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Correspondence, personal, 1967.

Saturday January 7, 1967

Rabbi Silver:

Mrs. Gertrude Williams of 20875 Chagrin Boulevard Apt. 4 (44122)  
your article in  
phoned this morning to say that she had just read/the morning Plain  
Dealer - she is very proud of you and sure that your father would be  
too. Said she is a contemporary of your father. Said that it is com-  
forting to know that there are young people today who think they way  
you do, and that you are worthy of following in your father's footsteps.  
Said she would have written to you but just cannot write much anymore.

Rhea

American Society for



# TECHNION-

ISRAEL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Inc.

Suite 204, 24525 Southfield Road, Southfield, Michigan  
48075

January 12, 1967

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver  
East 10th Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Silver:

In 1958 the late beloved Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver spearheaded a drive for funds, for Technion - Israel Institute of Technology in Cleveland, Ohio.

In this connection he pledged a gift of \$6500.00 on which prior to his death he paid \$5500.00, leaving a balance of \$1000.00.

The untimely and unfortunate demise of Rabbi Silver took from the worlds Jewish community and from the Technion a most illustrious leader. Were the Rabbi still alive I know that Technion, in which he was most vitally interested would have benefited greatly by his leadership.

Technion is experiencing a cash deficit, because it borrowed money against pledges, for the purpose of constructing a new City. It must pay these debts and we are asking our good friends for help, by asking for the balance of the pledge.

I hope you understand the spirit in which this letter is written, and my request for your consideration of the outstanding balance of \$1000.00 as the Rabbi's pledge.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

I am,

Sincerely yours,

Arthur Mandell  
Regional Director

AM:lk

January 16, 1967

Mrs. Gertrude Williams  
20875 Chagrin Boulevard Apt. 4  
Cleveland, Ohio 44122

Dear Mrs. Williams:

My secretary transmitted to me your kind phone message. Needless to say I am most grateful to you. These are hard times and it is quite a challenge to speak with some sanity and reason. With all good wishes for the coming year.

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf



January 18, 1967

Mr. Jack Hume  
Religion Editor  
The Cleveland Press  
E. 9th & Lakeside Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Dear Jack:

Emigration from Israel is a complex thing. As you know there is emigration from the United States - people going back to their old homes, etc. In addition, much of the Israeli emigration is what we have begun to call the brain drain. Just as students go to Western Europe to get advanced degrees and are enticed away by industry and higher faculty pay, so are the Israelis motivated by the same incentives.

The tensions between the Oriental and Western Jews are complex and are not unlike those between the hill-billy and the settled Clevelander - different values, educational background, etc.

I am delighted you liked the tie and no metaphorical purpose was intended.

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

DJS:mgm

[1967]

Rabbi D.J. Silver  
The Temple, Cleveland

Jan 19. p. 1120

Dear Daniel and Adele,

We feel really ashamed not to have written to you for such a long time. It just took us much longer than we thought to settle again in our old country. We were under such a pressure of work, duties, schools etc. that it scarcely left us time to do anything but the most essential.

It is with pleasure that we remember the days spent with you in Cleveland! Your Temple and the people of your congregation whom we met, seem to be the best example of American Jewish life.

We heard from our friend Chana Steuermann that she was very happy to meet Adele and we hope that she already met Daniel too.

We are very satisfied with the tape recorder and we did about it as you asked us. Let us hope that you will get nice objects for your Temple through the Israel Museum!

We are sure that this will greatly contribute to the interest of your youth on the part of our country.

Hope to see you soon in Israel, yours  
Moshe, Trude Dathan

January 23, 1967

Board of Regents  
Columbia University  
New York, New York 10027

Gentlemen:

Perhaps it is presumptuous for me to suggest a matter or I may be prejudiced because of my association with an individual whom I would like to commend to you for consideration as a visiting lecturer. (I am not certain this is the title or the proper terminology).

I have served as secretary to Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver for the past two years and have worked with and observed the knowledge, ability, productivity, and projection on religious matters, the subject of religion, but in addition, his comprehension and knowledge of current topics. Dr. Silver graduated with honors from Harvard University. He majored in medieval history and has authored a book "The Maimonidean Criticism and the Maimonidean Controversy, 1180-1240," which has been reviewed in The Connecticut Jewish Ledger, Jewish Bookland, The Jewish Quarterly Review, Reconstructionist, Jewish Studies, in the French publication Revue Biblique, and in Tradition. This is an indication of the importance of the treatment of the subject matter, which was originally submitted for his doctoral thesis at the University of Chicago. The above-named are reviews by different individuals and does not represent newspaper reviews nor the commentary from his ministerial colleagues.

Rabbi Silver serves as Editor of the quarterly Journal of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. The theological material treated in this publication is of the highest professional calibre and its contributors are most knowledgeable in their respective expertise. His sermons are published or reproduced by popular request of his audiences. The Sunday services are attended by many visitors weekly.

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Dr. Silver graduated from Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion and served as a chaplain in the Navy in and during the Korean conflict. As mentioned previously he received his PhD from the University of Chicago, where he was also acquainted with the late professor Tillich.

I am enclosing newspaper clippings which include some of his writings and views on current and religious matters, and other materials which indicate briefly the span of knowledge on varied subjects.

Although I have mentioned the idea of lecturing before graduate groups in the field of theology suffice it to say that Rabbi Silver could not present himself nor approach your Board on the matter. He has indicated some interest in using his knowledge and ability in other than writing media and Sunday sermons. (He has been a sought-after speaker by many local and national organizations including the Jewish Appeal, Zionist, and like groups.)

I had hoped to include for your review a compilation of his Bible lectures which have been an annual presentation since 1963, however, this material is now in the process of review by Dr. Silver for consideration of publication in possible book form.

This appeal for your consideration is at this writing upon my own initiative. But, I sincerely hope you will <sup>the</sup> thought (suggestion) some discussion and perhaps decide to invite Dr. Silver to think about a possibility of lecturing to your Graduate School students and incumbents in his field(s) of competence.

Sincerely,

MGM:mgm  
Encls.

(Miss) Margurite G. Mihok  
Devoted Secretary of Rabbi Daniel J. Silver

January 24, 1967

Mr. Paul Bernstein  
International Hall  
Brunswick Square  
London, W. C. 1,  
England

Dear Paul:

I apologize for this delay in answering your note and can plead only overwork and an unconscionable pile of letters on my desk. I am delighted that London is proving exciting and well it ought to.

Who can argue with a concept of science as art or science as the road to happiness? What disturbs me, as you know, is the transfer of scientific pleasure into "iron laws" of scientific philosophy. I am not a Luddite though I recently read an interesting intellectual defense of this position by a Russian Jewish philosopher, Lev Shestov. You might sharpen your debating skills against his consistent anti-scientism. What I think is needed are new social apparatus which will require the scientist, not only to uncover his wisdom, but to be socially responsible for its impact upon society. When an environment is too radically transformed life which had adapted itself fairly well is quickly destroyed and I am enough of a chauvinist to want this to happen to the human race. Enough of this long distance theorizing.

Everyone is well here. We enjoyed having your folks in town for your cousin's wedding and I look forward to seeing you soon. With all good wishes.

Sincerely,

January 25, 1967

Mr. Arthur Mandell  
Regional Director  
American Society for Technion  
Israel Institute of Technology, Inc.  
Suite 204  
24525 Southfield Road  
Southfield, Michigan 48075

Dear Mr. Mandell:

I am responding to your letter of January 12, addressed to my mother, Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver. It is now three years since Dr. Silver's death and in that period of time we have attempted to pay and have paid all known outstanding obligations. Some months ago we completed payment on all these pledges and closed the various accounts.

The family will, of course, continue to support the Technion as it is possible for us to do. I am sure you can understand our response and I am also sure that Technion will not lose any money by this action.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:mgm

February 7, 1967

Drs. Moshe and Trude Dothan  
Archaeology Department  
Hebrew University  
Jerusalem, Israel

Dear Trude and Moshe:

It was good to hear from you. Life here proceeds with its usual speed and hectic schedule.

We are excited about our archaeological exhibit and look forward to its display a year or more from now. You might drop in on the reproduction laboratories from time to time to see to it that they are doing a high quality job and that they are moving along.

We had a wonderful trip this summer and we hope it will not be too long before we can return and spend perhaps a few months in the land.

Adele joins me in sending you both our very best.

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

DJS:mgm

February 21, 1967

Mr. Henry W. Levy  
Public Relations Director  
The Jewish Agency -  
American Section, Inc.  
515 Park Avenue  
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Levy:

As you may know we have a complete Abba Hillel Silver Archives in The Temple and you would find it desirable to spend a day here. I should be happy to turn over to you not only Dr. Silver's published manuscripts, but whatever diary material is involved in the days under consideration. I think this would be a far better way of proceeding than for my trying to guess the material that you might or might not desire.

During the early months of 1948 I was employed with Land and Labor for Palestine, an outfit on which Dr. Neumann can fill you in. I was headquartered in New York. I had just graduated from Harvard in December and my plans to spend a year at the Hebrew University were obviously in abeyance. I remember spending the night of May 13th walking the streets of New York with Harold Manson waiting to see the flash on the New York Times Building indicating that Israel had actually been declared a new state. I can still remember the tension of not knowing whether Israel would actually declare the state. You might also check with Manson and others on the various attempts made to prevent some of the uncertain members of the American Section of the Jewish Agency from returning to Israel with a plea that declaration of statehood be put off for the time being.



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Find out about the plane that never got  
quite beyond Cuba.

With all good wishes in your work, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

2346 Milton Road  
University Heights, Ohio 44118  
February 21, 1967

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi,

I have read with the greatest satisfaction your recent condemnation of the failure by Vatican authorities to recognize the State of Israel.

The word you used, "Ecclesiastical arrogance," is an under-statement yet very descriptive of the Roman Catholic Church's stand or lack of it.

Congratulations to you, Rabbi Silver, for your courage and good judgment to call by its proper name not only this act of omission, but also to speak out against the crime of commission perpetrated by Christendom and particularly by the Roman Catholic Church in keeping alive, over long centuries, the greatest lie ever told, i.e. the God-killing charge against the Jewish people.

It is about time that responsible religious leaders, and particularly those of the Jewish faith, speak out in unmistakable terms and put the blame where it belongs, for centuries of blood soaked history and suffering, caused by that despicable charge of deicide, which is as criminal as it is illogical.

How could human beings kill a god? How can a people be condemned for giving the world the alleged Savior? How can a people be held responsible for the action of a few, an act committed almost 2000 years ago but not even historically documented? How can a church base a religion on such a falsehood and then preach forgiveness and brotherly love?

I feel deeply that not enough has been done to erase this charge. More words should be spoken, more voices should be heard. The cry "j'accuse" should be raised once more, but this time for a much greater and older wrong. And this cry should be picked up and repeated by the press, from the rostrums and pulpits, in Congress and the United Nations, at every place and opportunity where men of good will gather and decency is to be found, until that voice reaches the most hypocritical mind in the most reactionary church in the world.

Sincerely yours

*Bert V. Guttman*  
Bert V. Guttman

February 24, 1967

Mr. Bert V. Guttman  
2346 Milton Road  
University Heights, Ohio 44118

Dear Mr. Guttman:

Thank you for your kind letter. I try to say what has to be said and I would agree with you that we are usually too grateful for crumbs tossed from the table.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf

*Shaker Savings Association*  
*Shaker Heights, Ohio*

ALEXANDER MINTZ  
PRESIDENT

February 27, 1967

Dear Rabbi:

You appear to be trending in the direction of competing with the newspapers - that is, in the sense of trying to achieve "immediacy." Hasty reaction to public events is a very dangerous thing for a clergyman, in my judgment.

Enclosed is an old quote from THE ECONOMIST dated February 22, 1862, which is worthy of your careful consideration.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,



Alexander Mintz

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

[with Feb 27,  
1967]

THE ECONOMIST

February 22, 1862

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As eminently religious men have in all ages been among the most cruel and oppressive in their practice, so eminently philanthropic men, whether of the sentimental or the conscientious sort, are apt to be, of all others, the most unsound in their views and the most reckless in their action. The explanation in each case is the same. It is not that the hearts of the pious are usually hard or that the heads of the humane are naturally weak; but that both feeling themselves to be well-mounted - having a good aim in view and an unexceptionable steed beneath them - conceive that they have nothing to do but to throw the reins upon the neck of the animal, shut their eyes and ride as hard as they can; - satisfied that the inherent excellence of the hobby they bestride will carry them over all obstacles and bring them to the goal at last. Nothing stops them; nothing staggers them; an opposing principle is only a five-barred gate to be overleapt; an inconvenient fact is a thing to be shied at and rapidly passed by on the other side; antagonistic rights are only hedges to be scrambled through, or foot passengers to be ridden down. Thus mounted and thus inspired, kind men become guilty of the most barbarous inflictions; conscientious men tell the most terrible fibs and use the most questionable means; wise men believe the shallowest stories, and clever men are content to put forth the most untenable and transparent of false pleas. Persuaded of the goodness of their cause and the benevolence of their feelings, they care little how bad are their arguments or how doubtful are their facts.

-- From THE ECONOMIST  
February, 1962

2-27-67

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
2841 Weybridge Road  
Shaker Heights, Ohio 44120

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I read with great interest your views on cancer cure in the 2-24-67 issue of the Plain Dealer and wish to thank you for expressing them publicly. My beloved father died a horrible, lingering and painful death from cancer, and I feel deeply for all of our creation who are afflicted with this dread disease.

Enclosed is an article on the same subject which I found very eye-opening.

Very truly yours,



Veronica Woodall  
732 Warren  
Sandusky, Ohio 44870

P.S. I looked up your address in the Cleveland telephone directory.

*Shaker Savings Association*  
*Shaker Heights, Ohio*

ALEXANDER MINTZ  
PRESIDENT

February 27, 1967

Dear Rabbi:

Enclosed is a little homily entitled  
"Children Learn What They Live."

You might consider this for publica-  
tion in the Temple Bulletin or for distribu-  
tion to children in the Sunday Schools to give to  
their parents.

Regards.

Sincerely,



Alexander Mintz

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

CHILDREN LEARN WHAT THEY LIVE

If a child lives with criticism,  
    He learns to condemn.  
If a child lives with hostility,  
    He learns to fight.  
If a child lives with ridicule,  
    He learns to be shy.  
If a child lives with jealousy,  
    He learns to feel guilty.  
If a child lives with tolerance,  
    He learns to be patient.  
If a child lives with encouragement,  
    He learns confidence.  
If a child lives with praise,  
    He learns to appreciate.  
If a child lives with fairness,  
    He learns justice.  
If a child lives with security,  
    He learns to have faith.  
If a child lives with approval,  
    He learns to like himself.  
If a child lives with acceptance and friendship,  
    He learns to find love in the world.

-- Dorothy Law Nolte



February 28, 1967

Mr. Alexander Mintz  
Shaker Savings Association  
20133 Farnsleigh Road  
Cleveland, Ohio 44122

Dear Alex:

Thank you for the lovely little poem. If by topicality you mean superficiality, I agree there is a danger but if religion is nothing more than a daily smoothing over of a society's problems, what is it?

With all good wishes, I remain

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf

MARVIN R. ZELL  
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT  
2787 DERBYSHIRE ROAD  
CLEVELAND HTS., OHIO 44106  
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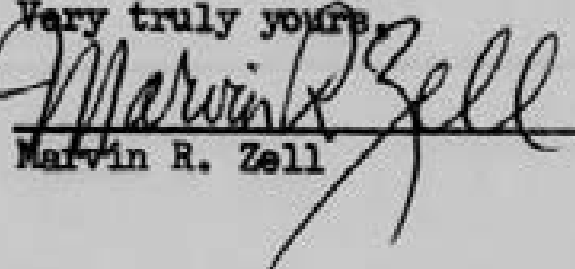
February 28, 1967

Rabbi Daniel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Sir:

I haven't read better anti-semitism in crudely printed 4 page throw-aways than I read in today's Plain Dealer on page 10. Complete with modern style headline as though our own Supreme Court again ruled.

At a time we seem concerned with anti-semitism in Russia, perhaps we should give deeper thought to what we must give in exchange for American matzos. I wonder if the Jews in the European concentration camps continued to receive their favorite morning newspaper. Or were they forced to do without?

Very truly yours,  
  
Marvin R. Zell

MRZ:z

P.S. Or when they still had a voice, did their rabbis say,  
"Don't stir up trouble."



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Dr. Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle and Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Dr. Silver:

Let me thank you once again on behalf of everyone who has anything to do with The PACE Association for the Harry Gellin Memorial Award.

It was a very stimulating evening for everyone. Not one, but all of the PACE Trustees in attendance called to tell me how much they enjoyed The Temple's program.

I am sorry they cropped the PLAIN DEALER photo showing you, Mr. Duchon, and me fighting for that plaque. Apparently the pictures didn't come out very well, but no one can blame the photographer--he only had a chance to snap us 12 times.

Let's get together and talk some time. Maybe something would come of it.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Jewell

RJ:omw

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Rabbi Daniel Silver:

I thought this might interest you and give an excellent example of the possible ill-use of the grand jury system, especially since it hits so close to home for newspapers.

  
Roldo S. Bartimole

March 6, 1967

Mr. Roldo S. Bartimole  
The Cleveland Plain Dealer  
1801 Superior Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Dear Mr. Bartimole:

Thank you for sending on the material from  
the Reporter Magazine on the Grand Jury. Albany's  
problems are not ours but the danger is of course there.

Sincerely yours,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

DJS:mgm

PACE  
(ROBERT JEWELL)

March 6, 1967

Mr. Robert Jewell  
The Pace Association  
518 The Arcade  
420 Superior Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Dear Bob:

We were delighted to have you here the other night and I believe the Plain Dealer knows exactly whom to feature.

Through Bob I always had a close relationship with Pace and I look forward to working with you in the years to come. Anytime you would like to sit down and have lunch give me a call and we will bat the breeze and see what comes of it.

As always,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:mgm

March 7, 1967

Mrs. Veronica Woodall  
732 Warren  
Sandusky, Ohio 44870

Dear Mrs. Woodall:

I want to thank you for your kind note. I felt right along that the government would impose this research for the shallow operation that it was. I have strong feelings about preying on the desperation of the public for financial gain. I am glad that you agree with me.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

DJS:mgm

March 7, 1967

Mr. Marvin R. Zell  
2787 Derbyshire Road  
Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44106

Dear Sir:

May I suggest that in a democracy if there is an article in the press with which you disagree it is your first responsibility to so indicate directly to the editor. I would add, <sup>how</sup> do you presume to know what I, or any other rabbi in town did in response to this article?

Instead of feeding your prejudices about the rabbinate might I suggest that you undertake your responsibilities as a citizen.

Sincerely yours,

DJS:mgm

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER



MARVIN R. ZELL  
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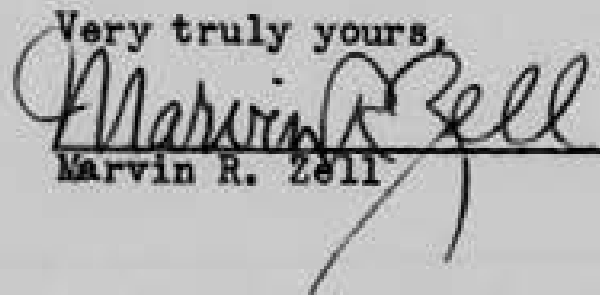
Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Rabbi,

I have encountered a number of writings emanating from P.O. Box 22071, Dallas, Texas. Would you suggest that I direct my complaints to George Lincoln Rockwell?

I must add that I discerned an unexpected sensitivity in your reply to my note of February 28. Need I further say that the Plain Dealer effrontery revealed an editorial opinion that Jewish unity does not exist in Cleveland?

You better believe that I am aware of my own responsibilities, one of which is to fight anti-semitism everywhere I encounter it. I just wonder whether or not we Jews are using the proper ammunition. I see we have no organization.

Very truly yours,  
  
Marvin R. Zell

MRZ:z

Yale University *New Haven, Connecticut*

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

*Sterling Chemistry Laboratory  
225 Prospect Street*

March 7, 1967

Dear Dan,

After six months of a very happy marriage I would like to formally thank you for making our wedding such a joyful and meaningful experience. I hope that it's not too late for that.

Judy and I hope that you will accept this check on behalf of The Temple and use it for whatever purpose you think appropriate.

We are currently in the throes of trying to put together a thesis (my wife is also my secretary) and as you know this is a very trying experience. The self-criticism which is so much a part of drawing conclusions from long months of research is at the same time rewarding and disconcerting. I hope to finish in about eight weeks so that we can settle down to a more "normal life".

As you may know our planned stay in Israel is now doubtful since money has become quite tight and Weizmann Institute Fellowships at the junior post-doctoral level have been severely cut back. We are still working on it and hopes remain that we will be in Jerusalem next year (or at least close by).

Otherwise all is going well. Do let us hear from you if you have the time and our best to all the Silvers in Cleveland.

Joel.

P.S. Do you think it is possible that we could be put on the mailing list for the Temple Bulletin?

March 10, 1967

Mr. Joel Bernstein  
Sterling Chemistry Laboratory  
Yale University  
225 Prospect Street  
New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Joel:

I am delighted that everything is working out so well. Adele and I look forward to a time when we can be with Judy and yourself.

I referred your kind check to the Abba Hillel Silver Charitable and Educational Foundation. It was totally unnecessary but the Foundation thanks you for it.

I am sorry to hear about Jerusalem and hope that things can work out.

I have seen to it that your name is placed on the mailing list for the Bulletin. Everyone here is well. Hope to see you soon.

As always,

D JS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

[with March 14,  
1967]

MRS. WALTER H. PLAUT  
4 FOURTH ROAD  
GREAT NECK, LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK

11021

Dear Danny -

I want to thank you for continuing to send me your bulletin. I ~~found~~ find it most interesting, particularly your messages, and I pass them on to friends of mine.

You may have heard that I am moving to Jerusalem with my two younger sons, Carmi (13½) and Joshua (9½), in June, 1967. My eldest, Yehudah (17½), will remain in the U.S. to begin college — and, I hope, spend his summers with me.

My Carmi has been accepted as a student in the new American High School at K'far Silver, which'll be opening in September, 1967. I'm very happy about this since he has been so very apprehensive about our move to Israel. My problem now is to try to get him at \$1400<sup>00</sup>

scholarship for the year to take care of  
his tuition, room and board.

Joshua will remain with me in  
Jerusalem and go to one of the neighbor-  
hood schools. I will probably be  
associated with the new American  
College which is starting in Jerusalem.  
I'm enclosing an announcement of  
it, just in case you haven't heard  
of it.

Again, thanks for your weekly  
messages. Regards.

Hadassah

March 14, 1967

Mrs. Walter H. Plaut  
4 Fourth Road  
Great Neck,  
Long Island, New York 11021

Dear Hadassah:

A belated thanks for your most kind note. I am delighted that you have enjoyed the bulletin. Your program in Israel sounds to be a most exciting one and I am sure you will find it fulfilling.

Bilaus, the Director of Kfar Silver, will be in town on the 26th and I will mention to him Carmi's admission and his hopes for a scholarship. I don't know whether it will do any good, but perhaps there is money available. In any case, all good luck.

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:mgm

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March 16, 1967

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have just finished reading your article, "The Church and the Jewish People," and wish to commend you for the outstanding analysis regarding the church's relationship to the Jews. The article is concise, clear and excellently written. I hope that many Jews, as well as non-Jews, will find an opportunity to read it.

Especially do I agree with your statement that "parlor conversation is not serious study," and that one who wants to become acquainted with and have an understanding and insight into Judaism and Christianity, must study.

Again, thank you for a very enlightening article.

Sincerely yours,

Aaron Intrater  
Director

AI:sl

March 17, 1967

Mr. Aaron Intrater  
Director  
Bureau of Jewish Education  
2030 South Taylor Road  
Cleveland, Ohio 44118

Dear Aaron:

Thank you for your kind note of March 16th.  
I am delighted that you read and approved of the article.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:mgm



J. M. ULMER  
CLEVELAND

Dear Rabbi :- May I praise you once again for your "The Church and the Jewish People" - This sermon should be given wide publication - How can it but be done? Not only among our people, many of whom need the truth, but also to our Christians friend and foe alike - You spell out the way - I will add dollar wise in calling facts on this age old story to many who may find in same a real look see and perhaps an understanding which may be of help - and thus a bit less of Antisemitism may result - Jules Isaac hit the nail on the head - yet Pope Paul's "greatest single mistake" continues to restate the lies on which the Church has built its crims against, not only our people, but all the people.

J. M. ULMER  
CLEVELAND

In a few words you tell the  
story - For this our thanks  
must go to a fine scholar  
and one who speaks the truth -  
so badly needed to help  
light the way in this confused  
world of ours. If our  
newspapers had the wisdom  
and the courage to print  
and reprint the truth found  
in your sermon they might  
do some good - I doubt that  
they will - But one must ever  
live in the hope that some day  
truth will prevail -  
I congratulate you and thank you.

Sincerely  
J. M. Ulmer

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
Cleveland  
March 19-1967

. . . . .  
March 20, 1967

Mr. J. M. Ulmer  
1130 B. F. Keith Building  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Yank:

Thank you for your most kind note. I have never felt that cooperation between the faiths should be based on anything less than honesty and dignity. I am pleased that many have found my lecture a necessary word at a proper time. I look forward to seeing you soon. Thank you for your continued encouragement.

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf



Jacob J. Weinstein, d. d.

RABBI K.A.M. TEMPLE

RABBI'S STUDY, 930 E. 50th ST. • CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60615

March 24, 1967

Dear Daniel:

This is unashamedly a fan letter. You have done a magnificent job as editor of our Journal. You have kept the Journal on true course and have encouraged our colleagues to make significant contributions to those matters central to Reform Judaism. Your devotion of entire issues to one central issue as the one on Prayer and on our Liturgy, has provided our men with material helpful in their own evaluation of this worship service and in the content of their educational programs.

While we have been fortunate on the American scene to welcome many fine journals, each one adding to the knowledgeability and maturity of the questing Jew (I mention, off the cuff, Commentary, Midstream, Jewish Frontier, Reconstructionist, Congress Weekly, Hadassah Newsletter, Judaism, Tradition, American Judaism) no one of these has been concerned with the basic problems of liberal Judaism, nor was possibly in a position to treat these subjects with the day to day know-how of those who are grappling with them in the active Rabbinate.

It is encouraging to note that more people outside our membership, laymen, Rabbis, Ministers, Priests are interested in reading the Journal. I have suggested to our Executive Board and will suggest to the Convention that each Conference member take it upon himself to send a subscription to his thoughtful colleagues in the ministry. This, too, could further the dialogue in this age of Ecumenicity when we are ready and eager to share mutually and reciprocally our religious gropings and convictions with our neighbors.

Let me thank you for a brilliant contribution to the Conference and to Reform Judaism. I consider your editorship of the Journal a bright feather in the cap of my administration.

Sincerely,

*Jacob*

P.S. I would like to see this letter included as a sort of Presidential message in the next issue!

March 31, 1967

Mr. Shrive  
Manager  
The Cleveland Trust Co.  
Shaker Square Branch  
Shaker, Ohio

Dear Mr. Shrive:

This is to confirm my order to sell \$30,000  
of United States Treasury notes currently in my  
account for my account.

Sincerely,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

April 3rd, 1967.

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver,  
The Temple, Cleveland.

Dear Rabbi Daniel:-

This letter is long overdue, two letters in fact - one about myself, which being the easy one I will take first. Though as it is hooked up with the second matter, I am liable to bob from one to the other, and seem generally mixed up. I very much like the services at The Temple, but my deafness has progressed so far that I can no longer follow the music and especially the sermon. Yesterday, for instance I could of course follow the Psalms you read, as I knew them, but when you went to the tribute to Dave Berger, I could not follow you, much as I wanted to know what you were saying about my old choir-member and friend. And matters were not helped by my hitting on a run-down battery, when I got ready to put my hearing aid on. A hearing loss is almost impossible thing to explain to one who has not experienced it, the sense of lack of contact, and being out of things. So if I don't come to the Temple as often as I should from my long association with your father and you, please understand the cause.

The next is about you. I don't think you will argue if I speak of the many years of association with your wonderful father as the high points of my long life. I don't know how to describe the kindly, friendly gleam in his eyes as he reached out his hand to me over the top of his desk, as I came in for a service-set-up or some such matters, as I so often did over the long years past. And when you came and I again got that friendly look (I had it yesterday, after the funeral when we met) it seemed to still further cement my relations with The Temple. So I hope you won't mind if I say that I am watching you grow up and approve of every step that you are taking. Smart men are not uncommon, but wise men are very scarce, and you seem to be embarked on that track. The sermons on Johnson and the war, and two others that have been reprinted in the Temple Bulletin have been very much to the point, and couched in such language that cannot give offence. (The war seems to be incapable of being spoken of calmly, and while it is the worst mess this country has ever gotten into, when tempers rise and language gets violent, nothing will be accomplished. That is why I appreciate your addresses. Again let me say that smart men are a dime a dozen, but wise men are very scarce. Do you know the newspaper, The National Observer, I wish that you had an audience like that - a la Bishop Sheen. What this country needs is more men 'speaking out' in just the way you are doing - I'd like to see a hook-up with a

newspaper, such as The Observer - or The Christain Science Monitor. So that's my thoughts that I have had in mind, ever since I began to watch you start to 'speak up' And your Grand Jury duties, and other public services, too many to list. I hope you won't mind if I observe, admire, and approve.

Was glad to see so many out yesterday at Dave Berger's funeral. He was arare soul, and it was fine to see so many that appreciated. Odd I didn't know he was amamber of the Temple until Miss Farbmen told me so. He neverpulled rank on me. With my very best personal regards to you and yours,

Very sincerely,

Alfred R. Willard

April 5, 1967

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene M. Zeidman  
3008 Overhill Road  
Birmingham, Alabama 35233

Dear Mom and Dad:

I delayed in answering you regarding your most kind birthday present because I knew you wouldn't be back from New York. Adele returned and told of your wonderful few days together. I am only sorry that the press of business precluded my being there.



• Mrs. Eugene M. Zeidman

3008 Overhill Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35223

Dearest Daniel,

These few birthday gifts came to you with our love, admiration and every good wish. Have a happy and a healthy birthday and many, many more.

All our love,

Betty, Mother and Dad

P.S. More pajamas will arrive later.

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April 4, 1967

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Rabbi Dan:

I was shocked at the statements in last night's Press that you were reported to have made. An intemperate attack on our government is bad enough, but to say that defeat in Viet Nam would be a victory for our country would be bordering on treason. I am sure you have been grievously misquoted, and urge you to promptly demand a correction. To let that statement stand would be most offensive to all good Americans - and particularly the families of those who have sons fighting in Viet Nam.

I would greatly appreciate it if you would send me a copy of your letter to the Press.

Best regards,



Frank E. Joseph

April 5, 1967

Mr. Alfred R. Willard  
1829 Burnette  
Cleveland, Ohio 44112

Dear Mr. Willard:

I was touched and moved by your most gracious letter. To win the admiration of those whom one admires is a supreme accolade. It was good to see you the other day and good to know that you are very much as I remember you over all the years.

The distinction between wisdom and sophistication which you make is one of which I am very conscious and hope in some little way I can stay on the side of depth and deliberateness.

Keep well and let us see you soon.

As always,

DJS:mgm

April 7, 1967

Mr. Frank E. Joseph  
1750 Union Commerce Building  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Frank:

Though the last paragraph of the Press article was garbled the sense of the sermon was essentially correct. I shall be happy to send to you a copy of the lecture once it is taken off the tape. I do believe that disengagement in Vietnam would represent a victory for all that is hopeful and constructive in the nation. I have believed, as you know, for a long time, that our involvement in Vietnam is based on foolish miscalculations and that escalation has only compounded the original errors.

I am sorry that the Press report garbled this last idea, but I have learned from sad experience that to attempt to be precise in the public press only leads to further confusions. In any case, I think you will be interested in reading the sermon, which, by the way, was not an intemperate attack on our government. Intemperance, I suggest, is a measure of how much we disagree with the speaker. With all good wishes, I remain

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf

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April 10, 1967

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Rabbi Dan:

Thank you for your letter of April 7, 1967. I was sure you had been misquoted and again strongly urge you to demand a correction. You have no idea as to how wide spread and adverse the reaction was to the Press article.

Best regards,



Frank E. Joseph

April 11, 1967

Mr. Ralph Blumenstock  
21449 Fairmount Boulevard  
Cleveland, Ohio 44118

Dear Ralph:

*Cancelled*

My face is red. After finally making contact with you, I lost Al Miller's letter. It was stuck into a pile of materials which were filed away.

In any case, I wonder if you and your wife would like to have lunch with us on Sunday April 23rd after services. I feel guilty that so much time has passed and I can only plead that there are absent minded rabbis as well as absent minded professors.

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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[with Apr 11, 1967]

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October 10, 1966

MILTON HAAS  
COUNSEL

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
2841 Weybridge Road  
Cleveland 20, Ohio

Dear Dan:

They say that letter writing is a dead or dying art and, in my case this is certainly true. It probably surprises you to hear from me this way, but I am writing because I have a favor to ask.

Some very dear friends of ours, Ralph and Mia Blumenstock, have just moved from Great Neck to Cleveland. The move was quite sudden, it having occurred when Ralph was offered a most attractive position as Vice President of Willow Tree Incorporated, a subsidiary of Bobbie Brooks. They've bought a house at 21449 Fairmount Boulevard, Shaker Heights, Ohio. Ralph's office is at 3830 Kelly Avenue in Cleveland. They know virtually nobody in Cleveland and could use an introduction to the community. Naturally, I thought of you and told them I would write to you and ask you to see whether, despite what I'm sure is an extremely busy schedule, you might extend a welcome to them.

For your information, Ralph is Jewish, Mia is not. As a matter of fact, she is a minister's daughter. They have three children, and are probably potential members of your flock.

As for ourselves, the kids are getting older and, in general, life's been pretty good. I hope that this finds you, Adele, and your family in at least the same position.

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver

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October 10, 1966

I wanted very much to get to see you when you were lecturing up in Westchester recently but had a conflict in my schedule which prevented it. Next time you come into New York, how about letting me know.

Sincerely,



Alfred Miller



April 12, 1967

Mr. Ralph Blumenstock  
21449 Fairmount Boulevard  
Cleveland, Ohio 44118

Dear Ralph:

This is becoming a comedy of errors but I guess my face can not get any redder. I discovered I had two rabbinic engagements on the 23rd which would preclude that date for a luncheon engagement. I don't know how you observe Mother's Day, but for us it is only the last Sunday of the preaching season. If you and Mia could have lunch with us, Adele and I would love to have you on Sunday, May 14th. I have checked and double-checked and there are no other conflicts of schedule.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

DJS: mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

*Cleveland Bar Case*

FROM THE DESK OF RABBI DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

Enclosed as per telephone conversation.

To: Mr. John H. Wilharm  
Law In Life Committee  
Cleveland Bar

c/o Mr. David Cook  
2150 Illuminating Building  
55 Public Square  
Cleveland 13, Ohio

April 14, 1961

[Apr 14 1967]

No law is perfect. Some law is necessary. Respect for the law is imperative in democratic life. Concern with improving the law is a requirement of citizenship.

Liberty without law is anarchy. The law of the tyrant negates liberty. Just law limits license while encouraging personal freedom. The balancing of civil liberties and civil responsibilities is the crucial ongoing debate of a freedom-conscious society.

It is the quality of law that distinguishes our government. It is our capacity to vote law which is the hallmark of democracy. We would do well to use this power wisely and with restraint.

RABBI DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

May 8, 1967

Mr. Edward Dahlberg  
64 Rivington Street  
Manhattan  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Dahlberg:

I want to thank you for sending on your updated "Book of Proverbs." I skimmed it with interest and appreciate your terse and succinct use of our language. Yours is a rare skill in this sloppy, intellectually and stylistically careless age.

By way of quid pro quo I am sending you some of my own stuff - a technical study of the Maimonidean controversy and a few offprints that are still in my office.

Adele has enjoyed exposure to your thought and person and I look forward to meeting you in the near future. Thank you for the offer of friendship which I reciprocate.

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:mgm  
Encls.

June 1, 1967

The Honorable Charles A. Vanik  
U. S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

My dear Congressman:

I want to tell you how grateful I have been for your understanding during these past days. It is important that America take vigorous action to secure the opening of international waters and to preclude the spread of communism in the Middle East.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf

Dear Rabbi Dan,

Cleveland, Ohio  
June 7, 1967

FOR THE RECORD.

TO WIT: A Christian's Testimonial On a Current Jewish Leader"

More times than not, sons of famous fathers are judged by proverbial sayings: "Like father, like son," "following in the footsteps of his father." We know this is not a fair yardstick nor measure of comparison, yet, it is so automatic that persons do not often stop to think of its fairness or not. But, with due respect to Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver, this is the sentiment one hears so often from his congregation as well as other organizational associates and the public. Rabbi Silver's father, the world renown Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, pioneered many groups and causes, one of which was the Zionist Organization of America. During this present Israeli crisis Rabbi Daniel Silver has also pioneered in the Zionist organization by heading the Emergency Council of the ZOA in Cleveland. He has worked indefatigably in behalf of the State of Israel these past few weeks by trips to Washington, D.C. in contacting legislative representatives, in fund0raising, and in spiritual inspiration and guidance during these moments of crisis. We can not help but recall that his father, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, addressed the United Nations Assembly some nineteen years ago and pleaded for the creation of the State of Israel.

Rabbi "Dan", as he is affectionately called by many, gave great insight to the Israeli situation in his articles submitted to the Plain Dealer while on visit to Israel last summer (1966), and in two sermons. ".....almost hourly flight of interceptor aircraft can be heard. There are almost nightly incidents along the border. While we were there this summer, the Syrian

army was suddenly mobilized and masked on the Galilean front.... Arab legionnaires act as commandos and guerillas, who invade Israel stealthily at night, dynamite buildings and farms and murder and sow what confusion they can..."

One of four volumes devoted to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver's anthology of sermons, addresses, and writings will contain "his political and social statements, and those lectures and addresses with which he rallied the Jewish people and men of good will everywhere to the cause of a homeland in Zion." Is it any wonder, then, that his son, Rabbi (Dr.) Daniel Jeremy Silver, a Jewish spiritual and community leader in his own right, inspired by the legacy of tradition of his people, is now carrying on "in the way of a great leader."

Attested to this Seventh Day of June, 1967

Margurite G. Mihok  
Your devoted Christian secretary

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# Congress of the United States

## House of Representatives

Washington, D.C.

July 8, 1967

REMARKS OF WILLIAM E.  
MINSHALL, M. C.,  
FLOOR OF THE HOUSE,  
JUNE 8, 1967

The events of the past week underscore the importance of stability and lasting peace in the Near East. Israel has demonstrated her capacity and determination to fight for survival on the field of battle but the nations of the world must join forces to eliminate the necessity of repeating this struggle.

The United States of America participated with the world community in establishing the State of Israel. It is now our obligation to take the lead in assuring the development of this nation in the peace and tranquility which she has earned. No one can guarantee the future in an age of confusion and international tension, but we can assuredly take steps to prevent the constant recurrence of meaningless wars in this area of the world.

Our country, along with others dedicated to the preservation of peace, must undertake the difficult task of helping the people of Israel, and the people of the Arab world as well, to help themselves. The fantastic sums of money expended in the maintenance of military forces throughout the Middle East, if devoted to the establishment of schools, food production, medical care and industry could immeasurably raise the living standards of millions of destitute families and eliminate many of the sources of bitterness, misunderstanding and conflict which now exist.

It would be the sheerest folly to permit a new temporary armistice or military



truce which could be interrupted at the will of any party. What is needed in the Middle East is an earnest recognition of the grave danger that a new war in this area could quickly become a world-wide conflagration endangering every nation of the globe. We must not permit this knowledge to recede into the background.

Permanent peace can be established by men determined to achieve this goal.

I call upon America to lead in this effort.

WILLIAM E. MINSHALL  
23rd District, Ohio

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U. S.

MEMORANDUM

June 8, 1967

Dear Rabbi -

Enjoyed our  
brief visit - The  
attached statement was  
made on the floor today  
following my  
conversation  
with you and  
my girlfriend -

Respectfully  
William E. Minshall

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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

June 9, 1967

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
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University Circle at Silver Park  
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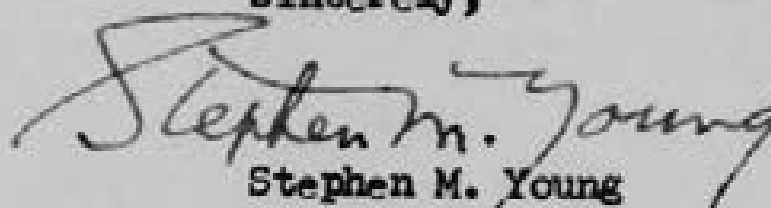
Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thanks a lot for expressing your strong views  
in support of Israel in overwhelming the aggressor  
nations in the Middle East.

Here is a copy of a statement I made recently  
on this important matter.

With every good wish.

Sincerely,

  
Stephen M. Young

Y/C

Enclosure

## STATEMENT OF SENATOR STEPHEN M. YOUNG

Against overwhelming odds Israel has again successfully defended herself against Arab aggression. This valiant young nation has again earned the esteem of free men everywhere. She has won the war. Now she must win the peace and achieve the security to which Israel, like every other nation, is entitled.

Israel showed remarkable restraint in not going to war when Nasser first unleashed his forces of aggression a few weeks ago. Today she is showing equally remarkable restraint in accepting the United Nations ceasefire request. I feel positive that were the Arabs winning this war, many of the U. N. powers now favoring a ceasefire would not be doing so and the Arab nations would not be showing similar restraint.

It was Israel alone that won the victory and is winning all along the line. It must not now lose in peace what it was compelled to win in war. It must be guaranteed nothing less than defensible borders. It must have freedom of navigation not only in the Gulf of Aqaba but in the Suez Canal as well. The Israeli must no longer be compelled to live in an intolerable state of siege. They must be permitted to walk and work in peace.

The Arab war on Israel will not be brought to an end if once again the nations of the world resort to evasive devices and diplomatic machinations. No longer can we of the free world be satisfied with temporary truces and armistices, which are flouted and forgotten. There is but one way. Once and for all the international community must summon the Arab states to recognize that Israel exists, and must call for direct Arab-Israel peace negotiations which will lead to lasting and permanent peace in the middle east.

I shall do my utmost in urging the Administration to take leadership both in the United Nations and out of the United Nations to help bring about a peace treaty that will bring permanent peace to that area of the world.

June 9, 1967

The Honorable Charles H. Percy  
Old Office Senate Building  
Room 431  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

Again, may I express to you my appreciation of your speech last night. You cut to the quick of the matter which is stability in the Middle East and the urgency of a forthright policy by our government towards those ends. I am grateful also that you understood Israel's position from the very beginning. There are any number of fair-weather friends who jump on a band wagon, but you spoke out when it was important to do so. I am grateful for that understanding.

May I add a word about those who fled Israel in 1948. They were not driven out by Israeli terror but commanded to leave by Arab generals. Israel has made several offers to recompense those who lost land and property. Unfortunately, because of the intransigent hate of the Arab world these people have been kept in what amounts to reservations or camps and not allowed to integrate into the economy. The camps have been kept open because of their political value. There is, of course, an urgent need to come to some solution for this serious problem, but that solution must reflect the complicity and responsibility of the Arab states in aggravating the problem. For nineteen years the Arab

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states have condemned these people to a half life though there are vast lands in Jordan, Iraq and Saudi Arabia which require men for irrigation and farming.

I wish you God speed in your career.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:mgm

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July 11, 1967

Dr. Emanuel Leumann  
c/o ZOA House  
1 Daniel Frisch  
Tel Aviv, Israel

Dear Emanuel:

I plan to be in Israel on the 23rd of July for two weeks and I look forward to seeing you there. Among other things it is my hope to be at the Library dedication at Kfar Silver. Bob Taft telephoned me this morning and I am assisting him in arranging his visit. For various reasons I would very much like to have a part in the dedication program. I am writing to you as Convention Chairman to see if this is possible. You can either reach me here at The Temple or leave a note for me at the King David Hotel.

Have a wonderful trip.

Sincerely,



Daniel Jeremy Silver

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July 11, 1967

Mr. Chaim Benitsky  
United Jewish Appeal  
P. O. B. 92  
Jerusalem, Israel

Dear Chaim:

I received a call this morning from Congressman Bob Taft. He plans to be in Israel for ten days beginning on the 21st of July. He will headquarter at the Don Hotel in Tel Aviv for his first few days.

The focus of his visit is the dedication of the Library at Kfar Silver in memory of his father, Senator Robert Taft. I have contacted the Embassy and they will help him with his schedule. I would appreciate whatever you can do on his behalf. He is an old friend of the family.

By coincidence, I plan to be in Israel on the 23rd, for two weeks. I have offered Mr. Taft all the help I can personally tender him. I will be staying at the King David and I look forward to seeing you while I am there.

Sincerely,

  
Daniel Jeremy Silver

DJS:mgm

cc: Congressman Taft



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July 11, 1967

Dr. Nelson Glueck  
c/o Hebrew Union College-  
Jewish Institute of Religion  
13 King David Street  
Jerusalem, Israel

Dear Nelson:

Congressman Taft telephoned me this morning about his trip to Israel. He plans to arrive on the 21st of July, to spend his first days in Tel Aviv, to dedicate a Library in his father's name at Kfar Silver on the 25th and then to come up to Jerusalem.

I offered to expedite his trip in any way that I could; and most particularly he would like to visit with you and to have you as his guide to Jerusalem and to some other of the more interesting sights. He has never been in Israel before. I told him that I would write to you telling you of his itinerary in the hope that you can find the time to be with him.

By coincidence, I will be in Israel for two weeks beginning on the 23rd. I will have a car and will be happy to put it at your disposal for this purpose. Needless to say, I would like to come along.

Congressman Taft will check in at the Dan Hotel in Tel Aviv and you can reach him there. I will be at the King David and will call you when I arrive.

I trust you found the building safe and sound. With all good wishes, I remain, as always,

*DJS:mgh*

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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July 11, 1967

The Honorable Abba Eban  
Foreign Minister of Israel  
Jerusalem, Israel

My dear Mr. Minister:

I received a phone call this morning from Congressman Robert Taft of Ohio who plans to be in Israel for ten days beginning July 21st. He will headquarter at the Dan Hotel in Tel Aviv. The focus of his visit is the dedication of a Library at Kfar Silver in memory of his late father Senator Robert Taft.

Congressman Taft is a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. He is particularly interested in development plans for the Middle East and in talking with those who are in charge of Israel's Foreign Affairs.

By coincidence, I plan to be in Israel on the 23rd of July, headquartering at the David Hotel. I have indicated to the Congressman that I would do all I can to facilitate the contacts and meetings which might be of benefit to him. This is his first visit to Israel and I would appreciate whatever can be done to make it a significant one.

May I congratulate you on your magnificent presentations to the United Nations. If you are in Israel some time after the 23rd of the month I would enjoy spending a few minutes with you.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

D. J. Silver

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His Excellency, Avrahan Harman  
Ambassador of Israel  
1621 - 22nd Street, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20008

My dear Mr. Ambassador:

Congressman Bob Taft of Ohio called me this morning. He is making a trip to Israel to dedicate a library in the name of his father, Senator Robert Taft, at Kfar Silver. He will arrive on the 21st of July for a visit of ten days. He plans to headquarter at the Dan Hotel in Tel Aviv and then to go up to Jerusalem.

This is the congressman's first visit to Israel. He is a good friend of our family and I would appreciate whatever courtesy the State can show him. He is primarily interested in plans for the economic development of the area and as a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee in such matters as fall within the purview of this group.

By coincidence, I will arrive in Israel on the 23rd of the month, headquartering at the Kind David. I have offered to assist Taft in any way that I can and will be delighted to accompany him if I would be useful in that role.

Your telephonic address to the C. C. A. R. convention hit the mark and set the stage for a wonderful display of concern. With all good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

  
DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf

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July 11, 1967

Congressman Robert Taft  
U. S. Congress  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

I have contacted the Israel Embassy in Washington and The United Jewish Appeal in Jerusalem. They will be in touch with your office about your trip to Israel.

The enclosed letters are self-explanatory. Please do not hesitate to call on me while you are in Israel. I can be reached at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem. I will have a car and will be happy to be of whatever service I can. I look forward to seeing you on the 25th, if not earlier.

Sincerely yours,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

June 12, 1967

The Honorable William E. Minshall  
U. S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

My dear Congressman:

I want to thank you for the courtesy of your office and for the spirit of your statement on the floor of the House. I have long known of your understanding of the problems of maintaining democracy and life in the Middle East. These will be critical days in terms of establishing a useful peace. I pray that our government will not permit the many problems of the area to be swept under the carpet or dumped into the lap of the United Nations. We need to face the problems skillfully, to our own purpose and freedom's advantage.

Please know that you have my respect and my deep thanks for your courtesy and concern.

Sincerely,

DJS:rvf

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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June 12, 1967.

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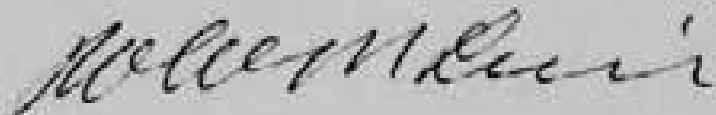
Dear Rabbi:

Your efforts in the last few weeks have made the whole community proud of you, and I believe your dear Father would have been particularly gratified.

Your speech last night was a sound and logical basis for a new appraisal by our Government of the political situation in the Mid-East. I believe it should be made available through the Temple Bulletin or some other means for the benefit of all people who are concerned. I believe it should be available for everyone but particularly for our children and for non-Jews. It is a clear and logical outline of the history of events and policy which is not based solely on Jewish emotion.

Today I tried to recite the high points of your speech but was not too successful. I would surely appreciate having a copy of your speech if it is not going to be made generally available.

Sincerely,



ROBERT M. LEVIN

RML/ee

**June 13, 1967**

**Mr. Robert M. Levin  
Suite 700, One Public Square  
Cleveland, Ohio 44113**

**Dear Bob:**

**Thank you for your kind note. I believe that the Cleveland Jewish News will carry a good part of the text. In any case, I am forwarding a copy to you as an enclosure in this letter.**

**Sincerely,**

**DANIEL JEREMY SILVER**

**DJS:rvf**

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Rabbi Daniel Silver  
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East 105 Street & Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Rabbi Silver:

This copy of Samuel Sandmel's new book HEROD, PROFILE OF A TYRANT is sent with our compliments and at the request of Anne and Bob Levine of Publix Book Mart.

I hope it will give you several hours of reading pleasure.

Cordially,

*Robert D. McIntyre*  
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Robert D. McIntyre  
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June 22, 1967

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Levine  
Publix Mart  
E. 9th & Prospect Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Bob and Anne:

Thank you for suggesting that I receive Sandmel's book on "Herod". He is one of my favorite people -- Sandmel, not Herod, and I look forward to reading it.

Sincerely,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

July 13, 1967

Mr. Harold E. Friedman  
3274 Somerset Drive  
Cleveland, Ohio 44122

Dear Nancy and Harold:

I had a feeling that when I put down the phone after our conversation this morning, that I was a little too stringent. What I was trying to say was that I would be delighted to see you but I would want to have our hour as productive as possible. Might I suggest that in addition to Dad's book you might read Robert Gordis's Judaism In A Christian World. I am sending a copy in a separate package. When you are through please return it to me.

I will be back from Israel late on the 7th of August. Give me a call sometime after that date.

As always,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

**July 17, 1967**

**Mr. Robert Kotlowitz  
Harper's Magazine  
2 Park Avenue  
New York, N. Y. 10016**

**Dear Mr. Kotlowitz:**

**I read this weekend your article on Masada and  
I will try to have a piece of equal merit on your  
desk sometime during the middle of August.**

**Sincerely,**

**DANIEL JEREMY SILVER**

**DJS:rvf**

July 18, 1967

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Zeidman  
3008 Overhill Road  
Birmingham, Alabama 35223

Dear folks:

I am getting ready for my trip. It is getting to be very exciting. I leave Saturday and I plan to see the Bellas when I am there. I know you would like to send them something and I will try to find out what they can use.

Adele told me about your very lovely anniversary gift and needless to say I am most grateful and it is hard to believe that eleven years have passed so quickly. The children are all well and they are enjoying camp.

July 21, 1967

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver  
Helsinki Hotel  
Helsinki, Finland

Dear Mother,

A day of little details as I get ready to leave tomorrow. It has been a quiet week at The Temple and there is really no news of any consequence in town. We had a little farewell luncheon for Rabbi Pomerantz yesterday and it came off very nicely.

The children are all well and busy with swimming and camp, etc. Sara had a little cold for a couple days but that is all behind her.

I borrowed your car while mine is being fixed and hope to have it back safely in your garage in a couple days. I saw Catherine this morning and everything is well at the house.

The Mid East news remains tense. America is apparently beginning to ship arms again to Jordan and the Russians are playing with fire, but I don't think anything is going to happen for a good bit.

We went to a very lovely farewell dinner for Ray and Joan last night given by David and Harriet Simon. They had cocktails at their house and then we ate at the Cleveland Club. It is a very lovely view of the city.

I trust the scenery has lived up to expectations and I hope my letters from Israel will catch up with you.



Rabbi Maurice N. Eisendrath, President

838 Fifth Avenue New York 21, N.Y. Regent 7-8200

Temagami, Ontario

July 18, 1967

Dear Danny;

I rather regret that some well intentioned person forwarded to me a copy of your editorial in the recent issue of the CCAR Journal. It has distressed me greatly and has indeed broken the spell of tranquility which you know, from personal experience, that this place possesses and which I really eagerly covet after what has been perhaps my most exacting and exhausting year.

I find it difficult to comprehend that you should assume such a stance of Olympian impartiality with regard to the basic issues which I do believe you cannot fail to understand, while at the same time taking so partisan a position concerning the far more petty personal implications ~~and~~ comparatively less significant organizational involvements.

Do you really believe that the conflict between Enamu El and the Union would be eliminated or even attenuated if the present position of President of the Union were changed to Executive Vice President or some similar administrative designation? Do you not know enough of the history of the Union to recall the reasons why the concept of this post was deliberately changed and why I was called to fill the newly conceived and newly titled role? I would like very much to discuss this with you sometime and I feel that had you done me the courtesy of talking to me about it before striking so positive an attitude in your editorial you might have written quite differently.

I do indeed recall so vividly the time that I tried to enlist your father in the struggle to move the Union to New York. He who had never failed to support the positions I was seeking to persuade the Union to take, in contrast to its erstwhile Classical thrust--~~re~~ Zionism, social action and the like--resisted my appeal on the ground, the locale of the Union was a mere administrative matter. Only when the opposition, in this case as in all the others such as I have listed above, showed its hand and revealed its apprehension concerning the Reform movement's "contamination" (the word they used) by its contact with New York Jewry did he so effectively rally to my side and help swing the tide. In every one of these battles, Enamu El was in opposition to the direction which those whom you have admitted most--including your father--sought to have the Union take. Thus, I would have expected the strongest kind of support from you, rather than the grudging single personal word concerning your agreement--and only then in part--with me on Vietnam. Surely, there has been more than this at stake in the quarter of a century now that Enamu El and a few like-minded congregations have been battling against everything for which I know you steadfastly and courageously stand. Change the President tomorrow and alter the title of his successor the day after and the essential conflict, which you so augustly dismiss, would remain, if the Reform movement were to continue in its present direction which has been upheld time and again by vast majorities.

And where, Danny, did you get your information concerning the

alleged "absentee" direction and indifferent permissiveness of the Board of Trustees? Did you actually take a poll or conduct anything remotely resembling an objective or fair exploration among the one hundred fifty reputable and distinguished present members of the Board or the hundreds of others who have preceded them during the nearly twenty five years of my tenure? If you had, I am convinced that you would not have written as you have; for nothing could be more unjust, not so much to myself (who have had plenty of opposition from those who are far from 'rubber stamps'--far less, I assure you than most congregational Boards), but to the men--and women--who, with utter integrity, have guided the destinies of the Union through these many oftentimes tumultuous years.

You are as wrong about this as you are about the actual location of the UAHC House of Living Judaism. It is not on 63rd St. as your editorial states but on 65th! Much of what you have written is as erroneous as that similarly unchecked asseveration.

Finally, I cannot but wonder whether your editorial speaks for the CCAR; whether it speaks to or for your colleagues. If it purports to speak for it or them, it is hardly consistent with the resolution adopted almost unanimously at the convention in Los Angeles which, in all fairness, I feel that you ought to print in full in the ensuing issue of the Journal.

I do hope that you will be fair enough to give me the opportunity, in the not distant future, of discussing these matters, those of principle and policy much more even than those of personality or procedure, for I do fear that your words are unfortunately predicated on a considerable amount of misapprehension which I hope the facts and the thrust of the reform movement as whole will help to dissipate.

With all good wishes to you and yours, I am

Faithfully yours,

*Mannie*

P.S Please excuse the Temagami typing.

July 21, 1967

Rabbi Maurice N. Eisendrath  
c/o Temagami, Ontario

Dear Maurice:

Temagami is a good place to let one's hair down but I frankly think you are too sensitive. No institution is above criticism and no institution should be deaf to criticism, especially when comments are made openly, without personal animus and with a basic respect for what the institution stands for.

I was frankly surprised at your lack of perspective. I do not take kindly to your assumption that what was written was written hastily and without deliberation. The entire first part of my editorial is a defense of the Union's social concern. I did not say, if you will read the article carefully, that I agree "only ~~in~~ part with you on Viet Nam." The word I chose deliberately was "basically." The printer's error which changed 65th street to 63rd was not worthy of your comment. *full enclosed*

I should be happy to sit down to talk with you about the Union. I must tell you that I am not interested in old battles but in the direction the Union will take in the years ahead. I remain convinced that you have not solved the basic problem of congregation-Union representation and relationship. It is this problem which I think is at the base of much of the current discussion.



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As you undoubtedly have gathered from the last few issues of the Journal, I am interested in opening up its pages to a constructive evaluation of the major institutions in Reform Jewish life. I should be delighted to have you write for us on the Union - its programs, its plans, and its hopes, or for that matter, to discuss the present debate with Emanuel, although I think the issue should be more broadly treated. Rest assured that the article would be printed without editing or editorializing. My deadline for the fall issue is August 15 and for the winter issue November 15.

I am off for Israel tomorrow with a number of missions and I would be delighted to find an article from you on my desk when I return. I trust that the fish are biting and I wish you a most pleasant and refreshing vacation.

Sincerely,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

## Editorial

Unfortunately 63rd Street is not a high fence. Good fences supposedly make good neighbors and whatever its other virtues this ribbon of asphalt has not brought Temple Emanu-El and the Union close.

More is the pity. We are not so large or sturdy a movement that we can rejoice in division. Our history is replete with unhappy evidence of the cost of separation. Whether idealistic or misguided, those who have walked away from the body politic consigned themselves to wither on the branch.

The public knows only the surface of any quarrel. I do not know the details of this long dispute and I confess that I do not want to. Enough of our dirty linen has already been washed on the front pages of the New York Times. The hour calls for a clearing of the air and not for the smog of angry recrimination.

Like Gaul, this dispute seems to be equally divided into three parts: personalities, policies and practicalities. The personalities I leave aside with a prayer that the protagonists will forgive what they now believe to be unforgivable.

In recent years, Judaism, and American religion generally, has undergone a number of revolutionary changes. The most blessed of these is reflected in our increasing forthrightness and political effectiveness. We reject the role of emergency social service applying band-aids to those wounded by an unjust society. We look to our Jewish Institutions and to the religious community generally as agencies of preventive social medicine. We are determined to play a reforming and effective societal role. A number of factors have given leadership in this endeavor to the denominational organization. On the issue of race and civil rights, the National Council of Churches, the National Council of Catholic Bishops, and

the U. A. H. C. have been energetic where a single Southern or suburban congregation would have dragged its feet. Denominational officials can march and protest in fulfillment of positions taken at national conventions where a parish minister not only finds himself tied down by his daily duties but without similar board support. Inevitably there were errors in tactics and lapses in communications but the corporate activities of the U. A. H. C. have helped immeasurably to make our radical commitment to the Covenant clear and unequivocal. To their credit, most of the congregations have recognized the significance of this work. It has freed them to be bolder. Even when they disagreed with some particular act which intruded on their communities, they have respected the propriety of the total effort. During a difficult decade there have been remarkably few defections.

The work of the Union has changed radically these past years and necessarily unfortunately the Union has failed to effect the structural changes which would undergird these changing functions. The overly large Union Board remains largely a finance committee. Board members have not been wisely enough selected or well enough indoctrinated to explain the Union structure and strategy to their congregations. The distance between congregational leadership and the Union has widened. Increasingly the Union suffers from its unique table of organization which joins executive responsibility and presidential functions. Jewish life always is restive with permanent leadership. It seeks new faces and new ideas. The balance of power in most national organizations rests in the veto a board can place against executive programs which are not believed to be properly conceived. I have long felt that the Union would have greater

freedom to carry on its work if the Chairman of the Board gave the State of the Union address and was in fact the President. The appointment every two or four years of a new president would assure the possibility of changing directions and develop a cadre of effective and informed Reform Jewish leaders. The Board rather than the administration would be responsible for defending the positions taken and the administration would be freed for its all important detail.

The Union is not a congregation and the voice of the Union is not the voice of a Rabbi speaking in his pulpit. The issue is not freedom of the pulpit and we in the Conference must make it clear that this is not the issue. I happen to agree basically with Rabbi Eisendrath's position on Viet Nam, but I recognize certain problems inherent in his position and the nature of our Union which makes this issue somewhat more complicated than a theoretical opposition of freedom and restraint. Congregations rarely poll their membership on matters of national policy. The Rabbi speaks for the Covenant and the congregation. Were the Union president not also its chief executive officer it would be easier for all to separate conviction and consensus - preachment and stated policy.

Timidity went out of our religious vocabulary when Moses dared to face Pharoah. We want greater strength in the Union, not less. But strength goes hand in hand with an informed and committed fellowship. There has been too little communication - too little conference - too little Board responsibility and too much centralization of the spokesman's role - even Moses required Aaron.

## EDITORIAL

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## The Cleveland Press

Daniel:

I enjoyed reading about your piece on R. Livingstone Ireland. It needed to be said. I was there that night and was horrified as was many others.

Regards

*Bud W.*

Bud Weidenthal



# The Eleanor Roosevelt Humanities Award Dinner



in honor of  
**DAVID N. MYERS**

July 21, 1967

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
105th Street and Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your brilliant presentation at The Eleanor Roosevelt Humanities Award Dinner Monday night has the whole town talking. You managed to combine in a very brief period of time the essence of our Jewish heritage with its meaning in terms of Israel today.

Certainly it was your address above all which established the climate for what turned out to be a record sale of Israel Bonds. I know you share our pride in this accomplishment.

Again our thanks to you for your warm and purposeful participation.

Sincerely,

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Monday, July 17, 1967

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July 25, 1967

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver,  
2841 Weybridge,  
Shaker Heights, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

It was quite thrilling to be at the Bonds for Israel Dinner honoring Dave Myers. The entire meeting was conducted at a very high level but I could not help but feel when listening to you how proud your Father would have been had he been able to hear you. The subject matter was so beautifully organized and your delivery, I might add, was worthy of any great orator.

This is simply to say "hello" and to congratulate you.

Cordially yours,



DANIEL H. WASSERMAN.

DHW:b

August 7, 1967

Mr. Max Axelrod  
State of Israel Bonds  
2055 Lee Road  
Cleveland, Ohio 44118

Dear Max:

It was a privilege to be at The Eleanor Roosevelt  
bond dinner and I am glad to know that things are  
going so well.

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf

August 8, 1967

Judge Daniel H. Wasserman  
Court of Appeals of Ohio  
Eighth Appellate District  
Cleveland, Ohio 44113

Dear Judge:

I have just returned from Israel to find your kind note on the Bonds dinner. Needless to say, I greatly appreciate it.

With all good wishes to you and yours, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

August 28, 1967

Dr. Benjamin Mazar  
Archaeology Department  
Hebrew Union College  
Jerusalem, Israel

Dear Dr. Mazar:

It is hard to be back at work but unfortunately there is no alternative. I read with interest the go ahead for the dig in front of the Wall. May I wish you all good luck.

I am sending under separate cover a copy of my book Maimonidean Criticism and The Maimonidean Controversy and a few other small things which I think you will find of interest. They are a small token of my thanks for your warm and gracious hospitality.

I will get in touch with Uri as soon as I get to New York. I pray that things are going well for you and Mrs. Mazar.

In friendship,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf

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September 6, 1967

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple,  
University Circle at Silver Park,  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106  
U. S. A.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Re: Estate of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

I am sorry that you were not able to reach me prior to your departure from Israel.

At present, securities of an approximate value of IL7,605 are in a safe deposit box in the Bank Leumi leIsrael. The securities cannot be transferred abroad. There are two alternatives that can be taken. We can open a new safe deposit box in the name of the beneficiaries or we can sell the securities on the Stock Exchange. If we take the latter action, the proceeds can be delivered to the beneficiaries here in Israel or we can attempt to secure permission from the Comptroller of Currency to remit the proceeds abroad.

I await your instructions.

Sincerely yours,

by Gad B. Chazin  
E. Likhovski

September 8, 1967

Mr. Paul Handleman  
1001 Glengary Circle, West  
Birmingham, Michigan

Dear Paul:

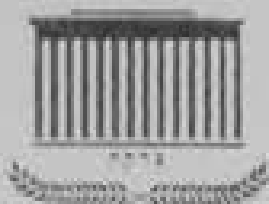
Permanent residence is a quality which belongs to God, not to man. It is my way of saying that for personal as well as institutional reasons I would very much like to feel you are continuing your interest in and support of The Temple. May I ask you to reconsider your decision?

These have been busy weeks. I was in Israel and somehow the summer never settled down into vacation. These are demanding but good years to be a Jew and I would not trade it for anything. My best to Sonia. Adele sends her love.

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

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September 18, 1967

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle and Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am sure you noticed the two enclosures.

We shall no doubt have to live through the winter with much of this kind of material coming from many quarters and it will be difficult for us to respond to each and every article and statement which appears inaccurate and biased.

With reference to the few lines checked in red, do you feel that any reply is called for in this case? We would value your judgment.

Best wishes.

Cordially,

  
Alan D. Gandel, Director  
Community Relations Committee

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enc.



J. F. SAUNDERS

# Children Get the Worst of War

Tomorrow evening at 7 in the grand ballroom of the Statler Hilton Hotel a dinner will be held which by reason of its purpose could be a somber affair.

The dinner will be a benefit for 1,300,000 discouraged and despairing wanderers on the face of the earth, half of them children under 18.

They are Arabs, all of them, and the misery they have known can be comprehended only by those who have witnessed it.

Some of them have been homeless since the Arab-Israeli conflict in Palestine during 1948 and some of them joined the refugee ranks when J. F. SAUNDERS fighting broke out in the Middle East this summer.



NO MATTER what their nationality, innocent victims of military and political misadventures cannot be abandoned to suffer and die without even the dignity of a shelter.

Dr. L. Emmett Holt Jr., president of American Middle East Rehabilitation, Inc., returned in July from an inspection tour of the Mideast on which one of his concerns was for the new refugees whose numbers and identity were not known to Dr. Holt's organization.

The refugees are concentrated in Jordan, the Gaza Strip, Syria and Lebanon. Smaller numbers are in Iraq, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf countries.

Dr. Holt estimates that there are about

180,000 of these new refugees in East Jordan and their physical suffering is compounded by anxieties over missing members of families and apprehension over what the future holds for them.

Dr. Holt reports that the economy of the Jordanian side of Jerusalem is completely paralyzed by war damage to property and people. The Arab Bank and the Ottoman Bank are closed and widespread unemployment has hit even the police force.

In the border village of Qalkilya, 820 of the 1,100 homes were bulldozed after the fighting stopped and a tent village was set up by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency to care temporarily for the evicted families, Dr. Holt said.

THE PLIGHT of the Arab refugees is of such magnitude established relief agencies could not possibly cope with it.

A new agency called Near East Emergency Donations of which Time Inc. President James A. Linen is chairman has been formed. Of its purpose, Linen said, "The need for emergency aid to war refugees is non-political and beyond international dispute."

In this spirit, the Cleveland Mideast Relief Committee will hold its benefit dinner tomorrow evening. If you cannot attend, the committee will gratefully accept any donations sent to its offices at 75 Public Square, Suite 810.

Arab children had nothing to do with starting the war. They only got the worst of the outcome.

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# Arab Refugee Problem Called 'Disgrace'

By ALMA KAUFMAN

The Arab refugee who is now in a tent camp under the blistering sun will soon be in a tent camp under the winter winds, Dr. Willard Oxtoby of Yale University reminded diners last night at a fund-raising dinner of the Cleveland Mid East Relief Committee at Hotel Statler Hilton.

Dr. Oxtoby is an associate professor of religious history, specializing in the Middle East. He lived in the Jordanian sector of Jerusalem from 1953 to 1960.

THE REFUGEE is not the only one needing help, said Prof. Oxtoby. The effect of the Israeli occupation of the west bank of the Jordan River has been a gradual drying up

of the Arab means of support, he stated.

Civil service and tourism jobs have been taken over by the Israelis; Arab guides are restricted and small merchants are heavily taxed.

Dr. Oxtoby called the refugee situation "a disgrace for people who claim to act in the name of religion."

The Gaza Strip refugee "has heard people say that Israeli occupation of the west bank, incorporating it into Israel, is a solution of the refugee problem," Dr. Oxtoby said. "He knows better, because he knows his home is in Jaffa and while he may now be under Israeli rule, he is still a refugee."

IN AN interview before his speech, Dr. Oxtoby said Americans "must get over lumping

all Arabs together. The innocent civilian population is forced to pick up the tab" for militant leaders, he said.

"Here are people who do not want to beg," Oxtoby stated. "We've got to give them more than just the dole. We've got to give them hope."

He cited the possibility of bringing some of the younger refugees to the United States "as a last resort." Most of them know English and would be much more assimilable than Hong Kong refugees, he said.

ANY SOLUTION to the Middle East problem will have to take note of the Arab sense of honor and preserve his dignity, Dr. Oxtoby said.

The Arab, in turn, will have to "tone down his rhetoric" and realize he cannot turn back the clock, he added.

And the United States, he continued, will have to give much more effort toward developing an even-handed policy and fulfilling its promises. The Arabs want to be with America, but are being pushed into alliance with anti-Americans, the professor said.

*Revised*

September 19, 1967

( NOT FOR PUBLICATION )

Mr. J. F. Saunders  
The Cleveland Plain Dealer  
Forest City Publishing Company  
1801 Superior Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Dear Mr. Saunders:

I was troubled by your article of Saturday morning. Having been in Israel as recently as last month, I can testify that the economy of East Jerusalem is not paralyzed and that there was surprisingly little damage there. The banks were closed when Jordanians transferred Palestinian assets to Amman. Now, with Israel's help a full range of banking facilities is again available and negotiations are underway to allow Palestinian Arabs to reclaim impounded assets.

You cite Qalkilya. I visited Qalkilya. It sits on a high cliff and from this point American-made machine guns, manned by the Jordanian Legion shelled Tel Aviv and the coast road. During the last five years the Israelis traced over 300 sabotage infiltrations to this one town. Israel's actions in Qalkilya were in the nature of an object lesson. Qalkilya is interesting precisely because it is unique. I visited Bethlehem, Hebron, Jericho, Nablus, Samaria and many other villages and found them undisturbed and their life back to normal. There was no wanton destruction and there has been no determined destruction of the economy.

I should like you to consider the problems of the refugees in a somewhat different light. There is no doubt of the suffering of many, although I must add that the Israeli's have found bankers, business people, etc. on the refugee roles. The critical fact is that these refugees

were kept in these camps by their own people for narrow political reasons. In the 19 years since 1948 the Arab states have contributed less than 3% to the upkeep of these camps and, with the exception of families with connections, have kept the poor from finding employment beyond the fence. American generosity, such as you encouraged, provided food and clothing. What it failed to provide was a determined push for the elimination of an intolerable situation. The problem with the camps is that they are political creations and, therefore, a dead-end street for those within them. Not only has the education of these children been highly propagandistic but the atmosphere was kept red hot with teachings of hate and calls for revenge.

No one can be in opposition to refugee relief but let the emphasis be on relief-relief of an intolerable situation. America's support ought to be coupled with the demand that these people be trained adequately for a productive role within the Arab economy. In 18 years only 8,000 have been graduated into skilled occupations.

One must consider also the Jewish refugees. I refer now only to victims of Arab persecution. Jewish immigration had made it a busy place. In the last 20 years there have been 600,000 Jewish refugees from Arab lands. Jewish communities in Iraq, Egypt, the Yemen, Syria, Morocco and Tunisia, which had existed for hundreds of years were suddenly uprooted, their property confiscated, their possessions expropriated and if they were not summarily expelled it was made clear that they would no longer be tolerated. The Jewish community brought these refugees to Israel, educated them, introduced them into the economy and as refugees they disappeared from view. Any refugee settlement requires a balance of the claims of these Jewish exiles and those of the Arab expatriates. More to the point,

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The Israeli willingness to accept, integrate and educate offsets in bald relief what has not been done by the Arab world.

It would be tragic if American generosity were again to offer the Arab world an excuse to continue its callous treatment of its own people on the assumption that as long as America gives money these forgotten people will not starve.

I have not suggested many of the criticisms of UNRWA and other relief agencies made by observers on the scene, but I commend to you an article by Martha Gelhorn which appeared in Harpers some two years ago.

Sincerely,

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DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

September 20, 1967

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Sept. 21, 1967.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you for your most informative letter.

As you probably noted, the material I used came from the report of Dr. L. Emmett Holt Jr., a person I regard as a reputable source or I would not have quoted him.

My concern, however, was not with the issues in the Middle East but with the suffering of persons, especially children, who had nothing whatsoever to do with the causes of the conflict.

I have to admit that whenever I have read of benefit affairs in the United States raising millions of dollars for Israel's relief I have wondered if anyone was doing anything for Arabs who are hungry and abandoned. They are human beings, too.

Your point that Qalkilya was an object lesson would not have much meaning to an Arab child who saw his home leveled. I think that no child anywhere of any race or creed should have to suffer because of the conduct of adults. What is happening to children on both sides of the 17th parallel in Vietnam is a source of considerable anguish to me.

Best wishes,

*J. F. Saunders*  
J.F. Saunders  
The Plain Dealer.

September 22, 1967

Mr. J. F. Saunders  
The Cleveland Plain Dealer  
Forest City Publishing Company  
1801 Superior Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Dear Mr. Saunders:

Life, unfortunately, does not permit us to sponsor movements or take positions without concern for their political consequences. No one can oppose relief per se but one should understand that relief is often itself an evil on a different plain, that is it allows social conditions to continue when they ought to be radically changed. The camps would not exist today if the Arab world had not known that it could count on millions of dollars of aid to keep them going. If the camps did not exist today, there would be far less suffering among Arab children.

Children like adults belong to tribes, families and nations. If you read of millions being raised by American Jews for the relief of Jewish refugees, have you ever wondered why you did not read of millions being raised by Kuwait or Iraq or Saudi Arabia for Arab refugees? These are oil rich countries and ethnic cousins as well as religious companions.

Perhaps I am a conservative and I believe that within the family, faith or nation one's first obligation is to take care of one's own. If one does not, there are usually other reasons. Might I suggest that the camps are not only a place to build up hatred but have a built in psychological appeal to those men whose hearts bleed easily and consequently of tremendous propaganda value. It is an easy

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step from being involved with the children to blaming Israel for the children and it is all too easy to forget that there would have been no refugees in the first place if seven Arab states had not attacked the Jewish State in 1948 in violation of the United Nations decision.

I confess to another concern. Those who have raised these monies have over the past years been among the most industrious pro-Arab apologists. They must take a pro-Arab line in order to work in their host countries. Some have been paid for their trouble. Whatever the reasons they have helped to becloud the issue by a judicious selection of "facts." The article seemed to me to reflect just such a selection.

Perhaps your last paragraph sums up our difference. If "what is happening to children in Vietnam is a source of considerable anguish," then I would humbly submit that the action indicated is not a few orphanages or toys but political militancy in the United States in support of Negotiation Now, or some other such program. I have been on that track for quite a while and it is my concern for the children there and here which put me there.

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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ORY N. MAZAR, President

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September 24, 1967

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Dan:

Thank you for your letter of September 15th and warm friendship. Mother's last week was quite hectic for all of us although there was very little we could do for her.

Father is already back to work, although his great loss.

I would love to see you during one of your trips to New York and don't hesitate calling.

With warmest wishes for the New Year to you and the family I remain,

Yours,

  
Ory N. Mazar

ONM:eh

September 26, 1967

Mr. E. Likhovski  
The Jewish Agency for Israel  
Office of the Legal Adviser  
P. O. B. 92  
Jerusalem, Israel

Dear Mr. Likhovski:

In regard to the securities in the Bank Leumi, it is mother's wish that they remain in Israel. She hopes to come in the near future and will then make an appropriate dispersal.

Again, may I thank you for your kindness.

Sincerely,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

October 2, 1967

Mr. Ory N. Mazar  
The Israeli Publishing Institute  
% Allied Publishers, Inc.  
215 Park Avenue South  
New York, N. Y. 10003

Dear Ory:

I get to New York more than occasionally now since I have taken over the presidency of the National Foundation for Jewish Culture. We have an office at 315 Park Avenue South and our phone number is 777-5383. I know I am due in New York the second week of November. Why not give me a call then and there.

With all good wishes for the New Year, I remain

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf

October 4, 1967

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sarfatt  
344 1/2 Bonair Street  
La Jolla, California 92037

Dear Roberta and Jack:

Happy New Year and thanks for sending along Roberta's piece. I am no expert on satire. I have always suspected that the satiric element grows in societies which are heavily censored—that it is a form of self protection rather than a triumph of the intellect over emotion. By the way the prophets were not passionate idealists in any naive or innocent sense. Their work shows careful understanding of domestic and international affairs. Their teachings become naive and simplistic only when they are lifted out of the concrete situation.

Needless to say I do agree that one ought to work to change the society from within rather than flee to work with the natives. I confess I have never admired Schweitzer precisely on this account. Have a good year.

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf

Dear Rabbi Silver - this is part of letter written by Roberta which will interest you!  
(by Roberta Friedman Sanford). Rosa Jack Sanford

Recently I have been reading R.K. Root's book on The Poetical Career of Alexander Pope (a contemporary of Jonathan Swift) and have had some thoughts on satire and literary periods and revolution. Root asserts that Satire achieved its first period of greatness in Augustan Rome during the reign of Caesar Augustus and shortly after with writers like Horace, Juvenal, and Persius. That is very interesting for eighteenth-century English lit, because the 18th c writers call their age "Augustan" and greatly admire Augustan Rome above all other Ancient periods; in fact, Pope is seen as the new Horace, and in France at about the same time the age of Louis XIV is seen as like that of Augustus with Boileau as the new poet like Horace. Satire comes into bloom in both France and England during ~~this~~ this period, which both call "Augustan". Late 17th and early 18th c France and England feel an affinity for Ancient Rome because of the peace after long wars, the patronage of culture, the refinement, the ideal of restraint and polish (unlike the Greek tempestuous genius of Homer in the Iliad and Odyssey). Root says that Satire is preeminently one of the arts of civilization because it demands the civilized restraint to be satire rather than mere invective and harsh name-calling. Root then tries to call Satire an outgrowth of a certain kind of national 'temper' or 'mood'--he finds no satire in the Bible and in the early Germanic literature like Beowulf, and he concludes that the Hebraic and Teutonic 'tempers' do not admit of humor and satire but give the world, rather, prophets and reformers (people who are passionate idealists rather than restrained and somewhat unillusioned realists, or critics). However, Root is in some way refuting himself in his calling Satire an art of civilization-- that is, dependent on the time and degree of control that a nation has over its environment, rather than on some 'national temper'. Pragmatically, one need only look at 19th and 20th century Yiddish humorists to note that, while there may not be ~~satire~~ satire in the Bible (which is not only a religious book but was written very early and in an era when the Jews felt extremely threatened and insecure), there is satire in the supposed "Hebraic temper". While it is true, also, that many German Romantics in music and literature give a sense of veracity to the claim that there exists a "Teutonic sadness" (present also in the Scandinavians, and said, therefore, to be a factor of cold climates), one need only listen to the modern German music-hall political satire to be reminded that the Romans do not have a monopoly on satire. In fact, the English also have at times lacked satire--see the passion of Romantic poetry in the 19th century and the feeling of all that set of poets except Byron that laughter was a kind of sin against the seriousness and, indeed, tragedy of the sensitive life. All these observations lead me to the conclusion that Satire is not a factor of national 'temper' but of time, both in a culture and in an individual. For example, one generally finds young people to be what we call Romantics--with the idealistic views, the fervor, the belief that wide reform is necessary and possible, the hatred of intellectual consideration over details and small points of distinction between two things--in other words, the kind of spirit that leads to a desire for revolution and is in some way aligned with the kind of anti-intellectualism of such varied movements as the Nazis, the hippies, the early Christians, and the German and English Romantic poets of the 19th century. I myself was more Romantic when I was younger, before college. ~~What~~ What time and education (civilization, sophistication, refinement) do is to make one see the grays, the need for slower thought and more careful distinctions on matters of detail, for slower change. For example, our friend Sergio Sismondo is now in Canada, escaping the draft and trying to move for guerilla

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revolutions in Latin America. On the other hand, I do not believe in full-scale revolutions; I think that most people have a certain amount of evil in them, that power corrupts, and that a revolution, therefore, throws out one set of bums to replace them with a different set of bums. A better road to change is by changes in laws, as long as a society in any way respects laws, because then actions are not solely dependent on the wishes of the leaders but have some standard of measurement written into the laws. We see this same sort of struggle of what I shall call Romantics and Classicists in the Chicago conference on new politics--the white delegates, for example, are full of passionate ideals and beliefs, but they have not the realism and the intellectual tenacity so far to be able to make their ideals work, and they are, therefore, overcome by the only group present who had given attention to details--how to get power, rather than merely what ought to be done to make a more beautiful society. Like the 18th century English writers, I am suspicious of the passion-movements like the hippies, whose hatred of intellectualism makes them prey to very extreme shifts----if love is based on nothing but feeling, no thought, it can very easily turn to hatred. (Gibbon in the 18th c was similarly suspicious ~~xxxxxx~~ of the pure emotionalism of the early Christian masses, as was Swift of all feelings of the "mob". See the portrayal of the "mob" in Shakespeare also, particularly in Julius Caesar.) As for the dependence of Satire on time in a general rather than individual sense, I would venture to think that there do exist literary periods and that they are rhythmic alternations of Classical and Romantic impulses (although Prof. Claudio Guillen, with whom I took a course considering the question of the existence of literary periods, would undoubtedly call that a great over-simplification, which is it). The Classical impulse, which includes Satire and the mood of the Critic rather than the Reformer (as Root draws a distinction between Satirist-Critic and Romantic-Reformer,) is seen in Augustan Rome and then not again until the Late Middle Ages. It continues slightly in the Renaissance, which is, however, generally more Romantic, and surfaces again in the late 17th and early 18th centuries after the Restoration of Charles II and the long severe rule of the Puritans, who were not remarkable for their satirical outlook on life. It disappears again during 19th century Romanticism in England and Germany with the love of wild fanaticism, exoticism, life-as-art, raptures over Nature in contrast to books, and the kind of emphasis that we see today in such movements as the hippies: only Emotion is genuine, and the more you intellectualize, the more you falsify; be completely sincere, embrace immediately and fervently what you on first impression love and denounce violently what you hate (including people who do not choose to live like yourself); do not question your ~~xxxxxx~~ feelings and impulses, for whatever is most passionately felt is most true. The climax of 19th century German Romanticism comes in Hitler, who works upon the ever-present love of the mob for catering to the feeling (--indeed, satire and such humor seems to be not only a function of time but also of education or "civilization" and rarely is found in the lower classes who have little education). Note the Nazis' use of banners, parades, a feeling of massness and togetherness rather than individual differences, romantic music, large gatherings where all must shout the same things rather than discuss each person's individual ideas. Interestingly, the same type of thing is now going on in Mao's China, with the Red Guards the new SS, and the same insistence on passionate love (of Mao) and passionate hatred (of Liu Shao-Chi and others) without intellectual discussion about the merits of either but rather with rote memorization of stock answers to stock questions in the form of a Catechism, performed several times a day--Romantic religionism at its height, and a fascinating parallel to George Orwell's book, 1984.

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Root's distinction between the Romantic-Reformer and the Satirist-Critic explains nicely what some literary critics have called a defect of writers like Swift: 'yes, they ~~may~~ tell what is wrong, but they propose no positive and constructive program'. The role of the Satirist is not to propose constructive programs but to be a critic, slightly detached and distant with the concomitant objectivity of distance, --to reveal, not reform--and thus the frequent imagery of Satirists' about masks and unmasking; that is, the satirist strips off masks, ~~and~~ and shows the true face, a favorite image of Restoration drama and of Swift and of Erasmus. The process is not pleasant precisely because it leads to knowledge of a disillusioning sort, and as Koheleth says in the Bible, "he that increaseth knowledge, increaseth sorrow." Thus the satirists' laughter is never completely joyous and good-natured; it ranges from the mildly cynical of Erasmus to what Swift calls his "savage indignation". Yet the satirist would prefer his kind of sadness to the most complacent happiness of the ignorant, as Swift suggests in Book 9 of his Tale of a Tub and as the French "Augustan", Voltaire, says in his short fable of the choice between being a saddened philosopher or a satisfied ignorant peasant (often condensed into the phrase about the difference between a happy pig and a wise man).

Another fascinating sidelight is an article I read by Joseph Franck, in which he speak of another writer's distinction between ages in which Realistic art flourishes and those in which Abstract art flourishes. The writer says that Abstract art flourishes in ages when men are uncertain of their control of their environment, when they feel insecure and threatened. Thus the primitive art is abstract--and so, interestingly, is recent 20th century art; may we say that the nuclear age makes it impossible for men to feel unthreatened by their environment? Similarly, realistic art arises when men ~~are~~ more in control of their surroundings, as in Ancient Greece and Rome, and in 17th and 18th century Europe, where realistic landscape, portrait, and still-life blossomed. Note that the gods and goddesses of Greek religion became more and more human-like as time passed (and men gained control of their environments), in contrast to the bestial and more abstract gods of the Egyptians and others in that area. Similarly the God of the Bible is more abstract than the Christian God, who could appear on earth as a real man with real suffering and real blood. The distinctions between ages of Abstract and Realistic art may possibly correspond to the times when I find Classical and Romantic literature and literary moods at their heights--for example, realistic art and the satiric and Classical spirit appear in Augustan Rome in a time of peace, prosperity, and security, and in "Augustan" France and England during a similar sort of period, only to be ended by the violent French Revolution, Napoleon, several 19th century class-revolutions, and finally the 2 World Wars. In fact, Root writes that Satires is concerned not with "romantic fancies" but with ~~the~~ "heightened realism"--pointing out the realistic, and unlovely, details of life--and perhaps this is the parallel of the ~~the~~ Realism of art and painting in the other writer's scheme.

Since satire and the whole Classical spirit (like, perhaps, realistic painting) deal with realism, they cannot be largely optimistic; often the mood is cynical. The idea seems to be that the passionate reformers are wrong--wide revolutions or any other kind of change will not change much and will not fulfill all the ideals of the reformers; such sanguine hopes only lead to disillusionment and violent reversal of opinion, as we see with the Romantic poets Wordsworth and Coleridge in their change of opinion about the French

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revolution. (Similarly, the violent disappointment of a friend of ours, George Chapline, who worked very hard to get LBJ elected and now is passionately disillusioned; also he fervently believed in the new politics and then was greatly disappointed in them ~~xxxxxx~~ after their resolution against Israel, etc. Jack said that he ~~xxxx~~ should have expected less, especially in politics, and should not feel so disappointed.)

At last, then, I have some clearer ideas of why the 18th century and satire have always fascinated me since Cornell education. My ~~xxxx~~ temperament has become very much, I think, like that of such "Augustans" as Swift--who was a satirist, and yet was in some ways a reformer as well, because when he became sufficiently angry about a wrong, he attacked it until he succeeded, as we see with his defense of the Irish when they were being oppressed by the English government. Another similarity helps to explain my frequent anger at Jim Felten, who prides himself on being very rational--Swift, Pope, and several of their friends ~~xxxx~~ formed a club called the Scriblerus Club in which they wrote witty poems (the most famous being Pope's Dunciad.) attacking the "dunces" of their day. To them "dunce" meant not stupid, but pedantic, plodding, ungracefully intellectual. The pedant might be correct, but he was uncivilized; refinement required not only intellect but gracefulness, civilized use of intelligence. Thus Swift defended his patron, Sir William Temple, who was wrong about Aesop, against ~~xxxxxx~~ Bentley, a pedant who was right about Aesop. In the same way I become angry with Jim Felten because he is so tenaciously "rational" that he becomes irrationally and boorishly plodding, slow, and in many instances wrong-headed when he believes that what a problem needs is rationalistic dissection when it is really not susceptible to a cerebral search alone but requires some instinct, wit, feeling, and rapid insight.

*From the desk of*

10-13-67

RON AARON

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thought you might be interested in Bob's report on his trip to Israel. I know he was delighted that you two were able to spend some time together while there.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Ron Aaron', with a large, stylized initial 'R' and a long, sweeping horizontal stroke.

Ron Aaron  
Press Assistant to  
Robert Taft, Jr.



**BOB TAFT'S**  
**WASHINGTON REPORT #2**  
**To the First District**

October, 1967



(Not printed at Government expense)

## MIDDLE EAST—A FIRST HAND LOOK

In July I traveled to Israel to participate in ground-breaking ceremonies for the new Robert A. Taft Memorial Library at Kfar Silver. The trip gave me an opportunity to view the Middle East situation first hand and to talk with many of the Israeli Government Officials.

While the trip was not an official one, it provided interesting background material to me as a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. This was particularly true of my visits to the Gaza Strip (refugee camps), the Syrian Heights, and the West bank of the Jordan River.

### Direct negotiations possible

I was impressed with the dedication and spirit of the Israelis, and with their sincere desire for peace in the Middle East. What I saw and heard convinced me that direct negotiations between Israel and the Arab nations offers the best road to a lasting settlement.

Most Israelis are convinced that given time, at least some of the Arab nations will come to the conference table and be able to arrive at a solution to the problems that have troubled the area since the 1940's. Meanwhile, Israel has initiated a number of ambitious programs in order to convince the Arabs that they can live and work together in peace.

### Jerusalem—an open city

The City of Jerusalem is open. The wall that once divided the Jordanian and Israeli sectors has been leveled. It is a thrill, even to one who had not seen it divided, to walk unhindered through the entire Holy City. My trip was made even more enjoyable by the presence and help there of Dr. Nelson Glueck, Cincinnati, and Rabbi Daniel Silver, Cleveland, both good friends over the years.

There is little doubt that the Israelis consider Jerusalem's territorial status non-negotiable. They are willing to accept international control of the holy places, however. Strong United States backing and help could lead to early direct negotiations between the parties involved.



Rep. Bob Taft, Jr., Deputy Chairman House Republican Task Force on Crime, comments on his Federal Interrogation Act prior to testifying on measure before House District Committee.

## THE WAR IN VIET NAM

With almost half a million American servicemen involved, the Viet Nam war continues to be the major problem facing our nation. It must be the dominant consideration in our entire governmental policy. Yet daily, the American people feel their doubts rising and their lack of understanding compounded about our participation in and the conduct of the war.

### A Commitment was made

From the beginning, I have felt no necessity to be the Administration's apologist. I have said that history might harshly assess the original decision committing U. S. troops to war on the continent of Asia. We are, however, involved, and the alternative to outright withdrawal is not acceptable without some assurances against the likely slaughter of hundreds of thousands of South Vietnamese. Without assurances, outright withdrawal would signal the end of the hope of freedom in that part of the world. In addition, we cannot lightly judge the tremendous worldwide damage that would occur from an abandonment of our legal and practical commitments.

### Americans have sought new answers

In the past, when U. S. progress at home or abroad, in peace or in war, has not been satisfactory, Americans have sought new answers, new solutions, new direction. The most serious criticism that can be leveled against this Administration, is that, during the last two years in Viet Nam, insufficient new approaches have been tried either to win or to end the war.

We have tended to plod along on a course that has brought heavy losses with little promise of ultimate resolution. Lacking the classified information available only to the President, it is difficult and dangerous to second-guess and suggest specific approaches that should be tried. We can, however, note a few untried suggestions.

### Responsible criticism—alternative suggestions

One of these is the quarantining of the Port of Haiphong by our Naval Forces. This was recommended in December, 1965. Another is the integration of U. S. and South Vietnamese forces under a "supreme commander", as in Korea. This would risk charges of Colonialism, but current charges could hardly get worse.

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Rep. Bob Taft, Jr., discusses Middle East solution with Israeli Ambassador to U.S., Avraham Harman.

## TAX INCREASE — 10% SURTAX

The enormous impending deficit is one of the consequences of the Viet Nam War and current domestic policies to which Congress must face up. It is estimated at somewhere between 20 and 30 billion dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968. I welcome your views on the subject. In arriving at a decision, Congress must balance a number of important factors.



"JUST WHAT I NEEDED!"

L. D. Warren, Cincinnati Enquirer

### Inflation — who carries the burden

First, the inflationary effect of such a tremendous deficit is bound to continue the increase in the cost of living, putting additional severe burdens on those who are already feeling the bite of higher prices.

Secondly, there are many of us who feel that the Administration has practiced and proposed insufficient economies. Before we take any action on the subject of taxes, many of us would like to see some real attempts at economizing. A starter might be a slowing of the constant increase in the Federal payroll which continues to mount in the current Administration.

### Further problems

A further and most important consideration is the effect a sizable tax increase would have upon the entire economy. There are some indications of a down-turn. It might be accelerated further by a sizable tax boost.

Finally, we must recognize that an increased Federal tax take will create even more serious problems for state and local governments, already squeezed severely in providing their current and expanding services.

## NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS

Since early March, I have been conducting a series of Neighborhood Meetings throughout the First District in order to maintain the closest possible contact with you — the constituent. These meetings enable you to bring your problems, suggestions, or criticisms directly to me.

### Person-to-person contact important

From my standpoint, these meetings give me a chance to better understand your positions on particular issues and thus enable me to better represent the District. In addition, my Congressional staff is with me at these meetings and have been unusually effective in tracking down answers to many of the more specific problems that some of you have had with Federal agencies.

If we have not had a Neighborhood Meeting in your area yet, there will be one there shortly.



Neighborhood Meetings provide opportunity for Rep. Taft to get first hand thinking of District residents.

## CIVIL DISORDER — SEARCH FOR SOLUTIONS

Cincinnati, like many other cities, felt the destruction and hate of civil disorders this summer. Respect for the law temporarily vanished, and a reputation and a heritage built up over the years was damaged.

There is little argument that violence, shooting, and looting must not be tolerated. Law and order must prevail. When men take the law into their own hands, the rule of law breaks down, and civil rights and liberties of all become meaningless.

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## DISTRICT OFFICE

We have a District Office open daily in Room 754, U.S. Post Office and Court House, Phone 684-3284. The staff is particularly qualified to answer your specific questions or to assist you in any way. Feel free to call or drop by any time.

(l. to r.) Taft Staffers Virginia McCay, Office Administrator, Mrs. H. T. "Bucky" Keiser, District Assistant, and Dave Anderson, District Assistant, discuss matters with Rep. Bob Taft, Jr.



## QUESTIONNAIRE

In July I mailed 120,000 Questionnaires to First District residents to discover how my constituents felt about some of the major issues facing America. The response was overwhelming, and I hope to mail a second Questionnaire next spring.

Questionnaires began pouring back into my Washington Office one week after they were mailed. Over 18,000 have been returned, and the large number prevented me from answering each with a personal note of thanks.

To those who felt frustrated because of the brevity of the questions and the space for reply necessitated by mailing and tabulating requirements, I was equally frustrated. To annoyed spouses who had no card, on request we will be happy to give you a separate listing to assure your own Questionnaire in the future. To all who took the time to reply — many thanks. Questions, corresponding results, and my views are printed for your information.



QUESTIONS	YES %	NO %	MY PREFERENCES AT THIS TIME	QUESTIONS	YES %	NO %	MY PREFERENCES AT THIS TIME
1. Do you approve of the United States handling of the Viet Nam War?	12	88	no	8. Do you favor the Administration's proposal to increase Income Taxes?	20	80	undecided
2. Do you favor additional military steps by the United States in Viet Nam?	57	43	yes	9. Do you think Congress is doing enough to reduce Crime and its causes?	28	72	no
3. Do you favor increases in Social Security benefits even if they will increase Social Security taxes or other taxes?	39	61	yes	10. Do you favor giving tax credits to parents of college students to help pay the cost of college education?	56	44	yes
4. Can the War on Poverty be successful in helping to reduce poverty?	25	75	yes	11. Do you favor federal aid to education if it brings federal direction and control of decisions?	26	74	no
5. Do you favor offering tax credits for part of the expenses in hiring and training unskilled workers?	58	42	yes	12. Will U.S. Foreign Aid help in creating a peaceful world?	23	77	yes
6. Do you favor returning a portion of Federal Income Tax revenues to State and Local Governments?	73	27	yes	13. Should the U.S. lead in reducing or eliminating the power of United Nations Security Council Veto?	55	45	yes
7. Do you believe the Administration is doing enough to stop "Red Ink Spending"?	6	94	no	14. Should the United States encourage trade with Communist Nations?	24	76	no

### ("VIET NAM"—CONTINUED)

In another direction, suggestions such as the graduated latitude by latitude bombing withdrawal of Congressman Bradford Morse of Massachusetts merit further consideration. These are the types of experiments that might well be tried.

Meanwhile, each of us should examine responsibly criticisms of current policy and ask what alternatives might be tried. Admittedly the sacrifices of some of our young men and their families are incredibly heavy. They have the deepest sympathy and gratitude of all Americans.

### Courage, imagination required

In our thinking and action in Viet Nam, we must never lose sight of the freedoms we cherish. We should face the unpleasant problems realistically and with courage. Partisanship and demagoguery must be forgotten. Patience and imaginative approaches toward solution and eventual peace must be sought. America has always been capable of meeting challenge with new ideas, new techniques.

### ("CIVIL DISORDER"—CONTINUED)

#### Short, long range solutions

We must find means of preventing and controlling the spread of violence in the country's urban areas. We must also mobilize our efforts to deal with both immediate and long range problems. Riots are the results of political, economic, sociological, and psychological conditions that have grown over the years. The problems, therefore, require both an immediate solution — halt the riots, and a long range solution — correction.

In August, I suggested a possible short-term step when I proposed establishment of a "red-button" crisis center in the White House. This coordinating center would make it possible for the Federal Government to act swiftly and decisively through all agencies involved in responding to city and state appeals for assistance in preventing trouble in advance. The plan would need no new legislation.



October 18, 1967

Congressman Robert Taft, Jr.  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bob:

Ron Aaron was kind enough to send on your October issue of the Washington Report to the First District.

I was delighted to relive the very pleasant experience. I trust we will not have to travel all the way to Israel for our paths to cross again.

Happy New Year to you.

As always,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

11720 Edgewater Dr.  
Cleveland, Ohio  
October 14, 1957

Rabbi Daniel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Inasmuch as you have made such steady and worthwhile progress as a Rabbi in The Temple, I felt impelled to write you a note in recognition of this fact. The services which you have just concluded administering for the High Holy Days were especially beautiful. I think you are to be further congratulated on the quality and character of your sermons which are becoming really quite outstanding.

I have belonged to The Temple since I came to Cleveland, joining it through the mail; since I remembered your father through a Zionist group I had worked with while attending New York University. However, since I never personally met either you or your father you may have at times wondered how you inherited such an obvious "goy". The certificate from Rabbi Louis Binstock, Temple Shalom, Chicago, Illinois explains it more fully.

Perhaps if you ever have any free time before Sunday services sometime, I might stop and personally meet you. But in any event, I did want you to know that your efforts and progress at The Temple are noted and appreciated.

With best personal regards, I remain

Respectfully yours,

*Virginia Williams*

October 18, 1967

Miss Virginia Williams  
11720 Edgewater Drive  
Cleveland, Ohio 44107

Dear Virginia:

I thank you for your kind thoughts on our service. I am delighted to note you find them pleasing. I am always delighted to see you at Temple and also that you are a part of The Temple family.

With all good wishes for the New Year, I remain,

Sincerely,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

November 20, 1967

Mr. Burton Abrams  
21849 Shelburne Road  
Cleveland, Ohio 44122

Dear Burt:

I have been given to understand that I was inattentive to you and a guest from South Africa on a recent Sunday morning. I apologize for any seeming discourtesy. Believe me such was not my intention. Sunday morning is an extremely busy time and I have a number of contacts I must make about congregational affairs and when my mind is pre-occupied with the service and the sermon. Please know that I hold you in the greatest respect and I trust that you will accept these apologies in the friendship in which they are given.

With all good wishes, I remain

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf

November 21, 1967

Mr. Eugene Zeidman  
3008 Overhill Road  
Birmingham, Alabama 35223

Dear dad:

The enclosed was mailed to Harold Katz. We had an excellent meeting of the Foundation here and Adele threw a lovely dinner for our Board. Everyone is well and life continues busy and active.

November 27, 1967

Dr. Allan Cutler  
c/o Jacob Cutler  
1914 S. Alfred Street  
Los Angeles, California 90035

Dear Allan:

What has ever happened to the Book of Medieval Essays  
On Jewish History? Will it ever be published? If not, can  
I have my material so that I can place it appropriately.

Hope this finds you in good health. With all good wishes,  
I remain,

Sincerely,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

Neumark  
~~pending~~

November 27, 1967

Memo to Leo W. Neumark

From Daniel Jeremy Silver

I checked on Taubert. He is fairly well thought of but his lithographs are not believed to be of institutional quality. I was told "They would be fine to tack up on a school wall but not for your museum.

I too would like to find something lovely to place in The Temple in memory of Marion. Can we look on?

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf

CHERRY RIVER COAL AND COKE COMPANY

P. O. BOX 510

RICHWOOD, WEST VIRGINIA

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DIAL RICHWOOD  
Viking 6-5811

December 8, 1967

My Dear Rabbi,

Mr. E. H. Hunter of 13 Water Street, Richwood, West Virginia made the statement to me and later to my husband that he had everyone working for him (The Catholics have had mass for him, the Methodists, Baptist, and Presbyterian have been helping) and now I need a Rabbi.

Please as my gift from you to Doctor Hunter will you send him a letter of your blessings.

He just returned from Cleveland Clinic where he was told he has cancer of the liver, judging from his appearance his time is short.

I was employed at Mt Sinai in Cleveland the year 1949. I worked for Dr Hunter in 1953 and returned to his employment in 1956 to present date.



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Dr Hunter is truly a wonderful and remarkable man, if only others could give as much of themselves to life as he has it would be a beautiful world.

Dr Faber at Cleveland Clinic was a class mate of Dr Hunter's if you wish more colorful information, they are close friends.

With my deepest appreciation,

Sincerely,

Marta H. Laswell

Is Rabbi Klein still in Cleveland?

December 12, 1967

The Rev. A. M. Pennybacker  
Heights Christian Church  
17300 Van Aken  
Cleveland, Ohio 44120

Dear Penny:

I am returning the Freedom mural material. From a first viewing its effective preaching and poor art. I am also puzzled at the cost suggested to you. The charge for shipping such a panel should not run more than 2 to \$300, if that. Be well.

As always,

DJS:mgm  
Encls.

Daniel Jeremy Silver

From the Desk of

FRANK E. JOSEPH

20-1mz

B-3630

December 11, 1967

Dear Rabbi Dan:

Whenever I go to Suburban Temple, I am impressed by how young the people look. Whenever I go to our Temple, they all look very old. Maybe this is my imagination, but I am wondering if there are national figures on this.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'Frank E. Joseph', written in a cursive style.

Frank E. Joseph

December 12, 1967

Mr. Frank E. Joseph  
Union Commerce Building  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Frank:

It all depends where you sit. As an older institution, The Temple has many long time loyalties which are part of our strength. We are fortunate in the number of young people interested in our work.

With all good wishes, I remain

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rvf

December 12, 1967

Dr. E. H. Hunter  
13 Water Street  
Richwood, West Virginia

Dear Dr. Hunter:

Mrs. Marka L. Cassell of your city has asked me to send you blessings. Unfortunately, blessings belong to God and not to man. From what she tells me of your life you have merited your share and I am sure you have no need for support in these matters.

Sincerely,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

*Rabbi Mordecai Schreiber*

Av. Hincapié 19-43, Zona 13  
Guatemala, C. A.

December 13, 1967

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio  
U. S. A. 44106

Dear Daniel:

Back from Mexico I found your December 1, 1967 letter and was certainly delighted to hear from you. Hanita and I are looking forward to welcoming Adele and yourself in Guatemala come January.

As for your question regarding historical Mayan sights, the most notable is Tikal in Peten; Copan on the Honduranian border, Kaminal Juyu near Guatemala City, Zaculeu in the Highlands near the Mexican border and sundry other spots in between, would be the general round-up.

May I also suggest, due to intact survival of Mayan Indian groups to this day, complete with pre-Colombian ways including even pagan religious rituals, you may like to see the Indian town of Chichicastenango, Indian villages at Lake Atitlán, and - in a more "recent" vein - Antigua, erstwhile capital of Guatemala.

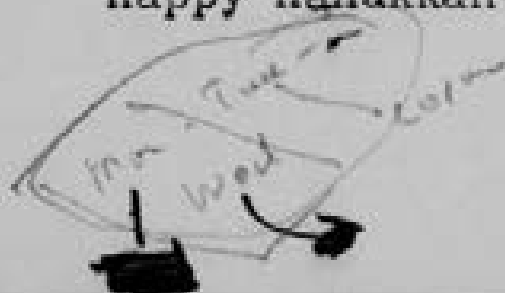
May you happen to be in Guatemala City Friday night, January 12, I would like you to be guest-speaker at our Services. Or else, we might arrange some other evening for you to address the community (most understand English.) Guests like you do not abound here.

Happy Hanukkah to you and yours,

Sincerely,

*Mordecai*

Mordecai Schreiber



ISADORE I. KASTIN  
PRESIDENT

KENT PROVISION CO., Inc.

Fancy Meats and Meat Products

KENT, OHIO 44240

12/14/67

Dear Rabbi Daniel,

I did not want to write you a flattering letter but I feel that I should.

Am referring to your comments  
"Staying Out In The Cold"

The description has been on my desk since it came. That was beautifully written, poetic, to the point and so timely.

May I quote the first paragraph, to bring it again to your attention.

"These are the gray weeks. The skies are paper. The ground is wet and the snow quickly turns to slush and dirt. We walk around huddled in our overcoats, clasping our problems close."

"The cruel setting is appropriate to our mood. Barely have the confusions of life been so heightened, etc., etc."

How beautifully done. And poetic. Yet so true. I wish that I could express my thoughts the way you do yours.

Yours truly

Sincerely  
Isadore I. Kastin

15¢ air mail  
per 1/2 oz.

December 18, 1967

Rabbi Mordecai Schreiber  
AV Hincaple 19-43, Zona 13  
Guatemala, C. A.

Dear Mordecai:

Thank you for your most informative note. We plan to arrive in Guatemala City on the 8th of January, late, and to begin our travels on the next day. I will call you when I get in.

I would be happy to speak to your group. I can not do it on Friday since we will be out of the city, but I could do it on Monday night, the 15th or Wednesday, the 17th. We leave on the 18th. I would be most happy to do it. What would you like me to talk about?

Looking forward to seeing you, I remain,

Sincerely,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver



December 18, 1967

Mr. Isadore I. Kastin  
President  
Kent Provision Co., Inc.  
Kent, Ohio 44240

Dear Iz:

Thank you for your kind note. It is good to know that my material is being read and enjoyed. I delight to see you every Sunday.

Sincerely,

DJS:gm

Daniel Jeremy Silver

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Graduate School of Education

*MEMORANDUM*

Date 12/20/67

To: Rabbi Daniel Silver

From: R. Binswanger

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I have just changed secretaries, and in the process I discovered this. I apologize for the delay and hope all is well.

Best wishes for the Holiday Season.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY  
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

ADMINISTRATIVE CAREER PROGRAM

ROY E. LARSEN HALL, APPIAN WAY  
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02138

October 24, 1967

Rabbi Daniel Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Dan:

I just received a membership bulletin from the Mr. and Mrs. Club which served as a joyful reminder of the Silvers and the New Year. Penny joins me in wishing you, Adele, and the children a most happy and prosperous year of good health, heartening experiences, and love. We think of you often and find our adjustment to leaving Cleveland difficult as to friendships aborted.

I thoroughly enjoy the classroom and I am now teaching three classes. I continue to have a number of outside commitments, so that I remain over-extended and extra-committed. The time demand is moving in on my family and I do not like the fact, but the urgency is so great and so little realized that I am the victim of my own interests. As someone remarked today in reference to Black Power, the street reaction to hope is not the Horatio Alger myth but the James Meredith reality.

I do not know the actual roles but I see you active in some way in Carl's campaign. I hope there's time! Warm regards.

There was!

Fondly,

Bob

Robert Binswanger

RBB/job

December 26, 1967

Mr. Robert Binswanger  
Harvard University  
Graduate School of Education  
Roy E. Larsen Hall, Appian Way  
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Bob:

Life continues to be hectic and demanding. Fortunately, Adele and the children are well and the problems are really only those of staying alive. Cleveland remains in limbo. Stokes is having a terrible time bringing men into government. I am enclosing a copy of a lecture I gave on his election which may be of interest. I do hope you will drop in next time you are in town. We miss you. Adele joins in sending our love to Penny.

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

Rabbi Mordecai Schreiber

Av. Hincapié 19-43, Zona 13

Guatemala, C. A.

December 27, 1967

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106  
U. S. A.

Dear Daniel:

We were delighted to hear you will be able to speak to us.

Of the two dates you suggest, <sup>Wednesday 17th</sup> Monday the 15th is better.

As for topic, it might be interesting and instructive for the people here to hear about the American Jewish community at the present, what are the big issues of the day that occupy its mind and actions, the role of the rabbi, the return to or turning from tradition on part of the youth, the married and the middle aged, etc. I shall make the title broad enough in the announcements so that you may move about at ease in this general area.

Looking forward to greeting you in Guatemala,  
many thanks,

Sincerely,

*Mordecai*

Mordecai Schreiber