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My Dear Rabbi:

For some time I have been concerned about what appears to be a change in the Temple or my own feelings about it. In most respects this is a subjective judgment but I do not feel that there is any one with whom I can share these feelings but yourself.

In former years I felt a certain thrill and awe in just being in the Temple. There was a feeling of mission and challenge in the air that I no longer experience. The importance of spirituality in the constant conflict with materialism was poignantly and excitingly extolled in your sermons. The spell was cast and I was an eager and confirmed partisan. Perhaps this is merely a symptom of age but before conceding that I must examine what changes have occurred in the Temple.

It seems that the pattern that has been established is one of greater institutionalization with emphasis on more extensive involvement for the memberships beyond worship and



2 religious education. This may just be evidence that ours is not so rigid a congregation that we cannot adapt to changing needs of the generation now raising families. I am more disturbed by the absence of a fighting spirit and the substitution of a rather bland camp basis on togetherness and family fun. The atmosphere seems to be one of quiet dignity rather than one of sharp pride of a minority with a mission. We have become the vested interest and now we are asked to protect that interest by establishing a foundation fund. I do not subscribe to the sentiment of security that this bespeaks and I do not feel this is an accurate portrayal of your credo.

I remember with pride your sponsorship of with the small group that asked that the Rosenbergs be given a day in court.

3. You were the only leader who had the courage to give audience to the Israeli dissidents. As Zionists we lived with your single minded unpopular course that proved to be wise and correct. My heart soared last year when I saw an El Al plane with Moshe David emblazoned on its side. Part of this comes from the Zionism I learned at your feet and part is because of my visceral Judaism.

Now I am disappointed that my Temple represents respectable and rather unexciting conformity. Suburban Judaism suffers for want of fighting faith and the example of the Temple is mirrored in the folkways of my fellow religiousists too many of whom overemphasize constant activities and diversion to divert the mind from the dread possibility of serious contemplation.

4 In short I feel that The Temple has lost its position of leadership and this is particularly grievous during these critical years. Our members live in suburbs that insulate and isolate us from the black ghetto that surrounds us. Cleveland is a sick city and until leadership asserts itself whether in The Temple or elsewhere it will not improve.

What then do I propose? I feel that we should address ourselves to the problems of the community of which we are a part. We have the talent and the resources. These problems are in part because of a spiritual malaise that is reflected in an almost universal attitude that ignores our teaching of being our brothers keeper. Like it or no the problem is becoming worse because of the growing concentration

5. Of poor dispossessed and colored  
in our city, I feel that some of the  
activities of our Temple should be  
integrated with the community -  
cultural - educational and even  
spiritual. Perhaps a bold ambitious  
and well planned program would  
spark our other fortunate brethren  
Jewish and non Jewish to do  
something.

Forgive this long polemic but  
I feel that our long acquaintance -  
ship gives me some prerogatives  
and I am sure that you know  
that you have my great admiration  
respect and affection  
Cordially  
Wm E Evans

JOHN D. STEPHON

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
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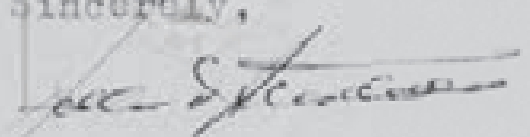
Dear Rabbi:

I wonder if I might lean on your  
erudition with a question:

What in pictorial art would best  
symbolize the Jewish New Year in  
reproduction?

Anticipating and appreciating your  
gracious response

Sincerely,

  
John D. Stephen



January 7, 1963

My dear Bill:

I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing to me. I read your letter with a great deal of interest and I should like to have the opportunity of discussing its contents with you in person. It is difficult to comment on the matter which you raise in the space of a letter. Give me a ring and we will arrange for a convenient time to meet.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Dear Rabbi:

Louise and I greatly appreciate your letter of congratulations and good wishes and the nice things you said. We hope that you and Virginia in good health will be able to celebrate a similar anniversary.

Our best to you and Virginia.

Very sincerely yours,

J. M. Berne

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THE TEMPLE CLEVE

FOLLOWING YOUR CONVERSATION WITH HYAM MORRISON I HAVE MUCH PLEASURE IN INVITING YOU TO DELIVER PRINCIPAL ADDRESS ANNUAL JPA DINNER GROSVENOR HOUSE MARCH TWELFTH AND ALSO ADDRESS LEADING JPA BANQUETS IN OUR PRINCIPAL CENTRES MANCHESTER GLASGOW LIVERPOOL LEEDS DURING SUBSEQUENT WEEK STOP MY COLLEAGUES AND I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR ACCEPTANCE WHICH WOULD ENSURE THE SUCCESS OF OUR NINETEEN SIXTY THREE APPEAL ON BEHALF OF ISRAEL KINDEST REGARDS

EDWARD SIEFF.



January 10, 1963

My dear Mr. Stephon:

In reply to your letter of January 6th, permit me to say that the traditional pictorial symbol for the Jewish New Year is the Shofar -- Ram's Horn. I am enclosing herewith a New Year's greeting card which will give you the idea of the Shofar and also enclosed is a brief description of the significance of the Shofar from Mr. A. Z. Idelsohn's volume, "The Ceremonies of Judaism".

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfn

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## Shofar

A mystic significance was attached to the custom of Blowing the Shofar. In ancient times the blasts of the horn were believed to have the power of driving away evil spirits. To convert this pagan notion into a higher religious idea, the Jewish sages said that the Shofar is blown to remind us of the intended sacrifice of Isaac, for - according to tradition - Abraham attempted to sacrifice Isaac on the very day on the spot where the Jerusalem Temple was later erected. Since by the command of God, a ram was substituted for Isaac (see Genesis, 22) the sages explained that the blowing of a ram's horn would remind us of God's providence. Later the Jewish philosophers Saadia and Maimonides introduced the still loftier concept that the sound of the Shofar has the unique quality of penetrating into the human soul and causing the heart to tremble.

A.Z. Idelsohn 'The Ceremonies of Judaism'



January 11, 1963

My dear Isidore:

I know that your host of friends in Cleveland are giving you a Testimonial Dinner tomorrow and I want to be included among them. None of them thinks more of you than I do. You have been a friend to many and a dedicated servant of humanity. More power to you!

Virginia joins me in this brief note of felicitations and good wishes.

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Dr. Isidore B. Silber  
3076 Kingsley Road  
Cleveland 22, Ohio

S.D.

January 11, 1963

Dear Rabbi Gordon:

Your letter of December 3rd requesting a copy of Dr. Silver's sermon "Building Walls and Shelters" has been turned over to me.

The reason I am so tardy in replying is that all of the Bulletins which contained that sermon were mailed out and there is no copy here. I have been trying to locate a copy for you but have been unable to do so.

Had I not been so busy last month with the Chanukah preparations and now Dr. Silver's Seventieth Birthday Celebration on January 20th, I would have been glad to type a copy for you. Perhaps you can get a copy of the Bulletin from one of your colleagues who received one. If not, and you are willing to wait until I have some spare time (which probably won't be until next summer), I shall be glad to make a copy for you. I'm sorry I was unable to comply with your request. The copy was published a year ago last month.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Beatrice F. May (Mrs.)  
Secretary to Dr. Silver

# The Day

THE NATIONAL JEWISH DAILY

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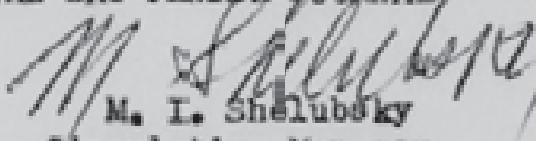
My dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Rivlin told us about the conversation he had with you regarding the DAY JEWISH JOURNAL. We regret we were compelled to stop the subscription for the plain, simple reason that your secretary paid no attention to the bills that were sent. We had no alternative.

We are more than glad to reinstate your subscription. We are sure our bill will not be overlooked this time.

Yours truly,

THE DAY JEWISH JOURNAL

  
M. I. Shelubsky  
Circulation Manager

P.S. Since there is a balance due for two years, we are sending a bill for three (one year in advance).

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HARRY L. SHAPIRO  
200 West 86 Street  
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January 18, 1963

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105 Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

This note will take you back a number of years and is written, like many others you receive, in order to request a personal favor of you. You may remember that ✓ in late 1943 I was given a leave of absence from the United Jewish Appeal to help Mr. Henry Montor, then Executive Vice-Chairman of the UJA and the Executive Director of the American Zionist Emergency Council, in the latter's projected program of organizing local Committees. I was also asked to help build the first national meeting of the Council which was held in Cleveland, Ohio on December 11, 1943.

Shortly before that very successful meeting the Plenum of the American Zionist Emergency Council made a policy decision that the objective of the Council's program would be based on the full Zionist position and not merely a fight on the British White Paper of 1939. After that decision Mr. Montor resigned and both you and he asked me to assume professional direction of the Council. It was because of your requests, plus my own convictions, that I assumed the job. I served the Council faithfully, I believe, until I moved into the post of Executive Vice-Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal in early 1949. In 1950 I returned to the UJA. Prior to my coming to the Council I had worked for the UJA since January 15, 1939. Before that time I had served as one of the Trades Directors of the New York City Campaign of the Joint Distribution Committee.

You will remember that at the recent 25th Anniversary UJA Conference I was not among those who were honored for their service. It was claimed by the powers- ✓ that-be in our office that my service was not continuous but had been interrupted by my going to the Zionist Emergency Council. Agencies such as the UPA and the JDC are included as part of the UJA but not the Emergency Council.

✓ Actually, when I went to the Council, having been invited by a National Chairman and an Executive Vice-Chairman of the UJA, I felt that I was still part of the UJA, away on special assignment. I felt and knew that I could have returned to the UJA once my job was completed at the Council. This is borne out by the fact that when I requested to return to the UJA in early 1950 I was immediately engaged. In fact, the work which we did at the Council helped immeasurably in creating a climate of excitement which made it possible for the UJA to raise in excess of \$100,000,000 in 1946, 1947 and 1948. At the time of my taking a leave of absence from the UJA I should have asked for a document which would have protected my position but because of my eagerness to shoulder the many new responsibilities of the job, I failed to do this.

As you can guess by this time, I am not too interested in the medal which was given my co-workers. What I am interested in is much more vital than that. The UJA will institute a pension this year and it seems that I will not be credited for my service in the Council. Taking off those years will make the difference of living out the years after my retirement in comparative comfort or be forced to scrape along with a menial income.



The favor I have to ask is this: Would you write a letter to Herbert A. Friedman ✓  
as the Executive Vice-Chairman and/or to Joseph Meyerhoff as the UJA General  
Chairman, along the following lines -

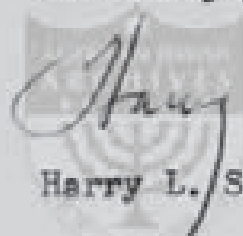
You noticed that I had not received the award for service at the  
Annual Conference and so you questioned me when you saw me in  
Cleveland. I told you that my service in the American Zionist  
Emergency Council had not counted, and you wanted to put the  
record straight. You, the National Chairman of the UJA and  
Mr. Henry Montor, the Executive Vice-Chairman, had both requested  
me to assume the job at the Council. In your opinion, a request  
such as this, coming from the then top officers of the UJA was  
tantamount to an order and I had no choice but to do your bidding.  
Therefore, I should not only have the Honor Award for service  
but any other benefits which may accrue to me as a result.

I think I have written much too much in this note but I do not know how to cut  
it short. If you believe in the justice of my position and feel able to write  
the letter which I have suggested, I will be most grateful.

I will be in Cleveland Sunday and will see you before you receive this letter.  
I hope that you enjoy your Birthday Party. My kindest regards to all.

Cordially yours,



  
Harry L. Shapiro



תל-אביב 20.1.1963

לרבי ומורי הרב דוקטור אקל סילבר דברכת שלום!  
בין מאלה ואנשי הערכות ליג'ה לזיוה הרב מאן שגם  
רמי-משה ואידידות מכל קצות תכל'ה וישראל לזכרו  
ליום הולדתו ה-70 דע מאה ועשרים מצטרפת חצו קרבת אלה  
שנוצרה פולחנות מקרה-לז מאת אלה ממשיכי תל-אביב  
(משה ~~במסגרת~~ 30 שנה) הנחמית בין מכרזי ומצויציו בגורדו.  
היתה זו הצבור אלה נאשמיד את רמי תל סילבר  
בדיקוריו בולד. ידדיקורו האחרון בשנת 1958 שחדתיו  
כדת שגם בגן בור-ציון אחרונה במיליון, ונאוו  
היה מוכר מכל צד-עברית ולפי קשר-קהל המרום-א-  
נצח לזכר אלה עם אנשיה.  
באלה שנה הצדמין לזכר את רמי סילבר כשקרת  
בקאליאן והיה נכחה צד תפילת ליל-שמי שבו  
בכנס שרמי סילבר צומד בראשה. בחברת אלה קרבת  
ושפחה גושבר קאליאן, שגלה מידי שנה בשנה אפס  
את שמי לזכרה הראשון. ~~השולחית נשוא~~  
לאחר שנה מספר חיסר דודין רבם למה. (את שנה הראשון  
לא ידעתי, אבל רמי סילבר נא לכך) התרשמתי מאוקור אפס  
והג'ל של בור הכנסת-השכלית אלן 44 פסל  
לל מוכר-אנדרטא "משה" בכניסה לזית הכנסת  
פגשני בכדור הרב ברבני ואלו שלום, ונשאל את  
מישכל מיליון. היתה לי באצבע הרבה את כל  
אילמיו הקיט הפדול הזה התרשמתי מאוקור ואילמיו  
הנפלאה של הרמי סילבר, ומאציונות הרבה. אל כן אני

באר היום לזכר אלט ואצ אצ בל ודיציון אליה ציון  
וואצניציון אליה הוצבט השלציון.

מי יתן וימליך דוד הרבה שנים בארץ ארץ ישראל  
הצא לפעול ארצנו וארמאד אציון מכילן שהצא גישתו  
לא יטב אצולם אג מן היגו הרגול, זה שצמד אציון  
בנגדיו המכריצות דואר על מדינת ישראלי והכריז את  
הכף.

אצ מאלה וצלציון צ"ל, אגלו האל בילצו

כה אריו!

ככלאצ ולעכררה,

הל אסגר אנציהאליז - חצקאציון

מל-אציון

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January 22, 1963

Dr. Abba H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver,

I should have written to you soon after we had met in New York City, but I was very occupied with family matters.

I inquired in our subscription department why you were not receiving our newspaper. It turned out that your supposition, that your secretary had failed to pay the bills, was correct. I raised hell with the subscription manager, telling him 1) that he should have called your attention to the matter, and 2) that in the case of Rabbi Silver he should not have stopped sending the paper under any circumstances. He promised to mend his ways, and I hope that you have been receiving the paper regularly now.

I am sure that you spoke to the Bend people about the matter that I touched upon, and would appreciate hearing what they had to say.

Accept my heartiest congratulations at your 70th birthday. Wishing you many more years of fruitful and inspiring work,

Respectfully

M. Ruben



# עיריית תל-אביב-יפו

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המחלקה  
הכתובת  
ת.ד. שלוח

לכבוד  
הרב ד"ר אבא הלל סילבר,  
ניו-יורק,  
ארצות-הברית.

ד"ר סילבר הנכבד,

אני פונה אליך, בשם עיריית תל-אביב-יפו, טאחה נמנה עם אזרחי-הכבוד  
שלה, ומבקשך להודיענו את תאריך-הולדתך (היום והחודש) לפי מנין ישראל.

בשאלה זו נחקלנו, כבואנו להתקין באולם מועצת-העיר לוחות-זכרון של  
אזרחי-הכבוד בעירנו.

לפי הכיורגפיה שלך, נולדת ביום 28.1.1893, שבאותה שנה חל בכ"ג שבט  
תרנ"ג, לפי מנין ישראל. אך סכיון שנולדת ברוסיה הצאריסטית, שבה היו  
משמשים בלוח הפרובוסלבי, שיש הבדל בינו ובין הלוח האירופי בשבועיים  
בערך, נחשורה אצלנו טאלה, אם יש לחשב את התאריך העברי לפי הלוח  
האירופי או לפי הלוח הרוסי הישן.

נא להודיענו.

בכבוד רב ובברכה,  
יהודה נדבכי  
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Mrs. Beatrice F. May  
Secretary to Dr. Silver  
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Dear Mrs. May:

Rabbi Gordon would appreciate it very much indeed if you would type a copy of Dr. Silver's sermon, "Building Walls and Shelters", whenever you have the time.

There is no hurry and Rabbi Gordon does not mind waiting until the summer.

Sincerely,

*Gertrude Grosskopf*  
Gertrude Grosskopf  
Secretary

*Typed copy  
6/25/63*

January 23, 1963

My dear Mr. Meyerhoff:

I noticed at the recent Twenty-fifth Anniversary United Jewish Appeal Conference in New York City, which I had the privilege of attending, that medals of honor were distributed to a number of men and women who had given continuous service to the U. J. A., and I was greatly impressed by this action. I noticed, however, that my old friend and co-worker, Harry L. Shapiro, did not receive an award. When I saw him a few days ago here in Cleveland in connection with my Seventieth Anniversary Testimonial Dinner, I questioned him about it. He told me that his years of service in the American Zionist Emergency Council had not been counted. I should like to put the records straight.

In 1943, as National Chairman of the U. J. A., I and Mr. Henry Montor, who was then the Executive Vice-Chairman, requested Mr. Shapiro to take a leave-of-absence from the U. J. A., and to take a position with the American Zionist Emergency Council. This request, coming from us, was tantamount to an order and Mr. Shapiro had no choice but to abide by it. He, however, always felt that he could return to the U. J. A., once his job at the Council was completed. This, borne out by the fact that when he requested to return to the U. J. A., in early 1950, he was immediately engaged.

His work in the Council helped immeasurably in creating that climate of excitement which made it possible for the U. J. A. to raise in excess of one hundred million dollars in the years '46-'48. I am inclined to believe, my dear Mr. Meyerhoff, that Mr. Shapiro is entitled not only to the honor award for continuous service, but to any other benefits which may have accrued to him as a result.

I trust that you are well. I was happy to see you both in New York and in Baltimore. With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:bfm

Mr. Joseph Meyerhoff  
General Chairman  
United Jewish Appeal  
165 West 46th Street  
New York 36, New York

cc: Mr. Herbert A. Friedman  
Executive Vice-Chairman



ABBA HILLEL SILVER



WIFE  
TO  
Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
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Cleveland, Ohio



DR. SAMUEL WOHL, RABBI

THE ISAAC M. WISE TEMPLE

READING ROAD-AT NORTH CRESCENT AVE.

CINCINNATI 29, OHIO

My dear Sister:

Jan 22, 63

It was a quiet and glorious day. I made  
good and felt like a prophet. If there  
is a real Thanksgiving this I was the  
day that I felt it in memory in  
the heart and mind. All blessings  
be upon you and your loved ones.

Truly  
Yours,  
Sam.

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January 25, 1963

DEFERRED CABLE SENT TO:

THE KING DAVID HOTEL  
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WILL YOU BE ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE ME AND  
MRS. SILVER FOR TEN DAYS BEGINNING MARCH 22nd?  
PLEASE REPLY MY EXPENSE.

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER



January 25, 1963

My dear Mr. Rivlin:

In reply to your letter of January 22nd, I did speak both to Mr. Schwartz and Mr. Helvarg about the matter which you took up with me in New York. I hope that they will be able to do something in the matter.

With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:bfm



ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Mr. M. Rivlin  
The Day Jewish Journal  
283 East Broadway  
New York 2, New York

January 25, 1963

My dear Mr. Shelubsky:

I am enclosing herewith a check for \$50.00 for the balance due on Dr. Silver's subscription to the "Day" . He has requested that you discontinue sending him your newspaper.

With kindest regards, I remain



Sincerely yours,

Beatrice F. May (Mrs.)  
Secretary to Dr. Silver

BFM:m

Mr. M.I. Shelubsky  
Circulation Manager  
The Day Jewish Journal  
183 East Broadway  
New York 2, New York

Enclosure

HARRY L. SHAPIRO  
200 WEST 86 STREET  
NEW YORK 24, NEW YORK

January 28, 1963

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105 Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am deeply grateful to you for the letter which you sent to Mr. Meyerhoff. As you can understand, it may be a most important, perhaps decisive, document when the question of my tenure arises.

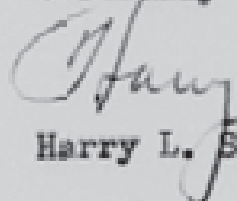
The testimonial dinner which your community of friends and admirers tendered you was a most impressive and pleasant affair. I, too, gloried on hearing the much-deserved encomia which were heaped upon you. I had such a good time that I hope to be invited to the affair which will honor you on your 75th birthday.

Please thank Rabbi Dan for seating me with the congenial and interesting people who were at my table. I liked their company very much. My one regret is that Ethel could not be there. She had to stay in New York to help look after her mother who was very ill.

Thanks again. My very best to Virginia, Dan and Ray.

With all good wishes, I remain, looking forward to that 75th birthday party,

Cordially yours,

  
Harry L. Shapiro

January 28, 1963

Cleveland Motion Picture Exhibitors  
Association, Inc.  
Film Exchange Building  
Cleveland 14, Ohio

Gentlemen:

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending me a  
Season Pass to your theatres for 1963.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfn

January 28, 1963

My dear Mrs. Feldman:

I thought that you would be interested in the enclosed letter which I received from Mr. Rasmussen and I am sending it on to you.

With all good wishes and hoping that you are steadily recovering from the shock of Max's passing, I remain



Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfn

Mrs. Max Feldman  
19425 Van Allen Blvd.  
Cleveland 22, Ohio



3151 Green Road  
Cleveland 22, Ohio  
January 29, 1963

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
19810 Shaker Boulevard  
Shaker Heights, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Perhaps you will remember me from several years back when you were kind enough to conduct a brief service in memory of my mother whose ashes at that time we returned to my native Hungary to be buried in my father's grave.

I should like to tell you now the purpose of this letter.

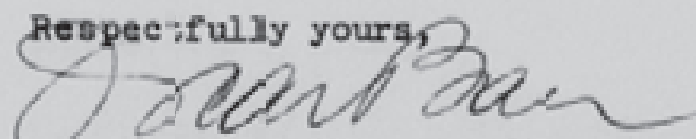
Before I came to this country in 1922 I was a promising young Hungarian poet. Here I stopped writing and I occupied myself with the every day task of making a living. My whole family, with the exception of my mother who was smuggled out of the Budapest ghetto in 1944 in a coffin, died in the inferno lit by Hitler. After the war we brought my mother out to this country. The tragedy in Europe and my own personal tragedy in particular as well as my mother's silence about her experiences caused a guilt feeling to develop in me. At about the time of my mother's death I started writing again in English, poems about my mother's escape from the ghetto, my brother's death in Mauthausen, the shooting of a poet friend of mine on the death march of the Hungarian Jews in 1944, about the dignity of a Jew facing death by shooting holding the hand of his ten year old son, and so on. The first pieces were definite expressions of guilt feeling which later changed into a desire for creative expression in attempting to write the sad song of our people. I am on the verge of completing a slim volume of poetry, the title of which is Kaddish.

I should like to take the liberty of asking you - before I start looking for a publisher - to let me send you a copy and ask you to kindly look it over. My purpose is twofold. First of all, I feel that it is my duty, in view of the subject matter of my work, to ask the opinion and advice of my Rabbi as to whether or not my approach and interpretation are correct. Secondly, I would not be human if I would not ask for your opinion - if you care to express it - regarding the potential value of my work. I hesitate to ask for your attention and time. I hope, however, that you will be good enough to take an hour or so to read my manuscript which consists of a total of 18 pieces. ✓

As soon as I hear from you I shall send you a copy and then ask for an opportunity to see you at your convenience.

Let me please take this opportunity also to wish you a happy birthday and many more years of good health to enable you to continue your noble service for Jewry as well as the whole of mankind. I am,

Respectfully yours,

  
Oscar Ban



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I have just received a copy of your letter addressed to Joseph Meyerhoff regarding Mr. Harry Shapiro. Please be assured that we will look into the matter very carefully and will do everything possible to insure his obtaining all the honors and recognition which are legitimately his. Thank you very much for bringing this to our attention.

Some weeks ago, I received a note from Teddy Sieff from London saying that he had cabled you an invitation to deliver the principal address at the annual Joint Palestine Appeal dinner in London March 12th. He asked me to urge you to accept this invitation. I have been travelling on behalf of the campaign very widely and have neglected my correspondence. Hence, I am late in following up his request.

If you have already accepted the invitation, I am sure you have informed them and they are very delighted. If you have not yet made up your mind, I would urge you most strongly to undertake this assignment. You will recall they asked for you a year ago and you almost found it possible to accept. Assuming that your health would permit, I would be presumptuous enough to urge you most strongly, for I know what your appearance would mean in terms of lending tone and dignity to the campaign, as well as infusing it with a meaningful content. You will be bringing them a message which will serve to stimulate the leaders and workers for months to come.

I would appreciate hearing from you as to your decision, so that I could inform Mr. Sieff.

Sincerely yours,

*Herbert A. Friedman*

Herbert A. Friedman  
Executive Vice-Chairman

HAF:gb

January 30, 1963

My dear Irene and Vic:

We received the beautiful book of Chagall which you sent -- "The Windows in Jerusalem". It is a perfectly magnificent book of reproductions of Chagall's famous windows. I want you to know how much Virginia and I appreciate your thoughtfulness in remembering us on our Wedding Anniversary.

I know, my dear Irene, that you are in the hospital and I am hoping to see you in a day or two. You know what Virginia and I wish you -- a speedy recovery and boundless good health for the future.

With affection,

AHS:bfm

Mr. and Mrs. Victor L. Wise  
13800 Fairhill Road  
Cleveland 20, Ohio

February 4, 1963

My dear Harry:

I received last week a letter from Herbert A. Friedman of the U. J. A. , which contains the following paragraph:

"I have just received a copy of your letter addressed to Joseph Meyerhoff regarding Mr. Harry Shapiro. Please be assured that we will look into the matter very carefully and will do everything possible to insure his obtaining all the honors and recognition which are legitimately his. Thank you very much for bringing this to our attention."

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AEBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. Harry Shapiro  
200 West 86th Street  
New York, New York

February 4, 1963

My dear Rabbi Friedman:

Thank you for your letter of January 29th. I am happy that the case of Harry Shapiro will be properly looked after.

Some time ago I received an invitation from Mr. Sieff from London inviting me to open the Joint Palestine Appeal in London on March 12th. I accepted the invitation. I gave Mr. Sieff two additional dates. I plan to remain in England about a week, and from there I will move on to Israel.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Rabbi Herbert Friedman  
United Jewish Appeal  
165 West 46th Street  
New York 36, New York

February 4, 1963

My dear Edgar:

Thank you for letting me read the enclosed article which I found very instructive and fascinating. I knew Mr. Namier quite well.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfn

Mr. Edgar Habb  
800 National City -  
East Sixth Building  
Cleveland 14, Ohio



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אין דעם זיינען ס'פאקט שולדיג, ווייל אונזער  
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אויף לאנגע יארן פאר אייך און פאר אונז.

מיט בעסטן גרוס,

מוריס וויינבערג

מאריס וויינבערג.



February 7, 1963

My dear friends:

I would appreciate if you would trace down for me some reports on my visit to England during the Second World War in behalf of the United Palestine Appeal. I believe the year was '43 or '44. You may find an account of my visit either in the London Jewish Chronicle or perhaps in the New Palestine. I would appreciate if you would send me copies of any reports which you would find.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABEA HILLEL SILVER

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THE DROPSIE COLLEGE  
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February 10, 1963

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver:

Herewith is my article TALMUD which appeared in the 1963 edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

When I had the pleasure and the privilege of participation in the celebration in honor of your seventieth birthday, I voiced my wish that a fellowship in Rabbinics be established at Dropsie College in the name of Abba Hillel Silver and you expressed that the idea is a good one. I also mentioned this idea to Mr. Bertram Krohngold and he said that the fellowship would require fifty thousand dollars and he would talk the matter over with other members of the Temple.

A fellowship of fifty thousand dollars would bear interest of two thousand dollars annually. My thought is that a research fellowship be established in your name for five years at five thousand dollars annually, to prepare a scholar to take my place eventually. This would be vital to the development and perpetuation of rabbinic scholarship in America. I am confident that I shall find either in America or during my stay in Israel a young, mature man with sufficient knowledge of Greek and Roman lore and history and a profound knowledge of Talmud.

I was told that you plan to be in New York on February 28th. Could you lunch with me at 1.15 on that day at the Plaza, or breakfast or lunch ~~with~~ on the following day, Friday, March 1st? Please let me hear from you as early as possible and I shall arrange my schedule accordingly.

With all good wishes to Mrs. Silver and yourself

As ever



Solomon Zeitler

My home address is The Drake, Philadelphia 2.

ELIAHU BEN-HORIN

630 WEST END AVENUE

NEW YORK 25, N. Y.

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February 10, 1963

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am sure that all the signers of the letter will be glad to know that it "added much to the joy of the occasion." I shall therefore send them all a photostatic copy of your letter of February 4th. I was truly sorry that I could not be with you that evening, but I know from Harry and Harold that it was a remarkably impressive gathering. Once again, my best wishes "she'taarikh yamin u'masseikha hatovim."

I hear that you are scheduled to be in New York before the end of this month. If so and if you can spare a little time for me, there is something I would like to discuss with you. Kindly let me know.

In case you missed it, here is another piece on B-G.

As always,



Eliahu Ben-Horin

# Mr. Ben-Gurion's Blind Spot

by Eliahu Ben-Morin

**T**HEODOR HERZL'S prophetic powers did not stop at formulating and predicting the creation of the "Judenstaat." The founder of political Zionism had also visualized the society which would be formed in the Jewish State, as well as the radical changes of heart and mind which would take place among the Jews of the world once the Judenstaat had been established and proved a success.

It is all there, in the utopian novel *Altneuland* (Old-New Land), written by Theodor Herzl sixty years ago. While ironically ridiculing the non-Zionists and anti-Zionists of yesteryear, whom he describes as having jumped on the bandwagon of the Jewish State, Herzl teaches the Zionists not to turn their backs on the latecomers, not even those who fought bitterly against the Zionist idea in the past, but to accept them into the "New Society."

What Herzl could not visualize was a Prime Minister of the "Judenstaat" who would systematically turn with ridicule and a biting tongue on Zionism and Zionists, and at the same time take to his bosom the non-Zionists and anti-Zionists. It seems as if, in the eyes of Prime Minister Ben-Gurion, Zionism is a dirty word. In Israel, under his aegis a "Zionist passport" is a poor recommendation, but if one comes there on a passport endorsed by the American Jewish Committee, for instance, he is assured of the warmest welcome. As matters stand today, it is a fair guess that, should Lessing Rosenwald decide to pay a visit to Israel, he would be received by Mr. Ben-Gurion as a *persona gratissima*.

What set me thinking along these melancholy lines was a recent report from Israel about a delegation of the American Jewish Committee visiting there at the invitation of the Israeli Government. It was officially announced that the delegation, headed by the AJC's president, Mr. Sonnabend, would consult with Mr. Ben-Gurion and members of his Cabinet on a wide range of Israeli and Middle Eastern problems. Thus, this "Israel-AJC Conference" will discuss not only Israel's internal economic and financial problems and the question of integration of the North African immigration, but also such clearly political issues directly related to the State of Israel's foreign policy as: a) the Arab refugee problem; b) the status of the Moslem and Christian minorities in Israel; and c) the broad issue of peace in the Middle East, which would

open the way for consolidation and constructive development of that region.

Now, there is certainly nothing wrong in discussing and searching for positive solutions of any and all of the above problems. Indeed, the Government of Israel would be falling down on its job, if it allowed one day to pass without trying to find such solutions. Nor is there anything wrong in the Israel Government's exchanging views on these matters with the leadership of the AJC, or with any other Jewish group in the United States or elsewhere in the world.

**W**HAT IS EMINENTLY WRONG is that the Government of Israel extends this recognition to a most unrepresentative group of Jewish notables, while denying that recognition to the Zionist movement in the world. Time and again, the same Mr. Ben-Gurion has criticized, castigated and censured Zionist leaders, accusing them of interfering and meddling in Israel's internal affairs, but the American Jewish Committee is officially invited by him to express its views on such delicate, both internal and external, Israeli affairs as the Arab refugee problem, the non-Jewish minorities and integration of the North African immigrants in Israel's body politic and economic.

It is the second time that Prime Minister Ben-Gurion, when he wanted to discuss things with American Jewry, has chosen the AJC as the right agency to represent the Jews of the United States. Once before he bestowed on us a Ben-Gurion-Blaustein Agreement, and we should not be surprised to be favored now with a "Ben-Gurion-Sonnabend" Agreement.

It is sadly characteristic of Mr. Ben-Gurion's blind spot that he invites for this kind of broad discussion neither the Zionist Organization of America, nor the Hadassah, nor the American Zionist Council representing all the Zionist parties and groups, nor the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations (which are declaredly pro-Israel and pro-Zionist, and in which the American Jewish Committee does not participate), nor the American Jewish Congress or the E'nai Brith representing mass memberships—but the American Jewish Committee.

This is the Committee which, in 1944, withdrew from the American Jewish Conference because of the conference's stand in favor of the Jewish State idea.

This is the Committee which until a few years ago was an exclusive club of the few wealthy and socially prominent, who never sought and never received the endorsement of the Jewish masses in the United States. In recent years, the Committee has somewhat broadened its local bases and established an organization which claims a membership of some thousands. However, it still does not pretend to be a mass organization and preserves its exclusive character.

**H**ERZL'S prediction with regard to the non-Zionists and anti-Zionists has come to pass. The American Jewish Committee went so far in its acceptance of the reality of the State that it has opened an office in Israel and started publishing a Hebrew magazine there. All this is most gratifying to American Zionists. It lends confirmation—if confirmation was needed—to the Herzlian prognosis of Jewish history and the Herzlian remedy for Jewish ills.

However, this belated and gradual rapprochement between the AJC and Israel in no way explains the antics of Mr. Ben-Gurion. The Prime Minister of the Republic of Israel is a "Labor Zionist," a leader of the Socialistic "Mapai" and of the Histadrut, the Labor Federation of Israel—why should he have such a marked preference for dealing not with the democratically elected leaders of Jewish mass organizations in the United States, but with a few notables?

This writer cannot explain Mr. Ben-Gurion's behavior. This much, however, is abundantly clear: It is not only the Zionist movement in America that Prime Minister Ben-Gurion is so assiduously destroying, but he is also systematically cutting the ground from under the State of Israel.

*Shaker Savings Association*  
*Shaker Heights, Ohio*

ALEXANDER MINTZ  
PRESIDENT

February 11, 1963

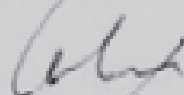
Dear Rabbi Silver:

When you were at our home recently, reference was made to a statement by Josephus. When I went to the bookshelf in search of the volume in question, found that I have several of his works but that the particular volume was missing. It had been loaned to Dr. Mark Schinnerer and returned, as I discovered yesterday when the book turned up in the glove compartment of my car.

In the volume, which consists of two books entitled "The Life" and "Against Apion", at page 187 of the latter appears the following:

"Well, ours is not a maritime country; neither commerce nor the intercourse which it promotes with the outside world has any attraction for us. Our cities are built inland, remote from the sea; and we devote ourselves to the cultivation of the productive country with which we are blessed. Above all we pride ourselves on the education of our children, and regard as the most essential task in life the observance of our laws and of the pious practices, based thereupon, which we have inherited. If to these reasons one adds the peculiarity of our mode of life, there was clearly nothing in ancient times to bring us into contact with the Greeks, as the Egyptians were brought by their exports and imports, and the inhabitants of the sea-board of Phoenicia by their mercenary devotion to trade and commerce. (Nor, again, did our forefathers, like some others, have recourse to piracy, or to military schemes of aggrandizement, although their country contained myriads of courageous men.)" (Underscoring mine)

Sincerely,



Alexander Mintz

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th and Silver Park  
Cleveland 4, Ohio

February 12, 1963

My dear Mr. Nadivi:

Replying to your kind letter of January 22nd, I believe that it would be wise to follow the general European calendar, as I have, and keep the Hebrew date as the 23rd of Shevat, 5,653.

With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. Yehudah Nadivi  
Secretary of the  
Municipality of Tel-Aviv  
Tel-Aviv, Israel

# *Memorandum*

*from Bea Stadler*

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Date 2/13/63

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I just purchased a copy of In Time of Harvest. I would like very much to have it autographed by you. Would you let me know when I can bring it in?

As I mentioned before, I would like to take a couple of pictures of you. The ones that have been appearing in the paper. I am not happy with.

Please let me know your pleasure.

Sincerely,

*Bea Stadler*

ER 1-0446 or  
FA 1-1334

3619 Antisdale  
Cleveland 18, Ohio

*Planned 2/18/63*



[13 Feb 1963]

י"ם בשבט, חשכ"ג

לכבוד  
הרב ד"ר אבא הלל סילבר

כבוד הרב,

נחקשתי מאד מערכת "הדואר" להצטרף  
לפניו על שגיאח הדפוס, שחלה במאסר הראשי בגליון  
י"ד בשבט, בסעיף שלפני האחרון: "ספרים חשובים  
שיבאו מהחזק עמו", במקום: שיצאו, נחלפה צ' בכ'.

"שגיאח מי יבין" - ודאי רמז הוא על הספרים  
החשובים, שגם יצאו עוד מהחזק עמו. אכי"ר.

ברגשי הוקרה והערצה רבה

חוקר מילון

נ. ב.

חסימה מחוקן בגליון הבא.

February 13, 1963

My dear Alex:

Thank you for your letter of February 11th. I am very much impressed by the fact that you found the statement of Josephus so apt and so revealing. It is one of the finest insights into the psychology of the Jewish people. In my book, "Where Judaism Differed", I quote this very passage.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. Alexander Mintz  
President  
Shaker Savings Association  
Shaker Heights, Ohio

February 13, 1963

My dear Dr. Zeitlin:

Let me thank you for your letter of February 10th and for your article on the TALMUD which appeared in the Encyclopaedia Britannica. I have not yet read it but I am sure that it will be of a quality which many have come to anticipate when your name is attached to a scholarly work.

I shall be in New York on February 28th but only for a few hours. I arrive in the afternoon and I am speaking at the Brooklyn Academy for Bonds for Israel. I leave early in the morning for Washington where I shall be Friday and Saturday, stopping at the Statler-Hilton Hotel. If you should be in Washington during these two days, get in touch with me and we will arrange to get together.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
The Drake  
Philadelphia 2, Pennsylvania

2. T.  
February 18, 1963 1963

My dear Abe:

Your friends at the Montefiore Home are honoring you on the occasion of your seventieth birthday. I should like to be included among them. I know of your great devotion to the "Home" and your desire to do everything possible to make it the loveliest "Home" in the country. I can understand that your co-workers at Montefiore would wish to take the auspicious occasion of your seventieth birthday to tell you how much they appreciate the splendid leadership which you have given it.

I know of your dedication to all things constructive and forward-looking in our community, and I am delighted to be among those who pay you tribute at this time.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. A. M. Luntz

21 Feb 1963



הכנסת

חבר הכנסת

ירושלים, כ"ז בשבט תשכ"ג,  
21 בפברואר 1963.

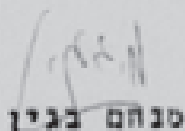
לכבוד  
הרב דר' אבא הלל סילבר,  
קליבלנד.

דר' גילבר היקר, ידידי הנעלה,

יואיל נא לקבל את  
תודתי, סקרב לב, על הסכמתו להיות חבר בוועד הצבורי  
לפען השלמת הבניין הנושא את שמו של זאב ז' בוסינסקי.  
הסכמתו של אדוני היא לכולנו סקור שמחה וגאווה.

אנא יברך נא את רעיתי  
הנכבדה ואת כל בני קהילתו, אשר עם רבים סהם היה לי  
הכבוד להיפגש בימי בקורי בקליבלנד.

שלו, בכבוד ובהוקרה,

  
מנחם בגין

From: Samuel Landman,  
73 Staverton Road,  
London, N.W.2.

22nd February, 1963.

Dr. Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
University Circle at Silver Park,  
Cleveland 6, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver,

Your letter of 18th instant is indeed a great disappointment to my friends and myself. We were overjoyed at the news that you were at last coming to England. For years we have been craving for a visit from you, the only Zionist leader in the world who could open the eyes of pathetic Anglo-Jewry and teach them what is true Zionism. Hence our intense delight when the news of your impending visit came to us as a glorious surprise. Now comes the terrible disappointment. If you had agreed to speak for only 15 or 20 minutes it would have been an epoch making day in British Zionism which, as you know, has long been fed on falsified Zionist history, which has recently been enormously stepped up.

Nevertheless I shall be most happy to call on you when you are in London. Please let me know the date, time and place convenient to you.

Awaiting the favour of your early reply,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

*Landman*

Samuel Landman.

Sender's name and address: Samuel Landman,  
73 Staverton Road,  
London, N.W.2.

AN AIR LETTER SHOULD NOT CONTAIN ANY  
ENCLOSURE ; IF IT DOES IT WILL BE SURCHARGED  
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Dr. Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
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University Circle at Silver Park,  
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[23 Feb 1963]

ירושלים, כט' בשבט, תשכ"ג  
23 בפברואר, 1963.

ישראל זימן  
רחוב אנילביץ 4  
שכון ותיקים, קרית היובל  
ירושלים  
טלפון: 35803.

לכבוד  
ד"ר אבא הלל סילבר  
קליבלנד, אוהיו.

אבא הלל היקר, שא ברכה!

אף-על-פי שעבר כמעט חודש מחגיגות יום הולדתך השבעים והסתפקתי, בשעתו, בשיגור מברק-ברכה קצר, הריני מוצא לחובתי הנעימה לכתוב אליך קצרות. "בן שבעים לשיבה" - נאמר בפרקי אבות; אולם נראה לי שמימרא זו אינה מתיישבת יפה כשהמדובר בך, אבא הלל היקר. הן לא יאומן שהגעתי כבר לגיל שיבה והנך מלא עדיין מרץ-נעורים, הנך בכושר פעולה בלתי-רגיל!

כמה ארוך? - ולא נחברת בלתי

מה אאחל לך, ולא אוחל לך?

תפילה אחת בלבי: מי ייתן ותחיה עוד הרבה-הרבה שנים באושר ובבריאות טובה, מי ייתן ויעמדו לך כוחותיך להמשיך פעלך הרב למען ציון וישראל. מי ייתן ויחד עם רעיתך, אצילת הרוח ויריתך הנאמנה בדרך חייך, תשבעו נוח רב מכל בני המשפחה עד מאה ועשרים! כה לחן!

אבא הלל היקר, תאור מאלף מציינת יום הולדתך מסרה לנו אחותך, מרת בסי ליבאו במכתב שקבלנו לאחרונה והלב שמח למקרא הדברים וצו לי רק שלא ניחנה לי האפשרות להשתתף בפועל ממש בשמחה רבתי זו.

אני מקווה שבעת ביקורך הקרוב בישראל (כפי שכותבת גם אחותך בסי, וכפי שכתבתי בימים האחרונים גם העתונות הישראלית) תהא לכולנו ההזדמנות לראותך, ללחוץ את ידיך ולברוך גם בעל-פה, כדי להגשים משאלת-לב זו הנני לבקשך, אבא הלל היקר, כי בזמן ביקורך הקרוב בישראל תקדיש ולו מספר שעות בלבד לביקור בביתנו ולסעוד עמנו יחד סעודה אחת ובוה תיטב לנו אושר ונחת-רוח רב.

למען הקל עליך את ההתקשרות עמי בבואך לישראל, הריני מוסר לך את מספר הטלפון שלנו בבית והוא: 3 5 8 0 3 ובמסוד: 2 4 8 1 4.

אני מקווה שמכתבי זה יפגוש את כולכם בבריאות טובה.

דרישת שלום חמה לרעיתך ולכל בני המשפחה ממני ומרחל שלי.

להתראות בקרוב בישראל.

באהבה והוקרה

שלך בנאמנות

ישראל זימן.

[24 Feb 1963]

ההסתדרות הציונית של ארצות הברית

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לכבוד

ד"ר אבא הלל סילבר

ק ל י ב ל ג ד

ד"ר סילבר היקר,

הריני נאשר קבלת מכתבך מה-13 דנא.

אני מצטער שתכניות הועידה בישראל של  
ההסתדרות ציוני אמריקה הצטלבו עם הכניותנו אנו, ולרגל  
זה נהיה נאלצים לבטל רצוננו מפני רצונם.

אני מקווה שבסיוריך בארץ לא חססה על  
בית ציוני אמריקה וחתן לנו הזדמנות לארח אותך כראוי.

בברכה חמה שלך,

י. מרלין  
יו"ר הנהלת

בית ציוני אמריקה

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The Temple,  
University Circle at Silver Park,  
Cleveland 6,  
Ohio,  
U.S.A.

25th February, 1963.

My dear Dr. Silver,

I am truly grateful for your very kind letter of the 18th February, and for your clear reply to my three questions. We shall, of course, be very happy to comply with your wishes.

We have, of course, reserved a double room for Mrs. Silver and yourself, at Grosvenor House, as from the day of your arrival, the 11th March, until the 21st.

I wonder if you would be so kind as to let me know the exact time of your arrival in London, or flight number, and any other relevant particulars.

I am looking forward to seeing you very soon.

With kind regards,

Sincerely Yours,

*Lavy Bakstansky*

L. Bakstansky.

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Rabbi Dr. A. H. Silver,  
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Dear Rabbi Dr. Silver,

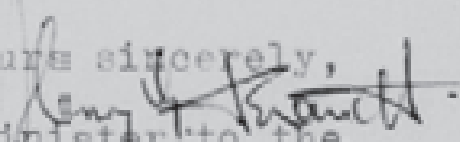
It is with great pleasure that I learned that you will be launching the local J.P.A. Drive, on Thursday, March 14 th.

As the Minister of the Reform Synagogue in Leeds, may I therefore discharge a pleasant duty by inviting you to be the guest of our congregation for the subsequent weekend ( at least over the Shabbat ) and to occupy our pulpit either on the Friday night or on the Shabbat morning. Detailed arrangements could be made to suit your convenience and to fit in with your doubtless tight schedule.

Although I do hope most sincerely that you will be able to accept my invitation, could you perhaps suggest a different time when you could address our congregation, should the Shabbat not be convenient.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

  
Minister to the  
Sinai Synagogue,  
Leeds.

February 26, 1963

My dear Rabbi Tabory:

I wish to thank you most cordially for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of the volume, "Tzion Min Hatorah", a collection of sermons dedicated to the memory of Rabbi Zev Gold. It was my privilege to know Rabbi Gold well and to have worked with him in our common cause for many years. He was an admirable personality and I held him in great affection and high esteem.

I am very happy that the Department for Torah-Education and Culture of the Jewish Agency has dedicated the volume of sermons by distinguished Rabbis in memory of this gifted son of Israel, who served his people with such rare distinction.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Rabbi Zevi Tabory  
The Department for Torah-Education  
and Culture of The Jewish Agency  
515 Park Avenue  
New York, New York

February 26, 1963

My dear Mr. Seltzer:

I thought that you would be interested in receiving a copy of the address which I delivered from the Temple pulpit Sunday morning on the Newspaper Strike.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain



Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. Louis B. Seltzer  
Editor  
The Cleveland Press  
901 Lakeside Avenue  
Cleveland 14, Ohio

February 26, 1963

My dear Al:

Leo Neumark has informed me that you have made a special gift of one thousand dollars to the Foundation Fund of the Temple in memory of your dear Helen. I need not tell you that I am personally very grateful to you for this generous gift. Your unfailing interest and support of Temple life and activities have been a source of deep satisfaction to me through the years.

I send you all my good wishes in which Virginia joins me.

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. Alfred A. Benesch  
1106 Citizens Building  
Cleveland 14, Ohio



# The Brown Palace Hotel

Denver, Colorado

Feb. 26, 1963.

Dear Rabbi Silver -

It is with a very warm glow of my heart that I look back upon my day with you and your wonderful people at the Temple. Rarely have I had a more enjoyable time than with your great congregation.

I especially appreciated our luncheon hour together. It was most kind of you to make this possible. I marvel at what you have accomplished in your life time. How I shall treasure the volume of essays you gave me! This will surely be one of my most prized volumes through the years.

It must be a great joy to you to have your son, Rabbi Dan, taking over the leadership of the Temple in your place. It is my earnest prayer that God will bless him as richly as He has blessed you.

With best wishes both to you and to Mrs. Silver, and thanking you again for your generous hospitality, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Elmer I. Dahlberg

6195 Washington Blvd.  
St. Louis 12, Missouri

February 26, 1963

My dear Reverend Brandt:

I wish to thank you for your kind letter and for your gracious invitation to be the guest of your congregation and to occupy your pulpit. I appreciate your thoughtfulness in inviting me, but I shall be in England just a little over a week and will speak for the J. P. A. in London, Manchester and Leeds. My strength will not permit me to take any additional responsibilities and I have been constrained to decline other invitations which have come to me.

I hope that I will see you in Leeds. With warmest regards I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfn

Reverend H. C. Brandt, B. Sc.  
59, The Drive  
Leeds 8, England

February 26, 1963

My dear Marian:

I tried to reach you by telephone but you were evidently not home. I wanted to tell you that I have been called to England to open their Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign and I shall have to leave on March the tenth. I will remain in England for about ten days and from there I shall go on to Israel and will probably not return to the United States until the middle of April. I will, therefore, have to miss the pleasure and privilege of officiating at Gloria's wedding on ~~the~~ sixteenth of March. I need not tell you how sorry I am to be away on this occasion to which I had looked forward, but the call from English Jewry was urgent and I must comply.

Rabbi Dan will, of course, be prepared to officiate at the wedding and he has the wedding scheduled. Please convey to Gloria and Alan all my good wishes for their future married life. I shall be with them in spirit on the occasion of the wedding ceremony.

With warmest regards to you and Maurice and with all good wishes in which Virginia joins me, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mrs. Maurice Weiskopf  
17100 Van Aken Boulevard  
Shaker Heights 22, Ohio

*Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Weiskopf*

*request the honour of your presence*

*at the marriage of their daughter*

*Gloria Elaine*

*to*

*Mr. Alan David Weisberg*

*on Saturday, the sixteenth of March*

*Nineteen hundred and sixty-three*

*at seven o'clock in the evening*

*Wade Park Manor*

*Cleveland, Ohio*

February 26, 1963

My dear Sidney:

The office has informed me that you have donated a paid-up policy to the Foundation Fund of the Temple. I need not tell you how profoundly appreciative I am of your generosity and your thoughtfulness. Your deep interest in the life of the Temple has been continuous and unfailing, and it has been a source of deep satisfaction to me through the years.

With warmest regards and all good wishes to you and Sylvia, I remain

As ever yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. Sidney N. Weitz  
Leader Building  
Cleveland 14, Ohio

February 26, 1963

My dear Dr. Zeitlin:

I will be stopping at the Granada Hotel in Brooklyn, New York and I shall be very pleased to meet you there on Friday morning, March first, for breakfast. From there we can go to the airport.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBAHELLELSILVER

AHS:bfm

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
The Drake Hotel  
Philadelphia, Pa.

February 26, 1963

My dear Mr. Angus:

Thank you so much for your kind letter, for your poem  
and the lovely sentiments contained.

With all good wishes, I remain

Cordially yours,

AHS:bfm



ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Mr. William McNeal Angus  
15624 Maplewood Avenue  
Maple Heights 37, Ohio



CLEVELAND - BEST LOCATION IN THE NATION!  
(CONCLUDED)

The Bible teaches many things,  
And, often, one might read it;  
The acid test - and our success -  
Comes, for we all do heed it.

The Golden Rule - it is our Creed -  
And, daily, do we live it;  
If we refused, and did not so,  
How could our God forgive it?

We love our neighbors as ourselves,  
We cannot help but do so;  
Among us all, we dare not hate,  
For hell's end doth pursue so.

Some day, we hope and pray  
That all mankind sees our example,  
But, meanwhile let us all keep bright  
Our country's finest sample!

This midwest town - it's yours - it's mine!  
The finest in Creation!  
Be proud - speak well - of Cleveland -  
Best Location in the Nation!

*William McNeal Angus*

William McNeal Angus

MON., 25 FEB., 1963

DEAR RABBI SILVER,

IF MEMORY SERVES ME CORRECTLY, I SENT  
A COPY OF THE ABOVE POEM TO YOU UPON YOUR RECEIPT OF  
THE NATIONAL AWARD OF THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF CHRISTIANS  
AND JEWS.

HOWEVER, AFTER HEARING YOUR REMARKS CONCERNING  
BOTH SIDES OF THE CLEVELAND NEWSPAPER STRIKE WITH WHICH  
I, AN INDUSTRIAL SUPERVISOR, SUBJECT TO BOTH SIDES DAY IN  
AND DAY OUT, HEARTILY CONCUR, PLEASE, DEAR ABBA, IN ALL  
THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTIAN-JEWISH BROTHERHOOD OF WHICH THIS  
HUMBLE SOUL IS CAPABLE, ACCEPT MY FAVORITE AND MY  
HEARTFELT THANKS.

Yours very sincerely,  
*Bill Angus*

+ LAST + MOST IMPORTANT,  
A FELLOW CLEVELANDER

A PROTESTANT CONVERT TO CATHOLICISM

CLEVELAND - BEST LOCATION IN THE NATION!

Who speaks, speak not you lightly  
Of this so-called one-horse town;  
Pray, speak you of her reverently,  
For her well known renown -

This glorious Forest City -  
So very beauteous to behold -  
Can ne'er alone be measured  
In material, nor in gold.

A town whose reputation  
For her frankness is like sin;  
A town where smug self glamour  
And false show have never been.

A town comprised entirely  
Of all races - colour - creed:  
A town where no intolerance  
Can sincerely ever breed.

It's true, we have our differences -  
Aye, yes, and to be sure -  
But, with God's everlasting Grace,  
We always find the cure.

This town of countless churches,  
Synagogues, and shrines, and such,  
Whose people - all its people -  
Worship fervently and much.

A town that's full and justly proud  
Of clean and wholesome living;  
A town whose finest claim to fame  
Is great and selfless giving.

A town whose greatest virtue  
Is her average workman's clime;  
A town where shiftless loafing  
Is the worst of any crime.

But, if you really try and fail,  
And need a helping hand,  
Your simplest wish is ever hers  
So freely to command.

This town completely founded  
Upon families and the home;  
No matter where we wander,  
It's to her our thoughts e'er roam.

Langham 0421

200, Tottenham Court Road, W. 1.

28th February 1963.

My Dear Mr. Silver,

As you can imagine I have been in close touch with Teddy Sieff, and we are all very much looking forward to seeing you here in London.

Doris and I would be delighted if you would join us for dinner at home on Friday night March 15th. We shall be a very small party and I am sure you will find it relaxing and pleasant. So if you have not already an engagement for this night, will you please keep it free for us.

Kindest thoughts,

Yours

H. Morrison

H. Morrison.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
University Circle at Silver Park,  
Cleveland 6,  
Ohio, Canada.

Dear Dr. Silver,

We have just been discussing publicity in connection with your visit. Since your speech at the Grosvenor House on Tuesday, 12th March, will take place after our official organ, the Jewish Observer, will have gone to press, in order to overcome this timing problem, our editor, Mr. Jon Kimche, would very much like to meet you, at the Grosvenor House, soon after your arrival, on Monday, 11th March, as he is confident that you would wish to give him two or three principal themes, if not "paragraphs", around which he should be able to build up the story.

I should, therefore, be most grateful if you would be so kind as to let me know when, on Monday, you would like Mr. Jon Kimche, our editor, to wait on you?

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

*Lavy Bakstansky*

L. Bakstansky.

February 28, 1963

My dear Mr. Landman:

Replying to your kind letter of February 22nd, I shall be arriving in London on Monday, March 11th and shall be stopping at the Grosvenor House. I would suggest that you telephone me there and we will then set up a time for a meeting.

With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. Samuel Landman  
73 Staverton Road  
London, N. W. 2.  
England

February 28, 1963

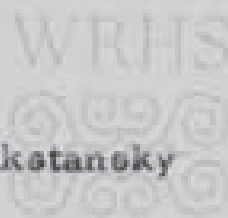
My dear Mr. Bakstansky:

Thank you for your letter of February 25th. I shall be arriving in London on Monday, March 11th at 7:00 A.M., on Trans-Canada Flight No. 856.

Very cordially yours,

AHS:bfn

Mr. Lavy Bakstansky  
Director  
Joint Palestine Appeal  
77 Great Russell Street  
London, W. C. 1  
England



ABBA HILLEL SILVER

MRS. ROBERT F. WAY, 1121 VIA CORONEL, PALOS VERDES ESTATES, CALIF.

The Temple:

Gentlemen:

I wish to correct the statement sent by you that the donation for the Abb. Hillel Silver Charitable and Educational Fund was contributed by Harold H. Kahn in memory of my dear Mother, Mamie A. Salen.

The donation was given by my sister, Mrs. Lorna Giffin, 2507 Westbrook Dr., Ft. Wayne, Ind., and myself. Mr. Kahn is co-executor of an estate left by my Mother, and through him during my absence was sent from his office. Thank you kindly, for your card.

Cordially,

*Mamie Salen Losensohn*  
(Mrs. David Losensohn)



March 1, 1963

My dear Mrs. Lowensohn:

Thank you for writing us regarding the error which was made in acknowledging the contribution which you and your sister made to the Abba Hillel Silver Charitable and Educational Fund to Mr. Kahn. We are sorry ;this occurred and we are today sending out a card of thanks to your sister, Mrs. Giffin and we wish to take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation to you also.

Sincerely yours,

Beatrice F. May (Mrs.)  
Secretary to Dr. Silver

Mrs. David Lowensohn  
1121 Via Coronel  
Palos Verdes Estates  
California

March 1, 1963

Dear Mr Silver,

I saw you during my Winter Leave at which time we discussed the Air Force Academy. I assume that I was too late in application<sup>for that</sup> this year, even though I took the Coast Guard Exam. I'm still waiting for the results on that.

Now I need your help<sup>again</sup>. Would you please find time to fill in this questionnaire for Case Institute of Technology. It is very important to me, as, in case I didn't pass the Coast Guard Test, I'll probably go to Case.

We're getting ready for Federal Inspection here at school, and we've been real busy. Thank you very, very, much.

Gratefully,  
Jonathan Wilson,  
Millersburg Military Institute  
Millersburg, Kentucky

ק"ק שער ציון

WEST LONDON SYNAGOGUE OF BRITISH JEWS  
A CONSTITUENT OF THE REFORM SYNAGOGUES OF GREAT BRITAIN  
UPPER BERKELEY STREET

FROM THE SENIOR MINISTER

COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO:  
33, SEYMOUR PLACE, W.1

1st March 1963.

Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street and Silver Park  
Cleveland 6  
Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver,

I have heard with great pleasure that we are to have the pleasure of having you in England this month and my colleagues and I very much look forward to meeting you.

As I understand you will be here on Shabbat 16th March, the West London Synagogue which you probably know is the oldest and largest Reform synagogue in Great Britain would be very honoured if you would give the sermon on that Shabbat. Also if you would have luncheon afterwards with some of our officers and lay leaders who would like to have the privilege of meeting you.

I hope that this letter will reach you in time and that you will be able to accept. Perhaps you will get in touch with me as soon as you arrive in London, which I understand will be Monday, 11th March.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

*W. Van der Zyl*  
W. Van der Zyl

WILLIAM M. BASSICHIS  
2323 WEST THIRD STREET  
CLEVELAND 13, OHIO

MAIN 1-4181

March 2-1963

Leon Krair

In appreciation of your  
fine services in the handling of  
our beloved Stan

Pile Bassichis





You are invited to

A Reception

honoring the

Fiftieth

Wedding Anniversary

of

Minnie & Lou Hill

Date March 10, 1963

Time 3 To 5 P M

Place Somerset Inn

March 4, 1963

My dear friends:

Mrs. Silver and I should have very much loved to attend the reception which is being given in honor of your Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on March 10th, but we are leaving for England that very afternoon and we shall be deprived of the privilege and pleasure of being with you and of extending to you in person our heartiest felicitations on this very auspicious occasion. We shall, however, be thinking of you, and I need not tell you that all of our good wishes are with you that the years to come will hold for you much happiness and well-being.

It is not given to many people to celebrate a Golden Wedding Anniversary. You have been fortunate in having reached this great moment together and I hope that you will have the good fortune to celebrate other happy occasions in the future.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfn

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kux  
16300 Van Aken Boulevard  
Cleveland 20, Ohio



March 4, 1963

My dear Mr. Bakstansky:

Thank you for your letter of February 28th. I understand the timing problem which faces the Jewish Observer and I shall be very pleased to meet with Mr. Jon Kimche in the afternoon of March 11th -- say at five o'clock, at the Grosvenor House.

I am wondering whether the same problem does not confront the Jewish Chronicle and whether it would not want to be included in this conference.

With all good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. L. Bakstansky  
Joint Palestine Appeal  
77 Great Russell Street  
London, W. C. 1  
England

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March 4, 1963

My dear Reverend Van der Zyl:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of March first and your gracious invitation to deliver the sermon at your Synagogue on Saturday morning, March 16th. I have received quite a number of invitations from synagogues and other organizations, but I am limiting myself because of health to the three meetings which I undertook to address in behalf of the Joint Palestine Appeal -- one in London, one in Manchester and one in Leeds. My stay in England will be short and from there I go on to Israel where I have other commitments.

With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bim

Reverend W. Van der Zyl  
West London Synagogue of  
British Jews  
33, Seymour Place, W.1  
London, England

March 4, 1963

My dear Mr. Morrison:

Thank you so much for your note of February 28th and for your gracious invitation to have Friday evening dinner at your home on March 15th. Mrs. Silver and I will be very happy to be with you.

I am looking forward with pleasure to seeing you, and with warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. H. Morrison  
200, Tottenham Court Road, W.1.  
London, England

4983 Anderson Rd.  
Lyndhurst 24, Ohio  
March 5, 1963

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
19810 Shaker  
Shaker Hts, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

As a Senior at Cathedral Latin School I am required to write a term paper for my Sociology course. This term paper, due March 28th, is titled "Scissors, Sanity, Sex" and deals with the question of Censorship.

Part of my paper will be a series of letters from a variety of Clevelanders each giving their own views on Censorship. That is the purpose of this letter. I am asking you, as a citizen and a Rabbi, to write me such a letter.

In your letter please give your views on Censorship and answer the following questions — What should be banned? Who should do the banning? Where does the line lie between obscenity and art?

I am thanking you in advance for your letter.

Sincerely yours,  
James Nagle

L.R.

March 7, 1963

Dear Jonathan:

This is to advise you that the blank which you sent has been filled out and today mailed to Case. Good luck, and all good wishes,

Cordially yours,

AHS:bfn



ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Mr. Jonathan Green  
Millersburg Military Institute  
Millersburg, Kentucky



March 7, 1963

My dear Sol:

I am grateful to you for sending me an autographed copy of your book, "A Treasury of Responsa". I have already browsed through it. It is delightful and in your best style.

With warmest regards to Lillian in which Virginia joins me, I remain

As ever yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Dr. Solomon B. Freehof  
Rodef Shalom Temple  
4905 Fifth Avenue  
Pittsburgh 13, Pennsylvania

March 7, 1963

My dear Bill:

Thank you for your kind note and for the generous gift which you enclosed. I am pleased to have been of service to you even though the occasion was a very sad one.

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

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfn

Mr. William M. Bassichis  
2323 West Third Street  
Cleveland 13, Ohio



Robbi Goldberg

Called 3/7/63

Jackson Row - Manchester 2 regrets  
England AHS.

Delighted at your visit for JPD  
March 17<sup>th</sup> Will you meet group of reform  
leaders at my home early PM same day -

Robbi Goldberg

Prepaid ans. 2.80

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ERWIN JOSPE 3760 N. PINE GROVE AVENUE CHICAGO 13, ILLINOIS

March 7, 1963

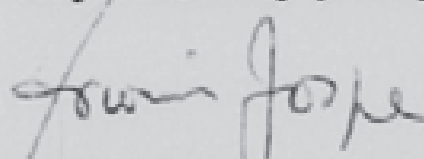
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

It was most kind of you to write me on the occasion of my anniversary and to honor the occasion with your message. I am deeply grateful for your graciousness and for the thoughts you expressed. They will be among the things I keep and treasure.

May you be granted continued good health and creativity for the benefit of the community and of all Israel.

Very sincerely yours,

  
Erwin Jospe

EJ/mal

8630 Piney Branch Rd.  
Silver Spring, Md.  
March 10, 1963

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I would like you to know how much my wife and I enjoyed your recent lectures at Bnai Israel Synagogue.

It was a rare treat to hear you expound The Torah - so simply and yet so comprehensively, and beautifully. We heard two of the lectures, and know that the many others there felt the same way.

We are members of the Washington Hebrew Congregation (reformed) but my roots go back to Cleveland where I was confirmed by Rabbi Gies (1910). I used to hear you in your early years at The Temple, and now after all these years you came back.

Please try to come again.

Sincerely yours,

Louis H. Markwood

March 11, 1963

Dear Mr. Nagle:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of March 5th to Dr. Silver. Dr. Silver is out of the country and will not be back in his study until the end of April.



Sincerely yours,



Beatrice F. May (Mrs.)  
Secretary to Dr. Silver

Mr. James Nagle  
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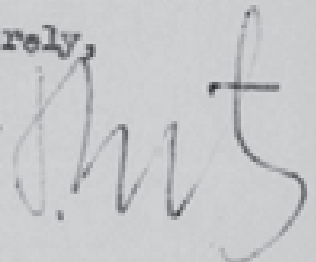
Dear Dr. Silver,

This is to thank you for the interview, and I enclose two Jewish Telegraphic Agency bulletins - one with your address to the Appeal Dinner and one with the interview. A fuller version of the interview, with an introduction etc., and under my name, went out to New York for the American press and world distribution.

I should add that I am not now on the permanent JTA staff; I do for them some syndicated articles and occasional ~~interviews~~ <sup>interviews</sup> (when I enjoy doing them...).

Yours very sincerely,

S.J. Goldsmith



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The Temple Tifereth Israel  
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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

This letter is about the World Union. Our work is expanding rapidly in many lands, especially in the last three years in Israel. With the expansion, naturally comes greater expenses. The World Union does not begin to cover its needs. We need help!

We have decided and have promised that no campaign of ours will ever be of such a nature as to interfere with or hurt the campaigns for the Union and the College. The Union - College is our most important member and contributor. Therefore, their needs are paramount; but ours are urgent too. Our problem is to devise means of raising money which will help us and not hurt the Union and the College.

What we have decided to do is not to have a general campaign in which each member is appealed to. We will appeal only to individuals who can afford to give a gift without their gift making other gifts less likely. We call our plan, "FRIENDS OF THE WORLD UNION." Any person or organization who gives \$100.00 or more is a "FRIEND" of the World Union. These contributions are tax-deductible.

More than two years ago, I started the idea in my own congregation. It proved to be easy for me to get fifteen individual members and also the Sisterhood and the Mens Club and the Junier Congregation to enroll as a "FRIEND."

Will you please think of our work and what help you can give us in this regard. You will hear later from our Executive Director, Rabbi Rosenthal, but this letter is merely to give you a general idea of what you might be able to do.

Very truly yours,

*Solomon B. Freehof*  
Solomon B. Freehof  
President

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Jerusalem, March 25 , 1963.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
19810 Shaker Boulevard  
Shaker Heights  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Mr. D. M. Harris of our Public Relations Department visited your Nahala at Ta'oz and gave his impressions in an article which I am most gratified to send you herewith. He has also taken some photographs of the village and I am dispatching them to you in an album, under separate cover.

It would be a good idea if during your forthcoming visit in July, you will find the time to visit Ta'oz.

Kindly accept, once again, my heartiest congratulations on your seventieth birthday.

Sincerely yours,

*M. C. Weiler*  
Moses Cyrus Weiler  
Personal Adviser to Chairman of  
K.K.L. Board of Directors

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המכתב נשלח בדואר רגיל ביום 25.3.63



VISIT TO THE ABBA HILLEL SILVER NAHALA

at  
T A ' O Z

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"Good morning" Joshua greeted me in English, as I was still a full two hundred yards from him.

A little taken aback that my accent should be so obvious from such a distance, considering, too, that I had not yet opened my mouth, I queried him - in Hebrew - just how he came to know that I understood English.

"From your face, chaver" he replied.

I had earlier heard about Joshua from Moshav Ta'oz's pretty, Jerusalem-born kindergarten teacher, Sima Ziskind. "He and two others" she told me "besides working their meshakim, serve as border policemen. They are considered the aristocrats of the settlement". Perhaps this accounted for his long-range perception.

What Sima hadn't told me was that Joshua and his two colleagues were, unlike the rest of Ta'oz's community, from Bombay. The other settlers including Joshua's wife - are Cochin Jews.

"But we married in India" Joshua told me, "and our two eldest children were born there. I worked in a factory, but also helped my father in his cocoa plantation, so I was not altogether new to agriculture when we arrived in Israel eight years ago".

I nevertheless, felt prompted to ask him why he had come to Ta'oz.

"Oh, we did not come here originally. We spent nearly a year and a half at Givat Hayim Meuhad. We only left because we feared the lack of religious atmosphere there would be a bad influence on our children".

"Is the community here a very observant one, then?" I queried.

"Well" he answered "I only need tell you that the main synagogue is not big enough for all those who wish to worship, and about twenty of us hold our services in part of the school building, where we have the Sifrei Torah we brought from Bombay. Come with me to see my meshek, and on the way we shall pass the school".

He led me down a winding pathway past the main synagogue, the community store and the club.

"There's Kitah Aleph's classroom" said Joshua, stopping by a long, low building, "and the small room next to it is our synagogue. When the first immigrants

came here thirteen years ago - they were Yemenis who have now moved to Tarum across the Jerusalem-Tel-Aviv road you see below us - both room were classrooms. But we new settlers had more children of school age, and the new building over there had to be put up for Kitah Bet."

Joshua was especially keen to point out to me the plaque affixed to the school wall by the Jewish National Fund to commemorate the 1,125-acre nahala established by American Jewry in honor of Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

Joshua lived a little lower down the hill, in a red-roofed, white-walled, three-roomed house. Nearby he kept his four hundred chickens, which he had received only the week before. "We must buy fodder for them outside" he told me "for our land is completely devoted to grapes, tomatoes, cucumbers and cauliflower. But nevertheless we hope to breed good calves for sale in Jerusalem. With water so strictly rationed here, we couldn't grow enough greenstuff for dairy cows to graze on, even if we had the land to spare."

I asked Joshua how he managed to work his land, tend his cows and chickens, and also find the time to help guard the nearby border. "Oh, it's no problem really" he answered. "The patrols are generally at night, so I have most of the day to work around here. My wife and the children feed the chickens and cows, and I have plenty of time to look after the rest."

After bidding Joshua goodbye, I climbed the hill on the other side past the last houses, to a solid stone building which, I was told, was formerly, a yeshiva. From here, almost in the no man's land which at this point separates Israel from Jordan, I looked across on the one side to Iatrun, and on the other down to Ta'oz, spreading out in three directions, and the highway snaking its way past Eshtaol, up the hill to Sha'ar Haggai, and onwards to Jerusalem.

On a neighboring hilltop was the Harel watchtower, from which the JNF keeps a vigilant eye on its young forests. In the valley the vineyards swept round in a wide semi-circle, coming to an abrupt halt at the rugged boulders directly below me. "One day these too may be cleared" I thought to myself, "and the soil beneath them bring forth fruit".

To my left, along the crest of the hill, I could see the newest forest of them all - the Ta'oz Forest. Covering these stony slopes with young green saplings from the JNF's tree nursery at Eshtaol has been the task of some of the

settlers of Ta'oz itself. The work with which the Fund provides them in the winter months gives a welcome boost to the family purse, and for some regular forestry work will soon be available throughout the year.

The children in the kindergarten had looked contented enough, but their clothes were shabby, and Sims told me that conditions in many of the homes left a lot to be desired.

The kindergarten provided many of them with their first lessons in personal hygiene, and along one wall hung towels, toothbrushes and combs for each and every one of the twenty-five toddlers. One corner was a clinic in miniature, with all the necessary requirements for the children's doctor on his weekly visit. The little ones grew potted plants in their "nature corner" and made dolls, masks, and models in clay in their handicrafts section. They had a little library and brightly-covered tables for mealtimes. Outside they played on swings, on miniature parallel bars, and in a sandpit, all set in a lovely grove of young pines planted for them by the J.N.F.

The Cochin Jews are charming, intelligent people. They are anxious to cling to some of their tradition, and so would be loth to leave a place like Ta'oz where they can live together in community. But they are still strange to the conditions of moshav life, which demand not only devotion to the routine everyday tasks of running a farm, but also skills and knowledge which most of them do not yet possess. Many of the, too, are old, and not a few are chronically sick. As their familiarity with the Hebrew language develops, their chances of doing better for themselves in the towns improve.

The future lies very much in the hands of the children. Whether they decide to plough back the skills they acquire at school into the running of the village remains to be seen. Several of them are already at agricultural schools, and others are keen to follow them. But the land of Ta'oz is limited in its economic potential without the benefit of cheap irrigation. Perhaps some sort of local industry would be the answer, as it has been in other similar places.

Now that the entire Cochin community has been brought to Israel - and in this sense it is unique - it must decide whether to attempt to remain ethnically separate, as it can best do by staying in places like Ta'oz, or to scatter and disperse itself. With the children growing up, studying in the



towns, and serving in the defense forces, the solution perhaps is not entirely in their hands. But whatever happens, it is plain for all to see at Ts'oz that these people will make their mark on Israel's life. They are proud and unselfconscious, and bear no grudge against anyone. They love their new country, and appreciate the opportunities it offers them. This alone is a step in the right direction.

D. M. Harris

March, 1963.



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
19810 Shaker  
Cleveland, Ohio

4211 East 162  
Cleveland 28, Ohio  
March 27, 1963

Dear sir:

I have held out a copy of the Cleveland Record, dated February 25, 1963, which reports on your sermon at the Temple the previous day, pertaining to the Cleveland newspaper strike.

I am not a Guild member, I have no association whatsoever with any aspect of the publishing field, I have no self-interest in any degree or manner in the Cleveland newspaper situation. I am only a factory hand - period.

However, I feel strongly that your seeming "Plague O' both your houses" does merit and require some comment.

If you recall correctly, President Roosevelt uttered a similar "Plague" comment on the "Little Steel" and steelworkers situation immediately after the Memorial Day massacre in 1937 in Chicago. You know, Republic Steel has been completely unionized - with a full union shop, for 20! many years - and all things considered, I imagine doing quite well. Anyway, Shakespeare's Mercutio, who uttered the original "Plagues", never was neutral; he was a mere weakling.

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Rabbi Abba Silver

I did not hear your seminar, so I must rely on the correctness of the Record Report.

The article begins about "irresponsible union leaderships and uncompromising management." Management I can leave to itself, but the term "irresponsible union leaderships" now seems to be hurled against any union or workers group daring to strike anywhere, at any time, for any reason or merit or circumstance. It seems to me that some Madison Avenue entity has coined a phrase that many have caught on to, to apply to any strike of workers.

You term the strike "futile". With my own ears I have heard Guild members state, with a feeling of self-respect and utmost human dignity as it seemed to me, "At least, we are not a captive union anymore." Too, I have personally heard others - members of other unions currently on strike - state firmly, "At last, the Guild has thrown off a yoke (Seltzer). The italics and inference are mine. You term the strike "futile", yet. To me, the Guild has gone through a period of "growing pains" as any young group or personality and is grown up; and certainly will be better, wiser and a more capable group than ever. The lessons from the present imbroglio do leave a mark.

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Rabbi Abba Silver

You stated "there has been no popular support for one side or the other. The public has remained generally apathetic, indifferent and annoyed."

So true. While I cannot in any way speak for or represent the Guild, I think in all honesty the newspaper situation was and should have been - merely a contest between the protagonists involved and the logic, merit, strength, etc. of each side. When you decry a lack of popular support for either side, I think I can rightfully ask (though it may appear extreme inference) did you expect massed legions to violently take over the publishers' premises or to drive all strikers away? Surely, you are aware that one of the tragedies of life in any situation is that most people (except for those immediately involved) don't care - even if a sense of justice calls to high heaven.

You refer to the debate in early February at the City Club between Mr. Noel Wical of the Guild and Mr. Louis B. Seltzer of the Press and "left unconvinced and with a real feeling of bafflement." I had the courtesy of the City Club and permission to miss work that night in order to be present in person; and it was a most worthwhile experience to me. LBS (if I may take the liberty of calling Mr. Seltzer) just had to have a public forum.

"A mountain was in labor, sending forth dreadful groans, and there was in the vicinity the highest expectations. And lo! and behold! It brought forth a mouse."



Rabbi Abba Silver

The hasty arrangement of the affair must be remembered, and, perhaps, it may have been this haste which contributed to make the event that it was - as well as by design. Having witnessed the debate in person, I pay the City Club no disrespect if I hold reservations about its being an "arena of dynamic dissent."

A "stacked deck" does not necessarily pertain only to card playing. I doubt if the general viewer could detect on a television screen the very "funny circumstances" evident in the overall atmosphere and set-up in the hall.

Too, you called the Guild leadership to task (over union security) when "there clearly was a sharp division of opinion over this issue among Guild members themselves."

True! There is no doubt of a division. Is there, at any time, any area of human action when some element or degree of division or dissent does not occur? But bear this clearly in mind: Guild action was majority action - even if that was only a majority of one. It must be remembered that this division or divisive minority did not, from the very outset, comply with nor carry out the action of the majority. Rather, this minority set to sniping and undermining the majority. I shall identify them as barracudas - "B" Boys. LBS may hold them as workers with an aura of loyalty to either himself or the newspaper.

They are no good to the Guild; they will be no good to LBS - eventually. With the prolongation of the strike, loss of pay, the severe winter weather, etc, this divisive minority in time did become a majority. I imagine it was not exactly as simple as that, but pretty much in a nutshell it was so.

I think a true light on the "B" boys - their actions and activities - would show the baseness and weakness of human frailty. I know what a physical prostitute is called; I know not of a term for intellectual prostitution.

The Record report goes on to conclude from your sermon that "there was considerable merit in Seltzer's contention that there was 'deceit and trickery on the part of the Guild leadership in calling the strike'." This is the unkindest cut of all!

At the City Club affair, LBS began with the statement, "This is not a labor dispute in the ordinary sense of the word." This comment must be kept in mind! It is true that the Guild's contract had expired a month previously. It is a fact that the Teamsters' Union originally struck - only the Press and News - the night of November 29, 1962. Even LBS has cited figures to indicate Guild majority action at the outset. Then occurred

the "in again - out again" actions of the Teamsters with all the mystifying circumstances that will remain so. There was the sudden formation of the "Civic Committee" to get the Guild to end the strike - and its as sudden demise. Then occurred the heralded performance of a U.S. Senator in front of the Press building. And yet you iterate - indeed, give credence - to the contention of "Deceit and trickery".

All of the foregoing refers to your sermon at the Temple on Sunday, February 24, 1963 as reported by the Cleveland Record of February 25, 1963 - with my true, appropriate comment as I deemed pertinent. In no way do I question or impugn your right and privilege to any utterance. To me, you are an instrument of good in the broadest sense. And yet even the finest, I imagine, can be pardoned an occasional bling or fling. In this situation, I would be derelict if I did not pen these lines. I want to believe that I have the same depth of feeling as you do for an innate sense of fair play and a never-ending search and realization of truth. We may take divergent paths to those aspirations, and yet I feel secure in the knowledge that Time - as it often does - will

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Rabbi Abbe Silver

put sufficient light on the present Cleveland newspaper situation - and in better perspective. Then, only, will the chicanery, the camouflage, the dirty work in this business be apparent to be nakedly recognized. I concur to the words of a great mind who stated, "I would rather lose in a situation that will be vindicated rather than win on an issue that later will be repudiated."

I remember a story that Heywood Brown of beloved memory was want to cite - a story I feel appropriate here.

A young fellow regularly saw his young love in his counting days. Late one night, returning to his home, the young lad decided to take a short-cut through a cemetery. About mid-way through the cemetery, the fellow heard something of a commotion, and, looking back, saw the eerie figure of a ghost following close behind. The fellow was not alarmed, but merely quickened his pace. So, too, did the ghost, keeping close behind. The lad then broke into a good run, and the ghost still followed close by.

Finally, out of exhaustion, the lad flopped down, panting furiously. Moments later, the ghost, gasping for breath, sat down beside the fellow. Wiping its brow, the ghost said, "That was quite a run we had, wasn't it?"

"Yes, it was," replied the fellow, "and as soon as I get my breath, we're going to have another one."

Very truly yours,  
Paul J. Glebovich

MAX M. MORRISON  
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427 CLINCH AVE., S. W.  
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march 29, 1963

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
c/o The Temple-Tifereth Israel  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am chairman of the pulpit committee for Temple Beth-El in Knoxville, Tennessee. We are at present interviewing prospective applicants for our pulpit. Rabbi Herbert Rose was in Knoxville last week. After our interview with Rabbi Rose, the committee instructed me to write to you with the request that you give us as much information as possible which might help us in our appraisal of Rabbi Rose.

We hope to make a decision on or before April 15, and a prompt response from you would be most helpful.

Thank you for any information that you can send us.

Sincerely,

  
Max M. Morrison

MMM/z



April 2, 1963

Mr. Max M. Morrison  
427 Clinch Avenue, S.W.  
Knoxville 2, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Morrison:

Dr. Silver is currently in Israel and will not return till after Passover. Were he here, I am confident he would speak most highly of Rabbi Rose's ability and most warmly of his work here. If you desire further information I will call this letter to Dr. Silver's attention upon his return.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

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יעקב יקירי,

אני מאשר בזה את שתי השיחות הטלפוניות שהתקיימו בינינו השבוע בקנין רצוננו של  
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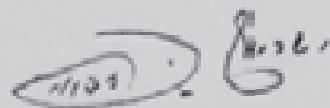
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בחינם, והעשירים מסלסים הרבה יותר, לפי הכלל "העשיר לפי עשרו ובעני לפי קניו". הרב סילבר  
יכול להציע מה שיציע לספי סבנו.

אם אובל להתפנות ביום ד, א' דחוקה"ס לכמה שעות אשתדל לסור לת"א ולכבוד אחשוב לי  
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באחולי חב כסר ושסח לאורה הנערץ, לך ולביתך ולכל אשר לך,

הנני ברוב ירירות



ישראל בר-זכאי  
סבול

April 5, 1963

Dear Dr. Neumann:

At long last I am sending you the copy of Dr. Freehof's address on the occasion of Dr. Silver's 70th Birthday Service. I'm sorry to be so late but today was the first opportunity I have had to transcribe it from the tape - we have been very busy for the past few months.

Cordially yours,

Beatrice F. May (Mrs.)  
Secretary to Dr. Silver

Enclosure

Dr. Emanuel Neumann  
515 Park Avenue  
New York 22, New York

# Highlights for Children

Garry Cleveland Myers Ph.D., Editor

HONESDALE, PENNSYLVANIA

April 9, 1963

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Caroline and I were very happy to read in the New York Times that you receive the 1963 Louis D. Brandeis Award of the American Zionist Council.

Surely it is a well-deserved honor.

Sincerely,

  
GARRY C. MYERS

GCM:est

April 10, 63

Dear Rabbi,

This being an opportune time to ask questions, I would like to ask you one question.

Why is it we commemorate great events of biblical times and do not of our own age. That catastrophe that befell on our race during the Hitler era, you must admit, is of such grandiose tragedy that it should rank evenly with other events of biblical times. Yet it is very seldom mentioned or commemorated. We mention Haman but do not Hitler.

Perhaps I am being more sensitive than others having lost dear ones during that holocaust. It seems to me it should be looked into by leaders

of our race to see if it cannot  
be made into an universal day  
of remembrance as other events  
of biblical times are.

I trust you will find an  
opportunity to comment on this

kindest regards.

Sander Lakre

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ד"ר יוסף נדבה

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April 16, 1963

Dear Dr. Abba Hillel Silver:

I trust you are well and already planning your next visit to Israel in July.

I telephoned you, as agreed, at the SHERATON, Tel-Aviv, a day before your departure from the country, but you were not there. Apparently I was under the mistaken impression that you would be leaving for the Lydda Airport from Tel-Aviv.

This note is to remind you to send me copies of your books, so that I can submit to MASSADA my recommendation for translation.

Looking forward to meeting you again in July.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely

*Joseph Nedava*

April 17, 1963

My dear Mr. Kahn:

Let me thank you for your letter of April 10th and for the subject which you raised regarding the commemoration of the Hitler catastrophe. As you know, we have had many tragic experiences in the Diaspora since biblical times and many martyrs, though no single experience was as vast and as tragic as the one under the Nazis.

The tradition of our people has been to commemorate our martyrs through the ages in special prayers on High Holy Days and especially during the memorial service on Yom Kippur. If you have the Union Prayer Book available for Yom Kippur, and if you turn to pages 316-317, you will read the prayer written especially for the Jewish martyrs of our own times.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfn

Mr. Sander Kahn  
2700 Shaker Blvd.  
Cleveland 20, Ohio





April 17, 1963

My dear Mr. Glebovich:

I have recently returned from abroad and I find your letter of March 27th. I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing to me. Of course, our conclusions differ. I am enclosing herewith a copy of the address which I delivered on February 24th and which was reported in the "Cleveland Record" the following day. In it I state more fully the reasons which led me to say the things which I did say about the Newspaper Strike.

With all good wishes, I remain



Very cordially yours,

AEBA HILLEL SILVER

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Mr. Paul J. Glebovich  
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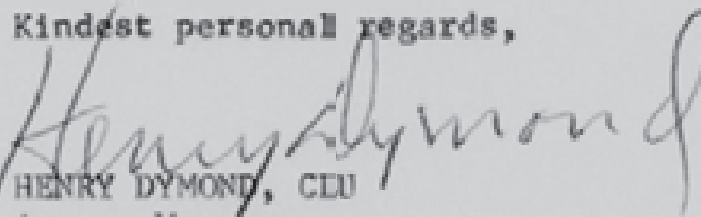
Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Equitable has asked me to deliver a eulogy in tribute to the late Herman Moss at our national meeting in June. In order to do justice to such a great man, I would appreciate very much your penning a few personal observations of Mr. Moss, as well as information regarding some of his activities in The Temple.

Your help in this matter will do much to insure the effectiveness of this testimonial.

Thank you, Rabbi Silver.

Kindest personal regards,

  
HENRY DYMOND, C.L.U.  
Agency Manager

HD:al

Israel

April 17, 1963

My dear friend:

We returned home a few days ago and we are back in the routine of work here.

I need not tell you how much Mrs. Silver and I enjoyed your hospitality and your expert guiding and direction of our tour through Western Galilee. We shall long remember your unfailing courtesies and those of Mrs. Nahmani.

Under separate cover, I am mailing you the volume of essays which was published in honor of my seventieth birthday called "In the Time of Harvest".

I would also appreciate if you would look into the matter of my holdings in Afulah. I have not heard about the situation there in the last few years. I should also be very happy to hear from you about the matter we discussed with regard to Jerusalem.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. Josef Nahmani  
P. O. Box 42  
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RABBI ARTHUR J. LELYVELD  
FAIRMOUNT TEMPLE  
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April 18, 1963

Dear Doctor Silver:

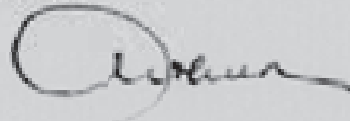
I understand it is "traditional" for the Chairman of the Campaign to forward your Jewish Welfare Fund pledge card to you for self-solicitation, and in this respect, I am happy to follow tradition.

When you are ready to do so, won't you mail the enclosed, either directly to me or to the Federation office?

I followed your trip in the JTA dispatches, and in the London Jewish Chronicle, and I hope it was as pleasant as it was productive. A warm "welcome home"!

Toby joins me in affectionate greetings to you and Mrs. Silver, and we hope to see you soon.

As always,



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
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Jerusalem, April 18th, 1963.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
18810 Shaker Boulevard  
Shaker Heights  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I want to express my heartfelt thanks to you for the warm hospitality you accorded me at the Sheraton Hotel. The few hours I spent with you and your wife were most wonderful.

I am also grateful to you that you accepted in a generous manner the fact that I unfortunately lost the album of the settlement of Taz which I was to have presented to you. You will be pleased to know that the album has been returned to the Police in Haifa and therefore, I am able to send it to you under separate cover. I do hope you will enjoy reading it as well as reading the enclosed which is self explanatory.

Hoping to have the pleasure of meeting you again in July.

Yours in friendship,

*M.C. Weiler*  
Moses Cyrus Weiler.

מכתב זה נשלח באמצעות שירות הדואר הישראלי

April 19, 1963

My dear Mr. Dymond:

In reply to your letter of April 17th -- I can do no better than to send you the memorial tribute which I paid to Mr. Herman Moss at the funeral services which were conducted here at the Temple. I think that you will find in it what you wish to know.

With best wishes, I remain



Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Mr. Henry Dymond, CLU  
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April 22, 1963

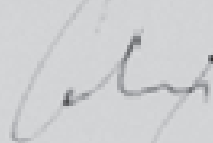
Dear Rabbi Silver:

In 1932 Franklin D. Roosevelt, in one of his most effective campaign speeches, denounced "the Ishmaels and the Insulls, whose hand is against every man's."

Professor Forrest McDonald of Brown University has just written a biography of Insull which I regard as one of the most interesting books written in recent years. Am taking the liberty of sending you a copy under separate cover. Hope you will enjoy reading it as much as I did.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,



Alexander Mintz

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



April 22, 1963

My dear Mr. Markwood:

Upon my return from Israel, I found your gracious note of March 10th. I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness in writing to me. I do hope that we shall have the pleasure of seeing each other again before very long.

With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

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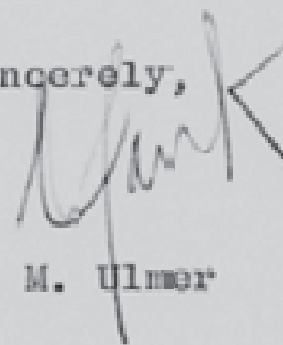
Dear Rabbi:

I appreciate very much the time you gave me on the Louis E. Weitz matter. You will be hearing from Lockwood Thompson, his counsel with respect to when he will need you at the hearing. By mistake I had on my calendar that the hearing was set for Friday, the 26th. The same is set for Thursday, the 25th of April.

Enclosed is a copy of the memorandum which I went over with you with reference to Louis Weitz' background and which I trust will be helpful. Also, I briefed up some of my own information which, in the main, is duplicated in the enclosed zerox copy and which also may be of help.

I assume that Lockwood Thompson will have a talk with you with respect to the time that he will need you at the hearing and he will go over the matter with you prior to your testimony.

Sincerely,



J. M. Ulmer

6/pwz  
Enc.

REMARKS OF

J. M. ULMER

AT

THE STATE CONVENTION

OF

THE LIONS OF OHIO

DISTRICT 13 - INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS

AT

COLUMBUS, OHIO

MAY 11, 1962

REMARKS OF  
J. M. ULMER  
OHIO STATE LIONS CONVENTION  
COLUMBUS, OHIO  
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GENTLEMEN OF THE OHIO LIONS CLUBS CONVENTION OF 1962:

WHAT BROUGHT ME HERE TODAY TO TALK TO YOU?

WHO AM I TO BE SO PRIVILEGED?

WHAT IS THE SUBJECT OF MY TALK?

"TEN YEARS."

WHY NOT ONE YEAR, ONE HUNDRED YEARS, ONE THOUSAND  
YEARS?

MANY OF YOU MAY RECALL OUR FIRST MEETING MORE  
THAN TEN YEARS AGO ON MAY 26TH, 1951, AT YOUR LIONS STATE  
CONVENTION MEETING AT AKRON, OHIO. FOR THOSE OF YOU  
WHOM I DO NOT KNOW, PLEASE BE AS PATIENT WITH ME, AS I  
FEEL THAT THOSE WHO DO KNOW ME WILL BE, AS I TALK WITH  
YOU ON A SUBJECT TO WHICH I HAVE DEDICATED MY LIFE.  
FOR TEN YEARS YCU HAVE LIKEWISE BEEN DEDICATED.

THE CHAIRMAN OF A MEETING ONCE SAID TO A SPEAKER:  
"WHAT WILL YOU TALK ABOUT?" SAID THE SPEAKER: "ABOUT A  
MINUTE." THE ONLY DIFFERENCE THIS DAY BETWEEN MY TALK  
AND THE "ABOUT-A-MINUTE" TALK IS THAT I WILL TALK ABOUT  
"TEN YEARS." DON'T WORRY. I CAN ASSURE YOU WHAT I HAVE  
TO SAY WON'T TAKE THAT LONG. SO, LET'S TALK A BIT.

ONCE I HAD A CLIENT -- YOU SEE I AM A LAWYER -- AND  
OLD SAM WAS HAVING A LOT OF TROUBLE WITH HIS WIFE. SHE  
JUST TALKED AND TALKED. SAM ASKED ME TO GO INTO COURT  
AND GET AN INJUNCTION AGAINST HIS WIFE; TO SECURE FOR HIM  
A BIT OF QUIET FOR A LITTLE WHILE. SAID THE JUDGE TO SAM  
AT THE COURT HEARING: "SAM, WHAT DOES YOUR WIFE TALK  
ABOUT?" SAM SAID: "YOUR HONOR, I DON'T KNOW. SHE JUST  
DON'T SAY."

I HOPE YOU WILL LISTEN TO ME A BIT FOR I WILL SAY  
AS BRIEFLY AS I CAN WHAT "TEN YEARS" IS ABOUT.

ARISTOTLE WAS A GREAT MAN. HE WAS A PHILOSOPHER  
AND ENJOYED A PLEASANTRY OR TWO. ONCE ONE OF HIS FELLOW  
TOWNSMEN WAS TALKING AWAY AT A GREAT RATE. ARISTOTLE

SEEMED TO LISTEN; TO TAKE IT ALL IN. SAID HIS NEIGHBOR:

"I HOPE I AM NOT BOTHERING YOU." "CERTAINLY NOT," SAID ARISTOTLE, "FOR I WAS NOT LISTENING ANYWAY."

I HOPE I DON'T BOTHER YOU. I TRUST YOU WILL HEAR ME OUT. I WANT TO SPEND "TEN YEARS" WITH YOU TODAY.

I HAD A TOUCH OF BLINDNESS ABOUT FIFTEEN YEARS AGO. WHEN MY CATARACTS WERE REMOVED AND I CAME TO KNOW HOW LITTLE HAD BEEN DONE TO PREVENT BLINDNESS -- THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE CAUSES OF BLINDNESS WERE UNKNOWN TO SCIENCE, I MADE UP MY MIND TO TRY TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT RESEARCH IN SO IMPORTANT AND SO LONG NEGLECTED A CAUSE.

NEED I SAY HOW IMPORTANT SIGHT IS? WHERE CAN YOU FIND A NEW PAIR OF EYES? THERE ARE NO SPARE PARTS, NO REPLACEMENTS. EIGHTY-FIVE PER CENT OF WHAT WE KNOW COMES THROUGH THE EYES. IMAGINE ONLY A DAY WITHOUT SIGHT. IN THE UNITED STATES FORTY THOUSAND PEOPLE GO BLIND EACH YEAR. SIGHT IS A PRICELESS GIFT. YET, BLINDNESS IS INCREASING. TEN YEARS AGO IN THE UNITED STATES, AS NEAR AS WE KNOW, THERE WERE TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY



THOUSAND TOTALLY BLIND. TODAY THERE ARE THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX THOUSAND TOTALLY BLIND, AND NEARLY TWO MILLION PEOPLE IN STATES OF PARTIAL BLINDNESS. NINE MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND CHILDREN NEED EYE CARE. ONE HUNDRED MILLION PEOPLE WEAR GLASSES. MOREOVER, AN INCREASING NUMBER ARE LOSING THEIR EYESIGHT EACH YEAR -- IN PART DUE TO DISORDERS ASSOCIATED WITH THE AGING.

WHAT HAS ALL OF THIS TO DO WITH "TEN YEARS?" TEN YEARS AGO I CAME TO A CONVENTION JUST LIKE THIS. I ASKED THE LIONS CLUBS FROM ALL OVER OHIO TO ADOPT A PROGRAM IN AN ALL-OUT LIONS EFFORT TO AID RESEARCH TO PREVENT BLINDNESS AND THUS HELP FIND THE ANSWER TO A QUESTION WHICH IS AS OLD AS THE AGES -- "WHY BLINDNESS?" "TEN YEARS" OR MORE HAVE GONE THEIR WAY. TODAY I COME BACK TO A LIKE STATE CONVENTION OF ALL OF THE LIONS CLUBS OF OHIO TO MAKE A REPORT AND THUS BRING YOU UP TO DATE.

NOW YOU KNOW WHO I AM. NOW YOU KNOW WHAT "TEN YEARS" MEANS. IN OUR TALK I WANT TO TELL THE OHIO LIONS OF THE PROGRESS MADE DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS.



WHAT WERE THE CONDITIONS RESEARCH-WISE WHEN I STARTED ON MY DEDICATED JOURNEY FIFTEEN YEARS AGO TO TRY TO FIND THE ANSWER TO THE PROBLEM OF HOW BLINDNESS COULD BE PREVENTED? ALMOST NO MONEY WAS AVAILABLE AT THAT TIME FOR EYE RESEARCH.

IN THE UNITED STATES TEN YEARS AGO, THIRTY THOUSAND PEOPLE WENT TOTALLY BLIND EACH YEAR. SEVERAL HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS WERE SPENT EACH YEAR TO TAKE CARE OF THE BLIND. HERE AND THERE IN A VERY FEW PLACES A PITIFUL EFFORT WAS BEING MADE ON THE PART OF A FEW PEOPLE TO FIND AN ANSWER TO THE UNDERLYING CAUSES OF THIS AGE-LONG AFFLICTION --- BLINDNESS. THE FIELD OF RESEARCH (WHICH IS THE ONLY ANSWER TO THE QUESTION "WHY BLINDNESS?") WAS A ROCKY AND BARREN ONE INDEED.

IN 1948 A FAMOUS OPHTHALMOLOGIST, DR. F. H. VERHOEFF OF BOSTON, SAID: "IN VIEW OF THE GREAT WEALTH OF THIS COUNTRY AND THE STRONG APPEAL MADE BY BLINDNESS, IT IS REMARKABLE HOW LITTLE HAS BEEN DONATED FOR OPHTHALMIC RESEARCH."

MANY OTHERS WELL INFORMED SAID: "SO NEGLECTED HAS BEEN THE FIELD OF BASIC RESEARCH IN BLINDING EYE DISEASES THAT IT IS INCONCEIVABLE THAT SUCH A CONDITION SHOULD EXIST IN THIS COUNTRY. SEVENTY PERCENT OF BLINDNESS IS PREVENTABLE."

ONE OF THE GREAT RESEARCHERS IN THE FIELD OF BLINDNESS IN THE UNITED STATES, DR. DAVID COGAN OF HARVARD'S MEDICAL SCHOOL AND DIRECTOR OF THE HOWE LABORATORY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY, THIS COUNTRY'S OLDEST AND MOST OUTSTANDING EYE RESEARCH LABORATORY, SAID TEN YEARS AGO: "I CANNOT BEGIN TO CITE THE TREMENDOUS POSSIBILITIES OF EXPANDED LABORATORIES DEVOTED TO EYE RESEARCH. FEW DISASTERS COMPARE WITH THE TRAGEDY OF BLINDNESS AND YET SO LITTLE MONEY HAS BEEN AVAILABLE FOR ITS STUDY IN RESEARCH LABORATORIES. SO LITTLE FUNDAMENTAL INFORMATION HAS BEEN DISCOVERED EVEN FOR THE NORMAL EYE. THE NEED FOR RESEARCH IS DESPERATE. THE HOPE IN THE FUTURE LIES IN THE SEARCH FOR FUNDAMENTAL KNOWLEDGE AND THE APPLICATION OF SUCH KNOWLEDGE TO FIND THE CAUSE OF BLINDNESS AND THE

PREVENTION OF THIS SCOURGE THAT FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS HAS AFFLICTED MILLIONS OF PEOPLE. THE EYE IS THE MOST COMPLICATED AND LEAST UNDERSTOOD ORGANISM OF THE HUMAN BODY."

IN 1948 THE NEW YORK INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATION OF THE BLIND SAID: "THERE IS NO SINGLE GROUP INTERESTED IN DEVOTING ITS TIME AND ATTENTION TO RAISING FUNDS TO FIND THE CAUSES TO CURE AND PREVENT BLINDNESS."

UNCLE SAM SPENT ABOUT ELEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS PER YEAR AT THAT TIME FOR EYE RESEARCH. THERE EXISTED A COMMON BELIEF THAT THE PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS THROUGH RESEARCH WAS HOPELESS.

IN 1949 DR. V. EVERETT KINSEY, ONE OF MY CO-WORKERS IN THIS CAUSE, FORMERLY OF THE HOWE LABORATORY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY, HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL, AND NOW OF THE KRESGE EYE INSTITUTE AT DETROIT, SAID: "THE NUMBER OF PERSONS WHO ARE CONDUCTING RESEARCH IN BLINDING EYE DISEASES IS SMALL INDEED. THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY THIRTY THOUSAND PERSONS BLIND FROM GLAUCOMA IN THE UNITED STATES. HOW

MANY WORKERS DO YOU SUPPOSE ARE PRESENTLY DEVCTING FULL TIME TO RESEARCH ON GLAUCOMA? A GENEROUS ESTIMATE IS THREE. ACTUALLY, THERE ARE LESS THAN TWENTY FULL TIME RESEARCH WORKERS IN THE WHOLE FIELD OF OPHTHALMOLOGY.

THE EXPLANATION OF THE LACK OF RESEARCH EFFORT AIMED AT PREVENTING BLINDNESS IS PRIMAFILY THE ABSENCE OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT. THE NEED FOR EXPANDED RESEARCH ON BLINDING EYE DISEASES IS APPARENT . . . . A FRIEND OF MINE WHO HAD A DETACHED RETINA, A RELATIVELY COMMON EYE DISEASE, ASKED ME TO EXPLAIN TO HIM WHY THE RETINA BECAME DETACHED. I SAID: 'I CANNOT EXPLAIN IT. WE DO NOT KNOW WHY IT IS HELD ON IN THE FIRST PLACE.' WE ARE SO LACKING IN BASIC KNOWLEDGE THAT IT IS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO KNCW WHAT TO DO WHEN THE DISEASES DEVELOP. THERE IS A NEW AND BAFFLING DISEASE CALLED RETROLENTAL FIBROPLASIA, KNOWN AS 'RLF' WHICH BLINDS BABIES." (YOU WILL HEAR MORE ON THIS SUBJECT LATER.) "THE ANSWER TO THE QUESTION OF WHETHER RESEARCH IN OPHTHALMOLOGY WOULD BE FRUITFUL,

IS AN EMPHATIC 'YES.' "

SAID DR. KINSEY: "I KNOW, FROM MY EXPERIENCE, THAT YOU CANNOT AT THIS MOMENT HIRE TEN PEOPLE TO DO RESEARCH IN OPHTHALMOLOGY BECAUSE THEY DO NOT EXIST . . . . ONE CANNOT EXPECT PROGRESS IN RESEARCH BY MERELY HIRING A HALF DOZEN CHEMISTS. THEY MUST BE TRAINED IN OPHTHALMOLOGY. THE OPHTHALMOLOGIST IN TURN HAS TO BE TRAINED IN RESEARCH METHODS. THIS TAKES A PERIOD OF YEARS."

WHAT IS RESEARCH? — RESEARCH IS THE FORERUNNER OF ALL MEDICAL PROGRESS. RESEARCH AND ITS INSEPARABLE COMPANION, MEDICAL EDUCATION, EXIST FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIGHTING DISEASES AND IGNORANCE. WHAT IS RESEARCH? — A PLACE TO WORK; TOOLS TO WORK WITH; A TEAM OF DEDICATED MEN SEEKING THE ANSWER TO THE UNKNOWN TO SCIENCE; MEN PREPARED, MEN WHO KNOW WHAT THEY SEEK, AND HOPE AND WORK TO FIND THE WAY. THIS IS RESEARCH.

TEN YEARS AGO I ASKED THE OHIO LIONS CLUBS, IN A CONVENTION SUCH AS THIS, TO SUPPORT RESEARCH TO HELP MEET THE STAGGERING FACTS ABOVE RECITED. I SAID: "THE LIONS HAVE ALWAYS BEEN INTERESTED IN HELPING THE BLIND.

THERE IS NOTHING THAT I WANT FOR MYSELF, EXCEPT LIONS CO-OPERATION TO HELP ADVANCE EYE RESEARCH." I ASKED: "DO YOU VALUE YOUR SIGHT?" AND WENT ON: "EYES ARE PRICELESS. THEY CANNOT BE REPLACED. HELEN KELLER SAID: 'TO UNDERSTAND THE NEEDS OF THE BLIND, YOU MUST IMAGINE WHAT IT WOULD BE LIKE, NOT TO SEE --- AND YOU CAN IMAGINE IT MORE VIVIDLY IF YOU WILL REMEMBER THAT BEFORE YOUR LIFE'S END YOU YOURSELF MAY GO THE DARK WAY. BLINDNESS IS TO LIVE LONG, LONG DAYS; AND LIFE IS MADE UP OF DAYS. BLINDNESS IS TO LIVE IMPRISONED, ALL GOD'S WORLD SHUT OUT; IT IS TO LIVE HELPLESS, STARING INTO THE DARK WITH NOTHING BUT THE DARK STARING BACK.'"

THIS IS WHAT WE TALKED ABOUT TEN SHORT YEARS AGO. TODAY AT YOUR INVITATION I COME BACK FOR ANOTHER TALK WITH YOU. YOU HEARD WHAT I HAD TO SAY TEN YEARS AGO. WHAT DID YOU DO TO MEET THIS GREAT PROBLEM? YOU KNOW. I KNOW. OHIO KNOWS. FROM THAT DAY ON, THE OHIO LIONS IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED RESPONDED TO MY PLEA. YOU GAVE OF YOURSELVES. YOU ARE STILL GIVING. GREAT WAS YOUR



INTEREST. GREATER IS YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENT. TODAY, TEN YEARS HAVING PASSED, I SAY, GCD BLESS THE OHIO LIONS CLUBS FOR YOUR WONDERFUL EFFORT AND OUTSTANDING RESULTS.

THOSE WERE THE HARD DAYS. FEW PEOPLE UNDERSTOOD WHAT WE WERE SAYING. A HANDFUL OF PEOPLE WERE CRYING THEIR HEARTS OUT TO A HARD WORLD WHICH THEN, AS NOW, WAS DIFFICULT TO MOVE TO ACTION. YOU ACCEPTED THE CHALLENGE WHICH TEN YEARS AGO I BROUGHT TO THE OHIO LIONS.

ONE MAN'S NAME STANDS OUT IN MY MEMORY. I KNOW HE IS HERE. I MET HIM IN JUNE OF 1949. MAY THE BLESSINGS OF HIM WHO SITS ON HIGH GO TO EVERETT STEECE AND TO ALL OF THOSE WHOM HE LOVES AND WHO LOVE AND RESPECT HIM. ALL OF YOU KNOW WHAT HE HAS DONE OVER THE PAST TEN YEARS TO HELP ADVANCE, IN THE NAME OF THE OHIO LIONS, THIS GREAT CAUSE. I AM GREATLY HONORED AND PRIVILEGED TO SAY, "I THANK YOU, EVERETT STEECE," AS I ALSO THANK EACH ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE OHIO LIONS CLUBS. EVERETT STEECE DESERVES THESE THANKS, AS DO EACH OF YOU; AND I HAVE COME BACK AFTER TEN YEARS TO SAY THESE THINGS



TO MY GOOD FRIEND EVERETT STEECE AND TO THE OHIO LIONS  
FACE TO FACE. THESE THANKS ARE PART OF THE MEANING OF  
MY TALK, "TEN YEARS."

TEN YEARS AGO THE OHIO LIONS, AND ITS STATE ORGANI-  
ZATION, CREATED AN EYE RESEARCH PROJECT. YOUR GROUP  
DETERMINED TO SUPPORT, WORK FOR, AND AID RESEARCH TO  
HELP FIND THE CAUSE, THE CURE, AND THE PREVENTION OF  
BLINDNESS. THIS PROJECT WAS TO BE CARRIED ON IN CONNEC-  
TION WITH A LITTLE GROUP, OF WHICH I AM SECRETARY, NAMELY,  
THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR EYE RESEARCH. WE SOUGHT  
TO HELP BLOT OUT DARKNESS AND TO RESTORE AND GIVE SIGHT,  
THROUGH RESEARCH, TO COUNTLESS THOUSANDS TO THE END  
THAT THERE WOULD BE LESS BLIND PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD.

ON THE 29TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1952, FRANK J.  
LAUSCHE, THE THEN GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OHIO, AS  
URGED BY EVERETT STEECE, PROCLAIMED THAT THERE SHOULD  
BE A "BLIND WELFARE AND EYE RESEARCH MONTH" IN OHIO.  
THE PROCLAMATION STATED THAT THE LIONS CLUBS OF OHIO  
WERE ENLISTING AID FOR A STATE-WIDE PROGRAM IN CONNECTION

WITH THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR EYE RESEARCH, TO SUPPORT RESEARCH IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE BLINDING EYE DISEASES AND TO PREVENT AND CURE BLINDNESS. BY PROCLAMATION, APRIL WAS DESIGNATED AS THE "BLIND WELFARE AND EYE RESEARCH MONTH" FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPORTING EDUCATION AND ENLIGHTENMENT IN THIS FIELD, TO BE PARTICIPATED IN BY ALL OF THE LIONS CLUBS AND ALL OHIOANS.

AND, A LITTLE LATER ON, YOU BROUGHT ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION OF THE OHIO LIONS EYE RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC., OF WHICH EVERETT STEECE IS THE DIRECTOR. FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS SINCE OUR FIRST MEETING, YOU TOOK OFF YOUR COATS AND STARTED TO WORK. YOU ASKED NO THANKS OR REWARD. WHEN FUNDS WERE DESPERATELY NEEDED FOR RESEARCH TO PREVENT BLINDNESS, YOU WENT FROM DOOR TO DOOR AND FROM LIONS CLUB TO LIONS CLUB, AND SOWED THE SEEDS AND THUS PLANTED AN ORCHARD OF TREES. YOU GATHERED IN A TEN-YEAR HARVEST. "GREAT OAKS FROM LITTLE ACORNS GROW." YOU HARVESTED MORE THAN TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THIS PURPOSE. THESE FUNDS HAVE BEEN DIVIDED

AMONG THE MEDICAL SCHOOL AT CINCINNATI, THE WESTERN RESERVE MEDICAL SCHOOL AT CLEVELAND, AND THE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY HERE IN COLUMBUS. I TRUST THAT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT, THROUGH FURTHER CONTRIBUTIONS, THE FINE WORK THAT IS BEING DONE IN EYE RESEARCH AT THESE GREAT MEDICAL SCHOOLS.

I STOP HERE TO NAME A FEW LIONS -- I WISH I COULD NAME ALL -- WHO, OVER THE YEARS, WORKED TO RAISE THE FUNDS REQUIRED TO ADVANCE EYE RESEARCH. WE HEAD THE LIST WITH EVERETT STEECE, GENERAL MANAGER OF THE OHIO LIONS EYE RESEARCH FOUNDATION. E. C. "CURLEY" BAUM, PAST STATE SECRETARY, AND ALICE BAUM, HIS GOOD WIFE. ED A. SCHAUER, FRED N. WILLIAMS, AND BURLEY GRAY OF DISTRICT 13-A; DR. MORRIS L. BATTLES OF DISTRICT 13-B; WILLIAM C. THOMAS, LEWIS C. YOHN, AND ED J. WARD OF DISTRICT 13-D; RALPH E. BLANEY OF DISTRICT 13-E; DR. DAN G. HUMMEL AND DR. JOHN E. WOLF OF DISTRICT 13-F; DR. GEORGE K. BECKETT, DISTRICT 13-G; T. H. MEHLBERG, DR. WILLIAM T. WARD, DR. WILLIAM LOFTY AND WILLIAM ALTHOUSE OF DISTRICT 13-H; AND DR. JOHANSEN, WHOSE DISTRICT I CANNOT NOW RECALL. DR. LORAND V. JOHNSON, AN OUTSTANDING LION OF MY HOME TOWN CLEVELAND, DESERVES SPECIAL MENTION. AND MY SINCERE THANKS TO EVERY MEMBER OF THE LIONS OF OHIO, DISTRICT 13 -- INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS, FOR THEIR NOBLE EFFORTS IN SUPPORTING THIS CAUSE FROM THE VERY BEGINNING AND OVER THE YEARS.

WE GO BACK TO 1948, AT WHICH TIME I MET DR. FRED HITCHCOCK AND TRIED TO HELP HIM AND THE COMMITTEE HE WORKED WITH TO CREATE THE INSTITUTE FOR VISION AT OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL. DUE IN PART TO THE CO-OPERATION AND SUPPORT OF THE OHIO LIONS, WE WERE ABLE TO EXPAND THESE FACILITIES, WHERE FOR SOME YEARS DR. WILLIAM HAVENER DID OUTSTANDING WORK AS DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH IN OPHTHALMOLOGY, AND WHICH ARE NOW UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF DR. H. RICHARD BLACKWELL.

WHAT ELSE DID WE DO IN THIS TEN-YEAR PERIOD?

DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS, AT EACH BIENNIUM, THE OHIO LIONS AND YOUR SPEAKER WENT TO THE FIVE SESSIONS OF THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF OHIO TO PLEAD SUPPORT FOR OUR CAUSE. EVERETT STEECE WAS EVER AT MY SIDE. THE LEGISLATURE, DURING THIS TEN-YEAR PERIOD, APPROPRIATED A TOTAL OF FIVE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS WHICH SUPPLIED THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO BRING ABOUT EYE RESEARCH AT THE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY AND TO BUILD THE INSTITUTE FOR VISION. DURING THE SAME PERIOD

THE OHIO LIONS, OUT OF THEIR OWN FUNDS, CONTRIBUTED ABOUT ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS TO THE MEDICAL SCHOOL AT OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY FOR THESE PURPOSES. THROUGH THESE EFFORTS AND WITH YOUR HELP, THERE WAS OBTAINED A TOTAL OF ABOUT ONE MILLION DOLLARS TO SUPPORT EYE RESEARCH AT OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL.

IN TELLING OUR STORY IN OUR VARIOUS APPEALS TO THE OHIO LEGISLATURE, WE THANK DR. CHARLES DOAN, DEAN EMERITUS OF THE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY; STATE REPRESENTATIVE DAVID McK. FERGUSON OF CAMBRIDGE, OHIO; DR. ARTHUR M. CULLER; DR. JOHN PORTERFIELD, NOW WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES; THE GOVERNORS OF THE STATE OF OHIO, INCLUDING GOVERNOR MICHAEL V. DISALLE, WHO HELPED ADVANCE THIS CAUSE AND WHO HAS AN OUTSTANDING INTEREST IN EXPANDING RESEARCH IN ALL OF THE DISCIPLINES.

FOR TEN YEARS WE CONTACTED EVERY MEMBER OF THE VARIOUS LEGISLATURES AND, THROUGH A PROGRAM OF EDUCATION, BROUGHT HOME TO THEM THE FACTS WHICH PROMPTED THE



LEGISLATURE TO APPROPRIATE THIS HUGE SUM OF MONEY IN ORDER TO BRING ABOUT, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN OHIO, AN OUTSTANDING RESEARCH PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY AND TO EXPAND THE INSTITUTE FOR VISION.

AS AN EXAMPLE OF THE COOPERATION OF THE LIONS IN OUR PROGRAM, I WANT TO READ TO YOU A LETTER I RECEIVED MORE THAN TEN YEARS AGO FROM WILLIAM R. FLEMMING OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO (I TRUST HE IS HERE TODAY), IN WHICH HE SAID: "I WANTED YOU TO KNOW THAT YOUR PRESENTATION OF SO VITAL A PROBLEM TO OUR STATE CONVENTION WAS ONE OF THE MOST INTELLIGENT APPROACHES TO THE MATTER OF BLINDNESS THAT IT HAS BEEN MY GOOD FORTUNE TO HEAR. I WAS DEEPLY IMPRESSED. HAVING BEEN IN LIONS WORK FOR YEARS AND HAVING SERVED THE STATE ORGANIZATION IN ALL OF THE OFFICES, INCLUDING DISTRICT GOVERNOR . . . I REALIZED THAT MUCH THAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN BLIND WORK AND THE CONSERVATION OF SIGET HAS BEEN SOMETHING LIKE LOCKING THE BARN DOOR AFTER THE HORSE WAS STOLEN. I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I WILL DO EVERYTHING I CAN TO PROMOTE THE WORK

OF THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR EYE RESEARCH, WHICH YOU REPRESENT AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY. WHAT I CAN'T DO IN MONEY, I WILL DO IN TIME AND EFFORT. IT IS WITH A GENUINE PLEASURE THAT I ENCLOSE THE CHECK FOR \$100.00 FROM THE NEW PHILADELPHIA LIONS CLUB AS PLEDGED. YOU WILL BE PLEASED TO KNOW THAT BY UNANIMOUS DECISION OF THE MEMBERS OF OUR CLUB, IT IS TO BE AN ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION FROM OUT OF OUR BLIND FUND. I SHALL WORK TOWARD THE END THAT OUR STATE ORGANIZATION ADOPT YOUR PROGRAM BY GIVING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SO WORTHY A CAUSE."

AFTER TEN YEARS, I SAY THANK YOU, LION FLEMMING, AND THE LIONS CLUB OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO, FOR YOUR ENCOURAGEMENT AND COOPERATION FROM THE VERY BEGINNING AND THROUGHOUT THE TEN YEARS.

I STILL HAVE A GOOD PART OF MY "TEN YEARS" TO TALK ABOUT AND TO TELL YOU OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE LIONS OF OHIO. IF I WERE TO RECOUNT EVERYTHING YOU DID, THIS WOULD REALLY BE A "TEN-YEAR" TALK. BUT DON'T WORRY — I'LL JUST MENTION A FEW OF THE HIGHLIGHTS.



WHAT WAS DONE WITH SOME OF THE MONEYS THAT THE LIONS CLUBS PROVIDED?

AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE IS THE SUPPORT YOU GAVE TO HELP WIPE OUT A NEW AND TERRIBLE SCOURGE OF BLINDNESS KNOWN AS RLF THAT AFFLICTED AND BLINDED THOUSANDS OF PREMATURELY BORN BABIES. A WAY HAD TO BE FOUND TO PREVENT THIS NEW AND GROWING CAUSE OF BLINDNESS. SOME OF THE MONEYS THAT YOU PROVIDED WERE SPENT TO FIND THE ANSWER, THROUGH RESEARCH, TO RLF. YOU WILL REMEMBER WHAT DR. V. EVERETT KINSEY TOLD US IN 1949 ABOUT THE NEED FOR SUPPORT OF EYE RESEARCH TO PREVENT BLINDNESS. THIS GREAT BIOCHEMIST LED GROUPS IN EIGHTEEN DIFFERENT CITIES TO FIND THE ANSWER TO WHAT BLINDED PREMATURE BABIES. HE IS HONORED ALL OVER FOR HIS GREAT CONTRIBUTION THUS MADE -- AND THE OHIO LIONS PROVIDED SOME OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS.

IN SOLVING RLF, BLINDNESS CAUSED BY AN OVERDOSE OF OXYGEN IN PREMATURE INFANTS, WE HAVE AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF THE GREAT HOPE THAT EXISTS WHEN RESEARCH

SUCCEEDS. THIS IS PROOF POSITIVE THAT THE SCOURGE OF BLINDNESS AND ITS ELIMINATION LIES IN RESEARCH.

DR. HOWARD A. RUSK RECENTLY SAID: "OPPORTUNITIES NOW EXIST THROUGH RESEARCH TO REDUCE SUBSTANTIALLY THE INCIDENCE OF MANKIND'S MOST FEARED DISABILITY --- BLINDNESS . . . . . IT WOULD BE AN INJUSTICE SOCIALLY, ECONOMICALLY, AND MORALLY NOT TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF THESE OPPORTUNITIES."

THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGICAL DISEASES AND BLINDNESS, THROUGH ITS DIRECTOR, DR. RICHARD L. MASLAND, SAID: "IT HAS BEEN STATED THAT THE COST OF THE CARE FOR THE THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN ALREADY BLINDED WILL BE ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND TIMES THE COST OF THE MEDICAL RESEARCH WHICH LED TO THE SUCCESSFUL PREVENTION OF THIS DISEASE THROUGH RESEARCH."

THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE STATES, AND PRIVATE PHILANTHROPIES SPEND MORE THAN ONE-HALF BILLION DOLLARS A YEAR TO TAKE CARE OF THE BLIND AGAINST, PRESENTLY, SIX MILLION DOLLARS BEING SPENT FOR

RESEARCH TO PREVENT BLINDNESS.

IT HEALLY GETS DOWN TO A VERY SIMPLE QUESTION:  
WHAT PRICE HUMAN LIFE? WHAT PRICE DO WE PUT UPON THE  
DISCOVERY OF A RESEARCH BREAKTHROUGH WHICH PREVENTS  
BLINDNESS IN A CHILD?

DR. MASLAND RECENTLY SAID: "THE YEAR OF 1961  
MARKED THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF  
THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR NEUROLOGICAL DISEASES AND  
BLINDNESS. THE RECORD OF ADVANCEMENT WAS A MCST IM-  
PRESSIVE ONE. HEADING THE LIST WAS THE CONQUEST OF RLF.  
THIS RESULTED IN THE SAVING OF SIGHT OF MANY HUNDREDS,  
PERHAPS THOUSANDS, OF CHILDREN. THIS DISCOVERY HAS SAVED  
THE NATION ABOUT ONE-HALF BILLION DOLLARS ASIDE FROM THE  
SAVING OF SIGHT WHICH WAS INVOLVED. IF EVER THERE WAS  
AN EXAMPLE OF 'DOES RESEARCH PAY?' -- IT WAS FOUND IN THE  
HISTORY OF THE ELIMINATION OF RLF WHICH BLINDED THOUSANDS  
OF BABIES."

NO LION SHOULD EVER FORGET THAT THE OHIO LIONS  
MADE A CONTRIBUTION TO THIS GREAT ADVANCE IN OUR CAUSE.

A LITTLE MORE THAN TEN YEARS AGO THE TOTAL CONTRIBUTION FROM ALL SOURCES FOR RESEARCH TO FIND THE CAUSES AND THE PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS APPROXIMATED FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS. IN 1961 ABOUT SIX MILLION DOLLARS FOR EYE RESEARCH WERE CONTRIBUTED FROM ALL SOURCES. THAT'S A SPLENDID INCREASE AND GIVES MEANING TO OUR SUBJECT, "TEN YEARS."

WHY GO ON WITH FURTHER EXAMPLES OF THE GOOD THAT HAS BEEN DONE BY THE OHIO LIONS IN THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE PROGRAM YOU CREATED TEN YEARS AGO WHEN I CAME TO YOU FOR HELP? EVERETT STEECE DID NOT TURN ME DOWN. THE LIONS DID NOT TURN ME DOWN. YOU HAVE BUILT A GREAT MONUMENT TO EYE RESEARCH, WHICH IS CARRIED ON IN PART WITH THE FUNDS YOU HAVE GIVEN --- AND I TRUST WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE --- TO THE THREE GREAT MEDICAL SCHOOLS AT CINCINNATI, CLEVELAND, AND COLUMBUS, OHIO.

IN JUNE OF 1949 THE INSTITUTE FOR VISION AT OHIO STATE WAS A PAPER ORGANIZATION. IT IS NOW A GROWING FACILITY. THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT YOU FURNISHED TO THIS

INSTITUTE PLAYED ITS PART IN THE OVER-ALL RESEARCH PROGRAM.

I AM GLAD TO TELL YOU THAT RECENTLY A FORMER OPHTHALMOLOGIST, DR. JULES STEIN, HEAD OF THE MUSIC CORPORATION OF AMERICA, CREATED EYE RESEARCH INCORPORATED. HE AND HIS ASSOCIATES HAVE ALREADY CONTRIBUTED MORE THAN A MILLION DOLLARS AND HAVE PLEDGED ANOTHER THREE MILLION DOLLARS TO CARRY ON EYE RESEARCH THROUGHOUT THIS COUNTRY. THIS, TOO, IS PART OF THE HISTORY OF "TEN YEARS."

IT IS ONLY PROPER THAT CREDIT FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF RESEARCH TO PREVENT BLINDNESS BE GIVEN TO MY LONG-TIME ASSOCIATES, DR. V. EVERETT KINSEY OF DETROIT AND AL HIRSHBERG OF BOSTON, WHO HELPED CREATE THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR EYE RESEARCH. PRAISE IS ALSO DUE TO MY GOOD FRIENDS, SILAS ADELSHEIM OF PITTSBURGH AND MILDRED WEISENFELD OF NEW YORK, BOTH BLIND, WHO FOUNDED THE NATIONAL COUNCIL TO COMBAT BLINDNESS AND THE FIGHT FOR SIGHT PROGRAM. THIS GROUP HAVE THUS FAR CONTRIBUTED MORE THAN A MILLION DOLLARS TO ADVANCE THIS GREAT CAUSE

ALL OVER THE WORLD.

EVEN THOUGH I HAVE "TEN YEARS," I CANNOT TAKE THE TIME TO EVEN BEGIN SPELLING OUT THE NAMES OF THE RESEARCHERS WHO HAVE BEEN SUPPORTED IN THEIR WORK BY THE FUNDS PROVIDED BY THE LIONS AND BY A FEW GROUPS, INCLUDING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND OUR OWN STATE OF OHIO. TO THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN RESEARCH, OF COURSE, GO GREAT THANKS FOR THEIR HARD WORK, DEDICATED SERVICE, AND WONDERFUL ACCOMPLISHMENTS. MORE POWER TO THEM.

THE OHIO LIONS DESERVE GREAT PRAISE AND THANKS FOR WHAT THEY HAVE DONE IN THIS DIRECTION IN THESE PAST TEN YEARS. WHEN YOU WALK DOWN THE STREET AS YOU LEAVE THIS CONVENTION TO GO TO YOUR RESPECTIVE HOMES, EACH ONE OF YOU WILL LOOK AROUND AND YOU CAN TRUTHFULLY SAY TO YOURSELF: "THERE GOES A CHILD -- OR A MAN -- OR A WOMAN WHO MIGHT BE BLIND BUT FOR ME, A LION, AND ALL THE LIONS OF OHIO, WHO WERE PRIVILEGED IN THESE TEN YEARS TO HELP RAISE THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO ADVANCE THIS GREAT CAUSE."



THE INNER SATISFACTION, DEEP DOWN IN HIS SOUL, IS THE REWARD THAT COMES TO EVERY LION FOR THE PART THAT HE TOOK IN THIS PROGRAM. FOR THIS GREAT CONTRIBUTION ON THE PART OF EACH ONE OF YOU, I SALUTE YOU. I THANK YOU. THIS, TOO, IS PART OF MY STORY -- "TEN YEARS."

AS YOU LEAVE THIS CONVENTION, I EARNESTLY TRUST THAT YOU WILL RESOLVE, AS YOU DID TEN YEARS AGO WHEN YOU STARTED ON THIS PATH, TO CONTINUE THE SAME ROAD AND TO DO ALL THAT YOU CAN TO HELP ADVANCE RESEARCH SO THAT THERE WILL BE LESS BLIND PEOPLE ON THIS EARTH. IT IS OUR HOPE THAT YOU WILL, AS IN THE PAST, CONTINUE TO CONTRIBUTE IN EVEN GREATER MEASURE TO THE ADVANCEMENT AND EXPANSION OF SUCH AN OUTSTANDING, LONG-NEGLECTED, AND DESERVING CAUSE.

CONSIDER THE WONDERFUL ROAD THAT YOU HAVE TRAVELED IN THIS TEN YEAR JOURNEY. NEVER, NEVER IN THE YEARS AHEAD GIVE UP THE RESOLUTION THAT YOU, THE LIONS CLUBS OF OHIO, MADE TEN YEARS AGO TO SUPPORT THIS CAUSE. KEEP ON MARCHING. KEEP ON WORKING IN THIS OUTSTANDING



AND REWARDING EFFORT. BE PROUD OF CALLING YOURSELF A LION AND OF LIONISM. FOR HERE IS A BADGE OF GREAT HONOR, AND MAY ALL OF THE LIONS HOLD THE LIGHTED TORCH OF PROGRESS HIGH, AS EACH DAY YOU LOOK AROUND AND SEE YOUR FELLOW MAN AND CAN TRUTHFULLY FEEL: "IF I HAD NOT HELPED A BIT, MY NEIGHBOR, MY FELLOW MAN, PERHAPS ONE OF MY VERY OWN WOULD NOW BE BLIND.

TEN YEARS IS A LONG TIME, AND, AS WE GO OVER IT, A SHORT TIME.

WOULD I BURDEN YOU TOO MUCH IF I TALKED ABOUT THE NEXT TEN YEARS? THE TASK OF THE OHIO LIONS HAS JUST STARTED. THERE IS MUCH TO BE DONE IN THE NEXT TEN YEARS. AT THE END OF THE SECOND TEN YEARS, YOU CAN REVIEW THE SITUATION AS IT THEN EXISTS. HAVING REVIEWED THE BATTLE-FRONT, AS IT WERE, YOU CAN DECIDE WHERE YOU ARE AND WHERE YOU ARE GOING. THE FACT REMAINS THAT UNTIL THE UNKNOWN TO SCIENCE, THE CAUSES OF MORE THAN FIFTY PER CENT OF THE BLINDING DISEASES STILL UNKNOWN, HAVE BEEN SOLVED THROUGH RESEARCH, YOUR TASK WILL NOT HAVE BEEN COMPLETED. IF

THESE CAUSES ARE EVER TO BE SOLVED, AND THEY MUST BE TO ELIMINATE BLINDNESS, RESEARCH MUST FIND THE ANSWERS TO MANY QUESTIONS, INCLUDING: WHY GLAUCOMA? WHY CATARACT? WHY DIABETES? WHY UVEITIS? WHY CANCER OF THE EYE? AND MANY OTHER LIKE QUESTIONS HAVING REFERENCE TO THE DISEASES THAT BLIND OUR PEOPLE.

DR. JULES STEIN RECENTLY SAID THAT ALTHOUGH DIABETES IS A COMMON DISEASE AND INSULIN HAS DONE MUCH FOR IT SINCE ITS DISCOVERY, THERE IS STILL RELATIVELY LITTLE KNOWN OF ONE OF ITS MOST TRAGIC COMPLICATIONS — THE DEVELOPMENT OF CATARACTS AND/OR RETINAL HEMORRHAGE LEADING TO BLINDNESS. DIABETIC RETINOPATHY ACCOUNTS FOR MORE THAN EIGHT PER CENT OF ALL BLINDNESS. MORE AND MORE, DIABETES IS AFFECTING YOUNG PEOPLE, WITH AN ESTIMATED MORE THAN SEVENTY THOUSAND JUVENILE DIABETICS IN THIS COUNTRY. IF THE DIABETIC LIVES LONG ENOUGH, HE MAY GO BLIND; AND IF HE MARRIES, HE MAY PASS ON TO HIS OFFSPRING THE TENDENCY TO THE SAME DISEASE LEADING TO MORE BLINDNESS.

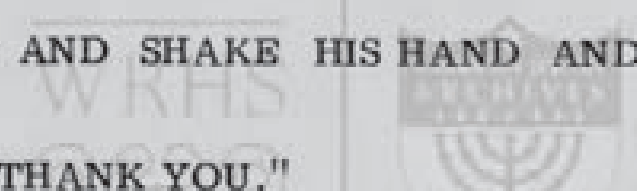
AND SCIENCE DOES NOT YET KNOW THE SOURCE OF GLAUCOMA,

WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR THIRTEEN PERCENT OF ALL BLINDNESS.

I BRING THESE FACTS TO YOU SO THAT YOU MAY KNOW  
OF THE GREAT NEED THAT STILL EXISTS FOR YOUR FURTHER  
CONTRIBUTIONS TO HELP ADVANCE EYE RESEARCH. BY CON-  
TINUING TO SUPPORT THIS CAUSE, YOU WILL RENEW THE PLEDGE  
THAT YOU MADE TEN YEARS AGO AND THUS TRULY AND CLEARLY  
INDICATE YOUR SINCERE CONCERN TO HELP YOUR FELLOW MAN  
BY HELPING TO ELIMINATE THE TRAGIC CONSEQUENCES OF THE  
BLINDING EYE DISEASES.

I AM NEARING THE END OF "TEN YEARS." PERHAPS SOME  
OF YOU WILL BE BOTH GLAD AND SORRY. THIS REMINDS ME OF  
A FABLE THAT GOES SOMETHING LIKE THIS: ON A NIGHT IN  
ANCIENT TIMES THREE KNIGHTS WERE CROSSING A DRIED-UP RIVER  
BED WHEN A VOICE IN THE DARKNESS CALLED OUT, "HALT!"  
WHICH THEY DID. THE VOICE THEN INSTRUCTED THE THREE  
KNIGHTS TO DISMOUNT AND PICK UP A HANDFUL OF PEBBLES AND  
PLACE THE PEBBLES IN THEIR POCKETS. THE VOICE THEN SAID,  
"YOU HAVE FOLLOWED MY DIRECTIONS. TOMORROW WHEN THE  
SUN IS BRIGHT OVERHEAD, YOU WILL ALL BE BOTH GLAD AND

SORRY." THE NEXT DAY IN THE BRIGHT SUNLIGHT, THE THREE KNIGHTS REACHED IN THEIR POCKETS AND FOUND THAT A MIRACLE HAD BEEN PERFORMED. THE PEBBLES HAD ALL BEEN TURNED INTO DIAMONDS AND OTHER PRECIOUS STONES. THE THREE KNIGHTS WERE BOTH GLAD AND SORRY --- GLAD THEY TOOK WHAT THEY DID --- SORRY THEY DID NOT TAKE MORE. YOU WILL BE GLAD THAT MY STORY OF "TEN YEARS" IS OVER, AND I WILL BE SORRY THAT I CAN'T TAKE EACH LION WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THIS GREAT CAUSE IN THE TEN YEARS AND SHAKE HIS HAND AND PERSONALLY SAY: "I HONOR YOU. I THANK YOU."



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April 22, 1963

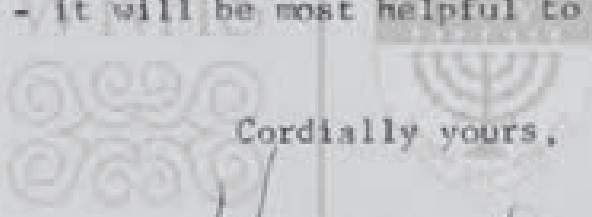
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you very much for your quick  
response to my request for information regarding the  
late Mr. Herman Moss. Your memorial tribute to him  
is excellent - it will be most helpful to me.

Cordially yours,

  
*Henry Dymond*  
HENRY DYMOND, CLU  
Agency Manager

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April 22, 1963

My dear Dr. Rosmarin:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of my "Silhouette" which you wrote for the Jewish Chronicle of London.

With best wishes, I remain



Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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תל אביב, יום April 23rd., 1963 TEL-AVIV THE,

Rabbi Aba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple  
Cleveland,  
Ohio,  
U.S.A.

Dear Dr. Silver,

I am enclosing herewith a number of pictures  
taken at the Seder in our Convalescence Centre in  
Nahariya.

It was an honour and pleasure to have you and  
Mrs. Silver celebrate the Feast with us.

We hope to have occasion to meet you again  
soon.

Sincerely

A. Harel  
Chairman

encl.



800 NATIONAL CITY E. 6TH BUILDING  
CLEVELAND 14, OHIO

April 25, 1962

My dear Rabbi:

My esteemed senior partner, Edgar Hahn, has just presented me with a copy of "In the Time of Har-vert," which you were kind enough to inscribe. To the extent that any such work, however rich, can adequately honor a man himself so rich in achievement, I believe this book to be a most worthy tribute. I am gratified by the fact that I was able to play a small, small part in its making. I shall read the book with interest and own it with pride. I have already thirstily skimmed the section, so ably edited by Dan, devoted to gleanings from your sermon and found it beautiful, stimulating and inspiring. Your 1920 sermon on Zionism is a classic and should be compulsory reading for all Jews, in Israel and in the Diaspora.

As you may have heard, I have just returned from a year in Israel where, on leave of absence from my firm, I served as Legal Advisor to the Investment Authority in the Ministry of Finance. It was a highly rewarding and satisfying experience. Everywhere I went, when people learned I was from Cleveland, their invariable reply was - "Is it that Rabbi Silver's community?" Not everyone has heard of Cleveland, but there is no one in Israel who does not know the illustrious name of Silver.

Permit me, somewhat belatedly, to join the vast number of people who wish you and your wife continued good health, full vigor and fruitful leadership and activity.

Please convey my best wishes to Mrs. Silver.

Cordially,

William B. Goldfarb.

April 26, 1963

My dear Alex:

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of McDonald's book on Insull. I know that I shall read it with a great deal of interest.

With warmest regards and hoping that you and yours are well, I remain



Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Mr. Alexander Mintz  
President  
Shaker Savings Association  
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April 29<sup>th</sup> 1963.  
Phoenix, Ariz.

The Temple,  
Ansel Rd at E. 105<sup>th</sup> St  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. B. J. Krohnfeld, Pres.

The book "In the Time of Harvest  
Honoring Rabbi Abba Hillel  
Silver on his 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday,  
loaned to me by Rabbi  
Albert Blochin of Temple  
Beth Israel, this city, and  
the article in the April 5<sup>th</sup>  
issue of our Phoenix Jewish  
News "Rabbi Abba H. Silver  
looks at the Torah" by Rabbi  
Phillip S. Bernstein (Jewish  
Telegraph Agency) has created

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That spark within me,  
prompting this request,  
for a photo of Ratti Silver  
other than the one in The  
book.

I am most anxious to  
include Ratti Silver in  
my 'spiritual portrait garden'  
which is being done in charcoal.

As I am only interested  
in Leads and shoulders, do you  
happen to have a very recent  
picture of him in such a  
pose, with no such details  
as hands about the face?

Appreciating your response  
to my request, I am  
Sincerely,

Mr. Betty Jackson Somers  
1001 W. Indian School Rd.  
Phoenix, Ariz.

Cpt A.