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Cleveland Zionist Committee (comprised of Cleveland Zionist Society, Cleveland Zionist District, and Heights Zionist District), fundraising testimonial dinner in honor of AHS, 1946.

JEWISH NATIONAL FUND

41 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

SAME LETTER SENT TO: ALL CLEVELAND, OHIO

Leonard Ratner-17221 Harvard
Max Simon-3107 Washington
Edward Braverman-2192 Jackson
Irving Kane-Union Comm.Bldg.
Isaac Evans-4035 Case
Harry J.Fisher-1146 E.152 St.

Abe Kramer-18450 Shaker Blvd.
Suggs Garber,Hippodrome Bldg.
Ezra Shapiro-Guardian Bldg.
Meyer S. Fine-2839 Winthrop

February 26, 1946

Mr. Leonard Ratner
17221 Harvard
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Ratner:

We are very glad to learn that you are serving as a member of the Committee which is sponsoring the dinner in tribute to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver for the benefit of the Jewish National Fund and the Zionist Expansion Fund.

We must make this dinner an outstanding one both from the moral as well as from the financial point of view. It is vitally necessary to make available the larger sums which are required for the redemption of the land in Palestine. The doors of Palestine must be opened and we must be prepared now by acquiring large areas of land to enable us to provide for what we hope will be the mass settlement of Jews. There is a virtual land hunger in Palestine which can only be met by the purchase of land through the Jewish National Fund.

The Zionist Expansion Fund will also benefit from the proceeds of the dinner. This special arrangement has been entered into in Cleveland so that your community may contribute its share toward the funds which are so vitally needed to meet the commitments of the Zionist Organization of America.

This dinner which is being given in honor of Dr. Silver must be one of the outstanding ever held in the community. It will be an expression of esteem to one who is rendering such distinguished service to the Zionist Movement.

We are counting upon you to do your utmost to make this affair a success.

Sincerely yours,

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MENDEL N. FISHER
Executive Director

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NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

SAME LETTER SENT TO:

Rabbi Rudolph Rosenthal-1593 Ivydale-Cleveland, Ohio
Rabbi Armond Cohen-1383 East Blvd.-Cleveland, Ohio

February 26, 1946

Rabbi Rudolph Rosenthal
1593 Ivydale
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Rosenthal:

We should like to make a special appeal to you to give us the benefit of your leadership to make the dinner in honor of Dr. Silver for the benefit of the Jewish National Fund and the Zionist Expansion Fund a success.

The Jewish National Fund which is one of the major beneficiaries of this effort is in need of larger sums which must be made available for land acquisition. It is also important that we give Dr. Silver the financial means without which he cannot carry on the important work in his capacity as President of the Zionist Organization of America. Both causes are vital and will make an irresistible appeal to the community if the message is properly and effectively presented.

Since the personality of Dr. Silver is also involved, you can understand our concern in wishing to make this affair one of the outstanding ever held in Cleveland.

As one who has given such fine service to our Cause, it is the hope of the Jewish National Fund that you will cooperate to the fullest measure with Mr. Marvin Kane and our associates in Cleveland so that this project may meet with success.

Very sincerely yours,

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Executive Director

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February 26, 1946

Mr. Bert L. Klein
Wilkshire Hotel
Miami Beach, Fla.

My dear Mr. Klein:

You must forgive this note. Even though it is being sent to you directly to Miami Beach, it is not our wish to interrupt your well-deserved holiday. I hope that you are getting plenty of sunshine and rest.

We should like to thank you for the gift of \$500.00 that you have already made in connection with the dinner which is being given in honor of Dr. Silver. As you know, the proceeds are being devoted both to the Jewish National Fund and to the Zionist Expansion Fund.

There are a number of Clevelanders in Miami who, I am sure, will be glad to participate in this tribute to our beloved leader, Dr. Silver, if they can be approached during your stay there. We do not wish to impose upon you unnecessary burdens but because of our desire to make the dinner in honor of Dr. Silver an outstanding one, both morally as well as financially, anything you can do to aid us directly from Miami will be appreciated by our Cleveland Committee.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

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Executive Director

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NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

COPY: DR. SILVER

February 26, 1946

Mr. Abe M. Luntz
2821 Drummond
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Luntz:

I spoke to our good friend Marvin Kane and also Mr. Kadis who spent several days in Cleveland and they told me of the fine assistance that you are giving in connection with the dinner which is being given in honor of our esteemed leader, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

It is unfortunate that many of the men whom you wanted at your first meeting which was given at your home were in Florida. There is no reason for discouragement, if these people will be contacted by you and your associates.

I recall with a great deal of pleasure my earlier visit to Cleveland and the fine interest that you manifested in the work for the Jewish National Fund. You were then moved to make a voluntary gift which, believe me, made me feel very, very happy. Now that we are engaged in this joint effort for the Zionist Expansion Fund and for the Jewish National Fund, we ought to be able to really raise a large sum of money.

Dr. Silver is carrying heavy burdens. He is not only Chairman of the Emergency Committee but also the President of the Zionist Organization of America. The least we can do to ease his burden is to make available the sums which are so necessary to carry on the work of the Zionist Organization. We ought to make this dinner in tribute to one who has rendered such distinguished service to Zionism, one of the greatest ever held in Cleveland. It must not only be a great moral success but a financial one as well. I know that you and Mr. Kane and all those who are serving on the Committee will exert the maximum of effort to make this event a memorable one.

Please accept our sincere thanks for the invaluable support you are giving us.

Sincerely yours,

MNF:SS

MENDEL N. FISHER
Executive Director

ROBERT A. TAFT
OHIO

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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I. JACK MARTIN
SECRETARY

March 6, 1946

Mr. Marvin A. Kane,
3081 Washington Blvd.,
Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

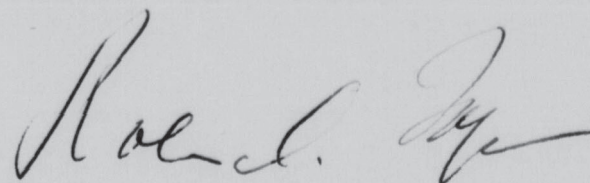
Dear Mr. Kane:

I am addressing this letter to you as Chairman of the Testimonial Dinner which is being given for Dr. Abba Hillel Silver on March tenth. I greatly regret that I cannot be present, but I find that I have to decline nearly all the invitations I receive at the present time because of the extraordinary press of legislative work.

I should have liked to be present to express my great admiration for Dr. Silver and his work, both in Cleveland and throughout the world. I have worked with him on the matter of securing justice with regard to Palestine and have thus come to know his tremendous force and great ability.

I know that you will have a most enthusiastic meeting.

Sincerely yours,



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March 6, 1946.

Mr. Marvin Kane,
Chairman of the Testimonial
Dinner for Dr. Silver,
3081 Washington Blvd.,
Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

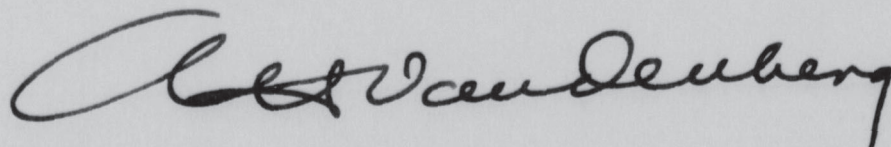
My dear Mr. Kane:

✓ It is a matter of great distress to me that I am unable to accept your invitation to join in your complimentary dinner to Dr. Silver. Only my urgent obligations here in Washington will prevent my presence at your celebration in Dr. Silver's honor.

I have had many intimate contacts with Dr. Silver in connection with the Palestine cause which is so dear to his heart and to mine. He has always exemplified high wisdom, great courage and sound statesmanship in his tireless fidelity to the Zionist Movement. I regard him with the greatest respect and personal affection. He richly deserves the tribute which your citizens will pay him; and I ask to be included among those who thus testify to his great genius, his fighting heart and his friendly human ways.

With warm personal regards and best wishes,

Cordially and faithfully,



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Cordially and faithfully,

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MR. MARVIN A. KANE, Chairman,
Cleveland Zionist Committee,
2621 East 9th St.,
Cleveland 15, Ohio

Please make _____ reservations for me at the testimonial dinner in
honor of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Sunday, March 10, 1946, at the Carter Hotel.

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____

(Kindly indicate your preference: Fowl ☐ or Fish ☐ dinner)

Name _____

\$100
per couple

Address _____

Make check payable to Cleveland Zionist Committee

TESTIMONIAL DINNER TO DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

auspices

CLEVELAND ZIONIST COMMITTEE

Sunday, March 10, 1946

Carter Hotel

Cleveland, O., _____ 1946

The undersigned hereby subscribes the amount of _____ Dollars
to the Cleveland Zionist Committee as a gift for the Nachlath Silver of the
Jewish National Fund and the Expansion Fund of the Zionist Organization of
America.

Subscriber

Address

Worker

Please make check payable to
Cleveland Zionist Committee

WRHS



MR. MARVIN A. KANE, Chairman,

2621 East 9th Street,

Cleveland 15, Ohio

*You are cordially invited
to attend the*

TESTIMONIAL DINNER

Tendered by

THE CLEVELAND ZIONIST COMMITTEE

in Honor of

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

at the

CARTER HOTEL

Sunday evening

March 10th, 1946

7:00 o'clock

One Hundred Dollars
(per couple)

Dress
Optional

**TWO ZIONIST EMERGENCY CALLS
IN ONE UNITED RESPONSE
NACHLATH SILVER
FOR RESCUE AND RESETTLEMENT**

Nachlath Silver is the instrument through which Cleveland can take part in this life saving and nation building program. "Nachlath" is a Hebrew word connoting "heritage" and is employed to describe a Palestine land tract which will bear the name of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver and which will be acquired by the Jewish National Fund with the aid of gifts given by Cleveland Zionists to provide the foundation upon which one of the new settlements is to be built.

**THE EXPANSION FUND
of the
ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA**

must meet a vast and all embracing public relations program to educate and arouse American public opinion for the Zionist cause.

The enemies of our cause, within and from without, are rallying to frustrate the just aspirations of our suffering people and to deprive them of their right to happiness and security on their own soil in a Jewish Palestine.

The \$500,000 goal set for our current Expansion Fund campaign constitutes therefore the minimum requirement to finance the major projects of the Expansion Fund. The Expansion Fund this year will embrace such vital projects as radio, publications, Unity Committee on Palestine, youth, veterans program, education, Palestine investments, Palestine films and scholarships at the Hebrew University.

**BE AMONG THE FOUNDERS OF NACHLATH SILVER
DO YOUR SHARE FOR THE ZIONIST EXPANSION FUND**

WHILE COMMISSIONS "STUDY" WE MUST BUILD



OUR
TESTIMONIAL DINNER

Dedicated to

RABBI
ABBA
HILLEL
SILVER

President

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION
OF AMERICA



WILL RECORD . . .

our admiration for his achievements in the field of Jewish scholarship, inspiring leadership in the Rabbinate, and his eloquent advocacy and guidance of the Zionist movement to which he has devoted decades of service, and at the helm of which he stands today;

WILL EXPRESS . . .

our gratitude for the inspiration and militant leadership which his superb gifts of mind and heart have enabled him to bring to the difficult tasks he has performed as National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal; Co-Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, and Co-Chairman of the American Zionist Emergency Council to avert suffering, to preserve life, to hold aloft the torch of Jewish hope and to lead the struggle for the realization of our people's most cherished aspirations—the upbuilding of Eretz Israel as a Jewish Commonwealth.

TESTIMONIAL DINNER

Auspices

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Comprising

Cleveland Zionist District

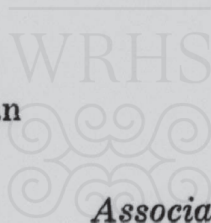
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2621 EAST NINTH STREET
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TESTIMONIAL DINNER

in honor of

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Carter Hotel

Sunday Evening, March 10, 1946

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✓ Albert D. Abrams \$100.00
✓ Phil Abrams 100.00
✓ Dr. Fred Adelstein 100.00
✓ Chas. Ascherman 200.00
✓ Manny Asquith 100.00
✓ Chas. Auerbach 50.00
✓ Richard Bergman 100.00
✓ H. Bass 50.00
✓ A. A. Benesch 100.00
✓ Mrs. Helen Bing 50.00
✓ A. J. Bloom 25.00
✓ Jack J. Bloch 100.00
✓ Leonard L. Broida) 250.00
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✓ Dr. Louis Brooks 50.00
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