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New Haven, Connecticut, 1922-1960.

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February 15th, 1922

Mr. Chas. A. Shapiro  
162 Temple St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

Regret exceedingly that previous important  
engagement for Sunday makes it impossible  
for me to accept your very kind invitation.  
I trust that your campaign will meet with the  
great success which it deserves.

A. H. Silver.

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New Haven, Conn.,

May 24

1923

Rabbi Silvia  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silvia:

I am writing in behalf of the committee to ask if you can arrange to speak to the members of the New Haven Section of the Council of Jewish Women during the fall or winter season 1923-1924. Our meetings are held in the afternoon of the first Monday of each month. You may possibly come East at some time during the season and may be able to address our women at such time.

Will you please let me know if you will come, your date, fee, subject, etc.

We wish to have plans made early in order to have our year book ready for print before the season. May I hear soon from you?

Thank you

Cordially yours,

(Miss) Julia Adler, Chairman of  
199 Lawrence St. - Program  
New Haven, Conn



May 29th, 1923.

Miss Julia Hadler,  
199 Lawrence Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Miss Hadler,

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of May 24th and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the New Haven section of the Council of Jewish Women. I plan to be in Boston on Sunday evening, April 6th to address the Ford Hall Forum. It may be possible for me to come to you on Monday, April 7th. My remuneration would be \$100 and traveling expenses. If the date and terms are acceptable, I shall send you later on a list of subjects from which you may select the one most suitable for your organization.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Council of Jewish Women

New Haven, Conn.,

199 Lawrence St  
June 8 1923

Rabbi A. N. Silver  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Your letter of May 29, is at hand. You write you can arrange to speak to New Haven Council of Jewish Women on Monday, April 7, 1924 following your address to Ford Hall Forum. Your remuneration to be \$100 and traveling expenses. Will you please let me know if you can give your address in the evening of April 7? As to traveling expenses would the Boston people share such? Or what arrangements may be made as to traveling expenses? Please let me know and I hope them to complete arrangements. Thank you.

Very sincerely yours

Miss Julia Nadler  
199 Lawrence St  
New Haven, Conn

June 11th, 1923.

Miss Julia Hadler,  
199 Lawrence Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Miss Hadler,

Permit me to thank you for your letter of June 8th. I am afraid that I shall not be able to be with you on the evening of the 7th. I must be back in Cleveland early Tuesday morning. As far as the traveling expenses are concerned, your share would be the expense involved in going from New Haven to Cleveland.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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New Haven, Conn.,

199 Lawrence St  
June 13 1923

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you for your letter of June 11, 1923.  
I regret that you cannot come to speak to the  
women of New Haven Section of Council of Jewish Women  
on the evening of April 7. We will, however, be  
pleased to have you give your address on the afternoon  
Monday, April 7, 1924. Fee \$100. and traveling expenses from  
New Haven to Cleveland.

Will you please let me hear from you soon giving  
subject of your address.

Greetings from

Yours sincerely

Miss Julia Nadler  
199 Lawrence St  
New Haven, Conn

Hon  
or

June 15th, 1923.

Miss Julia Nadler,  
199 Lawrence Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Miss Nadler,

Permit me to acknowledge your kind letter of June 13th. I have definitely booked New Haven for Monday afternoon, April 7th, 1924. The following lectures have proved rather popular with sections of the Council of Jewish Women.

1. Is there an American Judaism?
2. Racial and Religious Conflicts in the United States.
3. Have we an American Civilization?

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Council of Jewish Women

New Haven, Conn.,

199 Lawrence St.  
July 23 1923

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
Cleveland, O.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The program committee have selected the  
subject "Have we an American Civilization" of the  
three you submitted.

We are anticipating your address and you on  
Monday, April 7, 1924. I thank you.

Very sincerely yours,

Miss Julia Nadler

199 Lawrence St.

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New Haven, Conn.,

March 16 1924

Ruth Silver

E. 55th St & Central

Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Ruth Silver

We are looking forward  
to your coming to us in April the  
seventh. Would you please let  
us know just what time you  
will arrive in New Haven & of  
your departure that we may  
know how to time our meeting  
& to meet you at the station?  
In anticipation of having you with  
us & with kindest messages

Believe me

Sincerely  
(Mrs A.J.) Alice S. Johnson  
Cor. Sec'y.

March 18th, 1924.

Mrs. A. J. Johnson,  
Hotel Taft,  
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mrs. Johnson,

I shall be in Boston on  
Sunday, April 6th. I plan to arrive  
in New Haven Monday morning at your  
meeting is scheduled for the afternoon,  
or in the afternoon if the meeting is  
scheduled for the evening. Please let  
me know the exact hour of the meeting.  
I would appreciate also if when the time  
comes you would make reservations for me  
from New Haven back to Cleveland for the  
night of the 7th.

With kindest regards, permit  
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Leo H. Herz, Hon. Pres.  
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## Council of Jewish Women

New Haven, Conn.,

March 27<sup>th</sup> 1924

Rabbi Abba Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver,

In answer to your last letter would like to inform you that our meeting is at three o'clock in the afternoon of April the seventh. Also that we have made reservation for your return to Cleveland for the night of the seventh as you desired.

In anticipation of meeting you

Kindly let us know of your arrival that we may meet you at the station

Sincerely

(Mrs A. J.) Miss S. Johnson Cor. Sec'y.

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## Council of Jewish Women

New Haven, Conn.,

April 26<sup>th</sup> 1924

Rabbi Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland Ohio,

My dear Rabbi Silver:

May accept the deepest  
thanks for your very delightful and  
inspiring message given to the New  
Haven Section Council of Jewish Women  
on April the first.

All who were privileged to hear  
you speak, were much pleased and  
feel far better qualified for working  
out the problems of the times.

Please pardon my delay in sending  
thanks to you - but I have been away

from the City. which accounts  
for ~~the~~ ~~seeming~~ negligence.

With repeated expressions of  
appreciation and kindest  
messages

Believe me

Sincerely

(Thos A. F.) Cecil S. Johnson.

New Haven, Conn.

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October 1, 1925

Rabbi Abba Silver,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

With very pleasant memories of your talk here a few years ago we wish to invite you to New Haven to talk in connection with our Community Lecture Forum which is sponsored by the following organizations:

Council of Jewish Women  
Sisterhood - Temple Mishkan Israel  
New Haven Lodge - United Order of True Sisters  
Ladies' Auxiliary - B'nai Brith  
Mother's Educational Club  
Young Women's Hebrew Association

This is the second year we are conducting this Forum. The lectures have all been of a Jewish nature and have been met with much interest and enthusiasm.

We are extremely anxious to have you come and suggest any of the following dates January 20th, March 2nd, 11th or 16th unless you are planning to come East or another date would be more convenient just let us know. The lectures are planned for the evening.

We shall consider any fee you may suggest?

With keen interest we look forward to your acceptance.

Sincerely yours,  
COMMUNITY LECTURE FORUM COMMITTEE

*Celia H. Duhan*  
Chairman

October Seventh  
1925

New Haven,  
Conn.

Miss Celia H. Duhan,  
Y.M. and T.W.H.A.,  
304 Crown Street,  
New Haven, Connecticut.

My dear Miss Duhan,

I am scheduled to be in the East on  
Monday, December 21st. I wonder whether Tuesday,  
December 22nd, would be a convenient date for your  
Forum. My honorarium would be \$150.00 and traveling  
expenses.

Trusting that the terms and date will be  
agreeable, I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

October Twelfth  
1925

Miss Celia H. Duhan,  
Y.M. and Y.W.H.A.,  
304 Crown Street,  
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Miss Duhan,

I am scheduled to be in the East  
on Monday, December 21st. I wonder whether  
Tuesday, December 22nd would be a convenient  
date for your Forum. My honorarium would  
be \$150.00 and traveling expenses.

If the terms and the date are  
satisfactory, I shall send you a list of sub-  
jects in the near future.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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October 27, 1925

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

At a meeting of the Community Lecture Forum Committee on October 22nd it was decided not to conduct a series of lectures this year.

It is with deep regret that we shall not have the pleasure of having you with us on December 22nd but we hope that sometime in the future we shall have the honor of having you in New Haven again.

Sincerely yours,

*Celia Duhan*

Chairman  
Community Lecture Forum Committee

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## New Haven

## Women's Church Union

266 Bradley St.

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April 8, 1913.

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My dear Dr. Silver.

The enclosed folder will tell you what the Woolsey Hall Wednesday afternoon lecture courses in October & November each year. aim to do & the program will show you that we have been able to hear some of the outstanding men of the country, Rabbi Mann who is much beloved in this city, where he preached for several years. spoke in last year's course.

The Committee of the Yale Divinity School & of the N. H. Council of churches who cooperate with us in organizing this course. unite with our N. H. Women's Church Union. in a hearty invitation to you to be one of our lecturers this next year. on some Wednesday in November (which exact one I would like to arrange a little later after hearing of your coming).

The audience is a large popular one. more women than men but a goodly number of men. & we should like to ask you what subject you would most like to speak about. When Rabbi Silver spoke of one of your <sup>addresses</sup> on "Liberalism & the Cross - Roads." also "Science & Religion." If you feel that you can come. as we so earnestly hope. would you be so good please as to suggest one or two perhaps - giving as titles. what would most attract. In an average audience, most of them I suppose church folk. Many of course would come from the Synagogue to hear you - as they did Rabbi Mann. Also would you

please tell me if there is any Monday in  
November on which you could not come.

The honorarium is fifty dollars plus expenses.  
One can leave N.Y. at 2 o'clock & get here in time for the  
lecture at 4.15.

Of course the whole aim of this course is to stimulate  
the spiritual nature of us all - our highest-ideals  
both as individuals and a community. I would  
a little rather not take up international questions  
just now: we have so much of that this' in international  
course running this' the winter.

As I am very anxious to announce our speakers  
at our Annual Dinner which comes very soon, will  
you be so kind as to reply as soon as you can.

you can come

Hoping very & sincerely that  
I am

Sincerely yours

Edith Lyman Porter -

YALE UNIVERSITY  
THE DIVINITY SCHOOL

LUTHER A. WEIGLE, DEAN

NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

April 8, 1931

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, D.D. Litt.D.  
The Temple  
Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio

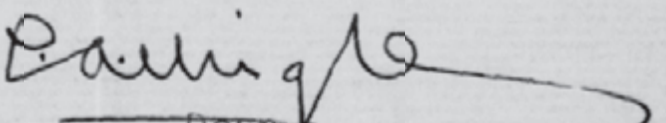
Dear Dr. Silver:

Mrs. Frank C. Porter, President of the Women's Church Union of this city, tells me that her committee is inviting you to give one of the lectures in the course which they are planning for next fall. I am writing to say that I hope earnestly you will be able to accept this invitation. The Women's Church Union of New Haven is a strong organization doing most effective work. For the past eight or ten years it has sponsored each fall courses of lectures which have become one of the real institutions in New Haven life. You will be given a wide hearing should you come.

The Faculty of the Divinity School joins cordially in the invitation which has been given you by Mr. Porter's committee.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
Dean

RABBI EDGAR E. SISKIN  
CONGREGATION MISHKAN ISRAEL  
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

OFFICE  
ORANGE AND AUDUBON STREETS  
RESIDENCE  
76 GROVE STREET, APT. 720

April 23rd, 1931

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

My dear Doctor Silver,

Mrs. Frank C. Porter has asked me to write you with reference to the likelihood of your accepting the invitation extended by the New Haven Women's Church Union to deliver a lecture here later in the year. It seems that the good ladies have not heard from you. This has caused considerable perturbation locally. The Church Union is very anxious to receive your acceptance. I have been importuned to do what I can to persuade you to come here.

It was my suggestion that you be invited. Mrs. Porter, who is, by the way, the wife of the noted Biblical scholar, wanted some representative Jewish personality to address the Church Union. When she consulted me I promptly suggested your name.

I hope you will find it possible to come. I am sure you would enjoy the experience. The lectures which compose this annual series sponsored by the Church Union are given by the outstanding religious leaders of the country--of the world, in fact. Tagore was one of the speakers last year. The lectures take place in Woolsey Hall, a huge auditorium, a University building. Your audience will easily exceed two thousand in number. The University will be liberally represented by both students and faculty. In general, your audience will be a good deal above the average in intelligence.

In speaking of possible topics, I made bold to tell Mrs. Porter that you could speak authoritatively on any important religious problem. I suggested some of the subjects I had seen discussed so admirably in "Religion in a Changing World." Any topic you would select would be, I am sure, most acceptable.

RABBI EDGAR E. SISKIN  
CONGREGATION MISHKAN ISRAEL  
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

OFFICE  
ORANGE AND AUDUBON STREETS  
RESIDENCE  
76 GROVE STREET, APT. 720

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I trust you will accept the invitation. Primarily, you will, I believe, reap a real satisfaction from the experience. The New Haven community knows you only through reputation. You have never been here personally. We would deem it a pleasure to meet you.

I shall endeavor, if you will permit me, to make the time you intend spending here as diverting as possible. Perhaps we shall see each other at the Conference this summer. If so, I shall take the liberty of discussing the matter with you in further detail.

With kindest greetings, I am

Faithfully yours,

*Edgar E. Siskin*

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MRS PORTER HAS ASKED ME TO URGE YOU COME NEWHAVEN AT  
INVITATION WOMENS CHURCH UNION CONFIDENT YOU WILL ENJOY  
SPEAKING HERE OUTSTANDING LEADERS COMPRISE ANNUAL LECTURE  
PROGRAM YOU WILL ADDRESS UPWARDS TWO THOUSAND PEOPLE  
INCLUDING MOST OF YALE FACULTY MRS PORTER ANXIOUS TO  
ANNOUNCE YOUR ACCEPTANCE AT MEETING TOMORROW WILL YOU  
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Answer to Mrs. Porter

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## New Haven

## Women's Church Union

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D.D., Litt.D.

Dr Abba Hillel Sitrin  
The Temple  
New Haven  
Conn.

My dear Dr Sitrin,

I hope you will excuse my delay in writing you about the date of your lecture in our Wesley Hall course. Well, well. It was only a day or two ago that I knew certain facts on which all the dates of the six addresses depend.

We are indeed very glad that you can come. We are looking forward greatly to your address. I hope very much that Monday, Nov. 23, is convenient for you. I have arranged the other dates for the others.

I am extremely sorry that I could not have mentioned your letter (or was it a telegram?) & do not remember if you gave a subject.

I shall be very glad if you could conveniently, give me a subject or perhaps a choice of subjects within a very few days. That the subjects of the different speakers may not be much overlap. The theme of the series we call "Messages for Friday" & the aim is to present in a popular way to this large audience of town & gown, some modern problems of religion or the religious life. Especially needed today - something which will wake us up to a deeper religious consciousness & a deeper sense of responsibility for the welfare of

other... It should not be a sermon or like  
a lecture to a literary club - but a  
greeting message of something you have  
particularly on your heart - that you  
would like to give us.

It should be not more than an hour in  
length but I expect might not be less than  
fifty or fifty five minutes.

Is not your great book "Religion in a  
Changing World?" Would you expect  
that to be to your mind?

Yes. If you have any publicity  
material, I should be very glad to have it  
before I go away in June for the summer  
for I write the folder - then - to be printed  
early in September.

Very gratefully yours

David L. Porter -

*card ✓*

May 27th, 1931

Mrs. Frank C. Porter,  
266 Bradley St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mrs. Porter:-

Permit me to thank you for your letter  
of May 21st.

I shall try to keep the date of Monday,  
*Nov. ~~22~~ 23d* free for the Women's Church Union.

If you prefer me to speak on the subject  
of my book, "Religion in a Changing World" I shall be very  
happy to do so. If not, perhaps the theme, "What Is  
Happening to the American Home?" may be of interest to your  
group. Please advise me which subject you prefer.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

card ✓

June 8th, 1931

Mrs. Frank C. Porter,  
266 Bradley St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mrs. Porter:-

In accordance with your recent request I am enclosing herewith a photograph of Rabbi Silver together with a short biographical sketch to be used in connection with your publicity for your meeting on November 23d of the Women's Church Union.

As our supply of these photographs is very low may I ask that when this one has served your purpose, that you will kindly return it to us.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

and!

6/15/31

MRS. FRANK C. PORTER  
266 BRADLEY STREET  
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

My dear Dr. Pitre,

Thank you very much  
for the publicity material & your  
letter. We will return the photo glass  
after it is used next fall -

The date is Nov. 23. (not May 23 as you  
accidentally wrote -).

As Dr. Kearney of Rochester is speaking  
on "The Problem of the American Home"  
& our putting down Religion in a changing  
world for your subject. I shall  
draft the circular about the first week in  
September - so that if you think of any sub-  
ject you would prefer - of a popular &  
uplifting - inspiring nature. Perhaps you  
would write me any time before that.  
If I do not hear - I will put that subject.

Ann.

With many anticipations I am

Cordially yours

Lillian L. Porter

June 13, 1981



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CONGREGATION MISHKAN ISRAEL  
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

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76 GROVE STREET, APT. 720

November 17th, 1931

My dear Doctor Silver,

If I can be of any service  
whatever during your approaching visit to New Haven, please  
consider me yours to command.

If you will inform me of the  
time of your arrival, I shall meet you at the train.

New Haven is looking forward  
to hearing you and welcoming you.

Cordially yours,

*Edgar E. Siskin*

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SEVENTH. COULD WE HAVE YOUR ANSWER IMMEDIATELY SINCE WE GO  
TO PRESS WITH OUR PROGRAM TOMORROW? THE WHOLE CONGREGATION  
AND I ERNESTLY HOPE THAT YOU CAN BE OUR HONORED GUEST=

EDGAR E SISKIN,

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CONGREGATION ON SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER SEVENTH. WILL YOU  
BE OUR HONORED GUEST AND PREACHER AT THIS SERVICE, AND  
THUS HELP MAKE OCCASION STILL MORE SIGNIFICANT TO  
CONGREGATION. WE EAGERLY AWAIT YOUR FAVORABLE REPLY=  
RABBI EDGAR E SISKIN.

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April 17, 1941

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

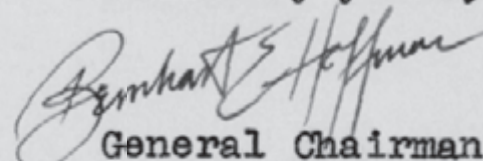
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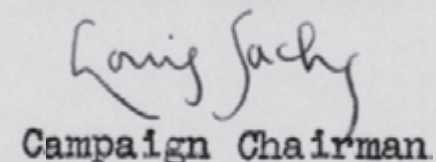
We are writing to invite you to speak at the opening meeting of our 1941 Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign which will take place on Sunday evening, May 18th, at the Taft Hotel.

This year, our community is attempting to raise over 50% more than it raised last year and set a goal of \$112,000, of which \$75,000 is allocated to the United Jewish Appeal. We feel this can be reached if the proper community spirit is developed. Having heard you speak and having listened to the statements made by our new Executive Director, Donald Hurwitz, who only recently came to us from your organization in Cleveland, we feel that you can ignite the spark which we need here. We hope that we can count on you to be with us at the opening meeting of our Campaign.

Please let us know at your earliest convenience whether it will be possible for you to be with us.

Sincerely yours,

  
General Chairman

  
Campaign Chairman

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Miss Bess Kline  
The Temple  
105th Street and Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Bess:

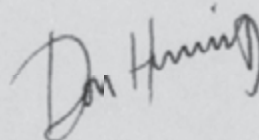
The Chairmen of our 1941 Campaign have written to Rabbi Silver, asking him to speak at the opening meeting on Sunday, May 18th. Since I do not know whether the Rabbi is in town at present, I thought I had better write to you so that you can let us know at once whether or not there is any possibility of the Rabbi's accepting the invitation. We are quite eager to have him here, as you might well imagine.

It still seems a little strange to be away from Cleveland, although knowing campaigns as you must, you can understand that I have had hardly a chance to know where I am.

I hope that everything is going well in Cleveland.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,



DBH:J

April 20, 1941

Mr. Bernhart E. Hoffman, Chairman  
The New Haven Jewish Welfare Fund  
152 Temple St.  
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Hoffman:

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to address the opening meeting of your campaign on Sunday evening, May 18. I would have been most happy to come but our own Cleveland campaign, of which I am chairman, closes that night and it is important for me to be present at the closing meeting. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes for success in your great cause, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Cleveland, Ohio,

August 28, 1941.

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Rabbi Louis Greenberg  
298 Norton Street  
New Haven, Connecticut



Deeply regret my inability to accept your kind invitation  
Many thanks

Abba Hillel Silver

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NOVEMBER 25. IN YOUR REPLY WHICH I HOPE WILL BE IN THE  
AFFIRMATIVE PLEASE STATE YOUR HONORARIUM AS WE ARE ANXIOUS  
TO COMPLETE OUR SCHEDULE WE WILL APPRECIATE AN EARLY REPLY=  
RABBI LOUIS GREENBERG 298 NORTON ST.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

February 24, 1943

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th - Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

May I add my belated congratulations to those expressed by others in the community on the occasion of your recent anniversary in Cleveland. We have followed for years your many inspiring activities in Jewish life.

May I also ask whether it would be possible for you to lend your leadership to the 1943 New Haven Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign, as speaker for the Special Gifts Dinner which is scheduled for Thursday evening, April 1st. ✓

I should like to tell you something of the background of this Dinner and our reasons for wanting you especially to come. Last year New Haven succeeded in raising \$103,000.00, which represents the highest figure by far ever achieved in our Welfare Fund Drives. Although we know that substantial progress is being made, we are not particularly satisfied with this record knowing as we do the potentialities of the community. We have never before attempted a large Special Gifts Dinner and are hopeful that such an effort this year will be productive of results hitherto unrealized in New Haven. We have begun to sound out several of our substantial contributors and early indications are encouraging.

However, in my opinion and in the opinion of others planning this Campaign, the Special Gifts Dinner must tell the tale and we must have a speaker who can forcibly and inspiringly present the story of Palestine and overseas relief. In my opinion, you are the one who can do this for us.

I should appreciate an early reply from you and all of us are hoping that it will be a favorable one.

Sincerely yours,

*Max Livingston*  
Campaign Chairman

ML:J

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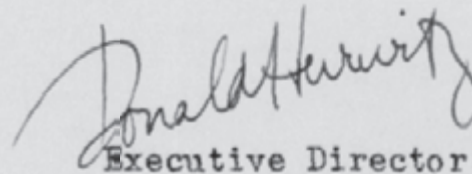
Dear Rabbi:

I know that Max Livingston is writing to you to invite you to speak at our Special Gifts Dinner. Knowing what I do about what your appearance here can mean and what effect it can have in the total Campaign, I am also writing to express my hope that you may be able to accept his invitation.

It is not very often that Mrs. Hurwitz and I get to here you speak any more, so perhaps there is something of a selfish motive in this letter.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

  
Executive Director

DPH:J

March 1, 1943

Mr. Max Livingston, Campaign Chairman  
The New Haven Jewish Welfare Fund  
70 College St.  
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Livingston:

I greatly appreciate your kind invitation to be the speaker at your Special Gifts Dinner on Thursday evening, April 1st. I wish I were free to come as I should like to do all I can to assist you in the great work in which you are engaged. Unfortunately I have a long standing engagement for that day which I must keep. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes for success, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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334,000 AND INCREASE OF 65 PERCENT OVER 1944 MAY WE HAVE  
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Jewish Welfare Federation  
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ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March 30, 1945

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The officers of the Jewish Welfare Fund were very happy to receive word of your kind acceptance of their invitation to you to address our Opening Campaign Dinner meeting on Thursday, April 26th. We all understand how busy you are and greatly appreciate your taking time to help the New Haven Jewish Community reach its Campaign goal.

We will do everything possible to assure a large attendance and the best possible pace-setting contributions to help make the meeting a success. We anticipate having about 400 contributors at dinner, including only those whose gifts will be \$100. and over. Our goal is \$334,000 - compared to \$206,000 raised in 1944 - and we are aiming at \$250,000 at the dinner. We are confident that your presence will add greatly both to attendance and the spirit of giving.

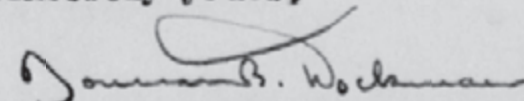
No doubt you will cover the UPA and JDC needs, and we will arrange for a brief presentation of the balance of the agencies included in the Welfare Fund. For your information we are enclosing a copy of the opening Campaign announcement.

When your plans are made, will you kindly let us know the time you will arrive so we may arrange to meet you at the station, and also whether you will be staying in New Haven for the night or leaving during the evening?

We will inform the UPA of your acceptance.

Again may I express to you the gratitude of the Welfare Fund for your very kind response. I shall be happy to give you any further information you may wish, and make any arrangements for your comfort and convenience.

Sincerely yours,



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
Temple Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Silver;

I want to thank you personally for accepting the invitation to be with us in New Haven on April 26th.

I have received a number of telephone calls from the various Zionist leaders in the State, asking for the time of your arrival, also if it is at all possible for you to be in the City about 4 P.M. as they would like to spend an hour with you before the dinner. This suggestion was particularly made by the following leaders; Judge J. Schwolsky, President of the Zionist Region of Connecticut, Mr. Umansky of Meriden, Rabbi Greenberg of New Haven and Commissioner Louis Sachs of New Haven.

I would greatly appreciate a reply as to the time of your arrival.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Sincerely,

  
Louis Linderman

LL/L

April 7, 1945

Mr. Louis Linderman  
821 Chapel Street  
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Linderman:

Thank you for your kind letter of April 4.  
I shall be very happy to meet with some of our friends  
at four o'clock on the day when I am scheduled to address  
your campaign meeting.

With all good wishes and looking forward with  
pleasure to seeing you, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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April 11, 1945

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

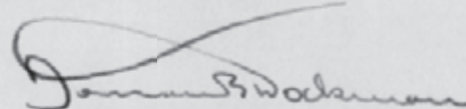
Dear Dr. Silver:

I understand from Louis Linderman that you will be in New Haven at 4 P.M. on Thursday, April 26th, and will be meeting with a Zionist group for about an hour. We have reserved a bedroom in your name at the Hotel Taft for your use whenever you arrive and for the night of the 26th if you are planning to stay over.

Our dinner meeting is called for 6:30 but we do not expect that it will actually start until seven o'clock. We do not want to impose on your time and energy, but we are wondering whether you would wish to meet with our Special Gifts workers at a cocktail party in your honor, between five and six o'clock. We have said nothing about this to any of the workers and will make no plans until we hear from you.

I trust you will have a comfortable trip to New Haven.

Cordially yours,



Executive Director

NBD:J  
enc.

April 18, 1945

Mr. Norman B. Dockman, Executive Director  
The New Haven Jewish Welfare Fund  
70 College St.  
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Dockman:

Thank you so much for your kind letter of April 11. If it does not interfere with you plans, I would prefer if you would excuse me from attending the cocktail party prior to the meeting I am to address. I should like to rest as I have been going at a terrific pace and meeting a lot of people prior to the meeting where I am to speak is something of a drain upon me.

With all good wishes and looking forward with pleasure to seeing you on the 26th, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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LOUIS LINDERMAN 821 CHAPEL ST.

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ALEXANDER WINNICK  
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902 CHAPEL STREET  
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TELEPHONE 7-1166

March 1, 1951

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
Temple Tiferath Israel  
East 105th Street and Ensel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have been delegated by the New Haven Jewish Community Council and New Haven Jewish Welfare Fund to invite you to be our guest speaker for our Big Gifts Dinner opening our 1951 Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign. I presume that the reason for this delegation is the fact that the Community believes that in my capacity as President of the Connecticut Zionist Organization Region and a member of the National Executive Board of the Zionist Organization of America, I am in a position closest to you.

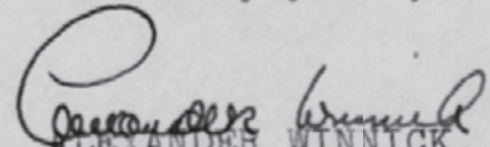
May I respectfully state that in discussing this matter, the leaders of the New Haven Community sincerely believe that you are the one man who could at this time insure for us, a successful attendance and meeting. In the past several years, we as community leaders have had numerous requests for your appearance in New Haven. We have not had the pleasure of hearing you in our community for a number of years and I well remember your last appearance in the Ball Room of the Hotel Taft.

May I further add that the community feels confident that your presence at this opening campaign dinner would insure pledges of approximately \$400,000.00.

The meeting will be held in the Ball Room of the Hotel Taft on April 2, 1951 at 6:30 P.M. If, for any reason, you are not available on this date, but could be available on some other day, I am certain that we could arrange the meeting so as to suit your convenience. I sincerely trust that you can be with us.

With best personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

  
ALEXANDER WINNICK,  
Chairman of New Haven  
Jewish Welfare Fund

aw/m

March 5, 1951

Mr. Alexander Winnick  
902 Chapel Street  
New Haven 10, Connecticut

My dear Mr. Winnick:

Permit me to acknowledge your kind letter of March 1st and your gracious invitation to address the Big Gifts Dinner of the New Haven Welfare Fund Campaign. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately, the early part of April is already so crowded with out-of-town engagements that I cannot make any additional commitments. I hope that I shall have the pleasure of serving you on some other occasion.

With best wishes for a successful campaign, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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FOR NINE YEARS WE HAVE BEEN TRYING TO BRING YOU BACK  
TO NEW HAVEN. IS IT POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO SPEAK AT OUR  
OPENING DINNER MONDAY EVENING APRIL 26TH FOR SPECIAL  
GIFTS AND TRADE DIVISIONS FUND RAISING? OUR COMMUNITY  
WANTS YOU, NEEDS YOU AND WOULD BE DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE  
AWAIT YOUR ANSWER=

NORMAN B DOOKMAN EX DIR NEW HAVEN JEWISH WELFARE

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NS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

March 5, 1954

Telegram to

Norman B. Dockman, Ex. Dir.,  
New Haven Jewish Welfare Fund  
152 Temple Street  
New Haven, Conn.

REGRET VERY MUCH MY INABILITY TO ACCEPT YOUR GRACIOUS INVITATION.

REGARDS

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



February 18, 1955

TELEGRAM

MR. ARTHUR FISHZOHN  
UNITED JEWISH APPEAL  
165 W. 46th STREET  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

I AM TO BE IN NEW YORK FOR A UJA MEETING THURSDAY OF THAT WEEK  
AND I THEREFORE REGRETFULLY MUST DECLINE THE INVITATION  
FOR NEW HAVEN ON SUNDAY, THE 27TH.

WARMEST REGARDS,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



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CONSIDERING OUR INVITATION ADDRESS CONNECTICUT STATE  
BIG GIFTS MEETING SCHEDULED NEW HAVEN SUNDAY, MARCH  
TWENTY SEVENTH. WE ARE MOST HOPEFUL THAT YOU CAN FIND  
IT POSSIBLE TO ADDRESS THIS VERY IMPORTANT FUNCTION  
DESIGNED TO SET NEW FUND-RAISING SIGHTS FOR CONNECTICUT.  
WE LOOK FORWARD EAGERLY AND HOPEFULLY TO YOUR ACCEPTANCE.  
KINDEST REGARDS=

ARTHUR FISHZOHN=

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February 29, 1960

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

You will recall that we shared the dais at the local Bond Dinner held in December. I introduced myself and informed you that I met your son Dan at the Miami Beach Convention. I also made known that the Connecticut Zionist Region raised \$75,000.00 to build a synagogue at Kfar Silver. Ground breaking will take place shortly and the dedication is planned for next Spring. The Region will tender an invitation to you to participate in the dedication ceremony.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to be our guest speaker in connection with our annual convention to take place on May 15th at the Hotel Statler-Hilton in Hartford. We shall gladly pay all expenses plus a nominal fee for incidentals. While our annual convention starts in the morning and concludes with a gala dinner, your participation would be as guest dinner speaker.

As you know there are direct non-stop plane flights between Hartford and Cleveland and this makes possible a minimum stay-away from home. We would also gladly arrange for a new convention date if May 15th is in conflict with any arrangements already made. As a Vice-President and President of the Connecticut Zionist Region, I would deem your acceptance of this invitation as an honor to the National Organization and the Region. May I hear from you?

Sincerely yours,  
*Ted Shotten*  
Ted Shotten, Pres.  
Conn Zionist Region

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March 21, 1960

Mr. Ted Shotten, President  
Connecticut Zionist Region  
1146 Chapel Street  
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Mr. Shotten:

Upon my return from abroad, I found your letter of February 29th inviting me to attend the Convention of the Connecticut Zionist Region on May 15th. I am very grateful to you for your thoughtfulness and I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately, I have a long-standing engagement for May 15th here in Cleveland. I trust that your Convention will be very successful.

With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Wire to

Shall make an effort to be with you  
on Monday, November twenty-third

A. H. Silver

Mrs. Frank C. Porter,  
266 Bradley St.,  
New Haven, Conn.

*card*

**Fifth Season 1927**  
**N. H. WOMEN'S CHURCH UNION**  
**Monday Afternoon Lecture Course**  
**WOOLSEY HALL, 4:15 P. M.**

Under the auspices of the N. H. Women's Church Union and with the cooperation of the N. H. Council of Churches, the Yale Divinity School and many women's clubs, a lecture course of special timeliness today will be given on six Monday afternoons, Oct. 31-Dec. 12, and 1 evening, Nov. 28.

**The Resources of Jesus for the World of Today**

- I. Oct. 31. Rev. Henry Sloane Coffin, D. D.  
*Jesus and the Mind of Today.*
- II. Nov. 7. Bishop James E. Freeman, D. D.  
*The Home, the Nation's First Line of Defense.*
- III. Nov. 14. Charles Stelzle  
*Jesus and the Industrial World of Today.*
- IV. Nov. 21. Pres. Mordecai W. Johnson, D. D.  
*Jesus and the Race Problem.*
- V. Nov. 28. Major Chester P. Mills  
Evening Mass Meeting, 8 P. M.  
*Law Enforcement and Politics.*
- VI. Dec. 5. Prof. Henry Hallam Tweedy, D. D.  
*Jesus and a Life of Joy.*
- VII. Dec. 12. Rev. Chas. Whitney Gilkey, D. D.  
*Jesus and World Problems.*

**COURSE TICKET (transferable) ONE DOLLAR**  
To be obtained at Loomis' Temple of Music, Steinert's, Yale Co-op, and of Church and Club Committees. Receipts to be sent to Mrs. Howard W. Beach, 218 Lexington Ave.

### I.

*Rev. Henry Sloane Coffin, D.D.*, formerly pastor of the Madison Ave. Presbyterian Church in N. Y. City and now President of Union Theological Seminary, is one of the greatest preachers in our country today, in whom modern scholarship and the religion of Jesus are wonderfully blended. Graduating at Yale in 1897, Lyman Beecher lecturer at the Divinity School in 1918, he is now a member of the Yale Corporation. Author of many books, trustee and preacher in many colleges, of a deeply religious personality, he is unusually qualified to open this course on *The Resources of Jesus for the World of Today*.

### II.

*Bishop James E. Freeman, D. D.*, of Washington, D. C., is an outstanding figure in the Episcopal Church and regarded as its leading preacher in America today. He is active on the Committee on Missions and Religious Education in the National Council of Churches. He was the founder of the Yonkers Hollywood Club for working men, and author of many books. He is laboring to make the Washington Cathedral a national centre of inspiration. He is to be Lyman Beecher Lecturer at Yale in 1928.

### III.

*Charles Stelzle* is a pioneer in the field of religion and labor, having given his

life to interesting the church in laboring people and laboring people in the church. A Presbyterian minister, he is also a sociologist, a student of social conditions through long personal contact with the masses as a factory hand and later as a church worker. Active in the Men and Religion Forward Movement, arbitrator of labor disputes in New York, Publicity Director of social and religious enterprises, author of many books and syndicate articles on labor problems in the U. S. press, he is perhaps best known as the originator of the Labor Temple in New York City, known throughout the world as the working man's church. He has spoken in mass meetings to more working men than any other man in America. The fascinating story of his eventful and efficient career is told in his autobiography—"A Son of the Bowery," just published, "the most American document since Booker Washington's and Jacob Riis'."

### IV.

*The Rev. Mordecai W. Johnson* is the most outstanding and eloquent preacher of the colored race today in America. He is widely known as a negro educator and a leader of his race. Formerly a successful Baptist pastor in Charlestown, Va., he is now president of Howard University in Washington, D. C. His success as a lecturer

is shown by his being a speaker at the Milwaukee American College Conference and by the fact that Dean Brown declared his address at the Omaha National Congregational Council to have been the best given, by black or white, on that occasion.

### V.

*Major Chester P. Mills*, son of a conspicuous American soldier, is a graduate of West Point and a distinguished U. S. Army officer, who fought his bitterest war in 1926 and 27 as Federal Prohibition Administrator of the N. Y. sector, which then embraced Connecticut. His record was remarkable for its courage, honesty and forcefulness. His articles in Collier's Weekly beginning Sept. 17, concerning the part that politics have played in Law Enforcement have been so startling as to attract nationwide attention. With entire fearlessness as to consequences, he will tell the truth as he sees it as to conditions in his sector, including Connecticut, which should be of vital interest to every loyal citizen in our state.

### VI.

*Prof. Henry Hallam Tweedy* needs no introduction to a New Haven audience. Educated at Yale, prize fellowship winner at Union Theological Seminary, after two years in Germany and parishes in Utica and Bridgeport, he became professor of Practical Theology in Yale Divinity School in

1909. He is in constant demand as college preacher and at religious conferences, Milwaukee and elsewhere, where his deeply spiritual personality is invariably most inspiring and helpful. After the abolition of compulsory chapel at Yale, he was chosen to direct new plans for religious services. He is an expert as writer and lecturer on religion. As a member of our Advisory Committee, the Church Union is greatly indebted to him.

## VII.

*Rev. Charles Whitney Gilkey, D. D.*, of Chicago, is second only to Fosdick as a leader of liberal Christianity in the Baptist Church of America at the present time. As pastor of the Hyde Park Church since 1910, he is regarded as the leading protestant preacher of any sect in Chicago today. In the canvass of the Literary Digest, he was voted one of the twenty-five best preachers in our country. He is widely known also as a university preacher, not only here, but as Barrows Lecturer in the university centres of India as well. He is Professor of Practical Theology at the University of Chicago. When Yale conferred a D. D. upon him last June, Prof. Phelps said that the brilliance of his preaching and the charm of his character illustrates Goldsmith's lines, "He allures to brighter worlds and leads the way."

## RALLY MEETING

Not only members of the Women's Church Union and delegates from women's clubs, but *all who are interested in promoting this course* are invited to attend the *Rally Meeting* in the United Church Chapel at 4 o'clock Monday, Oct. 24. Rev. Harold Camp of the Calvary Baptist Church will speak on *Why New Haven Needs Religion Today*. Rev. Elmore M. McKee of the Yale University Church will speak on *The Call to Prayer in an Age of Science*." Mr. Paul M. Behler, Tenor, will sing. Circulars and tickets will be ready for distribution.

## LAW ENFORCEMENT MEETING

Woolsey Hall, Dec. 5, 8 P. M.

Under the joint auspices of the Woman's Church Union, the N. H. Council of Churches and the Conn. Women's Law Enforcement Committee, a Mass Meeting will be held on Monday evening, Dec. 5, 8 P. M. at which MAJ. CHESTER P. MILLS will speak on *Law Enforcement and Politics*. Another speaker's name will be announced later. Special music will be rendered. To every Course Ticket holder, free guest tickets to a reserved section will be given out, to use specially for bringing men to this meeting, which it is hoped will fill the hall.

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- I. Oct. 15. Mr. Angelo Patri.  
*Growth and Discipline.*
- II. Oct. 22. Prof. Michael I. Pupin.  
*From Physical to Spiritual Realities.*
- III. Oct. 29. Miss Margaret Slattery.  
*Youth and Religion.*
- IV. Nov. 5. Rev. Robert Russell Wickes, D. D.  
*The Reassertion of Personal Religion.*
- V. Nov. 12. Prof. Rufus M. Jones, D. D.  
*Spiritual Energy for Everyday Living.*
- VI. Nov. 19. Rev. Ralph W. Sockman.  
*Patrons or Partners.*

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## THE LECTURERS

### I.

Educators and parents who know of *Angelo Patri* agree that there are few greater authorities on children in America than he. Coming over as a little Italian immigrant in the eighties, he is now, after nearly thirty years of teaching in the public schools of New York City, the principal of No. 45, called by many the greatest of them all. Known everywhere in that densely populated district as the "Little Father", his phenomenal success in moulding the lives of thousands of children, has attracted teachers from all parts of the country to study his methods. With a rarely sympathetic understanding of their undeveloped aims and ideas, his entire life has been devoted to children. Not only by his books and syndicate articles has he helped teachers and parents throughout the whole country but because of the simplicity and spirituality of his personality and the many practical illustrations from his own experience, his lectures are richly inspiring to those who are so fortunate as to be able to hear him.

### II.

*Professor Michael I. Pupin* was born in Serbia. Coming to this country in boyhood

he worked his way to an education here and abroad, and since 1901 has held the Chair of Electro-Mechanics at Columbia University. He is a man of broad human interests whose interesting life is charmingly told in his autobiography "From Immigrant to Inventor." He is especially known in science for his inventions which made possible long distance telephony over wires. He is a delightful lecturer and what he has to say is sure to be both thoughtful and of deep interest.

### III.

*Miss Margaret Slattery* is called the foremost woman Christian speaker in this country. In 1910 she resigned her position in the Mass. State Normal School to devote all her time to lecturing on religious subjects. So much is she in demand that her engagements must be made a year in advance. She has studied the youth movement in all parts of the world and it is doubtful if any one on the platform has a more far-reaching influence for good on the youth of today. Her convincing logic, sincerity and enthusiasm, her sanity, sense of humor and fearlessness make her a fascinating and magnetic speaker of great dynamic force. Both as an author of many books and a speaker, her deep spiritual insight causes her "brand of religion" special-

ly to appeal to young people, as well as to hearers of any age.

### IV.

*Rev. Robert Russell Wickes, D. D.*, is the only one who has been three times invited to speak in the Woman's Church Union Lecture Course. For the last fourteen years, he has carried a remarkable pastorate at the Congregational "Cathedral Church" of Holyoke, Mass., in loyalty to which he has refused many invitations to large city churches. He was also Chaplain of Mt. Holyoke College. This fall however he begins to serve as Dean of Religion and Minister of the College Chapel at Princeton University. He is much sought as a speaker at conferences and as a preacher of remarkable spiritual power. Yale conferred upon him in 1926 the degree of D. D. "because of his unquestioned intellectual leadership, the clarity of his thinking, the force and honesty of his speech and the help and inspiration he has given to hundreds of seekers after truth."

### V.

*Prof. Rufus M. Jones* of Haverford College is the well-known historian of the Society of Friends and the best known mystic of this country. During the war he was chairman of the American Friends' Service

Committee which did great reconstructive work in Europe. He is the author of many popular religious books. Since lecturing for the Woman's Church Union in 1924, Dr. Jones has travelled around the world, giving many lectures and in India seeing much of Gandhi. In his lectures he will tell us something of the secret of Gandhi's power. All who have heard "this beloved teacher and spiritual guide of thousands" and who have read his inspiring books, will be eager to learn from him something also of his own rare experience of the power of the spirit for everyday living.

## VI.

*Rev. Ralph W. Sockman* of New York City has been characterized by Joseph Fort Newton as one of the best twenty preachers of America. Taking Dr. Cadman's place on the radio for the last few months, he has become widely known throughout the country. Since 1917 he has been pastor of the Madison Ave. Methodist Church, the strongest and most influential of the N. Y. Methodist churches. He is considered one of the most inspiring and effective preachers and greatest spiritual influence in that city. Because of his keen mind, pleasing personality, sense of humor and profound spirituality, he is much in demand as a speaker. His sympathy for

Foreign Missions is shown by his raising two millions for that cause. He is a member of the faculty of Union Theological Seminary and the author of "Suburbs of Christianity" and "Men of the Mysteries."

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## RALLY MEETING

**Monday, October 8, 4:15**

**Trinity Church Parish House**

**Church and Wall Sts.**

To this meeting it is hoped that the delegates from every church and every woman's club will come and that each bring as many others as possible *who are interested in promoting this course*. On the attendance at this meeting and the cooperation shown largely depend the success of the course.

*Rev. Oscar E. Maurer, D. D.*, will speak on "The Duties of Christian Citizenship" and *Rev. Howard R. Weir* of St. Paul's will speak on "Our Adventure with God." *Mrs. Grace Walker Nichol's* will sing.

Circulars, posters and tickets may be obtained at this meeting.

**ALL ARE CORDIALLY INVITED**

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**Building a Better New Haven for 1938**

- I. Oct. 21. Better Theatres and Movies.  
*Channing Pollock.*  
*Rev. Clifford G. Twombly, D. D.*
- II. Oct. 28. Helping Our Schools.  
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## THE LECTURERS

### I.

"*Channing Pollock*," writes Prof. William Lyon Phelps for this circular, "is one of the leading playwrights of America. His plays "*The Fool*," "*The Enemy*" and "*Mr. Money-penny*," all have a deep spiritual import. He is a prophet as well as a playwright. Furthermore he is an admirable lecturer, enlivening, inspiring, with flashes of humor."

For many years a dramatic critic and author of several books, since 1900 he has devoted himself chiefly to writing plays, and, more recently, plays dominated by a strong moral purpose. "*The Fool*" has been produced in London and Vienna, and, with great success in London, "*The Enemy*." As a lecturer he is in great demand.

"The debt that the church, as well as the stage, owes to Channing Pollock will be a long time overdue, but sometime he will be acknowledged as the driving force behind the movement to make drama and the stage a power for righteousness."

—*Epworth Herald*.

*Rev. Clifford G. Twombly, D. D.*, Yale 1891, a previous lecturer in our Woolsey Hall Course, is largely responsible for the suggestion of this course, because of the inspiration afforded by his remarkable work in making a better city of Lancaster, Penn.,

during the twenty-one years of his rectorship of St. James Church. His outstanding reforms as to vice, dance halls, demoralizing movies and magazines, the drink problem, gambling and political corruption have attracted wide attention not only throughout Pennsylvania, but in many parts of the country.

As an expert investigator of the movie problem, he is specially fitted to suggest methods of improving the present serious situation, and from his experience in proving what can be accomplished when the civic conscience of church people and others is aroused, to be one of the introductory speakers on this important theme.

### II.

*Henry Turner Bailey* is one of the men who has made Cleveland a notable example of civic unity and progressive management. His life has been devoted to the cause of education, first in his native state, Massachusetts, where in public school and on the State Board of Education, he made an enviable reputation. For ten years he was director of the Chataqua School of Arts and Crafts, and for many years, (and at present) of the Cleveland School of Art and of the John Huntington Polytechnic Institution.

Broad in his views and wide in his interests, he has been one of the most inspiring lecturers, not only before every kind of

group in his own city, but throughout the country: an orator who holds his audience spellbound, and a crusader for all that is best in American civilization, particularly in bringing art and beauty into all the affairs of everyday life. He is the author of many books and according to Dr. Spaulding (head of the Yale Department of Education), "has been for a generation one of the most interesting and influential lecturers on the American platform."

### III.

*Dr. Valeria H. Parker*, Director of Field Extension of the American Social Hygiene Association, is eminently fitted to lecture on "*Better Home Life*," having since 1913 devoted her life to one form or another of social work. She has served as National Chairman of this work, for the League of Women Voters and for the National W. C. T. U. During the war she was Executive Secretary of the U. S. Social Hygiene Board established by Congress for our soldiers and sailors.

Sought throughout the country as lecturer and adviser on the complicated problems of sex delinquency and other aspects of social hygiene, she is now filling positions of enormous influence,—President of the National Council of Women of the U. S. (which comprises most of the great women's federations), member of the Advisory Committee for Social Hygiene in the General

Federation of Women's Clubs, National Chairman of Parent-Teachers Associations in Churches, and many other influential positions.

#### IV.

*Edward T. Devine, Ph. D., LL.D.* There is no more able and distinguished pioneer and authority on the social work of this country than Dr. Devine. Secretary for twenty-one years of the New York Charity Organization Society; founder of the periodical "Charities," which developed later into "The Survey" of which for twenty-four years he was editor; founder also of the New York School of Philanthropy, where for fifteen years he served as director or instructor; pioneer in Tenement House Reform; he was also for fourteen years professor of Social Economics in Columbia University. He was a founder of the National Child Labor Committee, and of the National Tuberculosis Association. He had charge of Red Cross Relief at the San Francisco Fire, the Dayton Flood, and in France for a period during the World War.

Prolific author in these lines, he is a widely sought lecturer on social problems. During the last ten years he has lectured in 394 cities of every state but one of our Union.

#### V.

*Colonel Raymond Robins, LL.B., LL.D.* of Chicago, is a national figure in all that pertains to high standards for national and

civic life. As an outstanding champion of the application of Christian principles to industrial and social conditions, his life has been devoted to public service. Among his many activities, he has been Superintendent of the Chicago Municipal Lodging House, Headworker in N. W. University Settlement, Social Service Expert in Men and Religion Forward Movement of 1911-12, Chairman of Progressive Party Convention 1919, Leader in National Christian Evangelical Campaign in American Universities, Lt. Col. in command of the Red Cross in Russia during the war, Advocate of organized labor and the outlawry of war. That he is an orator of unusual eloquence and conviction, previous Woolsey Hall audiences can testify. He is a lawyer by profession and peculiarly fitted by wide knowledge and experience of American conditions, to speak on *Respect For and Obedience to the Laws of Our Constitution*. He especially wishes to have it understood that his address will be not concerning any one law but on our laws in general.

#### VI.

*Albert T. Brunker.* During the recent years of the domination of the forces of evil in Chicago, among the most outstanding men who helped to arouse the civic conscience to fight them, has been Albert R. Brunker, Executive Chairman of the Civic Safety Commission of Chicago. He was the

right hand man of Prosecuting Attorney General Walsh. He has given up large business and professional interests to carry on the great work of purifying the political situation in that city. Though there is much yet to be done and the fight must be constantly waged, Mr. Brunker's story of what an aroused sense of civic responsibility among church people and all citizens can accomplish, will be most interesting and stimulating for all New Haven citizens who, however proud of our present community attainments, wish to learn how we may help BUILD A BETTER NEW HAVEN FOR 1938.

Mr. Brunker is one of the outstanding successful business executives of his city. He has been president and director of many great business corporations and has offices in Chicago, Philadelphia and other states. During the World War he was Chief of the Chemical Division of War Industries. He is a trustee of the University of Pennsylvania.

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State your suggestion for building a better New Haven for 1938 by which a better citizenry may result. Which improvement whether civic, social, economic, recreational, industrial, educational or some other, do you consider most essential to the civic growth of the people of New Haven during the coming eight years?

Contributions are to be sent in between November 26th and December 3rd. Further details will be announced in the press.

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# RALLY MEETING

**Monday, October 14, 4P. M.**

United Church House

The aim of this course is to promote in each church, synagogue and club, and among citizens in general, a deeper sense of responsibility for our community welfare which should effectively help to Build a Better New Haven for our 300th Anniversary in 1938.

This is only possible through the hearty co-operation of every delegate from every one of our churches and clubs. To this Rally Meeting we earnestly invite every delegate to come and bring *as many others as possible who are interested in promoting this Course.*

Seven minute speeches will be made by the Mayor, Mr. Chas. L. Kirschner, principal of the N. H. High School, Prof. Wm. R. Vance of the Yale Law School, Rev. Oscar E. Maurer of Center Church, Mr. Matthew Reynolds and Mrs. Wolfe Jacobs. Mrs. Agnes Newey Leighton will sing.

Circulars, posters and tickets may be obtained at this meeting.

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**Eighth Season 1930**  
**N. H. WOMEN'S CHURCH UNION**  
**Monday Afternoon Lecture Course**  
**WOOLSEY HALL, 4:15 P. M.**

Under the auspices of the N. H. Women's Church Union, which includes sixty churches of nine denominations, with the co-operation of the N. H. Council of Churches, Yale and Berkley Divinity Schools and many women's organizations, a lecture course will be given on six Monday afternoons, Oct. 20 to Nov. 24 inclusive.

**OUR GREATEST NEEDS TODAY**

- I. Oct. 20. Seeking God through Meditation.  
*Rabindranath Tagore of India.*
- II. Oct. 27. What Value Religion.  
*Rev. Ernest Fremont Tittle, D. D.*
- III. Nov. 3. What Jesus Called the Greatest Need.  
*Rev. George Arthur Buttrick, D. D.*
- IV. Nov. 10. America's Undertow.  
*Margaret Slattery.*
- V. Nov. 17. The Use of Imagination in Religion.  
*Rev. Robert Norwood, D. D.*
- VI. Nov. 24. An Inclusive Religion.  
*Rabbi Louis L. Mann, Ph. D.*

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## THE LECTURERS

### I.

After arduous correspondence between two continents, the Church Union is exceptionally fortunate in being able to present RABINDRANATH TAGORE to open the Woolsey Hall Course, his first public appearance on this visit to America. Next to Gandhi, he is, of all Indians, the best known the world around. "It is through the close study of Gandhi and Tagore, these two outstanding personalities, that modern India can best be appreciated in the west."—*C. F. Andrews*. As the most eminent author and poet of India, he received in 1913 the Noble prize for his literary work. "Through his interpretation of nature in which no other poet surpasses him," says Prof. Thompson of Oxford, "he attains a sense of companionship with God of which, though a Hindu, he speaks in his poems with the clear confidence and simplicity of Brother Lawrence." Like Gandhi, he has a profound reverence for the character of Christ.

Besides an enormous output of prose and verse, written in both Bengali and English, he has for the last thirty years been engrossed also as a social reformer. At his famous Asram (Retreat) "Santiniketan" (Abode of Peace) in Bengal, through his

personality and an educational system embodying the most advanced ideas of the world today while retaining the best traditions of India, he is seeking to train the Indian leaders of tomorrow. His great aim is the gradual extension of this Asram, as a home of brotherhood and peace, without distinction of caste, race or creed.

Though working for India's independence, he does not approve Gandhi's non-cooperative movement.

Tagore believes that the world is waiting for the dynasty of the spirit and his dearest task, he affirms, "is to ply the ferry boat that keeps open the traffic between this shore and the shore of Paradise."

With Gandhi, he believes that the Society of Friends most nearly represents the Christian life of the gospels and it is under Quaker auspices that his lectures in Europe and this country are given.

### II.

REV. ERNEST FREMONT TITTLE, D. D. of Chicago, is not only the most outstanding young Methodist preacher in the middle west but one of the greatest of any denomination in this country. As a clear and fearless thinker, most vitally interested in social values, his Christian message is widely sought. He preaches at Yale, Harvard and Princeton each year. He is now pastor of

the largest Methodist church in Chicago. Born in Ohio in 1885, graduating at Ohio Wesleyan and Drew Theological Seminary, holding several pastorates in Ohio and Illinois, active in the war, in the St. Michel offensive, trustee of several colleges, he is also the author of several books, the latest, "Religion of the Spirit," and provides a weekly sermon for the Chicago Evening Post and other papers.

### III.

The recent announcement that the REV. GEORGE ARTHUR BUTTRICK, D. D. (the successor of Rev. Henry Sloan Coffin in the Madison Ave. Presbyterian Church), is to be Lyman Beecher Lecturer at Yale Divinity School next spring, places him, one of the youngest ever invited, in the list of great preachers who have made this course famous. He is one of the many Englishmen called to large American churches. Born in England in 1892, he came to this country after exhaustive labors in the great war. After serving as pastor in Quincy and Rutland, he was called in 1927 to the large First Presbyterian Church in Buffalo, to which Rev. Allen Chalmers of our own Dwight Place Church succeeded him when he came to New York. He is the most outstanding of the younger preachers called to that city

in recent years. For his deeply spiritual message, he is one of the most popular speakers at Northfield. His book, "The Parables of Jesus," published in May 1928, was selected that month as the first choice of the Religious Book Club and is one of the finest ever written on that theme.

#### IV.

MISS MARGARET SLATTERY is called the foremost woman Christian speaker in this country. She was the only woman of America or England who was asked to speak at the International Congregational Council in England last July. In 1910 she resigned her position in the Mass. State Normal School to devote all her time to lecturing on religious subjects. So much is she in demand that her engagements must be made a year in advance. She has studied the youth movement in all parts of the world and it is doubtful if any one on the platform has a more far-reaching influence for good on the youth of today. Her convincing logic, sincerity and enthusiasm, her sanity, sense of humor and fearlessness make her a fascinating and magnetic speaker of great dynamic force. Both as an author of many books and a speaker, her deep spiritual insight causes her "brand of religion" special-

ly to appeal to young people, as well as to hearers of any age.

"She gives a message to the people of America, stripped of creeds and cant, from prejudice and bias, presented fearlessly and convincingly" and her opinions on "Our Greatest Need Today" in her address "*America's Undertow*," is sure to be worth while and inspiring.

## V.

REV. ROBERT NORWOOD, D. D., of St. Bartholomew's, New York City, is the preacher, who, next to Dr. Fosdick, people most flock to hear, because of the spirituality, the simplicity and sincerity of his message. So broad are his interests, so very human is his sympathy for all men, that his great Community Church House is rapidly becoming a powerful centre for all kinds of religious and community interests.

Born in Nova Scotia in 1874, where he received his college and doctor of literature degrees, he graduated from General Theological Seminary in N. Y. in 1897. After several pastorates in Canada, he became rector of St. Paul's, Overbrook, Philadelphia, from which in 1925, he was called to St. Bartholomew's. Of marked ability also as a poet, he has published seven volumes of poetry, the last being "*Mother and Son*," 1925.

After his preaching in Battell Chapel last January, there appeared a Courier Forum Letter whose last sentences are here quoted. "Yesterday's preacher seemed to be the recipient of power from on high. There was a power not of this world back of his utterance. Most delightful to behold was the silent and diligent attention of the students."

## VI.

RABBI LEWIS L. MANN, Ph. D., needs no introduction to a New Haven audience, having been from 19 to 1923, the outstanding preacher of Mishkan Israel. He was called from here to succeed Dr. Emil G. Hirsch at Sinai Congregation, Chicago, the largest in America, and is, next to Rabbi Wise, the most influential Hebrew preacher in our country. Born in Kentucky in 1890, studying at Johns Hopkins and Hebrew Union College, he became a Rabbi in 1914, took his Ph.D. degree at Yale in 1920 where till 1923 he was lecturer on comparative ethics. The extent of his interests is indicated by the positions he holds.

Professor Oriental Languages, University of Chicago; Vice-Chancellor, Jewish Chautauqua Society of America; Associate Editor "*Unity*" with John Haynes Holmes,

Editor; Executive Committee, Eugenics Commission of U. S.; Executive Committee, American Birth Control League; Chairman, Religious Education Committee, Central Conference American Rabbis; Member of Board of Governors, Hebrew Union College; Executive Board, American Committee for the Outlawry of War; Board of Trustees, Jewish Publication Society of America; Vice-President, Big Brothers and Big Sisters Movement of America; Executive Board, Religious Education Association of America; Contributor, Dictionary of American Biography; Contributing Editor, "*World Unity*," John H. Randall, Editor; Member of Illinois Society for the Protection of Medical Research; Member of Board of Trustees, Church Peace Union; Member of White House Conference on Child Welfare.

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- To save 1,500,000 Jews in Europe  
from starvation and disease
- To build a homeland in Palestine  
for those who must rebuild their  
shattered lives
- To aid hospitals, children's homes,  
schools and cultural institutions
- To provide Jewish services for our  
men in the armed forces
- To protect the Jewish community of America  
and to further the democratic way of life

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# LIBERATION INCREASES NEEDS

**A**S THE Allied armies push forward from all directions to bring about the final and complete defeat of Nazi Germany many thousands of Jews find themselves on the threshold of liberation after having endured more than eleven years of ruthless persecution.

In recent months as each new country has been freed from the Nazi grip the opportunities for bringing rehabilitation and reconstruction assistance to the Jews in those areas have been greatly expanded, necessitating widely increased expenditures on the part of the agencies of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine. The experience of recent months has demonstrated that the scope of the programs of the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal, and National Refugee Service will be greatly broadened following victory in Europe.

Liberated Jews in Europe, whether in France, Italy, North Africa, Rumania, Bulgaria, or Eastern Poland look to the Joint Distribution Committee to continue on an ever-increasing scale the aid which local committees of the J.D.C. never halted despite the obstacles and hardships of war. The J.D.C. is faced with the responsibility of speeding their restoration and rehabilitation, of giving them food, clothing, and shelter, of rebuilding their communities shattered by war and oppression. To meet these vast needs, the J.D.C. is now expanding its relief, rescue, and rehabilitation program in almost every corner of Europe. New headquarters have been established in the major capitals of the continent, and J.D.C. representatives are already at work in the areas of greatest need, setting up new programs for Jews in the liberated areas. In addition to the expansion of its activities on the liberation fronts, the J.D.C. is also going forward with its far-flung program of refugee aid in all parts of the world, including the Latin American countries.

Homeless and displaced Jews who cannot return to the territories from which they were driven by oppression look to Palestine to give them a new home. The resources of the United Palestine Appeal, which made possible the absorption in the Jewish homeland of 300,000 Jews since the beginning of the Nazi regime, must be devoted to enlarging the possibilities for the immigration and settlement in Palestine for a maximum number of the uprooted. With the aid of the U.P.A., which enabled Palestine to play the role of the major haven for Jewish refugees throughout World War II, these Jews must be given an opportunity to find freedom and peace on the soil of the Jewish homeland. Provision must be made for relief and adjustment to the newcomers. New land areas must be acquired for the establishment of new agricultural settlements to speed their absorption. Industry must be developed to enlarge economic opportunities. The U.P.A. faces the great task of supporting every phase of upbuilding in Palestine to assure a future of safety and happiness for those who have known nothing but misery and sacrifice for more than a decade.

The 215,000 Jews who have found a haven from Nazism in the United States—and many thousands of American Jews—have loved ones scattered to the ends of the earth by war and persecution. The National Refugee Service is already engaged in seeking them out, putting them in touch with their families, aiding in their reunion. It stands ready to make a major contribution to this vital restorative work which must soon be undertaken as an international program. N.R.S. must serve future immigrants, as it does the newcomers already here whom it has helped to share in the American war effort, extending direct financial aid to 32,810, making 30,000 job placements, providing over 330,000 migration services, arranging opportunities for retraining, resettlement, social adjustment, bringing about complete integration to the American way of life.

## HOW U.J.A. AGENCIES ARE MEETING WAR RESCUE PROBLEMS

**T**HROUGH the instrumentality of the United Jewish Appeal and its agencies, American Jews have given effective rescue aid to meet the critical problems of mass persecution and suffering during the present war. In the five years since the outbreak of World War II, the U.J.A. has raised a total of \$82,000,000 for the programs of the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal, and the National Refugee Service.

### Joint Distribution Committee

Since September 1, 1939, the J.D.C. appropriated a sum of \$47,530,900 for its world wide rescue and relief program. During the past five years, the J.D.C. made possible the emigration of 79,000 men, women, and children from Europe to Palestine and the Western Hemisphere.

As soon as the United Nations forces landed in North Africa, the J.D.C. followed to extend relief to Jewish communities in that area. The first American agency to offer relief to needy Jews in Africa, the J.D.C. is today also operating in liberated Italy where it has allocated the sum of \$240,000 for relief.

One of the most critical problems confronting the J.D.C. in 1944 was the threatened extermination by the Nazis of the 800,000 Jews in Hungary. In cooperation with the President's War Refugee Board and the Jewish Agency for Palestine, the J.D.C. initiated a program of rescue, making an emergency allotment of \$3,000,000 for the relief and transportation of 8,000 men, women and children. The J.D.C. is providing assistance to 7,000 refugees in Sweden, 19,000 in Switzerland, and 20,000 in Shanghai. Relief in Poland, Hol-

land, Hungary, Rumania and Yugoslavia was continued during the war years by the J.D.C. through loans made by local committees on J.D.C.'s pledge of repayment after the war and through food packages sent from Portugal and Turkey into some of the concentration camps.

In addition, J.D.C. is sending 10,000 packages monthly to Jewish refugees in Soviet Russia. J.D.C. will be required to repay \$2,000,000 spent in France during the Nazi occupation. The bulk of these funds was used to sustain 6,500 Jewish children, many of whom were sheltered from the Nazis by Christians.

### United Palestine Appeal

As the major haven for refugees fleeing from hate-ridden lands, the Jewish homeland in Palestine absorbed more than 55,000 Jews with the aid of the United Palestine Appeal during the five years of war. A total of \$48,102,000 was spent in Palestine by the agencies receiving their American support through the U.P.A. for the establishment of 39 agricultural settlements, the adjustment of new immigrants, the development of 400 war industries, the acquisition of 228,192 dunams of land, and for aid in the enrollment of more than 50,000 Jewish men and women in the British armed forces and Palestine Home Guard.

In the total of 55,000 who succeeded in reaching Palestine during the past five years were men, women and children who came via Spain, Portugal, Russia, Turkey, Iran, Yemen, Italy, and North Africa. In recent months the influx of large numbers of refugees from the Balkans and Western Europe has taxed the resources of the

United Palestine Appeal, which is required to assist in providing relief and adjustment for the new arrivals. Since January 1, 1944, more than 12,000 Jews have reached the shores of Palestine.

In recent months, the United Palestine Appeal has helped finance the support of dependent families of Jewish soldiers, and initiate a plan for the readjustment of returning servicemen through a program of settlement on the land and vocational training. Palestine has already received more than 700 refugees from liberated Italy.

### National Refugee Service

For the program of adjustment aid for refugees who have found a haven in the United States, the National Refugee Service spent a total of \$11,837,200 in the past five years. With the entry of the United States into the war, this agency devoted its energies to retraining the newcomers to share in the war effort. Many refugees were placed in war industries which required additional manpower, and many members of the younger generation joined the armed forces. Recently the National Refugee Service extended its cooperation to our government in providing for the supplementary needs of the 982 refugees who will be maintained at the Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario for the duration.

With the approach of victory in Europe the location tasks of N.R.S. will be greatly expanded. The agency has already established a location unit whose task will be to facilitate the location overseas of relatives and friends of persons in the United States.

## BRINGING THE LIGHT OF HOPE INTO THE LIVES OF THE OPPRESSED



**1. THIS MUST NOT HAPPEN AGAIN.** Through the J.D.C. Jews Liberated By the Allied Forces Must Be Given Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Aid.



**2. FREEDOM BRINGS JOY TO JEWS OF ROME.** After the Allies Drove the Nazis out of the Italian Capital, the J.D.C. Promptly Sent a Representative to Rome and Initiated Relief Measures to Care for Native Jews and Refugees in Liberated Italy.



**3. PALESTINE — WANDERING'S END.** With the Help of the U.P.A. These Newly Arrived Immigrants From the Lands of Hate will be Speedily Restored to Normal Life and Given Permanent Homes in the Jewish Homeland.



**4. HAPPY AT LAST.** These Refugee Children Have Been Settled in a Palestine Farm Village with the Assistance of the U.P.A.



**5. A JOYOUS REUNION.** Sgt. Flink, a Refugee aided by N.R.S., Finds His Mother at Ft. Ontario Shelter.



**6. A LINE THAT LEADS TO RESTORATION.** With an N.R.S. Counselor Waiting to Help Them, These Refugees at Ft. Ontario Seek to Locate Relatives in U.S.

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# **New Haven will have a United Campaign!**

This year we have determined here in New Haven the division of our funds between the JDC, UPA and NRS—former partners in the United Jewish Appeal. After deducting \$6,500 for the National Refugee Service, the balance of our \$250,000 quota for the UJA is to be divided 55% for the Joint Distribution Committee and 45% for the United Palestine Appeal.

... There will be no change in our Campaign. We must and we will support to the fullest extent the work of all the 51 agencies and institutions included in the 1945 Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign.

Jews will die in Europe—even after liberation—they will suffer from hunger, cold and disease, unless we SACRIFICE to aid them.

Every life saved now is saved for a better future. Liberation has assured us of that. But the number of Jews who can be saved depends directly on the amount of money provided by us.

Liberation is a challenge to you and me. We dare not fail to meet it.

## **GIVE GENEROUSLY TO YOUR WELFARE FUND**

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