their home is one of culture and refinement. Their son, Jerose, Jr., attends my Religious School. He is a fine looking young man of good character, and is well liked by his friends. I am happy to recommend Jerome, Jr. to you. With all good wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

THE TAFT SCHOOL WATERTOWN GONNECTICUT

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

April 21, 1947

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you for your good letter about Jerome Friedlander. I have had some splendid reports about the boy's character and personality. It is, therefore, with particular regret that I write to say that his scholastic record is such that I fear we cannot admit him to Taft.

You were kind to write me so promptly and I am grateful to you.

Sincerely ours,

JFM/eh

April 29, 1947 Dr. Eugene H. Lehman Highland Manor West Long Branch, N.J. My dear Dr. Lehman: Lois Kaplan, a student at Highland Manor, is a member of this year's Confirmation Class of The Temple. Lois has been taking her Confirmation work this year in absentia. Confirmation is an important event in the life of Jewish children. It serves the primary purpose of preparing Jewish boys and girls for full membership in the faith of Israel. It is the culmination of nine years of study and preparation toward that end. Confirmation Exercises this year take place on Sunday, May 25. Lois' parents and I would appreciate it very much if it would be possible to arrange for Lois to take her examinations at Highland Manor earlier this year so that she may be in Claveland on May 21, thus enabling her to attend at least the final rehearsal of her class before the Confirmation Exercises. Forn, also a student at Highland Manor, would like to attend the Confirmation Exercises of her sister, Lois. If it is possible to excuse Fern from classes in time to reach home by the 5th, it would also be greatly appreciated. "ith best wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

May 10, 1947 To Whom This May Concern: It gives me great pleasure to give this recommendation for Avery Silber. Avery attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He is a fine looking young man, of excellent character. He has a pleasant personality and made many friends for himself at The Temple. Scholastically, he was at the top of his class. Avery's parents, Dr. and Mrs. I. B. Silber have been associated with The Temple over a period of many years. They are active in the life of our community here. Dr. Silber is a prominent physician in the city. Their home is one of culture and refinement. Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

May 11, 1947 Dr. I. B. Silber 10465 Carnegie Avenue Cleveland, Ohio Dear Dr. Silber: Enclosed herewith is the letter which you requested. I trust that it will be satisfactory. With cost wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours, Secretary to Dr. Silver BJK

June 30, 1947 To Whom It May Concern: Harold M. Brown of 2979 Broxton Road, Shaker Heights, Ohio is known to me and was confirmed by me in The Temple Religious School in 1942. I attest to his good character and moral deportment which, from personal acquaintance, I know to be beyond reproach. Through the nine years of his religious education and training, his deportment was beyond reproach. He manifested good qualities of scholarship, a fine record of attendance and adherence to the high standards of his faith. Mr. Brown's parents are respectable numbers of the community and faithful members of our congregation for many years. Further questions regarding this recommendation may be referred to me personally or to my associates. Very truly yours, AHS: BK

October 5, 1947 Mr. Loe Blattner 7817 Carnegie Ave. Cleveland, Ohio My dear Mr. Blattner: I am very pleased to reply to your inquiry about Col. Julius Klien. I have known Col. Klein for some time. He has evidenced a great interest in the cause of Palestine and has been of substantial help to me on many occasions in washington and elsewhere. His valuable connections with important figures in American public life were always put at our service. He impressed me as being a loyal and patriotic American, and a devoted Jew. Most cordially, AHS: EK

December 23, 1947 To Whom It May Concern: I am happy to give this recommendation for Richard Sogg, who is applying for a scholarship to Harvard College. Richard attended The Temple Religious School and I confirmed him. He also attended our Temple High School. Richard stood at the top of his class scholastically. He is a fine young man of excellent character. He has a pleasing personality and has made many friends for himself at The Temple. Richard is a talented musician and this past year has been conducting the choir and the services of The Temple High School. Richard's parents, Dr. and Mrs. S. S. Sogg, are representative members of the community and have been identified with The Temple for many years. Their home is one of culture and refinement. Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

December 24, 1947 To Whom It May Concerns I am pleased to recommend David Auerbach, who plans to attend Harvard College. David attended my Religious School and I confirmed him. He also attended the High School Department. David is an excellent student and has also taken part in many of the extra-curricular activities of our Temple High School. He has fine qualities of leadership and is highly regarded by his class-mates. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Auerbach, have been identified with The Temple for many years. They are both active in the life of our Temple and are identified with many civic and cultural movements in the community. Very cordially yours. AHS: BK

December 26, 1947

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Miss Bessie Kline has been my private secretary for fifteen years. She has voluntarily resigned her post.

Miss Kline has most competently and faithfully, performed her duties. She is an excellent secretary, stenographer and typist, but more than that she has carried through the many tasks of a private secretary with understanding, tact and utmost dependability. She served The Temple through the years with unselfish devotion and loyalty.

I deeply regret her leaving for she was a great help to me in my work and a vital part of cur institution.

Faithfully yours,

January 7, 1948 Miss Marian Geer, Director of Admission Western College Oxford, Ohio My dear Miss Geer: It gives me great pleasure to recommend Mins Mancy Loeb to you. I have nown Nancy for many years. She attended my Religious School and I confirmed her. She is now attending the Temple High School. Namey is a fine looking your woman of excellent character. She has a pleasing personality and has made wany friends for herself at The Temple. Scholastically, she is at the top of her class. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Loeb, have been identified with The Temple over a lang period of years. They are active in the life of our Temple and are identified with many civic and cultural movements in the community. Very cordially yours, ARS: BK

WESTTOWN SCHOOL WESTTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA January 9, 1948 OFFICE OF PRINCIPAL Rabbi Abbaltillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio Dear Rabbi Silver: We have received an application for the admission of Loris Benrietta Guggenhoim, the daughter of William and Jeanette Guggenheim of Shaker Weights. As you hav been named wereference, we shall appreciate your frank estimate of her as to character, scholastic ability, and promise of development. Would Loris be rated as outstanding in these three items? Fall information would be appreciated as admission is bending. Whatever information you can give us about her will be very helpful. Very sincerely, Janus & Malker JFW:M Enclosure

January 12, 1948 Mr. James F. Walker, Principal Westtown School Westtown, Pennsylvania My dear Mr. Walker: Your letter to Dr. Silver, who is out of the country, has been referred to the writer. Loris Guggenheim was an attendant of our religious school and we found her to be a very high type young lady of very good scholastic ability and a girl who has great promise of development. She comes from very fine parents and I would not hesitate for one nimute to recommend her to you as a student in your school. Sincerely yours. THE TRIPIE H. A. Levy Executive Secretary HAL: AF

Jamary 15, 1948 George School George School, Pennsylvania Att: William Byes, 3rd. Gentlemen: Your letter of January 12 to Dr. Silver has been referred to the writer due to Dr. Silver's absence from our country. Loris Guggenhein was a member of our religious school and was a very fine, intellogent, and industrious student. She is a young lady who makes friends very easily and always has had pleasant relationships with both teachers and pupils in our school. Her parents are very high type people and are quite active in communal affairs in our city. Her father holds a very responsible position with one of our leading credit clothing houses. I would not hesitate in the least to recommend hor for admittance in your achool. Sincerely yours, THE TRUPLE H. A. Levy Executive Secretary HAL: AF

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April 8, 19h8

Mr. Abba H. Silver, Honorary President Zionist Organization of America hl East h2nd Street Hew York 17, H. Y.

Dear Mr. Silver:

Thank you for writing to us in commendation of Jerome Lefkowitz.

We are very glad to have your opinion of him.

Very truly yours,

Bernard P. Ireland Assistant Director

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THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE CINCINNATI 20, OHIO OFFICE OF THE Director of Field Activities May 27, 1948 Dr. Abbs Hillel Silver The Temple E. 105th St at Ansel Rd Cleveland, Ohio Dear Dr. Silver: Herbert Strauss of Cleveland Heights has indicated his interes; in attending the Hebrew Union College to prepare for a career of service in the rabbinate. He has given us your name as a reference. Since the Hebrew Union College admits only graduate students, Mr. Strauss's application will be reviewed at some later date. However, your opinion of his character and qualifications would be of great assistance to us in advising and guiding him in his plans for the future. We are enclosing herewith a confidential report form and will be grateful if you would complete this form and return it to this office. Any additional information you can give us will be extremely valuable. Please be assured that the information contained in your report will be kept in strictest confidence. With every good wish and thanking you in advance for your cooperation, I am Robert C. Karly Rabbi Robert L. Katz auswered 6/3/48 RLK:W encl

RALPH B. HERZOG ATTORNEY AT LAW IZIO CHESTER WILLIAMS BUILDING 215 WEST FIFTH STREET LOS ANGELES 13, CALIFORNIA MICHIGAN OBOZ June 3, 1948 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver c/o The Temple Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio Dear Rabbi Silver: We are considering Rabbi Wm. Mordecai Kramer for the pulpit of University Synagogue, a comparatively new and small reform congregation located in the westerly part of Los Angeles. Rabbi Kramer gave me your name and suggested that I make inquiry of you concerning his qualifications. I should appreciate sincerely a candid statement from you concerning your opinion of Rabbi Kramer, concerning his intellectual attainments, his organizational ability. his qualities of spiritual leadership, his ability to get along with people, and particularly with children, his Sunday school activities, his ability as a speaker, his sivic activities, and any other information that you deem to be of value. In this connection I should appreciate your keeping in mind that we desire to increase the size and activities of our congregation. I also should appreciate your informing me of the reasons why Rabbi Kramer left your congregation. You may rest assured that any information that you may give to me will be kept strictly and entirely confidential. I trust that this request does not constitute an imposition, and you may rest assured that your compliance therewith will be appreciated greatly. Sincerely yours, RBH: der

June 11, 1948 Mr. Ralph B. Ferzog 1210 Chester Williams Bldg. Los Angeles 13, California Dear Mr. Herzogt In reply to your kind letter of June 3rd; I understand that you have also written to the President of the Temple, Mr. Sidney Weits, and that he has replied to your inquiry. I can only endorse what Mr. Weitz has written to you. Rabbi Kramer has fine abilities and has been gaining in experience since his graduation as rabbi and teacher, and I am sure will serve your congregation well. Rabbi Kramer left the Temple of his own free will, desiring to have a congregation of his own. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHSter

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:-

HAROLD W. SCHER is one of the sons of members of our congregation of a great many years standing. He is a confirmment of the religious school of our Temple and has been connected with the Bailey Co. here in Cleveland, Chio since leaving the University of Penn. where he attended the Wharton School of Finance. He has advanced himself with that concern until prior to his entrance into the United States Army he was General Merchandiser of the entire basement store.

I am sure you will find him capable of fulfiling any position he may apply for.

mr. Herman Schen 19 9816 Westchester ave.

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