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Dear Rabbi Silver -

Thank you very much for the beautiful
copper dish you sent. It is a highly
attractive addition to our home.
My wife joins me in our appreciation.
May we wish you the best in 1957.

Yours Truly,

Richard Wager

January 3, 1957

Mr. S. Fineman
13995 Superior Road
East Cleveland, Ohio

My dear friend:

I want to thank you for the check which you sent me.
In keeping with my practice, I shall place it into a
Charity Fund which I use from time to time.

I am pleased that I was able to be of some service
to you even though the occasion was a very sad one.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILIEL SILVER

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Jan. 6, 1957

Dear Dr. Silver:

Please accept my sincere
thanks for your thoughtful
holiday gift.

Nothing could have
pleased me more than the
"Silent Sister" from Israel.

All best wishes to you
and yours through 1957.

Sincerely,

Wm D. Woodward



thank you

225 W. 135 St.
NY 30, NY

January 7, 1957

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

Dear Doctor Silver:

I am very keen and appreciative to you for taking time out to send me a copy of that wonderful address of yours. I shall treasure this as one of my most precious gifts.

Again thanking you for all favors, I am very

Truly yours,

L. F. Coles



Dinnodie
2544 Chatworth
Euclid, 17, Ohio



Dr. A. H. Silver,
The Temple.

Arzel Rd. at E. 105th St.
Cleveland,
Ohio

January 7, 1957

Dr. A. H. Silver
Whitehall Hotel
Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. Silver:

Having just returned to my desk this morning, I am enclosing herewith your mail.

I found also the following described items which you may or may not have seen before your departure:

- A 'thank you' note from Stephen and Loren Kayser for your book.
- A Hebrew letter from the Jewish National and University Library (apparently acknowledging receipt of your book)
- A note from James N. Rosenberg of New York thanking you for your book
- A letter from CCAR (s/ Jacob M. Rothschild, Treasurer - a request for a contribution)
- An envelope from Michael M. Kane containing contractual information re demolition, excavation and grading, and flooring.

Mr. George Flesch was here this A.M. He asked that I try to get him another appointment and suggested that if you were going to be anywhere nearer East in the not too remote future perhaps he could see you then. (You have an engagement in Phila. on the 27th. If you think you can give him a little time then I will write him accordingly. If not any other arrangement you suggest).

Mrs. Edward A. Green phoned to have you officiate at her wedding which she plans for January 20th. (I have no information as to when you plan to return. In order to assist me in these matters I would appreciate hearing from you on this.)

Please convey my best wishes to Mrs. Silver. I hope she was able to take the trip comfortably and is finding the southern sun helpful.

Relax and enjoy yourselves. It is wonderful that you were able to take your trip.

Sincerely,

409 Edgecombe Ave.
New York 32, N.Y.

January 7, 1957

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

Dear Doctor Silver:

I saw your illustrious wife in Palestine in 1949 or 1950. She is a most charming person and when I heard you on the 17th of last month, deliver your address at the Waldorf-Astoria this City, I was elated.

So that I may have for my files a copy of what you said, I am asking you reluctantly to send me that address. I shall be grateful to you for so doing.

Respectfully yours,


(Mrs.) Mayme Richardson

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January 8, 1957

Dear Dr. Silver:

There was nothing in the mails today, outside of what I spoke to you about this morning.

Miss Nussbaum phoned from Pittsburgh re your engagement there on the 22nd. (I sent you her letter in my envelope of yesterday). If it is at all possible to advise her of the subject you will speak on she would appreciate it - the other details can be taken care of later without difficulties.

Two wedding dates were asked for today: Sun. 1/28/57 - 4 P.M. for Mrs. Edward A. Green (widow) (good standing). She is being married to a Carl A. Lippert of New York City. The other is Dr. Leon W. Meisel's daughter, Rita Lou Meisel, marrying Robert Drasny - on Sunday, August 18 - 3 P.M.

Rabbi Daniel, Mr. Givelber and Mr. Michael Kane were in consultation here all afternoon, re the building program.

Mr. Eisner is here now and we are going to go over a few things as soon as I get this off to you. I am enclosing the current copies of the pledge list, and, as you can see, the newest figure is \$651,639.51.

I will write you again tomorrow.

Please convey my best wishes to Mrs. Silver. Mr. Eisner asks to be remembered and says he would like to be there with you.

Hope your weather is tops and that you are enjoying yourselves.

Sincerely,

January 9, 1957

Mr. Dick Wright, District Manager
Stanley Warner Management Corporation
1000 Carnegie Hall Building
1220 Huron Road
Cleveland 15, Ohio

Dear Mr. Wright:

Rabbi Silver has asked that I acknowledge receipt of the 1957 season book for your theatres in Cleveland which you so graciously sent him.

He is very appreciative of your thoughtfulness and has asked me to convey his best wishes for a very happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

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*your Leo B
dep. 250.00 atts me 1/10/57*

A. N. JAPPE
ATTORNEY AT LAW
TERMINAL TOWER
CLEVELAND

January 9, 1957

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Circumstances beyond our control prevented us from making distributions in the Katz estate until the present time.

We are enclosing our check for \$5,000.00, representing Eddie's pledge to the building fund.

We are also enclosing check for \$300.00, representing his pledge to the Union of Hebrew Congregations, as well as check to you personally.

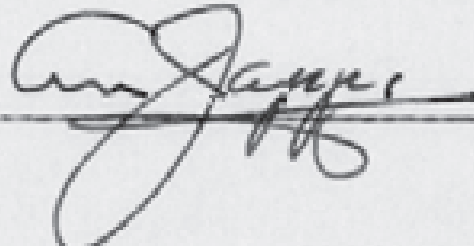
On behalf of the Katz family, please accept our thanks and appreciation for the splendid sermon you preached at the funeral service.

With kindest regards, we are

Sincerely yours,

A. N. Jappe & Ralph A. Katz, Co-Executors
Estate of Edward M. Katz, Dec'd

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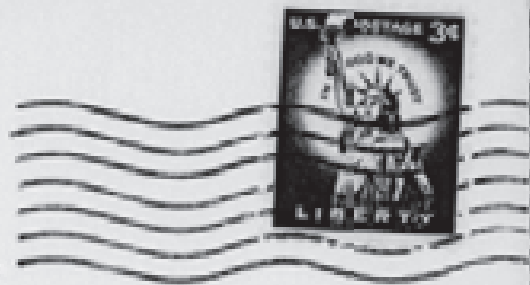
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AFTER 5 DAYS RETURN TO

Louis Reim
3237 E. Overlook Rd

CLEVELAND ZONE 18 OHIO



To

Rabbi. A. H. Silver

The Temple

E. 105 and Ansel Rd

Personal

City

January 17, 1957

Mr. A. N. Jappe
Terminal Tower Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear friend:

Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter of January 9th. Mrs. Silver and I were away for a short vacation in Florida and have just returned today.

I want to thank you for the interest which you have shown in the matter of the Katz Estate and the contributions which he made to The Temple and to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

The Temple wishes to acknowledge the receipt of the contribution of \$5,000.00 from the Estate of Edward Katz to The Temple Building Fund and also the contribution of \$300.00 to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

I am personally grateful for the check which you sent me. In keeping with my practice, I shall place it into a charity fund which I use from time to time.

With warmest regards to you and to Mr. Ralph A. Katz, permit me to remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

January 17, 1957

Mrs. William B. Schwartz
5622 Greenspring Avenue
Baltimore 9, Maryland

My dear Sybil:

I received your note. Please pardon the delay in replying to it. I have just returned from a brief holiday in Florida and my correspondence has lagged.

I shall be very happy to see you at the Shustermans on February 5th but I am afraid it will not be possible for me to come to your home after the lecture.

I am working under great pressure these days and after a meeting in the evening I like to return immediately to my hotel to rest. I am sure you will understand.

With warmest regards and looking forward with pleasure to seeing you in Baltimore, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 1957

ARE AMERICANS DRIFTING TOWARD SEX ANARCHY ?

With special reference to Professor Pitirim A. Sorokin's recent study "The American Sex Revolution"

Sir,

I read a note up in
the paper about Ingrid
Bergman.

I most heartily agree
with you. I certainly
don't think she should be
given any award, we have
too many good actresses
that are eligible.

None people. I should
oppose their names.

I am not of your faith,
but I forbid my family to
see her pictures.

They don't like different
faiths and her, and her
pictures.

Sincerely,
Mr R. Carter

Cleveland, Ohio
Jan. 21, 1957.

Dear Rabbi Silver: Just a note of thanks
for that sermon you preached Sundays
on the modern attitude of sex. I read an
account of it in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

More preachers should have courage to
speak out against this violation of the
procreation ability of the human race, which
should be considered sacred.

I am a writer and have manuscripts re-
jected because they were not like "Done With
The Wind," expressly stated by the editors. It

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Rabbi Abba Hallel Selner
Cleveland, Ohio.

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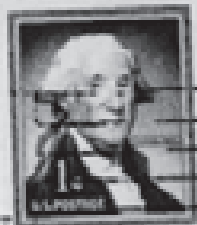
Thanks again. Maybe other pastors will
follow through.

Sincerely

(Miss) Della D. Hatfield
Member First Methodist Church

Many Thanks

Gretta D. Halstead
P. O. Box 5364
Cleveland 1, Ohio



Rabbi Abner J. Heller
19810 Shaker Ave.
Cleveland Ohio

Hudson M. Monroe
2421 LARKIN STREET
SAN FRANCISCO

21 January 1957
San Francisco

Rabbi Abba Hiller Silver
Cleveland, Ohio.

Sir:

We hope we have addressed you properly. Being a Protestant, I am not with the proper title for a Rabbi. This letter is written, commending you for the enclosed from our San Francisco Scripps Daily News. Like countless other Americans, we resent the visit of Ingrid Bergman to our shores. How callous can a woman get?

I don't blame her as much as the film industry, which could have awarded this distinction, in absentia. Just why she had to be brought to this country, so some stuffed shirt could make a speech is beyond me. Mrs. Monroe and I are retired. She a professor of the San Francisco State Teachers' College, and myself as an administrator of the oldest High School west of the Mississippi. (Lowell High School of this city). We are not reformers, but we deeply resent this woman coming to the U.S.

Perhaps Rabbi Burstein, of San Francisco has met you. He was one of my fine friends. His daughter was one of my students.

This note does not warrant a reply. Just read it, and to know that we agree with you 100%. With best wishes.

Yours truly

Hudson M. Monroe

Dear Rabbi Silver. Pardon this typed letter. My eyes are not too good.



SMILING GOODBY, actress Ingrid Bergman concludes a whirlwind trip to New York City, where she accepted Film Critics' award for her performance in "Anastasia."
(United Press Telephoto)

'Who Among Us Shall Cast the First Orchid'

By the United Press

CLEVELAND, Jan. 21.—Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver bitterly attacked the welcome given actress Ingrid Bergman on her arrival to receive the New York Film Critics award for her role in "Anastasia."

He said, "Yesterday our newspapers carried stories of an actress who was taken in adultery, who had a child when married to another man, yet who was greeted with acclaim like a conquering hero returning."

"While we have been admonished not to throw the first stone, we have not been admonished to throw orchids in her path."

Jan. 21, 1957

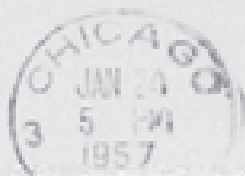
Rabbi Abba Silver

Dear Sir:

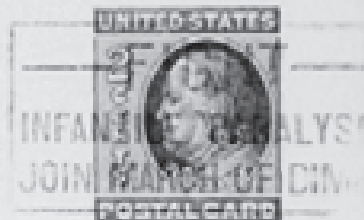
Though not of your faith, I wish
to thank and congratulate you on
your sermon as reported on Jan 21st P.D.

If only more people would protest
to newspaper, magazines, television,
movies, publishers, all those money-
making sources of indecency, perhaps
we could raise the public morals
from the depth to which it has
fallen -

Grateful.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Jan 21, 1957

In our Chicago Daily News I read your
Comments about an adulterous actress. I
heartily commend you and wish that we had
more men like you whether in Temples,
Churches or Civic leaders.

Righteousness exalteth a Nation but sin is
a reproach to any people.

Clarence H. Walker
723 S. Euclid Ave Villa Park, Ill.

Dear Patti Silver

Thank
you for your article in
the morning paper.

My views
apartly; but people
think I'm an earnest.
I do not think morals
change in any age.

One of the reasons for
my divorcing a man
of many years, is doubt
standard of morals
which I could not
and never will see.

Thank you

please forgive I just
couldn't sign my name.

January 21, 1957

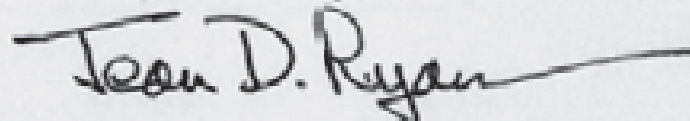
Dear Dr. Silver:

I was deeply gratified to read of your most firm and forthright stand against the pornographic literature, movies and entertainment(?) in our midst today.

I am a Catholic, and a mother - and am delighted to know that you have joined with us in our protest against the progressive immorality of our times.

Thank you!

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Jean D. Ryan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

(Mrs.) Jean D. Ryan



PRAY
FOR
PEACE



Rabbi H. Silver
Ansel Rd. Temple
Cleveland Ohio

1-21-57

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
ansel Rd 1105TH.
Cherry Ohio

Dear Sir

I would like to have a
copy of your talk of Sunday January 20-57
in the Temple, 20.



Thank you very much.
Respectfully yours.

Bela Greenfield
1440 W 3RD ST.
CLEVELAND, OHIO 13

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it up signed a
74 year old man

Holy Blossom Temple

Bartholomew Road at Ansel Road

Toronto, Ontario, Canada

January 23rd, 1957.

Reply of the Rabbi

ABRAHAM L. FEINBERG

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Congregation Tifereth Israel,
East 105th Street & Ansel Road,
CLEVELAND 6, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Two weeks ago, a six-page report by an inter-denominational commission was submitted to the Canadian Council of Churches, in which Protestant clergymen and congregations were urged to tackle seriously the problem of converting Jews to Christianity. (The Canadian Council of Churches is the over-all Protestant Church organization in Canada). The Council's Evangelism Committee approved the report.

The report, parts of which were published in the newspapers, aroused considerable feeling in the Jewish community. As a result, I issued a statement on Wednesday, January 16th, in reply. This statement of mine ~~was~~ received considerable attention and ~~received~~ a great deal of response. In fact, the statement has been mimeographed because so many requests came in for copies.

I thought this might be of interest to you and, therefore, you will find enclosed the complete text of my statement, along with a clipping from one of the newspapers.

With warmest good wishes, as always, I am

Sincerely,

Abraham L. Feinberg

Rabbi Abraham L. Feinberg

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Your latest book, on the differences between Judaism and Christianity, is most timely, necessary, & brilliantly effective!

city's worst housing. Decaying houses in background are typical of the area.

Globe, Mail - Jan. 17/1957

Campaign to Christianize Jews Called Tactless and Misguided

Toronto Jews are annoyed at a six-page report approved by the Canadian Council of Churches which calls for a stepped-up campaign to Christianize Jews.

Rabbi A. L. Feinberg of Holy Blossom Temple described the report as unrealistic, tactless and misguided, however sincere and well meaning.

"We find it difficult to regard with equanimity the published assumption that we dwell in spiritual darkness, stubbornly adhere to an inferior and super-seeded faith, and are therefore a prime target for missionary endeavor," he said.

"The gentle persuasive method outlined by the CCC report is a far cry indeed from the flaming

pyres of the Inquisition. Regrettably, however, Protestant churches were advised to use the home approach and engender an atmosphere of friendliness through the children.

"Are we to conclude that the friendship of fine, warm-hearted profoundly generous and brotherly Protestant ministers for Jews is calculated as a means to an end—and that they would sow discord in Jewish homes by a kind benign bribery of innocent children. I cannot believe that this was the deliberate advice, or that the Protestant clergy will follow it."

Rabbi Feinberg said he did not fear an intensified missionary drive for Jewish converts — the harvest in the past has always been negligible.

"More urgently than Christian missionaries to Jews, our world needs Jewish missionaries to Jews and Christian missionaries to Christians. This grim, hate-ridden world needs true Judaism no less than it needs true Christianity. Our observation is that Jews who leave the fold are impelled more strongly by practical rather than spiritual reasons.

"Loyalty to one's own faith, whatever it be, is a foundation-stone of character and citizenship. Instead of weakening a child's trust in the faith of his fathers, and endangering spiritual stability, we might better strive to fortify it.

"The challenge at this hour is for men and women of all faiths to translate into everyday practice their own lofty teachings."

No one denies the Christian church its right to propagate what seems to them the ultimate and absolute truth, the Rabbi said.

"The missionaries of Christianity have brought hope and healing and help, both of spirit and body, to savage and benighted people throughout the world. Their sacrificial self-denunciation is among the noblest fruits of Christendom.

"Surely our entire democracy is based on the assurance that every person, whatever his creed or caste, is actually created in God's image and endowed with God's spirit. No modern, cultured Canadian can lightly overlook the implication that he is only potentially a son of God."

Rabbi Feinberg said hundreds of his 5,000-member congregation had expressed indignation at the CCC report and urged him to reply. The report caused a lot of uneasiness among Jewish youngsters, he added.

Under One Roof Now

New Art College Home To Be Opened Friday

By PEARL McCARTHY

The new building of the Ontario College of Art at 100 McCaul St., is to be opened Friday night by Education Minister Dunlop. In this case, the opening of a building means more than just increased space and modern facilities. For the first time since it was a comparatively small school in a smaller Toronto, this provincial institution is brought under one roof, with opportunity for that student and faculty life which makes a college.

In the art class rooms, greatest improvement has been made in the sculpture department, which is now a lofty room with wide doors for taking out large works.

Perhaps of most long-range importance, however, are the new halls that make college life possible and enable the public to think of the college as a specific institution. There is an exhibitions hall, which will seat more than 300, so that events such as annual exhibitions, graduation exercises and the annual ball may be held on home ground. There is a commodious library. A cafeteria restaurant serves as a

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Rabbi Abraham L. Feinberg,
Holy Blossom Temple,
Toronto, Ontario.

Statement in reply to
Canadian Council of Churches
Report, Issued
January 16th, 1957.

"CHRISTIAN MISSIONARIES TO THE JEWS!"

A recent report to the Canadian Council of Churches urges Protestant denominations to tackle seriously the Christianizing of Jews. This intensified program to convert Jews is tactless, unrealistic and misguided -- however well-meaning and sincere. It widens the gap between church and synagogue and greatly disturbs a relationship which had become increasingly harmonious during these past years.

No one denies the church's right to propagate what seems to them the ultimate and absolute truth. The missionaries of Christianity have brought hope and healing and help, both of spirit and body, to savage and benighted peoples throughout the world: in African straw huts, Chinese bamboo houses and Eskimo igloos. Their sacrificial self-dedication is among the noblest fruits of Christendom.

The Children of Israel, according to some fundamentalist doctrines, must be won for Christianity as a necessary prelude to the Second Coming and the Kingdom of God. Theologically, Jewry is the special concern of proselytizing efforts by the church, and should not be surprised when a six-page report outlines a careful strategy for the conquest of Jewish souls.

Yet we Jews find it difficult to regard with equanimity the published assumption that we dwell in spiritual darkness, stubbornly adhere to an inferior and superseded faith, and are therefore a prime target for missionary endeavor.

The report to the Council of Churches, for example, recommends, without condescension I hope, first that the Jew be treated as a "person", and then as a "potential child of God"..... The word "potential" suggests

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that the Jew is denied the status of being a child of God until he enters the church,.... Such is undoubtedly the sincere opinion of the Committee which presented the document. They are certain that acceptance of Christianity by the unbeliever would profit him immeasurably, because he thus achieves full rank as God's child -- and eternal salvation.

Surely our entire democracy is based on the assurance that every person, whatever his creed or caste, is actually created in God's image and endowed with God's spirit. No modern, cultured Canadian can lightly overlook the implication that he is only potentially a son of God, and bereft of the Divine birthright!

Jewish history for almost twenty centuries has been shadowed by the attempts of zealous Christian churchmen and potentates to force acceptance of the Christian creed. From the days of Constantine in the Fourth Century, when Christianity was adopted as the official religion of the Roman Empire, to the baptized but still-barbaric Visigoths of Spain, to the Inquisition, Crusades, seventeenth-century Poland, the Russian Czars, throughout many generations, literally millions of Jews were confronted by the choice of the baptismal font -- or loss of all earthly goods, exile, and frequently death. And even in modern, civilized Europe, conversion to Christianity was often the only "ticket of admission", as the great German-Jewish poet Heine described it, whereby Jews could obtain access to a university education, a trade, a career, or a desirable place of residence.

Under such pressure and temptation, a portion of Jewry deserted, although the overwhelming majority stood firm, loyal to their heritage. Is it any wonder that often the Jewish convert to Christianity is regarded by Jews as a weakling and an opportunist?

The gentle, persuasive method outlined by the Council of Churches report is a far cry indeed from the flaming pyres of the Inquisition. Regrettably, however, Protestant churches were advised to use "the home

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approach", and engender "an atmosphere of friendliness" through the children. Are we to conclude that the friendship of fine, warm-hearted, profoundly generous and brotherly Protestant ministers for Jews is calculated as a means to an end -- and that they would sow discord in Jewish homes by a kind of benign bribery of innocent children? I cannot believe this was the deliberate advice of the report, or that the Protestant clergy will follow it!

I do not fear an intensified missionary drive for Jewish converts. The harvest has always been negligible. Through the early years when Toronto harboured a tiny Jewish community, its fringe was more easily absorbed in the Christian world -- because of the subtle osmosis of economic and social assimilation and intermarriage, rather than organized missionary endeavour. Our observation is that Jews who leave the fold are impelled more strongly by practical rather than spiritual reasons.

One of modern Christendom's most eminent thinkers, Paul Tillich, has conceded that "by historic providence Jews have an everlasting function in history"..... That declaration of Judaism's role in God's eternal Purpose clashes favourably, and I trust triumphantly, with the goal set forth in the Council report. Our grim, hate-ridden world needs true Judaism no less than it needs true Christianity.

In the time of Jesus, Judaism carried on an extensive missionary movement of its own. Does not the New Testament complain that the Pharisees scoured land and sea to make one convert? From the palaces of the Roman aristocracy to the slave-pens, sensitive and intelligent people were drawn to covenanted Judaism and its incorruptible morality in the engulfing mire of pagan vice.

For a time Judaism and Christianity were locked in competition for the heathen masses. The daughter-faith adopted the basic Jewish

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belief in one God and most of its ethics, but modified them in directions more familiar to the Gentiles. Under the stimulus of Paul, the most brilliant of all missionaries, Christianity swept the field.

Finally, Constantine and his successor, in the fourth century, decreed the end of all Jewish missionary work. Jews were forbidden to engage in Judaizing on pain of death for Jewish missionary and Christian convert alike. That ban, with capital punishment for violation, remained throughout the centuries, until the dawn of our "new age".

In 1946, inhabitants of San Nicandro, a remote Italian village, were led into Judaism by a peasant who had become convinced of its truth by reading the Bible, and they now live in the State of Israel.

Is Judaism preparing to revive its ancient missionary passion, and compete again with Christendom, as some rabbis now propose?

First, in a world which witnessed the martyrdom of six million Jews under Hitler, the resources of the Jewish people are required for sheer survival. We cannot afford the expensive luxury of a missionary movement!

Second, Judaism emphasizes not creed, but deed. Rather than a universal religion of doctrine, we aspire to the universal dominion of brotherhood and justice. Our war-clouded world hungers, not for a program to make everyone believe alike about the Life Beyond, but for a platform on which everyone will act alike, for God's kingdom in this life. To reach that goal, it is enough to accept the common core of both Judaism and Christianity: "Love the Lord -- and thy neighbour as thyself".

Third, Judaism does not claim to be the only road to salvation. Anyone can become a Jew; some of Holy Blossom's most devout members came to it from the Gentile community; sincere converts are welcomed into the Jewish fold, although rabbis are enjoined by their Law to discourage the prospective convert by describing the hardships and burdens of Judaism.

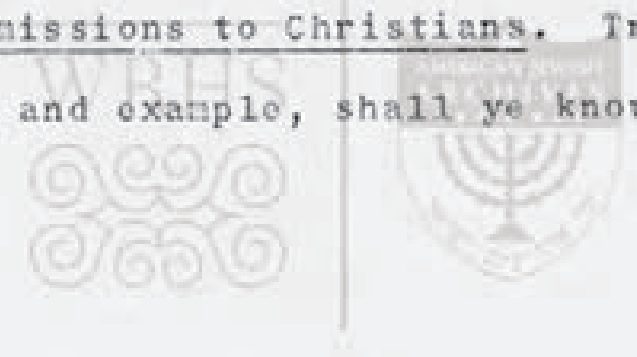
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Yet no one is ever told that he must join Jewish ranks to be saved, in this world or the next. Judaism states explicitly that righteous people of every faith have a share in eternal redemption.

Judaism is my religion, the best I have ever known, the source and secret of strength, the basis of belonging and well-being; Christianity is best for others. Loyalty to one's own faith, whatever it be, is a foundation-stone of character and citizenship. Instead of weakening a child's trust in the faith of his fathers, and endangering spiritual stability, we might better strive to fortify it.

The challenge of this hour is for men and women of all faiths to translate into every-day practise their own lofty teachings.

More urgent than Christian missions to Jews, are Jewish missions to Jews, and Christian missions to Christians. True religion begins at home! By their fruits, and example, shall ye know them!



W. Litchville Ohio
Jan 23rd / 1957.

Rabbi Abba Hillel.

Gesland, Ohio

Read your article in the paper in regard to
Ingrid Bergman's return to our Country and I do
agree with you, isn't there something decent folk
can do to keep low down people from being greeted
like Kuros, why can't they be kept in their place, can't
American people get it into their heads not to up-
hold women like Ingrid Bergman and this trashy
sexy music like Elvis Presley acts so degrading on
stage when he sings why does Ed Sullivan
make a Fool of himself by up-holding Presley.
Am sure it is the Church people's duty to get rid
of Ed Sullivan's Program because he up holds low
down sexy music. I am much afraid Elvis Presley will

never be called into the Army men like Ed Sullivan
who think he holds the world in his hands will see
to it that I surely won't go hit some decent Mother who
has a decent Son will go.

yes the Movie men are making fools out of all decent
people cant it be stopped before too late. I am
learning to hate men like Ed Sullivan we pay for a T-V
and then turn it off because they only have too down
programs, why not put men like Ed Sullivan off the air
of course money keeps him in the air and money really
talks, the low down acts and actors gets all the applause
cant the majority be decent and are where we are headed.
Do like the better class of people can do the job of
snapping up the low down and I feel the Church
people will be the ones and the only ones who can make
this a better world to live in if they get together and all
fight this low down sexy stuff on T-V programs most
Parents of today are Parents in name only so they
cant and dont want to better the world by teaching
and up holding only up lifting ways of living and

T-V programs (Do hope the Ministers and Church people
will get busy now so we older people dont need be
nerved to death seeing the youths of today go to
dogs. It seems the Mothers discourage their daughters
to have sexual boy friends at the ridiculous age of
14 my neighbor woman (I cant say Lady) went to
Florida to fish for 3 weeks just recently and her
daughter of 14 who has a boy friend in the dance
some place and had gone with him for one year
before he left in Nov had boy friends by the dozens
she and her sister of 16 had as many as 7 boys
coming to see them at one time it was a common
occurrence to see 3 Cars parked there at 2³⁰ AM in
the night and this happened every day and night for
all of the 3 weeks yes I could see at least 10 or 12
boys no girls going in and out of their house constantly
a Mother of that type cant teach a cat let alone a
German Being and who can stop it. Some-where some-
how there must be some one to help children and I do
think if they get help they will see the time perhaps

not right now but later on when they will praise those
who did help them they surely cant Thank their
Mothers the world does need real Mothers of pure
Love children be put in good schools boardingschool
untill 2 1/2 years of age dont allow the Mothers to
raise low down degrading children who will be the
Parents of our Future generation. Schools of today are
faking turn out graduates who know less than nothing
no wonder the beautiful world is going to get lost.
Please do take this matter up with other Churches and
I am sure the good people will do something to help the
young folks. I say the Parents will not. Hoped Lon
said nothing I shouldnt Lon in this letter will you please
drop me a line and tell me if I did or didnt. Thanks

Sincerely Winnie Jo Clarke.
Hoping for a letter would not a word me.



WRHS
RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER
Cleveland
Ohio
of Temple.

January 25, 1957

Jewish Theological Seminary of America
3080 Broadway
New York , New York

Gentlemen:

Would you be good enough to send me a copy of the membership
list of rabbis of conservative temples throughout the States?

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

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Belle, West Virginia
Jan 26th, 1957.

Rabbi Abba Millel Silver
Jewish Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

My Dear Sir:

I want to comment you on the article you printed in the news paper about the treatment given Ingrid Bergman when she visited the United States

Rabbi I am not Jewish, but am A christian, and I agree with you one hundred per cent and think people should write you and congratulate you on your good work and the personal feeling you have to-wards sin.

We need more good God' fersaing and God' loveing men like you who will stand up for God' and his teachings, and turn our backs on SIN

I praise you to the highest because you are openly letting the people know that you do not compl, with the devil. I feel as you do as we have been admonished not to throw the first stone, which is true yet I believe the Bible' teaches us not to up hold such as this, and I do not know of any worse sin committed than for A married woman who all ready has A child and A living husband and in fact you might say one who had just left her husband to commit this tragic sin, by her adultery. Most not least she has made no effort fort he better and the people of our country are as much to blame as I see it as she is.

I thank God' every day when he saved me from my sins he took all worldly things along with my sins. I have no desire for movies for I do think they are getting worse by the minute, and the characters most who are in them are A disgrace to the human family. I have often wondered what is to become of H olywood, all the divorces, re-marriages, adultery, gambling, and you name it Rabbi and they have it right there.

May I comment and congratulate you again on your statement on the movies books, and T.V. vulgarity is all any one can make out of it. I believe the article I read some few days ago, is more true about America than poetry which read in part, The Single Bed and the double Martini are Amercia's curse.

Rabbi I have some very wonderful Jewish friends in Charleston West Va where I lived many years before moveing here, and I love every one of them and I believe the love is mutual. The Cohens, The Wells The Shaperios and the Steigers, as well as many more.

May God' bless you real, real good give you abundance of health, strength, to fight Sin, and not to be afraid to speak against it. I know there are many, many, more who read your article who agree with you yet maby they will never take the time in this hurry and scurryed times to sit down and write you about it. I do think to let one know the good he is doing is encourageing, and may I say again please keep up the good work, God' will stand behind you and hold you up.

Again may I say my prayers will be with you always in your good work.

A christian, A house wife, and A mother,

Resp,

Mrs. Robert J. Harler,

Mrs. Robert J. Harler
7311 West River View Dr;
Belle, West Virginia.

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HARLER



Rabbi Raps Acclaim Given Ingrid

CLEVELAND —(UP)— Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver sharply criticized the acclaim given actress Ingrid Bergman on her return to the United States in a sermon Sunday to his temple congregation.

"Yesterday [Saturday] our newspapers carried stories of an actress who was taken in adultery, who had a child when married to another man, yet who was greeted with acclaim like a conquering hero returning," the internationally known Rabbi commented.

Rabbi Silver did not mention Miss Bergman by name in his sermon, which dealt on what he termed "a growing neurotic addiction to sex that has severely shaken the integrity of the family."

Chicago, Illinois
January 28, 1957

Dear Rabbi Silver-

Would to heaven there were
many more people who had your courage in
speaking out against an abuse such as the one
referred to in this article.

I am proud of the fact that the Chicago
Daily News gave at least five inches of precious
space to tell the world about your courage
and godliness.

Peace, & all that is good to you!

Clara Barth

IRVING B. HEXTER
812 HURON ROAD
CLEVELAND 15, OHIO

January 28, 1957

My dear Rabbi:

I am enclosing herewith a photostat of a letter which Sol Levy of Buffalo has written to Mrs. Anziska.

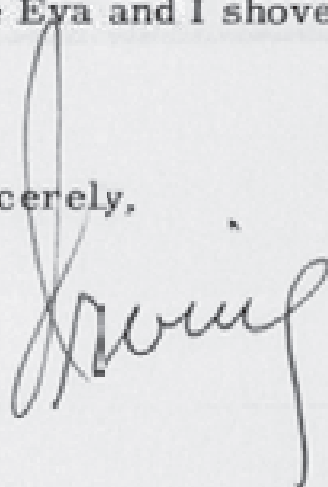
I would like to take to Mrs. Anziska your full face and profile photographs so that she can complete her painting of you. So, if you will have your secretary send these to me, we will take them along.

Incidentally, if you have any interesting people whom you think Eva and I ought to meet in South Africa, I would appreciate it very much if you would write them letters of introduction and send the copies to me, here.

I hope that we can get together before Eva and I shove off.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Irving", written in dark ink.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road at East 105th Street
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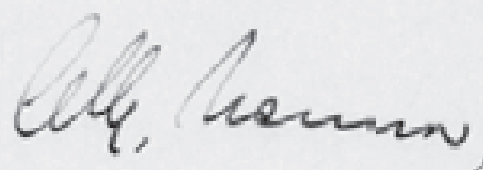
January 28, 1957

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker Blvd.
Shaker Heights, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I take the pleasure in sending you a copy of
"The Crisis" which carries an article about
Israel by Judge Hubert T. Delaney. I am sure
you will find this article worthwhile.

Very truly yours,



C. M. Nemrow, M. D.

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220 Butler Drive
Berea, Ohio
January 29, 1957

Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker Boulevard
Shaker Heights, Ohio

Dear Sir:

I am writing to tell you how much I appreciated reading in the Cleveland Plain Dealer excerpts from your wonderful sermon on the sixth commandment of the Lord. Someone needed to say something and you certainly did. I thank God that you spoke in such a manner when it seemed that moral leadership had lost its voice.

I am a Christian and know that no one can enter into the

Kingdom of heaven that dare not
believe in Jesus Christ and
I know too how much beloved
you are of Him. Like St.
Paul you fight for what is
right and true. How many
there are who call themselves
Christians who do not even
obey the laws of His Father
in heaven as you do and
who have persecuted your
people for 1900 years in
spite of His warning that
their eternal fire for
those who hate and persecute
their brother.

I am a Catholic. I hope and
pray that someday, in spite of
all our faults you will join
us. He wants us to be one
in Him.

Sincerely,
Mrs E. K. McKee

January 29, 1957

Mrs. Bela Greenfield
1140 West 3rd Street
Cleveland 13, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Greenfield:

Thank you for your letter of January 21st and for your interest in Rabbi Silver's sermon. I regret very much that we do not have available copies of his Sunday morning lectures and that we are unable to comply with your request.

Very cordially yours,

Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

/sl

January 29, 1957

Bellevue Stratford Hotel
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Gentlemen:

Dr. Silver, who occupied room 812 on Sunday, January 27th, left his rubbers there when he checked out.

It would be appreciated if you would please forward them at your earliest convenience.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Lewine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

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Mr. Herbert Maynard-Swope

30 Rockefeller Plaza
N.Y.C.

January 29, 1957

Mr. Herbert Bayard Swope
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. Swope:

Rabbi Silver has asked that I acknowledge receipt of the 1957 year book which you so kindly sent to him, and to tell you that he appreciates your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

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January 29, 1957

Mrs. Mayne Richardson
409 Edgecombe Avenue
New York 32, New York

Dear Mrs. Richardson:

Please excuse the long delay in replying to your request for a copy of Dr. Silver's address which he delivered at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel on December 17th. There have been so many requests that it has been difficult to keep up to date with replies.

Rabbi Silver's address will be published in the forthcoming issue of the American Zionist and if you will contact the Z.O.A. office in New York City you will be able to procure a copy from them.

Your interest in Dr. Silver's address is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

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January 30, 1957

Mr. Irving B. Hexter
812 Huron Road
Cleveland 15, Ohio

My dear Irving:

I am enclosing herewith a letter to Mr. S. M. Kuper who is undoubtedly the most important Jew in South Africa and a man whom I am sure you will be very happy to get to know.

I am also sending you some photographs which Mrs. Anziska has requested of me. These are the best I have.

I do not know whether Mr. Kuper will be in Johannesburg or Capetown when you get to South Africa. They commute very frequently between the two towns. In any case, get in touch with him.

You may also be interested in contacting Rabbi Sherman who is the head of the reform congregation in Capetown and who was, some years ago, assistant Rabbi here at The Temple. He knows all the leading people in Capetown and will be very happy to show you around.

With all good wishes for a very happy visit to a physically fascinating and spiritually explosive part of the world, and hoping that we may see you before you leave, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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January 30, 1957

Mr. S. M. Kuper
Johannesburg, South Africa

My dear Friend:

My good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Irving B. Hexter, plan to visit South Africa. They are people of culture and refinement and are active in the social and cultural life of Cleveland.

I wanted them to have the opportunity of meeting you and your dear wife and perhaps some other of our friends in Johannesburg. I am sure you will enjoy meeting the Hexters and any courtesy which you will extend will be deeply appreciated by me.

Mrs. Silver joins me in sending you all our good wishes. We hope that we will have the good fortune of seeing you before long again.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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Memo from

ELIZABETH R. CARSON

1/31/57

Dear Rabbi:

I thought you might be interested in the attached report which David receives. Although you may not agree with it in its entirety, it is an amazingly objective (and pro-Israel) statement.

In the rush of typing David's doctoral thesis, I forgot to remember your birthday last Monday. As you know, the wishes are no less sincere belatedly.

Please give our best to Mrs. Silver and your boys.

With warmest regards -

Elizabeth

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February 3, 1957

The American Zionist
145 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

Gentlemen:

Would you be kind enough to send me about three copies of the
December 1956 edition of American Zionist.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

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זייער חשובער רבלי הלל סילווער!

איך שרייב צו אייך א אפענעם בריוו און די קאפיע שיק איך צו די יידישע צייטונגען: טאג-פארשונגסורנאל, פארשערס און יידישן קעמפער אין ניו יארק. איך א געראטעוועטער פון די גאז-אויגנס און אדורכגייענדיק אלע "שבעה מדורי גהינום", שרייב צו אייך וועגן אונזער היינטיקע לאגע אין מדינת ישראל בפרט און אין אמעריקע בכלל.

איר רבלי הלל סילווער, אנשירער פון אמעריקאנער יידנטום קוקט זיך צו ווי אייערע "פריינט" דאלעס און מר. אייזנהאווער ווילן דווקא אפוויסן אונזער אלס-ניי-לאנד מדינת ישראל, וואס איז מיט אזויפיל קרבנות, נאך צווייטוויזנט יאר פון פאפא-פאגראמען, קדוש השם'ס און גאז-קרעמאטאריעס און נאך די לעצטע פארפייניקטע 6 מיל - יאן - אונזערע: טאטעס, מאמעס, שוועסטערן, ברידערן און טיילן פרוי מיט 2 זין צוזאמען! און נאך גרויסע קרבנות פון ישראל, איז מדינת ישראל ענדלעך צוריק געווארן א לאנד מיט א פאלק וואס האט געעפנט אירע טוירן פאר אלע לעבנעבליבענע פון אלע היטלערס פון גאנצן כדור הארץ און האט אין א קורצע צייט נאך איר אנטשטיין אריינגענומען אכטהונדערט נויזנט יידן: צעבראכענע, קראנקע, אנאלפאבעסן, און כאטש אדך ישראל איז נאך אזוי עקאנאמיש שוואך, טאכט זי פון די אלע צעבראכענע אברים א געזונטן מענטש און זי בלאזט אין זיי אריין דעם צלם אלהים, ווילן זיי איצטער די אזויגערופענע - "חסידי אומות העולם"... צוריק דאס תפארתדיקע מדינת ישראל אפטמאן און איר רבלי הלל סילווער און אייערס גלייכן - די אנפירנדע פערזענלעכקייטן פון יידישן אמעריקע שטורמט נישט און גייט נישט אין ווייטן-הויז און טרעט נישט אפ ביז וואנען אייערע פכלומרסטע פריינט וועלן אייך נישט אויסהערן! איר טארט נישט אפטרעטן, ביים זיי די דאלעסעס און אייזנהאווער נישט לאזן שלאפן נישט לאזן איר געטאן ביז וואנען זיי וועלן צורייסן זייער גיזר פון די געפייניקטע און גערעכטן פאלק ישראל.

איר רבלי הלל סילווער האט דאך אים געענטשט מיט 6 יאר צוריק אז זיי די אזוי גערופענע דעמאקראטן פון די היינטיקע וועלט זאלן שטיין אויף דער וואך פון שלום און גערעכטיקליט! איז וואו זיינען זיי פארקראכען? וואס מיינען זיי? אז עס וועט ווידער חלילו קומען א שחיטה פון 6 מיליאן? איז דערפאר ווארנט זיי רבלי הלל - סילווער! זאגט זיי!!! אז אייערע ברידער און שוועסטער וועלן מער נישט גיין און זיך נישט לאזן פירן ווי די שעפסן צו דער שחיטה! זיי וועלן קעמפן מיט די בעגל ווי דוד מיט גלית! און מיר יידן וועלן זיך נישט מער לאזן פארניכטן! זיין נישט מער!!! מיר זעען שוין, נישט פון היינט אז מיר קענען זיך אויף גיינעם פארלאזן! זאגאר אויף אויף אונזער יידישע פירער פון אמעריקע! אבער געבענקס רבלי הלל סילווער און אייערס גלייכן אז עס איז איצטער א "שעת הכושר" און איר זעט ווי די "חסידי אומות העולם"... ווילן ווידער ברענגען אויף דעם קליינעם פאלק ישראל א קרבן פארן "מולך" און איר טוט זייער ווייניק פאר דעם ערנסטן מצב פון ישראל. איר דערמאנט אייך רבלי וואס דער ערשטער פרעזידענט חיים ווייצמאן ז"ל האט אויסגעטויגן: לדיש פאלק וואס האטט דו געטאן? אנער וויסן זאלט איר רבלי! אז מדינת ישראל פון היינט, וואס איז די שכינה אין "מידל-איסט" וועט אויף צעפוקעניש אלע שונאים און פכלומרסטע בוסע פריינט זיין דער עמיר האט אין דער מדבר פון די אראבישע פרואים און דער זאג אז: כלי מציון תצא תורה ודבר יי' מירושלים "ועט אויף עולם ועד" לייכטן!

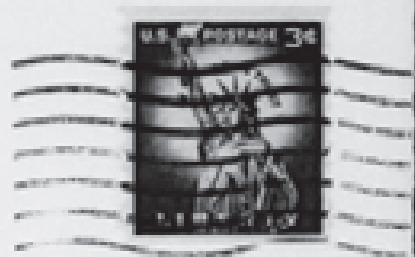
און אין אלס ציוניסט און ייד פון יענער זייט ים, וואס האב צוגעזען און געסטאנען דערביי ווי אונזערע ברידער און שוועסטער האבן געברענגט לעבעדיקערהייט, און דאמאלס שטייענדיק אין אויסשוויץ ביים גאז-אויגן, האב אין מיר געטראכט: אז ווען מיר יידן וואלטן דאמאלס געהאט ערגעץ וואו א ד'אמות-אייגן ווינקל, וואלט מען אונז נישט געברע ווייל מען זאגט קיין טום פאלק א חוץ יידן נישט געברענגט! און היינט צו טאג ווען מיר יידן האבן מיט אונזער אייגן בלוט אויסגעקעמפט אן אייגן-ווינקל וואס הייסט מדינת ישראל, וועט מער קיין שינא אדער א פכלומרסטער בוסער פריינט ווי : דאלעס אדע אייזנהאווער נישט מער קענען צובעמען. מיר וועלן מיט אונזער לעצטע כוחות מיט אונזער שווייט און בלוט פון די געטייע קינדער פון דעם אייניקן ישראל מער נישט אפטרעטן. אבער איר אמעריקאנער: ברידער און שוועסטער יידן פון דעם "עם קטלי עורף" טארט נישט זיצן מיט פארלייגטע הענט! (דר. נחום גאלדמאן האט נישט לאנג צוריק אויך געזאגט אז דאמאלס ביי די נעכטיקע קאטאסטראפע פון די 6 מיליאן אויך ווייניק געטאן שטורמט דאס ווייטע הויז!!! לאזט זיי נישט רוהיג זיצן! זאגט זיי אז מיר שטייען

ביי די טויען פון אונזער מדינת ישראל ווי אן סטאלענע וואנט און וואכן! ווייל:
הבני לא ייסן שומד ישראל!!! זאגט זיי רבי הלל טילדער, די אזויגערופענע דעם-
קראטן! וואס איר האט זיי אויסדערוויילט צו שטיין אויף דער וואך פון: דעמאקראטי-
סלום און מאדאל מיטן געוויסן פאר די קומענדיקע דורות!???

רבי הלל טילדער! איר זייט דאך עפעס דאס שיינדל פון אמעריקאנער יידנטום!
איר זייט דאך עפעס א אנטיניקל פון דעם גרויסן מתתיהו! פארשלאפט ניט דעם שעת הכושר!
זאל ניט ווערן צו שפעט! זאלט איר אמעריקאנער פירערס גיסט קלאפן זיך שפעטער :-
על וטא 8 סוף אין צייט! פארשלאפט ניט דעם מאמענט פון "פתח לנו שער"
און איין זאך זאלט איר וויסן חשדבער רבי הלל טילדער! אויב איר וועט חלילה פאר-
שלאפן? וועט זיך ישראל ווייטער ראנגלען ווי אמאל מיט עשיר'ן און וועט אים בייקומע
אבער אייער יידיש געוויסן וועט איין ניט לאזן ווען! און איר וועט אמאל דארפן
ענטפערן דעם כטא הכבוד! אז כ'האב געקענט און פארשלאפן! זאגט זיי די אמעריקאנער
דאלעסעס און אייזנהאווערס אז איר קומט פון א אלט פאלק וואס ווילן פארוואנדלען
די אקעראייזנס ביקסן אין אקעראייזנס! אבער ווען אכזריותדיקע וועלט וועט ניט וועלן
אונז צוהערן, קען מען צוריק פארוואנדלען די אקעראייזנס אין מחית'ם און עס קען
חלילה קומען צו "תמות בפשי עם פלישתים"
גליט! גליט! חשדבער רבי הלל! ווי אונזער היסטארישע רבי הלל האט זיך געפירט!
לאזט זיי גיסט שלאפן! איר קומט צו זיי מיטן אמת!

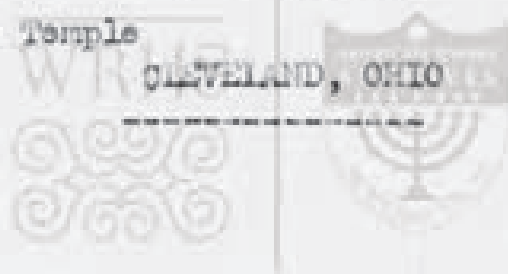
דאס רעדט צו איין א ייד, א געשייניקטער, אויסגעפרווסער פון די קאלך-א
אויפונט וואס ווייסט וואס איז קידוש השם,





Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

The Temple
CLEVELAND, OHIO



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February 4, 1957.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
1855 Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

May I express my deep appreciation for the warm reception you have given me when I visited you. Your keen interest in the Torah Umlacha School which I had the privilege to discuss with you, gave me much courage and spiritual elevation to proceed with the great yet difficult task which lies ahead.

It is with a sense of pride and gratitude that I beg to acknowledge your generous contribution of \$50.00 for our schools. Official receipt for same is herewith enclosed. May we also count on your kind consideration for the school fund which you were magnanimous enough to mention to me.

As per your suggestion, I beg to submit herewith some of our pamphlets to acquaint a number of your members at The Temple with the functions of our schools.

Closing with kind regards, and assuring you that I feel greatly indebted for the spiritual and material aid which you were gracious enough to afford me. After meeting with you, I felt that my mission shall not have been in vain.

Sincerely yours,

Israel Weis
Major Israel Weis

Enc.

Saigon - Viet - Nam

Saigon, Vietnam

February 4, 1957

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Yesterday we arrived here for a two week visit with our children. It is a real thrill as you can understand.

Ran across the enclosed editorial at Tokyo airport and felt you might be interested in the Asian reaction.

Incidentally, Wiley has heard much of your new book and is so anxious to read it. When convenient would you please have a copy mailed to him (autographed to Wiley and Jane). I shall request upon my return, since I am uncertain of the amount.

Earnestly trust you, Mrs. Silver and the children are well. Warm regards from Carolyn and myself.

Sincerely

Clarence

P.S. Wiley's address:

750 E. Box 34

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Feb 4, 1957

Rabbi, Abba Hillel Silver

Dear Rabbi,

Although I am ~~not~~ of the same mental and spiritual stature as you, or of the same belief, I have been moved by the articles ⁱⁿ which you have been quoted on your beliefs in censorship.

I am Lutheran and I would be proud to know you as a friend.

The people who would censor everything we see or read apparently do not consider the people of the United States ~~can~~ mentally capable of selecting their own viewing and reading materials. Yet our own Civil Rights Bill gives us that right to speak - believe and print what we believe is right.

So - Please keep giving us - the people
of the United States credit for having
sense enough to pick the books and
pictures that will be on the credit side
of our ledger of life

I have read and respected your articles
which I have read in our daily papers.
And hope that in the future I will see
more of them.

The old saying, "Stolen Fruit Tastes
sweetest", holds also for things that
are censored.

Respectfully yours
George Mottley

The Old Stone Church

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February 5, 1957

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear friend,

Moving is a very revealing experience. I have found with chagrin and penitence that I have a book of yours on the Psalms which I must have borrowed from you several years ago. I had planned to return it in person but the process of moving has prevented this and I am mailing it to you.

We are leaving tomorrow for the North Jersey shore where we expect to establish residence in Spring Lake or near it.

I shall often hold you in grateful musing and memory.

With my kindest personal regards and high esteem, I am

Yours faithfully,

Robert B. Whyte
Robert B. Whyte

RBW:mc

1559 Elbar Avenue
Lakewood 7, Ohio

My dear Sir:

February 5, 1957

Allow me to congratulate you on the fine sermon you delivered last Sunday, which was carried in yesterday's Plain Dealer. I read every word and found myself agreeing with you completely.

As a firm believer in complete religious liberty, I abhor censorship. I fear it! It seems to me it belongs to the dictators and does not have any place in free America. The day that censorship is placed upon the entire nation, we are no longer free and we no longer have that gift from our Creator of complete religious liberty.

John Fischer had a wonderful article on censorship in the October, 1956 issue of Harper's Magazine, called THE HARM GOOD PEOPLE DO. If you have not already read it, please do so. Every American should read this fine editorial.

Allow me to quote from A PRIEST SPEAKS HIS MIND by W. E. R. O'Gorman, who left the Paulist Order (under Cardinal Spellman) in New York in 1953:

"On June 14, 1953, President Eisenhower gave an address at Dartmouth College in which he stated the following words: 'Don't join the book burners. Don't think you are going to conceal faults by concealing evidence that they ever existed. Don't be afraid to go in your library and read EVERY BOOK as long as any document does not offend your own ideas of decency. That should be the only censorship. - - - - -'"

On Page 35 of the same book Rev. O'Gorman states:

"Here in America today (1953) there is a tremendous effort being made by the Roman Catholic Church, by the Vatican, to exercise a censorship upon all forms of expression, whether the medium be the daily press, magazines, pamphlets, books, movies, radio or television. This censorship is being extended not only to Roman Catholics but to all Americans, including Protestants and Jews. It must be remembered that the Roman Catholic Church is organized on a totalitarian basis, with all that goes with such a system. That is why it was comparatively so easy for the Vatican to make Concordats with Hitler and Mussolini and with other dictators like Franco and Salazar; they all have much in common. You do not hear of Concordats being made with Protestant democracies. Further, the transition from one form of totalitarianism to another is comparatively easy. In an article I published last year, I brought out the fact that it was the Roman Catholic nations in Europe that have gone over to Communism - not the democratic ones."

On Page 10, of the January 15, 1957 copy of THE CHURCHMAN appears a most timely and courageous article called: BUT DON'T QUOTE ME. I shall here quote part of it:

"Don't print my name. I need my job. I live in a neighborhood where most of the people don't agree with me, just use my

initials.

This fear of being quoted shows that some in the United States are suffering from a subtle sickness. It ought to be cured if self-government is TO SURVIVE.

Oddly enough, most of the "don't quote me" people have something pretty important to say. Their letters are literate discussions of vital topics of the day.

Unfortunately this silent breed is playing right into the hands of pressure groups, which care little about the great mass of people, preferring to uphold the point of view of well-organized minorities. - - - - - "

That is why I was so happy to read your refreshing points of view in the Plain Dealer yesterday morning. I felt that perhaps here are two brilliant men, both very good Americans, and both believe in complete religious liberty, Our Constitution, our precious Bill of Rights, and in our beloved American heritage, who were not afraid to stand up and BE COUNTED. You have not joined the DON'T QUOTE ME group. Would to God we had many more like you in our nation today.

Thank you again for preaching the fine sermon (wish I could have been there, but I was at my own church, the Methodist with my children), and thank you for reading this letter.

Every good wish.

Sincerely yours,

Bernice Oliphant
(Mrs. S. R. Oliphant)

Feb. 6, 1957

Dear Rabbi Abba H. Silver,

I
to agree with you when
I read your statement on
decency, in the Cleveland ^{NEWS} C. Papers.

That it comes with its in the
Individual. Our beloved
country U.S.A. needs what
only prayers can do.

Personally I can not see any
other way.

I know that Israel is
close to your heart as
well as mine. I am

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Enclosing \$5.00 for the
Israel fund Please accept
it
use as you deem to see as
needed.

My Best to you & your
family. And one & all.

WRHS
truly yours'

Mrs. Rose Mary Saye
19010 Firwood Rd.
Cleveland-10,
Ohio

Matt. 6:9.
11 Cor. 13:14.

'P.S.' Just a little more about me. I had a mental & nervous break-down the latter part of 1941.

I can still re-call when we were asked to sing at the Hospital.

'God Bless America' tho sick I was ^{so} affected the song so stirred me, I cried like a baby.

Both my sons enlisted in the Service the ^{Age 20 yrs} youngest in the ^{at Selman Field Monroe La.} Air-Force in 1944. he became a Navigator was in the 8th Air Corps was in England about little more then a wk. when ^{THEIR} his plane collided. Jan 5, 1945. I sought peace that brought

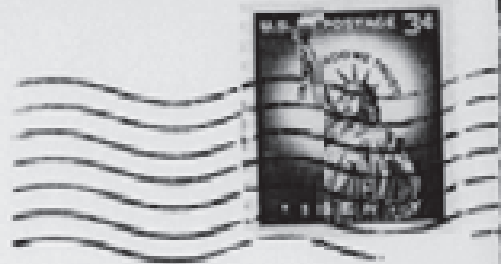
me to seek God and his mercies. I actually didn't believe prior to that I wondered about this world that's about all.

Little by little I sought and read & read trying to fill my heart with our Lord's Love, there is nothing like it!

Our Eldest Son is married ^{Nov 16, 1945} he became Ensign in the Merchant Marine at Kings Pt. L. I. New York 1945.

I am not Jewish, they the Jewish People seem 'mighty' close to me since I turned to the Lord. (Thanks for taking the time in reading this letter from me)

Mrs. R. M. Daye
19010 Fairwood Rd.
Cleveland 10, Ohio



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
c/o Temple

E. 105th St & Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

HARRIS L. SELIG
108-25 72nd AVENUE
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February 7th, 1957.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, D.D.,
c/o The Temple,
East 105th Street at Ansel Road,
Cleveland 6, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

By this time, you probably have had an opportunity to look through my book and I would greatly appreciate a few lines from you as to your opinion of it.

I would like to use your statement in advertising the book.

Very sincerely yours,

Harris L. Selig

Harris L. Selig.

The Cleveland Mental Health Association

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February 7, 1957

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th and Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I would appreciate receiving a copy of your sermon "Religion and Mental Health".

It had a powerful and significant message for me and I am sure that the National Academy of Religion and Mental Health would be interested in it.

Cordially,

Samuel Whitman
Executive Director

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February 7, 1957

Commodore Hotel
Lexington Avenue at 42nd Street
New York City, New York

Attention Mr. Satin

Gentlemen:

Rabbi Silver plans to visit New York this month and I would appreciate your making reservations for him.

On Tuesday, February 12th he will arrive in New York (by plane) at approximately 3:15 P.M. His plans are to leave on Thursday, February 14th, just before noon.

He will then be in New York again on Sunday, February 17th, arriving about 9:00 P.M. or 10:00 P.M. and will depart on Monday, February 18th, at approximately 6:30 P.M.

I would appreciate your confirmation and thank you.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Attached hereto please find Courtesy
Pass for this year, which can be presented
at the theatres listed on the reverse side
for admission therein.

We hope you will be able to make good use
of this Courtesy throughout the year and
derive much enjoyment therefrom.

Cordially yours,

Secretary *Louis Weitz*
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February 8, 1957

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Mr. Louis E. Weitz
The Cleveland Motion Picture Exhibitors Ass'n.
2108 Payne Avenue
713 Film Building
Cleveland 14, Ohio



My dear Lou:

I wish to thank you for the courtesy pass which you sent me
from The Cleveland Motion Picture Exhibitors Association, Inc.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

February 8, 1957

Mrs. R. M. Saye
19010 Firwood Road
Cleveland 10, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Saye:

Thank you very much for your kind letter. I deeply appreciate the sentiments contained in it.

Your thoughtful contribution I have forwarded to the Jewish Welfare Fund of Cleveland which will add it to the fund which it raises for Israel.

With warmest regards and thanking you again for writing to me I remain,

Sincerely,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

February 8, 1957

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Dr. C. M. Newrow
Euclid 71st Bldg.
Cleveland 3, Ohio

My dear Dr. Newrow:

Permit me to thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of "The Crisis" which carried the article on Judge Delaney.

I read the article with keen interest.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRAHAM HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

February 8, 1957

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Mrs. David Carson
852 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge 39, Mass.

My dear Elizabeth:

I thank you very much for your thoughtfulness in sending me the letter of Mr. E. A. Rayne on Israel. I read it with keen pleasure. It is indeed well written.

Thank you too, for your good birthday wishes.

I trust that you and David are well. I shall be in Boston addressing the New Century Club on Wednesday, March 20th and I hope that I may have the pleasure of seeing you on that occasion.

Mrs. Silver joins me in sending you our warmest good wishes.

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

February 8, 1957

Mr. Samuel Whitman
Executive Director
The Cleveland Mental Health Association
1001 Huron Road
Cleveland 15, Ohio



Dear Mr. Whitman:

Thank you for your letter of February 7 and for your interest in Rabbi Silver's sermon.

I regret very much that we do not have available copies of his Sunday morning lectures and that we are unable to comply with your request.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

/sl

February 8, 1957

Dict'd. 2/7

Rabbi Abraham L. Feinberg
Holy Blossom Temple
Bathurst Street at Ave Road
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

My dear Abe:

Thank you for sending me the statement which you issued on the Campaign to Christianize Jews organized under the auspices of the Canadian Council of Churches.

I applaud you for the position which you took.

With warm regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

February 8, 1957

dict'd. 2/7

Mr. Raymond S. Freiler
4093 Silsby Road
Cleveland Heights 18, Ohio

My dear Friends:

I received word from the B'Nai B'Rith Women's Chapter in Cleveland that you have made a contribution to Children's Home which they are maintaining in Israel, in honor of my birthday.

I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness which I deeply appreciate.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl



Shri. K. V. S. S. S.

= S. M. K. V. S. S. S. =

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CHAPTER Cleveland NO. 121

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February 8, 1957

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Mrs. P. K. Maher
220 Beecher Drive
Berea, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Maher:

I wish to thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing to me.

I appreciate the sentiments contained in your letter.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

February 8, 1957

dict'd. 2/7

Mr. C. Matthei
24600 Bagley Rd.
Olmeted, Falls, Ohio

Dear Mr. Matthei:

I wish to thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing to me.

I appreciate the sentiments contained in your letter.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

February 8, 1957

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Mrs. S. R. Oliphant
1559 Elbur Avenue
Lakewood 7, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Oliphant:

I wish to thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing to me.

I appreciate the sentiments contained in your letter.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl



DE Y. GALILI
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אברהם חיים מ' אהרן

אברהם חיים מ' אהרן

February 8, 1957

Dr. Y. Galili
2 Kenmore Hall Hotel
145 East Twenty Third St.
New York 10, New York

My dear Dr. Galili:

Please pardon the delay in answering your letter. I have been away from the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I read your letter with a great deal of interest but I am afraid that pressure of many other activities, especially those of a political nature, makes it impossible for me to give consideration to the problem which you raised -- which is a serious problem, but which I, at this great distance from the scene, am not sufficiently familiar with to be of much help.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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MISS S. LEVINE



February 13, 1957

dict'd. 2-12

Dr. Samuel Sandmel
Hebrew Union College
Cincinnati, Ohio

My dear Dr. Sandmel:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy
of your volume "Philo's Place in Judaism".

Although I have read parts of it in the Hebrew Union College
Annual, I shall look forward with pleasure to re-reading it.

Thank you for your lovely inscription.

With warm regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AH S:sl

Mrs. Henry Perilstein
745 Lehman Ave.
Orville, Ohio

February 13, 1957

Dear Rabbi -

Could you please
help us make a
decision.

We belong to
Temple Israel, Canton.
but have lived in Orville
these many years. I came
here as a bride 40 years
ago and my husband as
a lad of eleven. We love
Orville and we know
the people feel the same

toward us. We are
thinking of buying burial
lots in the Biville
cemetery. When our time
comes and naturally we
want our Rabbi at such
a time, would he be
available for service?
There are only three Jewish
families here.

Thanking you most
kindly

Sincerely
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Perls

LEWIS ALLAN
600 WEST 161 ST.
NEW YORK 32, N. Y.
PHONE LO 54738

February 16, 1957

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am the author of the words of "The House I Live In" among other songs, including the words and music of "Strange Fruit".

I mention this merely for purposes of identity and introduction.

I am enclosing a modern hymn entitled "Brotherhood of Man" which I think would be particularly appropriate for Brotherhood Week.

I would be pleased if your Temple would have occasion to use it.

Sincerely yours

Lewis Allan
Lewis Allan

WORDS
Lewis Allan

MUSIC
Alan Greene

BROTHERHOOD of MAN

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1. We have a dream, we have a plan
2. " " " " " " "
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1. —, We call it Broth-er-hood of man —, Each
2. —, The Bless-ed " " " The
3. —, We seek the " " " In

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1. One e-qual to the o - ther, E - v'ry
2. love of each one for his fel - low, White and
3. Our house are man - y pla - ces, World of

1. one to all a bro - ther —, when the drums of war shall cease —
2. Black and Brown and Yel - low —, For there's no div - i - ding wall —
3. hap - py smil - ing fa - ces —, For the earth is wide and fair —

1. —, For e - ver - last - ing Right - eous - ness and Peace. We
2. —, We are one Hum - an Fam - ily — All —. We
3. — With man e - nough for all to

3. share — THE BLESS - ED BRO - THER - HOOD OF MAN —.

February 16, 1957

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing you in regard to our telephone conversation of this afternoon. Wesley Fellowship of the Berea Methodist Church is composed of Baldwin-Wallace College students.

We would like to have you speak to us on March 10, but I now realize that it would be impossible. If you could suggest or contact one of your associates for March 10, we would greatly appreciate your kindness.

Mar. 17

We wish to learn about the Jewish faith and ask questions about the relationship of the Jewish and Protestant faiths. Our group meets at 5:30 at the Methodist Church on Seminary Street. We have funds available so we are able to settle financially.

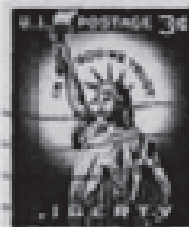
I am very grateful for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Myrna D. Bayless

Myrna D. Bayless
Corresponding Sec. Program Committee

Myrna Bayless
Klein Hall
Baldwin-Wallace College
Berea, Ohio



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

The Temple

Cleveland, Ohio

2-17-57 Telegram

MR. P.L.SATIN
COMMODORE HOTEL
NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK

REGRET MUST CANCEL ~~MYX~~ RABBI SILVER'S RESERVATION FOR TODAY.

THANK YOU.

S.LEVINE, Secretary to
Dr. Silver



February 18th

Dear Rabbi :

I was delighted to receive your letter, and especially to learn that you will be in Boston on March 20th. Through an active member of the New Century Club, a member of the Hospital staff, I learned that David and I may attend the meeting, after the dinner - and you may be sure that we'll be there. And we very much hope that you will be able to spend a little time with us after the meeting, perhaps over a cup of coffee. In any event we shall look forward to it.

Life at our house these days is centered around thesis-writing. The deadline for the completed article is April 1st and David is determined to make it, so that by March 20th it should be in the hands of the typist (no, not me!) and all we'll be worrying about is its acceptance.

I hope that Mrs. Silver is feeling better now. Please remember us both to her.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth

Carson
852 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge 38, Mass.

Mrs. James J. Joelson

2275 Newbury Drive, East Cleveland 12, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

My husband's only expressed wish was for a simple Kaddish. I am grateful to you beyond words for giving this last gift, and for giving us the Psalm and final words he would have loved too. It was fitting, and so perfect that I shall always find peace and comfort in remembering them.

James worked hard to serve God through his fellow-man, but he had that typical schism of our generation. He was torn between the intellectual agnosticism of his Father, a weaver and philosopher who

Mrs. James J. Joelson

2275 Newbury Drive, East Cleveland 12, Ohio

inculcated in his three sons and two daughters a loving acceptance of all the ethics from his past generations, and the "almost" orthodoxy of his Mother who communicated much more directly of course in emotion, both with her children and God. James continued Schola (please forgive my probable misspellings) until his Bar Mitzvah, as his Father insisted that it was little enough if it pleased his Mother! So I guess that his Father's agnosticism was barely skin deep.

It's amusing, or painful, how some of us (including me) have strained and struggled before accepting the wisdom

Mrs. James J. Jackson

2275 Newbury Drive, East Cleveland 12, Ohio

of past generations, which now seems to me to be simply the gift of love from God to Man, without which life would be chaos, and even with which we manage to mismanage our life on earth.

Thank you so much more than I can say. Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

Elizabeth Loud Jackson

February 20th, 1957

Telegram received 2-21-57 2:15 PM
issued from New York City

To Rabbi A.H. Silver

IN 1952 YOU WENT ON THE AIR TO DISPARAGE TRUMAN AND TELL HIM WHAT A FRIEND
OF ISRAEL EISENHOWER WAS. HAVE YOU NOTHING TO SAY NOW?

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NATHAN GEORGE HORWITT
Lennox, Mass.

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J. E. ROSENTHAL
BUSINESS COUNSEL
716 THE ARCADE BLDG.
CLEVELAND 14, OHIO

February 21, 1957

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 125th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

My Dear Rabbi Silver:

While at lunch today, I read with a great deal of interest the article in the noon edition of the Cleveland News, covering your comments regarding President Eisenhower's speech of last evening.

May I take this opportunity to make favorable comment on your very diplomatic statement, recorded on such a very sound viewpoint. As always, the judgment of a sage is brought into play by you during these trying days.

The fact that you have digressed from snap judgment, and resorted only to that which presents a quietening influence - serves to increase your stature in the eyes of all people. At our home, we fervently pray that only peace will be the reward for these trying days -- in Israel, and all over the rest of the world.

In closing, our very warmest regards to you and your family.

Very cordially yours,


J. E. Rosenthal

JER/mg

February 21, 1957

Miss Myrna D. Bayless
Corresponding Secretary
Program Committee
Klein Hall
Baldwin-Wallace College
Berea, Ohio

My dear Miss Bayless:

Thank you for your note of February 16th.

I would suggest that you get in touch with Mr. Lawrence Broh-Kahn about addressing the Wesley Fellowship.

Mr. Broh-Kahn teaches Bible and religion in our school and is eminently qualified to discuss the subject which you have in mind. He has addressed similar bodies frequently.

You may reach Mr. Broh-Kahn at 16200 Fernway Ed., Cleveland 20, Ohio.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl



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February 22, 1957

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
East 105 and Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

Mr. Paul Bickel of Squire, Sanders and
Dempsey was kind enough to send me the enclosed
copy of the Record of the New York City Bar
Association.

There is quite an interesting article in
it on the subject of the Suez and, of course,
Israel.

Mr. Bickel has asked me to use the article
as I thought best and I told him I was sending
it on to you as I thought you might be interested
in it.

Cordially yours,

Alexander Mintz
Alexander Mintz
President

AM:mat
enclosure

GEORGE B. MAYER

2875 DRUMMOND ROAD
CLEVELAND 29, OHIO

February 24, 1957

Dear Rabbi Silver-

This is the first opportunity I have had to let you know again how much we appreciated your words of admiration and consolation last Tuesday at Uncle Geli's funeral. As I told you at the time - you expressed so exactly so much about him that we all knew and felt.

He had been a member of the Temple since he first came to Cleveland more than fifty five years ago and was deeply interested in it - and, as you know, deeply devoted to its Rabbi personally.

We know you will be able to put the enclosed check to some very worth while use - please accept it with our gratitude.

Sincerely yours.

George B. Mayer

February 26, 1957

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Perilstein
745 Lehman Avenue
Orrville, Ohio

My dear Friends:

Replying to your letter of February 13th -- Jewish religious custom requires that the interment of Jews be in a Jewish cemetery in grounds specifically set aside and marked officially as Jewish burial grounds.

It is not customary for rabbis to officiate in non-Jewish cemeteries. Since you are members of the Temple Israel in Canton I would suggest that you discuss this matter further with the Rabbi of your Temple.

With warm regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

February 26, 1957

Mr. George B. Mayer
2875 Drummond Road
Cleveland 20, Ohio

My dear George:

Thank you so much for your kind note and for the check which you enclosed. In keeping with my practice I shall place it into a charity fund which I use from time to time.

I was glad to have been of service, even though the occasion was a sad one.

As you know, I was very fond of your uncle Ed and greatly admired him. In my years in Cleveland I recall few indeed who possessed his stature.

With warmest regards I remain,

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:s1

February 26, 1957

Mr. Alexander Mintz
Shaker Savings Association
16800 Kinsman Road
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

My dear Alex:

Thank you so much for sending me a copy of the record of the New York City Bar Association which contained an article on the Suez and Israel situation. I read it with much interest.

It was nice to have heard you last Wednesday evening at the Men's Club Brotherhood Dinner which I thought was a very fine one indeed.

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

FROM THE DESK OF

Mickey Loveman

Rabbi ..

Please accept this check
as a token of my
gratitude for having so
graciously married Sandra
and myself.

Sincerely,

Mickey

February 26, 1957

Mr. Mickey Loveman
7 Burdett Oxygen Co
3300 Lakeside Avenue
Cleveland 14, Ohio

My dear Mickey:

I want to thank you for your note and for the check which you enclosed. In keeping with my practice, I shall place it into a charity fund which I use from time to time.

Your wedding was a perfectly beautiful one and Mrs. Silver and I enjoyed the evening tremendously. It was good to see your happiness and that of your families who rejoiced with you.

Please give my love to Sandra and when you return from your honeymoon I trust that you will both come to see us.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

February 26, 1957

Mrs. James J. Joelson
2275 Newbury Drive
East Cleveland 12, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Joelson:

Permit me to thank you for your kind note and for the check which you enclosed. In keeping with my practice I shall place your generous contribution into a charity fund which I use from time to time.

I am pleased that I was able to be of service, even though the occasion was a sad one.

What you say about the conflicts in the early religious background of Dr. Joelson is fully appreciated. They are not rare and unfortunately they do create a certain dichotomy in later life. But if there is love for man in one's heart and if one's service is dedicated to mankind -- that, I am sure, is accounted as righteousness in the sight of God.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

February 27, 1957

Mr. Morton C. Kohe
2932 Winthrop
Cleveland 20, Ohio

My dear Morton:

You may recall that early in December I spoke to you about the new Temple Annex campaign and solicited your help. At that time you told me that I would hear from you by the end of December. This matter, I am sure, has escaped your attention.

I would deeply appreciate it if you would help us in this very important undertaking to provide additional classrooms for our fast growing school population and facilities for our young people's activities.

I am enclosing a brochure which will give you some details about our project.

I trust that you are well and with warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl
encl.

4824 "D" Parkway
Sacramento, 24, Calif.,
March 3, 1957.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Rd. at E. 105th Street
Cleveland, 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have been wanting to write to you for several weeks, now, but the pressure of work and flying schedules, etc., has prevented me from doing so until now.

✓ Thank you for your letter to Mother of a few weeks ago. I am sorry for any embarrassment that the situation may have caused you, and appreciate your interest. As to the matter of the perpetual adoration and Memorial Book, I shall take care of it in full this spring.

It was a great pleasure to have seen you in November when I was in Cleveland, and, as always, I enjoyed our conversation, brief as it was. I look forward to the time when we can visit together at greater length. That visit came to mind quite strongly, today. If you will recall, a friend of mine, Lt. Harvey Holub, was with me. He left Sacramento for a new station at Riverside, Calif., just a month ago, and this morning I was informed that he had the misfortune to have been killed in the crash of a B-47 last night. I feel it quite strongly, as he was among my very closest friends. I guess, though, that that is part of the fate of being in the Air Force, and occasionally these things will happen. I thought you might be interested, as he was quite impressed with you and with our Temple.

My main purpose in this letter is to make a request of you. As you most probably know, I am engaged to Dorothy Kline, ✓ the sister of Larry Kline and my cousin Virginia Loeb Kline. She is a very wonderful girl, and I am truly lucky to know that I will be able to spend my life with such a fine and lovely girl.

✓ Dot and I have finally been able to establish our wedding date, subject to your availability and concurrence. It has been a bit difficult to set it, as I was not positive about my position with the Air Force as to station. I am being transferred to Shaw AFB, near Columbia S. C., and will be leaving here about the 20th of March. We would like to be married on the 11th of April in the parlor of the Temple at 4:00 P. M. in the afternoon, and would be very honored if you would perform our marriage vows.

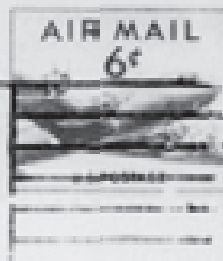
Please give my regards to Mrs. Silver, Danny, Raphael, and their families, as well as yourself. Mother joins me in best wishes.

Sincerely,
Sheldon Bauman

Capt. Sheldon D. Baum
4824 "D" Parkway
Sacramento, 24, Calif.



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Rd. at E. 105th Street
Cleveland, 6, Ohio.

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March 4, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland,
Ohio

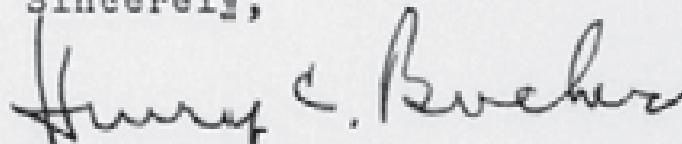
Dear Dr. Silver:

I have always respected you and your opinions even though I have not always agreed with you. And I respect you now, but I can't help letting you know that I do not agree with your views as set forth in this morning's Plain Dealer.

We have a United Nations and if we want the United Nations to succeed, we have to use it. England, France, and Israel violated their obligations to United Nations if they want to be members of that organization.

You completely ignored this.

Sincerely,



Henry C. Bucher
328 Superior Ave., N.W.
Cleveland 13, Ohio

HCB:gb

March 7, 1957

Capt. Sheldon D. Baum
4824 "D" Parkway
Sacramento 24, California

My dear Sheldon:

I was glad to have heard from you and to learn of your plans for your coming marriage to Dorothy Kline. I shall, of course, be delighted to be of service to you and to officiate at your wedding on Thursday afternoon, April 11th at 4:00 P.M. in the Parlor of The Temple.

Let me extend to you and to Dorothy my warmest congratulations in which Mrs. Silver joins me most heartily. We shall be looking forward with great pleasure to your wedding.

Please convey all my good wishes to your dear Mother.

With warmest regards, I remain,

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

P.S. I was dreadfully sorry to learn of the sudden death of your friend Lt. Harvey Holub. I saw him only for a brief moment when you both visited me in my study and he impressed me at the time as being such a fine, upstanding young man. It is sad to learn that his young life was cut short by the tragic air crash.

A.H.S.

409 Edgecombe Avenue
Apartment 2-H
New York 32, N.Y.

March 8, 1957

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
East 105th Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

On December 17th, you delivered an address at the Israel Bond Dinner of the Zionist Organization of America. It was a masterpiece and I liked it so well that I took the liberty of asking you for a copy. Sometime ago I received a letter from you stating that your copies were out of print and as soon as you had more copies that you would send me one.

I am writing you to see if you have forgotten me or if you are still waiting to get your supply. You will pardon me for writing again but I do want a copy if it can be had.

Respectfully yours,

Mayme Richardson

(Mrs.) Mayme Richardson

March 8, 1957

Mr. Leonard Pohlen
Hebrew Union College
Clifton Avenue
Cincinnati 26, Ohio

My dear Mr. Pohlen:

The Temple is interested in engaging the services of an assistant rabbi. Would you be interested in the position?

If so, would you get in touch with me so that we could arrange for a day when you would perhaps be free to come to Cleveland so that we could have a chat and you could acquaint yourself with our work here.

The Temple will, of course, cover the expense of your visit.

With warmest regards, I remain

Cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:el

JOSEPH NEDAVA, LL.B., Ph.D.

7 Nitzanim St., Ramat-Gan

Tel. 72991

ד"ר יוסף נדבה

רח' ניצנים 7, רמת-גן

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March 8, 1957

Dear Dr. Silver, Shalom,

I take pleasure in sending you, under separate cover, a copy of my book on oratory, TORAT HANECOM, just published by HADAR, Tel-Aviv.

It is the first book of its kind in the Hebrew literature. For some time now I have been trying to popularize the art of Public Speaking in Israel; and I have also recently been appointed lecturer at both the Bar-Ilan and the Tel-Aviv Universities, teaching tens of students the very same art.

I should be very grateful to you for an appreciation of my book. As I regard you one of the greatest orators of our time, I have briefly analyzed the main characteristic of your way of speaking in public in the chapter THE WAY OF GREAT ORATORS.

By the way, I very much treasure in my tape-library one of your recorded addresses (the one you delivered at the Zionist Convention at the Waldorf-Astoria on June 24, 1954), for I consider it one of the most magnificent speeches I have ever been privileged to hear.

I shall also be most obliged to you if you will be so kind as to answer my following questions concerning your great art as an orator:

- 1) Did you ever study rhetoric either at school or with a master of elocution?
- 2) Did you ever undergo a course of voice training?
- 3) Why do you read most of your speeches from script?

(P.T.O.)

4) Do you ever experience any feeling of stage fright prior to mounting the platform?

5) How strenuous is your effort in preparing your speech? Do you ever memorize any parts of it by heart?

6) Who, in your opinion, were the greatest orators of our time?

7) Who, in your view, were the greatest orators that Zionism has produced?

8) Can you point out any particular speeches of yours as the greatest you have ever made?

I hope you will pardon my intrusion,

With esteem,

Yours sincerely

J. Nedava

March 8, 1957

Mr. George Flesch
Marcy Hotel, Room 1622
720 West End Avenue
New York 25, New York

Dear Mr. Flesch:

Rabbi Silver has asked me to inform you that he will be able to see you on Monday, March 18th, in the early afternoon.

Please be good enough to telephone when you get in town. The number here is SWeetbriar 1-7755.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

/sl

March 10, 1957

Mr. Allan Blau
Pittsfield, Mass.

My dear Allan:

My good friend, Charles Auerbach is visiting your community in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal. He is a dedicated man who is giving of his time and services without compensation.

He is eager, as well as I am, to enlist your active cooperation in a campaign which is tremendously urgent and to which the American Jews, I am happy to say, are responding very satisfactorily.

I am sure that you would want to have your community in line with the rest of American Jewry which is responding to the challenge of the hour. The refugee problem is pressing and only American Jews can help.

Please do all you can to assist the cause.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

March 11, 1957

Mr. Halby H. Lipp
2419 Belvoir Blvd.
Cleveland Heights 18, Ohio

Dear Mr. Lipp:

I enclose herewith the letter of recommendation, signed by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, which you requested for the Probate Court in connection with the adoption proceedings for your wife's daughter.

I deeply regret the inadvertent delay in forwarding this letter to you.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

/sl
encl.

March 11, 1957

Judges of The Probate Court
New Court House
Cleveland 13, Ohio

Dear Sirs:

Mr. Halley H. Lipp has been a member of The Temple for nearly ten years and I have known him through these years well and favorably.

He is highly regarded in our religious organization. We know him as a man of character and integrity and one who is devoted to all good and conservative enterprises in our community.

Very sincerely yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

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W. P. MARSHALL, President

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=DR ABBA HILLEL SILER=

THE TEMPLE EAST 105 ST AT ANSEL RD=



WITH DEEP SADNESS I MUST TELL YOU THAT OUR BELOVED
CAMPAIGN LEADER NORMAN COHEN UNEXPECTEDLY DIED OF HEART
FAILURE LATE WEDNESDAY NIGHT AND WILL BE BURIED AT 4 PM
THIS AFTERNOON. ALMOST ALONG HIS LAST WORDS WERE HIS
EXPRESSION OF DEEP GRATITUDE TO YOU FOR YOUR SACRIFICIAL
ASSISTANCE TO THE DALLAS COMMUNITY=

=JACK KRAVITZ=

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TELEGRAM 3/15/57

telephoned 3:30 P.M. *to EY*

MR. JACOB H. KRAVITZ, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
JEWISH WELFARE FEDERATION OF DALLAS
103 SOUTHLAND BLDG. ANNEX
209 BROWDER STREET
DALLAS, TEXAS

PROFOUNDLY SHOCKED TO LEARN OF THE PASSING OF NORMAN COHEN. THE
PASSING OF THIS OUTSTANDING CITIZEN AND LEADER OF HIS COMMUNITY IS A
GREAT LOSS NOT ONLY TO THE PEOPLE OF DALLAS BUT TO MANY THROUGHOUT THE
NATION WHO HAVE KNOWN OF THE LOYAL AND DEVOTED SERVICE WHICH MR. COHEN
GAVE TO SO MANY HUMANITARIAN CAUSES. PLEASE CONVEY MY DEEPEST
SYMPATHIES TO THE MEMBERS OF HIS BEREAVED FAMILY.



ABBA HILLEL SILVER



May 17, 1957

Mr. Loren B. Weber
2850 Paxton Road
Cleveland 20, Ohio

My dear Loren:

I am sure that you will receive a formal acknowledgment from The Temple of your generous contribution, but I should also like to send you this note of appreciation. We are all grateful for your gift.

With warmest regards to you and Dorothy, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILIEL SILVER

AHS:sl

March 20, 1957

Mrs. Leon Wald
582 East 117th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Wald:

Rabbi Silver has asked that I forward the enclosed ticket for the 40th Anniversary Service at The Temple on Sunday morning, March 24th, to you.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

/sl
encl.

March 21, 1957

Dr. Jerome Cross
2460 Fairmount Blvd.
Cleveland 6, Ohio

My dear Jerry:

I have just returned from a visit to Boston and I want to tell you how beautifully you played last Sunday morning at our Services and how deeply everyone appreciated it. It was lovely of you to have found the time to render us this great service.

I am particularly grateful to you for having requested that your honorarium be put into the Abba Hillel Silver Charitable and Educational Fund in honor of my 40th Anniversary. Many thanks.

I do hope that you and Janet will be able to attend the Service next Sunday morning. I am enclosing three admission cards -- one for Kathy.

Cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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The family of
Herbert R. Block
acknowledges with grateful
appreciation your kind expression
of sympathy

Herbert R. Block

946 Redway Ave

Cincinnati

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Herbert Bloch

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Telegram 3/22/57

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to: MRS. HERBERT R. BLOCH AND FAMILY
946 REDWAY AVENUE
CINCINNATI, OHIO

PLEASE ACCEPT OUR PROFOUNDTEST SYMPATHIES ON THE PASSING
OF YOUR BELOVED HUSBAND. IT WAS OUR PRIVILEGE TO KNOW
~~THE~~ AND WORK, THROUGH THE YEARS, WITH MR. BLOCH WHOM
WE GREATLY ADMIRER FOR HIS UNSELFISH DEVOTION TO
JUDAISM AND TO ALL THAT WAS FINE AND CONSTRUCTIVE IN
JEWISH LIFE. WE ALL SHARE IN YOUR LOSS

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER
and
RABBI DANIEL J. SILVER

LAW OFFICES OF
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PHONE 7-0487

March 22, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

How fortunate The Temple and Cleveland have been to have had your spiritual guidance for all these years. Although we are unable to accept the kind invitation to this Special Service of Thanksgiving, Ida and I, in absentia, will be rejoicing with your family and friends upon this remarkable and wonderful occasion.

It has occurred to me, as I am certain it has to many others, that it would not be improper to compare you with that other great leader who gave forty years of devoted service to his people. You, too, have led your people through a period sometimes turbulent, sometimes desolate. But to you has been granted that which was denied Moses. You are one of that small group of determined visionaries who led your people back to the land of Israel.

Had the redemption not been in our time your service in the Rabbinate would still have earned you the gratitude and respect of all American Jewry. May your voice long continue to be heard throughout the land.

Ida joins me in wishing you many more years of fruitful work and joy and happiness together with Virginia and your children. Our fondest regards to all of you.

Sincerely,

Eugene
EZ

B'NAI ISRAEL CONGREGATION

401 WEST FIFTH STREET
EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO

March 25, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

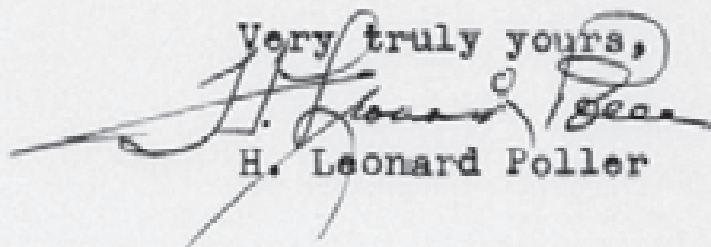
Dear Rabbi Silver:

It was an honor for me to have received your invitation to be considered for the position of assistant rabbi. At the same time that your letter came, I was deliberating with Temple Oheb Shalom in Baltimore. As a result I did not feel it would be proper to engage in discussions with another congregation until some decision had been reached.

I thank you for the opportunity, but must decline since I have accepted the call to the Baltimore Congregation.

Hoping that you are enjoying good health, and with best wishes for a Happy Passover, I am,

Very truly yours,



H. Leonard Poller

HLP/hs

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THE GATES OF ZION

A QUARTERLY REVIEW OF JUDAISM AND ZIONISM

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March 25, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
19810 Shaker Boulevard,
Shaker Heights,
Cleveland, Ohio,
U.S.A.

Dear Dr. Silver,

May I take the liberty of approaching you about a matter of vital interest to me?

As you can see from the enclosed (I hope you noticed it in the last issue of The Gates of Zion), my Sepher, dealing with the dinim and sayings of our Rabbis concerning the love of the land of Israel and the people of Israel, is soon to appear. Knowing your devotion to Zion, your love for Jewish scholarship and your tremendous authority and influence in the U.S.A., I ask you to be kind enough to assist me in the distribution of my Sepher in America among private Jews, communal institutions and Jewish libraries. Here in England only a few copies can be sold; the Jewish community here is very limited in numbers and Jewish life, unlike the United States, is not very active. The only two countries where I can hope to distribute my Sepher are the United States and Israel. I am not a rich man and I have devoted an endless amount of labour, time and also a considerable amount of means to write and to publish this Sepher. The distribution in Israel will give me great spiritual satisfaction, but, alas, very little material remuneration. My main hope is America and I feel confident that you will not refuse my request and will do everything in your power to assist me in this important matter.

Awaiting the favour of an early reply,

With many thanks in anticipation of your most valuable co-operation,

^{very}
Yours sincerely,

J. Litvin

(Rabbi Dr.) J. Litvin

enc.

March 26, 1957

Mrs. Louis Feldman
3310 Warrensville Center Rd.
Cleveland 22, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Feldman:

From the Feldman Brothers Company I received a check of \$100.00. I assume that it was sent as an honorarium and I deeply appreciate it.

In keeping with my practice, I shall place it into a charity fund which I use from time to time.

I was pleased to have been of service to you and your family even though the occasion was a very sad one. I valued the friendship of Mr. Louis Feldman very much and regarded him very highly.

I trust that you will find comfort in your bereavement.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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March 29, 1957

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you for your kind letter regarding last Sunday's article about you in The Times.

I agree that the picture does not do you justice--Apollo or not, as you said. I spoke to New York about it today and Harold Faber, the National Day Editor, said he'd be delighted to put in The Times' files a better and more up-to-date photograph of you. I would suggest that you have your secretary send along to him a photograph of your own choosing for future use.

Sincerely,

Damon Stetson

Damon Stetson
Staff Correspondent