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THE TEMPLE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

EAST 105th STREET and ANSEL ROAD . . . CLEVELAND, OHIO

September 5th 1940

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It is with much pleasure that I enclose your complimentary membership to The Temple Alumni Association for the coming year.

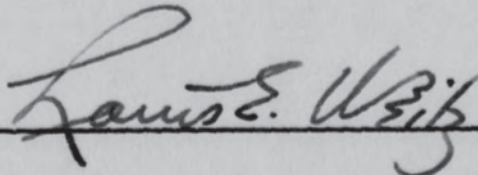
All of us associated with the organization hope that you will be able to join us both at our Board Meetings and our affairs and that Mrs. Silver will be able to attend.

May I remind you of our annual Fall Dance which will be held this coming Saturday, September 7th at the Statler Hotel. I hope that we may see you at that time.

Very sincerely yours,

THE TEMPLE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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" KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE ALUMNI "

THE TEMPLE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

EAST 105th STREET and ANSEL ROAD . . . CLEVELAND, OHIO

Dear Friend,

Fall is almost here and with it comes the membership drive of the Temple Alumni Association. This is your chance to assure yourself of a complete social, cultural, educational and religious program for the coming year. It is said, 'If there is one element in this world more than any other that makes life worth while it is that of friendship', and by joining the Alumni you can renew old friendships and form new ones.

Each year added effort is put forth to give you better affairs. This year we expect to have a very successful year, helped by an increased membership. This year we plan to have an outstanding event each month.

September - Dance at Hotel Statler
October - A seat in the Temple for the Holidays
October - Night with the Rabbi
November - Forum
December - Collegiate Reunion
January - Forum
February - The Formal Dance
March - Forum and Hobby Lobby Show
April - Forum
May - Annual Meeting

The Forums last year consisted of a musical by Boris Goldovsky, an Interfaith Round Table Discussion, Hobby Lobby Show and a pageant. Dancing and refreshments followed the Forums. We have Discussion and Dramatic Groups which meet regularly during the year.

The Alumni Association is a democratic group and its officers wish to have many of its members active workers in the organization. Therefore, anyone wishing to serve on committees should make that fact known.

The dues are three dollars a year and the dividends are great, so join now and we will see you at the opening dance Saturday night, September 7, at Hotel Statler - 'Music By Willard' - free to Alumni member and date.

Cordially Yours

Louis Weitz
President

P. S. For any additional information call Dan Klein or Hal Moses at YE. 6661

" KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE ALUMNI "

1940

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE

1941

The Temple Alumni Association

THIS CERTIFIES THAT

Rabbi Silver

is a member in good standing of The Temple Alumni Association and is entitled to all privileges pertaining thereto. Good until June 1st, 1941 when signed on reverse side. Purchased subject to provisions of eligibility to membership set forth in the constitution of the Association and By-Laws of The Temple.

Joe Levy

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MY COMPANY AND I ARE TERRIBLY UPSET OVER THE MISUNDERSTANDING REGARDING CONTEMPLATED SHOWING OF PASTOR HALL AT THE TEMPLE MENS CLUB TOMORROW NIGHT. UNDER CONTRACT TERMS WITH UNITED ARTISTS THIS PICTURE SOLD EXCLUSIVELY TO THE LAKE THEATRE AND DOES NOT PERMIT IT TO BE SHOWN IN ANY OTHER THEATRE HALL OR AUDITORIUM DURING ITS ENGAGEMENT AT THE LAKE. WOULD HAVE DONE ANYTHING TO PREVENT SITUATION OF THIS KIND AS BOTH MY COMPANY AND I ARE IN FULLEST SYMPATHY AND ACCORD WITH THE EXCELLENT WORK YOU ARE DOING. HOWEVER THIS IS A MATTER STRICTLY CONTROLLED BY CONTRACT WHICH I UNDERSTAND HAS BEEN EXPLAINED TO MR FINE BY MR STEARN OF UNITED ARTISTS KINDEST REGARDS=

NAT WOLF.

September 27, 1940

Mrs. Julius Fryer
2077 E. 4th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Winnie:

I think that we ought to hold a meeting of our Cultural Committee before long to plan programs for the congregational year. We might want to arrange for such as the symposium, "Religion Speaks", or any other program. We have made no plans at all during the summer because of the general situation. Please get in touch with me and we will set a time for the meeting which is mutually convenient.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

J. LEONARD OSTROW
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
705 STATE ST., ERIE, PA.

October 29th, 1940

Dr. Abba H. Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. & Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Before Rabbi Max C. Currick left for New York City recently, he left the message that I, as Secretary of the Temple Men's Club, should substitute for him in arranging for a speaker for the Men's Club Forum Dinner which is to be held on Wednesday, November 20th at The Temple, 10th & Liberty Sts.

Rabbi Currick suggested that I write your assistant Rabbi asking him to speak to our club on that day. However, Rabbi Currick neglected to give me his name and so I must ask you to kindly act as a messenger of that part of Israel which is included in the community of Erie. Will you kindly explain the situation to your assistant and convey to him the invitation of our Men's Club to speak in Erie on November 20th? I shall be glad to hear from him at his earliest convenience.

The President of our club, Morris G. Berenstein, informs me that, as has been the custom in the past, the Club will allot the sum of Twenty-Five Dollars to the visiting Rabbi for his expenses.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation,

I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. Leonard Ostrow
J. Leonard Ostrow.
Secretary.

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Nov 9-1940

HENRY MONTOR
UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 E. 42nd St.
NEW YORK CITY

PLEASE ENGAGE SIR NORMAN ANGELL FOR THE TEMPLE DECEMBER 22nd AND WIRE.

SILVER

November 22, 1940

William B. Feakins, Inc.
500 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Feakins:

Mr. Henry Montor has informed me that he has arranged through you for an address by Sir Norman Angell before The Temple on Sunday evening, December 22. I would appreciate receiving from you confirmation, contract, publicity, etc. as well as a list of Sir Angell's subjects.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

December 18, 1940

Mr. Sidney N. Weitz
Leader Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Sidney:

I thought that the resolution which was adopted at the last meeting of our Board to appoint a committee to study the question of clearing up our mortgage was an excellent one, and I believe that it should get to work immediately. Before very long we will all become immersed again in the United Jewish Appeal, and then the summer will be on.

In giving thought to the people whom you would like to put on the committee, it might be well to consider the name of Samuel D. Wise who showed keen interest in the problem at the last meeting; Nathan Dauby, with whom I discussed the matter some time ago; Eugene L. Geisner, Vice-president and former chairman of the Finance Committee; Milton Altschul, present chairman of the Finance Committee; Tobias Felber who has shown fine interest; Herman Moss; Ed Meisel; Louis Grossman; Richard E. Kohn; Eugene E. Wolf; and men of that type.

Perhaps an initial meeting can be held within the next two weeks or so. The Board suggested a preliminary report at its next meeting.

With all good wishes, and trusting that you have gotten over your bad cold, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

170 Brooklyn Avenue,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

December 26, 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street at Ansel Road,
Cleveland.

My dear Rabbi Hillel Silver:

I am most grateful to you, both for your very charming invitation to me to talk at your banquet and for your cordial little note of December 24.

I could kick myself quite violently hard that I have landed myself into quite a serious little spot of influenza during these days in which I should have been looking forward to Cleveland. In fact, I am looking forward to Cleveland.

Wrapped up like an Egyptian mummy, I had myself transported from my hotel in New York and carried over to my sister's house in Brooklyn, where they are spoon-feeding me every half hour in order to get me right. I believe Henry Montor must have written to you about my little misfortune. I need every ounce of vitality and voice to do my stuff on Sunday night. So I put myself entirely in your hands, or, if I may say so, Mrs. Hillel Silver's. I

know she'll supervise me.

It is going to be a great pride
and pleasure, at long last, to meet you.

Cordially yours,

Louis Golding

P. S. I am in bed away from a
typewriter. My niece has kindly
written this at my dictation.

L. G.



January 3, 1941

Mr. Louis Golding
170 Brooklyn Avenue
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Golding:

I trust that you have fully recovered from your cold. You were very brave to come here in spite of your physical discomfort.

I trust that you enjoyed your visit as much as the people enjoyed hearing you. We are grateful for the message of courage and confidence which you brought us.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
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TONIGHT THANK YOU

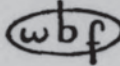
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THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

William B. Feakins, Inc.

500 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK
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February 11, 1941

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

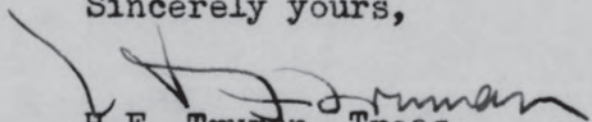
My dear Rabbi Silver:

Through the United Palestine Appeal, New York, we recently arranged for Madame Nordau to go to you for the Zionist Organization next Monday evening. Today they called again to say you wanted suggestions for Sundays, March 16 and 23, but did not know if your meetings would be held in the morning or the evening.

We are going to enclose printed matter in regard to the following:

DR. FRANK BOHN, Mar. 16 or 23 - - - - -	\$150.00
DR. BARUCH BRAUNSTEIN, both dates - - - - -	125.00
WILLIAM H. CHAMBERLIN, possibly available both dates - - - - -	150.00
EITEL WOLF DOBERT, both dates - - - - -	150.00
JOHN T. FLYNN, Possibly avail. 16th or 23rd -	200.00
STANLEY HIGH? possibly March 16 - - - - -	200.00
KLAUS MANN, both dates - - - - -	125.00
S.K. RATCLIFFE, both dates - - - - -	150.00
TONI SENDER, both dates - - - - -	125.00
ROBERT STRAUSS-HUPE, March 23 - - - - -	125.00

Sincerely yours,


H.F. Truman, Treas.

WILLIAM B. FEAKINS, INC.

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Feb. 13, 1941

Bernard Joseph
Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

WOULD PREFER DELAYING CABLE TO KAPLAN FOR A LITTLE WHILE UNTIL
SITUATION CLEARS UP A BIT MORE. I WILL BE IN NEW YORK 24 and 25
THIS MONTH AND WILL BE HAPPY TO DRAFT CABLE WITH YOU. STOP WOULD
YOU BE FREE TO COME TO ADDRESS MY TEMPLE WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION WEDNESDAY
AFTERNOON MARCH 12 AND GIVE SAME LECTURE WHICH YOU GAVE HERE
LAST WEEK. THIS WILL BE LARGE PUBLIC MEETING OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY
ATTENDANCE ONE THOUSAND. PLEASE WIRE. KINDEST REGARDS.

Abba Hillel Silver

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and many others

February 13, 1941

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am very happy to send you herewith a contract to cover
H. R. KNICKERBOCKER's appearance at The Temple on
March 16th - 10 A.M. - terms \$400 as quoted to Miss Hoffman.
Will you please sign and return two copies of the contract at
your earliest convenience, retaining one copy for your own
records?

I am not sure whether you will want any publicity material
in connection with this engagement, but if you do, please
indicate your requirements on the attached yellow slip.

I hope that you will be able to use one of the other speakers
for March 23rd. You will recall I offered M. E. FODOR, LOUIS
FISCHER, FULTON OURSLER, PERTINAX and BERTRAND RUSSELL - all
of whom are excellent.

Thank you for this opportunity to be of service, and if there
is any way in which we might be of further assistance, won't
you let us know?

Sincerely yours,

W. Colston Leigh

WCL:F
CC: Mrs. McNeil

Contract

This Contract, made and entered into this 13th
day of February, 1941, by and between

W. COLSTON LEIGH, INC., 521 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.,
hereinafter referred to as the "Bureau," party of the first part, and

THE TEMPLE

hereinafter referred to as the "Sponsor," party of the second part.
In consideration of the mutual and dependent covenants herein-
after set forth the Sponsor engages and the Bureau shall furnish

the services of H. R. KNICKERBOCKER

to appear in CLEVELAND, OHIO

on Sunday Morning
March 16, 1941

1. The Bureau shall furnish the Lecturer at the time and place specified herein.
2. The Sponsor shall:
 - A. Furnish a well heated, lighted and licensed place for the performance, in good condition, together with all necessary stage accessories and properties.
 - B. Furnish STEREOPTICON or MOTION PICTURE MACHINE with both license and EXPERIENCED OPERATOR if necessary in connection with said performance.
 - C. Do all advertising and pay for all express charges in printing and publicity, if any, of any printed matter furnished by the Bureau.
 - D. Pay any and all Federal or State Amusement taxes.
 - E. Remit check, or draft on a New York bank, for fee specified herein to W. COLSTON LEIGH, INC., immediately after the lecture or recital has been completed.

3. If for any reason not within the control or by the fault of the Bureau, the Lecturer is prevented from appearing, then this contract shall be deemed terminated, and the engaging organization shall have no claim for damages against the Bureau by reason thereof.

ATTRACTION H. R. KNICKERBOCKER
DATE March 16, 1941 10 PM
CITY CLEVELAND, OHIO

AUSPICES THE TEMPLE

SUBJECT (to be filled in)

CORRESPONDENT Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple

ADDRESS East 105th at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

TELEPHONE

TERMS FOUR HUNDRED (\$400.00) DOLLARS

IT IS FURTHER AGREED:



1 Hour
APPROX. LENGTH OF LECTURE

The Temple
AUDITORIUM

East 105th St. at Ansel Rd.
& ADDRESS

W. COLSTON LEIGH, INC.

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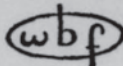


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Feb. 14th 1941

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I must apologize for sending you a telegram this afternoon asking hour and place for Mme Maxa Nordau's lecture on Monday. Not ten minutes after this had gone the contract giving this information, which you had signed and sent back, and which unfortunately got mislaid, came to my desk. I tried to stop the telegram, but it had already been sent out.

Mme Nordau will reach Cleveland at 11.16 a.m. on Monday morning as shown on the green sheet sent you some days ago, by New York Cen. Ry. from New York.

Sincerely yours

Millicent McLaughlin
For WILLIAM B. FEAKINS, Inc.

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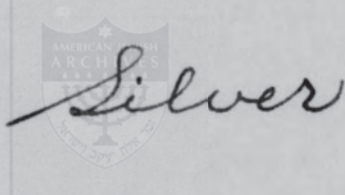
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WILLIAM B FEAKINS.

500-5th Ave

Norden has all information.

Kindest regards.



2-15-41

February 16, 1941

W. Colston Leigh, Inc.
521 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Leigh:

I am returning herewith the signed contracts to cover Mr. Knickerbocker's appearance at The Temple on March 16. Please advise Mr. Knickerbocker that due to the limited time set for the entire service, his address should not exceed forty-five minutes.

I would suggest, also, that he stop at the Wade Park Manor which is an excellent hotel just around the corner from The Temple.

I would appreciate it if you would send me Mr. Knickerbocker's list of subjects so that I may select one. Also, please send me a few glosses and some biographical material.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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FEBRUARY 17, 1941

DR. JOSHUA LIEBMAN
TEMPLE ISRAEL
LONGWOOD AVENUE AT PLYMOUTH
BOSTON, mass.

TEMPLE SISTERHOOD ARRANGING LARGE PUBLIC MEETING WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON MARCH 12th.
HAVE REQUESTED ME TO EXTEND TO YOU INVITATION TO BE THEIR GUEST AND SPEAKER. IT
WOULD DELIGHT ME AND EVERYONE IF YOU COULD COME. PLEASE WIRE ME WHETHER YOU CAN.
KINDEST REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

WRHS



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

W. COLSTON LEIGH, INC. • 521 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, N.Y.

.....Feb. 17....., 1941

As requested, we are sending under separate cover the following
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February 18, 1941

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We acknowledge with thanks receipt of the signed contracts for H. R. KNICKERBOCKER's appearance on March 16th. We have noted that the length of his talk should not exceed forty-five minutes.

Thank you for recommending the Wade Park Manor Hotel - we will ask Mr. Knickerbocker to stop there.

I am enclosing a folder which lists his lecture subjects and shall be glad to hear from you as to your preference. The publicity material you have requested is going forward at once.

Sincerely yours,

W. Colston Leigh

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JOSHUA LOTH LIEBMAN.

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February 20, 1941

Mr. W. Colston Leigh
521 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Leigh:

Rabbi Silver has asked me to communicate with you regarding Mr. H. A. Knickerbocker's subject for March 16th. We have selected "At the Ringside of History" as the subject of his address.

Our Sunday morning service begins at 10:30 A.M., and we should like Mr. Knickerbocker to be at the Temple at 10:15 A.M.

Sincerely yours,

ME:RR

Rabbi Melbourne Harris

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February 20, 1941

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

THIS IS TO ADVISE YOU THAT

H. R. KNICKERBOCKER

WILL ARRIVE ON SUNDAY, MARCH 16th AT 8:30 AM
VIA N.Y. Central # 21 AT _____ STATION
EN ROUTE FROM New York.

SHOULD THERE BE ANY CHANGE IN THIS SCHEDULE, YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED.

HOTEL - Wase Park Manor

Very sincerely yours,

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February 27, 1941

Rabbi Melbourne Harris
The Temple
East 105th St at Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Harris:

Thank you for your letter of February twentieth
advising us of your selection of subject for
Mr. H. R. Knickerbocker's March sixteenth engage-
ment.

This has been noted on our records and conveyed
to the speaker.

With much appreciation of your cooperation and
with all good wishes for a successful meeting.

Very sincerely yours,

Helen H. Buckley

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March 7, 1941

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

THIS IS TO ADVISE YOU THAT

H. R. KNICKERBOCKER

WILL ARRIVE ON Saturday, March 15th AT 11:30 AM
VIA Penn RR # 3741 AT STATION
EN ROUTE FROM Akron, Ohio.

SHOULD THERE BE ANY CHANGE IN THIS SCHEDULE, YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED.

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May 8, 1941

Mr. Jan Pearce
44 Rose Hill Gardens
New Rochelle, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

I was very happy to speak to you this morning and to learn that it will be possible for you to be the guest artist at the annual meeting of our Temple on Sunday evening, May 25. The meeting will be held at The Temple and will be open to the members of The Temple only.

I will arrange with Mr. Leon Machan to be your accompanist. He is a first rate artist and has accompanied many prominent guest artists in the city. He would appreciate receiving the list of compositions which you will sing so that he may look them over before your arrival. You will then require no more than one rehearsal on the day of your arrival. You can send the list to me or direct to Mr. Machan whose address is 3761 Northwood.

I would appreciate it if you would send me, by return mail, some photographs of yourself and some biographical data which may be of service to us in announcing the meeting.

As far as your program is concerned, the type of program which you presented in Detroit would be very appropriate -- operatic numbers, one or two Yiddish songs, perhaps a Hebrew liturgical number if you have one in your repertoire.

Would you like me to make hotel reservations for you? If so, I would suggest that you stop at the Wade Park Manor which is an excellent hote in close proximity to The Temple. I have informed the Committee that your honorarium will be \$500. They are very happy to learn that you can come.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

May 12, 1941

Mr. Joseph Guggenheim
3035 Meadowbrook
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Joe:

The annual meeting of The Temple, as you undoubtedly know, will take place on Sunday evening, May 25, in The Temple proper. We expect a large attendance. Jan Pearce, the famous Metropolitan Opera Singer, will be the guest artist. I would appreciate it if you would get in touch with the entire Usher Corps and make sure that they are in attendance Sunday evening. Please have them wear their cut-a-ways and retain their carnations from the morning service. Inasmuch as admission will be by card only, please have two or three ushers at the door.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

May 19, 1941

Mr. Sidney N. Weitz
Leader Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Sidney:

I am returning herewith your
Presidential Message. It is a gloriously
fine and elevating one and I was delighted
to read it.

I suggest the elimination of
just one sentence on page three which I
have indicated.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.

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Harris

Copy
Rabbi Silver

June 3, 1941

To the Members of the Finance Committee

Attention: Mr. Milton Altschul, Chairman

I desire to bring to the attention of the Finance Committee a matter which affects the efficiency of my function as Assistant Rabbi and Minister of Religious Education at The Temple. For a long time, I have felt that the distribution of the work in the Temple Office has not been apportioned fairly, and that certain duties affecting the outer office have been placed unfairly upon my secretary. This has affected the quantity and quality of the work for which I am responsible. I have discussed the matter many times with Mr. Levy, but have received no satisfaction. I am therefore bringing same to the attention of the Finance Committee for judgment.

As you well know, all of the activities and administration of the Religious School, High School, and College, as well as the editing of the Temple Bulletin, publicity concerning The Temple, and the arranging of programs for all affiliated organizations of The Temple, are channelled through my office. In addition to the above, I am required to preach every Saturday, and nearly every Sunday, as well as occasionally in The Temple, in addition to my speaking engagements in the community at large. All of this requires concentrative secretarial assistance.

For years, my secretary has done my work efficiently and faithfully; but it has been done not without a serious strain upon her. These duties would not be difficult were it not for the fact that certain other tasks, not rightfully within her province, have been loaded upon her. These additional tasks are: attending to the switchboard, answering calls and giving information of all kinds, taking care of Temple business, and addressographing all Temple Bulletins each week. Because of the switchboard, she has had to do all her work in the outer office, where constant interruptions seriously impede any concentrative efforts to accomplish work.

As far as time is concerned, the Temple Bulletin requires almost a full day to prepare. The Temple publicity requires another half day. Proof-reading and arranging of the Bulletin requires another few hours. My secretary takes Wednesday afternoons off, because she is required to be at the office on Saturday and Sunday mornings. The addressographing of the Bulletins requires another few hours. Approximately two and one half days are consumed in these essential duties. As you can see, this leaves little time for the rest of the work which must be done each week. Many times, because Mr. Levy's secretary is otherwise engaged, I have been unable to have my secretary come back to my office for dictation, (because she has had to attend the switchboard) and I have been forced to go to the outer office to dictate, where the constant interruption of phone and other Temple business has made it almost impossible

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to accomplish any amount of work. Even when my secretary does come back to my office, she must return to the outer office at 11:30, in order to enable the other girl to leave for lunch. All in all, the handicaps under which I have been forced to work are intolerable.

This situation cannot go on much longer. No girl can be expected to do effective and efficient work while attending to a busy phone such as ours at The Temple Office. No girl can be expected to concentrate on all the things required of her, while in the outer office of The Temple, with its ceaseless interruptions.

No other Temple of comparable size is so undermanned as ours. The Euclid Avenue Temple has two girls doing the same work which my secretary is expected to do. Temple Beth-El in Detroit has six girls in their offices, two girls doing the work which my secretary does, besides a full-time assistant to the Assistant Rabbi.

The Finance Committee should also be aware of the multitudinous administrative details which are necessary in a Religious School the size of ours. Our Religious School has an enrollment of close to 900 children. It not only meets on Saturdays and Sundays, but on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and Friday afternoons, for Special Hebrew, Pre-Confirmation, and Confirmation. Attached herewith is a list of the duties of my secretary. Careful examination of same will, I am sure, convince the Finance Committee, that there is enough to keep a secretary going for a full eight hours each day, without the additional burden of attending to a switchboard and mailing out Temple Bulletins.

I urge the Finance Committee, therefore, to weigh carefully the content of this situation, and give just consideration to the following recommendations:

1. That there be a fairer distribution of work in the outer office.
2. That my secretary be relieved of the duty of the switchboard.
3. That she do all work in my office.
4. That she be relieved of the duty of mailing out Temple Bulletins.
5. That on Saturdays and Sundays, she be stationed in the Teachers Room to do administrative duties in connection with the Religious School, and thus relieve the supervisors of small tasks, in order that they may devote more time to supervision.

Respectfully,

Rabbi Melbourne Harris

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4. Teachers' Records each week.
Sending out absent cards and envelopes.
Weekly attendance Reports -
Tabulating last week, last year's averages.
Sending copies to Religious School Committee and supervisors
5. Checking up on Absentees, withdrawals.
Calling for reasons.
6. Fixing up Teachers' boxes - reports, chalk, materials.
7. Mimeographing materials for school - letters.
Songs, slides Lists
Tests, Final exams Confirmation materials
Outlines Syllabi
Holiday materials Announcements for school
8. Typing plays - for extra curricular groups, Marionette, Dramatic, Broadcasting.
For programs on Holidays.
9. Teachers' Notices and Memos.
10. Distribution of materials.
Holiday materials
Jewish Welfare Fund materials
Tickets, Invitations, etc.
11. Registration - letters sent out to all children.
12. Letters to Parents - P.T. Meetings
13. Typing special announcements and programs
High School Program
Rally Day
Holiday Program
Temple Affairs - Annual Meeting, Forum, Symposium
Holiday Booklet
Father-Son Banquet
Posters
Men's Club
14. Sending out notices to Religious School and High School
Special assemblies, affairs, etc.
15. Keeping files in order for Religious School.
Entering grades on 1000 cards
Correcting addresses
Make up all promotions

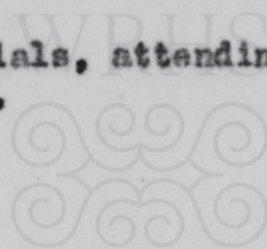
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Check up on make-up pupils

16. Correspondence in connection with school.
17. Personal Correspondence.
18. Typing sermons, lectures, reports, etc.
19. Make arrangements for weddings.
Show chapel and parlor
20. At end of year, make up records for honor roll, rally day, etc.

In addition

21. Take care of switchboard - with all interruptions.
Answer all inquires for information.
Take care of dues, contributions, when other girl is not in office
22. Mailing out Bulletins each week.
23. Attend to office on Saturday (only one) and on Sunday.
24. Selling books, materials, attending to all requests from teachers and students, miscellaneous duties.



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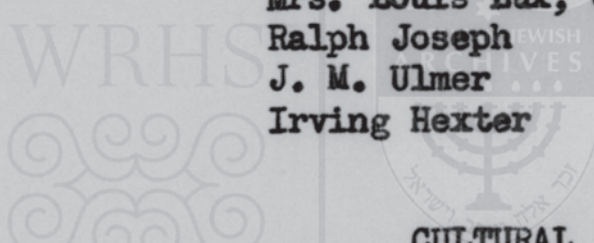
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44 Rose Hill Gardens
New Rochelle, New York
June 4, 1941

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

It was indeed a pleasure for me to sing for your congregation the other week. In my haste to make the train it seems that both of us overlooked the honorarium involved.

Hoping that you and your family are well and with kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Jan Peerce

JP:T

June 4, 1941

Mr. Jan Peerce
44 Rose Hill Gardens
New Rochelle, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

You gave us a great and memorable evening for which we are all deeply grateful. Your rendition of the Yiddish songs was superb. I hope that you may be able to come back to us right soon.

With all good wishes for a pleasant summer, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.

June 11, 1941

Mr. R. C. Norberg
1020 Indian Creek Road
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Friend:

I am taking the liberty of writing to you about a project in which we are engaged here at The Temple wherein I believe you might wish to be of help. I know, of course, that you no longer make your home here and that you are undoubtedly helping to support another religious institution in Philadelphia. Nevertheless, for old times sake, I thought that you might want to help our Temple with which you and your dear family were so actively identified for so many years.

You have undoubtedly received the illustrated booklet which we sent to our members in connection with the effort which we are making to lift The Temple mortgage which amounts to some \$130,000. This debt has proved a considerable burden upon us in recent years. We have had to pay out annually in interest and amortization over \$12,000. The Temple structure is getting older and we are confronted with the necessity for making major repairs for which no provision has been made. Also the general mounting cost of all things is causing us some embarrassment.

The Board of The Temple is therefore resolved to make an effort at this time to wipe out the mortgage indebtedness completely and it is appealing to the generosity of The Temple members to make that possible. We are asking our members to contribute for two years an amount equal to their dues during these two years. If there is a good sized response to this appeal, we shall succeed. If you can see your way clear to help us we shall be deeply grateful.

Please convey my best wishes to Mrs. Norberg whom I hope to have the pleasure of meeting in the not too distant future, and to your sons. With all good wishes in which Mrs. Silver joins me, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.