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Radio addresses, 1924-1925.



# Willard Storage Battery Company

MAIN OFFICE AND FACTORY  
246-286 E. 131<sup>ST</sup> ST.

Cleveland, Ohio

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

L. W. Zimmerman

October 7, 1924.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
1485 East 106th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

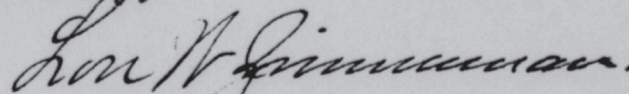
Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Referring to our conversation of yesterday, trust you have found your date book and with it, that you will be able to deliver, via radio, to all America, a message of Thanksgiving on the evening of November 26th - about 9:00 P.M. Suitable hour can be arranged.

Am sure the country at large would look forward to this event with much interest and pleasure.

Please advise me at your earliest convenience that I may arrange a musical setting that will be in keeping with the occasion.

Sincerely,



Director Willard Battery Co.  
Radio Studio S. Station WTAM.





October 9th, 1924.

Mr. L.W. Zimmerman,  
246 East 131st St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Zimmerman,

Permit me to thank you  
for your kind letter of October 6th.  
In looking over my date book, I find  
that I am scheduled to be in New York  
for a dinner on the evening of the 25th.  
In order to get here in time for your  
meeting on the 26th I would have to  
travel all day which would be quite a  
hardship on me. I should most gladly  
have availed myself of the kind opportunity  
which you afforded me, but I must forgo the  
privilege at the present time.

Hoping that I may be of service  
to you at some future time, permit me to  
remain

Very sincerely yours,



November Sixth  
1924

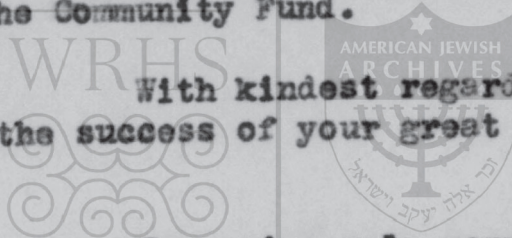
Mr. F. W. Ramsay,  
Cleveland Community Chest,  
Fifth Floor Electric Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Ramsay,

I shall be very pleased to be  
with you on Sunday afternoon, November sixteenth  
and contribute my *mite* to the radio program in  
behalf of the Community Fund.

With kindest regards and best  
wishes for the success of your great enterprise  
I am

Very sincerely yours,





*Sixth Annual Community Fund Campaign, November 17 - 25, 1924.*



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FIFTH FLOOR ELECTRIC BUILDING

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Rabbi Abba Silver,  
1485 E. 106th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Confirming our conversation of this morning,  
we are scheduling your talk on the Community Fund over  
the Radio for Sunday November 16th, at 3:30 P. M., in  
Room 2023 of the Union Trust Building.

Will you please plan to be there ten minutes  
before the time for your talk?

With deep appreciation of your cooperation,

I am,

Very truly yours,

*Dorothy Smith*  
Director, Radio Program.

DS:E

*Suppose Nobody Cared!!*



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Rabbi Abba Silver,  
1485 E. 106th St.,  
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My dear Rabbi Silver:

In behalf of the Community Fund

may I thank you for your contribution to  
the radio program last Sunday. It was splen-  
did for you to take the time out of Sunday after-  
noon, and I am sure you realize how many people  
were reached in this way that are never reached  
otherwise.

With appreciation of your kindness,

I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Dorothy Smith*

Director, Radio Program.

DS:B

*Suppose Nobody Cared!!*



# Willard Storage Battery Company

MAIN OFFICE AND FACTORY

246-286 E. 131<sup>ST</sup> ST.

**Cleveland, Ohio**

January 16, 1925.

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
1485 East 106th Street  
Cleveland Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver

Looking forward to Memorial Day, May 30th.

We know that many in this and other countries would enjoy and be benefited, if you can find the time to deliver a Memorial Day address from our studio on that evening.

It was my privilege, last Wednesday evening, to listen to a group of songs as presented by a male chorus from one of the Jewish organizations of our city, and I can truthfully say that I have not heard a better balanced chorus in a long time.

I think with this or a similar group assisted by our symphony orchestra, we could furnish a suitable setting with the dignified environment fitting the speaker and his message.

This program with proper publicity, would probably be heard ( conservative estimate ) by two or three hundred thousand listeners.

We know you are terribly busy, but won't you please give this your very earliest consideration?

If you think it worth while, I certainly hope (after consulting that little date book of yours) that you will be able to find the time and that the hour between eight and nine P. M., May 30th , is open.

Sincerely yours

*Sam Himmelman*

DIRECTOR WILLARD BATTERY COMPANY  
RADIO STUDIOS STATION WTAM

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January Seventeenth  
1925

Mr. Lon W. Zimmerman,  
Willard Storage Battery Company,  
246 East 131st Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

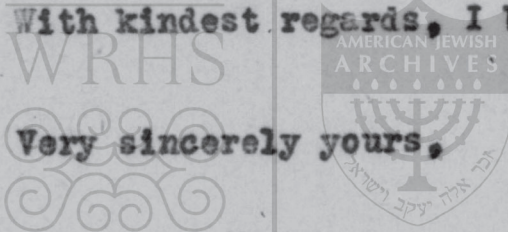
My dear Mr. Zimmerman,

Permit me to thank you for your  
kind letter of January sixteenth. I shall  
try to be with you on the evening of May 30th,  
between the hours of eight and nine.

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With kindest regards, I beg to

Very sincerely yours,





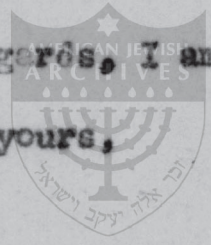
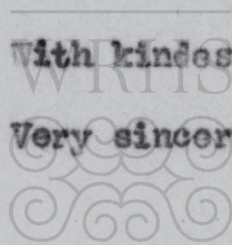
February Twentieth  
1925

Mr. Eugene Baer,  
Wheeling, West Virginia.

My dear Gage,

The only date I can give you is  
April 20th. I have engagements for the other  
dates which you specify. I will send you my  
subject shortly.

With kindest regards, I am  
Very sincerely yours,





PUBLIC AUDITORIUM  
CITY OF CLEVELAND

OFFICE OF THE MANAGER  
LINCOLN G. DICKEY

NOVEMBER 28th, 1925

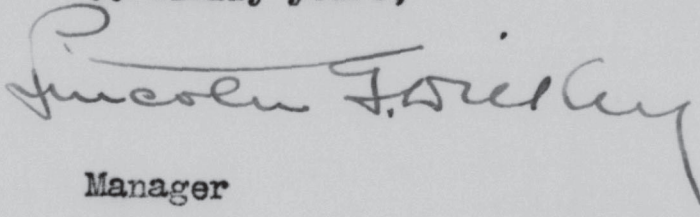
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
1485 E 106th Street  
Cleveland Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

May we add our thanks to those of the hundreds of thousands who heard you over the Radio in your wonderful Thanksgiving address, in the Blue Room last Wednesday evening.

It was a privilege and a pleasure to have you act as spokesman for the City of Cleveland in expressing in your own wonderful way the thoughts that we feel but cannot give utterance to.

Cordially yours,

  
Manager

LGD:PW



This architectural floor plan illustrates the layout of a proposed concert hall. The central feature is the **ARENA**, measuring 247'-0" by 120'-0" with an elevation of 100'-0". To the right of the arena is the **STAGE**, measuring 54' x 106' with an elevation of 103'-2". The plan includes a **VESTIBULE** and **CORRIDOR** system surrounding the central areas. Key rooms include **CHECK RM.** (checkrooms), **BOOTH**, **TELEGRAPH ROOM**, **REHEARSAL ROOM**, **PROPERTY ROOM**, and **CHORUS** rooms. The plan also shows **RAMP UP** and **RAMP DOWN** areas, **UP** and **DOWN** staircases, and an **EXHIBIT ENTRANCE**. A compass rose indicates North (N), South (S), East (E), and West (W). Dimensions and elevations are provided throughout the plan. A note on the right side indicates the **SITE OF PROPOSED CONCERT HALL** and its proximity to **116 FT. TO ST. CLAIR AVE**. A note on the left side indicates the **106 FT. TO LAKESIDE AVE**. A **KEY TO SYMBOLS** is located at the bottom left.

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THE MALL

CIVILIAN NOTES  
BLOODY SEMIOT AREA - 29.440 / Q 21  
BLOODY STAINS / 3 - OVER GREEN FLOOR - WITH  
10" HEBBORN  
AREA 10' ABOVE LEVEL OF 4 & 8TH ST  
FENCE / STATION / AT / 78" WALL / 10' ABOVE FLOOR  
BRUSH P-1 / 3 CORRECTION AT FLOOR PUCKETS /  
FLOOR PUCKETS - 15" Q  
FLOOR 27" E-10" - 25" HIL / Q 25  
FLOOR COVERING - MOOD

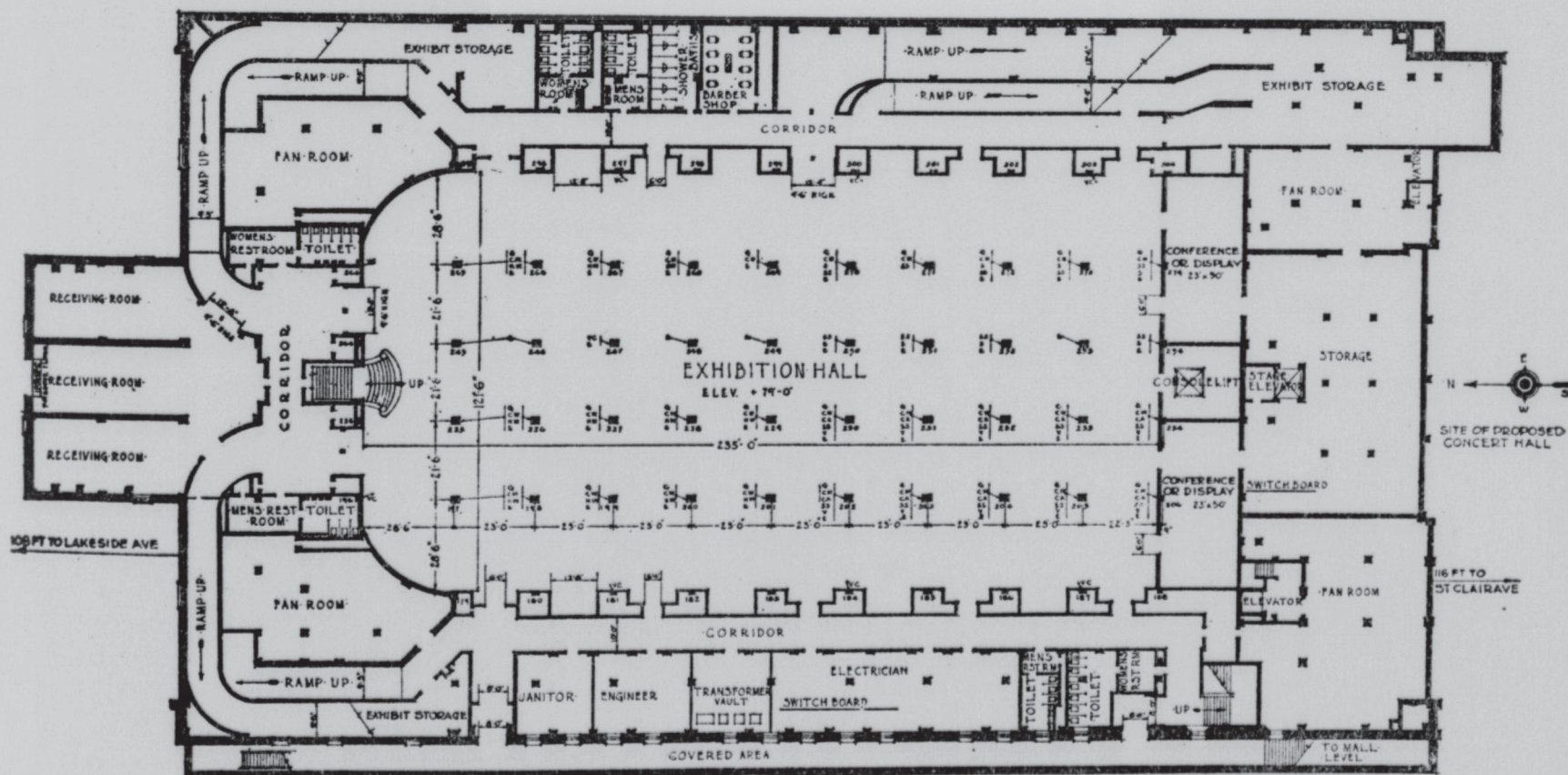
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EXHIBIT FACILITIES - ARENA FLOOR - CLEVELAND PUBLIC HALL

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EAST SIXTH

EAST SIXTH STREET

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## THE MALL

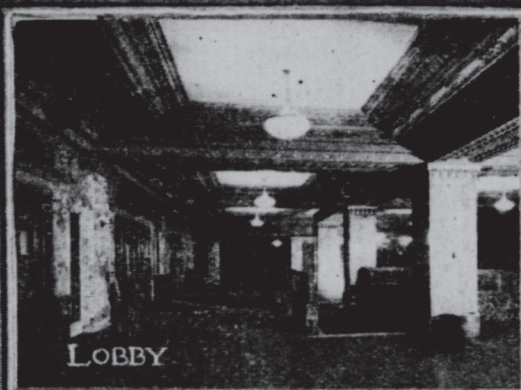
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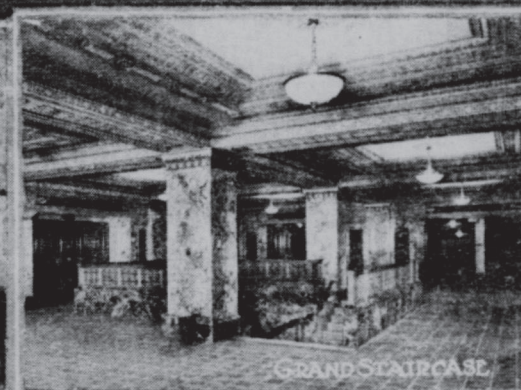
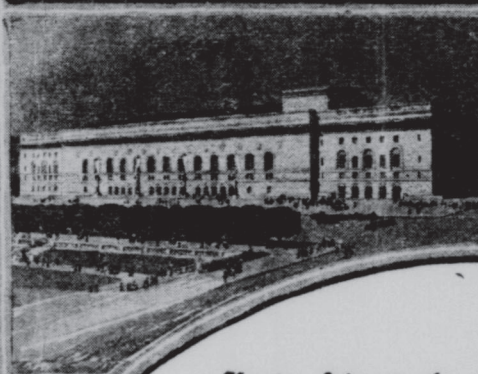
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EXHIBIT FACILITIES - EXHIBITION HALL - CLEVELAND PUBLIC HALL

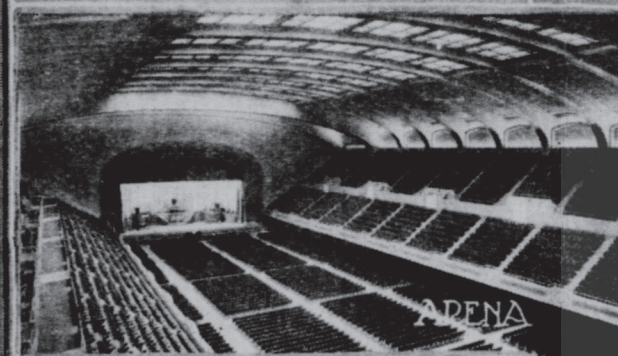




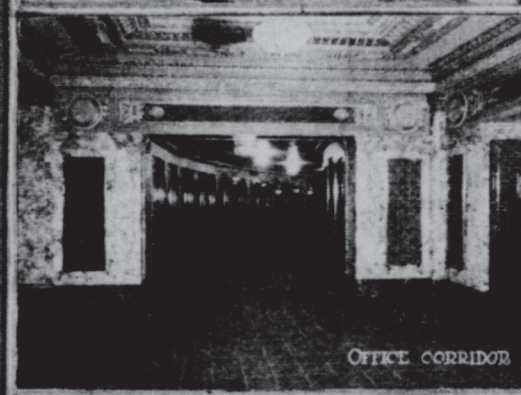
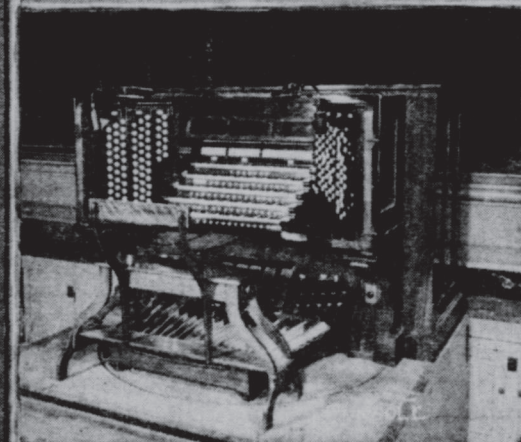
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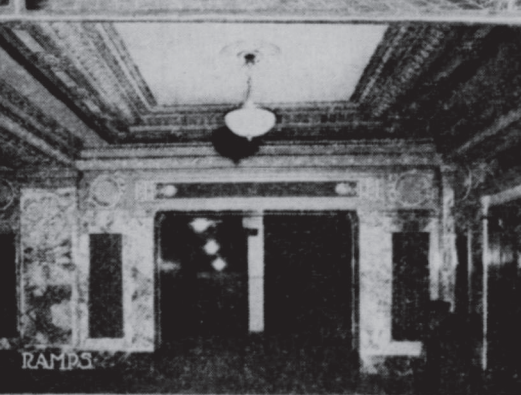
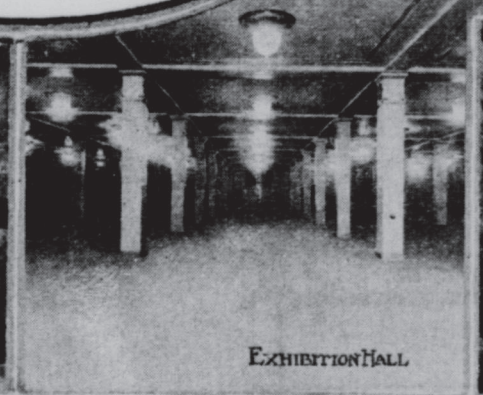
ARENA



OFFICE CORRIDOR



EXHIBITION HALL



RAMPS

## Facts About the Public Auditorium Cleveland, Ohio

### AUDITORIUM

Size: 200 ft. long - 215 ft. wide.  
80 ft. from Main Floor to Glass Ceiling.  
Floor for Exhibitions 247 ft. wide  
120 feet wide.  
Motion Picture Projection 330 ft.  
Public Address System.  
Lighting Effects with Three Colors controlled by dimmers.  
18,000,000 cu. ft. of Fresh Air circulated hourly.  
Circulating Ice Water.

Seats: 11,735 People.  
4478 Upon Arena Floor.  
2444 In Lower Balconies.  
3713 In Upper Balconies.  
1100 Upon the Stage.  
With Supplementary Facilities for National Conventions Seating 13,156.

### STAGE

Opening 72 ft. wide - 42 ft. 6 in. high.  
104 ft. wide - 60 ft. deep.  
Soundproof Curtain weighing 40 Tons.  
3 Elevators and Complete Counterweight System.  
30 Private Rooms for Stars.  
7 Large Chorus Rooms.

### \$100,000.00 PIPE ORGAN

10,010 Pipes. 150 Speaking Stops.  
Echo Organ of 12 Stops.  
Console of 5 Manuals and Mounted on Electric Elevator.

### MEZZANINE FLOOR

8 Large Committee Rooms.  
Manager's Offices.  
8 Rest Rooms.

### EXHIBITION HALL (BELOW AUDITORIUM)

121 ft. 6 in wide - 235 ft. long.  
Height of Ceiling 16 ft.  
22 Columns Containing:  
Alternating and Direct Electricity,  
Hot and Cold Water, Gas, Vacuum,  
Vacuum Cleaner, Compressed Air,  
High and Low Pressure Steam,  
Telephone, Drainage Pipes.  
Automatic Sprinkler System.  
4,500,000 cu. ft. of Fresh Air circulated hourly.  
Barber Shop, Shower Baths, Restaurant.  
6 Rest Rooms.  
Conference Room 50x23 ft.



REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION  
JUNE 1924



BALCONY CORRIDOR