



GREETINGS FROM THE JOURNAL CHAIRMAN

It is an honor to have served as chairman of a Journal dedicated to one of Jewry's foremost Torah authorities, Rabbi Eliezer Silver, and sponsored by the movement of independent Torah-Jewry, Agudath Israel. It is impossible to breathe into the cold print of a Journal the warm feeling of respect and admiration which fills the hearts of all thinking Jews towards the patriarchal figure of Rabbi Eliezer Silver. Not only has he blazed a trail for orthodox Jewry in the United States, but his words and activities have a profound impact upon every corner of the globe.

Our task was made all the more thankful in the knowledge that the proceeds of this Journal will be devoted to furthering the vital activities of Agudath Israel of America, which now has reached its 32nd year on the American scene. During these 32 years, Agudath Israel has reared several generations of sincerely devoted Jews, representing a valiant army in the service of Hashem. During these three decades, too, the organization has served as the backbone of the religious Yishuv in the Holy Land.

To all of you who have contributed to the success of this Journal — a heartfelt thanks. You have not only thus displayed your esteem and appreciation of our honored guest and of Agudath Israel, but you have also provided the fuel to keep the wheels of orthodoxy in America geared to the need of the hour.

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