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Israel Bonds, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 1957, 1964.



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
HARRISBURG

April 4, 1957

THE GOVERNOR

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
East 105th Street
Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver:

It is very good to know that you will visit Harrisburg on behalf of the State of Israel Bonds Drive. As you have probably heard, Mrs. Leader and I have been keenly interested in the welfare of the State of Israel and it has been a source of deep satisfaction to both of us to watch the increasing flow of investment capital at meetings we have attended.

There is no doubt in our minds that your presence in Pennsylvania will stimulate all friends of Israel to even greater efforts.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Raymond M. Leader". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "R".

Harrisburg Awaits Dr. Silver

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver Here for Bond Dinner

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Israel Bond Organization, and outstanding American Jewish leader, will be the special Guest of Honor at the Ninth Annual Israel Independence Day Dinner to be held at the Zembo Mosque on Tuesday, May 28th, at 6:30 P.M., it was announced by Ben Cantor, General Chairman of the Harrisburg Committee for State of Israel Bonds.

Ben Cantor said, "We are most fortunate and highly honored to have Dr. Silver with us to celebrate the birth of the great democratic State of Israel".

"Dr. Silver is making only a very limited number of appearances, and Harrisburg is proud and excited that he agreed to visit personally the capitol of Pennsylvania", said Ben Cantor, reflecting the pleasure of the entire Jewish Community at the happy disclosure.

As Chairman of the Board of Governors, Dr. Silver heads the planning body for the State of Israel Bond Drive in communities throughout the United States, Canada, Latin America and Western Europe. One of the foremost leaders of the American Zionist movement, he is past President of the Zionist Organization of America, and former Chairman of the American Section of the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

As Chairman of the Zionist Emergency Council, Dr. Silver was at the forefront of the American Zionist effort in the United Nations which played such a vital part in the establishment of the State of Israel.

Commenting on this fact, Ben Cantor added "It is most fitting that the man who did so much to accomplish the modern miracle of the emergence of the State of Israel should be with us to celebrate her 9th anniversary of statehood."



Ben Cantor indicated that early reservations are definitely recommended. Despite the large seating capacity of the Tile room at the Zembo Mosque, present reservations indicate a record turnout for what the Committee terms "The outstanding Jewish event in our city's history".

Reservations and information may be had by contacting the local Israel Bond office, Room 303 State Theater Building in Harrisburg, Telephone CE 2-6000.

Celebrate Israel's 9th Anniversary...

WELCOME

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

ATTEND THE

Israel Independence Day Dinner

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 1957

RECEPTION, 6 P.M.

DINNER, 6:30 P.M.

Dietary Laws

ZEMBO MOSQUE

Tile Room

BENJAMIN CANTOR, Chairman

HARRISBURG COMMITTEE - STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS

PHONE CE 2-6000

Getting Ready to Greet Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

GOVERNOR GEORGE M. LEADER ACCEPTS HONORARY CHAIRMANSHIP FOR STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS

... "if there is a State I would like to do as much as for Pennsylvania, it certainly is the State of Israel" ...



At a Regional Leadership Conference held at the Executive Mansion, Governor Leader accepted the Honorary Chairmanship for State of Israel Bonds in Pennsylvania.

Special Award for 1956...



The 1956 Israel Bond Campaign in Harrisburg produced the record sum of \$240,000 through the untiring efforts of Samuel L. Abrams who was then chairman.

NOT ONLY HARRISBURG...



but other communities as well are anxious to greet Dr. Silver. Shown here is Ben Cantor - Harrisburg's Chairman, meeting with the Governor, and leaders of other communities.

Highlights of Conference



Miss Mary Sachs was presented at the Conference with a special scroll in recognition of her outstanding support of Israel. She sparked the Conference announcing a \$20,000 purchase of Israel Bonds ...

Rabbi Dr. Philip Bookstaber, shown below with Rabbi Mordecai Chertoff and Rabbi Emanuel Rothenberg of Allentown, became Harrisburg's first Guardian through his \$1,000 purchase.

In recognition of this outstanding achievement Mayor Nolan F. Ziegler, acting on behalf of the Israel Bond Organization, presented Abrams with a special edition of Szyk's Haggadah. Looking on are Aaron S. Feinerman, President of UJC, and Samuel Reuben, President of the Jewish Community Center.



MEMORANDUM

Date May 20, 1957

To Rabbi Hillel Silver

From Max Helvarg

Subject Transportation

The following transportation has been arranged for you:

Leave:	Cleveland	May 28	12:35 pm EDT	Capital Airlines #483
Arrive:	Pittsburgh	May 28	1:18 pm EDT	
Leave:	Pittsburgh	May 28	1:50 pm EDT	TWA # 412
Arrive:	Harrisburg	May 28	3:03 pm EDT	
Leave:	Harrisburg	May 29	10:17 am EDT	TWA # 421
Arrive:	Pittsburgh	May 29	11:27 am EDT	
Leave:	Pittsburgh	May 29	12:45 pm EDT	Capital Airlines #415
Arrive:	Cleveland	May 29	1:30 pm EDT	

The ticket covering the above transportation is attached.

Please be sure to reconfirm your reservation with TWA in Harrisburg.

- 3:03
- (4/30)
- 1) Greated by Governors rep. at airport with Gov Car
 - 2) Gov off - presentation of Book - TV Press - Radio
 - 3) Penn Harris Hotel
 - 4) Dinner 6:30 Zimbo Mosque - 250-300 ppl

Reform Temple Ohav Shalom

FRONT AND SENECA STREETS
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

Rev. Dr. Philip David Bookstaber, M. A., Ph.D., Litt. D., D.D.
Rev. Dr. Hillel A. Fine, M. H. T., Ph.D.
Rabbis

IRVIN YOFFEE, President
MILTON M. COHEN, Vice-President
STANLEY ADLER, SR., Vice-President
BENJAMIN CANTOR, Vice-President
JOSEPH F. BRENNER, Treasurer
EDWARD FRIEDMAN, Secretary

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MISS MARY SACHS, Honorary Vice-President
EDWARD W. SCHLEISNER, Honorary Vice-President

May 20, 1957

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
1855 Ansel Rd.
Cleveland 6, Ohio

My Dear Abba:

I am so happy that you will be here to address our community for the "Bonds of Israel". In the past we have done a very fine piece of work in contributing to this worthy cause headed by you. The community awaits your presence and your message and I personally look forward to greeting you.

It has been a long time since you were here and fond recollections by memory prolonged rise in my heart of the many pleasant associations with you. God bless you and keep you in health with your family for many years to come.

Fraternally yours,

Bookstaber

Rabbi Philip David Bookstaber

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PROGRAM

for the DINNER in honor of

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

to celebrate

Israel's Ninth Anniversary

Tuesday Evening, May 28, 1957

ZEMBO MOSQUE



MENU

Chilled Cantaloupe
Melon Melba



Celery Hearts
Dill Pickles
Queen Olives
Individual Tossed Salad
(French Dressing)



Roast Prime Ribs of Beef



Potato Pudding



Bluelake Green Beans



Spiced Fruit



Bread and Rolls



Boston Cream Cake
with
Hot Fudge Sauce



Demi-tasse

Program

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

BENJAMIN CANTOR

General Chairman

SAMUEL L. ABRAMS

DR. PHILIP DAVID BOOKSTABER

AARON S. FEINERMAN

President of the United Jewish Community

LOUIS S. SNYDER

National Anthems

RABBI MORDECAI S. CHERTOFF

Invocation

RABBI DAVID L. SILVER

Benediction



Celebrate
ISRAEL'S

9th

ANNIVERSARY

*and
Personally
Greet*

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

Tuesday, May 28

Harrisburg, Pa.

*Harrisburg's
Event of the
Year*



DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

The man who gained international sanction for Jewish Statehood. Time will not dim the lustre of his achievement, but will crown his work with the aura of immortality.

Meet...

Dr. Silver in person

at the

Israel Independence

Day Dinner

TUESDAY, MAY 28th, 1957

ZEMBO MOSQUE - HARRISBURG

RECEPTION AND DINNER AT 6 P. M.

(Strictly Kosher)

Under the auspices of
**HARRISBURG COMMITTEE
STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS**

BENJAMIN CANTOR, Chairman

For Reservations and Information — Call Bond Office

HARRISBURG CE 2-6000

May 8, 1947...

an event took place at the U. N. which was unique in Jewish history. A spokesman of the Jewish people formally voiced the demands for the right to re-establish a Jewish homeland.

May 14, 1948...

history singled out the same man as the servant of his people who should stand before the United Nations to announce the proclamation of Israel's independence.

May 28, 1957...

we shall have the privilege to meet this man in Harrisburg.

We Proudly Greet...





28
may
1957

CELEBRATE ISRAEL'S 9th ANNIVERSARY

You

are cordially invited to celebrate the
9th anniversary of the birth of Israel at the

Israel

Independence Day Dinner

6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 28, 1957

ZEMBO MOSQUE—Tile Room

Third & Division Sts., Harrisburg, Pa.

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER GUEST OF HONOR

*... in the sacred memory of those who lived ... and died ...
so that the dream of Israel could become a wonderful reality.*

BENJAMIN CANTOR, Chairman

R.S.V.P.

CEdar 2-6000

\$6.00 per plate

Dietary Laws

RECEPTION, 6 P.M.



DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

*... World Jewish Leader
... Revered Spiritual Figure
... Outstanding Scholar
... Champion of Israel*



Abba Hillel Silver Dinner Committee

P. O. Box 707

Harrisburg, Penna.

Gentlemen:

I shall be happy to attend the Abba Hillel Silver Dinner on Tuesday, May 28th. Please reserve_____plates at \$6.00 each. My check is enclosed.

Name_____

Address_____

City_____

PLEASE RESPOND ON OR BEFORE MAY 21, 1957

Make check payable to
ABBA HILLEL SILVER DINNER COMMITTEE

Zionist Leader To Give Address At Dinner Here

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, an American Jewish leader, will speak at the Israel Independence Day Dinner tomorrow night at 6 at Zembo Mosque.

A leader in the American Zionist movement, Dr. Silver demanded in 1947 that the Jewish people be permitted to establish an independent state. A year and six days later, on May 14, 1948, he appeared again before the United Nations to announce the independence.

He is past president of the Zionist Organization of America and former chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency for Palestine. He lives in Cleveland, Ohio.

The dinner is under sponsorship of the Harrisburg Committee for Israel Bonds. Ben Cantor is



RABBI SILVER

chairman. The dinner will be preceded by a reception.

Mrs. Benjamin Silberman, president of the Harrisburg Hadassah, and Mrs. Reuben H. Miller, Israel Bond Chairman, will take part in the dinner.

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MEMORANDUM

Date _____

To Mr. Max Helvarg

From Ben Rosenthal

Subject ABBA HILLEL SILVER MEMORIAL ARCHIVES - your memo of Sept. 2, 1964

In answer to your request, you will find enclosed memorabilia of Dr. Silver's visit to Harrisburg in May, 1957.

Happy to help out with what we have.

Regards.

BR/ED.

Encs. ~~ENCLOSURE~~ Invitation

Program and Menu 5/28/57

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