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My dear Rabbi Silver:

The Cleveland Zionist District is launching an educational campaign in accordance with the sentiment expressed at the Bar Mitzvah Congress held at Carlsbad. One of the features of this educational campaign will be a Zionist Forum. Through this Forum it is our sincere intention to convey the spirit, thought and philosophy of Zionism to the younger generation, who unfortunately are drifting daily from Jewish life.

This is a hard task. Yet we proceed unflinchingly, hoping that we may capture the hearts of our receptiveminded but uninformed youth, within the ages of twenty to thirty years.

We have arranged a series of lectures in gradated and chronological form. We have chosen the best available men to address this rostrum of Zionist thought.

You have been selected from a number of men prominent in Jewish life. The Committee urgently requests and recommends that for your subject you take "Philosophy of Zionism", to be delivered on Wednesday, January 2nd, 1924. It is our desire that each speaker accept the subject allotted to him so that at the close of the Forum we shall have passed through a systematic history and philosophy of Zionism.

We trust that you will be kind enough to lend us your assistance in this matter. Such a Forum should and indubitably will become of great significance in local Jewish life.

Hoping that you will do us this kind favor of accepting the invitation extended to you on behalf of the Committee, and awaiting your immediate response, we remain,

Cordially yours,

Gra Slapero COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

October 16th, 1923.

Mr. Ezra Shapiro, 1124 E. 105th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Shapire,

I regret exceedingly that pressure of work makes it impossible to accout your very tempting invitation. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With kindest regards, I am Very sincerely yours,

WILLIAM G. TREUHAFT 5005 EUGLID AVE. CLEVELAND November 1, 1923 Rabbi A. H. Silver, The Temple, E. 55th & Central, Cleveland, Ohio Dear Mr. Silver: As you requested, I am enclosing circular letters together with the program for the Cleveland Zionist Forum in which you will note you are scheduled to talk on the subject of "Philosophy of Zionism" on January 2nd. Cordially yours, WCT \*LS

November 9th, 1923.

Mr. Ezra Shapiro, 1124 East 105th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Shapiro,

Some time ago you wrote me asking me to participate in the Cleveland Zionist Forum and to speak on January 2nd. I wrote you that I could not accept your invitation. In spite of that my attention has been called to a printed program of your forum which includes my name and the subject upon which I am to speak. I cannot understand this unauthorized use of a man's name. It has become quite traditional with Zionists in Cleveland. Please omit my name from all future publicity.

Respectfully,

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Rabbi A. H. Silver, The Temple, City.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Permit me to express my deep regret at the commission of the impropriety of using your name without your expressed consent.

with the purest of motives. The program to which you refer was formulated before we had your rejection in hand. Quite assured that you would accept our request, we proceeded to utilize your name.

Trusting that you will give further consideration to our invitation, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Chairman Education Committee

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Dear Friend:

The Cleveland Zionist District is inaugurating a Zionist Forum which will take place at the head-quarters every alternate Wednesday evening.

The forum is a novelty in the Zionist history of our city. The forum, which will be addressed by competent and well known personalities, will undoubtedly focus much interest and attention.

Enclosed in this letter you will find a circular in the form of a calender of events. You will note that the subjects scheduled comprise a systematic school of Zionist thought. We also enclose a forum membership card given to you gratis.

You are one of a selected group to whom we extend an invitation to attend the first lecture of the series to be addressed by Rabbi Solomon Goldman, Monday evening, October 22nd. The lecturer will speak on "The Biblical and Messianic Influence of Zionism."

We trust that you will avail yourself of the privilege extended to you by attending the initial lecture of our Forum Series.

Yours, in the Joy of Rebuilding Zion,

Ezra Shapiro

Chairman Educational Committee.

### THE CLEVELAND ZIONIST FORUM.

The Zionist District has selected men who are well versed in the literature, philosophy and history of Zionism, who will present a systematized school of Zionist thought. Much opportunity will be given for questions and answers at the close of each lecture. This Forum will become an instrument of interchange of views on Jewish problems of the Diaspora as well as of Palestine.

October 22, 1923

Biblical and Messianic Influence on Zionism Rabbi Solomon Goldman

November 7th

Hebrew Renaissance (Modern Educational Problems in Palestine)

A. H. Friedland

November 21st

Palestinian Utopia

Dr. Joseph Jasin

December 5th

History of Zionism up to the Balfour Declaration Joseph Woolf

December 19th

History of Zionism post dating Balfour Declaration

Dr. A. M. Pfeffer

January 2, 1924

Philosophy of Zionism

Rabbi A. H. Silver

January 16th

Palestine (The country, geography, colonies, etc.) Sigmund Braverman

January 30th

Palestinian Administration -- social, economic and political survey

Charles Cooper

February 13th

Zionist Personalities

Aaron Garber

February 27th

Zionist Institutions in the Diaspora

Rabbi Abraham Nowak

March 12th

Zionism in America

Ezra Shapiro

March 26th

Anti Semitism

Judge Manuel Levin

April 2nd

Modern problems -- Arab question, etc.

April 23rd

Zionist Dream

Maurice Samuels