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September 12, 1955

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Gentlemen: Have you the essay of Martin Buber, "Die Frage von dem Menschen?" If so, I would appreciate having it for a few days. With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABEA HILLEL SILVER

Memorandum

HEBREW UNION COLLEGE - JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION Schools of Education and Sacred Music

40 WEST 68th STREET - NEW YORK 23, N. Y. - TRAFALGAR 3-0204

Dear Rabbi:

Since, as a spiritual leader in your community, you may be asked for guidance in this field, we are enclosing an important communication which we have just sent out to all cantors, for your information.

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Sincerely yours, Unuham (h. Franglum Abraham N. Franzblau, Ph.D., M.D.

Dean

THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE ... CINCINNATI JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION ... NEW YORK

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION SCHOOL OF SACRED MUSIC Office of the Dean 40 W. SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET NEW YORK 23, N.Y. Trafalgar 3-0304

AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXTREME IMPORTANCE TO THE CANTORS OF AMERICA

September 29,1955

Dear Cantor,

We are happy to announce that Cantors without an academic degree may now obtain a Bachelor of Sacred Music degree through our School, receiving up to three years academic credit for their life experience.

When we had the historic privilege, during the past academic year, of inaugurating a Graduate Department admitting cantors for the very first time to study for the degree of Master of Sacred Music, we made a rather disturbing discovery.

Many cantors of outstanding Jewish and musical background and achievement lack a Bachelor's degree, and in some cases, even a high school diploma. This despite great stores of knowledge, culture and experience, accumulated during their busy life. But academic status is of inestimable importance for the cantor.

The School of Sacred Music has therefore sought - and found - a way out of this dilemma. We have been authorized by the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York to initiate for cantors, a "Life-Experience" Program similar to those in Brooklyn College and Buffalo University.

Under this program, by passing rigorous examinations, mature persons may secure academic credit (for a maximum of the equivalent of three years of work) without the customary classroom attendance, for subjects in which they feel qualified through their private studies or life experience. Such examinations (rigorously supervised by the Board of Regents) will be given at stated intervals to suitable candidates, by the faculty of the School of Sacred Music.

In addition, qualified mature persons may pursue their studies at the School in telescoped courses at an accelerated rate. There will be both special classes and individual study under approved tutors.

The time required to earn a degree can thus be considerably forshortened. A minimum residence of one year at the School of Sacred Music is the requirement for the degree of Bachelor of Sacred Music under the "Life-Experience" Program. The minimum number of credits which must be earned by class attendance or examination is 120 credits. To make it possible for cantors residing at a distance from New York to participate in this program and work toward the Bachelor of Sacred Music Degree, the School of Sacred Music is establishing a one month Summer Session in New York, during the month of June, 1956. The requisite courses will be offered in rotation.

The fee for courses taken in class, in residence, is \$20.00 per credit earned. For courses passed off by examination alone, on the basis of "Life-Experience" or after tutoring, the fee is \$10.00 per credit. Private tutors will be paid by the student, at a fee to be determined individually in each case by the School. The Matriculation Fee is \$25.00.

Upon earning the Bachelor of Sacred Music Degree, cantors will be qualified to enroll in the Graduate Department, to work further for the degree of Master of Sacred Music.

If you are a qualified cantor but lack a Bachelor's Degree, we suggest that you write to us for a "Life-Experience" Program Application Blank on the basis of which we may evaluate your status and advise you as to what the requirements are likely to be in your case.

For those who do not have a High School Diploma, it is now possible, without class attendance, to take special high school qualifying examinations in most States. Those who pass these examinations with the requisite score, receive from the respective State Departments of Education, a certificate which is the equivalent of a High School Diploma. Our School will accept such certificates in lieu of a High School Diploma. The same applies to veterans who hold such certificates obtained in military service.

If you are interested in the "Life-Experience" Program for the Bachelor of Sacred Music Degree, we shall be pleased to hear from you.

Very sincerely yours,

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Abraham N. Franzblau, Ph.D., M.D. Dean School of Sacred Music

School of Sacred Music, 40 West 68th Street, New York 23, N.Y.

Please send me an application for the "Life-Experience" Program, and a catalogue containing the description of courses leading to the Bachelor of Sacred Music Degree.

Name

Address

Congregation

Dr. Nelson Glueck Hebrew Union College 162 Glenmary Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Nelson:

Ever since the plans for the new Reform Jewish Seminary were announced last summer, I have given the whole situation considerable thought. We are all faced with a serious problem now which we must all meet. I have arrived at a certain plan which I hope you will find worthy of your consideration.

Before discussing the plan it is necessary to consider what we have gained during these years of the amalgamation of HUC-JIR, so that we should not lose what we have gained, and if the plan is good we may go on to further progress.

The amalgamation of the two schools did a great deal to diminish rivalry between two groups of Rabbis and potential rivalry between two groups of Congregations. It also enabled us to achieve a harmony in curriculum for the preparation of men for the rabbinate. These gains must not be lost in whatever plans we may develop.

There is, however, no doubt that new plans must be developed. We are faced with a situation not of our making, but one which compels us to action. Most of us were convinced that Cincinnati was the best place for the training of Rabbis and, therefore, worked towards an increase in integration of the classes. However, the public agitation of certain graduates of JIR has created a mood in certain sections of New York Reform Jewry which has become a factor in the situation. Nothing would be gained now by deprecating the publicity which occurred in the battle over the integration of HUC-JIR. The fact remains that now there are many leading New York Jews who believe that New York should have a seminary of its own and believe that so strongly that they are willing to pay for it. If, therefore, we would do nothing about the present situation (a course which I am sure no one seriously advocates) we will relapse into all the dis-union and inner contradictions that we had before the merger. The new situation, therefore, compels us to thoroughgoing action.

I, therefore, present for your consideration, the following proposal: That our College Institute be organized into two separate schools, both thoroughly integrated, but each separate. It would work as follows: The HUC of the College Institute is in Cincinnati, with its President and its Board

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of Governors. The JIR of the College Institute is in New York with its President and its Board of Governors. Both schools are under the Chancellorship of Nelson Glueck, who is aided in his work by a Board of Trustees (composed, let us say, of five men appointed from each Board of Governors). The College Institute, in its entirety, is under the auspices of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. It is to be expected that with the JIR school of the College Institute in New York, stronger support will now be obtained for it from New York Jewry.

I have given this whole plan considerable thought. I am rather certain that it will have a wide appeal among the Alumni of both institutions.

Lillian joins me in best wishes to Helen and yourself.



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The Temple EAST 105TH STREET AT ANSEL ROAD Cleveland 6, Ohio

TELEPHONE: SWEETBRIAR 1-7755

EARL S. STONE

ABBA HILLEL SILVER RABBI LEO S. BAMBERGER EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

November 28, 1955

My dear Friend:

I am happy to know that you have been a contributor to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. I hope that you will renew your contribution this year. Their work must, of course, go on uninterruptedly, from year to year.

I know of few agencies that are doing more constructive work for American Judaism than the Union and the College-Institute. The College-Institute trains Rabbis for our Reform congregations throughout the country. Many of its graduates serve as Chaplains in the armed forces of our country. It also trains religious school principals and teachers, supports scholars and Jewish studies, and maintains a great Jewish Library and Museum.

The Union of American Hebrew congregations helps to establish new congregations, publishes the text books which are used in our religious schools and carries on an extensive program of adult Jewish education.

The five million Jews of the United States need the influence of religion in their lives. The guidance which the noble traditions of Judaism can give them will enrich their lives and will help them to make their fullest contributions as American citizens. Our young generation especially needs the inspiration of the faith of Israel in the confused and troubled world in which they live.

By helping the work of the Union and the College-Institute you will be rendering a most vital and constructive service to our people and our country.

A.M. LUNTZ President Very sincerely yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER Rabbi

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THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE...CINCINNATI JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION...NEW YORK

ABRAHAM N. FRANZBLAU, PH. D., M.D. Professor of Pastoral Psychiatry Dean, Hebrew Union School in New York 40 W. SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET NEW YORK 23, N. Y.

December 13, 1955

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105 St. and Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

At last we have a pressing of the Hanukkah and Yom Kippur programs which we have already mailed to you. We are having this reproduced for distribution to congregations with the compliments of Dr. Glueck. We shall be happy to send you extra copies of it if you so desire.

I wish to take this occasion to thank you again for your magnificent participation in this program. You have been more helpful to us than perhaps you realize.

With warmest regards and best wishes for a very happy Hanukkah, I am, as ever

Cordially yours,

abrahan A. Franklan

Abraham N. Franzblau, Ph.D., M.D. Dean



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December 15, 1955

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Ansel Road and E. 105th Street Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It is my pleasure to send you herewith the enclosed check of The Louis D. Beaumont Foundation in the amount of \$5,000.00 made payable to Hebrew Union College & Institute of Religion.

Will you please see that this check is promptly forwarded to the proper fiscal officer of the Institute, together with the enclosed letter of transmittal which also contains an information blank to be filled in by the Institute.

With best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely yours

Nathan L. Dauby

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Mr. Nathan L. Dauby The May Company Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Nate:

I wish to thank you for the generous gift of \$5,000.00 which you sent from the Louis D. Beaumont Foundation to the Hebrew Union College and Institute of Religion. I have turned it over to the proper authorities.

I appreciate very much your continued interest in this very worthy cause.

With all good wishes for the coming year and hoping that I may have the pleasure of seeing you before long, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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Office of the President: CLIFTON AVENUE · CINCINNATI 20, OHIO

December 16, 1955

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, 105th and Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba:

My heartfelt thanks to you for participating in the RCA Thesaurus radio project conducted by our School of Sacred Music. I am very grateful indeed to you for your helpfulness.

Our next Board of Governors meeting takes place in New York on January 24th and 25th, and I would love to see you present. The whole integration plan of our merger will be coming up for discussion and review. This shoddy academy which has been established in New York City and the agitation of a lot of rabbis and laymen of our own group who should know better, have caused a serious situation. If you can possibly be there on the 25th, I should appreciate it.

With warmest Hannukkah greetings, I am as ever,

Sincerely yours.

Nelson Glueck

THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE ... CINCINNATI JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION ... NEW YORK

Office of the CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

December 27, 1955

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver East 105th Street and Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

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It has been a long time since we have had the pleasure of your attendance at our board meetings.

Our next meeting, as you have been advised, will be held at the New York School on January 25th. A number of very important matters will come before the board at that time and I am wondering whether you can find it possible to attend our meeting.

I trust these few lines find you and yours in good health.

With cordial regards, I am

Most sincerely yours,

HRB/CR

CC: Doctor Nelson Glueck

RABBI SOLOMON B. FREEHOF, D. D. RODEF SHALOM TEMPLE FIFTH AND MOREWOOD AVENUES PITTSBURGH 13, PENNSYLVANIA

December 29, 1955

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Congregation Tifereth Israel East 105th Street and Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Abba:

It is a long time since we have corresponded, but I look forward to seeing you when I come to speak for your group. I am writing to let you know of the letter that I sent to Nelson Glueck with regard to the problem of the HUC-JIR. You and I have a sort of similar history in this matter. You will recall that Nelson called us together at one of the Conferences and both you and I were opposed to the merger at the time. Then, the year that I was away in Europe, you helped Glueck as I would have helped him, to integrate the schools more closely.

But now a new situation has arisen and I have given it considerable thought as I know you must have done, too. The leaders of the JIR Alumni who had fought the closer integration of the two schools finally have succeeded in arousing sentiment among Reform lay leaders in New York. This sentiment is now a fact and, in addition, has now a rallying point, Newman's new academy. I know at least one of the men who is generous to it, Joseph Eisler. He is a fine gentleman and simply is convinced of the necessity of such a school. There are others like him, being generous and well intended and even enthusiastic.

What it amounts to then is that there will be a Reform rabbinical school in New York. I do not think it is wise to expect that the school will collapse. It is there and will receive help from many New York laymen. Therefore, in actual fact, something of what we gained from the merger is now lost. Again there are two schools under two separate auspices, with possibilities of rivalry, etc.

I am certain that this school will cease to exist only if we take certain bold steps, the aim of which should be to give New York what it now wants and is willing to pay for, and yet maintain coordination, which is the chief gain of the original merger. My plan as outlined in the letter to Nelson is, as follows: (I am also sending you a copy of the letter to him for your files)

The HUC-JIR be reorganized as two coordinate schools, the JIR in New York and the HUC in Cincinnati. Each shall have its Dean and its Board of Governors. Each Board of Governors shall elect five members of a Board of Trustees, to be presided over by Nelson Glueck who will now be Chancellor of the HUC-JIR.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver -2- December 29, 1955

This is a rather bold solution but will, I am convinced, preserve something of the best fruits of the original merger and end an incipient rivalry.

Lillian joins me in best wishes to Virginia and yourself.

As ever, YI

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Solomon B. Freehof



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FOR AMERICAN REFORM JUDAISM

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UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS HEBREW UNION COLLEGE – JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION

OFFICE OF RABBI JACOB P. RUDIN Chairman, National Rabbinical Council

January 3, 1956

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple 1855 Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

As the immediate past president of our Alumni Association, I have been appointed chairman of the National Rabbinical Council of the Combined Campaign for the 1955-56 fiscal year. I am writing you at this time to invite you to join me as a national vice-chairman of this Rabbinical Council.

You will be gratified to know that last year's Combined Campaign was a step in the right direction. Your help and advice are necessary, if we are to show marked advances this year in the raising of adequate maintenance for the College-Institute and the Union. It goes without saying that our national office will back you to the hilt with all the necessary information and promotional material. We shall be grateful, of course, if in addition you will be willing to fill one or more speaking engagements during the course of the year, if it should prove to be necessary.

Please let me know promptly that you will serve, so that we may complete our Council and get going. I will appreciate your addressing all communications to me c/o Combined Campaign, 838 Fifth Avenue, New York 21, New York.

With all good wishes, I am

Cordially yours

Jacob P. Rudin, Chairman National Rabbinical Council

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Note: Please return to Dr. A. H. Silver, for our files.

JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION ... NEW YORK

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Temple Museum Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

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The Museum CLIFTON AVENUE · CINCINNATI 20, OHIO

Congratulations to your purchasing these outstanding ritual objects for your Museum. They are extremely beautiful. Best wishes for a happy New Year to you and your dear ones.

January 4, 1956

Yours very sincerely

Franz Jandsberges

Dr. Franz Landsberger

January 12,1956

Rabbi Jacob P. Rudin, Chairman National Rabbinical Council Union of American Hebrew Congregations Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion 838 Fifth Avenue

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New York 21, New York

My dear Rabbi Rudin:

In reply to your letter of January 3rd - I shall be pleased to serve as a national vice-chairman for the Combined Campaign.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE...CINCINNATI JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION...NEW YORK

40 W. SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET • NEW YORK 23, N. Y. TRAFALGAR 3-0200

January 18, 1956

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver 105th Street and Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

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As a result of new programs being offered at our School, and at the suggestion of Dr. Ewald B. Nyquist, Associate Commissioner for Higher Education of the State of New York, it is necessary for us to have our Charter amended so that we may offer/the Degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy.

Consent of three quarters of our Board of Governors is required before our Charter may be amended. Dr. Nelson Glueck requests your cooperation in signing all the enclosed copies and returning them to us as close as possible to January 25, the date of our Board meeting, so that we may proceed with this matter before the next meeting of the New York State Board of Regents.

Many thanks.

Cordially yours, auchen A. Franklan

Abraham N. Franzblau

January 23, 1956

Mr. Abraham N. Franzblau The Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion 40 West Sixty-Eighth Street New York 23, New York

Dear Mr. Franzblau:

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In accordance with your request of January 18th, I am enclosing the four copies, properly signed by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, of the document which you will need for the amendment to your Charter, which will enable you to offer the various Degrees.

Very truly yours,

Miss Sophia Levine Secretary to Dr. Silver

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Dr. Nelson Glueck

If this estimate is correct, then the situation slips back to the status that we had before the merger. There will be a separate Reform rabbinical school probably facing us with hostility and rivalry. There will be a new clique within the Conference and new competition for positions. Everything that we hoped to avoid by the merger will soon return to plague us. If that is so, then we would be better off if we had two semi-autonomous schools under your chancellorship, than two rival schools. This is the reason for my radical suggestion to you in my previous letter.

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Naturally, I hope that your estimate is correct and my estimate is wrong. But in case I am right, my plan, it seems to me, would become more or less inevitable. In the meantime, my best wishes to you. Your task is a difficult one, especially under the present circumstances, and you merit the help of all your colleagues.

Sincerely, 10 Solomon B. Freehof

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NATIONAL DIRECTOR IRVING S. SCHNEIDER Dear Fellow Treasurer:

"Not enough cash to pay this month's bills", are words that have a special meaning to us treasurers. So I know you will understand and act on my urgent plea that the enclosed dues statement have your immediate attention.

If these funds are not now on hand, you must have a number of members who need another reminder that dues are DUE.

With only four months remaining in this fiscal year, I respectfully suggest that you make this reminder a personal visit to pick up that overlooked dues check, which is so vital to the welfare of your temple and the national institutions of Reform Judaism. Your president will, I am sure, be glad to appoint a committee to assist you.

As time is of the essence, I'm counting on your earliest possible help. Thanks and kindest regards from

Your fellow treasurer,

Irving Jay Fain

Encl. IJF:EN cc: Rabbi March 1, 1956



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40 WEST 68th STREET . NEW YORK 23, N.Y. . TRAFALGAR 3-0204

March 7,1956

To: Rabbi Earl Stone From: Cantor Wolf Hecker

Enclosed herewith is the program for the Shevuous recording, and the Shevuous and Israel Independence Day scripts for Dr. Silver.

Will you kindly have Dr. Silver record the two "NARRATIONS", and return them, as quickly as possible, to (Air Mail, Special Delivery)

> Mr. Ven Selvin Accurves % Radio Coporation of America 155 fast 24th Streat, New York, Y.Y.

Thanks a million for your wonderful cooperation. It was good talking to you.

NEW YORK 21 March 1, 1956 Congregation Tifereth Israel 1855 Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio TO The Union of American Hebrew Congregations For dues for the year July 1, 1955, through June 30, 1956, as per last official membership report furnished by congregation: 1910 Persons at \$6.00 - - \$11.460.00 O Paid -6,850.00 Balance 4,610.00

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DR. SILVER - Shevuos Narration

Narrator: "Behold - how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

Narrator: Shevuos, the Feast of Weeks, is one of the three beautiful Pilgrimage Festivals

when with grateful hearts our ancestors brought their offerings of thanksgiving to the Temple in Jerusalem, prayerfully seeking God's continued guidance and blessing.

Narrator: We observe with reverence and joy the Festival of Shevuos, which commemorates the giving of the Law at Sinai. It was then that Israel consecrated itself to the high calling it was destined to exercise among the nations: Israel then accepted the Divine Call for Service:

"Ye shall be unto me a Kingdom of Priests and a Holy Nation."

Sherroz Narrator: During these holy days, thousands of young men and women appear in the House are confinitiond who in free will accept the religion and faith of Israel, Lord, and of their on regions rours in their as did their fathers before them. After years of careful study and after having gained insight and a mature understanding of the lofty teachings and ideals of rod. Justas their faith, they choose to consecrate themselves to the service of the Lord as did their ancestors, when they stood with Moses at Sinai, They utter the please Wain pledge ; pich-lipks generation to generation "We shall do, and we shall hearken." Narrator: "Judaism shall be a dynamic, growing and developing force in our ligershall carry on we shall continue to labor for the adven of that p Gel men shall kno JUSLIDe, and peace. " Narrator: Thine, O Lord - is the greatness, the power, t the glory the victory and the majesty for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine.

Shevuos Script Program - DR. SILVER

- 1. Theme humming of Hodu
- 2. Narrator Dr. Silver: "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."
- 3. Ma Tovu D. Nowakowsky, Sacred Music Press ASCAP
- 4. Narrator: Dr. Silver Shevuos, The Feast of Weeks, is one of the three beautiful pilgrimage Festivalsetc.
- 5. Adonoy, Adonoy, S. Naumbourg, Sacred Music Press ASCAP
- 6. Narrator: We observe with reverence....etc. (Dr. Silver)
- 7. Akdomos A.W. Binder Sacred Music Press ASCAP

8. Narrator: Dr. Silver: During these holy days, thousands.....etc.

- 9. Confirmation Hymn Copyright assigned to Sacred Music Press ASCAP
- 10. Narrator: Dr. Silver : "Judaism shall be a dynamic, growing " etc.
- 11. May the Words Hecker-Piket Sacred Music Press ASCAP
- 12. Narrator: Dr. Silver: Thine O Lord is the greatness.... etc.
- 13. L'cho Adonoy Lewandowski Sacred Music Press ASCAP.

IN DEPENDENCE DAY _ NARRATION DR. SILVER

Narration: I will give thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land of thy sojournings, all the lands of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

Narration: We in America who prize freedom and liberty along with all democratic nations, rejoice in noting the observance of another IsraelSIndependence Day. This day, is in truth, a festival of the spirit. It demonstrates for all the world that when a hope or a wish is a good one, born of love and justice, and to it is added effort, and energy, perseverance and faith, that hope is destined to be fulfilled in the end. And so trumpets ing carrying their message of liberty these days. and hope.

Narration: On the eve of the Sabbath, the 5th day of Iyar, 5708, corresponding to the 14th day of May, 1948, in the city of Tel Aviv, the State of Israel was born. For all who hopes and dream it was thus demonstrated that the age of miracles is not over, that to the spirit, all things are possible.

These are the world, pthy Destruction phases indefinitely. Narration: Declaration: We the members of the National Council, representing the Jewish people in Palestine and the Zionist movement of the world, met together in solemn assembly today, the day of the termination of the British Mandate for Palestine by virtue of the natural and historic right of the Jewish people and of the resolution of the General Assembly of the United Nations. Sereby proclaim the establishment of the Jewish State in Palestine, to be called Israel.

eithe Narration: But the Declaration itself did not wet security proclamation create the state. It was the people who girded their loins that Israel might live and when necessary, poured out their yory lifeblood for freedom They gave the fruit of their lives, their sons and daughters, foras zionen the battle fields who made secure the estable

Narration: Dr. Glueck: We give thanks to AlmightyGoD, who in His mercy has accorded

us the privilege of witnessing in our time, the miraculous fulfillment of a 2000 year old dream. With all men of good will we have rejoice in Israel's creative and successful t. With high course whend struggle to overcome the many obstacles that have confronted the young state. They know well that struggle is the price of life. And they have met the challenge of Kom Alarc Tosto d. as presilita ano Jane Treehy Good course hadeline 0 Narration: America and Israel are linked in an affinity of <u>love</u>, justice, hope and faith, bustome much the second faith, The inscription on the Liberty Bell, from the Book of Leviticus, is a symbol of the Hebrew heritage in which our beloved tand of America is rooted. With each added year of independence may Israel increasingly become a light unto the nations, bringing healing and hope to mankind in all the ends of the earth, And the 2 takale and pro and May 1 endere AUCO the second meng in place The man and londers

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Hebrew Union School. J Education + Music

March 13, 1956

Mr. Ben Selvin % Radio Corporation of America 155 East 24th Street New York, New York

Dear Mr. Selvin:

In accordance with instructions received from Cantor Wolf Hecker of The Hebrew Union School of Education and Sacred Music (40 West 68th Street, Trafalgar 3-0204) Dr. Silver has prepared a tape recording of the two "Narrations" to be used in connection with the Shevuous and Israel Independence Day programs.

Under separate cover the tape has gone forward to you. Both "Narrations" are recorded on one tape, and the reel should be allowed to spin forward for a short time after the end of the first "Narration" in order to pick up the second one.

I would appreciate it if the record would be sent to me for my files. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Levine Secretary to Dr. Silver

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May 3, 1956

Dr. Nelson Glueck Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion Clifton Avenue Cincinnati 20, Ohio

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Dear Dr. Glueck:

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I would appreciate very much your kindness in advising me if you are able to whom my reply should be addressed. Please also return the enclosed with your reply.

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The invitation is from Dr. Hiram B. Weiss a member of our Board of Governors. He may be addressed at his home or at the Doctors Bldg., Cincinnati, Ohio

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

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Inasmuch as many of the national officers and Committee members of the Combined Campaign are planning to attend the UAHC Executive Board meeting in New York on June 15-17, I thought it would be appropriate to have a luncheon of our Combined Campaign national leadership at that time and thereby avert the necessity of additional travel for a number of our group.

The luncheon will be held on Saturday, June 16, at the Harmonie Club, 4 East 60th Street, promptly at 12:30 P.M., and I urge your attendance, if possible. We must adjourn at 2:30 P.M. to enable the Union Board members to attend their sessions.

Our Combined Campaign Committee will concern itself with plans and policies for the fund raising program for the coming fiscal year.

Enclosed is a return postal card for your convenience and it will be appreciated if we may anticipate your acceptance promptly.

Sincerely yours,

Polinsky A. Be General Chairman

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July 26,1956

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th St. & Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Enclosed you will find a copy of the script for the RCA Sabbath Eve and Sabbath Morning recordings. I know that by the time you receive this material, an appointment will have been scheduled for you with the NBC studios in Cleveland.

Thank you for your kind cooperation throughout the production of the series.

With every good wish,

Most cordially yours,

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TEMPLE BETH EMETH OF FLATBUSH B3 MARLBORDUGH ROAD, AT CHURCH AVENUE BRODKLYN 26, N. Y.

SAMUEL D. SOSKIN

September 26, 1956

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple E. 105th at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Colleague:

On October 23rd, the Board of Governors of HUC-JIR will meet in New York City. According to the record your term of office expires on December 31st.

Jake Marcus has informed me that the newly elected Board members can come to the meeting even though their terms will not officially begin until January the first. However, their expenses will not be paid unless some of the men whose terms do expire will not be present.

If you do not plan to attend on the 23rd, please inform me immediately. I can then contact Leon Feuer and advise him that his expenses can be paid to the October 23rd meeting.

Looking forward to hearing from you and with best wishes for the coming year to you and your dear ones.

Cordially,

Lan S.

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October 9,1956

Rabbi Samuel D. Soskin Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush 83 Marlborough Road at Church Ave. Brooklyn 26, New York

My dear Rebbi Soskin: ______ In reply to your letter of Sentember be able to attend the meeting of the on October 23. With all good wishes, Premain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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