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February 11, 1935.

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

Dear Rabbi:

On March 20th, the Brooklyn Chapter of Hadassah will hold its Annual Twenty-Five Dollar Luncheon at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, and we would all love to have you as the Guest Speaker for that occasion.

We expect to have about a thousand women present, and would like them to receive the inspiration that only a person like you can render. We sincerely hope and trust that you will see your way clear to grant us this great privilege, and thus serve the great Cause of Hadassah and bestow one of the rarest privileges to our audience.

Anticipating a favorable reply from you, for which we thank you in advance, we remain

Very sincerely yours,

BROOKLYN CHAPTER OF HADASSAH

Mrs. I. May Taub
President.

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February 14, 1935.

Mrs. I. Taub, President,
Brooklyn Hadassah,
26 Court Street,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Taub:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of February 11. Although the week of March 20 is a very crowded one for me inasmuch as I am scheduled to attend the Convention of American Hebrew Congregations, I shall make every effort to be with you. Please let me know a little more about the details of your program as it develops.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:EK

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February 20, 1935.

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

Dear Rabbi:

We are in receipt of your letter of February Fourteenth in which you were gracious enough to accept our invitation to be the Guest Speaker on the occasion of our Annual Luncheon, to be held on Wednesday, March Twentieth, at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York City. Please accept our most sincere thanks for your kindness.

We will be pleased to communicate with you as to the details of our Program, as soon as we have same arranged.

Words are inadequate to express the pleasure and thrill that your acceptance to be our Guest Speaker, gave to each and every one of our Executive Committee on our Brooklyn Chapter of Hadassah.

With cordial Hadassah greetings, we remain

Very sincerely yours,

BROOKLYN CHAPTER OF HADASSAH

(Mrs. I.) Mary Paul
President.

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March 21, 1935.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

We want to take this opportunity to further express to you, our appreciation of the inspiring message you delivered to our Hadassah members and guests, at our Annual Luncheon on March 20th at The Waldorf-Astoria.

It was your sincere address that so clearly depicted the present-day Jewish picture all over the world, that made our Luncheon the outstanding event and a real celebration for our Brooklyn Hadassah.

It gave our members renewed courage and inspiration to carry on our Hadassah work, and to the non-Hadassah members, it gave sufficient food for thought.

I am at a loss for words to express my true feelings and appreciation. The only thing I can say is: may God grant you long life and good health, so that you may continue to give the much-needed inspiration to our Jewish people.

Very sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) May Paul
President,

MT:FW

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MRS NATHAN L GOLDSTEIN PRESIDENT WOMENS DIVISION
376 CROWN ST

[Handwritten flourish]

Regret



150 Hooper St.,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
May 9, 1935.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I am taking
the liberty of writing to
you so informally because
we talked in such a
fashion.

I wish to
thank you in behalf of the
Brooklyn Jewish Alliance
for being so considerate as
to offer your services at a
gala celebration of the
passing of our college bill
discriminating against
Jewish students.

You informed
me that the only day you

could possibly come to New York City was May 23. Unfortunately on that day we can not secure a meeting place large enough and we are going to postpone the celebration to a later date when I hope you will find it convenient to attend.

I shall be delighted to inform you about that day and hope you will be able to honor us with your presence.

As the representative of many good Jews I thank you for your kind co-operation.

Respectfully yours,
(Miss) Florence Friedman

THE BROOKLYN JEWISH CENTER

667-691 EASTERN PARKWAY

BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

FORUM AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Sept. 19, 1935

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. and Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are now making plans for the opening of our
Forum season, on Monday evening, October 28th.

At a meeting of the Committee held last night,
I was asked to extend to you an invitation to
be the speaker at the opening meeting. We shall
be thankful to you for your acceptance of this
invitation to be with us again.

The Committee will be glad to pay a suitable
honorarium, and we would appreciate it if you
would let us know what amount will be agreeable
to you.

Looking forward to the pleasure of an early and
favorable reply, I am

Very sincerely yours,

JOSEPH GOLDBERG
Administrative Director

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September 23, 1935

Mr. Joseph Goldberg,
The Brooklyn Jewish Center,
667-691 Eastern Parkway,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Goldberg:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of September 19 and for the invitation which you extend to me to speak at your Forum on Monday evening, October 28. I regret that I cannot come East on that day as I have another engagement scheduled for that evening. But I shall be in the East over the week-end of October 18 to deliver address in Boston and New York. It would be possible for me to arrange to be with your Forum on Monday evening, October 21. If you can set a meeting for that evening, please let me know. My honorarium would be \$200.

With all good wishes for a very happy new year, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RK

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Sept. 27, 1935

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. and Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

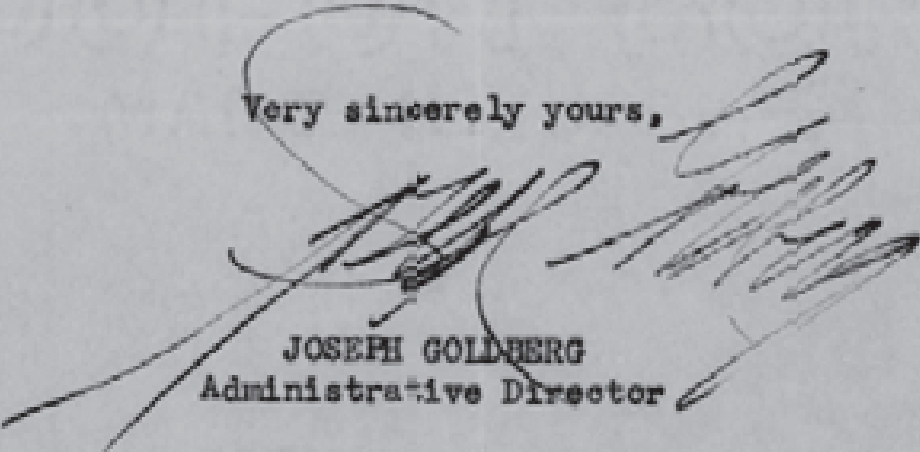
We have your letter of September 23rd and deeply appreciate your acceptance of our invitation to address our Forum audience during the coming season.

According to your suggestion, we have decided to change the opening date to Monday evening, October 21st, at 8:30 o'clock. The honorarium mentioned in your letter is agreeable.

Will you kindly let us have several suggestions of topics from which we can choose, for the subject of your address on that evening?

Looking forward to the pleasure of having you with us again, and with best wishes for a happy New Year, I am

Very sincerely yours,


JOSEPH GOLDBERG
Administrative Director

September 30, 1935

Mr. Joseph Goldberg,
The Brooklyn Jewish Center,
667-691 Eastern Parkway,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Goldberg:

Let me thank you for your letter of September 27.
I shall be very happy to be with the Brooklyn Jewish Center
on Monday evening, October 21.

I would suggest for the subject of my address:
THE CHANGING STATUS OF THE JEW IN THE MODERN WORLD.

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

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:EK

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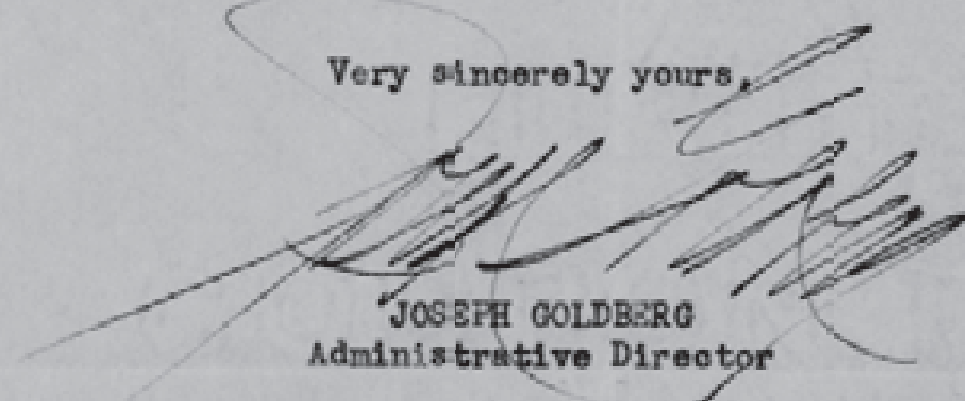
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The Temple
East 105th St. and Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am enclosing herewith check covering honorarium
for the lecture delivered at our Center on Monday
evening, October 21st.

We are thankful to you for having accepted our in-
vitation to open this season's Forum, and we shall
look forward hopefully to your next visit.

Very sincerely yours,


JOSEPH GOLDBERG
Administrative Director

June 23, 1936.

Dr. Israel Herbert Levinthal,
Brooklyn Jewish Center,
667-691 Eastern Parkway,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Levinthal:

In reply to your letter of June 16,
permit me to state that Rabbi Silver has left
for his vacation abroad and will be gone until
the early part of September. I shall be pleased
to refer your letter to him upon his return.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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December 17, 1936.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

This coming March First our Brooklyn Chapter is celebrating the Twenty-Fifth Jubilee Year of the Foundation of the National Hadassah Organization.

This celebration is in the form of a Luncheon to be held at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, at which we expect about 1500 women to be present.

We would deem it both an honor and privilege if you could see your way clear to grace this function of ours, by being our Guest Speaker for that afternoon.

Two years ago, we were fortunate in having you as our Speaker at our Annual Luncheon, and the enthusiasm derived from your address is still lingering with us.

Words fail to express our appreciation of the sacrifice this would entail on your part, but when one is eager to reach the hearts and minds of 1500 of our women, one may often be tempted to make such demands.

With hopes that you will see your way clear to grant us this privilege, we remain

Very sincerely yours,

Brooklyn Chapter of Hadassah

Mary Taub

Mrs. Isidor Taub, President.

MT:FW

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December 24, 1936

Mrs. Isidor Taub, President,
Brooklyn Chapter of Hadassah,
28 Court Street,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Taub:

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to address the Brooklyn Chapter of Hadassah on March 1. Unfortunately my schedule is such that I cannot come. I am to be West for a lecture tour the week preceding and it will be quite impossible for me to absent myself from Cleveland for a few weeks thereafter.

I wish you every success and I trust that at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

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I HAVE ACCEPTED CHAIRMANSHIP OF LAWYERS DINNER TO BE HELD
ABOUT JUNE SEVENTH AT UNITY CLUB BROOKLYN IN FURTHERANCE
OF UNITED JEWISH APPEAL STOP SOME THREE HUNDRED ARE EXPECTED
TO ATTEND STOP SUCCESS OF AFFAIR WILL BE ASSURED IF YOU
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LLOYD B KANTER 50 COURT STREET BROOKLYN NEWYORK.

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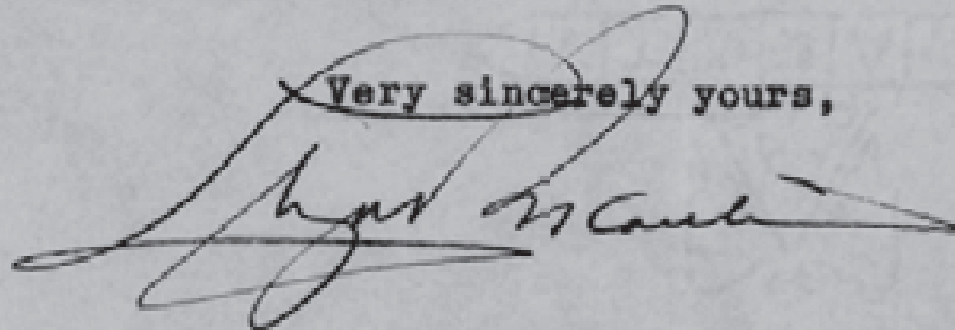
Dear Doctor,

Perhaps I acted presumptuously when I wired you recently and requested that you consent to be present at a Brooklyn lawyers' dinner to raise funds for the United Jewish Appeal. My presumptuousness was prompted by my zeal and enthusiasm and the fact of our kinship (I am Philip Kanter's son). If I have offended you, please forgive me.

If it is possible for you to accept the invitation, I would be greatly pleased and, I am sure, you will be honored by a large gathering of Jewish judges and lawyers. Of course, your expense will be defrayed by the members of the dinner committee.

I trust I may be enabled to report your acceptance by the end of this week.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Philip Kanter", with a large, sweeping flourish extending from the end of the name.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

May 26, 1939

Mr. Lloyd E. Kanter
Lewis, Marks & Kanter
50 Court Street
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Kanter:

I hope you will pardon the long delay in answering your kind telegram and letter. I have been away from the city a great deal of the time, and during the last week, was ill and confined to my home. My correspondence has accordingly sadly lagged.

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to attend the dinner of the Brooklyn lawyers which you have arranged in the interest of the United Jewish Appeal. Nothing would have given me greater pleasure than to accept your invitation. Unfortunately I am convalescing, and I have been trying to conserve my health. I have actually had to cancel quite a number of engagements during the next few weeks. Again, I am scheduled to be in New York on June 1st for a meeting in connection with the United Jewish Appeal and it is quite impossible for me to retrace my steps so rapidly, especially in view of my health.

I hope that I may be of service to you at some future time. I know very well who you are, recalling with deep affection your family and our kinship. With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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TEMPLE EAST 105 ST AND ANSEL RD CLEVE=

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO BE THE GUEST SPEAKER AT AN
INDUCTION TEA TENDED TO 1500 WOMEN BY BROOKLYN HADASSAH AT
THE BROOKLYN JEWISH CENTER ON MONDAY DECEMBER 11TH 2 PM
SINCE YOU LAST ADDRESSED BROOKLYN HADASSAH THERE HAS BEEN
A CONTINUOUS DEMAND FOR YOUR PRESENCE. AT THIS TIME WHEN
UNCERTAINTY IS SO RAMPANT AMONG THE RANKS WE FEEL THAT
THERE IS NO ONE WHO CAN INSPIRE OUR MEMBERS WITH GREATER
COURAGE AND CONVICTION THAN YOU CAN PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT
TO COME IT IS SO IMPORTANT KINDLY LET US HEAR FROM YOU
IMMEDIATELY BY WIRE COLLECT=

MRS JOSEPH L HOROWITZ PRESIDENT BROOKLYN
CHAPTER OF HADASSAH.

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ETHEL KINGSBACHER. ASSOCIATED WILLKIE CLUBS WANTS YOU TO
INTRODUCE WENDELL WILLKIE AT BROOKLYNS LARGEST INDOORS
MEETING SATURDAY EVENING OCTOBER 26TH. OUTDOOR MEETING
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LIMITED TO MR WILLKIE AND YOU. PLEASE COME AS MY GUEST
PLEASE REPLY COLLECT BY WESTERN UNION=

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Nov. 14, 1939

MRS. JOSEPH L. HOROWITZ
New York, N.Y.

REGRET INABILITY TO ACCEPT YOUR KIND INVITATION. HAVE ANOTHER ENGAGEMENT SCHEDULED FOR THAT DAY. KINDEST REGARDS.

A H SILVER

(Collect)

868 East 7th St.
Brooklyn, N.Y., Feb. 1, 1946.

My dear Rabbi Silver,

Many years ago, while yet a student at ~~College~~ I had the rare opportunity and extreme pleasure of hearing an address by you in behalf of Zionism. Up until that time, I must confess, I knew very little and interested myself even less in Zionist activities. Your address at that time was the turning point in my life. I was so moved that I decided then and there to affiliate myself with some Palestinian group. You were the inspiration which made me Palestine conscious.

Two weeks ago I heard you again deliver a most eloquent address at the U. P. A. Conference at The Harmonie Club in New York and as before I was very much moved by your sincerity. Again I was inspired to go out and work harder than ever.

During the past number of years I have been very active in the Women's Mizrachi Organization of America. I served as National Vice President at one time and at present am a member of both the National & Administrative Boards. I am now Senior Advisor

to the Junior Council of the Jr. Myra's
Nomenclature Org. of America. This council
represents all the Junior My. Org.
in the United States & represents
a membership of many many
hundreds of young girls of eighteen
years & over. The Council which
is very young is planning its first
Dinner Luncheon in New York on
Sunday Apr. 27th. We expect five
hundred girls at this function. We
want a speaker. Not just the
ordinary orator, but someone
dynamic, someone who will instill
into the hearts of these young
women the burning desire to
work for Palestine, someone who
will imbue them with courage
to fight for and have faith in their
Homeland. I know it may be ^{too} presumptuous
on my part to ask you to be
our guest speaker that afternoon,
but I know of no other person
in the world whom I should rather
have address these girls than you.
I should feel assured that five hundred
young women would be inspired

beyond words to actively align themselves in the Zionist ranks. That they like I was so many years ago, would be moved to the heights by your eloquence, your sincerity and your dynamic force. - Can you find it possible to do this? I know how burdened you are and will be during the next few weeks on the M. P. A. Yet, I do hope you will see your way clear to bring us this message of Hope & Love for our own Homeland, Palestine.

May I be so optimistic as to expect a favorable reply? -

Yours for a successful ^{United} Palestine Appeal Drive. -

Sincerely yours,
Mollie F. Golub.

February 11, 1941

Miss Mollie F. Colub
868 East 7th St.
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Miss Colub:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of February 1, for your invitation and for all the nice things which you say about me.

I do wish I were free to accept your invitation for April 27. Under normal conditions I would have been delighted. But as you know, I am devoting all my spare time to the work of the United Palestine Appeal. I am compelled to travel a great deal to the neglect of my own work here in Cleveland. This year, because of the dissolution of the United Jewish Appeal, my work will be even heavier. I am therefore compelled to decline many invitations which normally I should be most happy to accept. I am sure that you will understand. Please keep me in mind for some future time.

With all good wishes for success in your splendid work, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

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YOUR PRESENCE AS GUEST SPEAKER WOULD GREATLY ENHANCE
BROOKLYNS HADASSAHS ANNUAL YOUTH ALIYAH TEA ON MONDAY .
JANUARY TWENTIETH HOTEL ASTOR NEWYORK ALSO WOULD INCREASE
INTEREST AND RESPONSE FROM LARGE AUDIENCE INCLUDING
REPRESENTATION ON OVER 500 PHILANTHROPIC ORGANIZATIONS
ASSEMBLED FOR PURPOSE OF FULL SUPPORT AND COOPERATION TO
BROOKLYN HADASSAH FOR YOUTH ALIYAH. BROOKLYN HADASSAHS
LEADERSHIP AND CONSPITUENCY ARE HOPEFUL THAT YOU ACCEPT THIS
INVITATION HELP US MAKE ALL OUR EFFORTS THAT DAY WORTH WHILE
WIRE BY WESTERNUNION COLLECT=

=MRS DAVID SOBEL ACTING PRESIDENT

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December 16, 1940

MRS. DAVID SOBEL
155 East 52nd St.
Brooklyn, N.Y.

DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR KIND INVITATION BUT REGRET EXCEEDINGLY
MY INABILITY TO ACCEPT. I SHALL PROBABLY BE ON PACIFIC COAST
AT THAT TIME. KINDEST REGARDS

Abba Hillel Silver

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Youth Aliyah
COMMITTEE OF HADASSAH
1819 BROADWAY, N. Y. C. • COLUMBUS 5-8585

October 13th, 1943

Dear Rabbi Silver:

If I had fear in my make-up I would tremble to ask you what I am about to ask you. But, I have been a good pupil and well learned your gospel - "We must have courage". When so much is at stake for our people none of us dare be frightened. And so, as Brooklyn Chairman of Youth Aliyah, I boldly ask you to help us create something new in Brooklyn, by speaking at a simulated luncheon in the interests of Youth Aliyah.

I don't know whether or not you heard what Los Angeles did last Spring? They gathered hundreds of women together for a supposed luncheon and then served them a bowl of soup and a piece of black bread -- the European rations idea. This daring technique served as the base for a most electrifying speech and appeal. Women stood in line for hours to have the privilege of making their contributions.

We want to repeat this performance in Brooklyn. Such a startling innovation involves a great risk, a risk which can be negated only by a great personality and speaker as you. (This tribute is paid most sincerely) We have an opportunity of reaching 2000 women, the majority of whom never fully understood the catastrophe that has befallen our people. Someone must make them see what your colleague Nahum Goldman pointed out so eloquently to some of us in Brooklyn yesterday "The mass of American Jews have failed their people".

I am the new chairman in Brooklyn. I feel this very deeply and I believe it is my solemn obligation to make all these "strangers" understand. I have faith in this technique. I believe it can be a very effective method of reaching them. In your hands it cannot help but be successful.

This luncheon is to be held on Monday, November 22nd, at the St. George Hotel. Can we count on our beloved leader to once again lead the way? Would you be good enough to let us know at once?

Gratefully yours,

Louis A. Bunim

Mrs. Louis A. Bunim
Brooklyn Chairman of Youth Aliyah

Please send response to my home:
1703 Avenue K - Brooklyn, N.Y.



HADASSAH: Miss Henrietta Szold, Honorary President and Director, Youth Aliyah, Jerusalem; Mrs. Edward Jacobs, Honorary Vice-President; Mrs. David de-Sola Pool, President; Mrs. David B. Greenberg, Treasurer; Miss Gisela Warburg, National Youth Aliyah Chairman.
One hundred per cent of all Youth Aliyah contributions goes directly to the Youth Aliyah Department of the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem, Palestine.

October 22, 1943

Mrs. Louis A. Dunin
1703 Avenue K
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Dunin:

Thank you for your kind letter of October 18. I should very much love to come to your meeting. The occasion and the planning of your meeting intrigue me greatly, but it is just not possible. I am so heavily committed to other Zionist activities at this time that I cannot, in justice to myself, take on any additional out of town lectures. As you know, I will address the National Convention of Hadassah, next week, and I am also scheduled to address a Balfour meeting in New York. I spend two or three days every week away from Cleveland in connection with the Zionist Emergency Council and I must forego the pleasure of addressing many meetings which otherwise I should be most happy to do. I am sure that you will understand.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AMM:MK

HADASSAH

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The Women's Zionist Organization of America

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February 1, 1944.



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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In planning the program for Brooklyn Hadassah's Annual Donor Luncheon, we must arrange for more than just a program but for a function so impressive and outstanding as to stimulate deep interest and action in order to bring about a successful climax culturally and financially.

Therefore, it is the unanimous desire of our Constituency that you come to us as our Guest Speaker on that occasion. Your message at the Waldorf Astoria still rings in our ears and we want all our two thousand women who will attend this year's Luncheon, to get the same inspiration.

Our Luncheon this year takes place on Monday afternoon, March 20th at the Hotel St. George in Brooklyn.

Your generous acceptance will be most gratifying. I will await your reply.

With cordial Hadassah greetings

Sincerely yours,

David Sobel
Mrs. David Sobel,
President.

SSS:AC

Hertzlia

February 12, 1944

Mrs. David Sobel, President,
Hadasah Brooklyn Chapter,
28 Court Street,
Brooklyn 2, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Sobel:

I deeply appreciate your lovely invitation to address the Brooklyn Hadasah on March 20th. I should very much like to come. However, I accepted, some time ago, an engagement with the Herzlia for the evening of the same day. I cannot, in justice to myself and in protection of my health, deliver two addresses on the same day. I also have a meeting of the Zionist Emergency Council scheduled for the afternoon of that day.

These days have been very strenuous for me, and I have been advised to conserve my health a bit more than I have been. I trust that you will understand.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Abba Hillel Silver

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THE BROOKLYN JEWISH CENTER THROUGH NEUMANN FORWARDED OUR
INVITATION THAT YOU SPEAK AT OUR FORUM THIS SEASON WOULD APPRECIATE
IMMEDIATE FAVORABLE REPLY VERY ANXIOUS TO HAVE YOU MONDAY EVENING
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ISRAEL LEVINHAL.

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JOSEPH GOLDBERG ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR.

El Bop *del's* *Mail*

THE BROOKLYN JEWISH CENTER

667-691 EASTERN PARKWAY

BROOKLYN 13, NEW YORK

December 20, 1944.

JOSEPH GOLDBERG
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
% The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

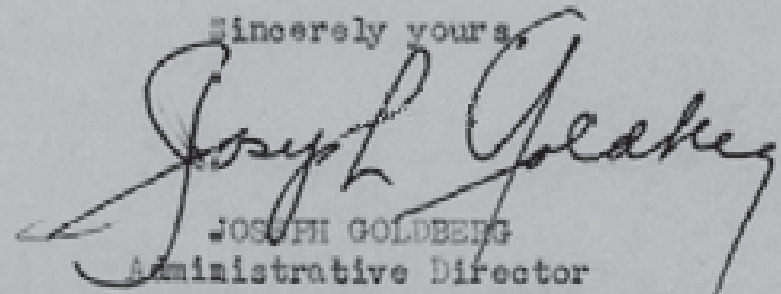
I am sending this note of reminder following our telephone conversation this morning.

Would greatly appreciate your telegraphic acceptance of our invitation to address our Forum on Monday Evening, January 29th. If this date is not available, may we suggest the following Monday, February 5th.

We shall look forward to an early favorable reply.

With cordial greetings,

Sincerely yours,


JOSEPH GOLDBERG
Administrative Director

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December 26, 1944

WANT A REPLY?

"Answer by WESTERN UNION"
or similar phrases may be
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Rabbi Israel Levinthal
667 Eastern Parkway
Brooklyn, N.Y.



DEEPLY REGRET CROWDED PROGRAM PREVENTS MY ACCEPTANCE YOUR KIND INVITATION THIS
SEASON. KINDEST REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Mr. Silver—

Did you receive a telegram which I
sent to you in Cleveland?

The Bklyn. Club is ~~so~~ very anxious to have
you address one of its ~~four~~ sessions this
season. They wanted you for Jan. 1st - but
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December 26, 1944

Mr. Joseph Goldberg, Administrative Director
The Brooklyn Jewish Center
687-691 Eastern Parkway
Brooklyn 13, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Goldberg:

I wired today the enclosed reply to Rabbi
Levinthal who had previously communicated with me about
my appearance before the Brooklyn Jewish Center.

I hope that I may be of service to you at some
future time. It is simply impossible for me to take on
any additional obligations.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AMS:HK
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October 19, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105th and Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am writing to you in behalf of the Hillel Zionist Committee at Brooklyn College. The students have asked me to make inquiry as to whether you will have occasion to be in New York in the very near future, and if so, would your schedule make it possible for you to address the students at a rally for the Zionist cause.

Knowing how interested you are in ^{acquainting} ~~acquiring~~ Jewish youth ~~for~~ the program of Zionism, we, therefore, are contacting you in the hope that such arrangements can be made.

We look forward to your visit with us.

Thanking you for your co-operation, and with best regards I am

Cordially yours,

Herman Pollack

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October 23, 1944

Mr. Herman Pollack
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1520 Flatbush Ave.
Brooklyn 10, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Pollack:

Thank you so much for your kind letter. I wish I were free to come to your group at Brooklyn College. It would have given my great pleasure indeed. Unfortunately my schedule is so heavy that I cannot in justice to myself take on any additional responsibilities. Perhaps at some future time, when life becomes a bit more normal I will be able to avail myself of your kind invitation.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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Mrs. Moses P. Epstein, President
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1819 Broadway
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PLEASE PARDON DELAY REPLYING YOUR TELEGRAM. HAVE BEEN AWAY FROM CITY MOST OF TIME. I SHALL BE PLEASED TO ATTEND BROOKLYN CHAPTER'S DONOR MEETING APRIL 1st. THE URGING ON THE PART OF YOUR NATIONAL BOARD IS AS IMPRESSIVE AS IT IS UNEXPECTED. KINDEST REGARDS.

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March 1, 1946

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105th St. and Ansell Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In the absence of Mrs. Epstein who is now on the coast, I hasten to acknowledge your telegram of February 28th.

We are delighted that you are free and will be in Brooklyn on April 1st. The Brooklyn Chapter will give you further details.

If I can be of any assistance to you, please let me know.

With Hadassah greetings, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Juliette T. Aschner

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March 8, 1946.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street and Ansell Road
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

We were delighted to learn from National Hadassah's Speakers Bureau that you have so graciously accepted to be with us on the occasion of Brooklyn Hadassah's Annual Donor Luncheon, which will be held on Monday afternoon, April 1, 1946 at the Astor Hotel in New York. Further details will follow shortly.

Be assured of our gratitude for your generosity.

Sincerely yours, .

Sara Rubinstein

Mrs. Z. H. Rubinstein,
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March 22, 1946.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street and Ansell Road
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

We take great pleasure in enclosing herewith your invitation to Brooklyn Hadassah's Annual Donor Luncheon, which will be held on Monday afternoon, April 1st at the Astor Hotel in New York.

Since Luncheon will be served at one o'clock promptly, we will consider it an added pleasure to have you join us at that time.

May we again express our deep gratitude for your kind consideration and look forward to the honor and privilege of greeting you.

Sincerely yours,

Lara Rubinstein

Mrs. Z. H. Rubinstein,
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*Emanuel Greenberg
Judge*

State Office Bldg.
80 Centre Street
New York City

April 5th, 1946

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am addressing this letter to you as Chairman of the Borough of Brooklyn campaign of the United Jewish Appeal and also as the President of the Brooklyn Jewish Center, in the hope that you may be able to accept an invitation to be our guest speaker at a dinner in honor of Mr. Isidor Fine, to be held at the Brooklyn Jewish Center on May 16th at 6:30 P.M.

The Brooklyn Jewish Center Committee has voluntarily fixed upon itself a quota of One Million Dollars which is in excess of three times the total sum raised last year among its members. This in and of itself is quite an undertaking, and we are, therefore, doing everything in our power to make good.

At a conference held with Mr. Maurice Bernhardt, who is Chairman of the Brooklyn Jewish Center Committee, and Messrs. David Spiegel and Kalman Ostow, who are Co-Chairmen, it was unanimously agreed that one way of insuring the fulfillment of our quota would be your presence as the guest speaker of our dinner. Everyone expressed the desire and the hope that you could accept this invitation because your presence at the dinner would certainly cause a large attendance of persons who would be prepared to make their contributions and, after listening to you, we are confident they would all increase their contributions in such amounts that would make possible the raising of the One Million Dollars.

I would very much appreciate your giving due consideration to this matter, and I would like to have you advise me at the earliest possible date of your acceptance of this invitation.

EG:J

Sincerely yours

April 10, 1946

Judge Emanuel Greenberg
State Office Building
80 Centre Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Judge Greenberg:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of April 8 and for your gracious invitation to be the guest speaker at a dinner honoring Mr. Isidor Fine, and in behalf of the UJA Campaign of the Brooklyn Jewish Center.

I should have been most happy to avail myself of your invitation. I should like to join the host of friends of Mr. Isidor Fine in paying my tribute to him, for he has richly deserved such a tribute. I should, of course, also like to assist the campaign. Unfortunately, I am scheduled to address my own Temple Men's Club on May 14. This is an annual event where I am the guest of the Temple Men's Club at a dinner, and the arrangements were made for it sometime ago.

I hope that I may be of service to you at some future time.

With all good wishes for a very happy Passah, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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PHILLIP LEFF

350 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK 1, N.Y.

September 17, 1948

My dear Rabbi Silver:

All of us in Brooklyn were thrilled to receive the good news from our mutual friend, Joe Lampl, that you will be the principal speaker on Wednesday, September 29th, at the Park Manor in Brooklyn, as the Brooklyn Section of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies launches its 1948 Drive.

It is my happy privilege to be the one assigned to accompany you from Cleveland. I plan to arrive in Cleveland either late Tuesday night, the 28th, or early Wednesday morning, the 29th, and I have made reservations on a plane to leave there about 2:00 o'clock. We will arrive in New York at approximately 4:00 P.M., where I have made a reservation at the Waldorf-Astoria for you. Mr. Maximillian Moss, whom you know, will meet you at the hotel and accompany you to Brooklyn, where the dinner is being held.

Enclosed is some Federation material which you may wish to read. In the next day or two I will also send you some other supporting material, which will give you more of the background of Federation's activities. Should there, however, be some specific information which you desire, please let me know and I will be happy to rush it to you as quickly as possible. In the meantime I am looking forward to seeing you in Cleveland on the 29th and accompanying you to New York.

I know I express the gratitude of the full Brooklyn Community and, of course, of Federation.

Again many thanks and with kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely,

Phillip Leff
Phillip Leff

FL:SB

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

Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York
Brooklyn Division
71 West 47th Street
New York 19, N. Y.

BACKGROUND MATERIAL FOR RABBI SILVER

INTRODUCTION:

The Brooklyn Jewish community is the largest in the world. It is almost one million strong, practically 50 per cent of the total Jewish community in New York City. It has with great devotion and generosity, and with great moral courage, given support to the world leadership of men like Dr. Silver. It has tried to meet the obligations that world history has placed upon all Jewish communities. And at the same time, it has tried to strengthen itself, build its unity, maintain and develop the services of its local health and welfare agencies which, gathered under our New York Federation, serve 480,000 persons annually.

It is for this reason that the leaders of the Brooklyn Jewish community look forward with such eagerness to Dr. Silver joining with them as they launch the 1948 Campaign of the Federation -- a campaign that requires as a minimum \$16,500,000 for continuation of minimum services.

The Brooklyn leadership believes that any weakening of Federation's institutions, which give us so much strength as a community, would be a serious tragedy for the community as a whole as well as those who depend on these institutions. It is our feeling that the support of historic tasks of aiding overseas Jewry and strengthening of our local community are not two fundamentally separate causes; indeed they go hand and hand and in

today's world they call for the greatest devotion and sacrifice from all of us. We are, in both efforts, taking every human step to arouse that devotion and sacrifice which, we feel, is our responsibility as Jews and as Americans. We cannot afford to weaken our home institutions, for inevitably such a weakening would affect our ability to assist our fellow Jews in Israel and the world around.

What is more, those overseas would surely lose confidence in our ability to aid them if we should fail to meet institutional needs in New York - here in the largest, richest Jewish community in the world.



II. INFORMATION ABOUT FEDERATION:

Federation is the largest single philanthropic and social welfare network in the world: 116 institutions and agencies providing thousands of facilities and services helping people from birth to old age.

A. Among the ~~best~~^{best}-known Brooklyn agencies of Federation

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| Jewish Hospital of Brooklyn | |
| Maimonides Hospital | (A complete list of |
| East New York & Brownsville YM & YWHA | Federation agencies in |
| Hebrew Educational Society | all boroughs is attached.) |
| Jewish Community House of Bensonhurst | |
| Brooklyn Hebrew Orphan Asylum | |
| First Hebrew Day Nursery and Neighborhood House | |

B. In 1947 Federation aided 480,000 people from all parts of New York.

C. Federation provides thousands of facilities and services in

~~seven~~^(seven) community welfare areas:

1. Eight Hospitals provided 80% of all Jewish Medical care in New York City; 1,262,705 days of medical service and 672,790 dispensary visits.

(In addition, Federation Hospitals guarded general community health, pioneered new paths in medical research and continued educating and training young Jewish doctors and nurses).

2. Federation Child Care agencies provided 100% of child guidance work for Jewish children in New York City and 100% of foster home placement, and helped 12,476 dependent, physically handicapped and emotionally disturbed children.

(In Brooklyn, Federation child care work is illustrated by the Brooklyn Hebrew Orphan Asylum, which placed 3,000 children in foster homes between 1927 and 1940. In that year BHOA completely abandoned its original function and became exclusively a foster home placement service. It has found foster homes for 500 more children since that year.)

3. Federation supports 12 family welfare agencies which provide 100% of all private Jewish work of this type in New York City and helped 21,427 families, affecting 77,000 persons during 1947.
4. Federation's 24 community centers, Y's, neighborhood and settlement houses, with 50,000 paid up members and 358,000 visits each month, supplies 80% of all supervised group work for Jewish children and adults. (Brooklyn's oldest neighborhood center is the Hebrew Educational Society and Neighborhood House, servicing 100 different Brownsville organizations meeting weekly for educational, literary and social purposes. These services are typical of a Federation Jewish Center, the hub of the community it serves.)
5. Federation is the largest single contributor to Jewish cultural and religious education in New York City, supporting the Jewish Education Committee and through it 500 Talmud Torahs and schools and servicing 60,000 boys and girls each year.
6. Federation provides for the aged by supporting the Home for Aged and Infirm Hebrews and two subsidized Apartment House Projects for the Aged. (During 1947 the home provided some 137,000 days of resident care, maintained 378 beds. The two apartment house projects for the aged cared for 76 residence in residential club style, providing laundry, religious services, medical care and recreation.)

7. Believing camping to be a basic right of childhood, Federation supports 16 camps which provided camp vacations for 7,000 children and adults in 1947.

These are the reasons why New Yorkers support Federation every year: here are some reasons why this year's contributions must be greater than ever:



III. \$16,500,000 - \$3,250,000 more than was raised last year -

is a minimum need of Federation and its agencies for 1948-49

A. Rising costs are an overwhelming reason for the \$16,500,000 1948 goal - a general condition faced by everyone.

1. Federation pays higher prices for bread, butter, milk, fuel, oil while providing essential community services.

2. Labor costs have gone up: Formerly nurses used to get \$125 a month for a 48-hour week, but today nurses get \$200 a month for a 40-hour week.

3. Ten new institutions have been added to Federation family since 1945: their fund-raising activities are taken over by Federation: this means a higher goal.

1. NEW METHODS AND TECHNIQUES: - THE HIGH COST OF PROGRESS.

Cost of drugs for instance: \$150,000 bought a year's supply of only two miracle drugs: streptomycin and penicillin.

Modern methods of helping a "problem" child do not call for jailing him. Recognizing that he is ill, the attempt is made to treat him through psychiatric methods. This is a long time process, taking six months, a year or more, and calling for the constant advice and skill of highly trained professionals.

D. DEFICITS:

The combined deficits of affiliated Federation agencies were \$2,100,000 for 1947. Deficits have two effects: cutting down today's services and a serious deterioration over a long period. Some institutions have already had to limit intake because of lack of funds, as for instance, has one of our leading child-care agencies in its child guidance work.

1947-48 DEFICITS BY FUNCTIONS:

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|-----------------------|-----------|
| Child Care..... | \$390,115 |
| Medical Care..... | 1,298,628 |
| Fresh Air Work..... | 38,504 |
| Family Welfare &) | |
| Care of Aged)... | 233,542 |
| Community Centers.... | 174,017 |

1947-48 - Some INSTITUTIONAL DEFICITS

| | |
|--|------------|
| Jewish Hospital of Brooklyn..... | \$ 205,379 |
| Hospital for Joint Diseases..... | 187,063. |
| Committee for Care of Jewish Tuberculous..... | 25,075 |
| Jewish Family Service..... | 88,941 |
| Jewish Child Care Assn..... | 294,981 |
| Jewish Board of Guardians..... | 55,653 |
| Educational Alliance..... | 25,949 |
| Jewish Community House of Bensonhurst..... | 41,802 |
| Home for Aged..... | 84,146 |
| Mt. Sinai Hosp. Grou..... | 386,017 |

IV. Faced with this most serious situation, we are calling the New York Jewish community - and at this meeting the leaders of the Brooklyn Jewish community - to rise to new heights and to guarantee that our institutions and agencies have the funds they need to carry on their work. We believe not only that we meet this responsibility for the sake of our immediate neighbors who depend on us, but we must meet it as well so that we shall be able to continue full, determined, united support for all tasks facing world Jewry.





The City of New York
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September 17, 1948

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

On Sunday, October 10, a playground and recreation center will be dedicated in honor of Colonel David Marcus, a former Brooklynite, who was killed while leading the Israeli forces in Palestine. This will be preceded by a breakfast at the Hotel St. George. The committee in charge of the dedication exercises has requested me to invite you to deliver an address at the dedication ceremonies. Will you please let me know at once whether it will be possible for you to attend.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

John Cashmore
President

PHILLIP LEFF

350 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK 1, N.Y.

September 20, 1948

My dear Rabbi Silver:

In further connection with your trip to New York, please be advised that we have a reservation on Flight No. 122, leaving Cleveland at 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, September 29th. This should arrive in Newark at 2:20 P.M. Standard Time.

I expect to call for you at your Temple with a car at 11:00 A.M., in time to make this 12:00 Noon plane.

I have also made plans for a car to meet us in Newark and take you to the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, where a reservation has been made for you.

Trusting that the above arrangements are satisfactory and looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Phillip Leff
Phillip Leff

PL:SB

Rabbi Abba Millel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

September 21, 1948

Mr. John Cashmore, President
Borough of Brooklyn
Brooklyn, New York

My dear Mr. Cashmore:

I deeply appreciate your kindness in inviting me to address the dedication ceremonies of a playground and recreation center honoring Colonel David Marcus, and to deliver an address at the dedication ceremonies. I need not tell you that I would have regarded it as a high privilege indeed to participate in these ceremonies honoring a great man, a great American, and a great fighter for human freedom. Colonel Marcus has written an unforgettable chapter in the annals of the new state of Israel which he served with such devotion and for which he gave his life. His services to our own beloved country in peace and in war are also indelibly recorded in the hearts of a grateful nation.

Unfortunately, I accepted some time ago an invitation to address a public rally in the city of Boston on that very day in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal. That community is launching a major effort to raise millions of dollars for the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal. I feel obligated to keep my commitment there and to address that mass meeting.

Again thanking you for your kindness in inviting me, and with all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM HILLEL SILVER

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DAY LETTER

September 22, 1948

PHILLIP LEFF
350 FIFTH AVE.
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTERS. I SHALL HAVE TO BE IN NEW YORK
FOR MEETINGS OF THE JEWISH AGENCY ON TUESDAY. I SHALL THERE-
FORE LEAVE BY TRAIN MONDAY NIGHT FROM CLEVELAND. YOUR PLANE
RESERVATIONS ARE THEREFORE NOT NEEDED. I SHALL BE STOPPING
AT THE SULGRAVE HOTEL WHICH IS NEAR TO OUR AGENCY OFFICES.
PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH ME ANY TIME NEXT TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY.
KINDEST REGARDS.

WRHS
ABBA HILLEL SILVER

TELEGRAM

SEPTEMBER 27, 1948

MR. PHILLIP LEFF
350 FIFTH AVE.
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

PLEASE MAKE PLANE RESERVATION NEW YORK TO CLEVELAND THURSDAY
MORNING

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



PHILLIP LEFF

350 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK 1, N.Y.

October 7, 1948

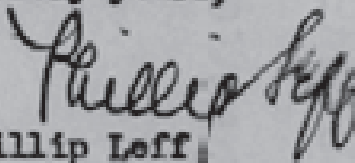
My dear Rabbi Silver:

My brother, Carl, and I are deeply grateful for the role you played in making our Brooklyn Federation Dinner a success. Due to your fine address, the audience was stimulated to contribute considerably more than they originally intended.

Needless to say, it was a privilege to have you with us, and both a thrill and a pleasure to hear your inspiring message.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year and with kindest regards from Mrs. Leff and the girls, I am,

Sincerely yours,


Phillip Leff

FL:SB

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

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Mr. Jack Goodman
200 Varick Street
New York, New York

Dear Jack:

This letter will serve as a reminder
to you to write a letter to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
extending an invitation to be our guest at our 25th
Anniversary celebration. I know you will give this
matter your usual prompt attention.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

RG:EW

Robert Gabbe

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200 VARICK STREET

NEW YORK 14, N.Y.

January 20, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

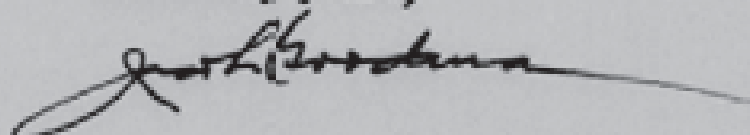
I know how you are being pressured into accepting speaking engagements, which is the penalty one has to pay for being in the Number One position of Jewish leadership. I, too, am being pressured to carry out an assignment to appeal to you to accept a speaking engagement at the Silver Anniversary Dinner of the East Midwood Jewish, which will be held on Sunday, May 1, 1949, at the Waldorf-Astoria.

I doubt whether I have to tell you much about the standing of the East Midwood Jewish Center. We are in the midst of constructing a new Hebrew school, to take care of an enrollment of close to one thousand boys and girls, who are literally waiting for the completion of our new building. Upon the completion of our new building, the East Midwood Jewish Center will undoubtedly be the largest and most vibrant Jewish Center in Brooklyn, disseminating all phases of Jewish activities - religious, cultural, educational, and, of course, Zionism. The Flatbush Zionist District, with a paid-up membership of over four thousand, is indebted to the Board of Directors of the East Midwood Jewish Center for making available to it all facilities it asks for.

The East Midwood Jewish Center has a membership of over eleven hundred, and the President (Mr. Harry L. Abrams), at a meeting of the Board of Trustees, appointed me as a committee of one to write to you, and ask you to consider favorably the acceptance of honoring us with your presence, and address our Silver Anniversary Dinner. As further evidence, I am attaching herewith letter from our Executive Director, which is to serve as a follow-up on my duty, lest I forget.

Hoping to be favored with an early and favorable reply, I am, with kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,



Jacob Goodman

JG:ebh

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200 VARICK STREET

NEW YORK 14, N.Y.

March 4, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am going to embody in this letter two matters which are decidedly separate and apart from each other.

First, about the letter I wrote to you on January 20, 1949 regarding the plea of the East Midwood Jewish Center that you honor the Center at its Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Dinner on Sunday, May 1st, 1949 at the Waldorf Astoria, which happens to be a triple simchah in that we are at the same time honoring Rabbi Harry Halpern's twentieth anniversary with the Center as well as his fiftieth birthday. When I told them last night that it was impossible for you to accept the engagement, it was a terrific let-down for the leaders, and I feel it my duty to report it to you just that way. If it is at all possible for you to arrange to be with us on May 1st, you have no idea how much it would be appreciated. Although as I said before, I feel it my duty to make this report to you, I want you to know that personally, I respect your decision, whatever it has to be.

And now about the second matter, which has to do with the final outcome of the UJA - UPA controversy. To say that I feel hurt about the action of the opposition and the calumny committed is putting it very mildly. Actually, I just cannot get over it, and it does not seem to wear off. And with all that, I am confronted with what is to me a serious problem as far as my position is concerned at the East Midwood Jewish Center in the UJA campaign. Without boastfulness and as a matter of fact, I must tell you that I am considered one of the top leaders in the UJA drive both at the Center and in our industry. I have taken the position that I refuse to lend my name to this year's campaign, and I went on record as declining any honorary appointments on the committee. I need hardly tell you how much pressure is being exerted for me to change my attitude. The stock argument, of course, is "Why should the needy suffer because of the errors of others?" Frankly, I honestly feel, and I have so stated, that my conscience is clear, that I am not responsible for the situation, that it was brought about by Israel's own representatives, and that they alone should answer for their deeds, and not I. Can you help me?

Incidentally, this afternoon I had lunch with my business associate, Mr. Joseph C. Foster of Leominster, Mass., who is the largest UJA contributor in that community, and he shares my feelings, except that he feels more determined than I do, as he said that under no circumstances will he take any part in the

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

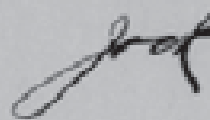
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March 4, 1949

UJA drive this year. He was chairman of the drive of the 1948 campaign, and did a terrific job. What is going to happen to Leominster, I do not know. I can assure you that even you couldn't change his mind.

Well, es is gut a m'ret sich ois dus hartz.

Shalom,



Jacob Goodman

JG:ebh



March 8, 1949

Mr. Jacob Goodman
200 Varick Street
New York 11, New York

My dear Friends:

I wish I could come to the East Midwood Jewish Center on May 1st if only for the reason that you have asked me to. I dislike very much to say "no" to a request from you, but it is quite impossible for me to be away from my congregation and my pulpit on a Sunday. In the last three or four years I have been away so much from my congregation that I feel that I have abused its generosity. Sunday is the day of the week when I occupy the pulpit and when I have weddings scheduled and many other congregational duties. I am sure that you and your good friends will understand.

As far as your feeling about the U.J.A. is concerned, I can only repeat what I stated at the U.P.A. Board meeting the other night - that those who have demanded absolute control over the Campaign and those who have voted such absolute control must also assume absolute responsibility for it. American Zionists will, of course, support the U.J.A. Campaign, but their cooperation has been seriously hampered and their enthusiasm dampened by the ruthless imposition upon the Campaign of a dictatorship of two men, one of whom is hated and rightfully distrusted by great sections of American Zionists - a man who stands condemned on his own mouth as having made lying charges and accusations against the Zionist movement in the United States.

With all good wishes, and hoping to see you in the near future, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRAHAM HILFEL SILVER

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ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE
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National Chairman
Justice Maier Steinbrink
Supreme Court Chambers
Brooklyn, N. Y.

March 21, 1949.

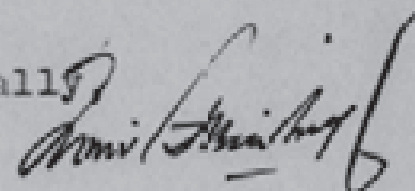
Dear Dr. Silver:

Of course I know that you won't forget our talk yesterday, but in connection with it I think you should know that we are making every effort to have Winston Churchill accept our invitation as the other of the two speakers.

Incidentally, in my mail this morning there was a copy of the UPA report. I am sure this is regularly sent to you, but I wanted you to see the part that is pencilled.

Hopefully I am looking forward to your answer, and again, may I say how everyone was thrilled with your address yesterday morning.

Cordially



Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

April 1, 1949

Justice Meier Steinbrink
Supreme Court Chambers
Brooklyn, New York

My dear Friend:

Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter. I have been away from Cleveland a good deal of the time. I would love to come to your meeting to which you graciously invited me. Unfortunately, I cannot. I am already committed to so many meetings in the next two months that I cannot, in justice to my own health, take on additional responsibilities.

It was good to have seen you and to have seen you looking so well. I enjoyed the Masonic meeting a great deal and I have been happy to learn that my address was well received.

With all good wishes and hoping to have the pleasure of seeing you in the near future again, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRAHAM HILFEL SILVER

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Congregation Beth Israel of Boro Park

56th STREET and 11th AVENUE
BROOKLYN 19, N. Y.

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Thursday, Nov. 10, 1949

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Our Congregation is planning a series of lectures this year by the most outstanding leaders of American Jewry.

We humbly request that you give us one date when you may appear as the most prominent lecturer of our series. We would like to have you on one of the following dates:-
Jan. 12 - 26th, Feb. 9 - 23d or March 9 - 23d.
the lectures are scheduled to begin 8:00 P.M.

Will you please instruct your secretary to communicate with us and inform us of the most convenient date for your appearance. Also what it would cost us to have you appear.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

Sincerely yours,

Rabbi Hershel Stollman
Hershel Stollman, rabbi

P. S. Our Congregation is situated in the heart of Boro Park, and has close to a thousand seats.

November 11, 1949

Rabbi Hershel Stollman
Congregation Beth Israel
56th Street & 11th Avenue
Brooklyn 19, New York

My dear Rabbi Stollman:

Permit me to acknowledge your kind letter of November 10th and your gracious invitation to address your congregation. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately, my schedule is already filled for the coming year, and in view of the fact that this is the Centennial year of my congregation, I do not feel that I can accept any additional out-of-town engagements. I hope that at some other time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILSEL SILVER

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ON SUNDAY EVENING JANUARY 22ND THE BROOKLYN ZIONIST REGION IS TENDERING ITS ANNUAL DINNER IN HONOR OF MAYOR O'DWYER. I WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU THAT YOU EXPRESSED A WILLINGNESS TO ADDRESS AN IMPORTANT MEETING IN BROOKLYN OF THE LEADERSHIP AND I CONSIDER THIS AN OUTSTANDING OPPORTUNITY. PLEASE ADVISE ACCEPTANCE AT EARLIEST CONVENIENCE. HAPPY CHANUKAH=

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DAY LETTER

DECEMBER 27, 1949

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BROOKLYN ZIONIST REGION
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BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR INVITATION. IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO BE AWAY
ON A SUNDAY. WISH YOUR AFFAIR EVERY SUCCESS. REGARDS

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



THE BROOKLYN JEWISH CENTER

667-691 EASTERN PARKWAY

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JOSEPH GOLDBERG
ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR

August 23, 1950

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

On behalf of the Forum Committee, I want to extend to you a most cordial invitation to be the speaker at this season's opening forum lecture on Monday evening, November 20th at 8:30 o'clock.

Our institution as you undoubtedly know from your previous visits, conducts one of the oldest forums for the discussion of problems of interest by leading men and women.

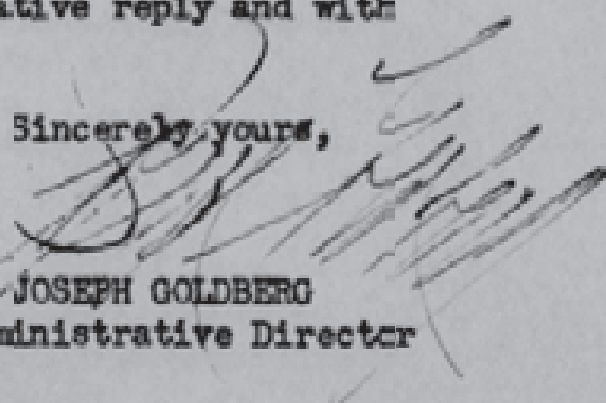
The Committee and our Rabbi, Dr. Israel H. Levinthal will be most grateful to you for your acceptance of this invitation.

We shall be glad to pay an honorarium of \$500.00.

Should you find it impossible to be with us on November 20th, might we suggest November 13th as an alternate date.

Looking forward to an early affirmative reply and with cordial greetings,

Sincerely yours,


JOSEPH GOLDBERG
Administrative Director

August 25, 1950

Mr. Joseph Goldberg
Brooklyn Jewish Center
667 Eastern Parkway
Brooklyn 13, New York

My dear Friend:

Thank you for your kind letter of August 23rd and for your invitation to be the speaker at the opening meeting of your Forum on Monday evening, November 20th. I shall be very pleased to be with you. I shall send you the subject of my address at some later time.

With all good wishes for a Happy New Year, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ANNA HILLEL SILVER

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September

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Angel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are deeply grateful to you for your acceptance of our invitation to be the speaker at the season's first lecture of our Forum on Monday evening, November 20th.

We hope that you will notify us of the topic of your address at an early date.

The Committee suggests a subject dealing with "The Relationship Between American Jewry and the State of Israel", if it meets with your approval.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Sincerely yours,

JOSEPH GOLDBERG
Administrative Director

October 2, 1950

Mr. Joseph Goldberg
Brooklyn Jewish Center
667 Eastern Parkway
Brooklyn 13, New York

My dear Mr. Goldberg:

Thank you for your letter of September 28th. I shall be very pleased to speak on the subject which you suggest, "The Relationship Between American Jewry and the State of Israel".

With all good wishes and looking forward with pleasure to seeing you, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRAHAM MILLER SILVER

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BROOKLYN 13, NEW YORK

JOSEPH GOLDBERG
ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR

November
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1950

Rabbi Abba Millel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Ansel Rd.
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I know that I am expressing the sentiments of the Forum audience when I extend to you our sincere thanks for the splendid address you delivered in our Synagogue on November 20th.

We shall look forward to the privilege of a return visit in the near future.

Check covering honorarium is enclosed herewith.

With cordial greetings,

Sincerely yours,

JOSEPH GOLDBERG
Administrative Director

IRVING NUSSENBAUM, D. D. S.
575 OCEAN AVE.
BROOKLYN 26, N. Y.
BUCKMINSTER 4-6030

April 11, 1951

Rabbi Abba Hild Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,
The Brooklyn Division of the American Jewish Congress is holding a rally at Midwood High School on Monday May 21 to protest the release of Nazi criminals & the proposed re-arming of Germany. We would consider it a great honor and service if you could address us at that time. I would appreciate a response at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,
Irving Nussenbaum
Chairman, Program Committee
Brooklyn Division
American Jewish Congress

IRVING NUSSENBAUM, D. D. S.
575 OCEAN AVE.
BROOKLYN 26, N. Y.
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P.S. Please accept my humble
& sincere thanks for your recent
activities on behalf of peace and
on Germany, particularly the articles in
the "Compass".



April 13, 1951

Dr. Irving Nussenzbaum
575 Ocean Avenue
Brooklyn 26, New York

Dear Dr. Nussenzbaum:

Rabbi Silver is at present out of the city and I am, therefore, taking the liberty of replying to your letter of April 11th in which you invite Rabbi Silver to address the Brooklyn Division of the American Jewish Congress on May 21st.

Rabbi Silver is leaving for Israel on April 23rd and does not plan to return until the end of May. It will accordingly be impossible for him to accept your kind invitation. I know that he would want to extend to you his very best wishes for a successful meeting as well as his appreciation for the sentiments expressed in your postscript.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

Mrs. Irene G. Goldman
2049 East 36th Street
Brooklyn, New York

December 11, 1951

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

As the war in Korea continues and the casualty lists mount, and the world edges closer to the precipice of World War III, we the common people of our country turn to our great leaders not only for spiritual hope and guidance, but also to help us express our heartfelt longing for peace and an abundant life for all through understanding and brotherhood.

It was with deep enthusiasm and gratitude that we mothers in Brooklyn, New York greeted your sermon on Armistice Day. Indeed, your noble and courageous words for peace since the outbreak of war in Korea have been a constant source of strength and comfort to us mothers, whose greatest concern is for the well-being of our families and the preservation of our beloved country.

We are striving to translate into action this deep desire for peace which we all share. We are therefore planning a Conference for Peace to which we are inviting all women of Brooklyn, on Sunday, January 13th, 1952, at the Biltmore, Brooklyn, from 1 to 4 P.M.

We call upon you as a national leader of the Jewish people in the United States, to once more extend to us, through the keynote address at our Conference the inspiration and hope you have so consistently provided in the past. An address by you, Rabbi Silver, will not only set the highest tone desirable for the Conference, where we expect a gathering of approximately 800 women, but will also ensure that Brooklyn women will be launched on a program for peace which will stress the noblest spiritual and moral values of our time.

Very sincerely,

Co-ordinating Committee for a Women's
Conference on Peace:

Irene Goldman
Ellen Levitt
Betty Eisen

December 13, 1951

Mrs. Irene G. Goldman
2049 East 36th Street
Brooklyn, New York

Dear Mrs. Goldman:

Thank you for your letter of December 11th to Rabbi Silver and your gracious invitation to address your Conference of Peace on January 13th. Unfortunately, Rabbi Silver has a previous engagement for that date and will be unable to accept.

Sincerely yours,

Elisabeth Rice
Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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January 25, 1954

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
East 105 St. & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

On our campus it has become almost traditional for Hillel to sponsor each spring a Warsaw Ghetto Memorial Program, open to the entire school. Through the cooperation of the College these rallies have been held right on the quadrangle with the participation of distinguished members of the faculty and administration.

At the beginning our purpose in sponsoring such an event was to perpetuate the memory of those brave Jewish men, women and children who died fighting against Nazi tyranny. During the years, however, their fight has been increasingly taking its rightful and inseparable place in man's unending struggle for democratic freedom and human decency. Moreover, it is not unknown to you that during recent years the campus community like the general one has been affected by what Mr. Adlai Stevenson recently labeled the "Four Fears". The reasons for this are certainly obvious to you, and we dare say, so are the ultimate consequences of such a continued climate particularly when those involved constitute our best potential for tomorrow's leadership.

We write you at such length, Rabbi Silver, only because we want you to know what emboldens us to invite a person of your standing to be the guest speaker at our forthcoming 10th Annual Warsaw Ghetto Memorial Program. We earnestly feel that your association with a commemorative event would constitute for the students in general and Jewish students in particular a call for renewed faith in themselves and in the "Four Freedoms."

As a student organization, our program funds are unfortunately very limited. We shall be happy, however, to pay your expenses. No doubt it will be no more than a token of appreciation for the important contribution you would render to our campus. We wish we could pay you an honorarium as well. We are nevertheless encouraged to extend such an invitation because of your demonstrated reputation for service to the Jewish people and your abiding interest in youth.

May we offer the following dates for your consideration: namely, Monday, May 24, Wednesday, May 26, Tuesday, June 1, Wednesday, June 2, Monday, June 7. If there are any other Mondays or Wednesdays in May or early June more acceptable to you, please, do let us know. The programs would be held roughly between the hours of 12:15 and 1:40 P.M.

We look forward to receiving an early and, we hope, an affirmative reply.

Respectfully yours,

Rabbi Norman E. Frimer

NEF:MSR

אם אין אני לי, מי לי? וכשאני לעצמי, מה אני? ואם לא עכשו אימתי? הלא

"If I am not for myself, who will be for me? And being for my own self only, what am I? And if not now, when?" . . . HILLEL

Spk. Aug.
Dec.

February 9, 1954

Rabbi Norman E. Primer
Pinet D'Orith Hillel Foundation
1520 Flatbush Avenue
Brooklyn 10, New York

My dear Friend:

I deeply appreciate your gracious invitation to participate in a Warsaw Ghetto Memorial Program which you plan to present at the Brooklyn College in May. I wish I were free to accept it. Unfortunately, I am so heavily committed to out-of-town engagements for the remainder of the season that I cannot, in justice to myself, take on any additional responsibilities.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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12/15/54

Dear Dr. Silver:

I know that "no" will most likely be the answer to this letter, however, as you yourself were young in the rabbinate once - I am, therefore directing this note to you.

Could you possibly, at your next trip to New York City, ever find time to address our Congregation, during Friday Evening Torah Services ???

I can promise you a full house - namely our seating capacity of 350 and our sincere & heartfelt interest.

Truly

Bernard A. Silverblatt

Borough Park Prog.
Synagogue
Brooklyn

December 22, 1954

Rabbi Bernard A. Silverblatt
Borough Park Progressive Synagogue
1515 Forty-sixth Street
Brooklyn 19, New York

My dear Friend:

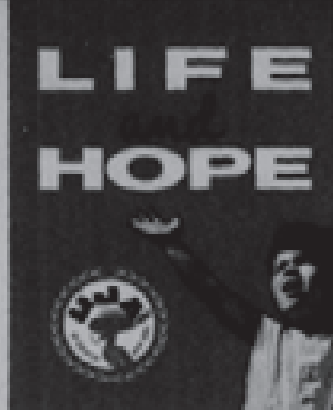
I appreciate very much your thoughtfulness in inviting me to address your congregation at some Friday evening service. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately, I have taken on so many lecture engagements for this season that I cannot, in justice to myself, take on any additional ones. Due to the numerous Tercentenary celebrations all over the country, I am afraid I have taken on too much.

With warmest regards and Chanukah greetings, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rms



United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York

220 WEST 56 STREET
NEW YORK 19, N. Y.
COLUMBUS 8-2200

February 10, 1956

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Ansel Rd.
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The leaders of the Brooklyn Jewish Center have requested that you be invited to address their annual fund-raising dinner in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York.

This function, which will take place on Wednesday evening, April 18 - 6:30 P.M. at the Brooklyn Jewish Center, 667 Eastern Parkway, is considered the major fund-raising event in the borough of Brooklyn. Last year at a similar meeting they raised over \$650,000.

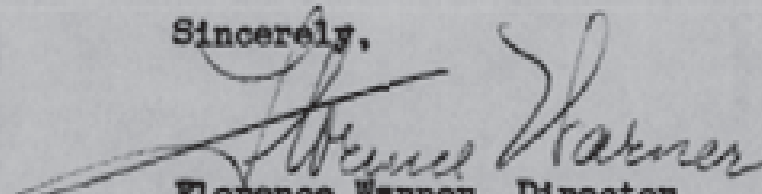
As you no doubt know, their spiritual leader is the renowned Rabbi Israel H. Levinthal.

The dinner chairmen will be the Hon. Stanley Steingut and the field representative Morris A. Zeldin.

I trust that your calendar will permit you to schedule this meeting and hopefully look forward to an early note of acceptance.

With grateful appreciation,

Sincerely,


Florence Warner, Director
Speakers Bureau

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Brooklyn Jewish Center

February 13, 1956

Miss Florence Warner, Director, Speakers Bureau
United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York
220 West 58th Street
New York 19, New York

Dear Miss Warner:

Thank you for your kind letter of February 10th. I regret I will not be able to accept your gracious invitation to address a dinner on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal at the Brooklyn Jewish Center on April 18th.

I am scheduled to be in Montreal at a meeting in behalf of Israel Bonds on that evening.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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BROOKLYN DIVISION

May 11, 1956

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You wrote me some time ago that you hoped to assist our UJA Campaign if it were possible to do so this year.

An occasion has arisen where you could be of immeasurable value to us, and I'm writing to invite you to be our guest speaker at the dinner of the Brooklyn Real Estate and Allied Trades Division on June 21st.

This annual dinner is an exceedingly important one. Not only does it provide very substantial contributions to the UJA but every year it is attended by the leaders of the most important Temples and civic organizations in Brooklyn.

By speaking at this dinner you would be bringing the significance of our UJA campaign to a most influential body of men who have a very strategic position throughout the borough. There is nobody else who commands the respect you enjoy among them and who could impress them so deeply with their responsibilities.

It would be a great privilege to have you with us, and I do hope you will be able to let us know soon that you can accept.

Faithfully yours,

Morris A. Zeldin
Morris A. Zeldin
Director, Brooklyn Division

"We call upon every contributor to give at least as much or more than in the past to the general campaign of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York in 1956 and to supplement this gift with a special all-out contribution towards the Special Survival Fund for more than \$25,000,000."

— Resolution unanimously adopted by the UJA Board of Directors.

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File: Brooklyn Real Estate & Allied Trades

May 17, 1956

Mr. Morris A. Zeldin
Director, Brooklyn Division
United Jewish Appeal of New York
220 West 58th Street
New York 19, New York

My dear Mr. Morris:

Thank you for your kind letter of May 11 and for your gracious invitation to address the Brooklyn Real Estate and Allied Trades Division on June 21st.

I wish I were free to come. As it is, the Cleveland Jewish Community is having a large Israel Bonds Banquet on that evening in my honor and of course I will attend it.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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March 13, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
1855 Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Rabbi Benjamin Kreitman, Associate to Rabbi Israel Levinthal at the Brooklyn Jewish Center of Eastern Parkway, and I, along with two other Rabbis, one Conservative and one Reform, are planning a series of three or four lectures by Jewish scholars of national prominence to stimulate communal interest in adult Jewish education and as a public sign of the cooperation of outstanding Conservative and Reform Congregations in Brooklyn.

We are planning to invite men like Dr. Cyrus Gordon of Brandeis to speak on "The Canaanite Civilization of Biblical Times" and Dr. Halken to speak on the "Persian and Talmudic Period." We feel that in order to really make our presentation complete, we must have you speak to us on the subject matter which you have so brilliantly analyzed in your new book, "Where Judaism Differed."

Each of the four sponsoring synagogues has an active program of adult education. We feel that your coming here will represent more than just a single interesting lecture, but will give stimulus to an important movement which is already under way in this greatly Jewish community. If you could give us a date for January of 1958, we would be most happy to have you. Of course, we are prepared to pay whatever fee you normally get for lecturing. If the matter of date is not suitable to you in terms of January, please let me know what other month you might be available.

Sincerely yours,

Eugene J. Sack
Rabbi Eugene J. Sack

March 19, 1957

Rabbi Eugene J. Sack
Congregation Beth Elohim
8th Avenue and Garfield Place
Brooklyn 15, New York

My dear Rabbi Sack:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of March 13 and for your gracious invitation to deliver an address on the subject matter of my book *WHERE JUDAISM DIFFERED* before your sponsoring congregations.

It may be possible for me to come to you on Monday evening, January 13th. My customary honorarium is \$500.00.

If the date and terms are acceptable, please let me know.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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P.S. Would you please indicate how many people you expect at the meeting.

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RABBI EUGENE J. SACK
CONGREGATION BETH ELOHIM
EIGHTH AVENUE AND GARFIELD PLACE
BROOKLYN 18, N. Y.

March 29, 1957

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

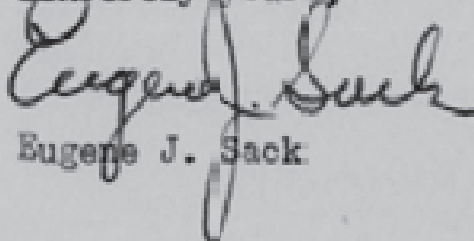
Dear Dr. Silver:

We are delighted to have the information that you will be able to be with us on January 13th of 1958.

We felt that we couldn't go ahead with more concrete planning until we had some hope of having you with us. Now we will proceed and within a few weeks I hope to be able to write you fully of our plans and make arrangements definite.

Will you please hold the date open until that time.

Sincerely yours,


Eugene J. Sack

RABBI EUGENE J. SACK
CONGREGATION BETH ELOHIM
EIGHTH AVENUE AND GARFIELD PLACE
BROOKLYN 18, N. Y.

November 18, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
1855 Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

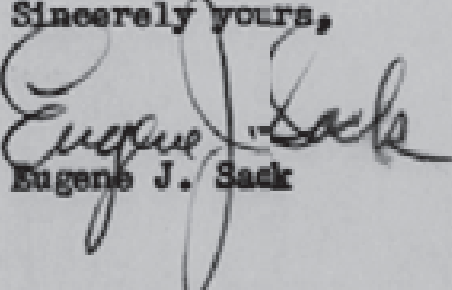
Dear Dr. Silver:

Last year, at my request, you set aside Monday evening, January 13, 1958 for us, here in Brooklyn. It was relative to a project which I had hoped would unite a number of Conservative and Reform synagogues in sponsoring Adult Education in Judaism in the community.

By Summer, it was clear that we could not get the cooperation of the necessary number of synagogues. This Fall, after the holidays, I tried another tack in terms of the Reform Congregations in Brooklyn. While there is considerable interest amongst the nine rabbis in having you come and speak to some large meeting on behalf of Reform Judaism, it is already clear that January cannot be the proper month for it. It is equally clear that if any such communal project on behalf of Reform Judaism in Brooklyn works out, it would hinge on having you as our speaker.

Thus, I regret that I have to cancel the January 13th date, but still hope that we may get you to Brooklyn yet.

Sincerely yours,


Eugene J. Sack

RABBI ALEXANDER ALAN STEINBACH, D.D.

TEMPLE AHAVATH SHOLOM
AVENUE R AT EAST 10TH STREET
BROOKLYN 29, NEW YORK

January 29, 1958

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
1855 Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

This letter is being written on behalf of the Brooklyn Association of Reform Rabbis, which represents ten congregations in our borough and whose membership includes thirteen Reform rabbis.

At our meeting last night, it was unanimously voted to hold a borough-wide celebration in one of our Brooklyn Temples to honor the Tenth Anniversary of Israel.

It was also unanimously voted that our celebration will do justice to this significant event if we are privileged to have you deliver the anniversary address on that evening.

Any date in the second half of April (with the exception of April 30) which will be agreeable to you, will also be agreeable to our group.

May I extend this cordial invitation to you to honor us with your presence and to make it possible for us to observe in an appropriate way the anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel. I wish to say also that the celebration takes on added significance in view of the fact that it is sponsored by the Reform rabbinate, which is sometimes regarded as being either lukewarm or antagonistic to Zionism and to Israel.

All of us sincerely trust you will find it possible to be with us, and I can assure you that the celebration will be heartwarming in every way.

Awaiting your reply, and with assurance of our deep esteem, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Alexander Alan Steinbach
Rabbi A. Alan Steinbach

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File: Brooklyn assn of Rfm Rabbis

February 3, 1958

Rabbi A. Alan Steinbach
Temple Ahavath Shalom
Avenue R at East 16th Street
Brooklyn 29, New York

My dear Rabbi Steinbach:

Thank you for your letter of January 29th and for your gracious invitation to address the Tenth Anniversary Celebration on some evening the latter part of April..

I should have been greatly honored to accept your invitation but I shall be in Israel at that time.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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ABBA HILLEL SILVER

RABBI ALEXANDER ALAN STEINBACH, D. D.

TEMPLE AHAVATH SHOLOM
AVENUE R AT E. 18TH STREET
BROOKLYN 29, NEW YORK

May 11, 1962

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Your secretary's letter reached me yesterday, and I have forwarded it to Rabbi Gordon, Executive Vice President of the New York Board of Rabbis.

Please permit me to thank you for making a spiritual success of our 80th Anniversary celebration. Dr. Trude Rosmarin, Editor of the Jewish Spectator, takes the New York Board of Rabbis to task for having honored eight affluent laymen rather than eight scholars. Rabbi Irving Miller and I vainly attempted to persuade the New York Board of Rabbis to pay tribute to eight outstanding Jewish religious leaders, but I regret that the expectation of sizeable money contributions won the day.

May I now turn to a personal matter, and I do so with trepidation and with prayerfulness.

From October 19-21 of this year my Congregation will celebrate its Golden Anniversary. There will be two major events: a Consecration Service in our Temple on Friday evening, October 19, and a Congregational Dinner in our Ballroom on Sunday, October 21.

I know what demands are undoubtedly being made on your time and strength; but despite this realization, I am boldly and hopefully extending this invitation to have you with us either at the Consecration Service in the Temple on Friday evening, October 19, or at the Anniversary Dinner on Sunday, October 21. Personally, I would prefer the Friday night event, for it would enable some 1250 of our people to hear you and then to honor you with a reception. Next to my ordination at the HUC and my honorary degree from the College later, your presence in my pulpit would be the Mt. Sinai of my rabbinical career.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver - 5/11/62

In two years, at the age of 70, I shall retire as Rabbi of Temple Ahavath Sholom, and shall spend, God willing, the remainder of my days writing poetry and prose. This will terminate 43 years of my service as Rabbi in Israel, and if we could have you participate in our Golden Anniversary celebration, I shall be enriched with memories to sustain me for the balance of my life.

We would meet you at the airport and accord you the welcome you merit. We shall also escort you to the airport when you are ready to leave. As a personal token of my thanks and esteem, I shall be glad to make a contribution in your honor to your Temple library or to any charity you prefer.

I reiterate that this letter is being written with some trepidation. However, I am sure you will understand how fervently I am hoping that you will find it possible to accept this invitation.

This letter will testify that "Man is the Great Seeker," as my enclosed editorial suggests. In this case I happen to be the seeker.

Please believe me, I shall anxiously await your reply.

With best wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

Alexander Alan Steinbach

Rabbi A. Alan Steinbach

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May 16, 1962

My dear Rabbi Steinbach:

Thank you for your letter of May 11th and for your kindness in sending me a copy of your book, "Bitter Sweet", which I know I will read with a great deal of pleasure.

I wish I could comply with your flattering invitation to address your congregation on the occasion of its Golden Anniversary celebration in October. I am, however, reducing my out-of-town lecturing engagements to an absolute minimum, especially during the fall months when we are having so many services and activities here at the Temple in connection with the High Holy Day season.

I am pleased to learn that in two years you will have reached the age of seventy. In my case, my seventieth anniversary will take place in January of 1963, and I am sure that there will be functions which will require my attendance. I am, therefore, constrained to decline quite a number of out-of-town invitations which normally I would be pleased to accept.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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