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AKRON'S GREATEST STORE

AKRON, OHIO

March 23, 1935

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
10311 Lakeshore Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Our local Red Cross organization is starting its annual roll call Tuesday, May 14th. They expect to open the campaign with a luncheon at the Akron City Club at twelve o'clock at which four hundred people will be expected, both men and women in about equal proportion.

They have asked me to communicate with you to request you to make the address at this opening luncheon.

The subject matter need not be specifically concerning the Red Cross but can be on any general welfare topic.

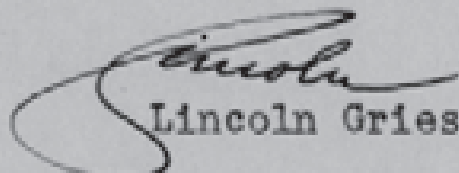
They are very anxious to have you and have suggested that if you cannot make the engagement May 14th, that it can be set for Monday, May 13th or Wednesday, May 15th.

I hope that you will not disappoint them as they feel that you will be able to inspire their workers to do an unusually good job during this campaign.

I hope personally that you will be able to come as I always enjoy seeing you, even though at such occasional intervals.

My best regards to Virginia.

LHG:L

  
Lincoln Gries

March 29, 1935.

Mr. Lincoln Gries,  
The M. O'Neil Company,  
Akron, Ohio.

My dear Lincoln:

I was glad to have heard from you. I am sorry that I cannot comply with your request to address the Akron Red Cross organization. The date of their annual roll call will be the date of our Cleveland Jewish Welfare Fund campaign and I have undertaken the chairmanship of the campaign this year -- which means that I shall be engrossed in work here.

I trust that you and yours are all well. With best wishes, in which Virginia joins me, I remain

Cordially yours.

AHS:BK

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AKRON, OHIO

March 28th, 1936

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

At the request of Mr. Lincoln Gries, I am submitting to you the following information with regard to our Jewish Welfare Fund. Last year we launched our first campaign. Mr. Jerome Dauby was Chairman of the Special Gifts Committee, and the balance of the campaign was carried on by the younger men of the community under the leadership of Mr. Louis Nobil. The beneficiaries of our Fund are listed below.

Judging from last year's experience when no opening dinner for the Drive was held, we believe that this year it would be a mistake to attempt a campaign without one. It is very essential that we foster a spirit of unity and responsibility among the young men in this community. We know that with your assistance and inspiration, we are assured of instilling into the Jewish citizens a feeling of joint responsibility. We also believe that with you as our dinner speaker, we could raise at least 75% of our subscriptions that night, amounting to about \$20,000.00.

In view of the above facts, in behalf of the Board and Committees, I do wish to urge you, if at all possible, to please honor us with your presence on Monday evening, May 5th, or if this date is not satisfactory, at one which may be so to you.

With kindest personal greetings, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Malvyn Wachner*

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1454 Delia Ave.,  
Akron, Ohio.  
August 25, 1936.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

I am writing to ask if you can accept an invitation to be the speaker for the Akron and Summit County Federation of Women's Clubs at their meeting the afternoon of October seventh.

The department of American Citizenship, with Mrs. C. H. Gamber as chairman, has charge of the program for the afternoon. The subject of your lecture which we know will emphasize the purpose of that department as well as will be timely for the election season, will be left to your selection. We should like very much for you to include a comparative study of American citizenship based upon your observations during your recent visit to the countries of Europe.

Kindly advise me at your earliest convenience if you can accept our invitation, your terms, and the statement of your subject. We have a meeting on September second at which we should like very much to announce your reply.

Yours truly,

*Mrs. Ralph Higgins*  
Program Committee Chairman.



August 27, 1936

Mrs. Ralph Higgins,  
1454 Delia Ave.,  
Akron, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Higgins:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of August 26. Rabbi Silver has been spending the summer in Europe. He will return to Cleveland on September first when I shall be pleased to refer your letter to him.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

1454 Delia Ave.,  
Akron, Ohio.  
August 31, 1936.

Miss Bessie Kline,  
Secretary to Rabbi Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Kline,

Since Rabbi Silver will return to Cleveland September first, as you state in your reply of August 27th, may I request that you telephone me Wednesday morning, reversing charges, whether Rabbi Silver will be able to accept the invitation of our Federation to speak at 1:30 October seventh. We shall be very pleased to have Rabbi Silver's reply to announce at our meeting Wednesday afternoon, September <sup>second</sup> ~~third~~, if at all possible. My telephone number is Franklin 2058.

I thank you very kindly, and trust this will cause no inconvenience.

Very sincerely,

Marie W. Higgins  
(Mrs. Ralph Higgins)  
Program Committee Chairman.

Oct 7  
\$150.00

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1454 Delia Ave.,  
Akron, Ohio.  
September 3rd, 1936.

Miss Bessie Kline,  
Secretary to Rabbi Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Kline:

I have reported to our Federation Board the matter of Rabbi Silver's terms for coming as the speaker for our meeting October seventh.

All of our Board members are very sorry that our budget is so limited that it may be impossible to meet these terms. Our budget is limited due to our entertainment of the State Federation convention next May, and to the fact that our year is just beginning. Each membership in our Federation is one dollar for the year, and we depend upon these dues entirely to meet our obligations, including our philanthropic work. We feel quite handicapped at the present time.

If Rabbi Silver could consider coming as our speaker for a fee of one hundred dollars, we might find it possible to invite him either for our October meeting or for one later in the Federation year.

Kindly advise me if it may be possible for Rabbi Silver to come for this amount.

Very sincerely,

Marie W. Higgins  
(Mrs. Ralph Higgins).  
Program Committee Chairman.

September 7, 1936

Mrs. Ralph Higgins,  
1454 Delia Ave.,  
Akron, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Higgins:

I have taken up the matter of your letter of September 3 with Rabbi Silver. Rabbi Silver fully appreciates the circumstances in which your organization finds itself and will be glad to come to your group on October 7. The honorarium which you suggest, \$100, will be satisfactory. Please let me know your decision in the matter so that Rabbi Silver may definitely set aside this date for you.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



1454 Delia Ave.,  
Akron, Ohio.  
September 10, 1936.

Miss Bessie Kline,  
Secretary to Rabbi Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Kline:

Thank you for your letter of September seventh. The Federation Board members are very happy that Rabbi Silver will come as the speaker for the Akron and Summit County Federation of Women's Clubs on Wednesday, October seventh, for the honorarium of \$100.

This meeting will be held in the auditorium of the Y. W. C. A., 146 S. High Street, at 1:30 P. M.

The department of American Citizenship is in charge of the program that day, with Mrs. C. H. Gambee as chairman. We know that an address by Rabbi Silver on some phase of the general subject of American citizenship will be most inspiring, especially in view of the fact of his recent visit to Europe.

Kindly advise me the statement of Rabbi Silver's subject, and any information which he wishes used in announcements and publicity for this meeting. )

Very truly yours,

*Marie W. Higgins,*  
(*Mrs. Ralph Higgins*)

Program Committee Chairman,  
Akron and Summit County Federation  
of Women's Clubs.

September 11, 1936

Mrs. Ralph Higgins,  
1454 Delia Avenue,  
Akron, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Higgins:

Rabbi Silver has definitely scheduled your group for October 7. The subject of his address will be SOME ABERRATIONS OF OUR DAY. Rabbi Silver will keep in mind what you write in your letter about the general subject of citizenship.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

P.S. Am enclosing a short biographic sketch which you may use in your publicity.



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September 30, 1936

Rabbi Silver  
Rabbi Silver's Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Our Jewish Forum Committee is now preparing for its forthcoming season. We would appreciate it very much if we could exchange information with you on the speakers we have engaged and also those with whom you have had contact. If you have already prepared your list of speakers for this year's season will you kindly send us your forum folder? As soon as we have completed our line-up we shall be very glad to reciprocate by sending you our folder.

Hoping that we can be of mutual assistance to each other I am

Sincerely yours,

*Louis Marks*

Louis Marks,

Chairman, Jewish Forum  
Committee

October 2, 1936

Mr. Louis Marks,  
The Akron Jewish Center,  
220 South Balch Street,  
Akron, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Marks:

In reply to your letter of September 30,  
permit me to say that The Temple is not conducting  
any forum this year.

With all good wishes for a happy new year,  
I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX

1454 Delia Ave.,  
Akron, Ohio.  
October 5, 1936.

Miss Bessie Kline,  
Secretary to Rabbi Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Kline:

Kindly advise Rabbi Silver that the place of meeting of the Akron and Summit County Federation of Women's Clubs has been changed. They will meet at the Woman's City Club, 30 South High Street, instead of at the Y. W., for the meeting Wednesday, October seventh. Cars may be parked at the Arcade Parking Garage, 41 S. High Street. And the time of meeting, 1:30 P. M.

Rabbi David Alexander has been invited to introduce Rabbi Silver to our Federation members. We know we will have a very inspiring and instructive lecture.

Very sincerely,

*Marie W. Higgins*  
(*Mrs. Ralph Higgins*)  
Program Committee Chairman.



AKRON CHAPTER HADASSAH



"The Healing of the Daughter of My People"

AKRON, OHIO

257 Stow Ave.,  
Akron, Ohio  
March 11, 1937.

Rabbi Abbi Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland, Ohio.,

Dear Sir: - The Akron Chapter of Hadassah will hold its annual Donor Luncheon at the Mayflower Hotel on April 27, 1937, and would appreciate the honor of your addressing our Chapter on this occasion.

We make this request of you, due to your known deep sympathy in the cause of Zionism.

We would deeply appreciate your consent to our request.

With Hadassah greetings, I remain

March 1, 1937

Mrs. S. Taubman,  
257 Storer Ave.,  
Akron, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Taubman:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of March 1 and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the Akron Chapter of Hadassah at its Donor Luncheon on April 27. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately my program for the remainder of the season is very crowded with both local and out-of-town engagements and I cannot take on any additional obligations at this time.

Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you. With best wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

# THE M. O'NEIL COMPANY

AKRON'S GREATEST STORE

AKRON, OHIO

EXECUTIVE OFFICES

March 25, 1937.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

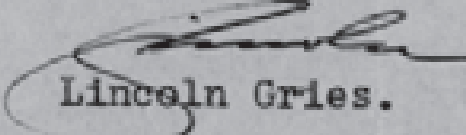
Confirming our telephone conversation of this afternoon, The Jewish Welfare Fund has asked me to invite you to address their evening meeting opening their 1937 campaign. This will be a dinner meeting at the Hotel Mayflower, and will be the only meeting of our campaign.

The reservations have been made for the evening of Tuesday, May 4, but to suit your convenience the date could be changed to May 3, or possibly some other night later in the week.

No meetings of the Budget Committee have yet been held, but it is my understanding that the distribution of the funds to "J. D. C." and to "U. P. A." will approximate the 60-40 basis set down by the national agreement.

I hope that you will be able to come as it is the earnest wish of our organization to have you address us. Should you be able to come I hope you will be able to bring Virginia also. Please give her my very best regards.

Sincerely yours,

  
Lincoln Gries.

LG:LK



March 31, 1937

Mr. Lincoln Gries,  
The M. C'Neil Company,  
Akron, Ohio;

My dear Lincoln:

I wish I were free to accept your kind invitation to address the evening meeting opening your 1937 campaign. But as I indicated to you over the telephone, The Cleveland campaign opens on Sunday, May 2nd and will last through the 11th. As you know, I am General Chairman of the campaign and I shall be attending noon and evening meetings practically through that entire week. I regret very much my inability to serve you at this time.

With all good wishes to you and Lillian in which Virginia joins me, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

# THE M. O'NEIL COMPANY

AKRON'S GREATEST STORE

AKRON, OHIO

EXECUTIVE OFFICES

April 1, 1937.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I was sorry to receive your letter this morning saying that you could not be with us, and I know the organization here feels the same way.

I hope that we may be able to see you soon.

Best regards to you and Virginia.

Sincerely yours,



Lincoln Gries.

LG:LK

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**HARRIS, SACKS & SUBRIN**  
2222 FIRST-CENTRAL TOWER  
AKRON, OHIO

FRANKLIN 8107

April  
14th  
1938.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Temple 105 at Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The officers of The Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign of Akron earnestly invite you to be the guest speaker at the annual campaign dinner Monday, May ninth at Mayflower Hotel. We, of the Welfare Fund, are most desirous of announcing to your host of Akron friends that their good friend, Rabbi Silver, will honor them with his presence on this occasion.

Many of our Akron people feel that they have lately experienced unparalleled economic hardships. Consequently, we are fearful that this great humanitarian cause may suffer by reason thereof.

We believe that when you will remind them of the achievements of their stalwart brethren overseas, in the face of hardship, persecution and starvation, which they forget they have neither risked nor suffered, their courage will be raised and, of course, their pledges.

Faithfully yours,

  
Chairman.

JS:REB.

April 21, 1938

Mr. Charles Sacks,  
2222 First-Central Tower,  
Akron, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sacks:

This is to confirm our telephone conversation. In spite of my very crowded schedule during the week of May 8, due to the fact that we have our own Welfare Fund campaign here in Cleveland, I shall make every effort to be with you for the opening of your drive on Monday evening, May 9. My understanding is that at least half of your total quota will be allocated to the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal.

I would appreciate it if you would make arrangements to have someone call for me and take me to Akron in time for the meeting.

With all good wishes for success in your campaign, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

April 30, 1938

Mr. Charles Sacks,  
2222 First-Central Tower,  
Akron, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sacks:

I am waiting to hear about your final budget. You will recall that I stipulated in my letter that I could come to open your Campaign only on the condition that the JDC and UPA will receive at least fifty percent of your total quota. My information from New York is that you have allotted to the UPA \$5,200. On the basis of 40-60, the total for the JDC and UPA cannot exceed \$15,120. I am also informed that your total quota is \$37,500. I should like to hear from you about this.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.



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May 11, 1938

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

I do so very much regret that I did not get the opportunity to say a word to you before you left for Cleveland Monday night.

I do want you to know how deeply I appreciate your coming to Akron. Your message, as always, was a real inspiration and I know will be indelibly imprinted on the minds of those who were present at the meeting.

In no previous campaign have our workers done the job with such enthusiasm. Our Campaign is discouraging in some spots, but there are bright places to compensate at least partially for these.

You gave us a splendid start and we'll carry on until every prospect is seen.

Sincerely yours,

*Malygn Wadner*

EW/s

*P. S. Our acting chairman has been duly "razed."*

"THANK GOD YOU'RE THE GIVER"

CHARLES SACKS  
FIRST CENTRAL TOWER  
AKRON, OHIO

May  
19th  
1938

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

First, let me say that I am very sorry that I was unable to be present at the banquet opening the campaign for the Jewish Welfare Fund in Akron. It would have been a distinct privilege and pleasure to have had the opportunity to introduce your good self to your host of Akron friends.

I have just returned to my office, practically recovered, and I want you to know that the entire community of Akron owes you a debt of gratitude. I take this opportunity to convey to you my profound thanks for having accepted our invitation and having inspired our drive. The first time I am in Cleveland, you can rest assured that I will make every effort to personally extend my thanks to you.

Our campaign has had a pretty good start; at Monday night's meeting, there was \$29,000 reported and we are winding up our campaign to-night.

With kind regards and best wishes, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

  
CHARLES SACKS

CS:REB.



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I. Sokol  
H. S. Subrin  
Malvyn Wachner

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

Dear Rabbi:

Our Civic Forum Committee, at a recent meeting, seemed very much interested in having you as a speaker on our 1939-40 series. Your secretary informed me that you are out of the country, and probably will not return until fall. I am afraid that if we have to wait for your answer until then, it will delay our arrangements too much. We must have your answer within the next two or three weeks.

Kindly let me know if you can see your way clear to speak on our present series on March 4th, 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th or 13th, and what honorarium you would require.

I need not remind you that you have many friends and admirers in Akron that would consider it a pleasure and an honor to have you with us this coming season.

Sincerely yours,

*Cyril Slesnick*

Cyril Slesnick,  
Executive Director.

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March 4  
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# Eleventh Annual Akron Civic Forum

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Akron, Ohio

July 23, 1939

Post

Forum

Speakers

Herbert Agar  
Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner  
Lewis Browne  
Rev. S. Parkes Cadman  
Upton Close  
Lewis Corey  
Jerome Davis  
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Hermitage Hotel,  
La Baule, France.

My dear Rabbi:

I hope you will forgive this - shall we call it - intrusion.

I must have an answer soon because a number of things depend upon it here. I have already addressed a letter to you in Cleveland, inviting you to speak on our 1939-40 Civic Forum series. A Monday or Tuesday early in March would suit us perfectly.

You probably will have had my previous letter by the time the Yankee Clipper brings this to you.

Kindly let me have your answer as soon as you make the decision.

We want you on our Forum, and if you will accept, we must know soon.

Sincerely yours,

*Cyril Slesnick*

Cyril Slesnick,  
Executive Director.

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*Received Mar. 4th*

# Eleventh Annual Akron Civic Forum

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August 15, 1939

Post

Forum

Speakers

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Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner  
Lewis Browne  
Rev. S. Parkes Cadman  
Upton Close  
Lewis Corey  
Jerome Davis  
Will Durant  
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Secretary to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
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Ansel Road & East 105th,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Madam:

We are enclosing a copy of the letter mailed to  
Rabbi Silver which is self explanatory.

Kindly send us at least three newspaper mats,  
a photograph, newspaper releases, circulars, and  
whatever other material that might assist us in  
preparing an effective appeal for Rabbi Abba  
Hillel Silver.

Our Committee will meet early next week to make  
final arrangements, and we must have the in-  
formation by then.

Anticipating an early reply, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Cyril Slesnick*  
Cyril Slesnick,  
Executive Director.

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August 15, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Hermitage Hotel,  
La Baule, France.

My dear Rabbi:

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I was glad to learn that you will be free to address our Civic Forum audience on Monday evening, March 4th. Our Civic Forum series is now complete, and as soon as we receive a choice of subjects from you, we will be able to prepare our publicity. We would appreciate your sending us "Airmail" two or three subjects to choose from. This is the only item now that is holding up our publicity.

The honorarium is greater than we had anticipated. You probably know that Forums such as ours throughout the country are having their difficulties. The Jewish Center, however, intends to continue with the Civic Forum despite financial loss, because we believe it is a powerful force against Fascism and contributes toward liberal and progressive thinking. For this reason we intend to continue with our Forum even though we do so at a loss.

We have never paid more than \$350.00 as an honorarium to any Rabbi, although they have been our best speakers. In view of the non-profit nature of our Forum, we hope that you will consider coming to Akron for a honorarium of only \$150.00, and we will be only too glad to call for you and take you back to Cleveland. However, if it means your turning down our invitation, we will certainly want you to come at the honorarium you mentioned.

I am sending a copy of this letter to your Secretary in Cleveland, informing her that the engagement is definite. In the meantime, I await your letter which we hope you will not delay sending.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours

*Cyril Slesnick*

Cyril Slesnick,  
Executive Director.

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C O P Y

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August 24, 1939

Post

Forum

## Speakers

Herbert Agar  
Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner  
Lewis Browne  
Rev. S. Parkes Cadman  
Upton Close  
Lewis Corey  
Jerome Davis  
Will Durant  
Amelia Earhart  
Sherwood Eddy  
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Secretary to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
Ansel Road & East 105th,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Madam:

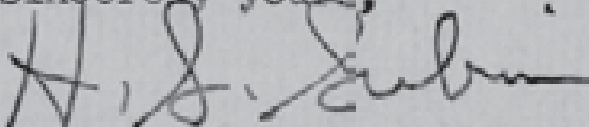
To date we have not received a reply to our letter dated August 15th in which we requested the following: at least three newspaper mats, a photograph, newspaper releases, circulars and whatever other material that might assist us in preparing an effective appeal for Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

In the event that you are holding up this material for lack of a list of subjects for Dr. Silver, kindly forward publicity to us immediately.

We are ready to go to press, and if it is impossible to select the subject for Dr. Silver at present, we will omit his subject from our preliminary advertising.

We must have this publicity material by Monday, August 28th.

Sincerely yours,

  
H.S. Subrin, Chairman,  
Akron Civic Forum Comm.

HSS:BZ



August 25, 1939

Mr. H. S. Subrin  
Akron Jewish Center  
220 So. Balch Street  
Akron, Ohio

My dear Mr. Subrin:

Enclosed herewith are two photographs of Dr. Silver from which you may have mats made. I am also sending you a short biographic sketch of Dr. Silver which you may use in your publicity. For additional information, you may consult "Who's Who".

I shall be pleased to refer your letter to Dr. Silver upon his return to Cleveland so that he may send you his subject as soon as is possible.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

# Eleventh Annual Akron Civic Forum

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220 So. Balch Street  
Akron, Ohio

February 20, 1940

Post

Forum

Speakers

Herbert Agar  
Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner  
Lewis Browne  
Rev. S. Parkes Codman  
Upton Close  
Lewis Corey  
Jacome Davis  
Will Durant  
Amelia Earhart  
Sherwood Eddy  
Abraham Epstein  
Lion Feuchtwanger  
Hamilton Fish  
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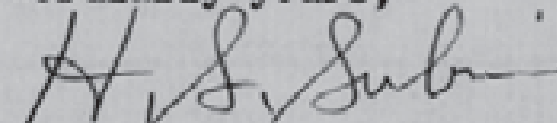
My dear Rabbi:

I am writing this letter merely to remind you  
of your lecture here on our Civic Forum,  
Monday, March 4th.

Kindly let us know what time you plan to arrive  
in Akron so that we can plan to meet you. If  
there are any arrangements you wish us to make  
for you, please let us know.

Looking forward to you being with us on Monday,  
March 4th, I am,

Cordially yours,



H. S. Subrin, Chairman  
Akron Civic Forum  
Akron Jewish Center

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February 26, 1940

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

My dear Rabbi:

I have not yet received an answer to the letter  
I sent you last Tuesday, February 20th. I would  
appreciate your letting me know what time you plan to  
arrive in Akron so that we can make plans to meet  
you.

If there are any arrangements you wish us to make  
for you, please let us know.

Cordially yours,

*H. S. Subrin*

H. S. Subrin, Chairman  
Akron Civic Forum  
Akron Jewish Center

HSS/pm

- Subject

"Some Observations of Our Day"



February 27, 1940

Mr. H. S. Subrin, Chairman  
Akron Civic Forum  
220 So. Balch Street  
Akron, Ohio

My dear Mr. Subrin:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of inquiry. I shall arrive Monday evening in time for the meeting. You need not make any plans to meet me. I am looking forward with great pleasure to addressing your body again.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON  
AKRON, OHIO

Office of the Dean of Students

February 10, 1941

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The University of Akron is anxious to schedule a University Assembly on Tuesday, February 25, on Religion and the Present Crisis, or on a subject which is similar.

Would you be willing to come to talk to us? If so, what honorarium would you expect?

The hour of our assembly is eleven a.m. We should like you to be our guest at luncheon following the assembly, if you find it convenient.

Very truly yours,

*Helen Battrick*

Helen C. Battrick  
Adviser of Women

HCB:mgn

May 5th, '41.

MRS. MATRICE E. WHITELAW

539 HERFORD DRIVE, AERON, OHIO

Dear Rabbi Silver:—

The chairman of the program committee of the Federation of Women's Clubs asked me to write this letter, as I am a member of that committee.

We would like you to address the group at our last meeting of the coming season. That will be the first Wednesday of May, 1942. Any subject that you think fitting.

The committee is very anxious to have you and I am personally hoping very much that you can come. For many reasons.

Also, what is the fee?

It's a rainy, depressing day and I am wondering how many people are chilled and hungry in Europe!

Please give my personal greetings to your dear wife, Mrs. Silver.

Very Sincerely,  
(Mrs. M.E.) Edith S. Whitlaw,

June 17, 1941

Mrs. Maurice E. Whitelaw  
333 Hereford Drive  
Akron, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Whitelaw:

I trust that you will pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter. Due to the illness of Mrs. Silver, who is in the East, I have been away from Cleveland a good deal of the time and my correspondence has lagged. I am happy to say that Mrs. Silver is rapidly recuperating.

As regards the kind invitation which you extend to me in behalf of the Federation of Women's Clubs of Akron for the first Wednesday of May, 1942, I find that that date is not convenient. We hold our annual Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign the first part of May and as chairman I must be in the city during that period. If you have any other open date, please let me know. My honorarium is \$150.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

AKRON AND SUMMIT COUNTY  
FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

34 SOUTH HIGH STREET  
AKRON, OHIO

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333 N. Friestone Blvd

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, June 17, 1941  
The Temple,  
Ansel Rd x E. 105th St.,  
Cleveland Ohio -

My Dear Rabbi Silver,

We remember with a very great deal of pleasure, your appearance as speaker for our Federation. We feel that so many things have happened - so many things shattering to the world today that we would like to have you address us again on a subject of interest to a mixed group of women.

We would suggest the afternoon of May 6, 1942. We are making up our program for the year and that will be our closing session. Mrs. Maurice Whitelaw will be chairman for the afternoon.

We are ~~so~~ hoping your fee will be within our price limit because we have a sincere desire to hear your message. Our audiences are usually



July 28<sup>th</sup>, '41.

MRS. MAURICE E. WHITE LAW

139 HEREFORD DRIVE, AERON, OHIO

My Dear Rabbi Silver:—

We just had a board meeting, that's why I haven't answered before. I'm sorry.

We would very much like to have you for the 1st Wednesday of November, but our budget doesn't permit \$15.00. I do dislike asking you this, but could you reduce it at all? The Federation Board asked me to inquire.

I do hope Mrs. Silver is much better. Please give her my regards.

Hoping you can come, I am

Sincerely,  
(Mrs. M.) Edith S. Whitlaw.

August 11, 1941

Mrs. Maurice E. Whitelaw  
339 Hereford Drive  
Akron, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Whitelaw:

Please pardon the delay in answering your letter. I have just returned from my vacation.

My customary honorarium is \$250. Because of your proximity to Cleveland I quoted you a special honorarium of \$150 and now you suggest that your budget doesn't permit it. I wish you had stated that in your original letter for this correspondence over an honorarium is rather embarrassing. You do not indicate in your letter what your budget will permit.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:RK

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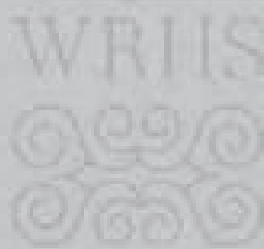
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between five and eight  
hundred women and their  
interests are in education  
and civic service.

May I ask for an immediate  
reply so that we may  
complete our program?

Very Respectfully

Gertrude S. Kester  
(Mrs. W. B.)



Aug. 17th, '41.

929 KENEFORD DRIVE, AKRON, OHIO

My Dear Rabbi Silver:—

I, too, am embarrassed about the discussion but am only on the committee and must do as I am asked. You see, we were hoping that you would quote \$100.00 and I was timid about saying so.

If you can come to us, we would like to have you on the first Wednesday of April—that is the first day of the month. The subject would be "Public Welfare".

It would be generous of you to come, and we hope that you can. Your time would be from 2 P.M. until 3 or 3.30.

Thank you for your courtesy.

Very Sincerely,

Edith S. Whittlaw.



August 19, 1941.

Mrs. Maurice E. Whitelaw,  
939 Hereford Drive,  
Akron, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Whitelaw:

Thank you for your letter of August 17. I shall be pleased to be with you on Wednesday, April 1, 1942 in the afternoon. The subject which you suggest I shall keep in mind, although I should like to rephrase it later on.

There is one reservation which I must make. In connection with my Chairmanship of the United Jewish Appeal and the United Palestine Appeal it is possible that I will be on a tour, either of the South or of the Pacific coast, during the month of April. Should such a tour be definitely scheduled it will, of course, take precedence over any lecture engagements which I have made or am likely to make. But I would let you know in ample time so that you could get some one else to take my place. I am hoping, however, that I shall not have to go on such a tour this year.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

ANS:me

Akron

Aug 27<sup>th</sup>, '91.

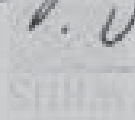
My Dear Lebbi Silver:-

This is to thank you for your generosity and to tell you that we will be happy to have you with us on April first.

Your talk will be presented by the department of public welfare, and you may call it anything you like. If we know about a week ahead, we could publish the title as you wish it.

kindest regards to

Mrs. S. S. S. S.  
My Sincerely,  
(Mrs. Whitlaw S. Whitlaw.)



Mrs. Maurice E. Whitlaw

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Feb. 21, 1942

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, O.  
Dear Sir:-

We are hoping that  
nothing will detain you from  
speaking before our Federation  
on Wednesday, March April 1  
at 1:30 P.M.-

The arrangements were made by  
Mrs. Maurice Whitelaw and since  
she is going to Florida she asked  
me to write you. She seemed  
uncertain about the subject that  
she had mentioned. The Department  
in charge of the meeting will be,  
The American Home. The divisions in  
that department are Gardening, Housing,  
Finance, Safety and Spiritual Values, etc.  
We are stressing Spiritual Values, so these  
subjects may be suggestive for your  
address. I cannot express to you  
enough of our appreciation of your  
coming.

Very Respectfully,

Mrs. W. B. Kester

# Central States Region of Hadassah



*'The healing of the daughter of my people'*

February 26, 1942.

**Officers:**

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
c/o The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

The Central States Region of Hadassah will hold its annual conference in Akron on April 19th and 20th.

Akron is anxious to have the conference because of the decline in Zionist affiliation and activity (even in Hadassah ranks) which is apparent there. But Akron is not the only city which has to cope with this situation; everywhere the rush to war and civilian defense work is taking its toll from the time given to Hadassah. Of course, our informed Zionists make time for both, because they know that Palestine is a vital sector of the single front on which we fight, but vast numbers on the fringe do not understand this. Our delegates to the conference, and the potential membership in Akron as well, need a voice to tell them and a name that will bring them to listen.

Of course, you understand that I have some purpose in writing thus to you. It is to urge that you will honor us by being the speaker at the conference banquet on Sunday evening, April 19th. From the entire region requests have been coming in, that we try to get you as the principal speaker. From Akron itself comes a most impassioned plea. Men and women will come on Sunday night to hear you, who would otherwise ignore the conference, and after hearing you on Sunday, Akron Hadassah feels that the women will come again on Monday and that they will in the end become active Hadassah members.

Surely, unless you are irrevocably committed elsewhere on this date, you will help us in this critical hour by accepting our invitation to be our guest speaker at the principal function of the conference.

Sincerely yours,

*Pauline L. Jackson*  
(Mrs. Harry L.)  
President.

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Rabbi Silver's Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Max Lerner, scheduled to speak on our Forum for March 11th, a week from Wednesday, has cancelled and can not come.

Could you possibly come that day and help us out? Would you kindly have your secretary wire or call me in reply.

Thanking you very kindly, I remain

Sincerely

H. S. Subrin  
H. S. Subrin - Chairman  
Akron Civic Forum

HSS:EEB

P. S. Wire or call my office FR. 8107

*Declined*

March 2, 1942

Mrs. Harry L. Jackson, President  
Central States Region of Hadassah  
28023 Hendrie Blvd.  
Royal Oak, Michigan

My dear Mrs. Jackson:

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to address the Central States Region of Hadassah in Akron on April 19. I wish I were free to be of service to you. Unfortunately I have already two weddings scheduled for that evening. I hope that your Conference will be successful.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

March 2, 1942

Mrs. W. B. Kester  
333 N. Firestone Blvd.  
Akron, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Kester:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter. I shall do my best to keep my engagement with your organization for Wednesday, April 1. I would suggest as my subject: "Morale Building in America".

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Women's Exposition, Akron  
Wed - May 6, 1942

Mrs. Maurice W. Lintelaw  
939 Hereford Dr.  
Akron, Ohio

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Glad you're back safe



Called Long Distance

3-24-42

Spoke to Mrs. Keater

April 7, 1942

Mrs. Maurice Whitelaw  
939 Hereford Dr.  
Akron, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Whitelaw:

Rabbi Silver has gone through his calendar and finds that the date of May 8 is open. He is therefore reserving it for your group.

I trust that nothing will interfere with his coming to Akron this time. With best wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, April 8, 1942  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My Dear Rabbi Silver,

Mrs. Maurice Whitelaw is in receipt of your letter accepting an engagement to speak before our Federation on Wednesday, May 6, 1942 at 1:30 P.M. We are delighted that you will be able to come.

Before you went away, you wrote me that your subject would be "Moral Building in America" - I imagine you will wish that subject to stand but we are hoping that we shall hear at least a little about your trip. Our interest and best wishes were with you during that time. Your fee, as I recall, was to be one hundred dollars -

If you wish, we would be glad to use a glossy print for publicity. May I hear from you once more upon these points? Very Respectfully,

Mrs. W. B. Kester -

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Dear Rabbi Silver -

I should add that the place of the meeting will be O'Neil's Auditorium, opposite the Mayflower Hotel. We shall probably have an audience of considerably over five hundred women.

The members of the Board will have luncheon in O'Neil's tea room and would be very happy and honored to have you join them at twelve -

Mrs. W. B. K.

April 9, 1942

Mrs. W. B. Kester  
335 N. Firestone Blvd.  
Akron, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Kester:

Under separate cover I am sending  
you a glossy print for publicity purposes.

I shall bear in mind to include in my  
address some impressions of my recent visit to England.

I do not know whether I will be able to arrive  
in time for the luncheon at twelve, but I shall be in  
time for the one-thirty meeting.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX



# AKRON BEACON JOURNAL



AKRON, OHIO

April 29, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver :

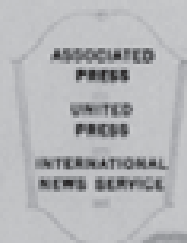
Would it be possible for you to send in advance , or bring with you an outline of your talk to be given before Akron and Summit County Federation of Women's clubs on Wednesday , May 6 in O'Neill's auditorium . It is not possible for me to be at the meeting for the entire program and I would prefer to have the information for quotes and the like come directly from the speaker as you can well realize . I will be there a few minutes before the meeting opens so that if you do not care to send the material in advance you can give it to me at that time.

Thanking you in advance for this cooperation

Very sincerely yours,

Miss Marion Geyer, club editor

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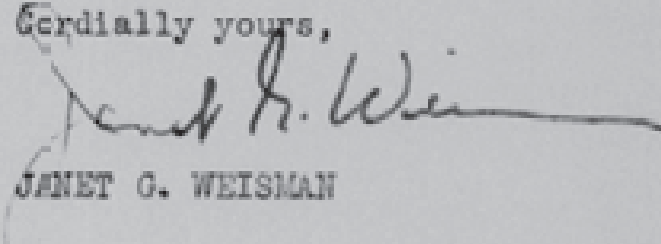
Dear Rabbi Silver:

We have an inquiry from our Camden, N. J., organization  
regarding your availability for a lecture on December 16th.

I shall appreciate your advising me if you are in a posi-  
tion to accept this invitation.

Appreciating an early response, I am

Cordially yours,

  
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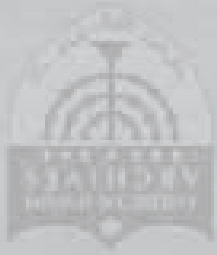
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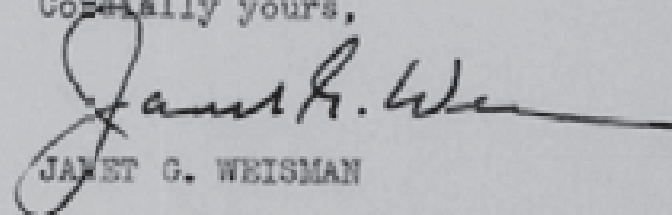
I today sent you two wires as follows:

SUPPLEMENTING YESTERDAY'S LETTER INQUIRING REGARDING YOUR AVAILABILITY FOR DECEMBER SIXTEENTH IN CAMDEN HAVE REQUEST TODAY FROM AKRON FOR MONDAY OR TUESDAY LATE MARCH WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR INDICATING POSSIBILITY OF YOUR ACCEPTING EITHER OR BOTH INVITATIONS

PLEASE ADD NEW HAVEN REQUEST FOR NOVEMBER TWENTYFOURTH EAGER TO HAVE YOU OPEN SERIES ALL GROUPS UNDERSTAND FEE TO BE TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS EACH

Since the groups are trying to line up their forum series for next season now, I would very much appreciate your willingness to consider these invitations and the possibilities of being available on the dates indicated.

Cordially yours,

  
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July 22, 1942

Miss Janet G. Weisman  
220 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Weisman:

In reply to your telegram, permit me to state that Rabbi Silver has requested me to write you that he will not be able to come to Camden but that he may be able to come to Akron in March. His honorarium is \$250.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ANS:BX

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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August 4, 1942

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
Euclid Avenue Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

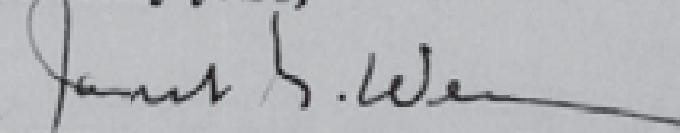
Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing to you with further reference to the invitation of the Akron Jewish Center. They are definitely interested in arranging for you to participate in their forum series on Tuesday, March 23rd. Unfortunately, however, they cannot pay more than \$200. In view of the proximity of Akron to Cleveland, would you make that concession on their behalf?

Camden inquires about any other month except December, which would suit your convenience for a forum invitation. They would be willing to adjust themselves to your calendar.

Looking forward to an early and affirmative reply,  
I am

Cordially yours,

  
JANET G. WEISMAN, Director  
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August 14, 1942

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

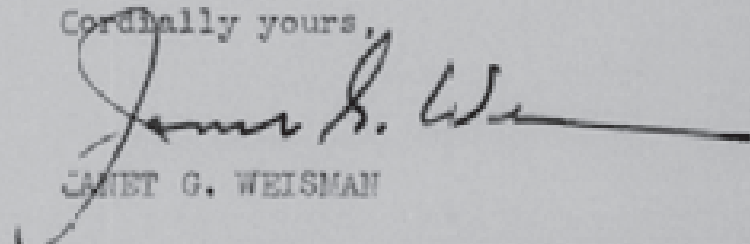
Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Akron Jewish Center is very eager to make final arrangements for its fall forum series. You will recall my inquiring regarding your availability on March 23rd and at a special fee of \$200. I would therefore appreciate your early advice in the matter.

I would also appreciate an indication of plans that might bring you east and enable you to accept a mutually convenient date for the Camden forum.

Looking forward to your affirmative reply, I am

Cordially yours,

  
JANET G. WEISMAN

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August 19, 1942

Miss Janet G. Weisman  
Jewish Center Lecture Bureau  
220 Fifth Ave.  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Weisman:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of August 14 to Rabbi Silver. Rabbi Silver is on his vacation and will be gone for at least another week. I shall be pleased to refer your letter to his attention when he returns to Cleveland.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



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JANET G. WEISMAN, Director

August 26, 1942

Miss Bessie Kline  
Secretary to Dr. Silver  
The Temple  
E. 105th St. & Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

Thank you for acknowledgments of our communications to Dr.

Silver.

The Akron group is very eager to proceed with announcement of their forum series and have again written regarding the possibility of confirming March 23rd. Is there any way you can communicate with Dr. Silver, asking for his confirmation on the basis of \$200 so that they can proceed with the rest of their series?

Cordially yours,

JANET G. WEISMAN

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August 28, 1942

Miss Janet G. Weisman,  
Jewish Center Lecture Bureau,  
220 Fifth Ave.,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Weisman:

I have been requested to advise you that Rabbi Silver's tentative engagement with the Akron group is based on the honorarium originally suggested in his correspondence.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

*Temple Israel*

*133 Merriam Road*

*Akron 3, Ohio*

March 5, 1945

*J. Marshall Tracy, M.D.*  
*Rt. 11*

Dr. A. H. Silver  
The Temple  
E. 105th Street and Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

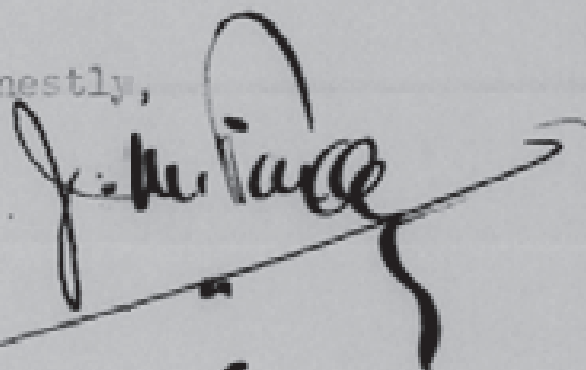
My dear Friend:

Our congregation is to celebrate its  
80th Anniversary, Friday, April 6. If at  
all possible we should welcome the oppor-  
tunity of having you preach the anniversary  
sermon, Friday, April 6, at 8 P.M.

All of us are joined in the hope that  
you will find it feasible to accept. We  
trust your delightful wife will be able to  
join you that evening as our guest.

With kindest wishes to you and your  
loved ones,

Earnestly,



JMT:hjg

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Regret exceedingly that pressure of  
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A. H. Silver

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THE TEMPLE ANSEL RD AND EAST 105 ST CLEVE=

AKRON CIVIC FORUM MAY HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT LECTURE  
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IS THERE POSSIBILITY YOU MAY HAVE A DATE OPEN FOR SUCH  
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Mar 15, 1945  
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## WANT A REPLY?

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J. Marshall Tazewell  
Akron, Ohio

Deeply regret cannot accept your kind invitation.  
because of previous commitments. Warmest  
greetings.

A. H. Silver.

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CAN YOU OCCUPY OUR PULPIT SABBATH EVE APRIL SIXTH  
OCCASION EIGHTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR TEMPLE PLEASE WIRE  
COLLECT KINDEST WISHES=

DR J MARSHALL TAXAY.

No.	10 B. 15.
By	E. J. 124 AR M/cil

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March 16, 1945

Dr. J. Marshall Taxay  
Temple Israel  
133 Merriman Road  
Akron 3, Ohio

My dear Taxay:

It is not because I am not appreciative of your invitation that I must decline it. I wish I could come, but believe me, I am a very tired man and I am trying to conserve my energies a bit. I have been working under terrific strain, as you may well know, and I have already committed myself to all too many out-of-town lecture engagements in connection with one cause or another. I have been over-doing it and I have been cautioned to go easy.

I know that you will understand and that you will forgive me if I cannot come to you this year. With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

AKRON, OHIO - 3/16/45

EIGHTIETH ANNIVERSARY DATED APRIL 27th. YOU SPOKE OF SIXTIETH  
ANNIVERSARY TWENTY YEARS AGO. CAN YOU POSSIBLY MAKE IT? KINDEST  
REGARDS. PLEASE WIRE COLLECT.

(SIGNED) DR. J. MARSHALL TAXAY

*Recd. 1:55  
EAB*



1649 1/2 E. Market  
Akron 5, Ohio  
April 3, 1945

Rabbi Hillel Abba Silver  
19810 Shaker Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

As Commencement Chairman of  
the East High graduating class  
of June, 1945, I would like  
to invite you to speak at  
our graduation exercises.  
Commencement takes place  
Thursday evening, June 7<sup>th</sup>  
eight o'clock P.M. in the  
Goodyear Theater, Akron, Ohio.  
Due to the large number in  
the class (325) the speaker's  
address is usually limited to  
thirty minutes. Financially we  
are able to pay the speaker  
of the evening fifty dollars.  
Please answer as soon as  
possible giving your answer  
and any additional information.



you might care to offer.

Sincerely,

Vassilia Pantagos  
Commencement Chairman



April 8, 1945

Miss Vasselia Pantages  
1849½ E. Market St.  
Akron 5, Ohio

My dear Miss Pantages:

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to deliver the commencement address at the East High graduating class on June 7th. It would have given me great pleasure indeed if I were able to accept it. Unfortunately I shall be East during that week. I hope that I may be of service to you at some future time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

# PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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EAST HIGH SCHOOL

J. F. MEARIO, PRINCIPAL  
H. M. AULT, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

East High School  
Akron, Ohio  
April 7, 1945

Dear Rabbi Silver,

It has been two weeks since I sent  
a letter of invitation to you to speak at  
the East High Commencement on June 7<sup>th</sup>  
at 8:00 P.M. May we have your answer at  
your earliest convenience, if you received  
the invitation?

Sincerely yours,  
Vessie Pantagen

Please forward % Miss M. Kroeger

JAMES H. SIVARD, MINISTER  
884 N. HOWARD STREET  
PHONE HE-8218

**NORTH HILL METHODIST CHURCH**

748 BLAINE AVENUE - PHONE JE-3782

AKRON, OHIO

April 24, 1945

Rabbi A. H. Silver  
Cleveland, O.

Dear sir and brother:

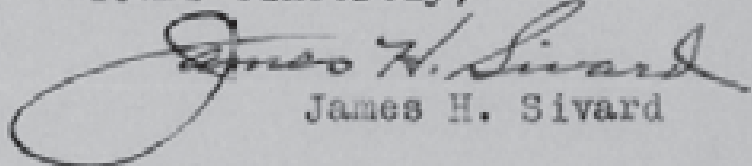
The Methodist Union of Greater Akron are in the midst of setting up the program for a series of Sunday evening Forums on the general theme of "Religion in the Present World Crisis". Our plan is to begin in the fall, continuing one Sunday evening each month thruout the winter season.

I have been authorized by the Executive Committee of the Union to write you, inviting you to be our Speaker on Sunday evening, January 13, 1946. We will leave the choice of subject to your own discretion, assuming that you will consider our general theme.

We would appreciate an early reply from you, confirming the date, and stipulating the terms upon which you will be willing to favor us with your presence and your talents.

Awaiting your reply, I am

Yours sincerely,

  
James H. Sivard

May 1, 1945

Rev. James H. Sivard  
North Hill Methodist Church  
749 Blaine Avenue  
Akron, Ohio

My dear Rev. Sivard:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of April 24 and for your gracious invitation to speak at the Sunday evening Forum of the Methodist Union of Greater Akron on January 13, 1946. I wish I were free to come as it would have given me great pleasure indeed to meet with your group. Unfortunately the pressure of my work makes it impossible for me to accept many invitations that I would normally be most happy to accept. Especially is it difficult for me to leave Cleveland on a Sunday as I have many congregational duties to perform on that day.

Hoping that I may be of service to you at some future time, and with all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK



# Sixteenth Annual Akron Civic Forum

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Civic Forum

Speakers

Barclay Acheson  
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Harry Elmer Barnes  
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Louis Fischer  
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Maynard C. Krueger  
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Louis Lochner  
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June 19, 1945

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Ansel Rd. & East 105th St.  
Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

At the present time we are in the midst of arranging for  
the 1945-46 series of the Akron Civic Forum.

Each year we have a clergyman as one of our speakers and  
for the coming season we are interested in knowing whether  
you would be available. If so, kindly let us have several  
dates and the amount of honorarium you require.

Sincerely,



H.S. Subrin, Chairman  
AKRON CIVIC FORUM

HSS:HK

"I do not believe in a word that you say but I will defend to the death your right to say it" — Voltaire.

June 25, 1945

Mr. H. S. Subrin, Chairman  
Akron Civic Forum  
220 S. Balch Street  
Akron 3, Ohio

My dear Mr. Subrin:

Thank you for your kind letter of June 17. I regret that it will not be possible for me to accept your gracious invitation to address the Akron Civic Forum during the coming season. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

GOOD YEAR

# The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company

Akron 16, Ohio

July 9, 1945

Rabbi A H Silver  
The Temple  
19810 Shaker  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I wrote to Frank Stewart, Religious Editor of the Cleveland Press, requesting a list of speakers for our Cuyahoga Falls Methodist Men's Club, and he recommended you as a man who would be interesting in this type of program.

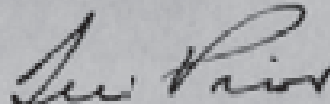
Our group meets once a month on the first Wednesday. We usually have a turn out of around 125 men. We have open the dates of October 3, November 7, December 5, February 6, March 6, April 3, and May 1. These meetings start at 6:30 with a dinner which lasts until 7:30 and then from 7:30 to 8:30 we would like to have a talk for about 45 minutes and then about 15-25 minutes of group discussion. Of course, your program can be varied according to your desires.

We would like to hear from you as to whether or not you could be with us on one of the above dates, what date you would prefer, and what charge you would make for such a program.

This might seem to be quite a ways in advance of the dates we have open, but we are very much interested in getting our complete program lined up for next year.

We would appreciate hearing from you as soon as convenient.

Sincerely yours,



Sales & Office Personnel

T W Prior  
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July 22, 1945

Mr. T. W. Prior  
The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co.  
Akron 16, Ohio

My dear Mr. Prior:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter and for your invitation to address the Guyanese Methodist Men's Club. I appreciate your thoughtfulness in writing to me, but I am afraid that I am in no position at the present time to indicate whether I could come to you. I am leaving for England in a few days, and I would suggest that if your program is still open, that you write to me sometime early in the fall.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

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SAMUEL WOLCHOK, Pres.

JOHN V. COONEY, Sec. - Treas.  
*On leave with U. S. Army*

April 8, 1946.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Chic.

Dear Doctor Silver:

Our Union is holding its Fourth Convention beginning May 14th, 1946 at the Mayflower Hotel, Akron, Ohio.

1546 We would be greatly honored to have you deliver the Invocation and address the assembled delegates on either Wednesday or Thursday of that week, at your own convenience.

Our delegates, knowing of your activities and accomplishments, will I am certain, be very interested in hearing from you.

Will you kindly notify me as to the approximate time of your arrival in Akron so that I can make all necessary arrangements.

With kindest personal regards, and looking forward to welcoming you to the Convention, I remain,

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Samuel Wolchok".

Samuel Wolchok  
President

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April 9, 1946

Mr. Samuel Wolchok, President  
United Retail, Wholesale & Department Store  
Employees of America  
100 West 42nd St.  
New York 18, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Wolchok:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of April 5 and for the invitation which you extend to me to attend your convention in Akron and to address your body on May 15th or 16th. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately I am scheduled to attend other meetings out of town during that week.

With all good wishes, and deeply appreciating your thoughtfulness in extending your invitation to me, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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June 17, 1946

Rabbi A. H. Silver  
The Temple  
19810 Shaker  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Last year Mr. T. W. Prior contacted you at the suggestion of Mr. Frank Stewart, Religious Editor of the Cleveland Press, regarding the possibility of you speaking to the Cuyahoga Falls Methodist Men's Club.

You very kindly advised Mr. Prior that due to a forthcoming trip to England that you would prefer that we contact you later.

Our group meets once a month on the first Wednesday and we usually have an attendance of 125 men. We have open dates of October 2nd, November 6th, December 4th, February 5th, April 2nd and May 7th.

These meetings start at 6:30 with a dinner which lasts until about 7:30. Then we would like to have a talk of around 45 minutes with perhaps a group discussion and question period of about 15 to 25 minutes, following the talk. Of course, your program can be varied according to your desires.

We should like to know whether or not you could be with us on one of the above dates, what time you would prefer and what charges you would make for such a program.

This may seem to be quite awhile in advance of some of the dates we have open but we have found that our meetings are more successful if we can announce the complete program for the winter season at the first meeting in the fall.

We shall appreciate hearing from you, as soon as convenient.

Very truly yours,

THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY, INC.

Assistant Manager  
War Contract Termination Division

W. J. White  
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GOOD YEAR

# The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, Inc.

Akron 16, Ohio

July 23, 1946

Rabbi A. H. Silver  
The Temple  
19810 Shaker  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

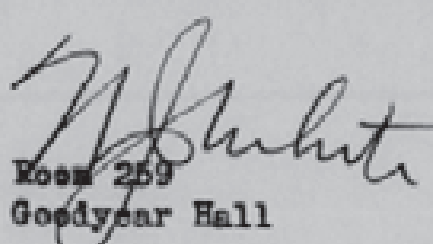
We know that you are very busy and it may be that you did not receive our letter of June 17th regarding the possibility of your speaking to the Cuyahoga Falls Methodist Men's Group. On the chance that our original letter was lost in the mail, we are attaching a copy.

We would very much appreciate your advising whether or not it would be possible for you to honor us with your presence.

We still have dates of October 2nd, December 4th, February 5th, April 2nd, and May 7th, open.

Very truly yours,

THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO., INC.

  
Room 259  
Goodyear Hall

W. J. White  
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July 25, 1946

Mr. W. J. White  
Room 259  
Goodyear Hall  
Akron 16, Ohio

My dear Mr. White:

Your letter of July 23 to Rabbi Silver has been referred to the writer.

I do not know whether Rabbi Silver has received your original letter of June 17. If he has, I can only say that it was due to his absence from the city a great deal of the time that has probably caused him to overlook it.

At the present time, he is away on his vacation and will not return to his desk until sometime after Labor Day. At that time I shall refer your letter to him, and I am sure that he will advise you then whether or not he can take advantage of your gracious invitation.

Sincerely yours,

HARRY A. LEVY  
Executive Secretary

HAL:GR

September 9, 1946

Mr. W. J. White  
Room 259 Goodyear Hall  
Akron 18, Ohio

My dear Mr. White:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter. I have been away from the city most of the time and my correspondence has unfortunately lagged.

I wish I could see my way clear to accept your kind invitation. It would give me real satisfaction indeed to address the Men's Club of your church. Unfortunately I am so heavily burdened with commitments for the coming season that I cannot in justice to myself take on any new obligations. Under normal conditions I should be most happy to accept many invitations which I am now compelled to decline. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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# Eighteenth Annual Akron Civic Forum

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April 24, 1947

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Akron Civic Forum is now planning its 1947-1948 lecture series.

For some years we have asked you to appear on our lecture platform and I hope that this year you will be able to accept our invitation.

Will you kindly let me know whether you can appear on our platform this season, any time between October and March and what your honorarium would be. Our lectures are held on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday evenings.

Sincerely yours,

H. S. Subrin  
H. S. Subrin,  
Chairman

HES/is

"I do not believe in a word that you say but I will defend to the death your right to say it" — Voltaire.

April 25, 1947

Mr. H. S. Subrin, Chairman  
Akron Civic Forum  
220 S. Balch Street  
Akron 3, Ohio

My dear Mr. Subrin:

I am indeed very grateful to you for your kindness in sending me an invitation to address the Akron Civic Forum. I know that you have invited me also in previous years. Unfortunately the pressure upon me is still very great and I am compelled to decline invitations which normally I should have been most happy to accept. The Palestine issue is, as you know, is up before the United Nations and will remain there for some time, and my position demands that I devote myself almost exclusively to that task.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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# AKRON CHAPTER HADASSAH

WOMEN'S ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

AKRON, OHIO



July 28, 1947

delivered  
Aug. 6

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

The members of the Akron Chapter of Hadassah are very anxious to have you speak at the Annual Dinner Event to be held the evening of December 1, 2, 3 or 4.

Can you make an address in Akron on one of those nights, and what would the charge be to Hadassah?

A prompt reply would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Leah (Mrs. M. K.) Jessop  
1115 Jefferson Ave.  
Akron 2, Ohio

Rabbi Avram Hartstein  
of the  
Ahavas Zedek Congregation

Study: 432 Wildwood Ave.

Akron, Ohio

Phone: HEmlock 5647

Dec. 1, 1948

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Only a rabbi haschutzpah to come forward with a request I am making in this letter.

We of the Z.O. in this city sorely need your help, for but sixteen people - including the batlonim - attended the meeting called two weeks ago. Sixteen, mind you, out of six hundred that are on and off the books, mostly the latter. It's all in the bag, is the general attitude, the task accomplished and try as we might we cannot cope with the situation. Won't you, Rabbi Silver, come here to address the boys - any time, any hour (the middle of January would be shaas hakosher, but we ain't particular)?

After all, Akron is a suburb of Cleveland, so your townsfolk claim, and thus within your parish. Besides the unspoken taunt and jeer of Hadassah, a very prosperous organization, is nigh unbearable.

When I spoke to my friends of my intention to approach you they did not even deign to laugh; a man of your caliber and position would not do it, they said. Do it, Rabbi Silver, please, for a fellow-rabbi who had the shlimazi notion to accept the presidency, with the concomitant headache, of the local branch.

Respectfully,

*Rabbi Avram Hartstein*

December 3, 1948

Rabbi Avram Hartstein  
432 Wildwood Avenue  
Akron, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Hartstein:

I very much appreciate your kind letter, and I wish I were free to help you out. Unfortunately, I am so heavily committed that I cannot, in justice to myself, take on any additional responsibilities. I am on the road a good deal of time, as you probably know, and I have not been able to do justice to my own work here in Cleveland.

I would suggest that you get in touch with the Lecture Bureau of both the Z.O.A. and the Emergency Council. They may help you to get a few interesting speakers for your programs who will attract larger crowds than you have been getting.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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MAY 17, 1949

MR. J. MARSHALL TAXAY  
1015 ORLANDO AVENUE  
AKRON, OHIO

REGRET VERY MUCH THAT I AM UNABLE TO ACCEPT YOUR GRACIOUS INVITATION FOR THURSDAY MAY NINETEENTH. I AM SCHEDULED TO ADDRESS A MEETING OF THE NEW YORK FEDERATION OF REFORM SY-  
AGOGUES IN NEW YORK CITY ON THAT DAY. I WISH YOUR CAMPAIGN EVERY SUCCESS. THE NEEDS OF THE REFUGEES WHO ARE POURING INTO ISRAEL ARE VERY GREAT AS YOU MUST HAVE LEARNED FROM YOUR RECENT VISIT THERE, AND THE YOUNG STATE CANNOT BY ITS OWN MEANS CARRY THIS HEAVY BURDEN. I KNOW THAT EVERYONE WILL WANT TO DO HIS MAXIMUM IN THIS HISTORIC HOUR. WARMEST REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

# AKRON CHAPTER HADASSAH

WOMEN'S ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

AKRON, OHIO



September 22, 1949

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

As you perhaps have often heard, Akron, Ohio has been recognized as having an outstanding Jewish Community with a great deal of perseverance.

Every year, each of our leading organizations has requested your presence in Akron. This year, Hadassah (we never give up) comes to you again. Could you possibly be with us on Thursday afternoon, December 1<sup>st</sup>, at our annual donor luncheon. We expect an attendance of approximately 600 to 700 women.

The writer realizes that all requests should be forwarded to

**AKRON CHAPTER HADASSAH**  
WOMEN'S ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA  
AKRON, OHIO



your lecture bureau, but  
from previous experience, I  
know that we would only  
receive a negative routine answer.

Dear Rabbi Silver -  
words aren't adequate to tell  
you how much your message  
and presence would mean to  
our entire community, not only  
Hadassah. Akron and Cleveland  
are such close neighbors and  
you haven't visited us for almost  
twenty years.

If you could possibly give us  
an affirmative answer, we  
could communicate with  
your lecture bureau at once  
as to financial arrangements.

**AKRON CHAPTER HADASSAH**  
WOMEN'S ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA  
AKRON, OHIO



Plainly speaking - please  
give Akron a break.

Our very best wishes to  
you and your family for  
a very Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Beatrice R. Rabb

(Mrs. Edward J.)

Chairman '49 Donor Comm.

I realize that this request  
does not possess the dignity  
that it should. It is only  
because of our over anxiety  
to have you with us.



September 26, 1949

Mrs. Edward J. Rabb  
Akron Chapter Hadassah  
Akron, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Rabb:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of September 22nd and your gracious invitation to address your donor luncheon on December 1st. It would indeed give me great pleasure to do so, but unfortunately, my schedule is already overcrowded this year. In addition, this is the centennial year of my congregation and because of my years of absence from Cleveland, I feel an obligation to keep my out-of-town commitments to a bare minimum. I should very much like to visit your city again in the near future, and I trust that I shall be able to do so again soon.

With all good wishes to you and the members of your organization, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

*Temple Israel*

*133 Mariman Road*

*Akron 3, Ohio*

*J. Marshall Toney, D.D.*  
*Rabbi*

January 5, 1950

Dr. A. H. Silver  
The Temple  
E. 106 at Ansel Rd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

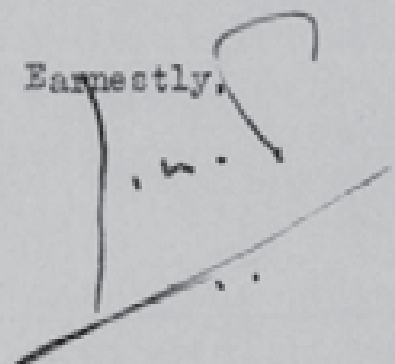
Dear Dr. Silver:

Consonant with our telephone conversation, we shall appreciate your advising us one or more Friday evenings when it will be convenient for you to occupy our pulpit in celebration of our 85th Anniversary.

Rest assured of our deepest gratitude.

With the very kindest good wishes from house to house,

Earnestly,



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January 5, 1950

Dr. J. Marshall Taxay  
1015 Orlando  
Akron, Ohio

My dear Dr. Taxay:

I have checked my schedule and I regret that pressure of work here makes it impossible for me to accept your kind invitation. I have had to stay pretty close to home in view of the Centennial activities, and also, because of my extended absences in the last few years.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:ch

Rabbi:

This man phoned the other day from Akron for an appointment. I learned that he and a group of Akron Zionists wanted to talk to you about coming to speak to a meeting there. I persuaded him to write the enclosed instead and told him that I would see that he received a reply.

E.E.

HAROLD F. LEVINSON  
1379 JEFFERSON AVE.  
AKRON 2, OHIO

October 30, 1951.

Miss Elizabeth Rice  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Miss Rice:

Thank you for your discussion with me concerning Dr. Silver.

As you suggest, I am writing to make representations to Rabbi Silver to meet with a group of Akron Zionists. We wish to acquaint him with what we believe is a promising opportunity to further our mutual cause.

We feel this city wants and needs to hear Dr. Silver, whom we look upon as the leader of American Zionism. Akron has done its share of hard work for Zionism, but can do more if it has his help. The city would be a suitable arena for a major or minor address within the next year or sooner. We think details could be worked out.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Levinson



November 5, 1951

Mr. Harold Levinson  
1379 Jefferson Avenue  
Akron 2, Ohio

My dear Mr. Levinson:

Miss Rice has discussed with me her telephone conversation with you and your letter of October 30th. I wish I were free to come to you. Unfortunately, my out-of-town schedule is already so over-crowded that in justice to myself, I cannot take on any additional commitments. I hope that I may be of service to you at some future date.

With best wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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November 12, 1951

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Our Congregation has reached a long awaited dream of completion. After five years we have finally finished our very magnificent edifice, which promises to be a source of Jewish pride for all of the City of Akron. Our Dedication Ceremonies are being held the first week in December, culminating with the Dedication Banquet to be held on December 9th.

We know that your schedule and the many, many urgent matters that require your personal attention are varied and manifold, however, our Committee has requested me to extend this personal plea; that you be our principal guest of honor for that banquet.

We would deem it indeed a great privilege and honor if you shall be able to join with us. Our Congregation and I most respectfully hope that you may fit this great event of importance to us within the framework of your activities.

We shall await publication of our invitations, program and Dedication Journal, until we hear from you.

Respectfully yours,

Rabbi Solomon I. Moses

November 14, 1951

Rabbi Solomon I. Mosenson  
Beth El Congregation  
164 South Perkins Avenue  
Akron 20, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Mosenson:

Thank you so much for your kind letter of November 12th and for your gracious invitation to address your Dedication Banquet on December 9th. It would give me great pleasure indeed to be with you. Unfortunately, I have a number of weddings scheduled for that date and I must, therefore, remain in Cleveland.

With all good wishes to you and heartiest congratulations on the completion of your new building, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRAHAM SILVER

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Your New Temple

*Temple Israel*  
*133 Merriman Road*

*Akron, 3 Ohio*

*Hemlock 7843*

May 15, 1953

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
East 105 Street & Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I should like you to know how thrilled I was to learn from Rabbi Applebaum of your favorable reply to the invitation to be our principal speaker at the Dedication Banquet. He has advised me of your preference for the date of December 13th. We are therefore proceeding with our plans accordingly. I understand that while you have stated your preference for the above mentioned date, it will not be definitely confirmed until the High Holy Days. We are grateful, nonetheless, for your manifested desire to be with us.

Again, with many thanks and with kindest personal regards,  
I remain

Sincerely yours,

*Marvin M. Pereiman*  
Marvin M. Pereiman  
President

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*Temple Israel*  
*133 Merriman Road*  
*Akron 3, Ohio*

OFFICE OF THE  
RABBI  
MORTON M. APPLEBAUM, M. H. L.

October 29, 1953

Dr. Abba H. Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Would you please instruct your office to send me three of your glossy prints and biographical material for our publicity purposes. We have already begun to publicize the fact that you will be with us for the Dedication Banquet. We would like to use the glossy prints in our program and other publicity matter.

With kindest personal regards I remain

Cordially,

*Morton M. Applebaum*  
Morton M. Applebaum  
Rabbi

MMA:LS



November 5, 1953

Rabbi Morton M. Applebaum  
Temple Israel  
133 Harrison Road  
Akron 3, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Applebaum:

In accordance with your letter of October 29th, I am pleased to enclose herewith three glossy prints of Rabbi Silver together with copy of biographical data.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Dorothy Koslen  
Secretary to Rabbi Silver

President  
MARVIN M. PERELMAN

Secretary  
MRS. LOUIS SEGEL

Temple Israel  
133 MERRIMAN ROAD  
Akron 3, Ohio

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December 15, 1953

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
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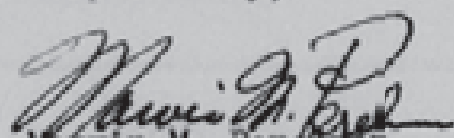
Dear Dr. Silver:

May I, on behalf of the members of our Congregation, again express to you our deepest appreciation for the part you played in making our Temple's Dedication Banquet such an inspiring one.

As a small but tangible token of our appreciation, we are enclosing a check for \$100.00.

Thanking you again and with every good wish, I remain,

Respectfully,

  
Marvin M. Perelman  
President

MMP:LS  
ENC.

December 24, 1953

Mr. Marvin M. Perelman, President  
Temple Israel  
133 Merriman Road  
Akron 3, Ohio

My dear Mr. Perelman:

Permit me to thank you for your kind note of December fifteenth and for the check which you enclosed.

I enjoyed meeting with your people on the occasion of the Dedication Banquet very much indeed. It was a most impressive and inspiring gathering.

With warmest regards to you and Mrs. Perelman, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:mas

*Temple Israel*  
*133 Merriman Road*  
*Akron 3, Ohio*

OFFICE OF THE  
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December 15, 1953

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

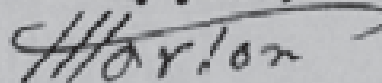
Dear Dr. Silver:

I should like to take this time and means of again expressing to you my many thanks for your having come to Akron for our Dedication Banquet. You gave us all the "lift" so needed.

I was happy to learn from the various individuals, who approached me, that they had been impressed by the sincerity of my introduction of you. I trust that this feeling was likewise manifest to you.

Thanking you again for your kindness, and with kindest personal regards, I remain

Cordially yours,



Morton M. Applebaum  
Rabbi

MMA:LS

December 24, 1953

Rabbi Morton W. Applebaum  
Temple Israel  
133 Merriman Road  
Akron 3, Ohio

My dear Morton:

Thank you for your lovely note of December fifteenth. I had a perfectly splendid time at the dedication banquet. I enjoyed the occasion tremendously and was deeply touched by the warm words which you spoke when you introduced me - I am afraid a tribute of which I was not entirely deserving.

I hope that you will have much happiness in your newly expanded, renovated house of prayer and study.

With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:mas



## *Bear Furniture Company*

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March 25, 1957

Dear Rabbi Silver,

It was nice meeting with you on Tuesday of last week, and I am writing you to tell you how happy we all are in Akron that you are going to be with us on Wednesday night, April tenth, to kick off the U. J. A. Campaign Dinner.

My car will call for you at 4:45 p.m. at the Temple on Wednesday. Thank you so kindly for consenting to come to Akron. With kindest regards, and hoping to see you on that day, I am --

Sincerely yours,



Sidney J. Bear

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
19810 Shaker  
Cleveland, Ohio

## *Bear Furniture Company*

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April 18, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillo Silver  
The Temple  
155th Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

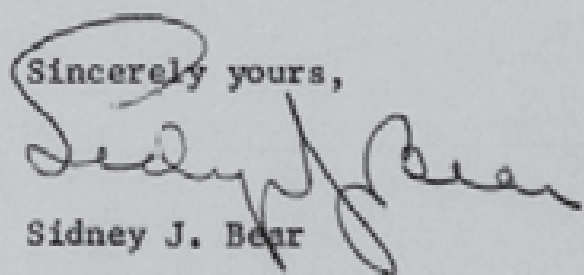
Dear Dr. Silver:

I was waiting to write you until some results of the campaign in Akron could be tabulated, and I can now report what transpired due to your generosity of coming to Akron to address so eloquently our group of men last Wednesday night. The campaign is going to produce between \$600,000 and \$650,000 -- which, for Akron, we consider quite good.

Dr. Silver, I want to, at this time, express for myself personally and for our entire community the pleasure and inspiration we received from your talk here. Words cannot express the reaction that we received from everyone who attended the meeting and everyone who heard about it.

Again, many thanks for coming. With my kindest regards, I am --

Sincerely yours,

  
Sidney J. Bear

SJB/ah

*Temple Israel*  
*133 Merriman Road*  
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OFFICE OF THE  
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MORTON M. APPLEBAUM, M. H. L.

April 18, 1957

Dear Dr. Silver:

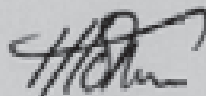
Just returned to my office this morning after a siege of the flu and hasten to send you this word of thanks again for having favored us at our Jewish Welfare Fund's Big Gifts Dinner the other night. I don't know whether or not you were advised of the results of that evening. I do know that you will be pleased to learn that \$400,000.00 was raised. Mr. Jerome Kaufman, the young man who sat next to you, outdid his previous record of giving by announcing a total gift for the current campaign in the amount of \$50,000.00.

The Big Gifts Dinner of this year, in the opinion of all who were present, was unusual in many ways. It was felt that everything was on a "higher level." This was attributed to you and all are indeed grateful.

I called the Welfare Office a few moments ago to find out whether the check for \$450.00 for the one hundred copies of your book had been sent on to you. I was told that it was going out in this day's mail. Would you, nonetheless, please have your secretary drop me a note when the check arrives. If for any reason, it should get held up at the local Welfare Office, I would follow through on same again.

Thanks again for being with us and with kindest personal regards from household to household, I remain,

Cordially,



Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

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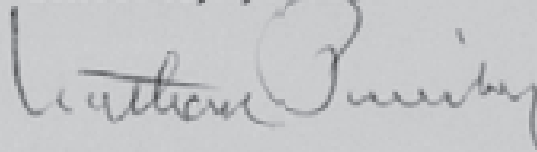
Dear Rabbi Silver:

Enclosed please find our check in the sum  
of \$450.00 to cover cost of one hundred (100)  
copies of your book "Where Judaism Differed."

Our meeting was successful because of your  
presence and your message, and we have  
received the thanks of many of our men because  
of the presentation of the copy of your book.

Thank you for all that you have done.

Sincerely yours,



Nathan Pinsky,  
Executive Director.

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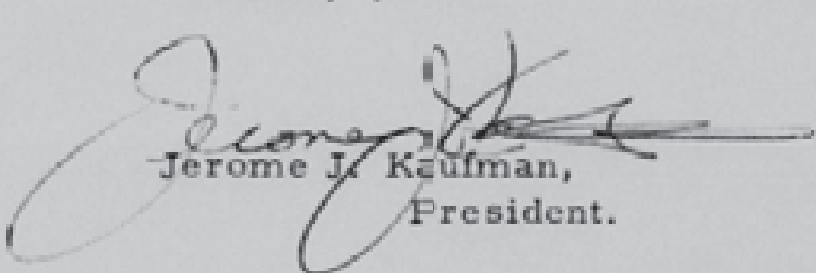
Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Advance Gifts meeting of our 1957 Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign was the most successful in the history of our organization. It was successful both in the largest attendance we have ever had and the largest sum of money ever raised at a single meeting in Akron. I can honestly say that your presence and your inspired message represented the principal factor in our success.

I am deeply grateful to you and I know that I can express the complete sentiment of our Board of Trustees and of our entire community when I express my appreciation for your work on our behalf.

Again many thanks.

Cordially yours,

  
Jerome J. Kaufman,  
President.

JJK:bhs



April 26, 1957

Mr. Jerome J. Kaufman, President  
Jewish Welfare Fund of Akron  
Strand Theatre Building  
129 South Main Street  
Akron 8, Ohio

My dear Mr. Kaufman:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of April 23.

I was happy to learn that such fine progress was being made in your Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign. I enjoyed my meeting with your Advance Gifts group tremendously. It was a very inspiring meeting.

Thank you for your words of commendation.

With all good wishes I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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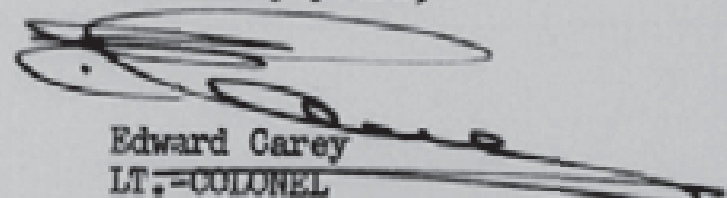
Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Salvation Army in Akron holds an Annual Civic dinner each year which attracts a capacity crowd of top community leaders to the Ballroom of the Mayflower Hotel. Our Akron Advisory Board has requested me, on their behalf, to extend an invitation to you to be the speaker at this meeting.

Previous speakers have included Mr. Harvey S. Firestone; Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby; Commissioner Norman S. Marshall, National Commander of The Salvation Army; and Walter A. Roving, President of Bonwit Teller, New York.

We realize how tremendously busy you are in many community activities, but we would be deeply honored, indeed, if you could find it possible to accept our invitation for the evening of October 5, 1960.

Sincerely yours,

  
Edward Carey  
LT.-COLONEL  
DIVISIONAL COMMANDER

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April 22, 1960

Lt.-Colonel Edward Carey  
Divisional Commander  
The Salvation Army  
3483 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland 15, Ohio

My dear Colonel Carey:

Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter. I have been out of the city. I deeply appreciate your gracious invitation to address the Annual Civic dinner of the Salvation Army in Akron on October 5th. I wish I were free to come but that date falls within our holiday season and I must remain here in Cleveland.

I trust that your dinner will be very successful and with all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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