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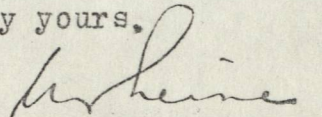
My dear Friend:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the official letter sent by the Central Board and your own kind letter of the 26th. I appreciate greatly the kind wishes contained in each of the letters. I am not at all happy holding the position that has been forced upon me, particularly because I am conscious of the fact that in these critical times The American Ort needs a far abler and better-known leader than I can possibly hope to be.

By the time this letter reaches you Dr. Moskowitz will have apprised you of the various decisions which the situation we find ourselves in have made necessary. It is hard to believe that even since you left the economic situation here has been growing steadily worse and I almost despair of the possibility of raising funds here. Some of my friends have remarked, in jest of course, that what is needed here today is an Ort Movement to help American Jews. The situation may not be as bad as people say but the psychology of pessimism is apparent everywhere, for all charitable institutions and causes are feeling the cessation of contribution. For the present and in view of these circumstances I shall be very content if I am able to build up a larger and more active membership group which will be able to function more effectively.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,



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