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THRILLED AT YOUR SUCCESS IN REPRESENTING AMERICAN JEWRY'S  
OPINION REGARDING PALESTINE PITTSBURGH UNITED JEWISH FUND  
PLANNING HUGE MASS MEETING DURING WEEK APRIL 12 TO ACQUAINT  
COMMUNITY WITH UJA NEEDS WILL ALSO BE BIG GIFTS DINNER ON  
SAME DAY ASSUMING YOU ARE BACK BY THEN WOULD LIKE YOUR  
PROMISE TO COME AND ACCEPTANCE BY RETURN CABLE=

MAURICE TAYLOR

UNITED JEWISH FUND OF PITTSBURGH.



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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

~~THE TEMPLE TE=~~

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GREETINGS AND CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR SAFE RETURN. DOCTOR  
TAYLOR CABLED YOU LONDON RE YOUR COMING HERE TO MEET WITH TOP  
GIVERS FOLLOWED LATER BY MASS MEETING. OUR PLANS HAVE  
AWAITED YOUR RETURN. CAMPAIGN RESULTS MUCH IN DOUBT AND YOUR  
STIMULATION NEEDED TO TOP BALANCE. SHALL ARRANGE MEETING  
YOUR CONVENIENCE ANY DATE WEEK BEGINNING APRIL 19TH. WOULD  
APPRECIATE YOUR WIRING ME=(

CHARLES J ROSENBLOOM.



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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

THE TEMPLE EUCLID AVE AND 105 ST=

1942 APR 6 PM 12:59

WE HAVE ALL BEEN WAITING ANXIOUSLY FOR YOUR RETURN FROM ENGLAND AND ARE DELIGHTED WITH NEWS OF YOUR SAFE ARRIVAL TRUST YOU CAN MAKE APPEAL AT BRONX U J A SPECIAL GIFT DINNER WEDNESDAY EVENING APRIL 29TH OR NEAREST DAY CONVENIENT TO YOU LAST YEAR DOCTOR CHAIM WEIZMANN RAISED OVER ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AT SAME FUNCTION BRONX JEWISH LEADERS HAVE BEEN IMPATIENTLY LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING YOU ESPECIALLY SINCE YOUR UNAVOIDABLE ABSENCE TWO YEARS AGO ON ACCOUNT OF DEATH IN YOUR FAMILY PLEASE REASSURE ME BY WIRECOLLECT=

MONROE GOLDWATER CHAIRMAN BRONX UNITED JEWISH

APPEAL 59 EAST 161 ST

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April 7, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We were very happy to get word that you would be able to come to Pittsburgh on either the 19th or the 20th, and we have selected Sunday, the 19th, and have been busy planning for it.

Our original plan of a dinner meeting for the \$1000 and over givers to be followed by a mass meeting has been changed. In order to take fullest advantage of your presence we are planning a meeting for the \$1000 and over givers at 5 o'clock in the afternoon and a dinner meeting for men only for givers of \$100 and over at 7 o'clock. This is a rather radical departure from our usual practice, but we feel that times being what they are that there may be advantages in group stimulation of giving. Naturally, those we are unable to get to come to the dinner will be seen individually.

Our decision to give up the mass meeting, as educational as that would be, was because of a fear that the time schedule would be a little bit too tight for comfort, so we have decided to concentrate on the fund raising efforts. We are sure that with your stimulation we shall have a maximum opportunity for producing the goods.

I find in checking the transportation schedule that there is a 1:15 train from Cleveland on the P. & L. E., which gets in at 4:15, or a 2:37 plane in the afternoon which gets in at 3:39. If you will let me know which of these you intend to take, we shall arrange to meet you. The meetings are to be held at the Schenley Hotel.



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April 7, 1942

Again with deepest appreciation for your coming and the undoubted assistance which it will afford us, and looking forward personally to seeing you again, I am,

Cordially yours,

*Maurice Taylor*  
Maurice Taylor  
Executive Secretary

MT:G





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

April 9, 1942

Monroe Goldwater  
59 East 161st St.  
New York, N.Y.

I SHALL BE PLEASED TO BE WITH YOU WEDNESDAY EVENING  
APRIL 29. KINDEST REGARDS.

A H SILVER

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April 10, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Silver:-

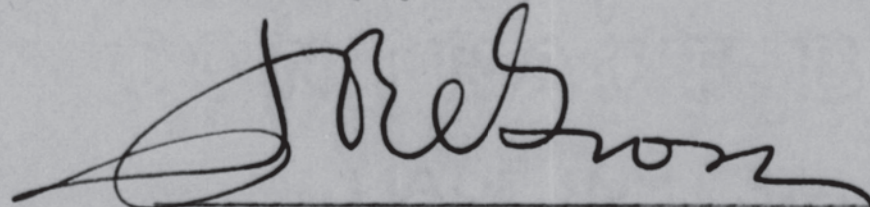
I cannot tell you how gratified I am that you have agreed to come to Newark on April 28th next to open our United Jewish Appeal Campaign. As Mr. Coons has probably advised you, our Campaign opening, originally scheduled for April 15th, was deferred, because of unanimous opinion here that you should open the Campaign, to such date as would be convenient to you upon your return from abroad. Thank you very much for agreeing to be with us.

Within the course of the next day or two, I shall write you fully with respect to what has been done to date and what our plans are. I shall send you, too, some of our Campaign literature, which will give you an idea of what we have been doing.

I am hoping we will start the Campaign this year with as much money already pledged as we ended the Campaign with last year.

With sincerest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,



Joel Gross, Chairman - 1942  
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April 11, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We have finally arranged for you to speak at the dinner to which we have invited the larger number of prospects of \$100 and over, and in that way we are only too happy to help you conserve your energy. We appreciate the tremendous pressure under which you have been and will be.

However, it did not seem to the Steering Committee wise to change our plans with reference to the five o'clock meeting with the \$1,000 and over group, and so they have asked Dr. Frank Kingdon to be their special guest on that occasion, at the same time hoping that you will be able to be here by that time so as to lend your presence without any responsibility for saying a thing. I trust that you will be able to come in time for this preliminary function, and if you will let me know just when and where to expect you we shall arrange to be there to meet you.

It is some time since we have taken a chance on an open fund raising meeting of this sort. My own view is that under these circumstances individuals are beset with various fears, but bringing them together should give them a sense of courage, particularly if properly aroused. We are confident in your supreme capacity to do just that very thing, and we are hoping and praying for a successful result.

With best wishes and looking forward to greeting you, I am,

Cordially yours,

*Maurice Taylor*  
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NIGHT OF MAY 12. WILL YOU STAY OVER IN NEWYORK TO SPEAK AT  
QUEENS DINNER ON FOLLOWING NIGHT OR PREFERABLY ON MAY 14.

QUEENS DINNER CANNOT BE POSTPONED BEYOND MAY 14 BECAUSE  
CAMPAIGN SCHEDULE WILL NOT PERMIT. IF AGREEABLE, PLEASE  
INSTRUCT YOUR OFFICE TONIGHT TO WIRE ME AT ONCE DATE OF  
YOUR ACCEPTANCE. QUEENS CAMPAIGN NEEDS YOU DESPERATELY.  
PLEASE ACCEPT=

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April 15, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

As Sol Cohen wired you, our Queens leaders feel greatly depressed because you do not find it possible to be their guest speaker on Tuesday evening, May 12th. They fixed the date to coincide with the luncheon of the Amusement Division in the hope that you would be able to be with them that evening.

I explained to our Queens people that your state of health does not permit you to accept two speaking engagements the same day and they are prepared to hold their dinner the following evening, Wednesday, May 13th or Thursday, May 14th.

As the Queens Division is composed of our biggest givers in Long Island, I do hope you will find it possible to accept their invitation on one of the three mentioned dates. I know that you addressed a UJA dinner in the Rockaways a few years ago but this is not the same group.

I would be very grateful for a reply by wire so that we may proceed with the necessary arrangements for the dinner.

With kind regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

*Samuel Blitz*  
Samuel Blitz  
Executive Vice-Chairman

SB:mf



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April 16, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:-

I hope that you have received the material which I instructed the United Jewish Appeal office to send you and which will give you some general information about what we have done and are planning to do.

We expect to have eight hundred people to dinner on April 28th. I am sure we would have no difficulty in having a greater attendance were it not for physical limitations in the matter of proper accommodations. Of those who will attend, my guess is that we shall have about three hundred potentially large givers present. I propose to solicit these prospects immediately upon the conclusion of your address.

If your arrangements will permit thereof, I should like to meet with you for a short time in the late afternoon of April 28th, and to have you meet, informally, with a group of about twenty-five for cocktails prior to the dinner.

Last year, we raised a total of \$255,800.00 as a result of our United Jewish Appeal Campaign, and this year, as of this morning, I have received pre-campaign pledges totalling, at least, \$194,000.00, and you may believe me that the surface has not yet been scratched. Organizational work has been perfected throughout all the Divisions of the Campaign, and the machinery should start operating - I hope in a most efficient manner - so soon as you press the button on the evening of April 28th.



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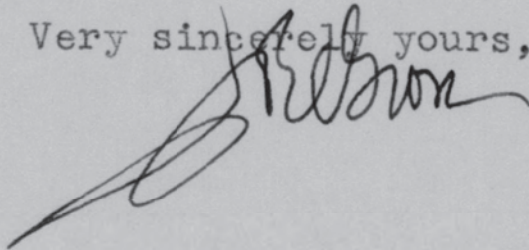
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

April 16, 1942

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Will you please let me hear from you  
as to whether the arrangements which I have suggested  
are satisfactory?

Very sincerely yours,



JG:SK





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Samuel Blitz  
250 W. 57<sup>th</sup> St.  
New York, N.Y.

April 17, 1942



I will make exception for Zuen's  
Division and will address them  
evening May 12. Please inform  
Sal Cohen

A. H. Silver



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April 17, 1942.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Pursuant to instructions from Mr. Joel Gross,  
Chairman of our 1942 Campaign, I have sent you under separate  
cover releases showing the results of our Initial Gifts parlor  
meetings and our Campaign Bulletins.

I hope, despite the myriad things which occupy  
your time and attention, you will find a few minutes to read this  
material. It will give you an understanding of the awakening of  
Jewish consciousness which has taken place in Essex County during  
the past few months. You have known Essex County Jewry to be  
remiss in the performance of its obligations, for these many years.  
You will see from the literature that I have sent you that some  
of the darkness which settled over our Jewish community has lifted.

When you come here on April 28th, you will see for  
yourself what I mean.

Cordially yours,

*Jacob Rich*  
Jacob Rich  
Campaign Director

JR:rd

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April 20, 1942

Mr. Joel Gross  
744 Broad Street  
Newark, N.J.

My dear Mr. Gross:

Thank you for your kind letter of April 16. I am pleased to know that you have already made such splendid progress in your campaign and I am looking forward with pleasure to my visit to your community.

I must, however, make one request. I have been working under terrific pressure in the last few months and I must conserve myself wherever possible. Much as I should like to come to the cocktail party before the meeting and meet people, I must deny myself that pleasure. It is too much of a drain upon my energies. I shall have a meeting in New York that same afternoon and two meetings on the following day. I am sure that you will understand. I will arrive in time for the evening dinner meeting. If you can arrange for someone to call for me at the Commodore Hotel I would appreciate it.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



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April 21, 1942

Abba Hillel Silver, D.D.  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:-

I have your kind note of  
April 20th.

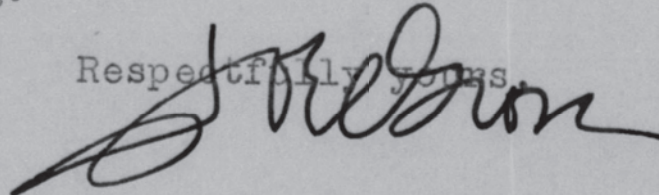
I did not know, when I made the request of you to come here in time to meet some of our leading workers before the dinner, that you had the other engagements which you mention. If I had known of them, I would not have made the request.

I shall call for you at the Commodore Hotel at 5:15 P.M. on Tuesday next.

I do hope that you will be able to arrange your calendar so that you will be in a position to remain at the dinner meeting until the conclusion thereof.

Thanks sincerely for everything you are doing.

Respectfully yours,



JG:SK



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cordially invites you to attend a

Dinner Meeting

to open the 1942 Campaign and to meet

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

at the Essex House

1050 Broad Street, Newark, N. J.

Tuesday Evening, April Twenty-eighth

at six o'clock

R. S. V. P.

Couvert: \$1.50



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**Wednesday  
April 29th**

**at the**

**Dinner Given by the  
United Jewish Appeal**

**at the**

**Concourse Plaza Hotel  
161st Street and Grand Concourse  
Bronx, N. Y.**





**Dr. Abba Hillel Silver**  
**is coming to speak to us...**



# Famed Speaker to Address Bronx United Jewish Appeal Dinner

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, whose radio audience numbers hundreds of thousands, but who rarely appears on the speakers' dais in New York, will pay a flying visit to this city to personally address the dinner given by the United Jewish Appeal on Wednesday evening, at 6:30, April 29th, at the Concourse Plaza Hotel, East 161st Street and Grand Concourse.

Dr. Silver, whose reputation as a great Jewish leader and educator is world-wide, is a National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine. Dr. Silver has just returned on the clipper from London where he conferred with Dr. Chaim Weizemann and other outstanding Jewish leaders. His report at the April 29th dinner will be an unforgettable experience.

A dynamic and magnetic personality, his activities in behalf of his fellow-Jews in particular and his fellow-men in general have taken a variety of forms. He made an exceptional record during the World War when, at the request of the American and French gov-

ernments, he served in France. At the conclusion of hostilities he was decorated by the French government.

His books, articles and radio addresses have been read and heard by millions. A recognized authority in the field of Jewish scholarship, his writings range from the most profound speculations related to the timeless aspects of Jewish religious life to an informed treatment of social and religious problems today.

An outstanding figure in the American rabbinate, Dr. Silver is the spiritual leader of The Temple in Cleveland. A leader in the cause of Palestine, he is National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal.

Acknowledged to be one of the most enthralling speakers in America, Dr. Silver will distinguish the Concourse Plaza dinner with both his great eloquence and his inspired devotion to the cause of Jewish welfare the world over.