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Section 18 If any employer, employe or other person shall violate any provisions of this act or shall do any Act prohibited by this Act or shall fail or refuse to perform any duty lawfully enjoined, within the time prescribed by the commission, for which no penalty has been specifically provided, or fail, neglect or refuse to obey any lawful order given or made by the commission, or any judgment or decree made by any court in connection with the provisions of this Act, for each such violation, failure or refusal such employer or other person shall be fined not less than Fifty Dollars, nor more than One Thousand Dollars for the first offense and not less than One Hundred nor more than Five Thousand Dollars for each subsequent offense.

Section 19. Every day during which any person, persons or corporations, or any officer, agent, or employe thereof shall fail to observe and comply with any order of the commission, or to perform any duty enjoined by this Act shall constitute a separate and distinct violation of such order or said section as the case may be.

Section 20. The sections of this Act, and every part of such sections are hereby declared to be independent sections, and parts of sections and the holding of any section or part thereof to be void or ineffective shall not affect any other section or part thereof.

Section 21. This Act shall be in effect on and after July 1st, 1931; but no premiums shall be payable by employees or employers until on and after January 1st, 1932.



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You can readily understand how our hearts overflow with joy and happiness on this occasion. I am sure that you, Edward and Ruth, fully realize how sincere are our good wishes and our hopes for your future. There is nothing that parents wish more for their children than their happiness.

This is a troubled and uncertain world in which we all live, and it is a particularly difficult one for young people. Nevertheless, united in love and mutual devotion as I am sure you are, you can face the future in confidence and in high hope. You can always build for yourselves an inner life of such beauty that it will be a sanctuary of peace for yourselves in the days to come.

There is much more that I can say, but is it really necessary? The deepest emotions must be left unexpressed. May you be blessed with all the good things which you wish for yourselves.



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Accept our apologies for bringing business to you on your vacation. I suppose it is an unpardonable intrusion but you realize it couldn't be avoided.

With best wishes to you and Virginia

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Selden.

Marion Neumark has asked me to add a post-script urging you not to change the date of the lectures to February if the change would inconvenience you in any way.



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I hear the most pitiful stories as to the condition in which some of the Jewish children refugees are arriving in this Country, and what I repeat now is authentic information. Apart from the deplorable condition of health in which these children arrive, several of them have been branded with the "Swastika" mark, and one child had such a brand mark on her face, which it is hoped plastic surgery will now remove. No adult, apparently, can leave Germany without paying the equivalent of 180 pounds, but people in Holland have, through bribing the guards, been able to secure the release of several from the concentration camps. I know of one case where 5000 pounds was paid and the man was released and is now in hiding in Germany but for the moment it has been impossible to remove him into Holland. I am sure we shall never really know what is happening over there, and I have no doubt that information reaches your ears which is equally abhorring. However, retribution will come when Hitler and his complete entourage will suffer at the hands of the German nation.

I am, however, convinced that War cannot be averted for much longer. The recent incidents in Italy against France, which unquestionably have been instigated by Italian officialdom and are now supported by the Nazis is in itself sufficient evidence that a quarrel is intended. The trouble is that War will break out without anyone knowing at what hour it will commence.

I do not understand our Government declining to put into operation a compulsory register. I don't think that any steps they could take now could be sufficient to protect the Nation in a time of emergency. There is, however, an official indication that the Government will assume control of property in time of war and we may yet find ourselves more entirely socialized as a nation than we at present contemplate, but unless the Government does take control of men, women and effects, they will not be able to act in time of stress as one individual mind.

*Dear Robert Doherty -  
This from a friend in  
Graz - whose name  
is unmentioned D.K.*





REGINALD G. NEFZGER  
MANAGER



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My dear Rabbi Silver:

Your letter addressed to me in Youngstown has been forwarded to me here in Philadelphia, where I accompanied my brother who has undergone an eye operation.

I am indeed sorry to hear of Mr. Levy's illness and I shall be delighted to be of help, if I can.

Am planning on leaving here by Monday and shall be in Cleveland Tuesday and contact Mr.





REGINALD G. NEFZGER  
MANAGER



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Sidney Weitz then. (If you  
need someone immediately  
and think Tuesday is too  
late would you be good enough  
to notify <sup>me in care of</sup> my home in Erie, Pa.  
(1228 Parade St.))?

Hope your boys have  
recuperated from the measles  
and are now enjoying good  
health.

With sincere good  
wishes to you and Mrs. Silver,  
I am

Cordially yours,  
Bertha M. Weff.



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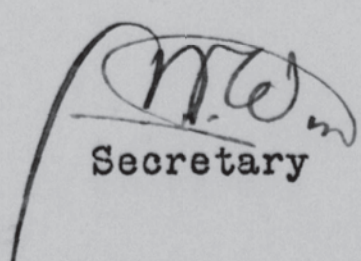
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Secretary





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Dr. Alva Hillel Silver  
American Jewish Congress  
Waldorf Astoria Hotel  
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My dear Dr. Silver

I do not want to deny myself the pleasure of writing and congratulating you on the sincere, fiery and inspiring speech which left me, and I am sure the entire audience who were privileged to listen to it, spellbound. I suppose without flattery it is fair to say that speeches like that one can only be treated to once in a century.

Your services on behalf of the Jewish people for the last thirty years are known throughout the world, and I pray that your efforts shall be crowned with success and glory for the Jewish people and shall also benefit humanity at large.

With kindest regards, I have the honor to remain,

Very respectfully yours

*Marcus Wulkan*

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Marcus Wulkan  
Executive Director  
Labor Division



Dear Abba,

(Advance w. All North.

① Your speech, read from the L. J. C., is very powerful! But, of course, I am concerned about the attitude of F. D. R. the State Dept. etc..

② The contemplated Conference to be held in Oct. or August? I hope it will achieve a lot of good: but am afraid it will be a case of VOCES, VOCES (is that the plural of Vox?) Et praeterea nihil!

③ Abba, did I ever tell you that in 1934 or '35 I offered my services to the A. L. O. as a dollar-a-year-man: but nothing came out of it... When I told this to Lou Levinthal 2 yrs. ago, he was sceptical. So, in my presence, he spoke of this to Morris Rothenberg. Morris said: "That is true. Rella approached me. But there was too much politics in the organization that I was afraid he would be hurt" etc. etc. Since which time I have kept away from the group... Mind you, but the A. L. O. offers me 25000 a year I would have declined. But my services were not accepted.

④ Yesterday I was in N. Y. So, I stopped in the New Yorker for a few minutes. There is a bit of Monumental Chaparral! The Rabbi of Washington, D. C. (a pompous...) called on Gold - Davis. I know how much he has done for the Negroes in Washington? Why did not I recommend him as Commencement Oration in Harvard? (6) He will have been 10 yrs. in the Capitol next year.. It would be a nice (possibly the dream) thing if Howard gave him an L. A. up to me to get it for him: said he

affly yours  
Rella



The National Exchange Bank  
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Gentlemen:

Please change my address on your records  
from 246 E. 105th St., Cleveland, Ohio to the  
following:

Mrs. Virginia H. Silver  
19810 Shaker Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

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Very sincerely yours,



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his company."

*W.F. Halsey*

W. F. HALSEY  
Vice Admiral, U. S. Navy.

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