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# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

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January 24, 1968

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

Dear Rabbi:

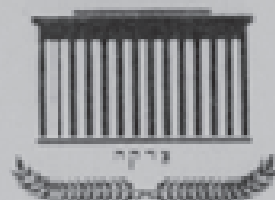
I am delighted that at its recent meeting, the Nominating Committee renominated you to serve as one of the ten members-at-large on the Federation Executive Committee. Certainly you know how important this policy-making committee is, and I am strengthened in facing the responsibilities ahead by the knowledge that you will continue to be with us on this key committee.

Warmest regards.

Cordially,

Lloyd S. Schwenger,  
President





# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

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February 22, 1968

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

Dear Rabbi:

To become familiar with our concern with the emphasis of the Educational Research Council one would have to wade through a veritable mountain of printed materials which Rabbi Grosse has done, really a labor of love.

Because of our mutual interest in current events, however, I cite below a paragraph or two from a volume entitled, *THE MIDDLE EAST*, prepared in soft cover for elementary school use:

"Part Four. Some Famous People of the Middle East

Chapter 9. Ibn Saud  
Chapter 10. Two Worlds of Soraya  
Chapter 11. Gamal Abdul Nasser

Chapter 13. Politics in and Around the Middle East Today

Israel: Promise and Problem

Yet, this has not been achieved peacefully. A vast number of Arab refugees were driven from Palestine in 1948. Many Arab villages were destroyed. The efforts made to bring Jewish immigrants from all over the world into Israel was a great achievement. But the land on which the first great wave of immigrants settled was Arab land. In Arab eyes, the Israelis were just Western colonists. One cannot deny, for example, that in 1956, at the time of the Suez crisis, the Israelis invaded Arab territory, supported by Britain and France. Whatever reasons they had for doing so, it is very hard for the Arabs not to see Israel as an enemy, armed and encouraged by the Western powers.

Israel is faced, just as much as any Arab nation is, by the grim problems of land and water. It is a very little country. A large part of it is desert so severe that it is

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver

February 22, 1968

doubtful whether even the Israeli experts will manage to bring it under cultivation. The land of Israel is very narrow. It is only about fifteen miles wide in places. Standing on a hill in Jordan it is possible to look right across the country of Israel to the sea. No wonder the Israelis fear that the Arab armies could one day become strong enough to cut them in two.

Question: Since part of the Jordan River now flows through Israel, what would be the reason for wanting the rest of it?"

We are assured by the ERC that this volume will not move into hard cover until it is completely revised; the difficulties are such that they may decide to drop the volume from the catalogue altogether, and we hope to be kept informed of future plans.

Thanks for your interest.

Best wishes.

Cordially,

  
Alan D. Kandel, Director  
Community Relations Committee

*From the desk of—*

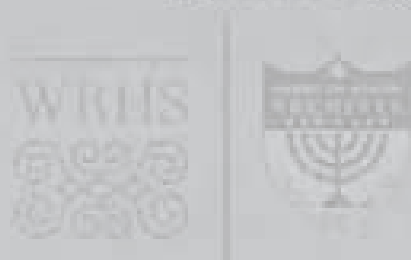
**RABBI DANIEL JEREMY SILVER**

**February 23, 1968**

**Dear Alan:**

**Thank you for the information. I  
now feel abreast of things.**

**Sincerely,**



March 11, 1968

Mr. Lloyd S. Schwenger, President  
The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

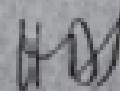
Dear Mr. Schwenger:

It is a pleasure for me, on behalf of the Mayor's Commission on the Crisis in Welfare, to acknowledge and thank you for the check in the amount of \$12,000 contributed by the Jewish Community Federation. It represents a major contribution of the Federation to meeting the welfare problems of our community. It helps to insure that our efforts will be fruitful.

We are well underway with the development of basic information and possible recommendations through the working groups of the Commission. The evidence to date indicates that the Commission can dispel some of the myths in this field and set forth facts and recommendations to meet immediate needs as well as longer run objectives.

We appreciate very much the very significant contributions being made to the Commission by Sidney Vincent, Irving Kane and Rabbi Daniel Silver. Their participation counsel, and advice are essential to the successful work of the Commission.

Sincerely,



Herman D. Stein  
Chairman

HDS:dl

cc: The Honorable Carl B. Stokes, Mayor  
Sidney Vincent  
Rudi Walter  
Rabbi Daniel Silver ✓





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March 11, 1968

Rabbi Daniel J Silver  
The Temple  
Silver Park - University Circle  
Cleveland Ohio 44106

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Following our conversation in the Federation office last week, I spoke with other members of the committee about your suggestions for the Israel 20th Anniversary event. They were very well received and some will be reflected in the final arrangements.

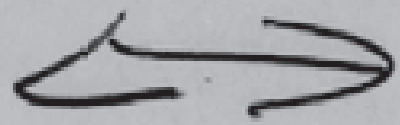
We hope to be able to finish structuring the program within the next few weeks and are sorry that your prior commitment will prevent you from chairing the May 5th proceedings.

Many thanks for your help.

Cordially,

  
Richard Ronis

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Prayerfully

Prayerfully

Graciously and in love, as always, with love for the future

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when you can be at the top of the mountain





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[May 16, 1968]

THE SILVER PLATTER

by  
Nathan Alterman

The earth grows still. The  
lurid sky slowly pales  
over smoking borders.  
Heartsick, but still living, a  
people stands by.  
To greet the uniqueness of  
of the miracle.  
Readied, they wait beneath the moon,  
Wrapped in awesome joy before the light.  
Then, soon  
a girl and boy step forward,  
and slowly walk before the waiting nation.  
In work garb and heavy shod they climb  
in stillness.  
Wearing yet the dress of battle, the grime  
of aching day and fire filled night  
Unwashed, weary unto death, not knowing rest  
but wearing youth like dewdrops in their hair.  
Silently the two approach,  
and stand.  
Are they of the quick or of the dead?  
Through wondering tears the people stare.  
"Who are you, the silent two?"  
And they reply:  
"We are the ~~Silver Platter~~ SACRIFICE  
upon which the Jewish State ~~was served to you~~. IS LET  
And speaking, fall in shadow at the nation's feet.  
Let the rest in Israel's Chronicles be told.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Will you be my guest for an evening of informal discussion about the Delegate Assembly of the Jewish Community Federation.

I would be very pleased if you would join me and presidents of other Jewish organizations on Tuesday, July 16, at 8:00 P.M. at my home, 2552 Warwick Road.

I am anxious to know you better and to hear your ideas for the Delegate Assembly.

Cordially,

*Aileen Kassen*

Mrs. Julian Kassen

June 26, 1968

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THE JEWISH COMMUNITY FEDERATION OF CLEVELAND

1750 EUCLID AVENUE

CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115

Dear Friend of Federation,

We are bringing our files up-to-date and we find that we are lacking biographical material that can be used in connection with news releases.

If possible, please include a recent picture of yourself; head and shoulders shot is preferable.

We would appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible.

Public Relations Department

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*Sent 7/19/68*



PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT  
THE JEWISH COMMUNITY FEDERATION OF CLEVELAND

PLEASE ATTACH RECENT PHOTO

Date: July 19, 1968

NAME: DR. DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

Title: RABBI

Home Address: 2841 Weybridge Road

Business: The Temple

Shaker Heights, Ohio 44120

(Tifereth Israel)

Phone No: 921-2842

University Circle at  
Address: Silver Park

Marital Status: Married

Phone: 791-7755

Children: three (Jonathan, Michael and Sarah Jean)

Born, Date: 3/26/28 Place: Cleveland, Ohio

EDUCATION: (Please indicate cities)

OFFICES (last five years) JEWISH/CIVIC:

High School: Shaker Heights, Ohio

See attached

Shaker Heights High

College (Degree): Harvard University

AB

Hebrew Union College

MHL  
PhD

University of Chicago

HONORS, AWARDS, HONORARY SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP: Graduated with honors from Harvard

Other Memberships and Religious Affiliations: \_\_\_\_\_

See attached

Avocations: Biblical antiquity (archeology)

(Additional information on reverse side)

- See attached -

## RABBI DANIEL JEREMY SILVER - BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver is Rabbi of The Temple of Cleveland, Ohio. He is a native of Cleveland, a confirmand of The Temple, which he has served for a decade.

Rabbi Silver is an honor graduate of Harvard University; he was ordained Rabbi at The Hebrew Union College in 1952, served as a Chaplain in the Navy during the Korean conflict and received his Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Chicago.

Dr. Silver is Editor of the Central Conference of American Rabbi's Journal, which is published quarterly. He is author of "The Maimonidean Criticism and the Miamonidean Controversy 1180-1240," and a collection of essays "From The Rabbi's Desk." He edited the Jubilee Anthology of "In The Time of Harvest," essays in the honor of Abba Hillel Silver, on the occasion of his 70th birthday.

Rabbi Silver serves as: Chairman, Public Welfare Committee of The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland  
Chairman, Zionist Emergency Council, Cleveland Committee  
President - National Foundation for Jewish Culture  
President, Cleveland Zionist Council

Member of the Executive Boards of:

United Appeal (Cleveland)  
Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland  
Central Conference of American Rabbis  
American-Israel Public Affairs Committee

Member, Board of Alumni Overseers - Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion -Cincin.

Member, Board of The American Friends of The Hebrew University (Headquarters - NYC)

Member, Advisory Board of Greater Cleveland Safety Council

Member, Board of Trustees, Council for Economic Opportunities in Greater Cleveland (CEOGC)

Member, Mayor's Commission On The Crisis In Welfare - Chairman, Rights Of Welfare Clients Work Group

Adjunct Professor of Religion, Case Western Reserve University



# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

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December 16, 1968

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

Dear Dan:

I am delighted that at its recent meeting, the Nominating Committee has renominated you to serve as one of the ten members-at-large of the Federation Executive Committee for the year 1969.

On the assumption that you are willing to serve, your name is being submitted by the Nominating Committee to the Board of Trustees for election at the December 30th meeting of the Board.

We very much appreciate your willingness to serve in this important capacity.

Personal regards.

Cordially,

David N. Myers, Chairman  
Nominating Committee of Ten

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~~Abraham and Isaac~~  
How America Has Impressed Itself Upon Our Ancient Faith

The Temple  
December 22, 1968

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver

Ours has been a protracted pilgrimage. Since the days when Abraham first left his Chaldean home, man has progressed from the simple hand tools of the Bronze Age to the complicated and automated machinery of <sup>OUR</sup> ~~Space~~ Age. Needless to say, our faith has not remained static. Indeed, if Moses were to be reborn ~~here and now~~, I am sure that he would shake his head in disbelief to hear us call ourselves his disciples. Where, he would ask, is the altar of sacrifice. Where are the ministering priests? Where is the tent of meeting? In point of fact, Moses would not even recognize his own Ten Commandments, <sup>As the</sup> ~~these precious rules inscribed~~ <sup>commonly portrayed</sup> in Hebrew <sup>script</sup> above our Arks. We think of Hebrew as the Biblical script, yet it lacked five hundred years of being devised when Moses died.

It was Emerson who once observed, and observed correctly, that a foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds. ~~It is so, and~~  
<sup>community</sup> A foolish consistency is also the kiss of death to religious ~~organiza-~~  
~~tion~~. If Judaism had insisted on the inviolability of its religious law and on the unchangeableness of its religious formulae, we would not be here today. Which is another way of saying that our <sup>AMERICAN JEWISH CUSTOMS</sup> ~~Reform~~ Judaism <sup>DO NOT REPRESENT THE FIRST CHANGES IN</sup> ~~is not the first reform of~~ Judaism. Nineteen hundred years ago ~~these~~  
~~was a major reform of our worship when the Rabbinic~~ <sup>THE FAITH CEASED TO BE ORGANISED AROUND</sup> ~~the~~

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a sacrificial cult and the ~~practice of having religion~~ <sup>a worship</sup> organized by an hereditary priesthood. Nine hundred years ago there ~~was a~~ major religious ~~reformation~~ <sup>became</sup> when the Rabbis insisted on monogamy as the basic marriage relationship. Judaism has always been a changing and evolving ~~faith~~ <sup>way of life</sup>. Judaism has always been a ~~plastic~~ plastic, and pliable faith. ~~But~~ <sup>RETURN, AND SEE OUR WAY OF LIFE</sup> if Moses were to be with us this morning, and he were to ~~accompany one of our Temple Hosts about the building~~ and hear our customs and practices explained, I am confident that he would soon realize <sup>THAT</sup> though our practices seem strange and new, <sup>MULTIPLY IMPORT OF</sup> the teaching is familiar. We worship with him the One God. We pledge ourselves as he did, <sup>WE ARE CONSIDERED AS HE WAS WITH ESTABLISHING</sup> to a discipline of righteousness and of dignity. Perhaps it <sup>DOES PEOPLE IN THE</sup> is best to consider Jewish history as a kaleidoscope. <sup>holy LAND</sup> As time passes, the images <sup>TAKE NEW SHAPES</sup> ~~change~~, the colors change, but the pieces of glass, <sup>ARE</sup> ~~the basic elemental principles remain ever constant,~~ ever the same.

~~Judaism has survived, some say miraculously.~~ Judaism has survived for almost four thousand years, a little people in the midst of vast turmoil and change, and if any rational explanation can be given for our survival, I submit that it will be found in the ability <sup>our</sup> ~~and~~ ingenuity and the wisdom with which our leaders adjusted <sup>our</sup> practices, ~~and the~~ customs, ~~and the~~ teaching and the methods of teaching ~~of the people to change~~ to new cultural norms and new esthetic standards.

~~In the turbaned and the fez'd oriental world, men wore a head covering as a sign of politeness and respect, and the Jew entered~~

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to enter before his God, his head uncovered. ~~The practice of worship~~  
in ~~the matter of head covering has changed completely~~, but the principle  
is constant. We worship God with respect. We show Him the respect we  
would show all human beings. And so it goes.

So we ought not to be surprised, any of us, that our American  
Jewish life, our institutions, ~~our~~ practices, ~~our~~ organizations, ~~our~~  
~~forms~~ show ~~deeply~~ the impress, ~~the~~ of our national heritage.

And indeed, ~~our~~ Jewish institutions have had to change

radically to adjust to the New World, because America is not only a  
new environment, but a radically new challenge. America is an open  
society. From the very beginning, Jews were welcomed here as full

partners, ~~as equal citizens~~. What were the Jews to do with the whole apparatus  
of custom and religious law by which they had regulated ~~honestly and~~

humanely and intelligently ~~the~~ self governing communities ~~of the~~  
NOT OF THE VARIOUS EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, AMERICA BECAME  
European enclaves? America was a religiously plural society. No

denomination could claim ~~exclusive~~ special prerogative before

the law. In Europe, ~~a Jewish community had been~~ a matter of birth and  
of law. You had been born into it, but it ~~had been~~ imposed upon you

in the sense that it was a convenient taxing and regulating ~~agency~~ for  
the government. In America a Jewish community would be ~~constituted~~

voluntary, and ~~our~~ Jewish institutions would have to  
discover an entirely new method of organization, ~~and~~ an  
entirely new rationale for their existence.

was  
America ~~is a society which existed on a distance between the~~  
ecclesiastical authority and the political forum, column. What were



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of young Jews who had been categorically denied admission into the mosque-related and the church-related schools? I sometimes think that we fail to credit ~~and~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~efficiency~~ <sup>of</sup> the wisdom and ~~the~~ ingenuity with which the earlier generations of ~~Jews~~ <sup>Jews</sup> devised adjustments to the American scene and managed to develop a pattern of living which permitted our faith to flourish and to grow on these shores. ~~There was a new and difficult problem.~~ <sup>There was a new and most difficult problem.</sup>

Take the whole area of ~~public~~ <sup>public</sup> education. The American emphasis ~~insistence~~ on education as a prime area of responsibility presented no problem ~~to the Jew~~. Learning has been, since time immemorial, a cardinal piety. Indeed, Israel ~~was the~~ <sup>had transformed itself into the world's</sup> first wholly literate people in the history of mankind, ~~some two thousand years ago.~~ <sup>by creating the world's first mandatory public education system.</sup> But what of the experiments in public education? ~~How was the Jewish child to be~~ <sup>But</sup> ~~part of the fabric of his neighborhood and of the community and at~~ <sup>public school</sup> the same time to learn ~~and to become~~ <sup>history and language and values</sup> of the depth, the flavor, and the ~~spirit~~ <sup>AND</sup> of his religious heritage. ~~And if we had insisted upon~~ <sup>had followed the Catholic lead and</sup> rebuilding a parochial system here in America, how was the Jewish child to become part of the warp and the woof of his society? ~~The answer to~~ <sup>ONE</sup> ~~was~~ <sup>the answer to</sup> ~~this dilemma~~ <sup>was</sup> ~~made~~ <sup>was</sup> some one hundred and fifty years ago by some gentle ~~Jewish~~ ladies of Norfolk, Rhode Island and of Philadelphia. Their solution -- the weekend school. The Sunday School has become so much a part of Protestant Christian life that we sometimes ascribe it to Yankee ingenuity. Not so. It is the achievement of the "Yiddische kopf." It was a solution, an adequate solution, ~~to a balance between~~ <sup>IN ITS WAY TO BEING BOTH AMERICAN</sup> ~~AND JEWISH~~ <sup>AND JEWISH</sup> school hours within the community and school hours within the religious tradition.

Now it is not our place here to discuss the evolution and the

CONTRARY TO CURRENT MYTHOLOGY THE SABBATH SCHOOL  
WORKED WELL FOR ALMOST A CENTURY - AS LONG AS THE  
JEWISH HOME REMAINED PALPABLY JEWISH / <sup>THE SABBATH SCHOOL</sup> BEING SOALSO  
AND GAVE INSIGHT INTO A FAMILY'S WAY OF LIFE, THIS  
IS NOT THE PLACE TO DISCUSS THE PRESUMED FAILURE OF  
THE SABBATH SCHOOL - EXCEPT TO SUGGEST THAT WHAT  
IN ONE GENERATION <sup>CONSERVATIVE IN TWO</sup> RECORDED ~~WAS~~, NEXT,  
IS ~~EXPERIMENTAL~~ WAS RAISED IN  
A NEW GENERATION OF JEWS WHOSE RITUALS  
WERE NEVER SUNN  
MAKED HOMES, ~~WAS THE FIRST~~ ZEMIRAH NOW  
A WORD OF YIPPIH, <sup>SPOKE</sup> THE SOCIETY OPENED UP IDEALLY,  
FOR THE FIRST TIME, THERE WAS <sup>THE POST SPUTNIK</sup> REVOLUTION  
IN PUBLIC EDUCATION; AND <sup>ON</sup> THE WAVE OF ELIOT AND  
<sup>SOME</sup> PARENTS WANTED MORE HEBREW, MORE  
CULTURE - ALL THESE NEW CONDITIONS Jewish community  
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IMAGINATIVE CURRICULUM, THE USE OF MILITARY,  
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EXCEPTION NOT THE RULE - AN EARLY AND  
SUCCESSFUL ADAPTATION had become a STRAIN.  
GACET - ~~THIS WAS WITH OTHERS MORE OF~~

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sophistication of this weekend school. But surely this observation is pertinent, that if other religious traditions had been as pliant, as supple, as willing to go along with the American experiment, if they had not insisted that the European pattern of parochial systems be re-created on these shores, our communities today would be more close-knit, and surely we would have come far nearer to developing a satisfactory solution to the adequate funding of our educational enterprise.

Every one of ~~our institutions~~ our Jewish institutions, ~~are~~ today tailored American style. Take our synagogues. Take the matter of the place of women in our synagogues. In Europe, the synagogue was a man's business. Worship was a man's prerogative. The school was a man's responsibility. There was what they called a "Weiberschul" -- a woman's place, upstairs, curtained, in the balcony -- but this is a far cry from a woman's association, from the American pattern which has women on <sup>Temple</sup> ~~its~~ board of trustees, and <sup>which</sup> can even conceive, has v'halilah, of women as rabbis ~~in America~~. ~~In America we have established a firm partnership of men and women in congregational life because this was the pattern of America's religious life, and it happened here in America -- on, at Harry's, only in America -- after four thousand years of male superiority and dominance within our faith.~~

CONSEQUENTLY WE HAVE  
A protracted adolescence is an American invention, and ~~so is~~ the Temple Youth Group, the Temple Teens, the weekend camp, the weekday canteen. Advertising is an American art. In four thousand years of our tradition there never was, until America, a Temple



bulletin

~~Our social agencies represent today probably the most signal accomplish-~~  
~~ment of American Jewry.~~ They are usually explained as a continuation

cholim -- the society for the visitation of the sick: the ~~non-nasset~~

orhim -- the society for offering hospitality to the stranger, the

~~society which~~ buries the indigent dead; the ~~society which offered a~~

dowry for the poor orphan girl; ~~the society which~~ ransomed the people

who had been taken captive. Now, you can explain the origins the

ADOLPH BUT AS A PLACE WHERE SOME OF OUR DEPTHS COULD BE KEPT  
beginnings of most of our welfare institutions - of Mount Sinai and

of Belleraire and of Montefiore, the Jewish Family Service Association

~~and so on -- on the basis of this historical tradition. Prosthetic~~

~~morality of our people and the institutions of the khalifah. But what~~

~~of the floating? What of that? I would suggest to you that~~

the growth, the ramification, ~~the~~ sophistication of this community has been

LESS TO THE FACT THAT VOLUNTARY SOCIAL WELFARE  
due largely to the approval that it has won on the American scene.

It fits in neatly. It dovetails philosophically with our American

preference -- I almost said prejudice -- with ~~an American preference~~

for the free enterprise system, for voluntary welfare as above public

enterprise. We have written it into our law. We give status to those

in the community who participate in this kind of activity. Indeed,

you will find if you read back into the early history of many of ~~these~~ <sup>own</sup> INSTITUTIONS THAT THEY WERE SPONSORED AND LED BY THOSE WHO LOOKED ON



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these Jewish social institutions not as a statement of their religious conviction, which was weak to say the least, but ~~as a~~ <sup>as a statement of their American citizenship.</sup> This was a kind of activity which was expected of them, for which they gained approval, and therefore one for which they were eager.

~~as a statement of their American citizenship.~~ <sup>as a statement of their American citizenship.</sup>

NON-  
EXISTENT,  
BUT AS

So much has America reigned and imprinted itself upon our Jewish institutions, that we must ask ourselves one deceptively simple question. ~~What remains?~~ <sup>What remains?</sup> ~~basically,~~ <sup>basically,</sup> Jewish? ~~By way of answer I would limit myself to the central institution of Jewish life, the synagogue, and I would say to you that despite many of the architectural novelties which are springing about across the land, despite the newness of much of the liturgy, some of the melody, the pedagogic methods, the synagogue remains what it has always been -- a place of Torah, and a place of tefilah, a place of fundamental Jewish study, and a place of integral devotion to the God of Israel. This, of course, was not always so. Fifty years ago the issue was in doubt. Fifty years ago there were congregations where the Torah was never read, where Hebrew was deemed an inadequate vehicle of worship. Only English was to be spoken in the Jewish church. Fifty years ago there were still some congregations who moved the Holy Days to convenient weekend hours, lest the business people lose a single occasion for profit. Fifty years ago many of our religious schools taught a vague humanistic ethic which had little correlation, little identification with the uniqueness and the facts of our Jewish tradition. Fortunately, this awkward adolescence is behind us. The synagogue has reasserted its integrity, and wherever you go in~~

HAVE WE ACCOMMODATED OURSELVES OUT OF ANY <sup>[Feb 16, 1969]</sup>  
PARTICULARITY - IDENTITY - ANY JUSTIFICATION OF SURVIVAL?  
THREE WEEKS AGO I STOOD AT THE TEMPLE ON  
THE THUMB TAKING A GOOD LOOK AT OURSELVES. I  
WONDERED ALOUD ABOUT THE MYSTERY OF JEWISH SURVIVAL.  
~~ASKED THEM~~ ABOUT THE MYSTERY OF JEWISH SURVIVAL.  
I EXAMINED AND DETECTED SEVERAL FAMILIAR  
"EXPLANATIONS"

1) SCATTERING - WE WERE EVERYWHERE SO NO ONE  
POWERS COULD EVER CATCH ALL OF US

2) ADAPTABILITY - WE ARE A CAMELEON RELIGION  
WHICH BLEND IMPERCEPTIBLY INTO EVERY ENVIRONMENT

THE SCATTERING ARGUMENT CAN BE ANSWERED BY  
THE PHOENIXES (EVIDENCE - HAZARD IT  
BEEN A PHOENICIAN SHIP IN 1500 YEARS, THE  
ADAPTABILITY ARGUMENT IS INVALIDATED BY THE

MOTHER GODDESS CULT (SYRIA TO SPAIN) - DOMINANT  
PAGAN MYSTERY OF ANCIENT WORLD, HAZARD IT  
BEEN AN ASTORIC DEVOTE IN 1500 YEARS

THE ABOVE FAMILIAR EXPLANATION IS  
PRESSURE FACTOR. WE COULDN'T BECOME LIKE  
OTHERS, SO WE DIDN'T. BUT WE COULD, IN  
1492 WHEN JEWES ACCEPTED EXPULSION FROM  
SPAIN BUT TOOK BAPTISM, HOWEVER ANTI-

SOVIETISM CAN DESTROY VITAL ENTRIES - LOCH <sup>[Feb 16, 1969]</sup>  
BRUNEN GUTMAN - POLISH COMMUNITIES TODAY, THE  
PRESSURE FACTOR IS A 2 EDGED SWORD.

THE ONLY EXPLANATION I KNOW OF JEWISH  
SURVIVAL LIES IN THE VALIDITY OF OUR WAY OF LIFE,  
IN HISTORY AS IN NATURE ONLY THOSE GROUPS SURVIVE  
WHOSE ENVIRONMENT CONJECTURES THEM TO REVEAL  
THE SKILL, THE ADAPTIVE QUALITIES, THE STRENGTH OF  
HOPE WHICH MAKES FOR SUCCESS IN THE STRUGGLE  
FOR SURVIVAL.

ILLUSTRATION - RETRIAL OF READING FROM  
TODAY - BASEN ULTIMATELY INTELLIGENCE THAT TODAY  
IS NOT A SEALED BOOK - NO TRUTHS WHICH ARE  
LIMITED TO OUR ECCLASTICAL - FAITH IN MAN'S  
MIND, HIS CAPACITY TO UNDERSTAND AND POSSIBLY  
NEVER A BUTT OF LETS GO

EVERYTHING IN JEWISH LIFE ENCOURAGED  
MAN TO LEARN AND TRUST HIS JUDGMENT, SO  
NEVER REINFORCED, DRIVER - HAD HIMSELF TO  
FALL BACK ON - COULD TRUST HIS DECISIONS - BE  
A MAN AND NOT A CHILD WHO STAMPS FOOT  
IN RAGE OF SELF PITY - WE WERE ABLE TO



BUILD, LOOSE, AND BUILD AGAIN COMMUNITIES [Feb 1969]

COMPARE AUTONOMY, TAILOR TRADITION. - LOSE

AT S. EUROPE - L. AMERICA - ISLAMIC MIDDLE EAST -

PEOPLE SHARE SAME DREAM - AT TIMES

ORGANIZE AGAINST INJUSTICE AND EVIL

DEPORT ENEMY - BUT DIFFERENCES SHORT LIVED,

NO TRAINING IN RESPONSIBLE POLITICAL ACTION -

SELF TRUTH, LOSE AND TAKE OF OTHER SOCIETY -

DEMOCRACY NEED TO DEFEND ON IDEOLOGICAL

- FALL OUT AND PROVIDE QUICKLY RESPONSE

ITSELF.

I WILL NOT BOTHER YOU WITH OTHER

EXAMPLES, MY POINT WAS THAT JUDAISM COULD

AND HAD MADE DIFFERENCES ON JEW - WAS ITSELF

SECRET OF OUR SURVIVAL - BUT THAT LIVES

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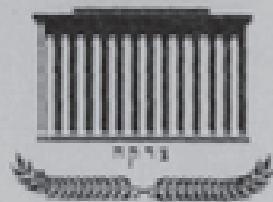
[Feb 16, 1969]

I ENDED BY SAYING THAT THE PROBLEM - CURRENTLY  
AMERICA WITHOUT FAITH IN ITSELF OR IN FAITH  
MANY JEWS SIMPLY BECOMING BLAND - AMERICAN  
NOT MADE COMMITMENT TO DISTINCTIONS - IN  
RIGHT OR RITUAL

NO IRON LAW OF JEWISH SURVIVAL  
- JEWS & COMMUNITIES WILL AND WILL AGAIN  
MANIA - AFTER LECTURE I RECEIVED THIS  
LETTER AND ALL INSTITUTIONS - AND QUICKLY



IT SEEMS TO ME THAT HERE AT THE BASIC OUT  
LEVEL OF COMMITMENT TO DIFFERENCE IS WHERE  
THE FUTURE PROBLEM LIES - AND FRANKLY I AM NOT  
SURE OF THE RESULTS



# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1750 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

March 7, 1969

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

As one of our most knowledgeable communal leaders and opinion makers, you know that this is a crucial year for Jews throughout the world, and especially those in Israel.

As leaders, we must do everything we can to close the communication gap in interpreting Jewish needs to the entire community. After consultation with Rabbi Israel Porath, President of the Orthodox Rabbinical Council of Cleveland and Rabbi Jack Herman, President of the Cleveland Board of Rabbis, we are calling a special meeting of all Cleveland Congregational Rabbis on

Monday, March 24, 1969, 12:00 noon  
(luncheon) at the Federation office.

At the meeting, we will discuss ways and means of interpreting Jewish needs and we will also have the opportunity to hear a first-hand report from Rabbi Armond D. Cohen and Rabbi Myron Silverman on the recent Mission of American Rabbis to Israel in which they participated.

I hope you will make every effort to join with us on Monday, March 24. Please return the enclosed reply card indicating your attendance.

Sincerely yours,

*Lloyd S. Schwenger*  
Lloyd S. Schwenger  
President

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# Arab Viewpoint Told to Teachers

Students of Mrs. Clara Cowan's civics class at Wiley Junior High in University Heights today will be learning about the Arabs' point of view in the Israeli-Arab conflict thanks to some careful notes their teacher took at an international relations seminar at the school yesterday afternoon.

She said, "I think my children should know the thinking of the Arabs. They hear the other side at their temples."

The speaker at the seminar was Dr. Sadek Samaan, an Egyptian who is a professor of international education at Ohio University.

SAMAAN SAID jokingly, "My wife said maybe I better take out more life insurance when I came up here." Mrs. Cowan confirmed his feeling when she said that the junior high where he spoke was "99% Jewish" and definitely pro-Israeli.

At the seminar at Wiley, he told about 60 teachers who represented schools in the Cleveland Heights-University Heights district that Arabs are hurt by America's "unconditional support of Israel."

He said, "The United States has played a dirty role—everything is for Israel and we are not considered at all. There is unconditional and almost irrational support for Israel."

Samaan said that part of the reason that the Arab side is not presented well is because Arabs are poor propagandists. He said, "Arab propaganda is very emotion-

al and sensational but Israeli propaganda is very smooth and scientific."

SAMAAN disputed the Israeli claim to their country, since he said that the land had been occupied by Arabs for more than 2,000 years.

He also claimed that there was discrimination in Israel against the Arabs while Arabs always have been very tolerant of Jews in their country. He criticized the Israelis for allegedly doing nothing about the plight of the one million Arab refugees.

## Pay Raise OK'd

Kirtland Board of Education approved a 9% pay raise for non-teaching employees and an 18% pay hike for school principals.





March 26, 1969

Dr. Frank Gerhardt  
Superintendent of Schools  
Cleveland Heights-University Heights Board of Education  
2155 Miramar Road  
Cleveland, Ohio 44118

Dear Frank:

I am most sorry - as I know you are - that our first contact after my getting back to the country from Israel had to be on so unfortunate a subject as the incident at Wiley Jr. High School.

Perhaps the most significant aspect of the whole affair was the matter we discussed at the very end of our last conversation. More important than the article in the Plain Dealer is the indication that there exists on the faculty a lack of sensitivity in some individuals (perhaps many individuals) about the role that Israel plays in the life of the Jewish community. In view of the violent examples we have had all over the country of the danger that exists when faculty and community do not understand one another, I think this is a very threatening situation. I was glad this afternoon, as I trust I always will be, to be of what ever help I can be to a system that the entire Jewish community has always supported so sturdily. At the same time, we should face the facts. I find it hard to avoid the conclusion that people in leadership position not only made no attempt to present a balanced view of the Mid East situation; by the facts as you related them to me, the seminar presented a highly unbalanced view, leaning strongly to the Arab position. This would seem to me to be the height of insensitivity, to put it mildly. Israel and its problems play a profound role in the lives of the parents and the children, and at the very least, one would expect the school system to be objective. I would even think it should be sympathetic, at least in an attempt to understand its constituents, rather than adopting the position, as some obviously have, that they must somehow "counter-act" the presumed unfairness or bias of the Jewish community.

I would of course reject any such description. I think there is a profound commitment to Israel, not only on the part of the Jewish community but of America as a whole. I have not heard within the Jewish community any suggestion of vituperation toward the Arabs - either here or for that matter in Israel.

I think it is little short of tragic that at an international seminar bearing so closely on the live issues of America and of the community served by Cleveland Heights-University Heights, there was no real attempt either at objectivity or an understanding of the bases on which the Jewish community's very life is founded.

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Mr. Frank Gerhardt  
Superintendent of Schools

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March 26, 1969

All of which lengthy rumination leads me to the feeling that the most important outcome would be an earnest attempt on the part of some appropriate group within the faculty to understand the community it serves. No one would dream that in these times, a teacher could perform adequately in the inner city without a sympathetic understanding of the aspirations and loyalties of the Negro community. Is it not equally important, as a good educator, that a comparable understanding be achieved of the Jewish community? I want strongly to emphasize that this understanding is not opposed to a search for truth. If one is truly to grapple with the problems of the Mid East, one is required, it seems to me, to understand the reason for the overwhelming Jewish - and I must add, American - support for the Democracy which is Israel. That topic was evidently not touched on at all in the seminar, though time was obviously found for vigorous expression of the Arab viewpoint.

We both will have difficult times ahead. This whole controversy has touched the Jewish community more deeply than I can describe. I have no doubt that you will have many strained discussions and conversations ahead. Much more important, however, is, in my estimation, the task of exploring whether the faculty as a whole has really attempted to understand the situation, or brings to it a subdued but innate hostility that can do real mischief.

Please let me know how or whether I can be of help.

Sincerely,

Sidney Z. Vincent  
Executive Director

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S. J. Zuckerman

# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1759 EUCLEID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44113 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

April 2, 1969

Mrs. Sherman Dye  
Cleveland Heights-University Heights  
Board of Education  
2155 Miramar Boulevard  
Cleveland, Ohio 44118

Dear Mrs. Dye:

The Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Community Federation, which has for many years enjoyed friendly and cooperative relationships with the Cleveland Heights-University Heights school system, wishes to express its concern over the recent situation resulting from faculty study of the Mid-East situation.

Our concern does not arise primarily from the destructive statements attributed in newspaper reports to the Arab spokesman. We are confident that a careful review of the actual situation in the Mid-East will effectively refute such statements.

We are, however, deeply concerned precisely because to our knowledge the school system has not provided such a careful review. An Arab spokesman was imported to give a highly emotional presentation of his viewpoint, but no Israeli spokesman was invited, nor was any other attempt made to present sympathetically Israel's point of view.

A faculty representative stated that the schools had a responsibility to balance the presumed one-sided view of the community. In addition to questioning both the validity and the tact of such a position, we should have thought that the public school's objective would be to search for the truth, not to place itself in the position of presenting one side of a proposition on the assumption that the community it serves presents the other.

Such a stance is full of dangers. It needlessly places the schools in opposition to the community. It makes the assumption that the community is somehow presenting a position that needs "correcting," through providing counter-propaganda. It leaves the many students, perhaps the majority, who have no background of any kind, with but a single, and to our mind, an obviously unbalanced view.





# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1750 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

April 8, 1969

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

Dear Rabbi:

I have confirmed with Mr. Charles Loparo of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights school system that you will be the speaker for a session on "Israel and the Mid-East" for the International Awareness Series for Teachers which they are sponsoring.

The program is scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, April 22, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of Wiley Junior High School. Mr. Loparo informs me that the format generally involves a presentation of 30 - 40 minutes, with questions and general discussion following.

Please feel free to call either Mr. Loparo or myself if there are any questions.

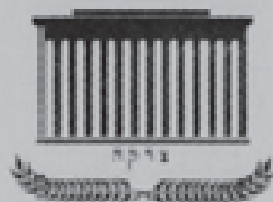
Warmest regards.

Cordially,

Howard R. Berger, Director  
Community Relations and Urban Affairs

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cc: Mr. Charles Loparo



# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1750 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

May 8, 1969

## MEMORANDUM

TO: RABBI DANIEL SILVER

FROM: HOWARD BERGER

### Several items:

I had hoped we could get together this week but no chance. I'll call Marge tomorrow afternoon to find time when we can sit down. A number of these items need our attention:

#### 1) Urban Coalition

Leona Bevis and I are agreed that anything with the Urban Coalition appears to be dead as a door nail. No action -- even after talking with Russell Jones again.

#### 2) Our own Public Welfare Committee

Enclosing a routine notice for the meeting to be held on the 21st which went out a day or so ago. Ed Rosenthal is in the last stages of preparing his report which we want to go over with you prior to distribution next week.

#### 3) Copy of a letter from Leo Jackson which I believe will be of interest to you. My understanding is that Lloyd is prepared to make himself available to accept the honor on that evening.

#### 4) The need for strategy session with you, Ed, hopefully Sid Vincent and myself to decide on procedures on the 21st. I'll call Marge Friday p.m. hopefully to set this date for early next week.

#### 5) A personal note

Warmest congratulations on the Atikot displays. Please convey my special thanks to whoever was responsible for the gracious invitation to the Saturday evening preview. I held up on replying only because of some uncertainties at home. Regretfully I find that I won't be able to make it. Needless to say, my

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Memo  
To Rabbi Silver

May 8, 1969

very best wishes. It can't help but be a tremendous success.

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cc: 155 5/8/69

# City of Cleveland

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216 City Hall

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FINANCE

LEO A. JACKSON

10427 ST. CLAIR AVENUE

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COUNCILMAN 24th WARD

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May 7, 1969

Mr. Lloyd Schwenger, President  
Cleveland Jewish Community Federation  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Sir:

I have been requested by officials of the 24th Ward Democratic Club to inform you that the Cleveland Jewish Community Federation has been selected as the recipient of a Community Service plaque for the outstanding contribution made to the Youth of our Community through the Glenville Project at Glenville High School sponsored by your organization.

These awards are made annually at the Everett D. Lee Citizenship Award Dinner for Community Service which transcends political boundaries.

This affair will be held Friday evening, May 16, 1969 at 7:00 P.M. at the St. John Masonic Temple, 630 E. 106th Street (N.W. corner of E. 106th & St. Clair Ave). The featured speaker will be Dr. Kenneth Clement and Mayor Stokes has made a commitment to be present.

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of the action of the Dinner Committee indicating grass root appreciation of the Jewish Community Federation's involvement in our Community and to request that you designate someone from your organization to be present to accept the plaque.

Please provide me with this information at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully yours,

Leo A. Jackson  
Councilman - Ward 24

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# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1750 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

October 2, 1969

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

Dear Rabbi:

I am delighted to inform you that the Nominating Committee of the Federation has renominated you to serve as a Member-at-Large on the Board of Trustees for a three-year term, until the 1972 Annual Meeting of the Federation. With your approval, your name will be submitted to the Federation's membership for election at the Annual Meeting of the Federation on December 7.

Unless we hear from you within the next week, we shall assume that we have your approval to renominate you as a Trustee.

I want to extend to you the warm congratulations and appreciation of the Nominating Committee, which I am sure will have the enthusiastic support of all the Federation's membership.

Warmest regards.

Cordially,

Edward Ginsberg, Chairman  
Nominating Committee of Ten

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President Lloyd S. Schwenger

Vice-Presidents Irving Kane Mrs. Alex Miller Irving I. Stone

Treasurer Albert B. Ratner

Associate Treasurer Julius Paris

Executive Vice-President Henry L. Zucker

Executive Director Sidney Z. Vincent



# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1750 EUKLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

November 7, 1969

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
University Circle & Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Dan:

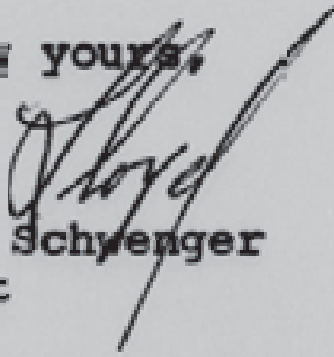
A number of persons have inquired as to what is being done to memorialize our very good friend, M. Edwin Weiner. We all know that Eddie was a man of unlimited energy and devotion and unlimited compassion for his fellow Jews.

His family has suggested that a Memorial Fund be established in Federation. Specific purposes of this Fund are now being developed.

I am pleased to inform you that many contributions have already been received. Those who wish to participate may do so by sending a check to the Federation office in the name of "The Jewish Community Federation -- M. Edwin Weiner Memorial Fund."

We deeply appreciate your consideration of this memorial to our dear friend and colleague, Eddie Weiner.

Sincerely yours,

  
Lloyd S. Schwenger  
President



November 7, 1969

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
University Circle & Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Jewish Community Federation cordially invites you to be our guest at the luncheon presentation of the Brother's Keeper Award to Leo A. Jackson on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1969  
at the Federation Office

As you know, the Award is made possible through the generosity of Mr. Harry H. Stone. The Award, established on an annual basis, enables the community to pay tribute to persons who follow the biblical injunction of being their brother's keeper by making an extraordinary contribution to the welfare of their fellow citizens.

It was the decision of this year's judges that Mr. Jackson magnificently demonstrated this sense of responsibility to his fellow men by his moral and physical courage and his dedication to the community's welfare.

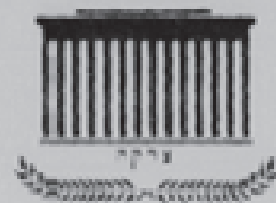
We hope that you will find it possible to join us.

Cordially yours,

*Lloyd S. Schwenger*  
Lloyd S. Schwenger  
President

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# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1750 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

December 23, 1969

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
University Circle  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Rabbi:

All of us believe strongly in the policy of rotation, but each year it costs us, at least temporarily, the service of valuable committee members. Our regulations impose a three year limitation on membership on the Executive Committee, and it was therefore not possible for the Nominating Committee to renominate you to this post for the coming year.

We have, however, firmly established two policies in Federation that somewhat compensate for our self-imposed restriction. First, almost every retiring committee member nevertheless remains active within the Federation family; and second, our rules on rotation enable us to consider reappointment after the lapse of one year.

Thank you for all your cooperation and best wishes for a Happy New Year.

Cordially,

Lloyd S. Schwenger  
President

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WELFARE FEDERATION OF CLEVELAND  
1001 HURON ROAD  
CLEVELAND 15, OHIO

March 3, 1970

Mr. Henry L. Zucker  
Executive Vice President  
The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Hank:

Thanks for sending me a copy of Rabbi Daniel Silver's report on the Public Welfare Committee. I have read it thoroughly, and I compliment you and the Federation on the achievements reported.

Needless to say, we are pleased that we have been able to have close liaison over the years of Dan's leadership of this Committee, and we will continue to look forward to this in the future.

I recall one particular incident of some years ago when Dan, Fred Hauserman and I went to Columbus in a private plane engaged by Fred Hauserman for testimony on some legislative issue. At this moment, I do not recall what it was specifically, but I think that it was related to the AFDC legislation for unemployed fathers on which there was success because of leadership from the Cleveland area. I never knew Dan, as large as he is, to be able to fold up so neatly in the back seat of a small plane.

Thanks again, I will pass this on to Leon and Dick Streeter, Chairman of our Public Welfare Committee.

Sincerely,



W. T. McCullough  
Executive Director

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cc: Leon Davis  
✓ Rabbi Daniel Silver

Dear Dan: - Congratulations to you on your service on the Public Welfare Committee and the opportunity to work with you in this capacity over the years.





# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1750 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

April 29, 1970

## MEMORANDUM:

TO: CLEVELAND JEWISH LEADERSHIP

FROM: RABBI DANIEL JEREMY SILVER, CHAIRMAN  
ISRAEL INFORMATION EDUCATION TASK FORCE

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I call your attention to a national conference of great importance. The attached program of the National Policy Conference of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) which, among its projects publishes "THE NEAR EAST REPORT", speaks for itself. It is at the Sheraton Park Hotel in Washington on Monday, May 11th and Tuesday morning, May 12th.

This notice is being circulated to a selected few within our leadership, who, we believe, are interested and hopefully able to attend. The importance of a strong delegation from Cleveland is obvious from many points of view.

If there is a possibility that you can attend, I urge you to do so. Call and discuss it with Howard Berger at the Federation office, 861-4360, who will arrange details.

Thank you.

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AMERICAN ISRAEL PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
NATIONAL POLICY CONFERENCE  
SHERATON PARK HOTEL WASHINGTON, D. C.  
MAY 11-12, 1970

PROGRAM (Preliminary and tentative)

Monday, May 11

8:30 a. m. Registration

10:15 a. m. Irving Kane, Chairman: opening address

I. L. Kenen, Executive Vice Chairman: report

Preliminary discussion of Policy Statement

12:15 p. m. Luncheon at Rayburn Building, Room B-339  
in honor of Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin

Speakers: Senator Hugh Scott

Senator Edmund Muskie

Representative Carl Albert

Representative Gerald Ford

Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin

3:00 p. m. Department of State - West Auditorium

Symposium: Alfred L. Atherton, Deputy  
Assistant Secretary of State

Richard B. Parker, Country Director  
for UAR

Talcott W. Seelye, Country Director  
for Jordan, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon

Heywood Stackhouse, Country Director  
for Israel

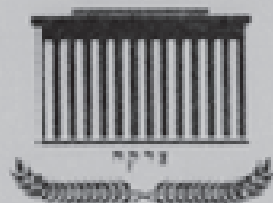
Question period

8:30 p.m. Evening session Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein - Presiding

Irving Kane - address

Shlomo Argov, Minister, Embassy of Israel  
address and questions

Tuesday, May 12 - all day Visits to Congress. (When we know the identity  
of our delegates we will arrange definite  
appointments with Representatives and Senators  
who did not attend the Monday luncheon.)



# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1750 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

October 6, 1970

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
Ansel Road at Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Rabbi Silver:

First, I'll take this opportunity to wish you a very happy and healthy New Year!

Along with the coming of Rosh Hashanah comes the United Appeal Campaign. I gather that Bernie Olshansky used to serve as the liaison for the United Appeal in the solicitation of Rabbis' cards and that you are the Chairman of that section of the United Appeal Drive. I just received the cards and have given those for Fairmount Temple to Bert Amster. I am enclosing the ones that apply to The Temple. I propose that we divide the balance among some of the fellows in the Federation office as well as Aaron Intrater at the Bureau of Jewish Education and Rabbis Seligman and Spiegelman.

Since you are Chairman of this road show, I would like to have your advice on the suggested organization. Please let me know as soon as possible if this is okay or what alternative suggestions you have.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Stanley Horowitz  
Assistant Director

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February 11, 1972

February 11, 1972

Mr. Maurice Saltzman  
Jewish Community Federation  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Maurie:

I am writing to you as President of the Federation in regard to the Israel Task Force. You may remember that when our grant for this year's work was approved at an Endowment Committee meeting last summer there was conversation about the future funding of the Task Force. There was much discussion whether we should continue to seek Endowment Fund help or be funded by the Budget Committee as a regular Federation Committee. It was moved then that this matter would be discussed by the leadership of the Federation in time to make a decision enduring our 1972-1973 appropriation.

The Task Force has had a busy year. We have helped groups of students from Kent State, Oberlin, Lake Erie College and CWRU go to Israel. We have spoken to many groups, arranged for key media people to visit Israel, cooperated with Channel 5 in producing an important Israel Special and regularly published Highlights. We have worked with groups from the New Left to the JDL to prevent unwanted incidents, initiated a regional conference on community based public relations and participated in various projects suggested by the NCRAC and other national agencies. Our one to one program of on-going contact with Cleveland leadership now reaches 500 non-Jews. We helped to double the circulation of the Near East Report. I don't think it would be immodest to say that no Federation or other community is as well organized in this area as we are.

February 11, 1972

I write now imply to underscore the work of the Task Force and because a year passes all too quickly and the decision on next year's funding rests with the Federation leadership. We are action-organized and leave funding to our leaders.

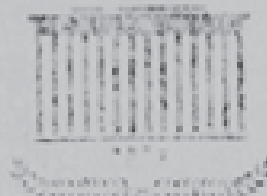
Thank you for your support and understanding. With all good wishes I remain

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1750 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 531-4350

July 3, 1972

**JUL 13 1972**

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver, President  
National Foundation for Jewish Culture  
315 Park Avenue South  
New York, N. Y. 10010

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am pleased to inform you that, at its meeting on June 27, 1972, the Board of Trustees of the Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland voted to allocate to the Joint Cultural Appeal an amount of \$44,500. Our combined allocation last year to the organizations now in the J.C.A. amounted to \$35,950.

It is our intent that the increased funds be made available to the cultural organizations and not to the National Foundation itself, except for costs directly connected with the Joint Appeal. For your reference, our 1971/72 allocations to the National Foundation and the other cultural organizations were as follows:

American Academy for Jewish Research	\$1,100
American Jewish Historical Society	1,600
Conference on Jewish Social Studies	1,150
Congress for Jewish Culture	1,000
Histadruth Ivrit	2,100
Jewish Publication Society	1,250
Leo Baeck Institute, Inc.	1,100
National Foundation for Jewish Culture	21,750
Tivo Institute for Jewish Research	<u>4,900</u>
<b>TOTAL (Joint Cultural Appeal agencies)</b>	<b>\$35,950</b>

The portion of our allocation for the National Foundation again includes \$7,000 for special projects of the Foundation or of other cultural organizations which, in the opinion of the Foundation, warrant such support. We again request that you notify us how the funds for special projects will be used so that we can report that information to our Budget Committee.



Letter - Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver, President  
National Foundation for Jewish Culture  
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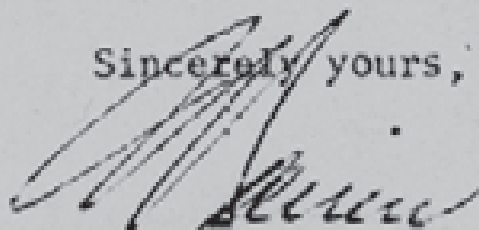
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July 3, 1972

We have heard encouraging reports about the response to the Joint Cultural Appeal from other communities. We are hopeful that our increased allocation and others already committed will help you to obtain significantly increased allocations from most communities.

With our best wishes for another year of successful operation, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
Maurice Saltzman  
President



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July 26, 1972

Mr. Maurice Saltzman  
President  
Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Saltzman:

I am pleased to hear that your Board of Trustees have allocated \$44,500 to the Joint Cultural Appeal. Cleveland, as always, has met its responsibility.

You will be interested to know that the reception of the Joint Cultural Appeal around the communities is great and there will be a substantial increase flow of funds that we will put into the cultural field.

Again my thanks.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
President

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March 23, 1973

**March 23, 1973**

**Dr. Avraham Harman  
Hebrew University  
Jerusalem, Israel**

**Dear Dr. Harman:**

I am writing this letter to you in your capacity as Chairman of the Sherut Leuniversitat Lechutz La'artz in my capacity as Chairman of the Israel Task Force of the Jewish Community Federation.

Dr. Moshe Davis and our Federation have been in frequent contact regarding the possibility of sending small groups of senior academics from our regional universities to Israel who would expose themselves to Israel's university system and hopefully develop significant contacts with professionals who share their interests and specialties. It is our hope that these men will act as catalysts towards joint academic effort between their colleges and Israel's universities and that an exchange of lecturers, information and friendship will result.

We are prepared to sponsor such a mission in December of '73 or January of '74. Moshe Davis has agreed to help map out their program while in Israel. Our Federation is prepared to underwrite the mission's travel expenses. In order to make this program feasible we would require the Government, the universities or the Jewish Agency to defray its costs while in Israel.

It would be our hope to send between four and seven men and women and to have them spend at least a week in Israel. If they want to spend additional time visiting Israel they would do so on their own. Moshe met with professors from Case Western Reserve University, Kent State University and Oberlin on his last



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visit here and our problem would be one of selection, not of motivation.

The success of this program obviously will depend upon the coordination in Israel of the visit with the facilities and staff of all Israeli universities. Another component should be to provide a broad overview of Israel's intellectual and creative life.

This project seems to us to have great possibilities not only for a mutual relationship but for a program that could replicate itself in other regions of the country. I would be happy as President of the National Foundation for Jewish Culture to work with the Association of Jewish Studies and others to encourage such a program.

Hoping to hear from you in the near future and delighted to know the thinking that has already gone into this program, I remain

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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cc: Moshe Davis  
Dr. Hayyim Binart

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8 June 1973

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,

President Harman has asked me to reply to your letter in my capacity as Deputy Chairman for University Services Abroad. We should be very pleased to cooperate in planning the mission you propose for next winter. Furthermore we will be glad to arrange the meetings you are interested in holding.

Because of the financial bind in which the Hebrew University finds itself, we will be unable to subsidize the mission beyond the arrangements I have already indicated.

I sincerely hope that the program will take place, both because of its intrinsic value and because too many years have elapsed since we last met - I think it was at the CCAR Conference in Toronto, could it be in 1966?

With all best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Avraham Avi-hai, Ph.D.  
Vice-Provost

*Sorry about the delay - partly bureaucratic &  
partly army service. But for now on  
you can count on prompt replies.  
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**June 19, 1973**

**Mr. David Sarnat  
Jewish Community Federation  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio**

**Dear David:**

**Enclosed is a copy of my original letter to Harman and  
the reply I received yesterday. I'll call you about it  
later in the week.**

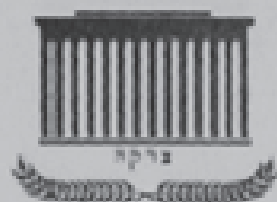
**Sincerely,**

**Daniel Jeremy Silver**

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**Encl.**





# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1730 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

March 22, 1974

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
26000 Shaker Boulevard  
Cleveland, Ohio 44122

Dear Rabbi:

I am now in the process of appointing membership on standing committees of the Federation for the year 1974.

I am pleased to extend to you an invitation to serve on Federation's Endowment Fund Committee. This is one of our major committees which enables Federation to support programs and projects which cannot be met from regular budgetary resources.

I trust that you will be able to serve on the Committee. I will assume that you accept my invitation unless I hear from you to the contrary.

Warmest regards.

Cordially,

Morton L. Mandel  
President

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March 26, 1974

Mr. Morton L. Mandel, President  
The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Mort:

I will be happy to serve on the Endowment Fund Committee.  
Thank you for thinking of me.

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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July 18, 1974

Mr. David Sarnat  
Jewish Community Federation  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear David:

In my shepherding of the clergy I spent about \$620. If you need it I can give you a blow-by-blow breakdown. The sums include meals outside of the King David, taxis, symphony tickets, admissions to the sights, tips etc. In addition I paid out 1500 Israeli pounds toward my hotel bill, a copy of which is enclosed. I did so in order not to have extra Israeli money at the end of the trip. The exchange rate is 4.2 so I would appreciate from the Federation a check for \$978.00.

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

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July 29, 1975

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
26000 Shaker Boulevard  
Cleveland, Ohio 44122

Dear Rabbi Dan:

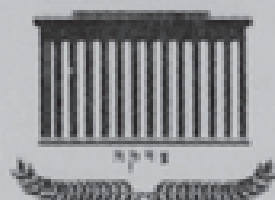
As an active participant in previous General Assemblies of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, you know the important role played by the Rabbinic delegates. Traditionally, each year we have invited one of Cleveland's Rabbis to be our guest at this meeting. Selection of this representative has alternated between a member of the Orthodox Rabbinic Council and the Board of Rabbis. Because of your new role with the Board of Rabbis and the contributions you've made to both the local and national Jewish community, I would like to invite you to participate with our delegation. This year's General Assembly will be in Miami between the dates of November 19 and 23, 1975.

Again, I do hope that you will be able to join the Cleveland delegation for I'm sure that you will contribute to the deliberations as well as to our participation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either me or David Sarnat at the Federation office.

Sincerely,

Morton L. Mandel  
President

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# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1750 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

August 2, 1974

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple Branch  
26000 Shaker Boulevard  
Cleveland, Ohio 44122

Dear Rabbi:

Several months ago, the Jewish Community Federation appointed a Jewish Education Study Committee, with a broad mandate to consider how Federation could best help strengthen the educational programs in our community. The Committee, composed of outstanding communal leaders broadly representative of many viewpoints, began its work with a series of meetings devoted to deepening our understanding of the many programs of Jewish education presently operating in the community.

The time has now arrived to turn to a study of specific proposals. Since the Committee's mandate included the question of synagogue-Federation relations, it was decided to explore the possibility of new forms of cooperation between the congregations and communal agencies in the field of education, particularly in afternoon school Hebrew education.

The Committee recognized that the thinking of the congregations is crucial if exploration of the possibilities in this area of concern is to be fruitful. We therefore most cordially invite you to join with a few members of our Committee at your convenience to discuss frankly and informally any views you might have on new forms of possible congregational-Federation relationships in the field of education -- and if so, what areas to explore.

We have no position as yet on these questions and we feel that your ideas -- and those of other congregations -- should be explored in depth as a major determinant as to whether, and how, we should proceed.

We will be ready at our meeting to discuss any questions of interest to you: education effects, methods of preserving congregational loyalties, ideological problems, personnel, fiscal

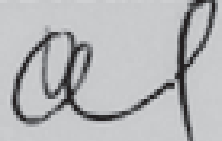
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arrangements, or anything else of interest to you. Although it is our thought that such a meeting should be somewhat limited in numbers to provide fullest opportunity for discussion, we plan to have perhaps three or four of our Committee at such a meeting, and if you wish, you may of course feel free to invite some such comparable number.

We look forward to the opportunity to exchange views with you, and we have asked Sidney Vincent, who has staff responsibility for our Committee, to be in touch with you shortly to make specific arrangements for a meeting time and place if you are interested, as we hope you are, in the indicated exploration.

Cordially,



Albert B. Ratner



Bennett Yanowitz

Co-Chairmen,  
Jewish Education Study Committee





August 5, 1975

Mr. Morton L. Mandel, President  
The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Mort:

I am grateful for the opportunity of participating in this year's General Assembly as suggested by your letter of July 29. I may, in fact, be in Miami for a few hours during the meeting in conjunction with the National Foundation For Jewish Culture Executive Board meeting. However, my schedule makes it impossible for me to be in Miami over the full session. Much as I appreciate the honor and offer I would not want to take it up unless I could fully participate in the Assembly.

The facts are that I will be lecturing in Norfolk, Virginia on Wednesday and must be back in Cleveland on Friday for classes at the university. Thank you for your kind offer. I hope you will think of me some other year.

I am glad that we are going to have a chance to meet before the Sobio meeting.

With all good wishes I remain

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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August 6, 1974

Mr. Albert B. Ratner  
Mr. Bennett Yanowitz  
Co-Chairmen, Jewish Education Studies Committee  
The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Albert and Bennett:

I am in receipt of your letter of August 2. If the Committee wants to sit down with me and Rabbi Stuart Geller, our Educational Director, I shall be happy to do so at our mutual convenience.

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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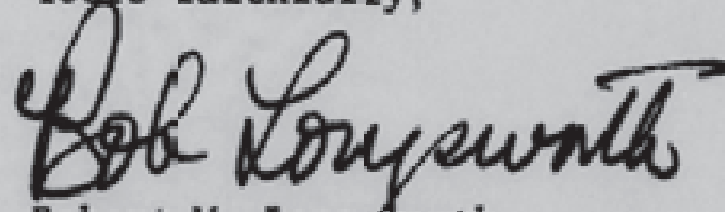
August 29, 1975

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I want to thank you for your letters of 22 July and 19 August, and more particularly for the continuing interest that you have shown in the Judaic and Near Eastern Studies Program here at Oberlin. I personally, and members of the Program collectively, appreciate the time that you and Messrs. Berger, Graubart, and Vincent have devoted to our problems, our prospects, and our needs. Your suggestions are timely, and I am especially appreciative of your corporate and individual sensitivity toward the particular situation that we face at Oberlin. Your frankness and your understanding are equally valuable; both were gratifying in our pleasant meeting earlier this summer. We shall hope to communicate with you as we plan for the future of the JNES Program here, and I should be glad to hear from you at any time.

Yours faithfully,

  
Robert M. Longworth  
Dean

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cc: Professor Joseph Eliash

September 2, 1975

Mr. Howard Berger  
Jewish Community Federation  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Howard:

Here is a copy of the letter we talked about. If you can make sense out of it you're a better man than I am.

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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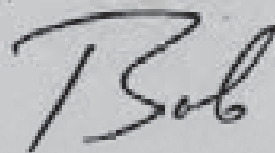
September 2, 1975

Mr. Howard Reiger  
Jewish Community Federation  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Howard:

Received the enclosed memo. The subject matter leads me to believe that you should make some effort to inquire concerning the materials to be used, the public presentation visa vis Israeli interests and the backgrounds and views of the professors involved. Probably okay but might be worth checking to be sure.

Very truly yours,



Robert D. Gries

RDG/dmr

Enclosure

August 1, 1975

MEMORANDUM

To: Students of National and International Affairs

From: Professor Kenneth Grundy, Chairman, Department of Political Science

During the coming academic year, the Department will offer three new courses on the politics of energy. These courses are different from our conventional offerings in several respects:

- they will be given in the evening, on alternate Mondays;
- they will bring to the campus a number of nationally recognized practitioners and analysts;
- they will be one-credit courses designed for regularly registered students and for members of the community who have a general interest in public affairs.

The first of these courses, "The International Politics of Energy," will meet on Monday evening, September 8, at 7:30 p.m. in Room 322, the Wickenden Building (Nearby parking is available). Subsequent meetings will take place on September 22, October 8, etc., through December 1. Each meeting will include a lecture and discussion period. Those who wish to take the course for degree credit will be required to take a final examination on December 8.

During the Intersession in January, 1976, the Department will offer a one-credit research course, supervised by myself and by Professors Barry Hughes and T. Dixon Long.

( ) I would like to receive registration materials for the one-credit course on "The International Politics of Energy."

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

( ) I do not intend to register for this course, but would like to remain on your mailing list for the notice of the Spring course.

SEND TO: Professor Kenneth W. Grundy, Chairman  
Department of Political Science  
Case Western Reserve University  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106



# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1750 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

September 4, 1975

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

Dear Rabbi Dan:

Enclosed you will find a note and a mailing that I received from Robert Gries. We spoke about this course at an earlier date, but I did not have a brochure at that time. Do any of the names mean anything to you? Do you have any suggestions as to any contacts we should make?

I will be talking to you soon.

Sincerely,

Howard Rieger, Director  
Community Relations Committee

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MEMORANDUM

August 1, 1975

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This will provide an opportunity for focused reading and writing on an aspect of the politics of energy that particularly interests each student.

In the Spring, 1976, semester we will offer "The Domestic Politics of Energy" on essentially the same basis as the Fall course. Students who complete all three segments will have earned three credits applicable to an undergraduate or--with some qualifications--graduate degree.

Planning for the Fall semester has reached the point that we can announce some of our speakers:

Professor James A. Bill, Department of Political Science, University of Texas - Austin, author of The Politics of Petroleum: The Middle East and the United States, and The Politics of Iran, as well as a number of articles on Middle East politics.

Dr. Cecil B. Thompson, Chairman of the International Assessment Working Group for Project Independence and Assistant Administrator for International Energy Affairs, U.S. Federal Energy Administration.

Dr. Michael Tanzer, President of Tanzer Economic Associates, Inc., and author of The Political Economy of International Oil, The Sick Society: An Economic Examination, and The Energy Crisis: World Struggle for Power and Wealth.

Professor Barry B. Hughes, Department of Political Science, CWRU, author of numerous professional papers on computer modeling and energy decision-making, consultant to the Governments of West Germany and Iran, member of the Club of Rome research team for Phase II of the study of "limits to growth."

The cost of registration in this course for the Fall semester will be \$125, unless an individual is already regularly enrolled as a full-time degree candidate. If you or someone you know is interested in receiving registration materials, please detach the form below and return it to me. If you wish to call for further information, the number is 368-2424. If I am not available to help you, your call will be returned by someone else who is conversant with the details.



September 8, 1975

Mr. Howard Rieger  
The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Howard:

Alan Zeilinger sends the enclosed to me. It is useful to read.

I looked over the Case-Western Reserve material that Gries sent. I don't know any of these people. We ought to get someone at the university to monitor this course.

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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October 20, 1975

Mr. Morton L. Mandel, President  
Jewish Community Federation  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Mort:

I thought you would want to know about the long and unrewarding contacts between the Task Force and various members of our Federation on the one hand and the Greater Cleveland Growth Association in reference to the Arab boycott. This letter is simply for information and neither suggests nor requires action.

We thought it would be helpful if the Growth Association would remind its membership about our government's anti-boycott rules. On June 13, 1975 Sydney Zylber and Howard Rieger met with Richard Adler to discuss the problem and to ask the Growth Association to inform its membership "of the law of the land." Our representatives were told that the Growth Association would consider the issue and that while they were not convinced that they should act independently they would certainly consider joint action and would, in any case, take the matter under active advisement.

After this initial meeting there was much delay and intermittent conversation between Dick Adler and Federation staff; requests for further information, questions on our part as to where the matter stood, exchange of information as to the law etc. I know that you were involved in various conversations with Growth Association leaders. Several times the Growth Association indicated a willingness to act, but they had never in fact done so.

Three weeks ago Vic Gelb met with Dick Adler on an unrelated matter and was questioned by Adler and Campbell Elliott about the boycott issue. Vic reported this conversation and indicated that a commitment was made that there would be a Growth Association statement. He confirmed the understanding in writing to both Adler and Elliott, but has heard nothing further.

[Oct 20, 1975]

For what it is worth, our conversations indicate that the Growth Association is eager to gain the support of Jewish business people, but fails to understand the agenda of the Jewish community. Though a Growth Association mailing on the boycott issue is not a life and death matter, I do hope the Federation will use the manifest interest of the Growth Association in "Jewish business" support, not only to make our positions clear but to indicate that the Association must respond to our agenda in some tangible way.

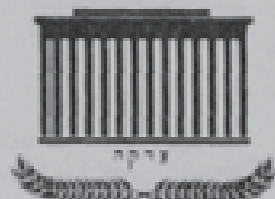
Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1750 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4360

October 22, 1975

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
26000 Shaker Boulevard  
Beachwood, Ohio 44122

Dear Rabbi Dan:

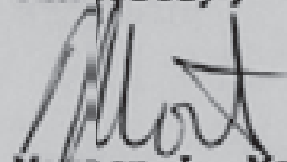
Thanks very much for your letter of October 20th describing the recent discussions between representatives of our Israel Task Force and the Greater Cleveland Growth Association. I have been kept up-to-date on most of these matters.

I want to look into this a little further and then discuss with you what, if any, further steps should be taken.

Meantime, I certainly want to thank you for your continuing effort in this work. It has been very worthwhile!

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

  
Morton L. Mandel  
President

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November 26, 1975

Mr. Morton Mandel, President  
The Jewish Community Federation  
1750 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Mort:

I would like to commend the work of two members of the Federation staff. As you know, we had a very successful "We Are All Zionists" rally. It was put together in a week, and a particularly hectic week at that, since most of the staff was in Miami for the General Assembly.

Howard Rieger accepted responsibility for the overall planning, despite three full days out of town and a number of other responsibilities. Every lapel button was ready, a new Highlights was printed, banners were available, all the i's were dotted and all the t's crossed.

Seven days before the rally we decided to produce a tape and slide presentation "What Is Zionism" in such a form that it would be available after the rally for community interpretation. Roy Rosenbaum produced a professional piece within that time. He was responsible for the script, slide selection and a thoroughly professional production which included musical score, a narrator etc. I doubt that a professional house could have accomplished as fine a product as this in that time.

It is a pleasure to work with men of this quality.

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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# *The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland*

1730 EUCLID AVENUE • CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115 • PHONE (216) 861-4160

Morton L. Mandel  
President

December 1, 1975

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

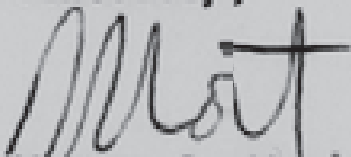
Dear Dan:

I was very pleased to receive your gracious letter of November 26 complimenting our staff. I agree that Howard Rieger and Roy Rosenbaum are fine staff members and work very well as full partners with our volunteer leaders. I am going to pass along your nice sentiments to them.

I also want to compliment you on the outstanding rally that was held on November 24th; I am sorry that I was out of town and had to miss it.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

  
Morton L. Mandel  
President

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