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PERSON TO PERSON CBS NEW YORK
485 MADISON AVENUE

Aug¹ 23, 1954

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker Blvd.
Cleveland, Ohio

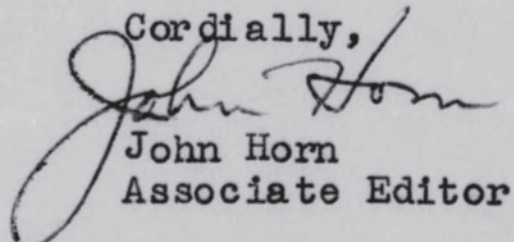
Dear Rabbi Silver:

To pursue our telephone conversation of last week, I wonder if the date of Friday, Nov. 12, would be agreeable with you for your appearance on "Person to Person?" Checking our schedule, I find that this is the earliest date for a visit to your home.

If Nov. 12th meets with your approval, will you please confirm the date by return mail? Or advise us what date would be more suitable.

Thanks and regards.

Cordially,


John Horn
Associate Editor

Edward R. Murrow
John A. Aaron
Jesse Zousmer

August 30, 1954

Mr. John Horn, Associate Editor
Person to Person CBS
485 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Horn:

I was very pleased to speak to you on Friday, and I appreciate the information which you conveyed to me. I have definitely scheduled the date of Friday evening, November 12th, for appearance on the Person to Person Program.

I note that you would want to have me for a conference also on Wednesday, November 10th.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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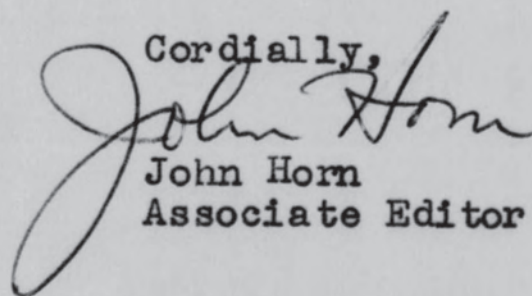
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Sept. 7, 1954

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thanks so much for your note confirming the
Nov. 12 date for your appearance on "Person to Person,"
as well as the Nov. 10 appointment for an interview.
I am looking forward to meeting you.

Cordially,


John Horn
Associate Editor

Edward R. Murrow
John A. Aaron
Jesse Zousmer

EDWARD R. MURROW

485 MADISON AVENUE

NEW YORK 22, N.Y.

November 3, 1955

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We have put together, with Sir Winston Churchill's authorization, a record album containing excerpts from some of his speeches. Columbia Records will be sending a copy to you within the next few days together with my best wishes and those on the PERSON TO PERSON staff with the hope that this record album may serve to stimulate memories of days that are past.



As ever yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ed", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

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November 10, 1954

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

It has been brought to my attention that the Edward R. Murrow television program of this Friday night, November 12th, will feature you as its guest.

I am writing to you on behalf of Hapoel Hamizrachi of America as well as on my own as a spiritual leader, to tell you how profoundly disturbed we are to learn that you have agreed to such an open profanation of the Sabbath. Your status as a revered and honored Jewish leader of our time should, I feel, persuade you to reconsider the arrangement which you have made with Mr. Murrow in order to prevent a "Chillul Hashem".

We therefore request that you cancel this appearance and thus demonstrate your full appreciation of the importance of our religious ideas in this crucial day and age.

Sincerely yours,

Zev Segal
Rabbi Zev Segal

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November 12, 1954

Doctor Abba Hillel Silver,
19810 Shaker Boulevard,
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It was extremely gratifying for me to note in todays Cleveland Press that Edward R. Murrow has selected you and Mrs. Silver to be the subject of his Person to Person television broadcast tonight. This is indeed a fine honor and tribute to you both, and I am sure that I share this feeling with your host of friends and admirers throughout the country who will be watching this program tonight as will I.

You may recall my writing you while I was serving with the U.S. Air Force in Europe last year, on the occasion of the fund drive by your people in your honor. In this regard, I am extremely proud of your reply to my letter, and shall keep it always as one of the most treasured possessions I have.

As your people could not have possibly chosen a finer individual of the Hebrew Race to so honor, neither could have Mr. Murrow in his selection of great Americans. Because I was serving in Europe at the time of the Inauguration of President Eisenhower, I was not able to see your portion of that ceremony as representative of the Jewish Faith of America. Therefore, it will be with a great deal of pleasure that I view Person to Person this evening and see you share the honor with Mrs. Silver.

With kindest personal regards to you and Mrs. Silver, and best wishes for a successful 30th Anniversary Celebration of the University of Israel. As a member of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University, you can be justifiably proud of its progress. I most sincerely trust that when the campaign to raise funds for its enlargement in the heart of Jerusalem's New City gets under way, that you will be kind enough to let me know so that I may be one of the first to contribute to such a worthy cause.

Very sincerely yours,

Richard Komar

Mr. Richard J. Komar,
1436 Elmwood Avenue,
Cleveland 7, Ohio.

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November 12, 1954

Dear Rabbi and Mrs. Silver;

We enjoyed our visit to your home, thanks to the wonders of this day and Ed. Murrow.

It is now ten years since we came to beautiful California, we like it much. We still retain a love for Cleveland and its very fine people.

With kind regards to you,

sincerely

Lawrence and Regina



From Francis E. Donohoe

To RAIBBI ABRAHAM HILLEL SILVER
Cleveland
Ohio

Nov. 13th 1954,
48 Hill Street,
Bloomfield,
New Jersey.

TV Programme
Friday Evening Nov. 12th 1954

Dear Mr Silver:-

We of this Irish American (Five Generations)
household would just like to tell you Sir how much
we enjoyed you and the lovely Mrs Silver on
Ed Murrow's wonderful Person to Person Programme.

I myself have known about you over the years
and the priceless great work that you have done Sir.
Shortly After World War I while on U.S. Naval Radio duty
along with the British, visited the Holy Land. "Jerusalem".
It was a very interesting time for a youngster so far from home.

Now I am retired from the U.S. Navy. A Short
Wave Radio Ham, if you will forgive me please. I am in
contact several times a month with "KOL ZION LAGOLAH"
State of Israel's fine World Wide Short Wave Radio Station.
Their young Director of Engineering M.E. BERMAN has written
me five letters of verification of reception. He no doubt

2.
KNOWS ALL ABOUT YOU Mr SILVER. I SHALL inform him
ABOUT the TV PROGRAMME. The Stamp attached to
this Letter I thought you might like to have. A very
dear friend of mine who came out of Belzen alive
GAVE it to me. When in ENGLAND during the early
1920's I had the chance to attend several lectures
delivered by the Great man. HYMAN WEISMAN.

Wishing you and your dear ones Mr SILVER,
LONG Life and Happiness I Respectfully Remain,
Very Sincerely Yours

James E. Donohue.

AN IRISHMAN who sold many Bonds
during the Drive for ISRAEL in and around
NEWARK, N.J. - PATERSON N.J. and New York City.
I was very happy and proud to of some help.

418 Central Park West,
New York, 25, New York
November 12, 1954

Dear Dr. Silver,

We enjoyed the brief visit with you Friday night when Ed Murrow 'took' us along. For a 12 minute story it concentrated an immense ^{amount} of detail thanks to the facile visual presentation. I am sure that there were many non-Jews looking on who obtained a pleasing picture of Jewish home life.

Looking at your Israeli room determined me to expedite a matter which I had hoped to get around to before this. It concerns a document which you had a part in creating-the Palestine Partition Plan. The enclosed document is a photostatic copy of the original voting sheet showing how the member nations voted at the UN on that fateful day of November 29, 1947. Within a period of five and one half years the document acquired the autographs of the personalities who championed the Jewish State, you in particular. It made several trips to Israel and made a bit of history on its own. Mr. Truman writes that he will hang it in the Truman Library when completed. Ambassador Eban requested that I send additional copies for the minister's office and for the national archives. Golda Meyerson writes she is happy to be in possession of such a treasure, and I am greatly pleased with this hobby that turned out to be so pleasing to so many.

I can recall myself to you as the person who dreamed up and put into execution the Friendship Food Train which the ZOA, through you, presented to the first Ambassador from Israel to this country.

Also returning with you on the Air France plane from Israel in 1951, thanks to you we shared the beautiful flowers which were brought to you a 'matanah ha-preeda'.

I trust that you and your wife are keeping in good health.

Sincerely yours,
Dorion Fishman

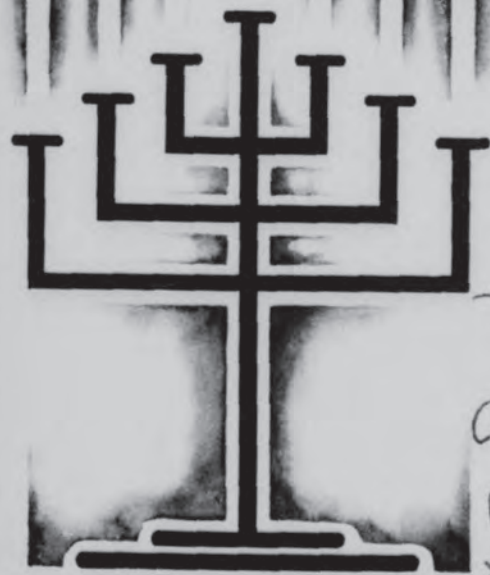
P.S. May we share with you the good news that my wife and I are celebrating our 25th anniversary and in honor of 20 years of service to the Jewish Home for Convalescents, it is having its annual dinner in our honor at the Statler on Nov. 21st. Our dais guests will include Dr. Louis D. Newman, Rose Jacobs, Stanley M. Isaacs, Monsignor Delaney and Jehiel Weizmann. My wife was the American secretary of Henrietta Szold and is presently the national director of the Hadassah Speakers Bureau.

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Rabbi and Mrs. Silver
% Reformed Temple
Cleveland
Ohio.

Saturday
Nov-13th 1954.



"....SPEECH IS
THE MESSENGER
OF THE HEART"
THE TALMUD

Good Shabbas and Sabbath Blessings
to you both.
As one humble member of Temple Emanu-El
San Francisco I just had to take pen in
hand and tell you what I thrill to



A
message

to you

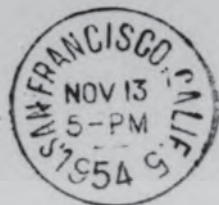
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Raff and Mrs. Silver

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see you on Television Person To Person.

I feel that these magnificent examples of what
was shown last evening of The Jewish Home, and
beautiful symbols will awaken many souls, that
the teachings of
their significance
world dignity
I am a relative of
Stern.

how may the kind
you health and
long life.

Most Sincerely

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Torah has more
it has given to the
and good Laws.
the old family Isaac

Father continue to give
happiness for a

Mrs. Morris Mendell

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November 13, 1954.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
C/O The Temple
Ansel Rd. & 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

It was indeed a thrill for me to see you and Mrs. Silver on the Ed Murrow show last night. After all I don't believe I've seen you since my confirmation class of 1931 and it really was a treat.

I understand that you are going to head a program here in St. Louis Thanksgiving eve but unfortunately I am taking my wife and three kids to Cleveland that whole week for the holiday. I will check to see if you are in the Temple for that Sunday November 21st as I would like to see you and have you meet my wife.

Again may I say that it was wonderful seeing you on the television last night and may I add that both you and Mrs. Silver haven't changed a bit.

Sincerely,

Bob Mielziner
Class of 1931

Nov. 13, 1954.

Mrs. Sidney Unger

2424 Pearsall Avenue, Bronx 67, N. Y.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Just had to write you, to
tell you how happy I was to
see you again, on television
last evening. Seeing you & Mrs. Silver
brought back so many happy
thoughts of you, The Temple &
Cleveland.

With my husband beside
me & after seeing the program,
was reliving so many happy
occasions (confirmation class of 1927.)
My husband had occasion
to meet you several years
ago, when we visited Cleveland.

Of course "The Temple" was
one of the first places I
showed him, & we were
very fortunate too, in seeing
you.

Been away from Cleveland
& living here for twenty years.
Cleveland will always hold
a warm spot in my heart.

My folks join me in
saying, Hello to Mr. & Mrs. Howe Goodman!
& with all our best wishes to
you both & your family for
years of happiness.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Sidney Ayer.
(Sylvia Goodman)

Mrs. Jack M. Shepard
3674 Avalon Road
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Nov. 13, 1954.

Dear Rabbi,

Just a note to tell you how much we enjoyed your T.V. appearance last night. As a special treat, I permitted my 7 year old daughter, Dana, to interrupt her nocturnal rest for the duration of the program, and she was most grateful.

One of the Congregation,
Mrs. J. M. Shepard.

SIMCHA PRATT

1218 PRATT BOULEVARD

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AMBASSADOR 2-4042

Chicago Nov. 13th 1953

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I hasten to convey to you + Mrs. Silver
my hearty congratulations on a most
successful TV appearance last night.

It was both thrilling + moving to hear
you being interviewed by Mr. Morrow on
Israel. I am certain your quiet dignity
+ evident sincerity have deeply impressed
the millions of people who had the
privilege of watching this programme.

With love to all!

With feelings of deep respect +
appreciation

Sincerely
Simcha Pratt
Consul of Israel

1020 Gerard Ave.

N. Y. Nov. 14, 1954

Dear Abba:

I was delighted to see you and Mrs Silver on Friday night over Person to Person program. It reminded me of the days when we were members of Dr Herzl Zion Club. It is a long time ago and I don't know whether you could remember me, but you visited my home many times, at that time. I don't know whether you recall my father Adolph, who at that time was Vice President of the Peoples Synagogue of Educational Alliance. Also my brother Alters.

Hoping to see you at some
future reunion of the Kergl boys, I am

Sincerely
Ben B. Saydman



Ben Jacobson

306 N. Aprine Drive
Beverly Hills, California
November 14, 1954

Rabbi Abbe Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Allow me to introduce myself- Ben Jacobson. I am Jewish and a hobbiest like you, yourself.

I enjoyed your fine program which interested me verymuch. I got a great deal of pleasure from your fine collections and beautiful home. I wish to add to your collections so am sending you under separate cover a present of my beautiful copy of the Declaration of Independence of Israel. It is plasticated and the art work is very lovely. I also sent one of these to our grand President Eisenhower. He was very thankful for it and sent me a wonderful letter of which I am so proud.

This work is my latest venture and I would indeed appreciate it if you would suggest some of your charities that would care to resell some of these for me. I would be glad to give you more particulars and prices. It would be a service for Isreal. My thoughts at this time is that since we are both Americans and Jews we should swear allegiance to our great government first and then have a thought for Isreal. Our greatest love is for the Declaration of Independence of the United States and secondly remember we are Jews and praise the Declaration of Independence of Isreal; our own people who though small are now battling great forces and are defending Judiaism for us and for Liberty and Justice.

Ben Jacobson

Sincerely your friend,

Nov 14, 1954

Hon. Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,

At Sheaker Heights
Cleveland, Ohio,

Dear Rabbi Silver;

It has been my very
great privilege and pleasure to have ~~been~~
seeing you appear on the Television program
Enunciated by the Hon. Edward R. Murrow,
what has so favorably become known as
Person to person Communication, what seems
to me a miracle in its every aspect,

You dear Sir, has impressed me
as a Man, of daring and dynamic stature
a Man of born and inherent leadership,
a Vigorous Personality able and capable
of doing battle in a moment of need and
acute crisis,

But on the other hand a Man,
of great intellect and a God given wisdom
and with the gift of calm and coolness
of mood and attitude to know how to cope
with every situation,

Yes indeed dear Rabbi;
you are a great asset to the Jewish people
an asset and a brilliant jewel to Israel,
may God make an exception to this rule
may He double your age of life and let
you do your duty in a measure full.

With Sincere Best Wishes
Samuel Trachtenberg

P.S. I have therefore composed a Poem
which I send through the mail - you might like

I-S-R-A-E-L S-I-X Y-E-A-R-S O-L-D
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I -srael, Israel, It's a Baby Boy, It's not just a toy
It's Six years old, Or so about, It's a little darling
It's a honey,

S -ee it grow, see it bloom, Into a land of fertile
milk and strong and boney,

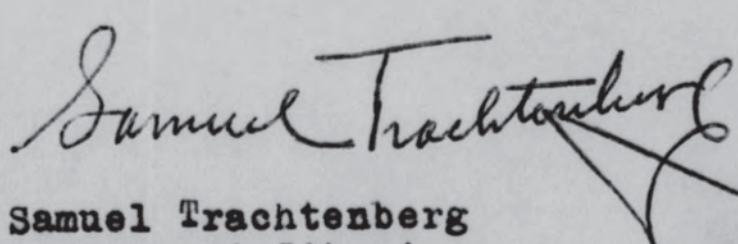
R -ich and poor, without being asked, or told
please help Israel, Get into a firm mold,

A -ll the world, Will feel enriched, By the things
Israel the world can teach,

E -verybody, all of us, The young and the old,
let's get into a common fold,

L -et's all help Israel, With our Silver and
our Gold.

Invest in israel
Buy its bonds
Invest your time
And your money
See it grow
See it bloom
Into a land
Of milk and honey.


By Samuel Trachtenberg
1714 west 5th st,
Brooklyn, 23, N.Y.
Nov, 13, 1954.

LENA P. FREEDMAN
215 WEST 75TH STREET
NEW YORK 23, N. Y.

November 18-54

Dear Rabbi and Mrs. Silver.

I was so thrilled
and delighted to have such a
nice visit with you last Friday.
It made me so homesick for
all of my friends and you.

I expect to be in
Cleveland next month and
hope to see you.
Love
Lena.

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November 15, 1954

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

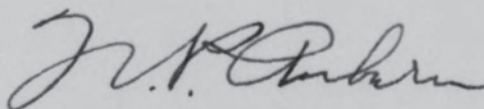
Dear Rabbi Silver:

It was a great pleasure to be a visitor
in your home last Friday night via television.

This Ed Murrow show was one of the finest
TV productions I have ever enjoyed. Congratu-
lations to you and Mrs. Silver.

Kind personal regards.

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "N. P. Auburn", written in a cursive style.

Norman P. Auburn
President


NPA/pnk

THE TEMPLE
ACHDUTH VESHOLOM CONGREGATION
500 WEST WAYNE STREET
FORT WAYNE 2, INDIANA

MEMORANDUM

Nov. 15, 1954

Dear Colleagues:

An excellent
presentation over
TV  Friday night.
May God continue
to bless you!

As ever
Fred Doffett

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

WAYNESBORO, GEORGIA

E. MOSS ROBERTSON

PASTOR

November 15, 1954

Rabbi Abba H. Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi:

I am in the process of preparing a sermon on the scripture II Timothy 4:13, "The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee, and the books, but especially the parchments." You will notice in this passage that Paul was especially fond of his books.

I will appreciate very much receiving from you a letter indicating what two books have meant most to you in life. Your answer will serve to guide our young people in worthwhile reading.

I thoroughly enjoyed the visit in your home last Friday evening. Thank you so much for showing me around.

My prayers are for your well-being and for the prosperity of the new nation of Israel.

Respectfully yours,

E. Moss Robertson

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November 15, 1954

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

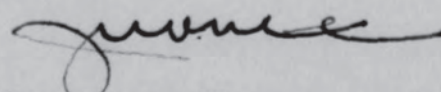
Anne and I were thrilled on Friday night as we watched you on Ed Murrow's "Person to Person" program. I daresay we were not alone in watching or being thrilled.

I have just ordered from our radio monitoring service the text of the spoken part of the program in order to have it on file for reference and use. Ordinarily we might reprint the text and send it out to people but in view of the fact that the estimate is that something over twenty million people watch Ed Murrow's "Person to Person" program, I hardly think we should be able to reach a significant number beyond that figure.

Your message on Israel was particularly apt and our thrill came not only from the personal contact with you but from the masterly way in which you steered the program to that emphasis.

Anne joins me in warmest greetings to Mrs. Silver, yourself and your sons.

Sincerely yours,



Rabbi Jerome Unger
Executive Director

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11/15-54

My dear Rabbi -

I had the ill fortune to be away from the city Friday and missed your historic appearance with Mr. Morrow -

An amusing sidelight on that occasion however was called to my attention by a comment from a member of the Sub - congregation - Sub according to my interpretation means "Substitute" Judaism -

The remark was made Saturday evening at a religious (?) meeting of that group at Wade Parke Manor in between cocktails during the "Minche" services. This smart young fellow said he didn't particularly care for Silver's remarks when he used the term "Chutzpa" - It certainly was chutzpa on the part of your young critic was my answer to my informant - for anyone to criticize the judgement of Rabbi Silver on such an occasion -

Yours sincerely
Sidney Haas

116 Campbell Ave.
West Haven Conn.

11/15/54.

Rabbi Silver
Cleveland, Ohio.

My Dear Rabbi:

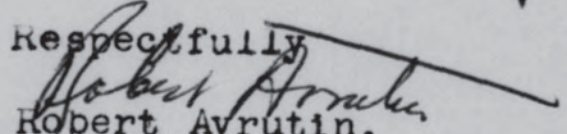
While listening to the Person to Person Show I was interested to hear you tell Mr. Edward Murrow that the Jewish mourning period is thirty days.

I lost my dear mother five months ago and have been attending Shule every morning since, and was told by my Rabbi that I am to continue doing so for a total period of eleven months. Since I am in the pharmacy business, I am required to keep very late hours and must rise very early to be on time for services, this lack of sleep is ruining my health. I loved my Mother very much and of course I wish to carry out the Jewish laws & traditions in respect to her.

Could you tell me if this 30 day mourning period applies to all Jews? I am not orthodox.

I would appreciate a reply as soon as you are able. Thank you very much.

Respectfully


Robert Avrutin.

PERSON TO PERSON

**PERSON TO PERSON CBS NEW YORK
485 MADISON AVENUE**

Nov. 16, 1954

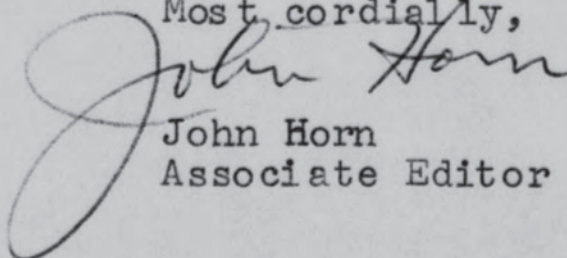
Dear Dr. and Mrs. Silver:

Under separate cover, I am sending you a film recording of your "Person to Person" appearance last Friday. It can be seen and heard on a 16 mm. sound projector.

I would like to thank you again, on Bob Sammon's behalf and mine, for the gracious hospitality and kind cooperation you offered us last week. We both enjoyed our brief stay with you, and from all quarters we're hearing only praise of the Silvers. Once again my regrets that we couldn't talk more of Danny and Raphael.

Best regards from Bob and me.

Most cordially,


John Horn
Associate Editor

**Edward R. Murrow
John A. Aaron
Jesse Zousmer**

98-33 64th Avenue,
Forest Hills 74, N. Y.
November 16, 1954

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I just want to tell you how much pleasure I
received from watching your interview with Ed Murrow last
Friday night.

You did our people, that is we of the Jewish race,
proud. It was simply wonderful. I was really grateful.



Most sincerely,

Jeannette Bearman
JEANNETTE BEARMAN

Nov. 16th 1954.

Mrs. Joseph Silbert
13803 Cormere Avenue
Cleveland 20, Ohio

My dear Rabbi + Mrs Silver;

I want to take this opportunity to tell you how much the Judge and I enjoyed seeing you on television last Friday night you were both wonderful.

I have a married daughter living in Kansas City, Mo. I got a letter from Shirley, this morning and this is what she writes.

"Mom Howard and I were invited out for dinner last Friday night after dinner we all decided to stay home and watch T.V. as we heard Rabbi Silver, was going to be on T.V. We all saw him

and he was terrific and as handsome as always, and Mrs Silver, was charming every one thought it was so good to see them."

We all hope the good Lord give you both strength and good health to carry on for a very long time.

Sincerely,
Esther Silbert.



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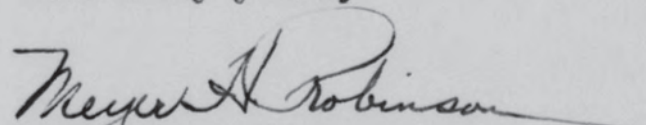
Dear Rabbi Silver:

Our whole family were thrilled Friday night in seeing you and Mrs. Silver on the Ed Murrow television show.

I cannot say enough how really wonderful those fifteen minutes were, with you and Mrs. Silver on the screen. You both were so at ease and came through in such fine manner that the program was all too short for us.

Trusting you both are in good health and with best personal regards from Mrs. Robinson and the Zafrons, believe me to be -

Sincerely yours,


Meyer H. Robinson

MHR/k

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland
Ohio

P.S. I hope you had Manischewitz Wine on your table that night.

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KOSHER WINES

Nov 17, 1954

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I just couldn't resist sending you a line after seeing you on T.V. the other evening. How many memories flashed through my mind and all the good things which have happened to us since your student days. Am wondering actually if you would remember me. Hilda Fox from Huntington. Tomorrow will be our 31st Anniversary. I married a Doctor M.D. that is in 1923 and we have 2 lovely children

Mrs Ralph Blumberg
1746 Coleman St
Brooklyn 34



a boy 28 a Lt in the Navy
and married last July to a lovely
Brooklyn girl. Helen our
daughter is 24 and has a
lovely little boy of 7½ months.
Ralph & I are going out to
California next month to
visit with our son. As to the
Fox's of Huntington - my Father
died about 25 years ago. Harriet
and Leo are still in Huntington
and have nice families. There
are so many of the old friends
we had there who have passed
on.

From what we saw on
T.V. you too have a lovely
family. A charming wife
and such sweet things you
said of her. Of course we
read of you and your good
work in the papers but as
I listened to you speak last
Friday you are still the
same wonderful person. Do
you really remember me?
I recall the seder you had at
our house and I wonder after
all your experiences whether you
still remember.

Please accept
both my husband
and my best
wishes for a long
and happy life.
It was such a
privilege to visit
with you -

Thank you for
consenting to be
on Person to
Person.

Sincerely
Hilda Fox Blumberg



November 17, 1954

Mr. Edward R. Murrow
Person to Person C. B. S.
485 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Murrow:

It was a great pleasure, as well as an honor, to have taken part in your Person to Person program last Friday evening. Mrs. Silver and I enjoyed greatly the few moments of informal conversation which we had before and after the program. Judging from the many communications which are reaching me from all parts of the country, the program went very well. I do hope that I shall have the pleasure of meeting you in person before long.

May I tell you how perfectly delighted I was with the two splendid men who came out from CBS to arrange for the program - Mr. Horn and Mr. Sammon. I was impressed not only with their remarkable technical efficiency and the quiet manner in which they pulled together so many loose ends, but especially with their courtesy and consideration and the fine intelligence and good humor with which they went about bringing awkward amateurs into line.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rms



110 South Dearborn Street
Chicago 3, Illinois

November 17, 1954

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street &
Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I saw you on Edward Murrow's television program, "Person to Person," Friday night and I must tell you that your performance and that of Mrs. Silver touched me deeply.

I am confident that millions of our fellow Americans who had the privilege of seeing this show felt like I did — namely, that of visiting the home of one of our truly great Americans whose warmheartedness and devotion to the cause has done so much to alleviate the suffering of our brethren and bring new hope and faith to them.

I thank you for a most enjoyable half-hour.

Sincerely yours,

Julius Klein/fhm

Temple Israel
133 Merriman Road
Akron 3, Ohio

OFFICE OF THE
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MORTON M. APPLEBAUM, M. H. L.

November 17th,
1954

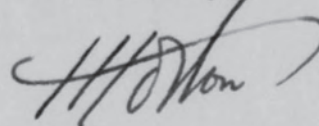
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
E. 107th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver,

Just a line to let you know
that all of us who gathered around our T.V.
sets last Friday evening thoroughly enjoyed
our visit to your home.

With kindest personal regards
from household to household, I remain

Cordially,



MMA/LS



I. L. KENEN

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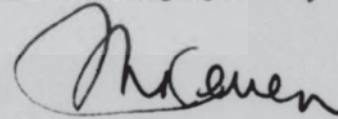
November 23, 1954

Dear Dr. Silver:

Warmest congratulations on your splendid interview with Murrow.

I must say that you succeeded in getting across your message in the most effective and diplomatic way possible. When it was over, I told Mrs. Kenen, who watched it with me, that I thought it was completely worthy of you, and I know of no better way to congratulate you.

Cordially yours,



I. L. Kenen

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

El Cajon, November 24^H 54. g

Dear Rabbi: Mrs Silver!

First of all I would like to beg your forgiveness for writing this letter, from me, a absolute stranger! I would like to tell you of my experience. I've had a few days ago and maybe you are even glad to hear this. I have a dear friend, Mrs Anna Silverman, here in El Cajon. She is a wonderful old lady, but very sad and lonely. her husband, David, died 10 months ago,

after 48 years of marriage
and You will understand
her grieving heart. I visited
her on Friday evening the 12th
and found her so excited (and
again in tears) that she could
hardly talk. If I just could
tell You, dear Rabbi and
Mrs Silver, how terribly excited
and happy Anna was. It
finally came all out. Let me
just quote her: "You never, never
will believe what happen to
me tonight. I watched "Person
to Person" on T.V. when
there they came, Rabbi and

Mrs Silver. My heart was beating
so fast, I thought it will burst.
I still would recognize them
Mrs Silver looked so beautiful.
And you know it is 48 years
since I talked to them in
their small Cottage in Cleveland.
how time flies! how fast a
lifetime goes by! Your
appearing on T. W. was the
beginning of her whole life story
as she told it to me that
same evening. For hours
we sat and talked. Anna's
heart was so bubbling over,
she looked twenty years!

younger. If I just could
write a book, but I can not
even write good English, for
which I beg your forgiveness.

Mrs Silverman is 72 and
lived in Cleveland 40 years.

I wonder if you remember,
how some early Sunday
morning, 48 years ago
a young woman came to you
for help. A short time before
she had come from Russia
and needed some divorce papers,
a lot of advice and guidance
in her new life in this Country.
She told me, how clearly she
has every thing before her

Eyes. Rabbi Silver, a very
young man with beautiful black
hair and his sweet, young wife.
^{Onote:} She kissed me and comforted
me and helped me with
everything, and Rabbi Silver
took care of all my troubles.
I went away with a light
heart and happy. I have
never seen them again, but
always thought of them with
a thankful heart.
-- And now, this evening
after 48 years, I've seen
them on television.

End
Onote:

Dear Rabbi and Mrs Silver!

I have only told you in a few words the feelings of Anna Silverman, but it started something, that Friday evening when she saw you on T. v. I told her that I will write you about her and she wants me to ask your help and kindness in doing something for her in Cleveland. It seems it is about donation to some Jewish organization.

Mrs Silverman has just
done a wonderful thing for
the San Diego State College.
Will enclose her picture
and wonder if you will
remember her!
How happy she would be
to hear from you. Her address
is.

Mrs Anna Silverman
500 Highway 80
El Cajon, Calif

I will trust in God
that You will receive
this letter, as I really have
no address, and may
Anna look forward to
hear from You.

Thanking You for Your
kindness I am sincerely
Yours

Mary Becker

705 Highland, Fletcher Hills
San Diego 19

of early April.

Widow Gives Scholarship

Mrs. Anna Silverman of El Cajon gave a \$5,000 check to San Diego State College Tuesday to establish the David and Anna Silverman Scholarship Fund.

The presentation was made at a meeting of the Student Council in Scripps Cottage to Dr. Herbert C. Peiffer, dean of students.

Before the tiny, 73-year-old widow stepped forward and silently handed Dean Peiffer the check, Albert A. Hutler, executive secretary of the San Diego Federation of Jewish Agencies, outlined the purposes for which the fund was being established.

Forty-seven years ago Mrs. Silverman and her husband came to the United States from Russia. Their adopted country was good to them and since her husband's death in El Cajon ~~two years ago~~, Mrs. Silverman has wanted to do something to show her appreciation.

The Silvermans were not people of wealth. But Mrs. Silverman receives a small pension. So she decided to establish a scholarship. The fund given to the college, Hutler said, consisted of almost half her entire estate.

Proceeds from the scholarship will go to aid men students studying either for the medical or teaching profession.

Awards will be based on need, character and scholarship. Mrs. Silverman also stipulated the scholarships, to be awarded annually, will be without regard to race, creed or nationality.

Trustees of the fund are Dr. A. P. Nasatir of the college faculty; Dr. Harold Elden of El Cajon and Hutler.

Monday noon. Hicklin will speak. First, second and third place on the new low level highway. (Continued on page 4)

Scholarship Fund Established



Dean Peiffer accepts a \$5,000 check from Mrs. Anna Silverman to establish a scholarship fund in memory of her husband at San Diego State College. Mrs. Silverman lives in El Cajon.



Rabbi Abba Hille Silver
and Mrs Silver
Cleveland Ohio

S.O! Sorry no better address! Please find it!

Mary Becker, 705 Highland, Fletcher Hills
San Diego 19, Calif



5483 W. 6th St. #
Los Angeles 36
Nov. 28, 1954

Dear Rabbi, Mrs. Silver,

I saw the show in which
you were presented by Edward
Murray —

I was deeply moved. — Even if
I had not known you so
well personally, I would have
responded to the dignity and
beauty of your words and
appearances.

My thoughts traveled many

years back when we were
all younger - particularly
Raphael and Daniel -
I missed seeing them.

I sometimes chuckle when
I recall how they told
secrets to each other in
French so I would not
understand.

I hope we meet soon again -
I am still working at the
Consulate of Israel - now living
in New York -
Be well all of you - affectionately
Harmon R. Roman.

November 30, 1954

Mr. Ben Jacobson
306 N. Aprine Drive
Beverly Hills, California

My dear Mr. Jacobson:

Permit me to thank you for your kindness in sending me a copy of the Declaration of Independence of Israel. I appreciate very much your thoughtfulness in sending it to me. It is a very beautiful Declaration.

I am in no position to suggest any local charities that would handle this Declaration for you. You might wish to get in touch with the Zionist Organization of America.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rms

[November, 1954]

Dear Mrs. Silver

On Friday I witnessed Mrs. Murrell's show and enjoyed "Coming into your home." It was very lovely - but more it contained love.

Often when I read or hear or see - programs of this type they help me by remembering them from time to time. I am tempted often to say "Thank you" but hesitate.

This time I'm going to.

It was helpful meeting
your eminent husband
and hearing him and
know what he meant when
he was asked something like
"What was your Greatest
Personal achievement" and heard
his answer.

Thank you
Sincerely

Grace Wolfenden

NORMAN FABIAN, M. D.

[November, 1954]

TELEPHONE 570

154 MANSION STREET
POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.

My dear Rabbi Silver-

One of my hobbies is "photographing" television —
please accept these poor tokens of an enjoyable program.

Very truly yours

(N. Fabian, M.D.)

Crystal Lake
Carbondale R.D. 1, Pa.
Nov. 1954.



Dear Rabbi & Mrs. Silver:-

Congratulations upon
your television debut! We
saw you last Friday
night and were very happy
to have had you both
visit with us in our living
room.

It was a most thrilling
experience to travel with the

Rabbi Silver in ^uyour very beautiful home. You both make excellent television material, to say the least.

Hope you are both well.

With kindest regards -

we are - Very sincerely yours,
Bertie + Ben Stone.



[Nov. 1954] For CBS-TV
Hope the facts
are right.
Hovell

Additional Biographical Material
on
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

(Note: It is assumed that general information has already been obtained from the usual sources — Who's Who, etc.)

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver is the outstanding leader of the Zionist movement and is widely regarded as the greatest living American Jew. As Chairman of the American Section of the Jewish Agency for Palestine and of the American Zionist Emergency Council, he led the struggle in the United Nations for the establishment of the State of Israel. This effort was crowned with success in November, 1947, when the United Nations voted in favor of the creation of the Jewish State which was proclaimed in May, 1948.

As one of our country's foremost spiritual leaders, Dr. Silver has served for the past 38 years as rabbi of The Temple in Cleveland, Ohio -- today the largest Liberal congregation in American Jewry. He was President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis from 1945 to 1947.

Dr. Silver comes from a long line of rabbis and scholars. This tradition is being continued through his son, Rabbi Daniel Silver, who this year assumed his spiritual duties in Chicago after two years in the Pacific as a Chaplain in the United States Navy. Rabbi Daniel Silver represents the fifth generation in this unbroken chain of rabbis. The second of his two sons, Raphael, ~~has~~ recently began a business career in New York, following his graduation from the Harvard School of Business Administration.

Mrs. Virginia Silver comes from an old family of Wheeling, West Virginia, where Abba Hillel Silver occupied his first pulpit and where they were married.

Apart from his roles of Jewish statesman, scholar and teacher, Rabbi Silver has figured prominently in the civic life of his community, his state and his country. John Gunther in "Inside U.S.A." says: "Probably its (Cleveland's) most distinguished citizen today is a rabbi, Abba Hillel Silver." A park was named after him in Cleveland a short time ago.

The people of Israel have demonstrated their affection and gratitude to Dr. Silver in many ways. Most recently, an agricultural training school and village --Kfar Silver-- was established there in his honor. It is now under construction and should be completed in approximately a year from now.

December 7, 1954

Mr. Aaron Fishman
418 Central Park West
New York 25, New York

My dear Mr. Fishman:

Thank you for sending me a photostatic
copy of the original voting sheet at the
United Nations, which I shall be most happy
to put into my Israeli room.

With warmest regards and all good wishes,
I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rms

WRHS



Mr. Robert Avrutin
116 Campbell Ave.
West Haven, Conn.







