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Vision and Victory, collection of Zionist Organization of America  
addresses, 1948-1962.

December 2, 1948

Dr. Emanuel Neumann  
521 Fifth Avenue  
New York, New York

My dear Emanuel:

You spoke to me some time ago about the desire of the Z.O.A. to publish a volume of my Zionist addresses. At that time I was too pre-occupied with other matters. I have since given it a bit of thought. If you are still of the same mind, I would indicate to the person whom you will designate to edit the volume the addresses which should be included.

It would be helpful if an introductory account is appended to each address, indicating the occasion of the address, the background, etc., as part of the political developments of our movement in recent years so that the addresses will be organically related. There should also be a general introduction or forward which I hope that you will find the time to write. There would be about 12 to 15 addresses (beginning with the one before the American Jewish Conference in 1943, the Philadelphia address, the Atlantic City Convention address, the Basle Congress addresses, the United Nations addresses, and perhaps one or two which I delivered on the subject of Liberal Judaism and Zionism, and the most recent one on Liberal Judaism and the Establishment of the State of Israel). This would make a volume, I should judge, of about 200 to 250 pages.

Either Gerald Frank or Shulamith Schwartz would make a good job at editing the volume. I would, of course, assist the editor in providing whatever data would be required. The addresses are all available, and work can begin almost immediately.

You wrote me about Ben Horin and the history which we have in mind. I just received a letter from Ben Horin, indicating his desire to settle in Israel and referring to an attractive offer which has been made to him. I do not believe, therefore, that you can count on him. Have you considered a combination of Manson and Schwadren?

With all good wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

EMANUEL NEUMANN  
521 FIFTH AVENUE  
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PRESIDENT - ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA  
MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE -  
THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE

December 6, 1948

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

Dear Abba:

I am delighted about the volume of addresses  
and will cooperate wholeheartedly.

I suggest you give instructions to Halamith  
or Gerold and the ZOA will do its part. *I'll take care of it.*

As ever,

Yours,

*Emanuel Neumann*  
Emanuel Neumann

EN:rs

December 10, 1948

Miss Shulamith Schwartz  
American Zionist Emergency Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

My dear Miss Schwartz:

I am enclosing herewith copy of the address which I delivered at the Basle Congress in '46. I do not think that I included this address among the ones which I gave you. The opening address which I delivered at the Congress you may find in the files of the Zionist Archives. If not, I shall trace it down here.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er  
Enc.



# AMERICAN ZIONIST EMERGENCY COUNCIL

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342 MADISON AVENUE  
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.  
MURRAY HILL 2-1160

March 4, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

I am quite certain that we'll have your book through on time. I am just "putting to bed" (as the printers put it) Mr. Schechtman's book on Population Transfers (which is, of course, really very timely and pressing), and an issue of Palestine, as well as our pamphlet of editorials. But the way will soon be clear for me to be immersed in the fine volume of your pieces -- publication of which is all the more important in the light of what has been happening, if I may be permitted to say so.

I do hope to be bothering you about practical details in a very short time.

Sincerely yours,

*Sulamith Schwartz*  
Sulamith Schwartz  
Director of Publications

SS:BRS

March 30, 1949

Mrs. Shulamith Schwartz  
American Zionist Emergency Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

My dear Shulamith:

I would appreciate if you would send me a progress report on my book. If you have any copy already finished that you would like me to check, I shall be very happy to do so.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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April 1, 1949

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

You know that - as you wisely suggested - Harold Manson is working up the notes to precede the various addresses in your book. He is away on a lecture tour from which he returns at the end of this coming week. He took the material along and expects to have the work completed when he returns, ready to be shown to you. I have no doubt he will do a good job, but even if you will have to spend a little time editing his comments, I shall be able to send the speeches themselves to the printer at once. The book could be completed in a matter of a few weeks.

However, there is one important matter to consider, aside from Mr. Manson's notes and Dr. Neumann's still unwritten preface. The important matter I refer to is one that I have just discussed with Carl Alpert: it involves money, printers, imprimatur. I understand that the book is to be published by the Z.O.A. and I assume, therefore, that the printer's bill will be paid by the Z.O.A. and that the book will be issued under the imprimatur of the Z.O.A. Carl Alpert would normally be responsible for a Z.O.A. publication and for okaying the bills, wouldn't he? However, he tells me that he has not officially been informed of the Z.O.A.'s responsibility for the book and will not be able to assure me of Z.O.A. payment of the printing bill until he is so informed. I take it this is no more than an office formality which I hope you will be able to have attended to very soon.

I look forward to starting the actual printing. And - one thing more - you were thinking of a bound book, weren't you? Not a paper-covered brochure, no matter how handsome? Or would you want a popular paper-covered edition and a better bound edition?

I am sorry to trouble you, but we really should clear our road. Then we'll speed ahead.

Cordially,

*Sulamith Schwartz*

April 5, 1949

Mrs. Sulamith Schwartz  
American Zionist Emergency Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

My dear Sulamith:

Thank you for your kind letter of April 1st. I have referred the matter contained in the second paragraph of your letter to Dr. Neumann who, I am sure, will get in touch immediately with Mr. Carl Alpert.

As regards the book itself, we have been thinking in terms of a bound book, not a paper covered brochure.

Dr. Neumann told me that he will have the preface in a few days. I shall be waiting for the notes of Harold Manson.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

April 5, 1949

Dr. Emanuel Neumann  
521 Fifth Avenue  
New York, New York

My dear Emanuel:

This morning I received a letter from Sulamith Schwartz from which I quote the following paragraph:

"However, there is one important matter to consider aside from Mr. Manson's note and Dr. Neumann's still unwritten preface. The important matter I refer to is one that I have just discussed with Carl Alpert; it involves money, printers, imprimatur. I understand that the book is to be published by the Z.O.A. and I assume, therefore, that the printer's bill will be paid by the Z.O.A. and that the book will be issued under the imprimatur of the Z.O.A. Carl Alpert would normally be responsible for a Z.O.A. publication and for okaying the bills, wouldn't he? However, he tells me that he has not officially been informed of the Z.O.A.'s responsibility for the book and will not be able to assure me of Z.O.A. payment of the printing bill until he is so informed. I take it this is no more than an office formality which I hope you will be able to have attended to very soon."

It seems to me that you ought to get in touch with Mr. Carl Alpert at once and regularize the action.

With all good wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

Via Air Mail

April 5, 1949

Mr. Harold Manson  
American Zionist Emergency Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

My dear Harold:

I have been informed by Sulamith Schwartz that you are working on the notes for my addresses. I shall be very pleased to receive them as soon as you have the first draft of them so that I may make some suggestions.

You may recall that before you left the Agency, I suggested that you obtain a complete transcript of the minutes of the sessions of the Jewish Agency from the stenotypist. I wish you would follow through on this matter. We ought to have a complete record in our possession.

The first anniversary celebration is approaching - May 4th. I am wondering whether you are preparing an article on the subject such as we spoke about, to be published not alone in the New Palestine, but throughout the Anglo-Jewish press. It is not too early to have this article placed.

Mrs. Silver was thrilled with the painting of Josie's father.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er



# Zionist Organization of America

Office of the President  
DR. EMANUEL NEUMANN  
521 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

April 5, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba:

I spoke with Carl Alpert who is in charge of our Book Department, today, and instructed him to proceed at once with the printing of your collected addresses and rush it through. He says there is a chance of getting it out by Convention if the material is fed to the printer at once.

I expect to write my preface during this coming week-end.

I am also sending a copy of this letter to Shalamith Schwartz.

As ever,

Faithfully yours,



Emanuel Neumann

EN:EW

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Zionist Organization of America

25 Tudor City Place  
New York, New York  
April 11, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Enclosed is the draft of the series of introductions which I have prepared for the forthcoming collection of your addresses.

I have taken the liberty of making a few changes in the collection of your speeches which was handed to me by Sulamith Schwartz. I deleted the address, "Take The Offensive" which appeared in the yearbook of the Zionist Organization of Chicago (December, 1943) in view of the fact that this was for the most part a repetition of your address at the UPA Conference. I also suggest a deletion of "The American Jewish Community in War Time and After" -- a copy of which is still being retained in Miss Schwartz's collection. I am sending you an additional copy of the address, as published by the New Palestine of June 9, 1944, and believe you will agree that it should be omitted inasmuch as it is not directly related to the central theme of this particular volume.

I was also able to recall a few of your speeches -- not included in the collection handed to me by Miss Schwartz which, I feel, belong in this book. I have, therefore, added "Nothing to Lose but our Illusions," the address you delivered during the Policy Committee days, as well as the speech you made immediately prior to your departure for Palestine on December 29, 1947.

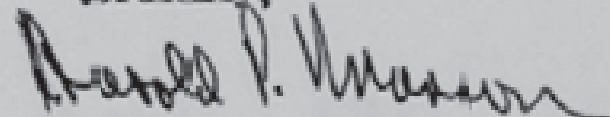
I have ended the collection with your reading of the Proclamation of the State of Israel before the United Nations.

All of the texts are in Miss Schwartz's hands and I presume that she is getting them into print.

If you wish me to help further on this please do not hesitate to call on me.

Warmest regards to Mrs. Silver and yourself,

Cordially,



Harold P. Manson

P. S. I don't think that you have my correct home address. Please ask your secretary to note the above.



April 15, 1949

Mr. Harold P. Manson  
25 Tudor City Place  
New York, New York

My dear Harold:

I am returning herewith your introductory notes to my addresses. I found them very satisfactory, concise and illuminating. I have made a few verbal changes which I hope you will be able to read. I would suggest that you have someone close to the picture go over your notes for a check-up - perhaps Dr. Schwadran. I should like Dr. Neumann to see them too.

I wrote to Sulamith Schwartz this morning, suggesting that she send the manuscript of my addresses to the printer at once. I also inquired whether that April 1948 address of mine before the United Nations is included among the speeches which she has. I would greatly appreciate if you would, from your end, keep pressing for expediting the publication of the book. There are only six weeks left now before the Convention of the Z.O.A., and it would be very appropriate to have this volume appear on that occasion.

I should like the physical appearance of the volume to be distinctive, to have character, as well as its typographical set-up. I wish that you would look into that, too.

With all good wishes to you and Josie in which Mrs. Silver warmly joins me, I remain

As ever yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er  
Enc.

Via Special Delivery

April 15, 1949

Mrs. Sulamith Schwartz  
American Zionist Emergency Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

My dear Sulamith:

Mr. Manson seems to be about ready with the introductions to the addresses which are to be included in the volume. If you are ready with the text of the speeches, I suggest that you have them sent to the printer at once. If the volume is to appear before the Z.O.A. Convention at the end of May, there is no time to be lost.

It has been suggested that my photograph be included in the volume. Under separate cover I am sending one. Do you think it is all right? The office has, I believe, a picture of mine taken while addressing the United Nations. Because many of the speeches to be included were those delivered before the U.N., it might be nice to include it.

Have you already received the introduction from Dr. Neumann? If not, please get in touch with him.

Among the addresses for which Mr. Manson has no introduction is the one which I delivered in April 1948 before the U.N., in which I argued against the trusteeship proposals of the American government. That was a major address. Is that included among the speeches which you have? If not, please obtain it from the archives of the Emergency Council or from the office of the Israeli United Nations Delegation.

Please keep in touch with Mr. Carl Alpert of the Z.O.A.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILIEL SILVER

AHS:er

April 15, 1949

Dr. Emanuel Neumann  
300 Central Park West  
New York, New York

My dear Emanuel:

I do not know whether formal action was ever taken by the Executive of the Z.O.A. in connection with the volume of my addresses which the Z.O.A. is to publish. I know that at the last meeting of the Executive you made such an announcement, but I think the matter should be regularized lest at some future stage the question will be raised whether the expenditure was ever officially authorized by the Executive.

I hope that the volume will appear before the Convention. Sulamith Schwartz has had the text of my speeches for some time. Manson has just completed the background introductions to each speech. I requested him to show them to you. I trust that you have the introduction ready by now.

I should like the volume to be attractively printed so that at least its physical appearance will be distinctive. I cannot vouch for its contents.

With all good wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

Via Air Mail

25 Tudor City Place  
New York, New York  
April 18, 1949

SPECIAL DELIVERY

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Enclosed is the revised draft.

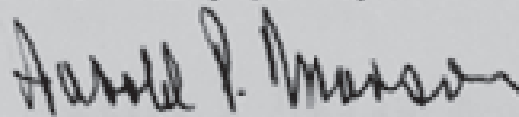
As soon as Miss Schwartz locates the text of your 1942 address before the Central Conference of American Rabbis, I shall write the introduction to Part Two of the volume.

I am sending a copy of the enclosed to Emanuel Neumann, as you suggested. He phoned me today after reading the first draft. He expressed enthusiasm over the piece and said that there were only a few facts which, in his judgment, need correction. I am meeting with him tomorrow and will incorporate his ideas at that time. He says that he has completed the first draft of his introduction. It should, therefore, be in your hands within a few days.

Please advise us whether you want the name of the author of these introductions listed in the book, or whether they should appear anonymously, so that Miss Schwartz will know how to proceed with the cover.

Warmest regards to Mrs. Silver and yourself from Josie and myself.

Cordially yours,

  
Harold P. Manson

HPM:SR  
Enc

April 19, 1949

Mr. Harold P. Manson  
25 Tudor City Place  
New York, New York

My dear Harold:

Thank you for your letter of April 18th and for sending me the revised draft. I spoke to Miss Schwartz today, and she told me she is sending the manuscript to the printer. I repeated my request for an attractive physical type and appearance for the book. She asked me about the title for the volume. She suggested a few. The one which appeals to me most is "On the Road to the Jewish State". What do you think of it?

I am glad that Dr. Neumann is finishing his introduction, and I shall be glad to receive it. Most assuredly, the name of the author of these introductions should be acknowledged in the book. An acknowledgement should also be made of the editorial help of Miss Schwartz.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

# Neue Bücher

**Abba Hillel Silver: Moses and the Original Torah.** Macmillan 1961. N. Y.

Immer und immer wieder ist die Frage nach der Zusammensetzung der fünf Bücher Moses aufgeworfen worden; insbesondere hatte man darüber nachgedacht, ob Moses selbst der Verfasser der Thora gewesen sein könnte. Es gibt Bibelforscher, die einen grossen Teil der Gesetzgebung nicht Moses, sondern späteren Männern wie den Propheten zuschreiben. Die Schule Wellhausens ist der Meinung, dass der Pentateuch zu einem grossen Teil erst nach oder im babylonischen Exil entstanden sei. Die Orthodoxie dagegen beharrt bis heute unbedingt auf der Autorenschaft Moses, der die Thora in göttlichem Auftrag niedergeschrieben habe.

Nun behandelt auch der bekannte Führer des Weltjudentums Rabbi Abba Hillel dieses Problem. Im Gegensatz zu den liberalen Rabbinern Deutschlands, die diesen grundlegenden Problemen ausgewichen sind, nimmt Rabbi Silver eindeutige Stellung. Ähnlich wie die



Wellhausensche Schule steht auch er auf dem Standpunkt der Quellenscheidung, d. h., dass der Pentateuch mehrere Verfasser hat. Nach Silver hat Moses die ethischen Teile geschrieben, während die Opfergesetze und andere Ritualvorschriften zum grossen Teil erst im babylonischen Exil oder noch später entstanden sind. Rabbi Silver ist ein Meister der klaren Darstellung und ohne Zweifel ein gründlicher Kenner des biblischen Schrifttums.

May 5, 1949

Miss Sulamith Schwartz  
American Zionist Emergency Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

Dear Miss Schwartz:

I am herewith returning to you the corrected galley proofs. Dr. Silver has asked that I call to your attention the omission of the two last paragraphs on galley 40.

WRHS  
Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver

er  
Enc.

Via Air Mail Special Delivery



May 6, 1949

Mr. Harold P. Manson  
25 Tudor City Place  
New York, New York

My dear Harold

I did not get to talk to Mr. Thackeray the other day. I left, you will recall, before he came to the meeting. Please let me have his address, and I shall write to him.

I shall appreciate if you will keep a check on the page-proof of the volume and the proper type for the front page, the headings for each address, as well as the cut of the photograph. I'd like to see a neat job.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er



May 10, 1949

Miss Sulamith Schwartz  
American Zionist Emergency Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

My dear Sulamith:

I am returning herewith the enclosed galley proofs. I should like to call your attention to the following:

1. On Galley 63: The title of the lecture is jumbled. It reads: "With the Sabotage of the Rescued". What does it mean?
2. On Galley 69: Under the heading XIV - "As the United States Wavered", there are two sub-titles and I included the numbers (1) "Reaction to the Report on Palestine, etc.", and (2) "Reply to the Proposals on Palestine, etc."
3. On Galley 60: I call your particular attention to paragraph 4 which is considerably jumbled. (I shall await the receipt of the manuscript, which you promised to send, before returning galleys 59 - 62 to you.)
4. The address beginning on Galley 71, "Spiritual Return and National Redemption" and going through Galley 74 is not complete. I assume that the rest of the proof will be forthcoming. I have indicated some sentences that I should like to see italicized, especially on Galley 70.
5. On Galley 72, Chapter 15, the text of the address delivered on March 24, 1948, has not been sent to me. I assume that you have the proofs of that address, and I shall be very happy to receive them.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er  
Encs.

P.S. At the suggestion of Mr. Hanson, I am sending you another copy of the Declaration of Independence which I read to the Political Committee of the General Assembly of the U.N. on May 11, 1948.

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May 11, 1949

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thanks for the last batch of proofs.

I have sent you a copy of the "After the U.N. Declaration" speech. You should have it by now.

I must beg your pardon for disagreeing with you on the august matter of the place of periods in quoted sentences. I'm sorry but, honestly, that's one thing -- perhaps the only one -- you're not right about. Allow me to quote from the recognized, universally accepted standard "Manual of Style" of the University of Chicago. Here is what it says:

-- unequivocally (p.80)

"The period is placed inside the quotation marks for appearance' sake."

This, says the Manual further, "is a rule without exception."

Please believe the University of Chicago -- and do note that the usage in all books is uniformly as described in the Manual.

Now one more request -- an apologetic one, too. Harold Manson backs me on it. We want to ask you whether you don't agree with us that the statement of March 24 might best be omitted, inasmuch as it is not yours at all but merely a Palestinian statement read by you. The fact that it was you who read it, is significant, but not the statement itself, we think. I would therefore suggest including Mr. Manson's introductory remarks about it, expanding them and incorporating them in the next introduction as its first paragraph. Thus the introduction to the great speech of April 22 would begin: "A few days later, on March 24, 1948, Dr. Silver again appeared before the Security Council to convey the determination of the Jews of Palestine to establish the Provisional Jewish Government not later than May 16.

He read a statement adopted on the previous day by the Jewish Agency for Palestine and the National Council of the Jews of Palestine."

The April 22 introduction would follow immediately. I hope you don't disagree with this. After all, this book contains your addresses and the March 24 piece is not yours. It will ~~substantially~~ mean including more words -- less distinguished ones than yours. More words in a book of speeches are a disadvantage rather than an advantage.

Cordially,

*Sulamith Schwarz*



May 12, 1949

SULAMITH SCHWARTZ

AZEC

NEW YORK, N.Y,

YOU MAY OMIT THE STATEMENT OF MARCH 24. WAITING FOR  
PAGE PROOF COVER AND JACKET DESIGNS. REGARDS

SILVER

May 12, 1949

Miss Sulamith Schwartz  
American Zionist Emergency Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

Dear Miss Schwartz:

I am returning herewith galley proofs 59 - 62. Thank you for the copy of the December 1947 address.

With reference to your letter of May 11th concerning the use of punctuation in relation to quoted portions, it is not Dr. Silver with whom you are disagreeing - I am the culprit. My reference is the "Standard Handbook for Secretaries", which really justifies my method, though I shall spare you the lengthy quotations from it. In any event, I cede to you and the University of Chicago. The important thing, of course, is consistency and I apologize for any trouble I have caused you.

Dr. Silver is in New York today, and perhaps you will have a chance to discuss the last two paragraphs of your letter with him. If not, I am sure that upon his return to Cleveland tomorrow you will hear from him.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver

or  
Enc.

May 13, 1949

Miss Sulamith Schwartz  
American Zionist Emergency Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

Dear Miss Schwartz:

In going over the page proofs with you this afternoon, Dr. Silver neglected to mention one correction. On page 41, line 4, there is a transposition of letters in the word, "preamble".

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver

or

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May 13, 1949

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

Dear Dr. Silver: Rai ona matter - the semi colon

The Style Book says on Page 83:

"For enumerations within a single sentence, observe the relative values of comma, semicolon, and colon. Semi-colons are to be used between the items unless these are short and simple; in a series of simple character, with little or no punctuation within the elements, comma separation is sufficient. Within each item, as between them successively, punctuation is based on desire for emphasis and clearness. If an enumerative sentence is complicated, it should be broken into two or more sentences (see P.30):

"The membership of the international commission was made up as follows: France, 4; Germany, 5; Great Britain, 1 (owing to a misunderstanding the announcement did not reach the English societies in time to secure a full quota from that country. Sir Henry Campbell, who had the matter in charge, being absent at the time, great difficulty was experienced in arousing sufficient interest to insure the sending of even a solitary delegate); Italy, 3; the United States, 7."

I think that should cover it, don't you?

Cordially,

*Isaac M. Shwartz*

P.S. Will you be free Thursday night, May 19th? The Palestinian singer, Bracha Zefira who appeared at Carnegie Hall, is giving a recital that evening which will be very interesting and good. She is most eager to have you come and has left two tickets in the office for you in the hope that you will do so. She hopes that you will be there for at least part of the evening.



May 15, 1949

Miss Sulamith Schwartz  
American Zionist Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

My dear Sulamith:

I assume that you will have a table of contents, and that somewhere there will be acknowledgement for the most helpful service which you rendered in the preparation of the volume. An attractive "slug" separating the introduction from the texts could be a small replica of the Menorah which was also used in the seal of the State of Israel (minus the olive branches) but it may be too late to have them made.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er



AMERICAN ZIONIST EMERGENCY COUNCIL  
342 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

## MEMORANDUM

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio  
From Sulamith Schwartz

Date May 24, 1949

Here is the picture, touched up a bit. It's not bad, is it?

The book is all printed as of today. A real miracle, Mr. Udell, the owner of Ampeco Press says -- a very lovely man to whom we all owe a debt of gratitude. The binding begins tomorrow morning, and the copies will be at the Convention on time. There will be some overtime involved, and I shall remember your kind promise that you will see to the matter. Not too much -- I trust.

With fervent prayers that there aren't too many typographical errors that have escaped us - -

Yours faithfully,

*Sulamith Schwartz*

SS:MP

May 27, 1949

Miss Sulamith Schwartz  
American Zionist Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

Dear Miss Schwartz:

The last issue of our Temple bulletin will come out next Friday, June 3rd, and we are planning to run an ad on "Vision and Victory". If it is at all possible, can you arrange to have shipped to us at once about 200 copies of the book so that we can sell them here at the Temple?

Now that it is all over, I hope that you are getting some sleep. It certainly was a terrific job to do in such a limited time and you are to be heartily congratulated. I hope you will see to it that Dr. Silver brings back with him personally from the Z.O.A. Convention a few copies of the book.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver

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June 1, 1949

Mr. Carl Alpert  
Zionist Organization of America  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York 17, New York

My dear Friend:

In sending review copies of my book to newspapers and periodicals, I am sure that you will wish to keep in mind the Hebrew dailies and periodicals of Israel. I should like them to have the book.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

June 1, 1949

Miss Sulamith Schwartz  
American Zionist Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, N.Y.

My dear Sulamith,

I finally saw "Vision and Victory" when I arrived in New York to attend the Z.O.A. Convention. I was delighted with it and I want you to know how deeply I appreciate the thought and labor which you put into the getting out of the volume and into what you call "technical assistance" which, of course, was far more than that. I know, too, under what pressure you worked, all of which adds up to a great debt of gratitude which I owe you. I want you to know that I am profoundly appreciative.

I wish you would let me know the name and address of the head of the Ampco Printing Company. I should like to write him and thank him for the unusual interest which he took in getting out such a satisfactory printing job and on time.

I understand that the book sold very well at the Convention.

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

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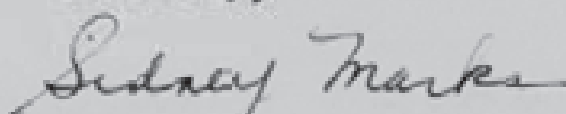
Dear Dr. Silver:

Your books will be delivered before Saturday.

Copies of your address have been sent, air mail today to all of the Hebrew newspapers in Israel and under separate cover you are receiving from Mr. Barbarash's department mimeographed copies of your speech together with the original manuscript.

My affectionate regards.

Sincerely,



Dr. Sidney Marks  
Executive Director

SM/M

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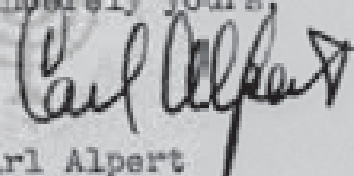
June 6, 1949

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Review copies of your book are going out to Book Review Editors of all major dailies in the United States and to all major papers in Israel. I hope we can arrange a major review in the Times and Tribune.

Sincerely yours,



Carl Alpert  
Director Education Dept.

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June 6, 1949

Mr. Harold P. Manson  
25 Tudor City Place  
New York, New York

My dear Harold:

It would be highly desirable to have reviews of "Vision and Victory" appear in the more prominent papers and magazines. You mentioned the possibility of Marvin Lowenthal's writing a review for the Herald Tribune. That would be excellent. Could we get one into the Times and some of the other newspapers? You might know of some of our friends who are able to write and who would be interested in reviewing the book.

You might check up with Carl Alpert and see what the Z.O.A. is doing by way of "promotion".

Should there be an ad inserted in the book review sections of the New York Times and Tribune?

With warmest greetings to you and Josie, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

Via Air Mail



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June 7, 1949

Miss Elizabeth Rice  
The Temple  
East 105th St. at Ansel Rd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice:

I understand that 200 more books are on the way to you -- perhaps you have even gotten them by now. I do hope many, many will be sold in Cleveland and elsewhere, for the book is so vital and so timely (paradoxical as that may sound) that I hear nothing but enthusiastic praise of it from those already reading it.

All of us here (you know how mail is circulated in these offices, so that secrets can hardly be kept) were deeply moved by the information about the complimentary copies we were to get. Beatrice Cohen has given me the enclosed list of staff for your possible use or checking purposes. You will note that she has included Mr. Sack and Mr. Schulson of the Washington Office and also the three gentlemen most closely connected with the workings of the American Christian Palestine Committee. Furthermore, I'm sure Dr. Silver won't forget copies for Mr. Manson and Mr. Shapiro.

All this may be superfluous but -- who knows? -- it may even be useful.

Cordially,

*Sulamith Schwartz*  
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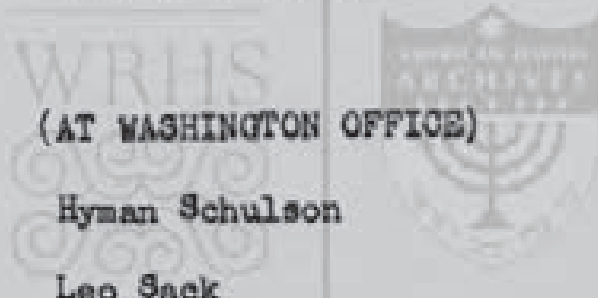
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June 7, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The great kindness of your note and the really gratifying looks -- not to mention the contents -- of the volume itself are such great compensation for the weeks of rush and worry that I've practically forgotten about the strain already.

I was, in fact, going to beg you to write a note to Mr. Abraham Udell, head of the Ampco Printing Company (155 Avenue of the Americas, New York City), and was overjoyed to see that you anticipated my plea. Mr. Udell is really an exceptionally fine man and good Jew and Zionist: otherwise we wouldn't have the book yet. He himself said the other day when he was handed a copy of "Vision and Victory": "I see it with my own eyes but I still say it's impossible to get a book out in that time!"

I've been hearing very good reactions from intelligent rank and file readers of the book, and I'm sure you have, too.

Cordially,

*Sulamith Schwartz*  
Sulamith Schwartz

SS:MP

25 Tudor City Place  
New York, New York  
June 7, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have spoken to Marvin Lowenthal about a review of "Vision and Victory" for the New York Herald-Tribune. He suggests that, first of all, review copies be sent to the Times, Tribune and others, after which he will speak to the Herald-Tribune Book Section people about writing a piece.

I have conveyed this to Carl Alpert and hope that he will move quickly.

Enclosed you will find the material you sent me in connection with the section on the American Jewish Conference.

With warmest regards to Mrs. Silver and yourself, I remain

Cordially yours,

  
Harold P. Manson

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# ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

41 EAST 42nd STREET  
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

June 7, 1949

Dear Dr. Silver,

This is to inform you that the second shipment of VISION AND VICTORY, containing 200 copies, is on its way to the Library of The Temple. This makes a total of 300 copies for the Library account.

I also take pleasure in sending you at this time 50 copies with the compliments of the ZOA.

Yours sincerely,

*Edna Bloom*

Edna Bloom  
Book Bureau

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

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June 8, 1949

Miss Sulamith Schwartz  
American Zionist Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, New York

My dear Miss Schwartz:

Many thanks for your letter of June 7th and for the list of your staff members. There were a couple whom we had omitted and I am grateful for your cooperation. The books have not yet been mailed out as I am awaiting some folders for them, but you should surely receive them by the beginning of next week.

It has been nice corresponding with you and talking to you, and one of these days, if I ever get to New York, I'm going to come in to the office to say "hello".

Sincerely,



June 8, 1949

Mr. Abraham Udell  
Ampco Printing Company  
155 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Udell:

May I express to you my deep appreciation for the time and thought which you invested in seeing the volume, "Vision and Victory", through its publication on time. It is a very attractive volume and I am very much pleased with it. I know that you worked under terrific pressure to get the book out on time, and I am very much pleased indeed that you regarded the publication of it as a labor of love.

I trust that I may have the pleasure of seeing you again in the near future. With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er



AMERICAN ZIONIST EMERGENCY COUNCIL

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June 8, 1949

THE TEMPLE  
EAST 105TH STREET AT ARREL ROAD  
CLEVELAND, OHIO

Mr. Hyman Schulson  
American Zionist Council  
1200 - 18th St., N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Schulson:

Will you be good enough to send me at your earliest convenience  
the address of Colonel David Weinhaus. Many thanks.

WRI Sincerely yours,

*Elizabeth Rice*

Secretary to Dr. Silver

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June 10, 1949

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I think you will be interested in the cost of "Vision and Victory". The total bill sent to the Zionist Organization of America by Aspeco comes to \$4,000, plus \$335 for overtime. The printing cost \$3,170; the author's alterations \$217 (a rather small amount for a largish book); the jacket \$235 and the photograph inside, \$42. The price per book thus comes to about \$1.35 which compares very well with our commercial experience.

You remember that when we discussed using overtime to speed up the process at the end, in the absence of authorization from the Z.O.A., you assured me that it would be all right to go ahead with the overtime and that you would take care of the matter. I do hope you will be able to arrange that.

Rather spologetically,

SS:MP

*Sulamith Schwartz*  
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
c/o The Temple  
East 105th & Ansel  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

As I told you last evening when I saw you, it was mighty kind of you to send me your book on "Vision And Victory" -- I know I am going to get a great deal of pleasure out of reading it knowing in advance the great amount of wisdom it contains. This book should have a very large sale; knowing the tremendous following you have throughout this country believe they will appreciate being able to acquire a book of this kind.

Thanking you again, with best wishes,

Cordially yours,

*Nathan L. Dauby*  
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June 11, 1949.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
Ansel Rd.,  
Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I hasten to acknowledge my delight in receiving the autographed copy of your collection of addresses just published by the Zionist Organization of America.

I am very proud of your friendship. I don't know how the rest of Cleveland feels, but I have sensed that right under our very eyes we have been privileged recently to see the growth of an inspirational speaker into the quality of statesmanship and greatness. That means you, my dear Rabbi.

May God strengthen your right arm.

Sincerely yours,

P. B.

Paul Bellamy

PB:C

June 13, 1949

Dr. Sidney Marks  
Zionist Organization of America  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York 17, New York

My dear Dr. Marks:

I am wondering whether your office has contacted the book shops in Cleveland for the handling of "Vision and Victory". Are you placing the book in book stores through the country?

You will recall that I spoke to you about an additional charge for overtime which would be involved in the publication of the volume since we were all anxious to get the volume out in time for the Convention. I think that was a good move. When the bill is presented to you, you will bear in mind, I am sure, this overtime item which I understand will amount to some \$335.00.

You graciously sent me 50 complimentary copies. I find, however, that I must send out quite a number of additional copies, principally to the people in Washington who have been of great help to us in our work in the last few years - Senators, Congressmen, others in official positions, etc. Also to political figures to whom I am indebted for assistance to our cause in other parts of the country. I would, therefore, appreciate if you would make off an additional 50 copies of the 300 which you sent me for sale as complimentary copies. It is good public relations, I think, to remember friends who have been helpful to us in the past.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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June 13th, 1949

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

Dear Rabbi:

It was good of you to send me a copy of "Vision  
and Victory".

I know I shall read these addresses with the  
greatest pleasure.

With kindest regards as always, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Nate*

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June 13, 1949.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
E. 105th St. & Ansel Rd.,  
Cleveland 8, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We wish to acknowledge with sincere thanks and appreciation receipt of your volume "Vision and Victory". It will be a worthy addition to our collection of Zionist material.

Sincerely yours,

*Isaac Goldberg*

Isaac Goldberg  
Administrative Secretary

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June 13, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
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My dear Dr. Silver:

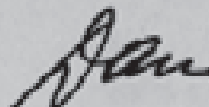
It is but a few moments since "Vision and Victory" reached me. Instinctively I turned to your picture, and tried to gaze into your eyes, - deep. I looked at the half smile reflective of that vision of soul and mind, with which God and nature endowed you.

Strange, very strange, are the paths of life.

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To me, whatever the path ahead, in spite of all political trapezes which I may be called upon to walk now and then in public life, you remain and shall always be one of the chief sources of strength and inspiration.

My parting words to you as you and Mrs. Silver so cheerfully bade me good bye in the lobby of the Statler Hotel, were, "I love you". It is true, true, true.

Yours in friendship,



Daniel Frisch

DF:ca

Supreme Court of the United States.  
Justice's Chambers.

June 13, 1949

My dear Dr. Silver.

It was thoughtful  
of you to send <sup>me</sup> a personally inscribed  
copy of "Vision and Victory" -  
containing your historic addresses  
1942-1948.

I have just read with  
interest the forthright and  
significant forecast by Dr. Neumann.  
I am glad to have this timely  
contribution to a better under-



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
19810 Shaker Boulevard,  
Shaker Heights,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I wish to thank you for  
sending me an autographed copy of your  
book which I shall read with great  
interest, and which I shall cherish  
forever.

With warmest regards,

Cordially yours,



Hyman A. Schulson

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June 13, 1949

Miss Elizabeth Rice  
Secretary to Rabbi Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street and Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice:

The book which Rabbi Silver was kind enough  
to send to Mrs. Shepard has been received. Mrs.  
Shepard is still in Israel, but I am sure that upon  
her return, she will write to Rabbi Silver directly  
in appreciation of his thoughtfulness.

With all good wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

*Dora Ente*

Dora Ente  
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RABBI LEON I. FEUER  
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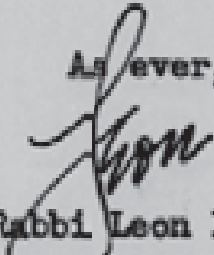
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

Thank you very much for sending me your book.  
I shall not only read it with pleasure but shall  
always treasure it as the memento of an interest-  
ing, exciting and inspiring relationship.

Hortense and I were in Cincinnati over the weekend  
for the HUC graduation exercises and we spent part  
of an evening with Danny.

We send our love to Virginia and yourself.

As ever,  
  
Rabbi Leon I. Feuer



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June 14, 1949

Rabbi Abba H. Silver  
The Temple  
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My dear Rabbi Silver:

I want to acknowledge with deep appreciation receiving your book, "Vision and Victory". I prize it as coming from you with your kind greeting. Our association in the city has been a most pleasant and to me very stimulating one. I use that word advisedly and with its full meaning.

I have been deeply impressed with the addresses. I would expect to find them eloquent, as they most certainly are in the finest sense. But more than that I was constantly struck as I read them with the profound wisdom which has marked your leadership of the cause during these past years. I have read nearly every one of them from beginning to end.

You can perhaps understand that anyone who has not been in the very thick of the straggle, with a background which would enable him to know fully the meaning of various developments from month to month, may easily miss the significance of what has been done. I have been associated with the efforts for a Jewish state made by Christian organizations, contributing something to them. But I confess I did not appreciate the full significance of the program as it has lain in your mind and as you have given it such wonderful support. There have reached me from time to time various documents from Jews who felt that the

struggle for a Jewish state was not altogether wise. Some of these have seemed very convincing read by themselves. After reading, however, your address<sup>es</sup>, I can appreciate how great has been your wisdom in refusing to accept a settlement of toleration and relief in place of the great end toward which you were leading the struggle.

It must be a profound satisfaction to you that so much has been accomplished and that if not in all particulars, at least in essentials the battle has been successful.

Again I thank you for sending me the book, and voicing again my admiration for your words and efforts, I am

Cordially yours,

*David J. Lauchard*

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June 14, 1949

Rev. Dr. Abba H. Silver  
Cleveland

My dear Abba:

Let me thank you for your thoughtful courtesy in sending me a copy of your most recent publication, the volume of your addresses. I appreciate both the book itself and the inscription on the first page. I shall value it highly and read it with much pleasure, I am sure, at my earliest opportunity.

I hope earnestly that you received my postal, signed "The Umpire", written to you about two weeks ago, in which I reported upon Danny's prowess as a baseball player.

With cordial greetings for yourself and Virginia, and all good wishes, I am ever

Faithfully yours,

  
Julian Morgenstern

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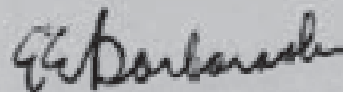
June 14, 1949

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I wish to thank you most heartily for your kindness in sending me an autographed copy of your book, "Vision and Victory". I shall always cherish it.

Most sincerely,



Ernest E. Barbarash

P. S. Under separate cover I am sending you the post-convention issue of The New Palestine. I hope you will like it.

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I. L. KENEN  
11 48 EAST 28<sup>th</sup> STREET  
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June 14, 1949

Dear Dr. Salmon:

It was generous of you to remember me on the publication of "Vision and Victory." I shall treasure the volume for it is an extraordinary tribute, not alone to your scholarship and judgment but to that most characteristic of your virtues — unwavering consistency.

When, in June 1943, I left Cleveland to begin my work in New York, I came to you for advice and guidance, I remember vividly an admonition that I reject political activity and that I remain at all times a member of

the Finnish civil service.

I have always tried to follow your advice and I found it sound. I have been spared involvement in many futile fictions. But I owe you much more than gratitude for personal advice.

As one of many devoted Finnish workers, I am indebted to you for leadership which never once tolerated compromise, which sternly rejected appeasement, which drove unceasingly and tirelessly for a goal, clear, defined, held always in view.

We who were chosen to work through these six momentous years will always be rewarded in the knowledge that we were able to contribute something to one of the very few honorable



I. L. KENEN  
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chapters in the history of our  
times

It has been a privilege  
to have worked by your side.

My regards to Mrs. Wilson.

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## Statesman and Prophet

In surveying the world-wide political, social and ideological upheavals of the last 10 years it is not easy to select and put together in proper perspective and chronological order the epochal events that led to the establishment of the Jewish State in Palestine.

They are balanced and arranged by "Vision and Victory," a collection of milestone addresses by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, and the learned eloquence with which they are delineated by our fellow Clevelander gives the book exceptional power and historic worth.

On reading the collection of addresses, we wonder how many of us here at home comprehend fully the dominating role that Rabbi Silver played in bringing about fulfillment of that "natural and historic right of the Jewish people." At every crisis, at every turning point, his wisdom and faith inspired individuals and officials of government to push on against enormous obstacles.

The first of the addresses reprinted is that delivered on May 2, 1943, at the meeting of the National Conference for Palestine in Philadelphia. We were deep in the war, all will remember. However, Allied victory in Africa was raising the hopes of the people of America and the enemies of Hitler in Europe.

As a result of the war effort, and other special circumstances, Zionist political activity had slowed down in the United States. The British White Paper policy of barring Jewish refugees from Palestine was still being followed. In the Philadelphia address, Dr. Silver set forth the new policy of organization of American public opinion in behalf of Jewish rights. The influence of America in world affairs was to be the lever of Jewish liberation.

Dr. Silver charged American officialdom with a "conspiracy of silence" which gave support to British policy. With bold realism he rejected the idea of waiting for victory in war for the solution of Jewish problems.

"That, I am afraid, is cold comfort," said Rabbi Silver. "Government officials will be able to discover after the war as many insurmountable difficulties in the way of helping our people as they have discovered heretofore, unless there is a complete and radical revision of attitude, and above all, a change of heart."

In retrospect his judgment is vindicated. Our own unhappy experiences in putting difficult questions aside for war's end give more weight to Rabbi Silver's words. We are thinking of the secret treaties of World War I, and the failure in the last war to arrive at agreements with Russia before the enemy was conquered.

The addresses deal with the mobilization of American Jewry, with questions of military security that were injected into Jewish policy, with shifting attitudes within the United Nations.

Finally the dream of a Jewish state was realized, and Dr. Silver, who had played such a momentous role through the war years, was selected to stand before the United Nations to proclaim its independence.

All of us are familiar with the eloquence of Dr. Silver's addresses. However, his tremendous talents as a statesman and the world-wide influence he exerted shine ever more clearly on the reading and re-reading of "Vision and Victory." It embodies the words and deeds of a principal actor in a phase of history. Few books have such distinction.

Cleveland Plain Dealer June 15, 1949

Dear Mrs. Silver:

The Plain Dealer sees eye to eye with us in regards to your illustrious husband's great accomplishments.

I can say to the inclosed editorial, Amen. Wishing you and yours continued success and good health.

Julius Schmitt

I wish to place an order for the book.



MEIER STEINBRINK  
JUSTICE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
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June 15, 1949.

Dear Friend:

There has just come to my desk the collection of your addresses entitled "Vision and Victory".

I am grateful to you not only for the book but for the inscription.

Each year during the fall, winter and spring I find little time for outside reading, but I do collect quite a lot in the way of books, brochures and pamphlets and then when my summer vacation begins I have enough to keep me occupied and out of mischief. This last book of yours will be at the top of my reading list beginning with the end of this month. Again my heartiest thanks to you for it.

I am wondering if you will visit New York during the summer on one of your many missions. If you do, Mrs. Steinbrink and I would be delighted to have you visit us at our country place-which is only 52 miles from New York and the train service is excellent-and spend either a day with us or a week-end. Last year my very dear friend Dr. Louis Woolsey was with us. We would very much like to have you.

With kindest regards and good wishes,

Sincerely,

Dr. Abba Eillel Silver  
Temple on the Heights  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

June 15, 1949

Dr. Sidney Marks  
Zionist Organisation of America  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York 17, New York

Dear Dr. Marks:

I am enclosing a check for \$200, proceeds of the sale of 80 copies of "Vision and Victory". I shall appreciate receiving a statement from you as to the exact amount due you, taking into account the complimentary copies sent to Dr. Silver and the additional 50 requested in his letter of yesterday.

Kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver

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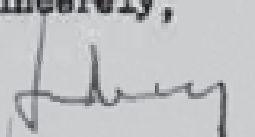
Dear Dr. Silver:

I want to thank you for your very  
gracious remarks which were contained in your  
volume of addresses.

I cherish the thought that I can walk  
in the path of greatness as a friend.

With affectionate regards to you and  
your family, I am

Sincerely,

  
Dr. Sidney Marks  
Executive Director

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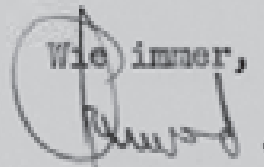
Rabbi A. H. Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Friend:

Thank you for sending me "Vision and Victory".  
May I say that it is as much appreciated for  
the generous dedication as for the inspiration  
the contents offer.

But it is definitely not good summer reading!  
Some of the perorations of the several addresses  
become too exciting for a warm evening. Never-  
theless I shall finish them tonight.

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לכבוד  
ה'ר'ר אבא הלל סילור  
ניו-יורק.

ר'ר סילור הנכבד,

הריני מאשר בתורה רכה את קבלת ספרך "חזון ונצחון".  
אמנם דבר כעתו מה טוב! גמר תקופה מחייב סכום ואשריך  
שעמדת בשורה הראשונה של החוזים והמנצחים! בספרך - כמו כראי -  
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בשבע השנים הרעות והשמונות כאחת.

בבדכת שלום רב,  
וירידות נאמנה,

ר'ר י. רובינסון.

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HERBERT BAYARD SWOPE  
745 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK 22, N.Y.

15 June 1949.

My dear Dr. Silver:-

I am happy to receive a copy of "Vision and Victory." It is a record of strenuous efforts, finally crowned with success.

You had a great part in bringing about the outcome in Israel, and no deep cynicism on the part of your enemies can reduce its importance.

My warm congratulations.

Your friend,



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

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June 15, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I wish to thank you most sincerely for Vision and Victory. It is only the "big" man who does big things, and in remembering us "small fry", you have become more endeared than ever.

In the more than thirteen consecutive years of my employment in the Jewish organizational field I have seen many changes of administration. For me, your own terms of office have been the most superlative and inspiring. It is difficult to realize that soon I will no longer be able to continue to serve you. Since you will always have Vision, I can only pray for your future Victories.

Your autographed inscription shall be forever treasured. Thank you for everything!

Sincerely,

*Beatrice Cohen*  
Beatrice Cohen

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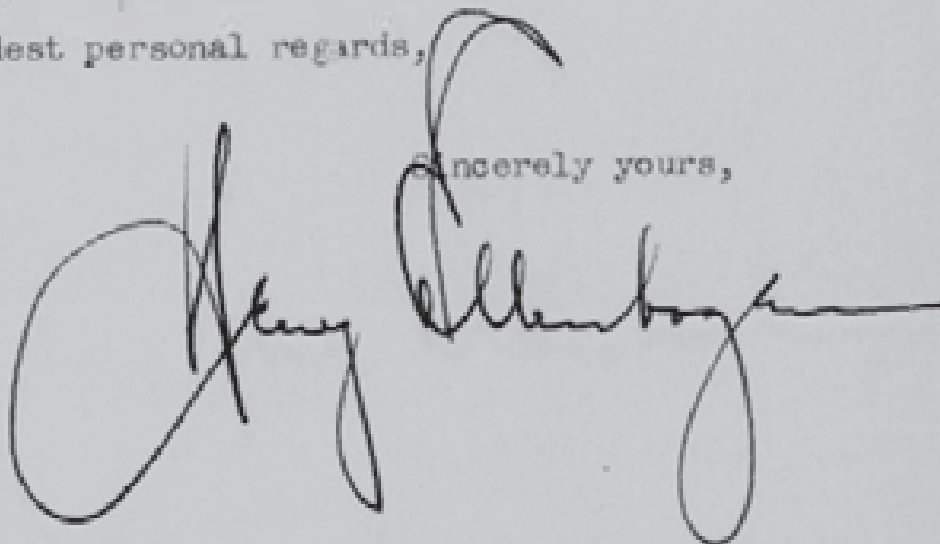
I was very happy that the National Convention of the Z.O.A. recognized your valiant service in the establishment of the Jewish State in Palestine and also upheld your stand in the recent controversy, especially on the question of autonomy for the Z.O.A. and its activities.

At this juncture in Jewish history there is no more important issue than the question of autonomy. This is as important a battle as many that you have fought so gloriously and successfully in the past. The fact that you are leading in this fight is assurance of success.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
E. 105th & Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, which appears to read "Henry Ellenbogen". The signature is written over the "Sincerely yours," and extends across the right side of the page.

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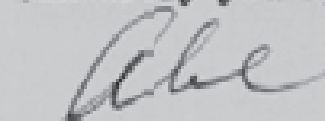
My dear Abba:

I was delighted to receive today, your new volume, "Vision and Victory". I am happy that the ZOA saw fit to give permanent form to the great addresses you have given in these half dozen years. They have great importance historically and spiritually.

And, may I especially thank you for your very gracious inscription on the fly leaf of the book?

I am looking forward with pleasure to seeing you at Bretton Woods, and with affectionate greetings for you and for Virginia, in which Helen joins me, I am

Sincerely yours,



Dr. Abraham J. Feldman

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June 15, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Cleveland 6  
Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I was delighted to receive a collection of your addresses (1942 - 1948) and I certainly want you to know how much I appreciate your inscription. I look forward to reading your speeches and you may be sure that it will have a prominent place in my library.

Very sincerely yours,

*H. C. Lodge, Jr.*  
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Suite 1426  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York, New York

Dear Dr. Silver:

I was delighted to have the collection of your addresses covering the last six tempestuous years as we move from vision to victory.

More than any other individual during the final crucial years it seems to me speaking from a fairly intimate knowledge that it was your vision that brought Israel into being and converted it into a reality that will forever serve mankind.

Cordially and sincerely yours

Owen Brewster

Owen Brewster, U.S.S.

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## Holding the Line

Considering all the bills to increase greatly the expenditures of the state government that have engulfed the Legislature, the taxpayers of Ohio ought to consider the House action on the 1949-50 biennial budget about as good as could be expected.

The budget as approved by the House and sent on to the Senate for its consideration doesn't entail any reduction in the cost of operating the state government, but at least it holds the fiscal line, in that it would not require the imposition of new or additional taxes. For that we should all be thankful.

On April 6 Gov. Lausche recommended a budget of \$648,802,688 for the two fiscal years beginning July 1.

After its finance committee had engaged in two months of confusing pulling and hauling, the House voted to set the biennial appropriation for state government operations at \$648,802,688—a cut of \$2,008,947, or four-tenths of 1%. This is a piddling amount. But in the light of the tremendous pressure being exerted by the lobbyists in behalf of money-appealing projects, at least it is something in the right direction.

The people of Ohio should make it plain to the Senate that they want it, too, to hold the line on state government spending.

On the basis of performance so far this session, the Senate probably will try to be more liberal with the taxpayers' money. Knowing full well that the money wasn't in sight, the Senate a few weeks ago passed legislation to increase state expenditures fully \$40,000,000 above the governor's recommendation. We hope the Senate will have read enough, and accurately, the signs of the times by the time the budget reaches the body for a vote.

The Republican minority in the House made a laudable effort to reduce the budget by \$11,250,000 by proposing a 4% cut in appropriations for state department operations, maintenance and service allowances, without cutting rates of pay. Backed in this effort by the Democratic majority, the Republicans could have blocked passage of the budget in the House, but, under the guidance of minority leader C. William O'Neill, they commendably eschewed an obstructivist attitude.

The House Republicans would, it seems, have been in a better position to talk government economy if their fellow partisans in the Senate had not deserted the G. O. P. legislative platform and gone along with Democratic senators in voting for the \$40,000,000 increase in state expenditures.

Oddly as it seemed the House will permit state operations to increase at the going rate, but allow a \$13,000,000 rise in Welfare Department expenditures to meet the inescapable, necessary cost of running new and expanded state hospitals, and add \$7,000,000 in state aid to the schools because of increased enrollment.

In view of the present economic situation, in which the state's tax revenue is diminishing, we believe the Senate should approve a biennial appropriation no larger than the one passed by the House. Even at \$648,802,688 the budget will be precariously balanced, and it is imperative at this time that the purchasing power of the people of Ohio not be reduced further by the imposition of additional taxes.

Statesman and Prophet

American Jewry, with questions of military security that were injected into Jewish policy, with shifting attitudes within the United Nations.

Finally the dream of a Jewish state was realized, and Dr. Silver, who had played such a momentous role through the war years, was selected to stand before the United Nations to proclaim its independence.

All of us are familiar with the eloquence of Dr. Silver's addresses. However, his tremendous talents as a statesman and the world-wide influence he exerted since ever more clearly on the reading and re-reading of "Vision and Victory." It embodies the words and deeds of a principal actor in a phase of history. Few books have such distinction.

## Matters of Fact by the Alsops

Indo-China Faces Communist Threat With Light-Hearted Carelessness

By STEWART ALSOP

SAIGON, Indo-China, June 15—The difference between China and Indo-China can be simply stated.



## Statesman and Prophet

In surveying the world-wide political, social and ideological upheavals of the last 10 years it is not easy to select and put together in proper perspective and chronological order the epochal events that led to the establishment of the Jewish State in Palestine.

They are balanced and arranged by "Vision and Victory," a collection of milestone addresses by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, and the learned eloquence with which they are delineated by our fellow Clevelander gives the book exceptional power and historic worth.

On reading the collection of addresses, we wonder how many of us here at home comprehended fully the dominating role that Rabbi Silver played in bringing about fulfillment of that "natural and historic right of the Jewish people." At every crisis, at every turning point, his wisdom and faith inspired individuals and officials of government to push on against enormous obstacles.

The first of the addresses reprinted is that delivered on May 2, 1942, at the meeting of the National Conference for Palestine in Philadelphia. We were deep in the war, all will remember. However, Allied victory in Africa was raising the hopes of the people of America and the enemies of Hitler in Europe.

As a result of the war effort, and other social circumstances, Zionist political activity had slowed down in the United States. The British White Paper policy of barring Jewish refugees from Palestine was still being followed. In the Philadelphia address, Dr. Silver set forth the new policy of organization of American public opinion in behalf of Jewish rights. The influence of America in world affairs was to be the lever of Jewish liberation.

Dr. Silver charged American officialdom with a "conspiracy of silence" which gave support to British policy. With bold realism he rejected the idea of waiting for victory in war for the solution of Jewish problems.

"That, I am afraid, is cold comfort," said Rabbi Silver. "Government officials will be able to discover after the war as many insurmountable difficulties in the way of helping our people as they have discovered heretofore, unless there is a complete and radical revision of attitude and above all, a change of heart."

In retrospect his judgment is vindicated. Our own unhappy experiences in putting difficult questions aside for war's end give more weight to Rabbi Silver's words. We are thinking of the secret treaties of World War I, and the failure in the last war to arrive at agreements with Russia before the enemy was conquered.

The addresses deal with the mobilization of

June 16, 1949

Dr. Sidney Huxis  
Stonist Organization of America  
11 East 12nd Street  
New York 17, New York

Dear Dr. Huxis:

I am herewith returning copy of Invoice #354 which I received this morning and I have made certain notations on it which I believe are self-explanatory. Incidentally, the charges should be made to Dr. Silver rather than to the Temple Library. Will you please ask the Bookkeeping Department to send us a revised statement.

With best wishes, I am

sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver

or  
Enc.

cc: Bookkeeping Dept.

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# ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

41 EAST 42nd STREET  
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

AIRMAIL

June 16, 1949

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Sidney Marks asked me to keep you informed of the progress being made in promotion of "Vision And Victory". Review copies are already in the hands of some 70 reviewers of leading periodicals in this country and in Israel. We plan to follow up on these reviewers shortly.

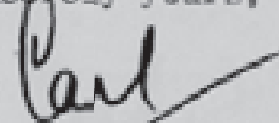
The book is now being promoted daily on our 40A radio broadcast "Report From Israel". It is on sale at Macy's, Brentano's and other New York book stores and I have assigned a sales person to cover all major outlets.

We have also been in contact with the major book stores in Cleveland and are in receipt of an order for 50 copies from Higbee's and additional orders from Korner & Wood Company and Frank's Hebrew Book Store.

You may be assured that we shall continue to promote and publicize the book vigorously.

Thanks for the autographed copy which you were kind enough to send me. I shall treasure it in my personal library.

Sincerely yours,



Carl Albert  
Director Education Dept.

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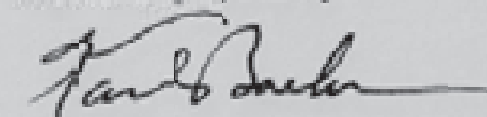
June 16, 1949

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

It was a very great pleasure for me, upon my return from Israel, to find on my desk a copy of your book "Vision and Victory." I shall cherish it throughout my life, and am most grateful to you for remembering me with a copy.

Cordially yours,



Karl Baehr  
Executive Secretary

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June 16, 1989

Dear Dr. Silver:

My most sincere thanks for  
"Vision and Victory", with your  
kind accompanying message. Having  
heard you speak I look forward  
with the keenest pleasure to  
reading these addresses. You are  
one of the leading orators of the  
day; and Israel has been most  
fortunate in having at its disposal  
your powerful advocacy and  
intelligent leadership, in so many  
critical times these last years.

The days ahead seem not

as smooth as I had hoped;  
and your helping mind and  
heart will be needed as in  
the past.

Again thanking you,  
and with all good wishes, believe  
me,



Yours very sincerely,

Charles Faby.

Mr. Arthur Hillel Silver  
Cleveland.



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June 16, 1949

Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dearest and most beloved Dr. Silver:

I am so deeply grateful to you for the wonderful gift sent me in the form of your recently published volume, "Vision And Victory."

The volume has indeed revived within my mind the glorious days in which I was privileged to work with you, which days I am sure are by no means over. Everyone who has experienced the pleasure of being one of your followers and co-workers will never give up the hope and ambition of finding himself once again in the warm atmosphere of your inspiring leadership.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Max Kirshblum*

Rabbi Max Kirshblum  
Executive Vice-President

mh/rs

*A Growing Membership — Strengthens Israel's Cause.*

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# ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

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June 16, 1949

Miss Elizabeth Rice  
Secretary to Dr. Silver  
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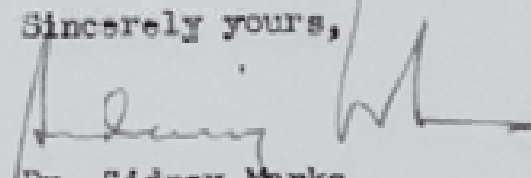
Dear Miss Rice:

Many thanks for your letter dated June 15th together with the check in the sum of \$200.

I am referring your communication to Mr. Carl Alpert, Director of our Education Department, who will furnish you with an account.

Accept my kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

  
Dr. Sidney Marks  
Executive Director

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# ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

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June 16, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Many thanks for your letter dated June 13th.  
I was delighted to hear from you.

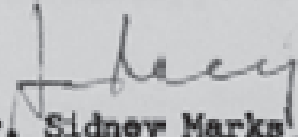
We are contacting the book shops in every part  
of the country and I will double-check on the matter of  
Cleveland.

I have kept in mind the item of additional charge  
for overtime and you may be sure that it will be noted by  
the auditor when it is received.

I most certainly agree with you. I am having an  
additional 50 of the 300 copies which were sent to you for  
sale earmarked as complimentary copies.

Accept my affectionate regards.

Sincerely,

  
Dr. Sidney Marks  
Executive Director

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STATE OF NEW YORK  
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ALBANY

R. BURDELL BIXBY  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNOR

June 16, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In the absence of Governor Dewey, I want to acknowledge and thank you on his behalf for the inscribed copy of "Vision and Victory" which has arrived.

When the Governor returns to Albany, he will receive the book and will, I know, very much appreciate your thoughtful courtesy in sending it to him, as well as your gracious inscription.

Cordially

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. Burdell Bixby", with a large, sweeping flourish underneath.

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SIDNEY L. HEROLD  
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

June 16th,

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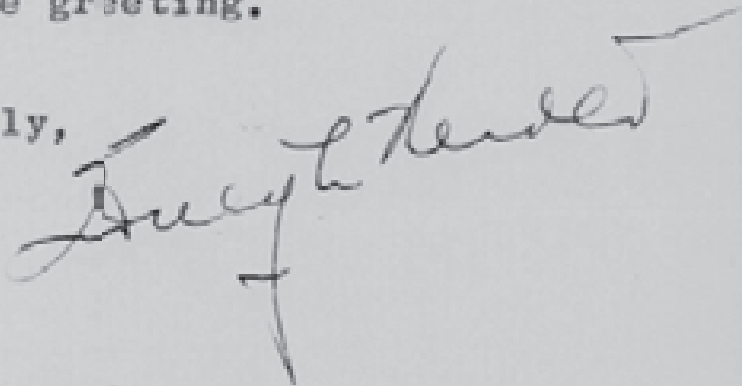
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland,  
Ohio.

My dear friend:

The inscription in the copy of  
your "Vision and Victory", which you were  
thoughtful enough to send me, in which you  
denominate me "dear friend and co-worker",  
is indeed an accolade.

I thank you sincerely, and  
reciprocate the affectionate greeting.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sidney L. Herold". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed word "Cordially,".

P. S. Just this week, I entered on my  
seventieth year. But despite the Psalmist,  
I have not measured my days, and will not  
so long as Zion calls and Silver leads.

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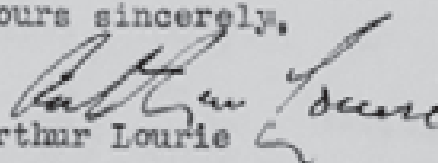
Dear Dr. Silver:

I am most grateful to you for your kind  
thought in sending me the collected volume of  
your addresses. I was present on a number of  
these occasions and am delighted to receive  
this memorable record, and particularly to  
have your personal inscription.

With most cordial regards,

Yours sincerely,

Arthur Lourie



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Personal.

29 Sutherland Road,  
Brookline 46, Mass.,  
June 18, 1949.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,--

I thank you warmly for VISION AND VICTORY and for the inscription. You have always been gracious to me, so much so that I like to consider this gift not corroborative but cumulative evidence of your friendly feelings: corroboration is not needed.

I have read with much interest the comments on the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry, quorum pars parva fui, and have also browsed through other chapters. Strangely enough, I seemed to be refreshing my memory of the long ago. So many things have happened in the last year or two that even your addresses appear dated a trifle. I snickered, I must confess, when I came on passages in which you expressed antagonism to partition--and those chuckles were supplementary to many laughs at my own folly in opposing partition prior to the great decisions at Lake Success. Logic was on our side,--but how little logic has to do with life! Paradox has characterized the recent history of Palestine, syllogisms scamper away like Arab soldiers.

The present attitude of the State Department is so incomprehensible to me that I feel like laying in a supply of dunce caps. I can't believe that the obtuseness of other periods has overtaken the Department again. I can't believe that the recent ultimatum of the Department to Israel was occasioned by the whim of some Department sub-official, a carry-over from the Roy Henderson era. I can't believe that our country is about to do another double back flipflop. I cannot believe all this, but the course of the Department intimates that this is the case. I am stopped, stumped, blocked

and bewildered. I can merely surmise that powerful, hidden factors, probably international, possibly bi-national factors are operating. The high intelligence of Dean Acheson aggravates ~~#####~~ my plight. I hope that Dr. Bunche and Mr. Eban, both of whom I expect to see tomorrow, at Brandeis University, will pull me back from the circle of darkness and distrust.

Again, Sir, thanks for the autographed volume.

Sincerely,

*R. M. Dwyer*



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Oxon Hill Manor  
Oxon Hill, Maryland

June 18, 1949

My dear Dr. Silver:

Nothing could have given me truer satisfaction than the receipt this morning of the collection that has now been published under the title "Vision and Victory" of the magnificent addresses you have made at critical moments during these recent years and in which you have been so kind as to write a personal message that has moved me very deeply indeed.

You have indeed been an inspired leader in one of the most inspiring causes of which the world has known in recent centuries. There is no doubt that public opinion in the Western world - Jewish as well as non-Jewish - is realizing today more than ever before how much is owing directly to you for the achievement that is now witnessed. Rarely is it given to leaders in a cause such as yours to see in their lifetime the accomplishment of a great ideal to which they have dedicated themselves. That good fortune, I am glad to say, has come to you.

No one knows more realistically than you that the battle is still on and that such leaders as yourself will have to continue the fight during the rest of their lives. But the essential has been won.

I am truly grateful for the words you have written in my behalf. Coming from you, they mean a great deal. It will always be a peculiar satisfaction to me that even in a very small way, in office as well as out of office, I have been able to contribute something to the advancement of the cause of the establishment of the State of Israel, and once I am well again - which I fear will still be a good many months off - I shall once more try to do what I can to be of service.

With my renewed and most grateful thanks and with my warmest personal regards, believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

/s/ SUMNER WELLES

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
19810 Shaker Boulevard  
Shaker Heights  
Cleveland, Ohio

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Oxon Hill Manor  
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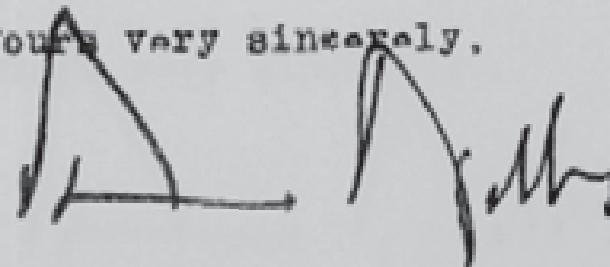
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Yours very sincerely,



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
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Shaker Heights,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY  
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BOSTON 16, MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF THE DEAN  
178 NEWBURY STREET

June 20, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Cleveland 6  
Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

We have just said Von Voyage to Dean LeSourd. He sails tomorrow for two months in England, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Italy, and France. Mrs. LeSourd and a party of fifteen will accompany him. It should be a wonderful trip and we will miss him.

I know he will be very much pleased to have your book, Vision and Victory. Before he returns, we hope to read it. He would want me to thank you for him until he has the opportunity to do so personally.

Most cordially,

*Margaret S. Harris*  
Administrative Secretary