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July 12th 1934

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am anxious to conclude my program arrangements and am, therefore, writing to ask whether you would please send me a few subjects from which to choose the theme of your address with us on Monday evening, January 7th.

May I also trouble you and ask for a gloss print, from which picture for our program announcement might be made. As you probably know, we have the pictures of all of our speakers listed in our program.

Appreciative of your courtesy, I am, with most cordial greetings,

Heartily yours,

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Chicago Sinai Congregation

DR. LOUIS L. MANN, RAPPI

August 10th 1934

Secretary to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Madam:

will you kindly send us a gloss print of Rabbi Silver for our lecture course program announcement?

Thanking you for giving this your prompt attention, I am

Sincerely,

SB

Segretary to Mr. Schwartz

August 14, 1934.

Hise Sylvia Blumenfeld, Secretary to Mr. Schwarts, 4622 South Parkway, Chicago, Ill.

My dear Hims Humenfeld:

Rabbi Silver which you requested in your letter of August 10th.

Yery minderely yours,

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Secretary to Rabbl Silver.



S. D. SCHWARTZ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EMIL G. HIRSCH CENTER

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4600 - 4624 SOUTH PARKWAY

August 17th 1934

Rabbi Abta Hillel Silver Mooselookmeguntic House Haines Landing, Maine

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I just returned to my desk and found your letter with suggestions as to theme of discussion at hand.

I have taken the liberty of definitely scheduling you for:

"The Changing Status of the Jew in the Modern World"

Your photograph for our program was received two or three days ago.

In the hope that the summer will give you a much needed rest and looking forward to your visit with us, I am

SDS: SB Would it be asking too much of your not to speak on any Temple Former dragon in Okiaso Jaims to our engagement?

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Br. G. George Fox RABBI SOUTH SHORE TEMPLE 7215 JEFFERT AVENUE PHONE FAIRFAX 0772 CHICAGO October 26, 1934 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland, Chio Dear Rabbi Silver: We are looking forward with much anticipation to your being with us. Our Student's Council heard your letter with a great deal of pleasure. We are expecting to have a great time that day. How about taking tes with Mrs. Fox and myself after the serwice? Sincerely yours, Islange Fox GGF: RL Dictated, but not read.

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December 4, 1934.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver c/o The Temple Cleveland, Dhio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am very happy indeed to extend to you on behalf of the Zionist Organization of Chicago as well as on my own behalf, our appreciation for your address last Sunday evening. It was a very inspiring and fine address and those who heard it will remember it for a long time.

I am particularly very happy because my expectations were fully realized. I stated from the beginning that your appearance will fill the Auditorium and my hopes were windicated. It was a fine evening, socially and intellectually and I know you will be glad to learn that the Zionist Organization of Chicago will make approximately \$1200 profit which will enable us to clear our leficit, which I imherited from the former administration. We will now be able to do some good effective work on behalf of our common cause to which you have made a distinct contribution.

With many thanks for your services, and with personal esteem, I am as ever

Very truly yours

Max Shulman

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December 11, 1934.

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

Dear Rabbi:

As Chairman of the Chanukah Festival
I am taking this opportunity to express my thanks
to you for the beautiful address you have delivered.
Indeed your address was the crowning success of the
event.

I was in Cleveland yesterday and I regret vary much that I did not have a chance to see you. I will deem it a great pleasure and privilege to visit with you when I am in Cleveland some time during this month.

With Zion's greetings, I am

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Albert H. Epster

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Chanukah Festival Committee

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S. D. SCHWARTZ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EMIL G. HIRSCH CENTER Sinni Temple Emil G. Hirsch Center 4500 - 4524 SOUTH PARKWAY December 26th 1 9 3 4 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio Dear Rabbi Silver: We are looking forward most anxiously to your address on our platform on Monday evening, January 7th, on the subject, "The Changing Status of the Jew in the Modern World." My wife and I would like to have you as our guest at dinner on that evening. May we look forward to your being with us? Heartily yours, SDS:RK

December 28, 1934.

Hr. 5. D. Shhwartz, Executive Director, Hmil G. Hirsch Jenter, 4600 - 4634 South Parkway, Chicago, Ill.

By dear Mr. Schwarts:

Let me thank you for your kind note of December 26. I shall be very happy to have dinner with you on Henday, January 7.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours, "

AHS:BK

S. D. SCHWARTZ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EMIL G. HIRSCH CENTER Emil G. Hirsely Center Sinni Temple 4600 - 4624 SOUTH PARKWAY January 9th 1 9 3 5 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio Dear Rabbi Silver: Herewith enclosed please find remittance due you for your address on Monday

evening.

Need I tell you how well your pre-sentation was received by our audience? I am sure you saw that for yourself. Yours was an outstanding contribution to our forum program and we feel ourselves deeply inaebted to you.

I hope that we shall have the pleasure of a return visit. While, as you suggested, it is rather early in the season, I shall take the liberty or communicating with you later on.

with the kindest of greetings, I

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Cordially yours,

S. D. E.hu

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1814 SOUTH CLINTON STREET
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February 19,
1935.

Rabbi Abba Billel Silver, c/o The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Chicago Hias organization is going to have their Annual Meeting and Banquet at the Palmer House on March 17th.

The officers and directors of our organization are extending to you a cordial invitation to be our guest speaker at the meeting. It is needless for me to explain to you the humanitarian work that the Hias has been doing for the last fifty-three years; so we hope that you will accept our invitation, as we need a great deal of inspiration for Hias, and you are the only person who can bring the right message to our people for the poor, unfortunate wanderer, who is driven from pillar to post, now more than ever; and the Hias is the only agency that has the machinery and experience to serve the Jewish "no-v'nodnik".

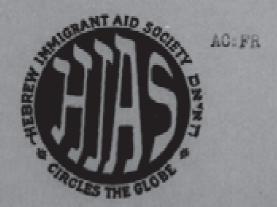
It is understood that we will be glad to compensate whatever expense you incur on the trip. We shall be grateful if you will advise us by return mail, if possible, of your acceptance, as all the other arrangements have been made for that date.

Very sincerely yours,

CHICAGO BRANCH OF HIAS

(Adolp Copeland)

President.



February 30, 1935.

Mr. Adolph Copeland, 1214 South Clinton St., Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Capeland:

I appreciate very much your kind invitation to address the Chicago Hias organization on March 17. I fully recognize the importance of your work and I wish I were free to come. But I must be in Cleveland on Sunday to occupy my own pulpit and to attend to other congregational duties. Furthermore, the month of March is terrifically growded for me with numerous out of town lecture engagements.

Wishing you all success. I remain

Yery sincerely yours.

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MARCH 28, 1935

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April 4,
1955.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

At last night's meeting of the Beard of Directors of the Hebrew Sheltering and Ismigrant Aid Society held at the Riss head-quarters at 1214 S. Clinton Street, a motion was made and seconded and unanimously passed to invite you as our Guest Speaker, at the Banquet to be given on May 19th for the presentation of the Riss Golden Anniversary Book. We have close to three thousand inscribers; and we expect from one thousand to fifteen hundred to be present, as real friends and sympathizers of Riss.

We do hope that you will accept our invitation; as we never had the pleasure of having you speak for the Hiss organization, and certainly trust that you will be with us at this time, which I can assure you will bring joy and happiness to the directors of the Board.

With best wishes, and awaiting your favorable reply, I am

Very gincerely yours,

Bolome

(Adolph Copeland)

CHICAGO BRANCH OF BIAS

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P.S. Of course, we shall be glad to reimburse you for the expenses of your trip.

April 5, 1935. Mr. Adolph Copeland, President, Chicago Branch of HIAS, 1214 South Clinton Street, Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Copeland: Let me thank you for your kindness in inviting me to address the meeting of the Chicago branch of HIAS on May 19. It would have given me great pleasure to accept. Unfortunately I must remain in Cleveland on that day. My Temple is celebrating its Eighty-fifth anniversary on that date. With all good wishes, permit me to remain Very sincerely yours, AHS:BK

### TEMPLE SHOLOM MEN'S CLUB

3480 LAKE SHORE DRIVE CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Apmil 11, 1935.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

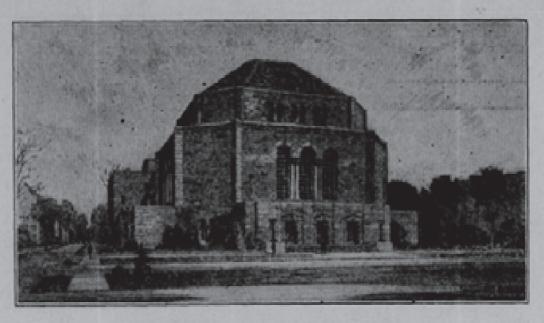
We are preparing now for our lecture

Forum at Temple Sholom, which will commence shorthy after
the High Holidays next Fall. Could you accept an invitation
to appear in this series of lectures, which are held on
consecutive Monday nights for ten weeks. If you can accept,
will you be good enough to advise the date and your fee.

Respectfully yours

of THE JEWISH CHARITIES OF CHICAGO 120 SOUTH STATE STREET April 17, 1935 Telephone Harrison 4200 **HONORARY CHAIRMAN** Dr. Abba Hillel Silver HONORARY VICE-CHAIRMEN The Temple EDWARD L. GLASER Cleveland, Ohio BENJAHIN J. ROSENTHAL OFFICERS. Dear Dr. Silver: PAUL R. KUHN, PRESIDENT A. EPSTEIN, VICE-PRESIDENT LAURENCE GREENEBAUM, VICE-PRES. GEORGE H. LAUTER, VICE-PRES. EDWIN B. MAYER, TREAS. MAXWELL ABBELL, SECY. On behalf of the Community Council of the Jewish Charities of Chicago, may I ask whether you would be willing to participate in a symposium on religious understand-SAMUEL A. GOLDSMITH ing, on Monday evening, May 6th, or possibly May 13th. We DIRECTORS shall ask both a Catholic and Protestant clergyman to serve ELY M. AARON ERNEST M. BERGER JOSEPH M. CALLNER as the other two participants in this symposium. HARRY EISENSTAEDT The Community Council consists of the men and women IRA I. FISHER WASHINGTON FLEXNER who are contributors to the Jewish Charities and who are VERNON FOX 9. I. FRANK actively interested in the work carried on by the Jewish ROY J. FRIEDMAN LEE J. FURTH ROBERT K. GERSHENOW BARNEY GIBNET Charities. We have monthly meetings, attended by about five or six hundred people who are interested in having a message ISADORE J. GOLDBERG MAURICE GOLDBLATT LEO A. GOLDBTEIN I. H. HARTMAN presented to them concerning some phase of our contemporary lives. The Directorate of the Jewish Charities created the BAMUEL NEIPETZ CHARLES I, HERRON JAMES HIRSCHFIELD DR. B. B. HOLLENGER Community Council in order to make the members of the Charities aware of the responsibility of communal effort. As HAURICE L. HORNER, JR. such, it has had messages presented by speakers who have JOE ISRAEL IRVIN JACOBS WILLIAM KAPLA dealt with our own communal responsibility, as well as some of the outstanding issues of our time. LAWRENCE KLEIN HOWARD G. KORNBLITH MILTON J. KRENSKY MARRY RUNIN ISAAC B, LIPSON JAMES I, LOEB The presentation of a symposium such as that which MAX L. LOEWENBERG RICHARD J. LOEWENTHAL FRANK A. LOUER J. E. MICHAELS we would like to hold will, I am sure, bring out a very large and enthusiastic group of men and women. While we have not ordinarily paid our speakers any honorarium, invit-HENRY S. MOSER ELLARD PFAELZER SAMUEL P. PLATT HARRY W. RISSERG PHILIP E. RINGER ing men who have been in Chicago, we nevertheless shall be glad to pay an honorarium of one hundred and fifty dollars. May I ask that you kindly wire me collect that we may have HENRY L. RISSMAN JOSEPH H. ROBINSON you with us. ROBERT J. ROSENBI EOWIN BILVERMAN HARRY BHITZ MAURICE BOKOLEC Looking forward to an early favorable reply, I am ALFRED K. STERN BANUEL D. STOLL DR. SOLOHON STROUGE WILLIAM BULTAN DR. ISADORE M. TRACE ELKAN C. VOORSANGER CHARLES WEINFELD Very cardially yours, MAX WOLDENBERG MAX E. YAFFE Chairman, Program Committee SDS:RK 4622 Scuth Parkway THE OBJECTS OF THIS ORGANIZATION ARE TO STIMULATE INTEREST IN THE CIVIC AND PHILANTHEOPIC WORK OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY OF CHICAGO; TO FOSTER AND CUL-TIVATE THE SOCIAL AND EBUCA-MEMBERS AND TO BROADEN THEIR COMMUNAL ACTIVITIES. BOTH

April 19, 1935. Mr. S. D. Schwartz, 4622 South Parkway. Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Schwartz: Thank you so much for your kind letter of April 17. I have undertaken the chairmanship of the Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign which opens on May 5, and from now until the middle of May, I shall not be able to leave the city. I trust that your meeting will be very successful. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK



### TEMPLE SHOLOM

PHONE LAKEVIEW 4707 CHICAGO, ILL.

April 23, 1935.

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

Dear Rabbi:

Under date of April 11, I wrote an inquiry whether you could accept an invitation to address The Temple Sholom Forum on some Monday night after the High Holidays.

Not having heard from you, I fear the letter may have gone astray. I would appreciate it very much if you would advise whether you could accept this invitation for some Monday night during the months of November or December.

Wery respectfully yours,

SK:EW

April 30, 1935. Mr. S. Kasne, Temple Sholom, 3480 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Kasnes Let me thank you for your kind letter of April 23. Your organization invited me last year but they felt that the honorarium was beyond their reach. It may be possible for me to come to you some Monday evening in the Fall or Winter. My honorarium is \$250 for a special trip to Chicago. or \$200 if I have more than one lecture in your city. With best wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours. AHS ! BK

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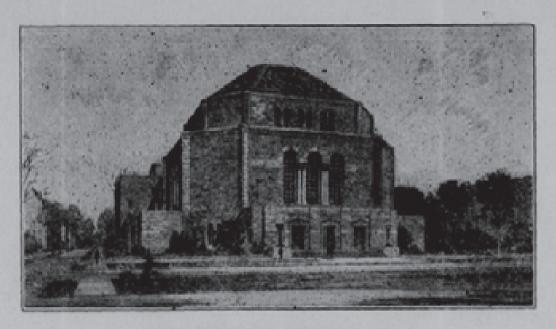
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J. C. WILLEVER, FIRST VICE-PRESIDEN

	, June 21, 193519
To_	Mrs. Mark Davis
	Street and No. 359 Chappell Ave.
	Place Chicago, Ill.
	WILLS BEEFFE
	HAVE SCHEDULED YOUR ORGANIZATION FOR WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 50
	A H SILVER



### TEMPLE SHOLOM

3480 LAKE SHORE DRIVE PHONE LAKEVIEW 4707 CHICAGO, ILL.

June 25, 1935.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Under date of April 30, you wrote advising that it may be possible for you to address our Lecture Forum some evening in the fall or winter.

Will you please advise whether one of the following dates would be acceptable:

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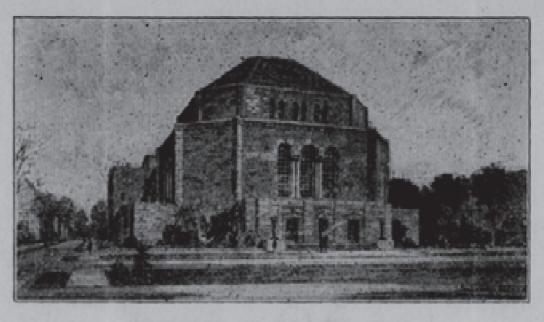
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Very sincerely yours,

Samuel Kassel

July 4, 1935. Mr. Samuel Kassel. Temple Sholom, 3480 Lake Shore Dr., Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Kassel: It may be possible for me to come to you on Monday evening. December 2. If the date is agreeable. please notify my secretary as I am leaving for Europe tomorrow. The honorarium would be \$250 in accordance with my letter to you of April 30. Upon my return from Europe early in September, I shall be pleased to send you a list of subjects from which you may select one which would be most appropriate for your organization. With all good wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

you have letter ABRAHAM E. ABRAMOWITZ 5515 Gladys Avenue Chicago, Ill. July 5, 1935 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio Dear Rabbi Silver: Our Synagogue is planning to extend its educational program and for this purpose is arranging to enlarge is school bailding. In order to raise the necessary funds. Whe Board of Directors is arranging a major function in the form of a symposium to be keld some time during the latterpart of November, either Movember 20th on 27th. We Selieve that by securing three outstanding personalities in this country and by allowing ourselves a considerable time to dispose of the admission tickets, we can succeed in selling out the house and rules several thousand dollars for our purpose. The symposium suggested will dwell on the general questions. "Judaism of Tomorrow, Palestine of Tomorrow, and Humanity of Tomorrow." We are approaching you, Rabbi Wise and Dr. A. L. Sachar. We would ask you to talk on "Judaism of Tomorrow, " Wise: "Palestine of Tomorrow," Sachar: "Humanity of Tomorrow." As understood, we will pay a consierable honorarium in addition to the traveling expenses. If you will inform us whether you are in a position to accept our invitation, for which we will be very grateful to you, we will take it up with the other members of the committee and have a definite date set so that we can procede with the propaganda necessary to bring about the proper success. It is needless to say that you will serve a great need in our community which is practically new and is just coming into being. Although the date is far off and we realize that it is difficult for you to make appointments so far ahead, you realize however, that unless we are given ample time to publicize such an undertaking, we will not be able to come through with it successfully. Will you please flavor us with an early reply. Cordially yours. (Signed) Abraham E. Abramowitz Raobi Congregation Bnai Israel of Austin 5433 Jackson Blvd.



TEMPLE SHOLOM

3480 LAKE SHORE DRIVE PHONE LAKEVIEW 4707 CHICAGO, ILL.

July 6, 1935.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you for your letter of July 4th advising that you will be able to come to our forum on December 2. The date and the honorarium are acceptable and I shall be pleased to have your list of subjects upon your return from Europe.

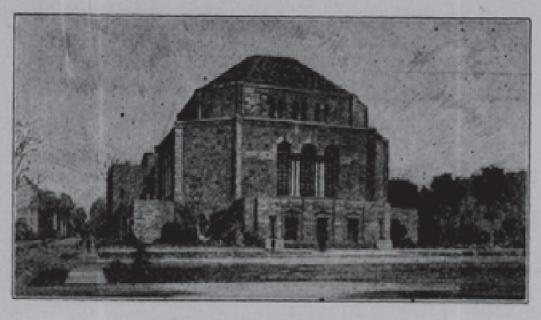
Respectfully yours

Murespessel

July 9, 1935. Rabbi Abraham E. Abramowitz, 5515 Gladys Ave. . Chicago, Ill. My dear Rabbi Abramowitz; In reply to your letter of July 5, permit me to state that I have forwarded your letter to Rabbi Silver who is spending his vacation abroad. He will either answer your letter directly or let me know whether he will be free to accept your invitation. In the latter instance I shall notify you as soon as I hear from him. With all good wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours, BJK Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

AUSTIN 9339 COLUMBUS 9572 Abraham E. Abramowitz 5515 GLADYS AVENUE CHICAGO, ILL. Rabbi Congregation Brai Israel of Austin 5433 JACKSON BOULEVARD July 12, 1935. Miss Bessie Kline c/o The Temple Cleveland, Ohio Dear Miss Kline: Your letter dated July 9th at hand. Thank you for your prompt attention. Will you please, without any delay, communicate with Rabbi Silver and rotify us as soon as you can what his decision is. The Auditorium is very large, contains close to four thousand sests and unless we have ample time to make the necessary preparations we cannot hope for a real success. You can also write to him that with regard to the question of the honorarium, we will leave it entirely to his discretion, and I am sure that we will have no difficulty on that score. Cordially yours, aladam & alramousty Abraham E. Abramowitz AEA: PB

July 16, 1935. Bre. Mark Davis. 7359 Charpell Ave., Chicago, Ill. My dear Mrs. Bavis: Referring to our telephone conversation of this afternoon - may I suggest that it would be much the wiser plan to wait until Habbi Silver returns from abroad before trying to change the date of his scheduled address before the South Side Hebrew Congregation (Oct. 30). This would be, at the very latest, Sept. 15. Writing to him now would be unsatisfactory. Since he is planning to visit more than one country a reply to my letter sould in all probability be delayed another week or two making it more than a son th before I would hear from him. However, if you desire, I shall be very happy to write to him as soon as I receive a forwarding address from him. This should be senstine during the next week. With mil good wishes, I remain Yery sincerely yeurs. BJK Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



TEMPLE SHOLOM

3480 LAKE SHORE DRIVE PHONE LAKEVIEW 4707 CHICAGO, ILL.

August 24, 1935.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, E. 105th St., at Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:-

I am anxious to make announcement of the Lecture subjects for our Forum and wonder whether it would be possible to have a list from which I might select a subject for your lecture on Dec. 2. I assure you I would appreciate the receipt of such a list if it is available.

Very sincerely yours

August 27, 1935 Mr. Samuel Kassel, Temple Sholom, 3480 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Kasselt In reply to your letter of August 24 permit me to state that Rabbi Silver will be back from his vacation on the 15 of September. He will be very happy to send you a list of subjects from which you may choose one when he returns. Very sincerely yours. BJK Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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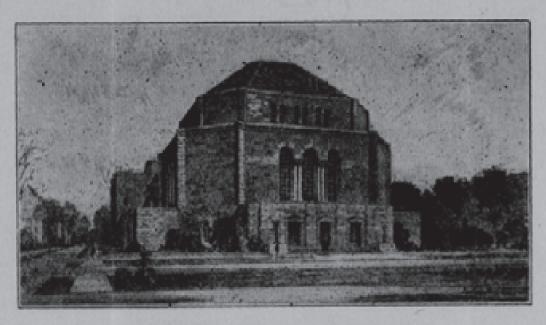
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S S H C LECTURE FORUM LUCILLE DAVIS CHAIRMAN

September 6, 1935 Mrs. Mark Davis, 7359 Chappell Ave., Chicago, Ill. My dear Mrs. Davis: Enclosed is a photograph of Rabbi Silver as per your telegram of today's date. Rabbi Silver will send you a list of suggested subjects from which you may choose one when he returns to the city. With best wishes, I remain Very sincerely yarrs, BJK Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



## TEMPLE SHOLOM

PHONE LAKEVIEW 4707 CHICAGO, ILL.

September 24, 1935.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I trust that by this time you have returned from your trip abroad and that you will now be able to give me the title of a subject for your discussion at our Temple on December 2. May I suggest the subject: "The Jew In The Modern World"?

With kindest wishes for a happy New Year, permit me to remain

Alle Pours,

September 25, 1935 Mr. Samuel Kassul, Temple Sholom, 2380 Lake Shore Drive. Chicago, Dll. My dear Mr. Eassel: Let me thank you for your kind letter of September 24. I shall be very happy to speak on the subject which you suggest: "The Jew In The Modern World." With all good wishes for a happy new year, I remain Very cordially yours. AHS: BK

October 2, 1955

Hrs. Mark Davis, 7359 Chappell Ave., Chicago, Ill.

My dear lire. Daring

I would suggest as the subject of my address before your Forum: THE CAULINIE OF EUROPE. I would give some of my imprecious of the European situation in Should. Germany, and so forth, which I salmed during my visit abroad this summer. Should you prefer another subject. I would suggest the following:

1. The Age of Dictators

3. The Status of the Jew in a Changing World

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prefer. With all good wishes for a happy new year permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi:

We are very sorry that we were unable to have your suggested subjects before going to press. Not having heard from you on time we chose the subject "The Jew Faces A Changing World"; with the thought in mind that you might embody in your subject such material as you would think advisable.

We might have chosen the subject "The Cauldron of Europe"; however, we hope that our subject being so similar to the one you suggested will meet with your approval. We shall look forward to having you with us shortly.

Cordially yours,

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October 25, 1935 Tishri 28, 5696

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am wondering whether your schedule in Chicago next Wednesday October 30, will be so arranged as to make it possible for you to have dinner with a few members of our Congregation in the loop at about 6 o' clock, so that you shall reach the Synagogue in time for the Lecture. An early reply will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

SOUTH SIDE HEBREW CONGREGATION

CHAIRMAN LECTURE FORUM

October 38, 1935

Hrs. Incitle P. Davis, The South Side Hebrew Congregation, 74th St. and Chappel Ave., Chicago, Ill.

My dear Hrs. Havist

Let me thank you for your kind letter of October 25. I shall be very pleased to have dinner with some members of your congregation at six o'clock this coming Wednesday. I shall stop at the Blackstone Hotel in Chicago.

with all good wishes, I remain

Yery cordially yours,

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November 13, 1935

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Chio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I hope you will pardon the delay in sending you this enclosure which was due to the absence from the city of our treasurer.

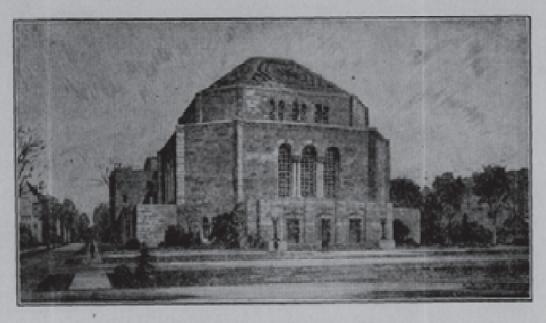
May I take this opportunity to thank you for your very fine talk, and I hope we shall again have the pleasure of having you with us at some future time.

Respectfully yours,

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## TEMPLE SHOLOM

3480 LAKE SHORE DRIVE PHONE LAKEVIEW 4707 CHICAGO, ILL.

November 26, 1935.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:-

Just a line to remind you of your lecture at Temple Sholom on Monday Evening, December 2nd. I would appreciate it very much if you would let me know when you expect to arrive in Chicago, where you will stay, and whether you should like to have me call for you on the evening of the legture.

Will you please be good enough to address me at my office, Rm. 311, Dearborn Station, Chicago.

Wery truly yours de sur

November 27, 1935 Mr. Samuel Kassel, Room 311. Dearborn Station, Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Kassels Let me thank you for your letter of Movember 26. I plan to arrive on Monday morning and go to the Blackstone Hotel. I would appreciate it if you would call for me to take me to the meeting. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS:BK

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December 6, 1935 Dr. S. S. Hollender, President, The Covenant Club, 10 North Dearborn St. . Chicago, Ill My dear Dr. Hollender: Let me thank you for your kind telagram, I regret that it will not be possible for me to come to your organization any time this month as I am heavily booked up with local and out of town engagements. It may be possible for me to come for a lecture either in January or February. My customary honorarium is \$250. With all good wishes to you in your campaign, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS:BK

The Covenant Club of Ill nois Dr. Samuel S. Hollender President December 9th 1935 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, East 105th Street at Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio. Dear Rabbi Silver:-I received your letter of December 6th and carnot tell you how disappointed we are because of your inability to address our membership during the month of December. Our plans call for a group meeting during this month and we feel that this cannot be delayed until January. However, perhaps another occasion will arise in January or February and when it does we will be most grateful to you if at that time you will be in a position to accept our invitation. Horing that this finds you in the best of health and with kindest regards, I remain Most sincerely yours, SSH: SF

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> PHONE FRANKLIN 2257 CHICAGO

> > December 15th, 1935

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, c/o The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

Our lodge at St. Paul, Minnesota, is planning an annual banquet for Sunday, January 19th, and I have just received a communication from the President of the lodge urging me, if at all possible, to secure you as the speaker for the occasion.

We will certainly appreciate your cooperation if you can possibly fill this engagement.

This office will, of course, take care of the necessary traveling expenses.

I will appreciate hearing from you promptly as to whether or not you can be helpful to us on this occasion.

With warmest personal regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Otto G. Felton

Secretary

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December 17, 1935 Mr. Otto G. Felton, Secretary, District Grand Lodge No. 6, B'nai B'rith, 130 N. Wells St., Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Melton: your Let me thank you for letter of December 16 and for the invitation which you extend to me to address your lodge at St. Paul, Minnesota on Sunday, Jamuary 19. I wish I were free to accept it. Unfortunately, my sphedule is crowded both with local and with out of town lecture engagements for the next few months that I cannot

in justice to myself accept any additional ones.

Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you. With all good wishes, I remain

Yery sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

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December 18, 1935

Rabbi Abba Hilel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

At the suggestion of Rabbi Abraham E. Abramowitz, Rabbi of the Congregation Bnai srael of Austin. I take the privelege of writing to you in my capacity as President of the Junior Congregation of that synogogue.

A word as to our purpose and activities would be appropriate here. A great number of Jewish families are living in the community of Austin. hicago, but the crying need for the organization of the Jewish youth in this community has been, until recently, almost entirely neglected. Several months ago a few young people were accorded the privelege and assigned the responsibility by Tr. Abramowitz to carry into effect his dream of a community center for Jewish youth in the vicinity, and under his leadership we have organized the Junior Congregation. Our membership of several hundred is already carrying on a varied program of activities, and it is our hope to extend these to a great many new fields. While the subsidiary groups are thus occupied, the central committee has laid out plans for the activities of the entire membership as a body. Principal among these is to be a series of open forum lectures to be conducted in the synogogue in the Spring of 1936.

It is my privelege to extend to you our invitation to address us in the closing lecture of our series. Your magnificent reputation as a speaker, the great acclaim with which your sudiences have received you here, and the desire of Dr. Akramowitz for the honor of your addressing our forum, have all contributed to our feeling that your acceptance of this invitation will assure the unqualified success of the entire series.

We are not in a position this year to recompense you in a sum commensurate with your ability, but we know that you will take into consideration the nature of our work and the fact of our having but recently organized. To help defray your expenses, we are able to offer a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) plus your railroad fare.

Our series is to close in May, and we have available the second, third, or fourth Monday evenings in the month of May for your convenience. We wish to complete our program as seen as possible, and will write at once confirming your favorable reply.

Rabbi Abba Hilel Silver -- (cont'd)

Allow me once again to assure you that we are eagerly awaiting your early answer stating that you will make your contribution to our progress, and that we will receive with the greatest happiness your accession to our request.

Most sincerely yours.

Fresident Junior Congregation of the Congregation Bnai Israel of Austin

OHG:A

December 20, 1935 Mr. Oscar H. Green. 1333 Roanoke Building, 11 South La Salle Street, Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Greent Let me thank you for your kind letter of December 18 and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the Forum of Congregation Binai Israel of Austin, some time in May. I wish I were free to accept it. Unfortunately my program for the rest of the season is so crowded both with local and out of town lecture engagements that I cannot, in justice to myself, accept any more. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you. With all good wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours. AKS : BK

## The Covenant Club of Illinois

Dr. Samuel S. Hollender President

February 3rd 1936

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

Dear Rabbi Silvert-

Sometime ago I wrote you regarding addressing the members of The Covenant Club, and in your letter of December 6th, you stated that you could not accept the date that we mentioned but that you could possibly come for a lecture either in January or February.

We are just arranging our program for this year and feel that the best suitable date would be during the month of April and if it is possible for you to address our membership on either Wednesday, April 15th or April 22nd,— these dates would be perfectly suited to our needs and would give us ample time for the publicity concerned.

We have several large affairs planned for the month of March and we did not want anything to interfere with your program, otherwise we would arrange this for March.

Our members have mentioned your name on so many occasions and are really looking forward to the time when you will be here in our Ballroom to address them. We are sure it will be a memorable occasion and sincerely hope that you will do us the honor of accepting this invitation.

Your customary honorarium mentioned in your last letter is satisfactory to us.

Would you please be good enough to let us hear from you as soon as possible so that we may reserve the date at once for this occasion.

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## The Covenant Club of Illinois

Dr. Samuel S. Hollender President

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With kindest personal regards, I am

Most sincerely yours,

SSH:SF

President

February 5, 1936 Dr. Samuel S. Hollender, President, The Covenant Club of Illinois, 10 No. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill. My dear Dr. Eollendert Let me thank you for your kind letter of February 3. In looking through my calendar, I find that neither April 15 nor April 22 is open. I would be free to come to you on April 29 which is also on a Wednesday. Please let me know if that date is convenient for you. with all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours. AHS: BK

The Covenant Club of Illinois Dr. Samuel S. Hollender President February 7th 1936 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver. East 105th Street at Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio. Dear Rabbi Silver: I am in receipt of your letter of February 5th and after checking our calendar of events, we find that Wednesday, April 29th conflicts with another affair at the Club. Can you arrange to be here either Thursday, April 23rd or Thursday, April 30th? The Committee decided that it would be much better to hold this affair on a Thursday night rather than a Wednesday. Thanking you for your good wishes and looking forward to hearing from you as to the date which would suit your convenience, I remain Sincerely yours, SSH:BE President

February 10, 1936 Dr. Samuel S. Hollender, President, The Covenant Club of Illinois. 10 No. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill. My dear Dr. Hollendert Let me thank you for your kind letter of February 7. I shall be very pleased to come to you on Thursday evening, April 30. Please indicate to me the kind of ancress that you would like to have me deliver - a discussion of a Jewish theme or a general theme. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

## The Covenant Club of Illinois

Dr. Samuel S.Hollender President

> February 13th 1936

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you for your letter. We shall expect you on April 30th, and we are arranging our meeting and the publicity on that basis.

I am enclosing a copy of Rabbi Freehof's address which he gave at the Club a 'ew week's ago.

If I may make a suggestion, as you suggested, it might be a good idea to select some aspect of Jewish life or Jewish solidarity, and develop it from the point of view of The Covenant Club, as an element in building up or fostering that side of Jewish activity.

The ultimate aim of this meeting, which we should not lose sight of, is to inspire our members to go out and work to bring in more candidates for membership in the Club and to make those newly joined feel proud of their association with the Club and feel anxious to give their support. Of course, these things should be mentioned not expressly but more by implication.

## The Covenant Club of Illinois

Dr. Samuel S.Hollender President

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I should like, as soon as is convenient for you, to receive some name or title for your address. You would not need to keep to the subject absolutely; since it is very possible that the trend of current events may altogether alter your address at the last moment. It is only that we would like some substantial phrase to use in our publicity.

With kindest personal regards and hoping that this finds you in the best of health, I remain

Sincerely yours,

President

SSH: SF

## The Jew at Home

By RABBI SOLOMON B. FREEHOF

R. CHAIRMAN, and fellow members of the Covenant Club. It is two years since I was last ir this hall. On that occasion, you gave me a very friendly farewell. Much can happen in two years. A man gets new experiences, goes to a new city, a new environment, accepts new responsibilities, meets new people and his old world grows away from him and tends to become strange. I had that feeling today when I went down to the loop. Michigan Boulevard seemed so wide and windswept. The loop seemed so noisy. The whole city seemed to be growing away from me. Then I came to Dearborn Street, entered the club, took the elevator, stopped at the seventh floor. left my coat there, came here, and now when I stand up and look at you, the strangeness has vanished and I am home again!

Although your chairman has correctly stated that I was born in England, I never, as you may guess, was a member of an English Club. Not that the social cleavage is so sharp in England, but I happened to have left England too early in life to know anything about clubs; nevertheless since English Clubs are famous in world literature, I know so nething about them. You know, as well as I do, that an English Club is far different from the Covenant Club. You come into an English club; it is silent. Even the flies walk on tipcoes. In this clubyou know the difference! You sit at a table in an English club. No one presumes to speak to you. Here, we always visit each other. Now. this difference is not a difference of better or worse. It is a difference of temperament and of philosophy. From my point of view, this club is better, because an Englishman comes to his club to escape from the world, we come here to meet our world. An Engl sh club is a refuge. This is a rendezvous. Ar English elub is a hide-out. This is a home. And the more Jewish a club is, the more homey it becomes.

Let us pursue this thought a little farther. When I first came to Chicago 12 years ago, the first people I met were members of my own particular congregation, and among the active members of that congregation was a bachelor, a man then about 42, and I wondered why this man was so interested in synagogue work; why he was so loyal an attendant at services and why so devoted a worker in the congregation. Bachelors, I thought, had other interests. One day after I had been here long enough, I gathered my courage and asked him, "Why are you so interested, not that I object, but just why are you so active in the Temple?" He gave me an answer that bewildered me, "Well," he said "I am interested in Judaism because my mother never missed a Saturday in Temple." That seemed to be a curious answer. Tell me if you will that Judaism means something to you. Tell me that you studied Jewish life. Tell me that you have concluded that the synagogue is the soundest and most logical organization for Jews in the world. But how can you take your Judaism in your mother's name! I felt quite scornful about his answer. But when I thought more about it I remembered that every day after meals, we said in the prayer:- "My mother, my

Owing to the fact that excerpts from this address given by Rabbi Freehof at the Covenant Club Monday evening, January 20, which appeared in last week's "Chicagoesque" column of The Sentinel have evoked considerable interest and inquiries among our readers, we herewith present the speech in its entirety.

THE EDITOR.

teacher; my father, my guide." Judaism as a religion roots itself in the home bond. Its favorite symbols is the little frail house, a succah. Judaism is a religion that is based upon the philosophy of the home and the more Jewish a synagogue is, the more homey it becomes.



RABBI FREEHOF

It is a very helpful thing to listen to the ordinary conversation of every day people when they are not trying to be philosophical and are just talking naturally. Those who are not Zionists, might learn a great deal from the ordinary conversation of an enthusiastic Zionist.

They will learn something curicus. They may have thought that Zionism is just one more nationalism in a world already infested with nationalisms, but if they listen to Zionists' conversations, they will discover that Zionism is Jewish nationalism—nationalism that is not nationalism in any Nazi sense; it is nationalism with a distinct difference. If you listen to a Serb speak of Serbian nationalism, he will speak of Serbian independence, or a Greek will speak of Greek freedom. When a Jew speaks of Palestine, his favorite word in not "independence" nor even "political liberty,"—he speaks not so much of the Jewish state, but of the "Jewish homeland."

Now what does all this signify? Our clubs—our religion—our world views—all our attitudes are suffused with the idea of home. We did not invent the home. The home is a primeval institution. The natural grouping father, mother and children is as old as mankind. Children have revered their parents, and parents have adored their children among every race and in every land. We did not invent the home, but we made of the home the pervasive influence

in Jewish life. To us, the home is not just one of the many social institutions. It permeates every other social institution. If you once realize that you have a golden key to unlock one of the secrets of the Jewish heart, you will understand the basis of strength of every Jewish institution. Why is it that for us the home is net just a fact, but an all pervasive influence in every institution we build? You know the famous biblical verse, "It is not good for man to be alone." This verse was first used with regard to the marriage of Adam, but in reality the verse has philosophic and cultural implication. That is the purpose of literature? You read books in order to live with other minds, in order to share the experiences of others, in order to have communion with other personalities. The function of literature is to destroy human loneliness, and that too, is the meaning of personal development. The man who is willing to be alone, who thinks he can be a lone wolf in the world is anti-social and a potential menare. Intelligent parents socialize their children. They teach them how to get along with playmates, how to meet people, how to break down their solitude. All culture is the conquest of loneliness. It seems to me that the chief tragedy of the Jews in Germany is not their economic debacle but their social loneliness. German children used to sit beside other children in school. They used to sing the same songs. Now, they are told: "Do not sing, Jew child; those songs are not yours." The Jewish bus ness man used to associate with his fellows. Now, he is told: "Go down Jew; no more a merchant prince. Be a peddler again!" The Jewish lawyer, the Jewish doctor are lept from association with their fellow professionals. The Jew is alone in the German world.

You doubtless remember the excitement when A lolph Ochs died? The "New York Times" devoted almost two full issues to eulcgies sent im by leading Americans of every class and denomination. Six months ago, there died in G-rmany a Jew who was easily as inportant as Adolph Ochs was in America. Hans Ullmann owned the "Berliner Tageblatt," a paper analogous to the "New York Times." In addition, he owned a great publishing house. He was a very important and influential man in Germany. When he died, the German Government did not permit his own newspapers to publish one line of obituary. Do you not see what they want? They want us to live like outlaws and die like dogs. The Jews have no one in Germany. They are alone except for us. The old brotherhood extends across the ocear-across the centuries-from New York to Berlin-from Chicago to Frankfurt; that old brotherhood lives! The Jews in Germany were somewhat apart from the masses of Jews. Those who were stadious know of German scholarship, but the great mass of Jewry was not in close contact with German Jewry, yet when German Jewry lost Germany, they found Israel. When they were alone, they discovered their kinship. That is what has happened with many great Jews-Ludwig Lewisohn, Emil Ludwig, Wassermann-

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dance at 505 North Michigan Avenue. Bea Lissner of 2110 Division Street is dance chairman.

Israel Stam Cousins Club card party and social at the Mid-City Odd Fellows Temple, 3350 West Jackson Boulevard.

Temple Emanuel Sisterhood concert Gonsior. with Vitaly Schnee, planist, as the guest artist, assisted by Mrs. Stella

Tuesday, February 4

Blind Service Association lecture party for blind and escorts at 1900 Marshall Boulevard at 8 p. m. The speaker will be the Hon. Archie Cohen, and there will be a costume dance by Sally Glixon and two piano recitals by the Chicago Musical Club. Isaiah speaker. Israel Sisterhood members will be hostesses.

Sunday, February 9

Chicago Loop Orthodox Synagogue dedication ceremonies will be held at 7 p. m. at 16 South Clark Street, The Hon. Jacob M. Arvey will be the principal speaker.

American Ladies' Aid Society dinner dance at the College Inn at 7 p.m. Mrs. Fay Bender is the chairman. Rose Lavin, president.

Alpha Delta Mu fine arts sorority annual scholarship dance at the North Ballroom of the Stevens Hotel. The committee consists of Miriam Curshan. 5019 Winthrop Avenue, Dorothy Perlman, Bertha Schub and Ruth Bloom. Eleanor Grossman, president.

Edgewater Junior Hadassah annual dance in the Gold Room of the Congress Hotel. Miss Dena Osmansky is chairman.

Edgewater Junior Hadassah dance at the Congress Hotel.

Oir Chodosh Sisterhood card party, keno and entertainment at the Community Center, 702 Englewood Avenue. Hostesses will be Mrs. Jack Ta-Mindes and Mrs. Abe Kaplan.

Buesday, February 11

Ner Tamid Sisterhood earning fund afternoon at the home of Mrs. Nat Lipshutz, 6114 North Washtenaw Avenue, at 2:30 o'clock. Dr. Lalian Tarlow will give a lecture on "What Every Woman Should Know."

Wednesday, February 12

Temple Judea sponsors Julien Bryan, March of Time cameraman, in a program on the human interest side of Russia in 1935. Motion pictures and p. m.

Wednesday, February 12

Chicago B'nai B'rith Council Aleph Israel, 4850 North Bernard Street, Zedek Aleph grand ball at the Aragon three-act comedy drama, "Polishing Ballroom as the climax of the tenth Papa," given in the evening. Eugene annual A Z A convention, which is Sadin is chairman of the affair, Danc- to be held in Chicago on February 11, 12 and 13 at the Midwest Athletic

The Northwest College Clab of the p. m. at the Congress Hotel. Mrs. Jo- Hebrew Theological College, annual seph Wolf is chairman, assisted by Mrs. card party at Herzl Hall, 1235 North Henry Monheimer. Mrs. Lester Stern California Avenue, at 8 p. m. Danc-

Sunday, February 18

The David M. Grodsky Junior Aid Mt. Sinai Jr. Service Club annual Valentine dance at 8:30 p. n. at the Covenant Club.

> Washington Boulevard Sisterhood "Gay Nineties Cabaret" in the Community House, 23 North Karlov Avenue. Floor show, stunts and dancing. The sponsors are Mesdames Morris Newman, Nathan Wispe and Julius

The Jessie Werthamer Service Club annual dinner dance in the main ball-Saenger, contralto, at 8:15 p. m. at room at 505 North Michigan Avenue the Temple, 701 Buckingham Place. . at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. E. L. Goldberg is chairman. Mrs. David Goldstein, pres-

> Histadruth Ivrith Hamisah Asar Beshevat celebration at Bialik Hall of the College of Jewish Studies, 30 North Dearborn Street, in the evening. Goldie Meyerson will be the guest

> Jeanette Reubens third annual dance for the benefit of the Chicago Jewish Charities, in the Gold Room of the Congress Hotel. Sam Strong is the chairman. Emanuel A. Rissman, president.

> Hatikvah earning fund dinner dance at the Copeland Hotel. Miss Gertrude Shutz of 6749 Lakewood Avenue is one of the officers in charge of the

> Austin Community Center operatic concert at the Auditorium of the Center, 116 South Central Avenue. The concert will be presented by the Insana Operatic Ensemble, and the program will include selections from Aida, Carmen and Il Trovatore and Jewish and Italian songs.

> The Jewish Men's Club of Hyde Park first annual dance at the Shoreland Hotel. Melvin Rose is in charge of the program.

> > Sunday, February 23

Louis-Ada Circle charity card party in the Grand Ballroom of the Belden-Stratford Hotel, 2300 Lincoln Park West, at 8 p. m.

Garfield Community Center annual tar, Mrs. Mary Stangle, Mrs. Max card party and dance in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Sherman. Dancing, entertainment and refreshments. Mrs. Herman Meyerson is general chairman with Mrs. Joseph Rosenberg as co-chairman.

> Jennie Bernstein Aid Society entertainment and dance in the Gold Room of the Congress Hotel for the Benefit of the Jewish Peoples Convalescent Home.

> Garfield Park Hadassah dance at the Covenant Club.

Sarah Raff Jr. Hias dance at the lectures at Orchestra Hall at 8:15 Congress Hotel. Mrs. Henry B. Raff, president.

#### B'NAI B'RITH OF CHICAGO TO SUCCESS AHEAD FOR NEW BANK HOLD ALL CITY CONFERENCE

Under the auspices of the Chicago B'nai B'rith Council, the B'nai B'rith of Chicago will have its first all-city conference in the history of its existence, Sunday, February 2, a: 2:30 p. m. at the Covenant Club ball room. This assembly, which will be open to all interested B'nai B'rith members, will be for the purpose of "stock taking" of the accomplishments of the order in this area.

Unlike most such gatherings, this meeting will not be confined to a single Lodge or Auxiliary or merely to the leaders of the different organizations. It is meant to be for al members, so that a thorough study of the B'nai B'rith may be accomplished. It is hoped that the self-analysis, suggestions and criticisms voiced in this connecton will help to strengthen the position of this body.

Salonika (WNS)-An event unprecedented in Greece since the War occurred here at an election rally of the Venizelist party when an audience of several thousand persons concluded an ovation to a Jewish speaker by crying Madison-Crawford National Bank last out "long live the Jews, We wan: peace Saturday, January 25, assures the ofwith them." The speaker who provoked ficers to this new institution long waitthis outburst was Aaron Shaaki. In ed for by the business men as well as the last few years the Venizelists have the public on the Greater West Side. been regarded as anti-Semitic but since Over 850 new savings accounts were the restoration of the monarchy they opened. This alone shows the neceshave been endeavoring to make peace with the Jews who were formerly their chief supporters.

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Johanna No. 9, U. O. T. C .- The 62nd birthday party will be held at the Standard Club on Thursday, Feb-Lawrence C. Smith is program chair- for Little Sisters.

The North Shore Auxiliary of the Chicago Consumptive Aid Society-The regular meeting of the month will be held on Tuesday afternoon, February 11, at the Edgewater Beach Hotel. o'clock. Selma Bernard is president. After a brisf business meeting, there will be a playlet presented by the Bnai Zion Sisterhood. Mrs. Anna Brail is chairman of the afternoon. Mrs. Sylvia Piser Heller, president.

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> The Marcha Washington Lodge of America-The annual card party will be held on Monday, February 2, at Roosevelt Eall, 3437 West Roosevelt Road. Luncaeon will be served at 12

Atereth Zion Jrs .- An open meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 5, at 8:15 p. m., at the Atereth Zion Synagogue. The guest speaker of the evening will be Rabbi David The Sigma Alpha Phi Musical Se- Graubart of the Humboldt Boulevard rority-The monthly social meeting Temple, who will speak on "Antiwill be held Saturday afternoon, Feb- Semitism and the Menace of Fascism." ruary 1, 3 ps m., at the home of Jean- The address will be followed by an belle Rosenman, 8150 Dobson Avenue. open forum. There will also be mu-A musical program will be presented sical entertainment. Harold Comm is by Gertrude Shapiro, Rose Schnitzer chairman of the cultural conmittee. Helen Port is president.



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## THE JEW AT HOME

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world-but soon they lost the world Island. and found their brethren. We Jews As you review that famous case, are individualists and fight for our- you know what happened. How the selves, each man for his own excitement divided France and shook career, until we feel the blows Europe and finally erasec anti-Semiand arows of outrageous fortune, tism from the French Army and the then we seek our brethren. What French government, In all these great is the source of our solidarity.

people came into Europe from Asia dure his martyrdom, the courage of didn't know just where they came live!" from. They thought they came from As you study the story of Jewish Egypt; and therefore, called them home life, you will discover that the Egyptians or Gypsies. As a matter of persistence of that social institution fact, the Gypsies came from India, among us was based langely on its from a land of culture, and they lived power to endure. What blows, what in the cultured lands of Europe for severe blows the Jewish home has sufmany centuries, but the Gypsies have fered! Families were broken up in never contributed one line to Euro- every land; children going to far off pean literature, one brush-stroke to countries, across the stormy seas, and European painting, nor one clear yet sending for the old parents; broththought to European philosophy. Why? ers sending for their brothers. The They are intelligent people coming home fought for life against the forces from an old civilization. They lived of nature and cruel humanity. The in Europe for centuries yet contrib- Jewish home has lived because it had uted nothing. One reason is thin. The the power to endure. No Jewish in-Gypsies pitched their tents and we stitution that fails to pass this acid built our homes. The Gypsies are no- test is worthy of the name Jewish. mads and we try to be natives. When- Now, you have a standard for every ever we leave a country, it is not our institution which Jews may build, be choice. We are driven. We may be it a synagogue, or be it a club. Every exiles, but we are never nomads. We Jewish institution must partake of the always have the desire to contribute magic of the Jewish home. It must to the land in which we live and there-destroy loneliness through kinship. It fore, we always have the courage to must have the courage to express itbuild. That is our characteristic.

I call your attention to a remarkable Jew, who died in Paris a few months ago. He was a very old Jew in the 90's-a very comfortable old gentleman, who was born a millionaire. He was a grandson of old Meyer liness, who have found their first kin-Amshel Rothschild. His name was Baron Edmund Rothschild, The old gentleman was always a patron of art, always lived a comfortable life, but he was a Jew and and his Jewishness expressed itself in a remarkable way. Before the Balfour declaration, when Palestine was still a howling waste, under the control of the unspeakable Turk, he had the courage-tefore things were safe-to pour his millions into Palestine and to build. That is the characteristic of Jews everywhere. We have the courage to build. We are not only home lovers. We are home builders.

During the last year, one of the great legal dramas of Europe came to a close. The drama began is the 90's of the last century. In the city of Paris in the courtyard of a military academy-the soldiers drawn up in formal array, a pale captain standing alsne. Up to him came a colonel. tore of the captain's epailettes from his shoulders, pulled out the captain's sword, broke it on his knee, and went through the ceremony of formal degradatien.

ing mob was yelling "Kill the Jew." 1,500 students at Boston University The Lewish Captain Dreyfuss said, who listed their ancestry as other than "You are degrading an innocen; man American. English, Irish and Balian -Vive la France!" He was convicted students alone outnumbered the Jews.

they had their careers out in the and sent to a living death on Devil's

happens to us is that we are events, it would seem that Dreyfuss driven into the tragedy of lone- was not the hero of the drama but liness, but out of loneliness we weave the victim. The hero was Zola or the magic of kinship. When the world Labori. Where was the heroism of says to us, as often it does, "you Captain Dreyfuss? He was taken to stand alone." We answer, "we stand Devil's Island, a prison so unbearable together." The home feeling is our that few people survived its rigors triumph; our kinship is our conquest more than a year or two. He was of the world. Our enforced loneliness often chained to the cot. He could have died a dozen times, but he re-There is a people very much like us fused to die. He fought for life. He in Europe, a people which like us believed that if he would live, his came from Asia-which like us has cause would somewhere, somehow be traveled from land to land. These justified. He had the courage to enafter we did. The people of Europe our people:-"I shall not die-but

self through construction. It must have the stamina to outlast tragedy.

In this vast city, there are hundreds of Jews coming from various places, lost in their section of the city, not finding any fellow Jews, suffering loneship in your club.

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Your club represents something vital and unique in this vast city, with its maelstrom of Jews. Jews o! different origins, Jews of different types constitute not a community, But a mob. You in your club have welded different elements together and established the spirit of the home. What you have done here must spread from this club until, as the years go by, a community of American Jews, conscious of their common kinship, will emerge, until this whole community becomes a family, a united Jewry in a homelike city. This is your ideal; this is your duty; and this is your covenant with the future.

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COMMUNAL ACTIVITIES, BOTH
LOCAL AND NATIONAL

March 5th,

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

Dear Rabbi Silver :-

You may, perchance, recall that last season the Community Council, through me as program chairman, extended an invitation to you to speak at one of our meetings. You informed us that The Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign in your city, would not permit you to come, but that you might come to us at a later time.

May I, therefore, ask whether it might be possible for you to speak at our March meeting on an evening convenient to yourself, either in late March or the early days of April? Our meetings are not held on a fixed date but arranged to meet the convenience of the speaker.

We should like to have you speak on some message with reference to the Jew and the most recent developments in Palestine, or the influences of the Palestinian development in our present day Jewish life. We are exceedingly anxious to have particularly, certain of our Jewish elements become acquainted with what is transpiring in the world of Jewry today, other than merely the Hitler tragedy.

women who are contributors to the Jewish Charities and who are actively interested in the work carried on by the Jewish Charities. We have monthly meetings, attended by about nine hundred to one thousand people, who are interested in having a message presented to them concerning some phase of our contemporary lives. The Directorate of the Jewish Charities created the Community Council in order to make the members of the Charities aware of the responsibility of communal effort. As such, it has had messages presented by speakers who have dealt with our own communal responsibility, as well as some of the outstanding issues of our time.

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JOSEPH B. FLIGMAN
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BARNEY GISNET and fifty dollars. May I ask that you kindly wire me collect that we may have you with us? MAURICE GOLDBLATT LOUIS J. GOLDEN DAYID GUILD SAMUEL L. MAAS JACK MAMMER Thanking you for a favorable reply. I am MORTIMER B. HARRIS
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March 9, 1936

Mr. S. D. Schwartz, 4622 South Parkway, Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Schwartz:

I wish I were free to accept your very generous invitation. I should not like to decline any invitation coming from you but unfortunately. It is a physical impessibility to take on any additional work. My schedule for the remainder of the season is fairly peppered with out of town lecture engagements, many of them in connection with the United Palestine Appeal of which, as you probably know. I am National-Co-Chairman. I have been going at a terrific pace and I do not want to over-do it. I have already accepted, some time ago, an invitation from the Ocvenant Club of your city, in April. I am a raid that I shall not be able to come to Chicago for another engagement this season.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

## The Covenant Club of Illinois

Dr. Samuel S.Hollender President

> March 12th 1936

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We have been publishing your engagement at the Club for April 30th and our members are all looking forward to the great pleasure of hearing you.

I would appreciate it very much if you will please send me as soon as possible the exact title of your address, together with any other material which we may use in connection with our publicity. We are particularly anxious to have your picture, or a cut if you have one available.

Our Committee on arrangements will also be happy to know the approximate time of your arrival so that we may arrange to meet you at the train.

May I again thank you for the privilege of having you as our honored guest on April 30th? With kindest personal regards and hoping that this finds you in the very best of health, I remain

Most sincerely yours,

SSH:BE

President

Plusto sento 3-17-36 Charles H. Lebin 952 N. Springfield Abe. Chicago, Illinois

March 22, 1936

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I learned that you are scheduled to speak in Chicago during the latter part of April for the Covenant Club, and would therefore like to extend an invitation to you to address the All Chicago Council of Jewish Young People of our city, during your brief stay in our city.

The Council is a representative body of Jewish Young Peoples Organizations. It is the purpose of the Council to co-ordinate the work of these groups as in regards to communal activity and to assist them in carrying out a complete Jewish program.

We are keenly anticipating the pleasure of your presence before this group and hope you will favor us with your acceptance.

Charles Levin

Charles Levin

March 26, 1936 Mr. Charles H. Levin, 952 H. Springfield Ave., Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Levin: Let me thank you for your kind letter and for your invitation to address the All Chicago Council of Jewish Young People during my next visit to Chicago. I wish I were free to accept your invitation. Unfortunately I shall arrive in Chicago just in time to keep my engagement with the Comenant Club and must leave that same evening to keep engagements for United Palestine Appeal campaigns. With all good wishes, permit me to remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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March 30, 1936 18 Richard E. Gutstadt, Director, Anti-Defamation League, 130 N. Wells St., Chicago, Ill. My dear Ir. Gutstadt: Thank you so much for your letter of March 37. I am scheduled for a lecture in Chicago on Thursday, April 30. It will be quite impossible for me to come to Chicago on the 23 for a meeting of the B'nai B'rith. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

#### The Covenant Club of Illinois

Dr. Samuel S. Hollender President

March 31st 1936

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Without flattery, the Jews of Chicago look to your addresses as BIG occasions.

The Club wants to see to it that the publicity for our affair scheduled for April 30th is adequate. Last week, our Club News carried your picture and a short story. We want to follow this up with the announcement carrying complete details and the title of your address, or with some other continuation of the story.

While it is unkind to bother a Rabbi at the busy Passover Season, your co-operation will not only help the Club but will be a real favor to those who are looking forward to hearing you. I will appreciate it very much if you will send me the title of your address by return mail if possible.

The platform will be yours; you may say anything you wish without any restriction. We would appreciate however, if you can't find some way to link up with the Club with Jewish solidarity and Jewish dignity. Dr. Freehof spoke of the "home idea" perhaps something of Jewish destiny or Jewish courage or Jewish union strikes your fancy.

Thanking you for your kindness in this matter and wishing you a Happy and pleasant Pesach, I am

Sincerely yours,

President

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April 8, 1936 Dr. Samuel S. Hollender, President, The Covenant Club of Illinois, 10 North Dearborn St. . Chicago, Ill. My dear Dr. Hollendert Let me thank you for your kind letter of March 31. I would suggest as the subject of my ad ress: "Centers of Jawish Life." This will give me an opportunity to include also the functions which an organization such as yours can perform as a center of Jewish life and service. With all good wishes and looking forward with pleasure to seeing you, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS1BK

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Ansel Road Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

I am acting as chairman of a committee that is to secure speaking talent for a meeting of the teachers of Cook County, exclusive of Chicago, to be held at the Lyons Township High School, LaGrange, Illinois on Monday, April 27th. I am daring to hope that you may be available for a lecture on that date.

Will you please wire me collect in answer to this letter, and if you are able to come state your price and the subject you will use?

Yours very truly,

Ray E Cheney Superintendent

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#### The Covenant Club of Illinois

Dr. Samuel S. Hollender President

> April 13th 1936

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you for your letter of April 8th.

The title of your address and the plan of developing it seems very proper indeed. However, we had a lecturer recently at the Club who used the title "Jewish Centre" and I am, therefore, taking the liberty of substituting a synonym for the first word in your title.

The subject, as we have taken the liberty of advertising it in the enclosed copy of the News, is "Radiants in Jewish Life."

I trust that this meets with your approval and that you will understand the reason for making this change.

Enclosed is a copy of our Club Brochure. The closing pages carry a bit of Club history which may be interesting to you.

Hoping that this finds you in the best of health and looking forward to hearing and seeing you at the Club, I am

Sincerely yours,

President

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April 14, 1936

# Two Outstanding Cultural Events Round Out April Club Activities

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver To Be Covenant Club Joins B'nai Speaker at Men's Dinner Thursday, April 30

Arrangements are now complete for what promises to be one of the biggest intellectual treats in a glorious season, when Rabbi Abba Hil-lel Silver, of "The Temple," Cleve-land, comes to Chicago to address the Dinner meeting on Thursday evening, April 30.

Known as one of the greatest pulpit orators in America, Rabbi Silver enchants his audiences, not merely by the magical charm of his spoken words but by the genuine vitality of his message. To hear him is a memorable experience.

The title of his addrss will be "Radiants in Jewish Life." Meterologists and astronomers have noted that when showers of "shooting-stars" occur, they seem to radiate from common centers, called "radiants." Similarly, Rabbi Silver holds that the showers of sparks which fire the various movements in the Jewish behavior pattern originate from certain definite focal points, from which they spread the inspiration that motivates Jewish life and service.

The subject will offer free rein to Rabbi Silver's astounding oratorical powers, and promises a glorious evening's program.

Dinner will be served in the Ballroom at 6:30. The meeting is restricted to members and their guests,-men only. Arrangements will be made, however, to open the 10th floor balcony for the ladies, so that they may take advantage of the opportunity to hear Dr. SiL ver, when he speaks, at 8 p. m.

### B'rith Council to Sponsor lewish Art Exhibit

Pronounced by the Jury of Selection to be one of the most significant exhibits of its kind in recent years in Chicago, The Covenant Club and B'nai B'rith Jewish Art Week will open in a blaze of glory on Sunday, April 19, at noon, in the Ballroom.

Over two bundred twenty "chefs d'oeuvre" by leading Jewish painters, sculptors and etchers were submitted; and one hundred six of these were accepted for the showing. Offerings were limited to not more than three pieces per artist, and selections were restricted to not over two works by any individual.

Dr. Sheppard Remington, who is chairman of both the B'nai B'rith and the Covenant Club Art Committees, has general charge of all arrangements. Mrs. Benjamin I. Morris, of the Club Women's Committee, is sponsoring the entire educational program of the week. A group of some twenty-seven artlovers and patrons of local Jewish art have contributed funds to underwrite the expense of the venture.

Following the procedure inaugurated by the Chicago Art Institute, the jury selected its prize winners before the opening of the exhibit. First award went to Morris Topchevsky for his oil painting, "No Help Wanted." Second prize was given to Sidney Loeb on his sculptured "Fountain Figure." Sammie Green-berg's painting, "Blast Furnace," took third.

In the Black-and-White division, the principal award was given to Mitchell Soporin for his etching. "The Jury." The next prize Brought a thrill, being awarded to a 17-year old boy genius, Seymour Fleishman, with his etching. "Boy and Girl."

Honorable Mention was given to William Schwartz, David Bekker, Aaron Bohrod, Todres Geller, Edward Millman, Harry Mintz and Miss Laura Loeb. The jury in-cluded Dr. Edward F. Rothehild, professor of art in the University of Chicago; Miss Clara MacGowan, assistant professor of art in Northwestern University; and Rudolph Weisenborn, instructor in the Academy of Fine Arts.

Following the private reception for the artists and their wives, the Press and the officers of the Club and the B'nai B'rith, the exhibit will be formally opened on Sunday evening, April 19. Gallery tours are arranged for Monday afternoon at 4 and 5 o'clock, and at 8 and 9 in the evening, Monday will be Sons' and Daughters' Day, with University students as the hosts in the afternoon and a reception for the youth in the

On Tuesday, April 21. Mr. Os-wald Brod, eminent authority on Art Publications, will be the speaker at a Noon Foram Meeting. Luncheon will be served at 12:15. and the Forum will continue from till 2 P.M. Mr. Brod will also discuss the exhibit of Art Publications arranged by Hrentano's for the week. Gallery tours will follow in the evening.

Ladies' Day will be held on Wednesday, April 22. There will be a gallery tour at 2, the "Club Women's hour," and a musical program following. Presidents of the various B'nai B'rith auxiliaries, and the wives of the president of the various B'nai B'rith lodges will be Bostesses. The principal feature of the afternoon will be a lecture by Professor Clara MacGowan.

Thursday will be Club Night and B'nai B'rith Night, with Benjamin Samuels and B. I. Morris as coshairmen. An entertainment pro-(Continued on page 4)

#### THE NEWS

Covenant Club of Illinois

#### **EDITORIAL**

If there be degrees in joy, the Coucuant Club Seder reached an all-time top! A more reverent and impressive service cannot be imagined. A more representative attendance, a more beautiful co-operation, a more inspiring showing on the part of the Rabbi, children, choir and soloists is beyond conception.

This is not mere enthusiasm. It is the consensus of opinion, expressed by the more than six hundred membens and guests who attended. There was only one regret: that many had to be denied this inspiring experience, when their reservations were declined for lack of room.

Who would not be thrilled by the beautiful Hebrew read by the three boys who explained the Passover symbols? Whose heart did not leap when a tiny tot, in blue, was lifted to the table to proclaim that "One is the God of the world?" What memories stirred when one of our boys chanted the four questions in the ancient tune! What sighs, as the last notes of the harp rippled from the fingers of one of our Club children!

The solemn notes of the great organ, vibrating through the ballroom, brought to us a sense of the majesty and the glory of Jewish history. The entrance of Elijah, chanting the aria from Mendelssohn, in the dark of the candlelight, brought tears to mary eyes as they recalled the true story of the "opened door," as explained by the Rabbi. The little fellow who found the Afikomen grew an inch taller when he reached up for his prize,a silver loving-cup to keep all his life as a remembrance of this great Seder. "Chad Gadyoh" rang with new ferver from six hundred throats; so did "Dayenu."

Our history, it is true, is marked by many sad pages; but looking back at our Seder,—at the forty children who took part, each one more charming than the next; and recalling the enthusiasm and pride of parents, as their youngsters recited the carefully rehearsed or impromptu parts; one must admit that it is mighty GOOD to be a Jew!

> SS/ Joelender President.

Note: Dr. Hollender, in his editorial, neglected to mention, at the beginning of the Seder, a little girl in long, blonde curls who chanted the blessing in Hebrew and kindled the Festival lights; also a tiny tot, with great dark eyes, who sang a little solo in English and Hebrew, utterly exquisite....

EDITOR.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 16th

Al Petrie Maurice Weinzelbaum

April 17th Mortimer Stern

April 18th

Albert P. Mitnick Jacob Baumgold

April 19th

Charles S. Sadler Eugene Bernstein Joseph K. Zagel Harry I. Hoffman

April 20th

H. D. Heyman David H. Daskal Arthur E. Friedman

The members of The Covenant Club extend heartfelt sympathy to Barnett Faroll in the loss of his beloved wife.

Mrs. Faroll's demiss will be deeply felt not only by her family and friends but also by many Jewish charitable organizations for which she worked so faithfully and untiringly.

# STRICTLY PERSONNEL

A. M. Krensky has just been appointed general chairman for



the Chicago Area of the work of the National Jewish Hospital at Denver, a free, u o n - sectarian Eistitution serv-Eng the tuberen-Zous poor. Other members of the Chicago committee include: Rabbi Fox. Rabbi Hirschberg, Rabbi Serson Levi;

and Joseph F. Gressman, Philip P. Sachs, Benjamin Samuels, I. L. Schurman and S. D. Schwartz.

At a recent meeting of the officers and trustees, in Washington, D. C., attended by many noted medical men and Government officials, A. M. Krensky was one of the speakers on the program. Secretary Roper was the principal speaker, and President Rossevelt sent a message praising the work of this "noble enterprise d-dicated to the relief of human suffering."

Irving Eisenman has just been re-elected Exalted Ruler of Chi-

cago Lodge of the Elks. When i he was first chosen for the office a year ago, he was their youngest man! ever to hold this high position. He was installed last Thursday evening. Mr. Eisenman is also a Past Master of Orient Lodge of the Masons. Past President



of North Shore Lodge of the B'nai B'rith, and a member of the Moose and the Oddfellows. He is active on the admissions committee of the Club, and a steady worker on the entertainment committee.

#### THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

When approached for the story of his life, Mr. Ronnie Samels, the promising young son of Lou and Ruth Samels, graciously offered complete co-operation. "I'll tel you all," said this gentleman, "but I can't write it. You see, I'm not five yet, till April 22. But I'll sign the statement. I can print my name.'



He did; and his favorite letter in the printing was the "O." He plays piano, prefering such soul-stirring tunes as "The Music Goes 'Round,' He loves baseball, especially running around the bases; and he rides a tricycle, because it can turn 'mound short, without tipping. He adores Fred Astaire in the movies, especially the part where Astaire spins 'mound 'n' 'round. His ambition is to drive a fire-truck, without stopping, around the block from morning till night. He haunts the Club barber-shop, too; not so much for the hair-cuts, but for the shoe-shine and, of all things, the manicure! What fascinates him is the circular motion of the shoe-brusll and the polishing buffer.

For amusement, he chases his big sister Joy around the house. He also studies Hebrew in the Sunday School. Then, again, his ideal food is a round, new potato or a round plate of spinach at the Club.

Beyond doubt, Mr. Ronnie Samels is an ALL-ROUND reg'lar fel-

#### NEWS OF THE MEMBERSHIP

When William Pohn had been a member of the Covenant for three months, he reached the high mark FIFTEEN of new members brought in,-an all-time record! He is now a regular "old-timer,"-since, having been a member for an entire year, he has already put in six months of good work on the House Committee, has endeared himself to his fellow-members, and has grown to love the Club with all the fervor and zeal of any of the Founders.

At the present moment, Mr. Pohn is in Florida, recuperating from a recent illness. Nevertheless, he was careful to write to his brother Jacob Pohn, in Chicago, giving the names of three prospects with complete and explicit instructions on how to follow them up. Jacob promptly and obediently carried out the orders to the letter. One visit to the Club, with their wives, as William Pohn's guests "in absentia," and all three of them walked down into the Club office and signed up their applications that very same evening!

A letter was sent to William Pohn, in Florida. The acknowledgement came by return mail. Enclosed was the name of another prospect, with instructions, and a note that a copy had been forwarded brother Jacob. Two hours later, Jacob telephoned in. Would the Club send out two application

blanks at once?

This may be an opportune moment to insert a word about Dawid Davis. When "D. D." brought in William Pohn, last year, he assented that he should be credited double, for having picked the prize New Member of the year. N. Becker, chairman of the membership committee, is willing to credit Mr. Davis, right now, with two-thirds of the gold escutchecn, One more like William Pohn, and David Davis gets a platinum shield!

#### TRIP TO EUROPE

Sunday evening, May 10, has been set as the date for the "Night In Europe" event. The travelers will embark at 6:30 P.M., taking dinner in the Dining Salon of the big boat, and will visit England, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Esthonia, Russia Czechoslovakia, Switzerland, and Italy on the Circle Tour. The event will be open to members and guests, and ladies will be welcome on the journey. Detailed information will be given in later issues of the Club News.

Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Adler entertained a party of ten at the "Club" Dinner Dance; and happiest of all the guests were Mrs. Adler's sister and brother-in-law, whose 25th wedding a miversary made the evening memorable.

At eight o'clbck in the evening, on the Sabbath in Passover, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Becker became the happy parents of a new prospect for membership. He will be called David Becker. He weighed 81/2 pounds, on the Michael Reese scales.

Samuel Gold and his wife brought two friends with their wives, as guests at a recent Club party. Before the evening was over, the two had signed as applicants for membership. It was Mr. Gold's good fortune that both candidates had been eagerly sought for over a year by a number of Club workers, without success; hence all the describing, explaining and introducing had already been done. The only difference is that Sam got "action." It took his own fine touch to secure their application.

Members are again reminded that the Club service will be materially aided if they will step to the nearest House Phone and inform the operator where they may be found in case a telephone call or message is expected.

Bernard Ruckberg. Chm., House Committee.

# SPORT GEMS

We may all be proud of the prominent part which our Covenant Club members are taking, to foster the B.B.Y.O.,—the glorious new B'nai B'rith Youth Organization.

The writer of this column is chairman of the B'nai B'rith Youth Committee. With the aid of Ben Morris and Justin G. Turner, a complete and well-rounded program of youth activity has been mapped out.

The plan of work will foster social and patriotic Integrity; personal Sociability; increased devetion to Religion; a wider participation in Athletics; a more practical choice in the field of Education; and emphasis on Liberality in judging and helping our fellowmen. This plan is easy to remember, for the initials of the keywords spell ISRAEL.

Among the Club members who have been aiding us in an advisory capacity, as well as giving full personal co-operation in the work of developing the movement, are Ben Samuels, Archie Cohen, Fred Bernstein, Bernard Ruekberg, B. J. Grossman, Judge Jacob M. Braude, Alex Schwartz, I. J. Silverman, A. S. Frankenstein, Mark Levy, Morris Halevy, Lou Harrison, Al Mitnick, Harry Gamson and Nate Cohen.

The third point of the Shield of David,—the Athletic program,—is already in full swing. As its initial venture, the B.B.Y.O. is now sponsoring a basketball tournament in which more than FIFTEEN HUNDRED Chicago Jewish boys are participating! Each boy is a registered member of the B.B.Y.O., and the interest shown throughout the Chicago district is nothing short of miraculous. This week, sectional games are being played in ten different gymnasiums, scattered throughout the city.

This athletic project is the start of a huge movement which, it is confidently expected, will bring together a great majority of the Jewish boys and young men of the

Chicago Area. With the co-operation of the B'nai B'rith lodges and auxiliaries, the boys will be aided to foster ideals of personal character and American loyalty. The tendency toward individualism will be counter-acted through social affairs. A minimum program of attendance at religious services will be set up. Boys will be encouraged to direct their higher education, especially their professional training, in fields where Jewish talent is desirable and where there is no crowding of practitioners. The opportunity for doing Jewish and non-sectarian "loving-kindness,"-social service and practical charity.-always a habit among our people,-will be continuously set before the vounger generation.

The strength of our star volleyball performer, Bernard Ruckberg, has been diminished during the past week, evidently because of his Matzoh diet. . . . Don Davis, a columnist, recently made the utterly unwarranted accusation that one of our members, Ben Morris, wears long underwear. The heinous imputation is indignantly denied. If such a thing ever did occur, it was only on the occasion of a temporary backache, and for therapeutic reasons only. The horrid suggestion that Ben wears 'em until way into the month of June is on the very face of it unworthy of the slightest credence.

Carl Baigh gave Benjamin Landis a handicap of fifteen points in handball, and walked straight into the face of stark tragedy.... Now that Louis Marks has recovered from his injured finger, incurred during a heated game, he is expected to make life miserable for his opponents on the four-wall court.... After a long absence from Gym, Sam Sandberg returned unexpectedly, and started his activities with a bang, by challenging that expert of experts, Meyer Horwitch, to a game.

#### COMING EVENTS

Week of April 19-25 ART EXHIBIT

Joint Auspices, Covenant Club and B'nai B'rith

Thursday, April 30—6:30 P. M. DINNER-MEETING

Speaker: RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Saturday, May 2—7 ≥ M.

PRESIDENTS' NIGHT

FORMAL DINNER DANCE

Sunday, May 10-6 P. M. A TRIP TO EUROPE

Saturday, May 16—12:30 P. M. FATHERS'AND SONS' BANQUET

(Continued from page 1)

gram is planned, with caricatures, chalk-talks and gallery tours. Fricay afternoon will bring gallery tours at 2:30 and 3:30,

Saturday morning will be the Children's day, for youngsters 16 years of age and under. Special gallery tours have seen arranged for 11 and 12 o'clock. At 2, there will be a chalk-talk for children by Mr. George Buehr.

The Gala finale of the week will be the Studio Night Ball, on Saturday evening, at 8. In addition to the dancing with music by a symphonic orchestra, there will be a surprise program of esthetic and impressionistic dancing. The charge for this event will be \$1.50 per person, and reservations will close when the capacity of the Ballrcom is reached. Members of the Club and of the B'nai B'rith are urged not to delay making their reservations.

The Souvenir Program, now in press, will consist of 24 pages with an ornamental cover-page, and will contain nine excellent engravings of the chief works of the exhibition. It will also carry a complete list of the exhibiting artists with a descriptive catalog of the works in the showing. The entire educational program will also be given in detail

#### The Covenant Club of Illinois

Dr. Samuel S. Hollender President

> May 5th 1936

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I want to express to you, not only on behalf of the Officers and Directors of the Club, but also in the name of every single one of the thousand people who heard you, our utter enjoyment of your charming and inspiring address.

I do not know when our audience has ever been so magnificently thrilled and uplifted. Knowing audiences as you do, you will realize the sincerity of the compliment they are paying you as they continue to discuss your address and to praise your powers.

graphic report. By reading carefully, you will recognize that it is intended to be a report of what you said. On the other hand, by correcting copiously, I have no doubt, that you can make it approach somewhat the thrilling address we heard. Will you do this for us as soon as you can so that when we publish your talk, it will sound like your talk. Of course, no printed words can ever do that; but our members are really anxious to have a record of your glorious address.

With renewed gratitude and admiration and with sincere good wishes for your health, I remain

Most Aincerely yours,

President

SSH:SF

S. D. SCHWARTZ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EMIL G. HIRSCH CENTER

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4500 - 4524 SOUTH PARKWAY

May 19,

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple mast 105th at Ansel Road Cleveland, Chio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am now arranging my rorum program for next season and hope that it will be possible to have you with us.

Holmes for Monday evening, November 2nd and should like to have you with him in a Symposium on some such theme perhaps as Dr. Holmes discussing "If I were a Jew" and you speaking on "If I were a Christian". This thought comes to my mind because of the Morrison article in the Christian Century. Of course, I should be glad to abide by your own preference or suggestion.

I hope that we may have the pleasure of your being with us.

reply, and with cordial greetings, I am

Heartily yours,

SDS :AG

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May 22, 1936

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing in behalf of a committee of representatives of local civic clubs such as the Kiwanis Club, the Rotary Club, the Jewish Men's Club, the Ministerial Association, the local church groups, etc., to inquire as to the possibility of your delivering one of a series of five forum lectures in Chicago Heights during the 1936-37 season.

The Committee has decided that these lectures should be given on Sunday evenings. October 11, November 15, January 17, February 14, and March 14 are the tentative dates. It will be possible, of course, to arrange for either the Sunday preceding or the Sunday immediately following any of the given dates, if necessary. The Committee prefers, however, to keep the dates about a month apart.

It is the plan of the Forum Committee to have the speaker deliver his lecture on some important issue of the day (controversial issues are preferred) and then to close the meeting with questions from the audience which the speaker will be expected to respond to. The sole purpose of this series of lectures is to give the people of this community an opportunity to hear competent speakers and thus to become better informed. In general the Committee has in mind that the forum idea so well developed by Commissioner Studebaker at Des Moines may take good root in Chicago Heights.

You may be interested to know that this is an industrial community of some 22,000 people. Ten per cent of the inhabitants are colored and approximately fifty per cent are either of foreign birth or foreign parentage. It is a typical manufacturing suburb.

In view of the fact that this is the first attempt to sponsor and present such a series of lectures in this community the Committee is not in a position to raise as large a fund for this purpose as it is hoped may be possible for the 1937-38 season.

Will you kindly let us know as soon as possible whether you are available and willing to participate in the proposed forum and, if so, on what terms? Will you be kind enough to list also the subjects upon which you would be prepared to speak.

Very truly yours,

SUPT. OF SCHOOLS

May 26, 1936 Mr. S. D. Schwartz, Executive Director, Emil G. Hirsch Center. 4600-4624 South Parkway, Chicago, Ill. My dear Schwartz: Let me thank you for your letter of May 19 and for the invitation which you extend to me to be on the Sinai program again next year. I should like to come, but as you know, I never participate in symposiums or debates with amybody. with all good wishes for a very happy summer, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS:BK

May 26, 1936 Mr. Ben A. Sylla, Superintendent, Board of Education, District No. 170. Chicago Heights, Ill. My dear Mr. Syllat I am deeply appreciative of your invitation to address your Forum. Unfortunately, I cannot leave Cleveland on a Sunday as I must be in my own pulpit on that day. Perhaps at some fiture time I may be of service to you. With best wishes and thanking you again for the courtesy of your invitation, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

S. D. SCHWARTZ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EMIL G. HIRSCH CENTER

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4600 - 4624 SOUTH PARKWAY

May 27th 1936

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am in receipt of your note informing me that you do not participate in symposia or debates. As long as that is your wish I must, necessarily, abide by it.

May I, therefore, ask you to be with us on Monday evening, January 4th, 1937, on some theme pertaining to the Jew and Jewish life?

I hope that you will permit us the pleasure of your favorable reply.

cordially yours,

S. D. B.h.

SDS:SB

#### AMBIJAN

# The American Committee for the

# SETTLEMENT OF JEWS IN BIROBIDIAN

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Room 810-Kesner Building 5 North Wabash Avenue CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

June 8, 1936.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

A call for a conference, the details of which are enclosed, was issued by our Committee for Sunday, June 28th, 1936, at the Medinah Club of Chicago.

In the hope that you are sympathetic with the work of our Committee and with the recognition of your deep interest in problems which are Jewish, as evidenced by your generous response to similar causes in the past, we cordially invite you to address either the conference or the banquet which will follow.

Two hundred and fifty representatives of various organizations are expected to be present and we hope that you can see your way clear to accept this invitation.

May we have your response at your very earliest convenience?

Yours very since rely.

Chairman Arrangement Committee.

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UCATION COUNCIL of CHICAGO GRAYCE ARDREN. OFFICE SECRETARY 224 SOUTH MICHIGAN AVENUE TELEPHONE HARRISON 9047 PRESIDENT, DEAN CARL F. HUTH, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO VICE-PRESIDENTS . DEAN WM. F. CLARKE, DE PAUL UNIVERSITY DEAN CURTIS W. REESE, ABRAHAM LINCOLN CENTRE MISS LILLIAN HERSTEIN, CHICAGO FORUM TREASURER. HUGO A. ANDERSON, FIRST NATIONAL BANK . SECRETARY, MRS. WALKER N. ALDERTON, COOK COUNTY LIAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS June 9, 1936. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, Ansel Road and 105th Street, Cleveland, h i o. My dear Dr. Silver: Dr. Samuel Schwartz, Rabbi of the "ashington Park Temple of Chicago, is very much interested in having you address his forum next season. The following Wednesday evenings are available on their schedule: December 9 January 20 February 3 or 17 March 3 I do hope that one of these dates will be possible for you and will you please indicate what your minimum requirements are. A stamped envelope is enclosed for your convenience. Charlotte Sander CS Secretary

Mr. Isldore Isemberg.

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Chicago, 111.

My dear Nr. Isemberg:

Let me thank you for your kind letter
of June 8 and for the invitation which you extend

Let me thank you for your kind letter of June 8 and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the conference which you are calling for Sunday. June 28. I regret exceedingly that it will not be possible for me to attend it. I am leaving for Surope the 17th of this month.

with best wishes, I remain

Yery cordially yours,

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S. D. SCHWARTZ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EMIL G. HIRSCH CENTER

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4600 - 4624 SOUTH PARKWAY

June 23rd 1936

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In view of the fact that I haven't had any reply to my letter of May 27th, I take it that this letter went astray.

May I ask whether you could be with us in our forum program on Monday evening, January 4th, 1937, to speak on some phase of the Jewish and Arab problem in Palestine and its relationship to the world.

Appreciative of an early reply, I am

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SDS:3B

June 24, 1936 Mr. S. D. Schwartz, Exec. Director. Emil G. Hirsch Center. 4600-4624 South Parkway, Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Schwartz: Permit me to acknowledge your letter of June 23. Habbi Silver has already left for his vacation abroad and will be gone until the early part of September. Your letter is being for arded today and Rabbi Silver will either answer it directly or communicate with this office. In the latter event I shall be pleased to write to you. with best wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours, BJK Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

#### **AMBUAN**

The American Committee for the

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Dear Friends:-

You are cordially invited to send delegates to represent your organization at an all day conference of Jewish organizations of Mid-Western States to be held at the Medinah Club of Chicago, 505 N. Michigan Avenue, at ten A. M. Sunday, June 28th, 1936, to discuss the very pressing problem of settling distressed Polish, German, Roumanian, and other Jews in Biro-Bidjan.

At no time have the Jews of the world been confronted with such a grave emergency as that created since the Nazi regime of Germany let loose its unprecedented campaign of persecution, aimed at the extermination of the Jewish people.

Due to the effects of the world crisis, aggravated by numerous legal and social disabilities, by discrimination and persecution, the plight of the Jews in some sections of Europe is distressing beyond description. Over a million Jews in countries of Eastern Europe are unemployed and destitute, depending solely upon charity for their existence. Even bread is a luxury in their homes, and they live a life which dooms them to slow extinction from undernourishment and starvation.

The only salvation for tens of thousands of these Jews is emigration. Unfortunately, the possible outlets, even including Palestine, are extremely limited. It is therefore of the greatest historical significance that the Soviet Government has generously agreed, in response to the urgent requests of the American Committee for the Settlement of Jews in Birobidjan and other organizations of similar aim, to open the gates of the new Jewish Autonomous Territory in the U.S.S.F. to Jewish emigrants from other lands,

Birobidjan is a virgin territory about three times the size of the state of New Jersey, with a population of but 55,000 (including 20,000 newly-settled Russian Jews). It is exceptionally rich in natural resources—agricultural, fishing, forestry, minera—and has every promise of a rapid development of industry and agriculture. It is therefore potentially able to absorb many thousands of Jewish settlers from other countries.

The Soviet Government has granted the American Committee the most liberal conditions for the settlement of non-Russian Jewish immigrants. The virtually nominal sum of \$200 will take care of the transportation of an entire family, regardless of its size, from the Soviet horder to Birobidjan—a fifteen-day trip—in comfortable trains, with food and medical attention provided en route; and will also provide for the maintenance of the family during a short period of rest in Birobidjan after arrival, as well as for household furnishings and other incidental expenses.

The opportunities of full-fledged citizenship await the new settlers; a plot of land for private use; extremely liberal credits for the acquisition of a house, cow and poultry; work as members of collective farms or in factories, mines and construction projects; schools and colleges for their children; unlimited opportunity and encouragement for national cultural development, and participation on the basis of complete equality in the building up of the Jewish Autonomous Territory into a Jewish Autonomous Republic of the U.S.S.R.

You will agree therefore, that this problem requires the urgent attention and cooperation of every right-thinking Jew. Will you do your part by electing your delegates and by mailing your acceptance card enclosed herewith without delay, so that necessary reservations may be made?

Very sincerely yours,
ISADORE ISENBERG and S. JESMER,
Chairmen Arrangement Committee.

STATE 4661 ARTHUR GOLDBLATT LAWYER 33 SOUTH CLARK STREET CHICAGO June 30th 1936 Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio. Dear Doctor: A Forum has been formed in the Logan Square section of Chicago by the Men's Club of the Logan Square Temple. We are conducting a forum this year for the first time, and are arranging a program of six speakers. The meetings are on Mondays or Wednesdays, end we should like to have you address the Forum on any Monday or Wednesday in December or February. The forum is not very rich at present, and we cannot pay a very large fee, but will be reasonable. Will you please let me hear from you as soon as possible, telling me whether or not you can be with us either in December or February, how much your ree is, and a list of subjects? If you will let me hear from you by return mail I shall be very much obliged. AG:P

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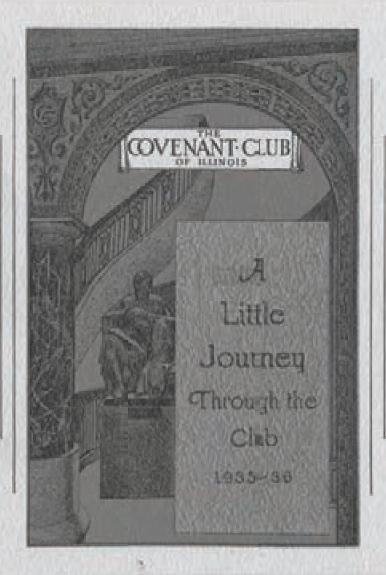
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Rabbi Selvers address is

S. D. SCHWARTZ Sinai Temple Emil G. Hirsch Center % George Klein. Masholak, Wis. July 30, 1936. Dear Kjins Decretary: I received a note from Pabli Silver which was Januarded to med herd in my Wisconsin retreat, informing med that he would be with med on our Form grogram on January 4. It is with the very deepest hegret that I must write that I no longer have a date open. I had written Gabli Silver on about Many 18 and Then Rad word from you a month later that he had gone to lunger Ow another month had classed and I was lening on my varation, I had to nomplete of Rearing Pathi Silves to a later date. Confiely known





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THE Club building is most conveniently located, at 10 North Dearborn street, in the very center of the loop. You can drop in for luncheon, or a dip in the pool, or for a half-bour workout in the gymnaisms, without waste of time. If you come for evening dinner, or after theatre, you will have convenient transportation.

HERE is the Club entrance. The doorman knows two thousand people by same, and can recognize all the members of their families at sight. His assistants will take your car, park it in the garage, and will deliver it again at the Club door whenever you wast it, day or night. You need have no worry about parking.





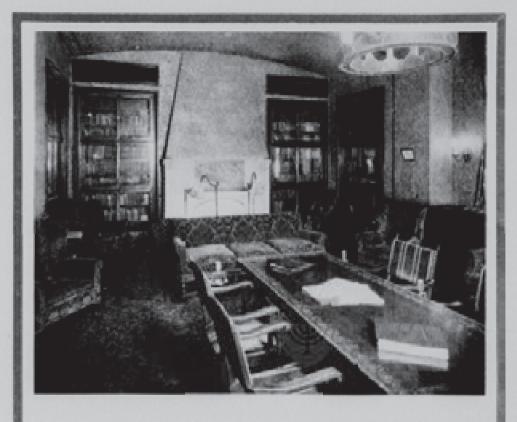
T His entrance lobby, exquiorated with Italian Renaissance architecture. The stairway leads to a visitors' gallery. The arched and vaulted ceiling is magnificently decorated. At the right is a cloak-room. Attendant: check your wraps and packages. The elevators are waiting to take you up to the seventh floor jounge.

ENTERING the lounge, you pass the grand staircase leading to the dining-room. Here stands a heroic sculpture, "Penitent," by Miriam Gettelson. This work took the Chicago Art Institute prize in 1927. The desk leyond is headquarters for cigars, candy, cigarettes, telephone calls and messages. Here, too, you call for your Club mail.





THE Club Lounge,—a vast room fitted with every possible device for comfort. . . Deep, restful chairs; soft, shaded lights; a symphony in rich colors and gold, in the style of the French Renaissance. While waiting for a friend, you may write a letter, smoke, or listen to your favorite radio program. Paintings adorn the walls; here, too, is Glicenstein's magnificent "Messiah" and his new 'Covenant Club" bronze bust of Franklin Delano Rocsevelt.



THE Library,—cozy, warm, delightful. The volumes are richly bound, a joy to-hold in your hand as you while away a moment in reading. Current magazines of Jewish interest, and the daily papers, are also available. . . . Recline in a -leep, soft sofa and feast your eyes on the exquisite b-onze plaque inset over the fireplace. It is the worll of Boris Schatz, leader of the Bezalel School in Jerusalem.



HERE is the Ladies' Retiring Room, just off the 7th-floor Lounge. Your wife and her guest may "pretty up" for evening dinner in the Club; or they may enjoy the privacy of this quies rest-room while waiting for you Wraps may be checked, and attendants are constantly on duty.



READY for luncheon? The Dining Room, on the 8th floor, is famed for its altogether superb cuisine. Delicious, tasty food, served with elegance,—away from the poisy street, under a magnificently arched and vaulted ceiling. Evening dinner here is a delightful experience.



PERHAPS you would prefer a little dinner, "en famille." Here is one of the private dining-rooms, set for a group of twelve,—just night for a family birthday-party, or an anniversary supper. Your wishes and ever your whims are surupulously carried out.

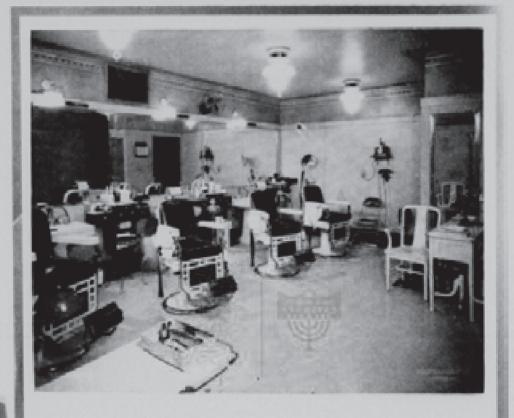
JUST for example: Here is the setting for a Wedding Dinner at the Club. It is the ultimate in cuisine and embellishment. Not merely cooks. but Artists prepared it.



OR perhaps you dreamed of a gorgeous cake,—something altogether magnificent and extraordinary. Here is one, five feet high, made and decorated by our own pastry chef.

C AN a buffet luncheon become elegant? This one was arranged for the "Annual Sons' and Daughters' Dance" in the Club. Every atom is the work of our own kitchens.





LET us visit the barber-shop. Here, the very first rule is absolute cleanliness. Five barbers and two manicurists comprise the staff. If you are pressed for time, you may even telephone for an appointment, and your chair will be waiting.



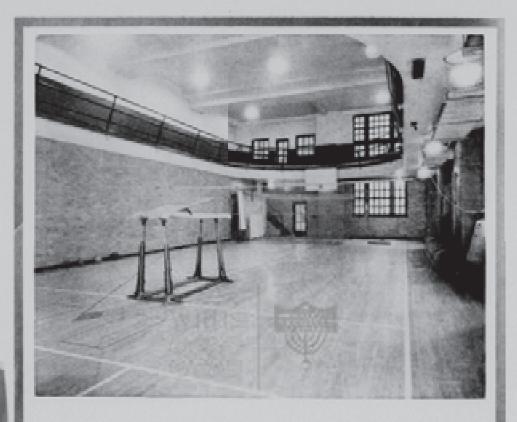
NOW for an hour or two of reaxation. Here is one of the recreation rooms, where you may sit down with a friend or two, and play a game of chess or checkers; or you may concentrate for a while on the intricacies of pinochle or contract bridge.



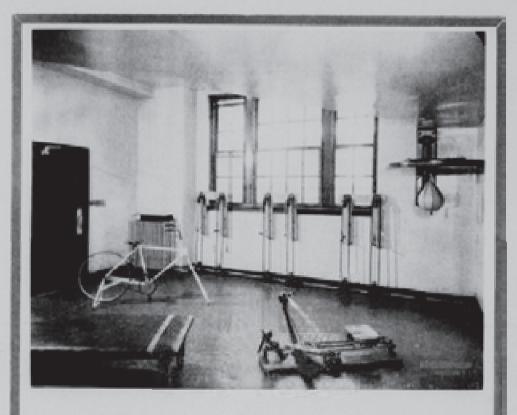
IF YOUR taste runs to billiards or pool, there are plenty of tables waiting, with efficient attendants to set up a game for you. In the meantime, you can order sandwiches and refreshment: from the Club grill, or delicious wines and liqueurs from the bar. The big "round-table" is a rendezwous for informal groups, where stories are exchanged and fellowship is the order of the day.



NOW for evening dinner. . . . Will you eat in the Dining Room? Or would you prefer one of the big parties in the Grand Ball Room on the 9th floor? An Informal Dinner-Dance; or perhaps it is the Thanksgiving Formal, or Radio Night, with famous broadcasting stars and an outstanding orchestra. . . . The Ball Room, a vast Oval, superbly decorated and draped, will hold a thousand people.



NOW down to the third floor, and the gymnasium department. Here is a completely equipped "gym" with standard basket-ball floor and a balcony running-track. Indoor and volley-ball have their turn, too; and there are supervised calisthenics and workout-classes for the busy business man. You will even find a cage and net for golf practice; and our Professional Director of Physical Culture and Athletics is truly an expert.



HOW would you like a quarter-hour of private exercise? Here's the little room, right off the gymnasium floor, where you are your own instructor. Punch the bag a while; pump the stationary "bike" for three minutes,—regulate your own power on the brake. Chest-weights on the walls are a temptation to bend, and counteract those heavy meals. Then, for the next few moments, give every muscle in your body a workout on the oars.































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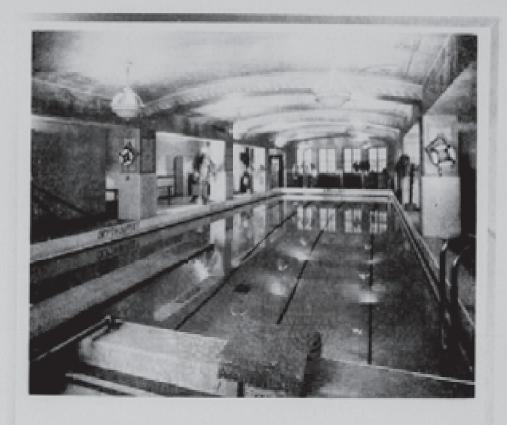
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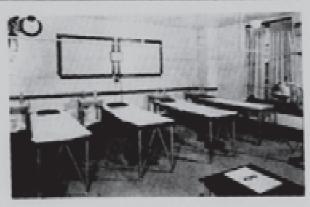




Now for a real game! Up on the track floor, and take your choice of four standard 4-wall handball courts! Action! Speed! Everything there is in competitive sport, in muscle and eye and nerve control, in stantina, strategy and sportsmanship! The courts are fast. Send a red "ace" spinning off two walls and the front corner, and you've had exercise'



THEN cool of, leisurely, in a real swimming-pool. The water is cleaner and purer than our Lake drinking water. It has been filtered, irradiated with ultra-violet light, tempered, and freed from germs. Instructors are constantly on deck. And it isn't a mere "tank." It's a beauty-spot,—a corner of the tropics, palms and all, transplanted to Chicago!



Now for a shower, and a good rub-down. Here, in the massage department, eight massage tables are waiting and masseurs who know their Swed-

ish therapy. While they are ironing out a potential "charleyhorse," you can avail yourself of the radiant heat of our Therapeutic Lamp, an excellent relief for colds, pains and aches.

If you prefer a regular Turkish Bath, here it is, with all the trimmings. The glass door leads to a steaming Hot Room. The corridor opens into the new Shower Room. A Chiropodist is in attendance. An Electric Cabinet with Finsen-ray

Lamps will give you Infra-red Treatment. Our Rest Room equipped with modern ventilation is outfitted with cots for quiet relaxation.





A ND the Lacies! They, too, have their facilities for physical culture. Monday and Thursday mornings are "Ladies' Day" in the swimming pool Their own gymnasium department and the "Ladies' Bath department' permit them to build up strong, graceful, well-poised carriage. Here is a confidential glimpse of "no-man's-land," with its light-cabinet, showers, health-lamps, and equipment.

# "STRICTLY PERSONNEL"

THE COVENANT CLUB membership is comprised of outstancing jurists, attorneys, eminent medical men, prominent rabbis, artists, professors, leading merchants and manufacturers, and notable communal and civic leaders.

Its intellectual activities, its Forum programs, its annual Passover Seder, are thoroughly pervaded by the Jewish spirit. The statesman Sir Herbert Samuels, the artist Glicenstein, the poet Bialik, the scholar Yellin, these and other great men of Israel have enjoyed the Club's hospitality, and have shared their wisdom and genius with the Club's membership.

The formal activities of the Club are directed by the following chairmen of the various committees:

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## OUR MEMBERS

are cordially invited to bring their friends to The Covenant Club and have them see for themselves not only the nature of our organization and its opportunities for fine fellowship, but also the high character of our social, cultural, recreational, and physical activities. The Club will be happy to welcome Jewish men of good character to its roster.



SAMUEL N. BECKER Chairman, Membership Committee

The following pages carry a brief history of the Club and its developments under the administration of the respective Past Presidents, from the inception of the Club to the installation of Dr. Samuel S. Hollender as President on May 9, 1935.

#### MORTON A. MERGENTHEIM

President 1917-1920



'Way back in 1916 . . . a large room in the Masonic Temple building on State street was packed to the doors with enthusiastic B'nai B'rith. The meeting was presided over by A. B. Seelenfreud, and on the platform sat Adolph Kraus.—two noble figures in American Israel. The motion was made and seconded that a "Down Town Jewish Club" be established. Amid cheers that made

the rafters ring, the proposal was unanimously and enthusiastically carried.

A young law-professor, Morton A. Mergentheim, was made chairman of a committee to secure a site. In an astonishingly brief time, sixty possible locations were inspected, and the choice fell upon a building at 10 North Dearborn street.—a four-story structure occupied by Steamship Company ticket-offices. The Jease was purchased immediately. It had only 191 more years to run!

With dues at \$50 a year, and an initiation fee of half that sum, the "Covenant" [Brith] Club was organized. Mort Mergentheim helped to write the constitution. The two upper floors of the building were remodeled. Mort Mergentheim supervised the work. A lounge card-rooms, and a gymnasium were neatly outfitted. Mort Morgentheim officiated, to quote his own term, is general factorum. An election was held. Mort Mergentheim became the first President of the Covenant Club.

He was installed, early in 1917, at a prodigious banquet in the Hotel LaSalle. Coming to the festivities directly from a gay wedding-party, and somewhat bewildered by the high honor being bestowed upon him, the new President's first official act was to sit down heavily on a neatly-framed blue-print of the new Oub-rooms. The Covenant Club was "on its war."

Morton A. Mergentheim has an astounding living-room, a flair for languages, and an obiding love for good music and foreign travel. His son carries "Magna Cum Laude" from Harvard University. His daughter gives promise of pianistic skill surpassing even her mother and father. His "Log Cabin" is one of the "show places" of Hubbard Woods.

#### BENJAMIN SAMUELS

President 1920-1922



New members came pouring in. The Club home was becoming crowded. When Benjamin Samuels took office, as the second President of The Covenant Club, the growing activities required more room. The Steamship people moved out. The Club moved in, Presently, all four stories of the building were occupied by the Club. The Dining Room, the Ledies' "parlours" and the card-rooms

were expanded,-but they were still inadequate for the growing membership. Something had to be done and guickly.

Committees were appointed to study the situation. For a year, they discussed and planned various expedients. The only logical solution was to build—to put up a permanent Bome for the Club; but to erect an adequate; and suitable structure would require no less than a million dollars,—certainly no halfe even in those days. Where could one secure a million dollars?

So Ben Samuels called together a group of layel Club members. When they adjourned late that night, pledges aggregating thousands had been made; and a few weeks later, more pludges totalling three hundred thousand were obtained.

With this as a "starter," much enthusiasm and activity ensued. The members were busy, planning and dreaming and translating their hopes into genuine results. Details took tengible shape. Architects were retained. Big days were ahead. . . . The entire \$1,000,000 band issue was substantially taken by the members. The stage was set for the Big Scene.

Benjamin Samuels is exceedingly active in B'hai B'rith work. As much as he loves golf, he declines to admit it as a hobby. His son is a member of The Covenant Club. Believe it or not, the President of Yellow Cab taught Sunday School in Sinai for twenty years!

#### FRED EERNSTEIN President 1922-1925



"Fellow-members, the old Club Rooms with their sweet memories are gone. . . In their place, we see rising from the ground the steel structure which will soon house the Covenant Club of the Future." . . So said Fred Bernstein, in his annual message as President.

He reckoned without Lake Michigan. As the excavators sank their caissons, in search of bed rock, the lake-water poured in. Heartbreaking weeks followed. They lengthened into months. Engineers were called in: great concrete walls were constructed. At last the flood was stemmed, and the first problem solved.

Meanwhile, the Club sought temporary quarters in a Hotel. The experience was anything but encouraging. It was feed Bernstein who kept the Club together during those trying day. Two members stepped into the breach.—David Latiowitch and Bernamin I, Morris,—both destined to become Presidents. The Club moved into their rooms at 30 North Dearborn Street.

As the new Home began to take form, Fred Beinstein began the task of building an organization capable of maintaining it. To interest the younger men, a junior Membership was instituted. To increase its scope, membership was made available not only to Binai Birith but to the wider circle of Chicego Jewry. A working organization was evolved: committees formed with specific tasks and responsibilities, dovetailed so that no aspect of the Club was neglected. The membership grew. The Big Day was at hand,

On December 24, 1924, the members stepped over the threshold and set down to dinner in their new home.

Fred Bernstein's particular hobby is rearing stalwart sons. Arthur, having been admitted to the Bar, holds a place in his father's office. Stanley, having graduated from Armour Institute is a Practicing Civil Engineer. Sheldon is a senior at the University of Chicago and Joel attends High School. Im addition, for a hobby, he works with the Boy Scouts of America; and for avocation, fosters the work of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation. These are, for him, not a task but a career.

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#### DAVID LABOWITCH

President 1925-1927



There's no place like home. . . . In the first year that the Club occupied its new home, the membership roster grew to over eleven hundred. David Labowitch, the fourth President, had inherited a working organization and an enthusiastic personnel, "Inherited" is not exactly the word. For Dave Labowitch had helped to build it, himself. As chairman of the Finance: Committee, he has super-

vised the fiscal arrangements, and had floated a sparter-million dellars of bond sales during the administration of his predecessor. As chairman of the building committee, he had guided the completion of the Club House—the magnificent 11-story building in Italian architecture which, for beauty, efficient facilities, and real comfort is scarcely surpassed. As the new President of the Club, he missed no opportunity to capitalize on its advantages, and to build solidly for the future.

Completing its first decade of life, under David Labowitch's presidency, the Club has assumed a solidity and a permanence which promises high and dignified service to Chicago Israel. The departments—social, athletic, recreational, cultural—have been organized. The personnel of its service staff has been built up and trained. Committees are functioning smoothy. The Womens department, the work with youth and children, and entertainment leatures have been developed. Traditions are beginning to take form; the Seder, the Children's Party, Thanksgiving and New Year Formals, the Weekly Forum...The Club is coming into its own.

David Labowitch likes "tables." Whether in be a billiard table or the Tables of the Coverant, he serves devotectly. An outstanding performer on the green baize and the cushions, he has also the nobler distinction of having organized and built one of Chicago's greatest Congregations, which he served as President during its formative years. He is now the President of the Bryn Mawr Country Club. Three children and three grandchildren bless his household.

#### JOSEPH F. GROSSMAN

President 1927-1929



"With unwavering faith in the ability, integrity, and standing of our members, and with your loyal co-operation, we are going forth to make this the foremost Jiwish Club in the whole wide World."

... When Joseph F. Grossman spoke these words, in his first annual message as President of the Covenant Club, he voiced no idle dream. All the resources of material and personnel were at hand;

the pattern had been set, and the will to succeed was apparent.

Man proposes . . . the shadow of the Depression fell across America, and its penumbra was grazing the edges of the Covenant Club. With keen foresight, the Club began to "dig in" for the long winter ahead. Under President Grossman, the envire fiscal situation was revised. A camplete budget system was developed. A campaign was organized to meet the threat of falling revenue; a threat already becoming widespread throughout the country. The times called for a strictly "business" administration. That challenge was met.

Nevertheless, the social and cultural work of the Club was not neglected. Grossman lied already been appointed chairman of the Library—but there was no library—in the previous administration. Now, the foundations laid, a magnificent collection was built up; books of Jewish interest and importance, in fine bindings, a joy to hold and to read. A certain young man, named Lou Harrison, was inaugurating splendid ventures in the field of entertainment. The prospect was not wholly derk.

Joseph F. Grossman's hobby is work; plenty of hard work, and more of it. He is a member of the Faculty of John Marshall Law School; he is President of District Grand Lodge number Six of the B'nai B'rith. His daughter, an A. B. with honors, is doing Social Service work with the Jewish Charities. His son gives brilliant promise of carrying on the family tradition of devoted service.

#### BENJAMIN I. MORRIS

President 1929-1931



Lean years. . . . Benjamin I. Morris, the new President, faced problems undreamed-of. Substantial business-men were retrenching on all sides. Active men were diverting their energies to the grim task of averting their own collapse. But the Club must go on. This monument which had been erected with ove and sacrifice,—this institution which had been built up with the blessing of

Chicago Israel,—it could not be permitted to fall by the wayside.

Ben Morris' task then, was to mobilize human values; loyalty, a sense of responsibility, a willingness to labor and suffer, if need be, to maintain the Club. No man could have been better fitted to the task. A man of generous impulse and kindly personality, he led without using force. Slowly, there grew up in the Club an indomitable will to do or die! A group of devoted leaders emerged. Despite all demands on their time, they campaigned likely worked, they sacrificed. Their spirit spread. There arose a certain pilde, among the solid "old-timers,"—this "inside" group which became the bacibone of the Club, and which was determined to carry on. Louis H. Harrison, with his House Committee, was reducing costs: Leo Littman, the Financial Secretary, devoted himself unselfishly to his task: Bernard Ruekberg, with the Membership Group was battling valiantly.

A solid phalanc of dependables were ranged behind President Morris, who labored nobly and successfully for the good of the Club.

Benjamin I. Morels has several hobbles—but one in particular—The Covenant Club. A gentle man, idealistic; reading is his recreation and study forms his favorite diversion. He works staunchly for the Binai Birith and is now the President of the Adolph Kraus Lodge. He rejoices in two lovely daughters.

#### LOUIS H. HARRISON

President 1931-1934



The reward for Louis H. Harrison's years of service to the Club came when he was nominated to lead it through the darkest days of the depression. But he has turned over to his successor, Mark Levy, a Club strengthened by adversity; reorganized, rich in personnel and glorious in promise. Under Lou Harrison's administration, the Club came through with flying colors. The 1933-1934 membership campaign, led by Dr. Samuel S.

Hollender, was a most astounding experience during which, despite all predictions, and in the face of bitter hard-times 380 new members were elected to the Club.

In the meantime, the spirit of the Club had been revived and rebuilt. The rooms of the Club Mouse were thronged with proud, happy members. The evenings of diversion and enfertainment were heavily patronized by members and their quests. The dining room became famous. The gymnasium rang with the joyous shouts of youth and mature men. The weekly Forum became a force for culture in Chicago. Jewish organizations, charitable and fraternal, looked to the Club as a meeting place. Noble works of art, by Jewish men of genius, adorn the halls. Through the ability of Mark Levy, many financial problems were solved. Talent was recognized—and a strong group of future leaders began to develop their potentialities.

Since the expiry of his term of office. Low Harrison's interest has continued unabated. Right-hand man to his successors, he has continued to inaugurate extensive and important developments in Club policy and in service to the members.

Louis H. Harrison loves golf and swimming. He is happy in the company of people.—large, teeming crowds of them. His good wife, his son and daughter, his Rabbi, his Congregation and The Covenant Club constitute one great, happy family, in which he takes thrilling pride. His son, Robert, is a student at the University of Michigan.

#### MARK LEVY

#### President 1934-1965



Mark Lavy has been a mamber of the Club since 1917. He served on the Club Building Committee in 1924 and 1925. He was a Trustee from 1924 to 1927, and a director for many years more. He had hald office as You-fracillant from 1923 to 1925 and from 1930 to 1933. He knows the Covenant Club.

To his new office in Problem he brought a quality following and an argent desire to an-

coverge every member and every committee challman who could predoce even the speet of an idea. There followed a succession of social and sporting events unparalleled in Club history; a series of Forum inchine, discussion groups, mund table mention, seried by attends, ing attendances; and a carear of improvements in the facilities of the Club offlice, broad in social and of leadingly vesse to the mambars.

Sunday was put on a part with other days. In the Dining Room, and the entire menu was several. Now and earth classes made their appearance. A norte de jour in black and red and cold certied lists of viamis to theil the proof seasoned goutment. Family parties were encouraged. Thurstey Club Night us the eighth flow became an event and an experience.

If was a delightful from of affice. Committees were working with cast. A spirit of progress perveded the Clob. The Athletic Steps, the Formal affairs, the Clob parties, the golf four-aments, the mandaments the forum meetings—all turned out inveriebly, to be quite the largest and quite the happear of their tied. The Consense Clob News bloomed and flourished. The Netsterion was proceeded with happy water fats, Under Maril Loys kneign wills, as ours of sweetness and fromdliness pervedued for Clob, to definite that it sould be fall by svery member and avery quart.

And the Club came into the own: into the place decreed by its high Destiny: the very foremost inclination of its kind in Americal

Mark Lavy simpleion any and all hobbies. His sole interest in life is his work. Tet the fact remains that he shoots markely golf; and that his library at home is a place to be hunted by concissors. He is an epicien of note. His wife and designer are his pride and joy.



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By Enrico Glicenstein

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To Dr. Louis L. Mann

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TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL 4850 BERNARD STREET PHONE JUNIPER 0915 CHICAGO S. FELIX MENDELSOHN, RABBI 5140 N. CENTRAL PARK AVENUE PHONE INVINO 9212 September 4, 1936 Dr. A. H. Silver The Temple East 105th Street & Ansel Road Clevehand, Ohio Dear Friend: My congregation is now making preparations for our Eighth Arnual Education Dinner which is to be held on Sunday evening, November 15, at 6:30 o'clock at the Congress Hotel. The outstanding feature at these dinners has been an address on a Jewish subject by a prominent speaker. I am now making an attempt once again to secure your services. I realize the difficulty involved in getting away from Cleveland but with improved airplane service to Chicago this could be easily obviated. I recall that about two years ago you arrived at the Stadium at five o'clock after having preached on that morning. Since the Education Dinner is a money raising affair in behalf of our various educational enterprises we have not been paying large sums to our speakers. However, we shall be glad to pay you \$125 which represents the amount we gave Dr. Wise when he addressed our dinner in 1934. My people and myself are very anxious to have you and I trust that you will make every effort to be with us. Anticipating your affirmative reply and with best wishes for a successful New Year from house to house, I am Faithfully yours, Telix SFM:EB P. S. The enclosed editorial should prove to you that your friends don't forget you. I wrote for the Sentinel of Sep. "Upon three things the world is based: Upon the Torah, upon Worship, and upon the Practice of Charity" -Eshics of the Fathers

September 8, 1936 Mr. Arthur Goldblatt. 33 South Clark Street. Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Goldblatts Let me thank you for your letter of August 29. I have just gotten around to answering my correspondence. I am deeply appreciative of your invitation to address your forum but I am afraid I shall have to forego the pleasure. My program is terrifically crowded for this coming season. I must also devote more time to my Cleveland duties this year. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you. With all good wishes for a very happy new year, permit me to remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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Abba Hillel Silver

eptember 21, 1936

Rabbi Pelix Hendelsohn, Temple Beth Israel, 4850 Bernard Street, Chicago, Ill.

By dear Rabbi Hendelsohn;

Let me thank you for your kind letter of September 4 and for your invitation to address the annual Educational Dinner of your congregation on November 15. I recall that you invited me once before and that I was not able to accept at the time. Unfortunately I can not accept this one either. After considerable pressure, I have consented to open the Community Chest Campaign in Hinnespolis on November 15 - going out of my way to be absent from my own pulpit on that day. Perhaps at some future I may be of service to you.

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

Yery cordially yours,

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DR. LOUIS L. MANN RABBI

## Chicago Sinai Congregation

4600 SOUTH PARKWAY

October 15th 1936

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

My good Friend:

as the time for our celebration is approaching, I join with the Board of Trustees of Chicago Sinai Congregation in asking you to bring your dear wife with you as our guest of the occasion.

The committee in charge sincerely hopes to be informed as to the exact time of your arrival so that they might greet you either at the station or the airport.

Looking forward with keen anticipation to having you in our midst, I am

Sincerely,

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DR. LOUIS L. MANN RAPRI

## Chicago Sinai Congregation

4600 SOUTH PARKWAY

October 27th 1936

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

My dear Abba:

There is only one Abba Hillel Silver - and thou art he.

You lifted our anniversary celebration to a great height and Sinai, which has already been indebted to you, is now even more so. What a satisfaction it must be to be able to so greatly and so sublimely serve our common cause.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of Sinai and the Committee of Arrangements for our 75th Anniversary Celebration, it is my proud privilege to thank you and pray that God may continue to bless you and your powers for many years to come.

We deeply regret that your wife could not share the occasion with us.

Sincerely,

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## THE NEW YORK TIMES Times Square

October 30, 1936

Dr. Louis L. Mann Chicago Sinai Congregation 4600 South Parkway Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Mann:

I am deeply touched by your letter of October 27. Yours seemed to me a most worthwhile meeting. If I had done nothing more than prepare the background for Rabbi Silver's statement, I should have felt repaid.

Mrs. McDonald joins me in extending to you and your colleagues our appreciation for the more than generous reception.

Cordially yours,

JAMES G. MCDONALD



DR. LOUIS L. MANN

Chicago Sinai Congregation

4600 SOUTH PARKWAY

November 4th 1936

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

Dear Abba:

I thought you might like to see a copy of McDonald's letter, which I am enclosing. People are still talking about your great contribution to our 75th Anniversary.

Ruth joins in fondest greetings to all of you.

Sincerely,

LLM: SB

Dr. G. George Fox RABBI SOUTH SHORE TEMPLE 7215 IEFFERY AVENUE PHONE FAIRPAX 0772 CHICAGO Nov. 5th, 1936. Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, E.105th and Ansel Road, Clevelani, Ohio. Dear Silver: I am under the impression that you are going to be in Chicago in February to speak at the University chapel. I have not the exact date here, but of course you will know. We have in the city a group of men, known as the Liberal Ministers Club, to which some of the finer men in Chicago belong. Our February meeting is acheduled for the Monday after the Sunday you are to be here. Is it at all possible for you to stay over and give us the benefit of your presence in Chicago? We would, of course, greatly appreciate this. The President of the Club is Dr. Sydney M. Snow, President of the Meadeville Theological Seminary, 57th and Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago. Will you be good enough to drop a line either to him or to me, letting us know whether you can be with us? With kindest regards, Cordially yours, S. Leurge Fox BGF: L

November 11, 1938 Dr. G. George Fox, South Shore Temple, 7215 Jeffery Avenue, Chicago, Ill. My dear Dr. Foxt I had been scheduled to speak in Chicago on February 21. Due to an important meeting here My Chicago date has been postponed to April. I must therefore forego the pleasure of addressing your group. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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November 20, 1936.

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

Dear Doctor Silver:

Supplementing our telephone conversation of yesterday, wish to advise you that I just received a long distance telephone call from South Bend that, due to the fact that you are unable to be with them on Monday, November 23rd, they have postponed their dinner to any day agreeable to you the week following Thanksgiving - Monday, November 30th, or Wednesday, December 2nd will be acceptable to them provided it meets with your convenience. If these two dates are not available, please let me know what date will suit your convenience, and they will arrange their function accordingly.

Last year the Joint Drive raised approximately \$15,000.00. Their quota this year is \$20,000.00, and I have
the assurance that the United Palestine Appeal will receive this
year a larger share if we can procure your services. In addition
to this, I have been given assurance by the Committee in charge
that due to your presence a Zionist Unit of at least one hundred
members will be formed. I, therefore, consider it very important
that you accept the invitation, and address the dinner meeting
called by the leading members of the South Bend community to launch
their joint dirve which includes the J.D.C., the U.P.A. and a
number of worthy local and national institutions.

Will you be good enough and wire me at my expense at your earliest convenience, thereby greatly obliging

Yours very truly,
Max Auelman

November 25, 1936 Mr. Mox Shulman, 184 North La Salle Street, Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Shulmant I have just received your letter of November 20 and I hasten to answer it. I should very much like to go to South Bend and help out in the campaign but unfortunately my program for the next two or three months is simply over-crowded with lecture engagements both local and out-of-town. As you probably know, my schedule is made up long in advance and it is very difficult at the last minute to run in additional out-of-town engagements. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

THE MEADVILLE THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL Founded in Pennsylvania in 1844 5701 WOODLAWN AVENUE, CHICAGO OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPANT December 3rd 1936 My dear Doctor Silver: My friend Doctor George Fox who asked you to speak at our Liberal Ministers' Club in Chicago in February tells me that your visit to the university chapel has been postponed until April. Would it be possible for you to speak to us at that time? We should esteem it a privilege , and would find it possible to shift our meeting date to suit your convenience. With sincere regards, I am, Faithfully yours Somy B. Suno Dostor Abba Hillel Silver Sur 10 ph. 25 The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio I mite as trinisme of m chils.

December 9, 1936 Dr. Sidney B. Snow, The Meadville Theological School, 5701 Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Ill. My dear Dr. Snows Let me thank you for your kind letter of December 3. I am scheduled to be at the University of Chicago on Sunday, April 25 and I must return to Cleveland by Monday morning to keep some important engagements here that day. Is it your thought to hold the meeting on Sunday afternoon or evening? With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

## THE MEADVILLE THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 10th 1936

My dear Doctor Silver:-

I am terribly sorry, but I am afraid that Sunday is an impossible day for the Liberal Ministers' Club to get together. Our meetings are always held on Monday at luncheon-time. As it happens Monday April 26th, the day after your engagement at the university chapel, is cur regular meeting day. How fortunate we would have been if you could stay over! I fear, however, since you are obliged to return to Cleveland on Sunday night that we shall have to give up the pleasure of meeting you and try again next year.

Do you remember many years ago speaking at a forum in my church in Montreal? I remember with great pleasure that day.

With regret,

I am,

Faithfully yours

Lyoney B. Snow

Doctor Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland, Onio

COUNCIL of THE JEWISH CHARITIES OF CHICAGO 220 SOUTH STATE STREET Telephone Harrison 4200 HONORARY CHAIRMAN L. E. BLOCK HONORARY VICE-CHAIRMEN December EDWARD L. GLABER BENJAHIN J. ROSENTHAL lith 1936 PAUL R. KUHN, PRESIDENT A. EPSTEIN, VICE-PRESIDENT LAURENCE GREENEBAUM, VICE-PRES. Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver GEORGE H. LAUTER, VICE-PARK. EOWIN B. MAYER, TREAS. MAXWELL ABBELL, SECT. The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road BOL KLINE Cleveland, Ohio BAHUEL A. GOLDSMITH DIRECTORS ELY M. AARON ERNEST M. BERGER JOSEPH M. CALLNER HARRY EISENSTAEDT Dear Rabbi Silver: You may recall that last season I wrote you HARRY H. FIELD IRA I. FISHER WASHINGTON FLEXNER asking whether you could serve the Community Council VERNON FOX of the Jewish Charities of Chicago by serving as the ROY J. FRIEDMAN LEE J. FURTH ROBERT K. GERBHENOW BARNEY GIBNET speaker at one of the meetings. You stated then that you found that it was impossible in view of the BARNEY GISNET
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SAMUEL HEIFETZ U.P.A. drive, but you would be glad to come at another

May I, therefore, take this opportunity of asking whether you would be willing to come for the Annual Meeting of the Community Council to be held on some week day evening convenient to yourself during the latter half of February. We would adjust our program to any Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday evening that would suit your convenience.

I have been allotted by the Budget Committee \$150 as speaker's honorarium.

In the hope that we may have the pleasure of your acceptance and with very hearty greetings, I am

Most cordially yours,

S. D. Schwartz Chairman, Program Committee 4622 S. Parkway

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December 21, 1936 Mr. S. D. Schwartz, 4622 8. Parkway, Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Schwartz: Let me thank you for your letter of December 11 and for the invitation which you extend to me to address a February meeting of the Community Council of Jewish Charities. I am afraid that February is out of the question. I have already too many engagements scheduled for that month. Perhaps at some later time I may be of service to you. I should like to know more about the nature of the meetings which are held under the auspices of the Community Council. Who comes? What is the purpose of the meeting? With best wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

The Temple Issiah Israel A. MORRIS KRENSKY, PRESIDENT RICHARD M. HEFTER, VICE PRESIDENT 5035 GREENWOOD AVENUE MICHAEL M. HAMMER, SECRETARY TELEPHONE KENWOOD 0155 CLARENCE P. BEROLZHEIMER, TREAT. CHICAGO, ILLINOIS JOSEPH EDIDIN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DR. JOSEPH STOLZ. Rolli Emeritus HONORARY PRESIDENTS DR. GERSON B. LEVI. POLIN SAMUEL SCHWEITZER SIGMUND STRAUSS ALBERT STEINDLER ALBERT EGER Dec. 14, 1936 HONORARY DIRECTOR RUDOLPH WOLFNER BOARD OF DIRECTORS SAMUEL Y. BLOOM Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver HERMAN DOVER BERNARD M. EPSTEIN The Temple HARRY H. FIELD HARRY FRANCE E. 105th St. and Ansel Road SAMUEL HEIFETZ Cleveland, Ohio ARTHUR N. HORWICH FRANKLIN J. KAHN JOSEPH KAHN S. M. KAHN CHARLES D. KAUFMANN Dear Rabbi Silver: HERMAN L. KORACH ALBERT KRAUS JULIAN H. LEVI You are undoubtedly aware of the LEO MAY illness of our Rabbi, Dr. Gerson B. Levi. From IRWIN E. NEWMAN MYRON M. PEAELZER present indications we do not expect that he will H. J. ROSENBERG resume his work in our pulpit for some time. During M. M. ROTHSCHILD LOUIS SALINGER his absence, we are inviting members of the American LEON SIGMAN Rappinate to occupy our pulpit on Saturday and Sunday IRVING N. STENN HARMON L. WATERSTONE mornings. MORTON B. WEISS

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We are taking this privilege of inviting you to fill a date convenient to your schedule. Should you have occasion to be in Chicago in the near future, it would be our privilege to have you occupy our pulpit either upon a Saturday or a Sunday morning convenient to you.

Our entire congregation as well as the community would be very grateful for your presence in our pulpit. Would you therefore kindly reply as soon as possible, indicating when we may have the pleasure of your visit.

With kind greatings, I am,

Sincerely yours,

President

AMK: JS

December 24, 1936 Mr. A. Morris Krensky, President, Temple Isaiah Israel, 5035 Freenwood Avenue, hicaga, Ill. My doar Mr. Krensky: Let me thank you for your letter of December 14. I am awfully sorry to hear of the illness of Dr. Garson Levi. It came to me as a distinct shock. I trust that he is rapidly recovering. I should, of course, be most anxious to assist in whatever way I can during the absence of Dr. Levi. Unfortunately I am not scheduled to be in Chicago at any time in the near future. It may be that I shall have an engagement in your community later on in the season. In that case I shall be very happy to communicate with you. With best wishes, permit me to remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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or Thursday evening would suit us.

We are most anxious to proceed with the arrangements for our annual meeting.

Thanking you for a reply by return mail, I am,

Cordially yours,

S. D. Schwartz

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BOL KLINE East 105th at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio BAMUEL A. GOLDSMITH DIRECTORS Dear Rabbi Silver: ELY M. AARON ERNEST M. BERGER JOSEPH M. CALLNER It is a matter of deep regret to us that we HARRY H. FIELD cannot have you as the speaker at our annual meet-WASHINGTON FLEXNER ing in February. However, we are hopeful that we VERNON FOX may have you with us at a meeting in a later month. ROY J. FRIEDMAN LEE J. FURTH ROBERT K. GERSHENOW BARNEY GISNET You ask me concerning our meetings, etc. ISADORE J. GOLDBERG The Community Council consists of men and women MAURICE GOLDBLATT who are contributors to the Jewish Charities and I. H. HARTMAN SAMUEL HEIPETZ who are actively interested in the work carried CMARLES I, HERRON JAMES HIRSCHPIELD on by the Jewish Charities. The monthly meetings DR. S. S. HOLLENDER MAURICE L. HORNER, JR. JOE ISRAEL are attended by from about 700 to 1000 or more people who are interested in having a message pre-IRVIN JACOBS WILLIAM KAPLAN sented to them concerning some phase of our con-LAWRENCE KLEIN HOWARD G. KORNBLITH MILTON J. KRENSKY temporary thought. The directorate of the Jewish Charities created the Community Council in order ISAAC B. LIPSON JAMES I. LOED MAX L. LOEWENBERG to make the members of the Charities aware of the RICHARD J. LOEWENTHAL FRANK A. LOUER J. E. MICHAELS responsibilities of communal effort. J. E. MICHAELS
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JOSEPH M. ROBINSO The people who attend are to the very greatest extent contributors to the Jewish Charities of Chicago and their families as well as members who JOSEPH H. ROBINSON play some considerable role in the civic and Jewish ROBERT J. ROSENBERG EDWIN BILVERMAN life of our community. HARRY SMITZ MAURICE SOKOLEC ALFRED K. STERN BANUEL D. STOLL DR. SOLOMON STROUSE With heartiest greetings, I am, WILLIAM BULTAN DR. IBADORE M. TRACE ELKAN C. VOORSANGER CHARLES WEINFELD Cordially yours. MAX WOLDENBERG MAX E. YAFFE S. D. Schwartz THE OBJECTS OF THIS ORGANIZA-SDS: AF 4622 South Parkway TION ARE TO STINULATE INTEREST IN THE CIVIC AND PHILANTHROPIC WORK OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY OF CHICAGO! TO FOSTER AND CULTIVATE THE SOCIAL AND EDUCA-TIONAL RELATIONSHIPS OF THE MEMBERS AND TO ESCADEN THEIR COMMUNAL ACTIVITIES, BOT LOCAL AND NATIONAL

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DR. LOUIS L. MANN

## Chicago Sinai Congregation

Dear Abba:

For some years Jewish Student activities at the University of Chicago haven't been what they ought to have been. Now + all the students have gotten together and hope to do real things. I met a chosen group, representing all fraternities and non-fraternities and unitedly they intend to back up a "new order" of things. It was their unanimous request to have you as the first speaker. The faculty, while not officially interested, is anxious to have this meeting a success, so that the Jewish group will have an opportunity for expressing itself. I am sure that your presence and your message will render a distinct service to the cause. I know how busy you must be - and, if I hadn't considered this of great importance, would not have asked you.

You'll have about 200 students who want a real Jewish message and with this as an "opener," a new order of things will be sure. I know that you'll be glad that you accepted!

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