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Dear Mr. Roskies,

I was really impressed by the materials on the Ansky's biography, which you had sent to me. I have found both articles to be very interesting and informative, and especially those parts of them which relate to the Ansky's folkloristic enterprises, and his vision of the Jewish folk-culture.

Thank you also for the "general" letter, which is so kind and warm. We were really pleased to get it. There is nothing special about my life here, except for the new *ס'וע- פ'ילס*, which was staged one week ago. This event is particularly remarkable for me because of my debut as *ע'ולע* and beautiful songs both in English and Russian, which were written for the play by our gifted girls. I myself spend much of my time in a library, and also read stories by Isaac Bashevis Zinger, who has a real chance to become the most beloved Yiddish writer of mine.

Looking forward to seeing you,

I'm sincerely yours

Alexei Sivertsev