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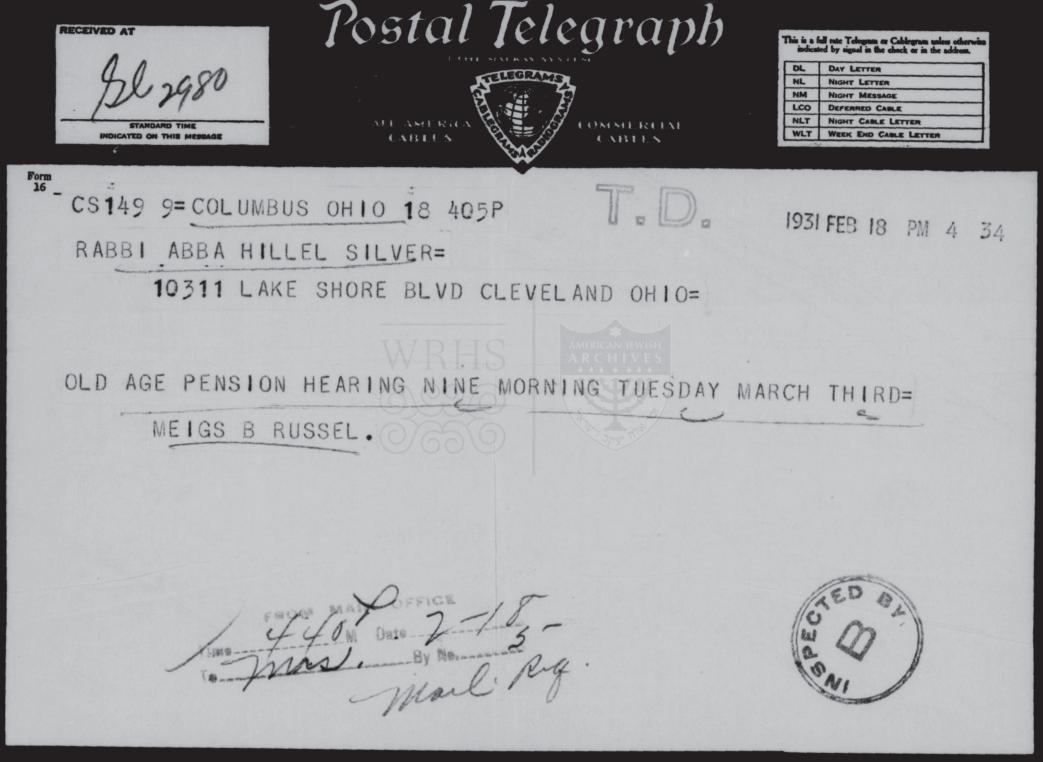
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February 25, 1931.

Mr. Thos. J. Donnelly, Ohio State Federation of Labor, Columbus, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Chairman Lewis of the House Committee on Insurance has assured me that we will have ample time for proper presentation of the Old Age Pension Bill at the hearing Tuesday, March 3, at 9 A.M.

To efficiently cover the subject without repetition I am asking

(1) Mr. Donnelly to discuss the economic position of the working man today with regards to his savings and his need for Old Age Pension together with the general attitude of labor.

(2) Mr. Bigelow to speak on the wide spread need of Old Age Pension and the history of the movement in Ohio.

(3) Prof. Wm. Leiserson on the economic and social needs of such legislation.

(4) Dr. I.M. Rubinow on Old Age Pensions abroad and progress in the United States.

(5) Mayor Alvin McDonald of Dayton on present methods of the care of indigent poor in Ohio, poor laws and present poor house cost.

(6) Mr. Michael Burns and Mr. Abraham Epstein explanation of the proposed law with statistics and cost figures.

(7) Rabbi Silver of Cleveland on psychological and humanitarian reason for Old Age Pension.

Several proponents of the measure will also be supplied by the Eagles but I have not as yet secured their names. Will you kindly advise me at your earliest convenience if it is possible for you to speak ypon the subject allotted. I realize that this seems somewhat arbitrary but in the rush of time there are so many things to be done I hope you will not only pardon it but assure me you will do this bit for the aged and needy in Ohio.

Kindly advise if there is any information I can supply to you to help in this task.

Mr. Lewis the Chairman of the Insurance Committee has been most kind and courteous in granting us the necessary time and I feel that we should repay his consideration by making our presentation concise, kindly and convincing.

I trust I am not unduly optimistic in my present feeling that we will secure a favorable report from the committee.

Very truly yours,

Meigs B.Russell, Field Secretary.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver 10311 Lake Shore Blvd Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Silver:

An important meeting of those in Cleveland who are interested in the passage of an Ohio Old age Pension law by the next Legislature will be held on Monday, October 5, at 7:30 P. M. at the Y. W. C. A. Building, 1710 Prospect Ave., Room 308.

Plans for the future work in Ohio will be discussed and officers of the Cleveland Committee will be elected. It is most important that the attendance be as large and representative as possible and I sincerely hope you will attend.

Very truly yours

FIELD SECRETARY