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Palestine at the crossroads, 1938.



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WEDNESDAY.

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**Dr. Abba  
Hillel Silver**

Rabbi, The Temple,  
Cleveland

WRHS  
"PALESTINE AT THE CROSS-ROADS"

**Are The Arabs United? Can Their Hostility And British Diplomacy  
Interfere With The Building Of Palestine?**

A word picture of Dr. Silver can be painted only with superlatives. He epitomizes all that is finest and worthiest in Jewish scholarship, culture and tradition. Inspired with the zeal and the fervor of the prophetic spirit, he speaks a chastely beautiful language, in words that gleam and sparkle with the fire of a noble soul. The mantle of oratory was not lost in Greece. It passed from one great man to another in each succeeding generation. Today it rests upon the shoulders of Dr. Silver.

In these tragic days, what problem lies closer to the heart of the average Jew than the fate of Palestine? And who is more fit to throw illuminating understanding upon that important question than Dr. Silver? National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, internationally known for his great services in the cause of Zion, he is never more eloquent than when speaking of the Jewish homeland. No one who regards himself as an informed Jew can afford to miss Jewry's most vital problem discussed by this Leader in Israel.





Tacobi

- 1/ Glad - Felt need - Results fair - not commensurate  
In Welfare F. comm - Permanent Org - new board members  
Regular meeting - Executive - Educational work -
- 2/ What Emerg. exists - clear - 15002 Ad - Work of  
Nation building - hard + long -  
need of a sustained and continuous effort -  
surmounting temp. checks -  
(2) On way to promised land - how many -  
and after 40 yrs - "Carpenter" - "step by step"  
Return from Babylon -  
(1) America was built same way - Br. & Cohen -
- 3/ How crypto clear - WRHIS - Shelton - Hugel -  
Head of Homeland - WRHIS - Shelton - but Auto Evam  
Statutes - Even to-day - those who would solve Refugee  
we will cooperate / cement - WRHIS -  
But no solution! Shelton Hamel! The million  
had a Refugee problem + but National WRHIS  
- International
- 4/ In Palestine. For moment not bright -  
altho 1/2 Refugees, valued - 2 1/2 = 55,000  
But vision behind Bof. Dec. & Mandate  
must be realized - Time!  
WRHIS initiated by Refats - Paraph. Shaw  
- Parthian - Shelton - WRHIS



~~7. We appeal to the world - but can~~

6/ We have worked for 20 yrs -  
~~We want to work & build~~

(1) well (2) ideally (3) unfettered & to  
hunt & come.  
To G. B. To ourselves

7/ If Jews had all virtues - \$400,000,000  
still 1 min. - Nation - N/200

8/ What English will do  
What we will do -

Understand -  
Turn for better -  
Moral sense - at least  
every day

Our Claim WRHS



Cannot accept Minority - To the "Island"  
will accept any plan - Nat. States Dangers

9/ Do not treat as the  
only with the - is best for us



1/ Grave - Tribulations - 5 - crescendo -  
We think - Why they? cemeteries - Jews - <sup>Cup</sup> Brunt  
1627 - Healing - Honor -  
Ring - Domestic - Wrong - Sp. Bath.

2/ Grave - Appeasement - free hand - do anything  
Other lands - orbit - "Exha-ter. rights"  
773 18 - so many fronts.

3/ Our lesson - written large - Vindication of Herzl -  
"Internat" Jew. - status - normalize.

4/ that is meaning of WRHS not that it does not 50,000 Germ.  


Castling about - Tanganyika - years! now!  
Prepared - Room - Children - 100,000 Pressure

5/ Should not be discouraged - 1929 -  
Sound - Just -

6/ Our claim -

7/ We builded -

8/ May be checked - 1/11/65 1/1 - when would restored  
- will approach it as at time, Balfour Dec -



9/ There is no other solution! Land Auto-emancipation

10/ Arabs - Round Table - Minority - Token -

11/ 1912 / 1913 / 20 13 - Geeks - Germ - China - Ethiopia

"Do not tread on me"

Chained in fire - will emerge -

12/ A better day will come -

Silence on Voice -

until that day - work /

For final solution

For us - Resurrection /

WRHS



'Emancipation'



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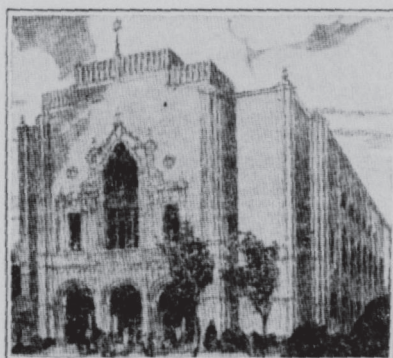
1. **Tuesday, November 1, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver**, one of America's outstanding Jewish spiritual leaders, will speak on "The Future of Zionism." Events in Palestine make this subject vitally significant.
2. **Tuesday, November 15, Hubert C. Herring**, interpreter of international affairs; is the founder and director of the Committee on Cultural Relations with Latin America. His recent articles on "The Department of State" has precipitated discussion which reverberates across the country. His subject will be "Revolutionary Mexico—Plague or Promise?"
3. **Wednesday, December 14, B. C. Vladeck**, Editor of the Jewish Daily Forward and Majority Leader of the New York City Council. A broad visioned, keen analyst of social problems and an eloquent speaker. His subject is "The Implications of the Housing Movement."
4. **Tuesday, January 3, Henry C. Wolfe** will take as his subject, "The German Octopus." His recent book by that name forecasted the present European situation. Mr. Wolfe is a foreign correspondent with years of service covering every European country.
5. **Tuesday, January 24, Dr. Shalom Spiegel**, scholar, author, lecturer; will be remembered for his Week-End Institute at the "Y" last winter. Stimulating and provocative. A forceful speaker with an important message. His subject, "A Jew Looks at Tomorrow."
6. **Tuesday, February 28, Marquis W. Childs**, Washington correspondent for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Regarded as one of the ablest forum speakers in the country. He will speak on "What is Happening in Washington?"
7. **Tuesday, March 14, Dr. Mordecai Ezekiel**, economic adviser to the Secretary of Agriculture. Authority on government control in economic activity. His subject is "Farmers and Laborers Face the Future."
8. **Tuesday, April 11, Mark Starr**, Educational Director for the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union. Graduate of the London Labor College on a scholarship from the South Wales Miners' Federation. Has performed miracles in organizing educational advantages for workers. Has a fascinating story and knows how to tell it. His subject is "Labor Education."

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are going!



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mittee will solicit you  
very soon. Please give  
what you can, to help the  
needy on Pesach!

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**DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER**  
will close our Lecture Forum in a  
blaze of glory.

Mention of  
his name  
evokes such  
questions as:  
Is he the great-  
est living ora-  
tor? Must his  
name be includ-  
ed among the  
ten greatest  
Jews in the  
world today?

These are  
matters of opin-  
ion. However,  
there can be no  
doubt that, fired  
with prophetic  
zeal, and fortifi-  
ed with pro-  
found erudition,  
he is truly a great Teacher and Leader  
in Israel, and one of the most eloquent  
preachers of our generation.

To his wise counsel, and leadership  
may be attributed much of the credit  
for the great transformations that have  
been rejuvenating and revivifying Re-  
form Judaism in America, bringing it  
back closer to traditional services and  
practices, and—what is even more sig-  
nificant—to an acceptance of Zionism.

**"Palestine at the Cross-Roads!"**  
This subject, which Dr. Silver has  
selected for his lecture, is on the lips

of Jews — and  
non-Jews  
everywhere to-  
day, in view of  
the alarming  
news from Lon-  
don, concerning  
British propos-  
als to terminate  
the Mandate  
and set up an  
Arab State with  
Jews a perman-  
ent minority.

Is the Jewish  
Homeland in  
Palestine to be  
the next victim  
of Chamber-  
lain's appease-  
ment policy?

Can World Jewry do anything to pre-  
vent this catastrophe? Can American  
and British public opinion be mobil-  
ized to prevent this base and cruel  
repudiation of Britain moral and  
legal obligations to the Jews of the  
World under the Balfour Declaration  
and the Mandate and of its undertak-  
ings with the United States in the  
American-British Palestine Mandate  
Convention of 1924? These vital ques-  
tions will be discussed in Dr. Silver's  
lecture.

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(Copy of Cable sent to England)

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BRITISH PRESTIGE, SHOCKS WORLD CONSCIENCE. RECONSIDERATION DEMANDED.  
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March 3, 1939



## THE AGUDAS ACHIM FORUM

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### WE WILL STAND FIRM!

Though England sully its honor, and abase itself humbly before the menace of snarling Beasts of Prey, and in so doing, cruelly betray Jewish faith in the sanctity of its pledges for a Jewish Homeland in Palestine, we Jews will—because we must—Stand Firm!

We **will** stand firm, because we are in Palestine as of right, and not on sufferance. We **must** stand firm because Eretz Israel is our only hope.

By our own firmness, we shall arouse the World Conscience to resist Britain's effort to make the Jewish Homeland another Czechoslovakia.

Only if our own Faith and Courage waver, can the British do this thing; but we won't let them waver. **We will—we must—Stand Firm!**

—C. M.

### THE HONOR ROLL

I am happy to set out herewith additional names on the Honor Roll of the contributors to the Community Center Fund:

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When the members of the Committee call upon you, please co-operate by giving as generous a contribution as you can, so that we may be able to make Pesach a truly happy holiday for every needy family in our community.

May I remind you of our late Friday evening services? If you are not attending regularly, you are missing something very much worth while! Come this Friday, and see for yourself!

JOSEPH ROLNICK,

President, The Congregation

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If your name is not on the Honor Roll, it's not too late to put it there!

B. N. PLATT,

Chairman, Board of Directors



**Dr. Abba Hillel Silver**, re-elected National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal in January, has now been elevated to a new honor and responsibility, — National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal—the newly-formed union of all fund-raising agencies for Refugees and Overseas Needs both in Europe and Palestine.

In France during the World War, **Dr. Silver** received a decoration from the French government. He has served as university preacher at Harvard, Cornell, Syracuse, Purdue, and the University of Chicago.



Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

Radio broadcasts have been arranged for **Dr. Silver** on the Message of Israel programs on the NBC Blue-Net-work, during the month of March.

He will speak on Saturday evening, March 11, on "The Morals of Aid to Refugees," and again on Saturday evening, March 18, on "American Israel — A Spiritual Background to American Jewry."

Both broadcasts will be from 6 p. m. to 6:30 p. m., Central Standard Time.

**Dr. Silver** is the author of "Religion in a Changing World," and of other books.

## "ANOTHER SELLOUT"

(A leading editorial in the Chicago Daily News of Monday, March 6, 1939)

"As to Great Britain's readiness to jettison her solemn obligations to the Jews of Palestine in pursuance of the suicidal "appeasement policy," the world's worst suspicions seem now to have been fully confirmed.

"... What is called for is a stiff formal protest (by our government). **The Balfour Declaration, as cannot too emphatically be reiterated, is not a purely British concern.** This pledge, assuring Jews of all nations a safe refuge from bigotry and persecution, was set up with the full co-operation and assent of the United States government. **Our moral obligation to see that it is in no wise abrogated is no less imperative than that of the British.**"



## WORLD JEWRY WARNS BRITAIN

Typical of the determination of the Yishub to resist any attempt to impose a minority status upon them is the resolution of the Histadruth at Jerusalem, warning that "We shall not yield, nor shall we accept any plan designed to stifle us. We shall continue to enter Palestine, and with all the forces at our command we shall frustrate every attempt at Arab domination."

American Jewry, too, has courageously declared: "British statesmen should think carefully before they rob the last hope of millions slowly being driven to desperation. The Jews of America, aided by the sympathetic interest of their fellow - American non-Jews, will resist with every means at their command such intolerable injustice."

Fourth Annual Sisterhood Dance  
Sunday, March 12  
Red Lacquer Room, Palmer House  
Tickets \$1 Per Person  
Come—Enjoy a Wonderful Evening!



## FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

The Cultural Committee announces the guest speakers for the remaining Friday evenings in March, as listed below. This completes the series of twenty-one Friday Evenings, with twenty-one guest speakers, or groups of speakers in symposia, all dealing with various aspects of Jewish life. Not many Congregations can point to a similar record. Perhaps this explains why the attendance on Friday evenings continues to grow from week to week.

In addition to the chanting by **Cantor Aaron Kritz**, the Congregational singing, Open Forum and Social Hour, February saw inaugurated a new series of "Biographies of Great Jews," presented by members of Junior Hadassah, Menorah Society of Northwestern University, Hebrew Theological College Bialik Chapter of A. Z. A., and Young Judaea. This series will be continued in March. The services start at 8:15 P. M.

The schedule follows:

Mar. 10: **Rabbi Adam Neuberger**, of Congregation Beth Jacob B'nai Bezalel Anshe Misrach.  
Subject: "Courage for Today."

Biography No. 4: "Moses Maimonides."

Mar. 17: **Charles Miskin**, Chairman of our Cultural Committee, and Vice-President, Zionist Organization of Chicago.

Subject: "Three Avenues Leading to Jewish Destiny."

Biography No. 5: "Theodor Herzl."

## SISTERHOOD ITEMS

Eclipsing all other activities, and absorbing all the energies of the Sisterhood, is the **Fourth Annual Sisterhood Dance**, to be held on Sunday evening, March 12, at the Red Lacquer Room of the Palmer House!

That the affairs will be a tremendous success is the earnest hope of **Mrs. Morris H. Herron**, President; **Mrs. Louis Platt**, Chairman of the Board; **Mrs. L. Rosen**, Dance Chairman; **Mrs. Ira R. Perlman**, Chairman of Program Book; **Mrs. S. Bass**, Chairman of Tickets; **Mrs. S. B. Rosenstein**, Chairman of Jewels, Good-Fellowship and Memorials; **Mrs. B. Rosenfield**, Financial Secretary of Dance; and **Mrs. E. H. Rosenberg**, Chairman of Publicity.

The password is: "See you Sunday evening at the Red Lacquer Room of the Palmer House!"

Mar. 24: **Rabbi Philip Pincus**, of East St. Louis, Ill.

Subject: "The Crisis of Civilization."

Services will be conducted by members of A. Z. A. Bialik Chapter, in honor of A. Z. A. Night.

Biography No. 6: "Baruch Spinoza."

Mar. 31: **Rabbi Selig Starr**, Professor of Talmud, Hebrew Theological College, and two students of the College, in a panel discussion of the subject: "A Rabbi Look at Judaism."

Biography No. 7: "Chaim N. Bialik."

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