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Cornell University (Ithaca, New York), 1929-1958.

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

at Cornell University

134 Court Street

Ithaca, N. Y.

RABBI I. B. HOFFMAN
Director

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September 12, 1929

Dr. Abba H. Silver
The Temple
105th St. at Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, O.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I want to extend a very earnest invitation to you to deliver the sermon and conduct an Open Forum at one of our Friday evening services. If possible we should like to have you here sometime in November, the earlier the better.

If you so desire it we can give you a suitable honorarium in addition to your expenses. I need not assure you that it would be a great boon to us in our Hillel work to have you come here. There would doubtless be a large and representative University audience in attendance.

With kind regards, I am

Faithfully yours,

I. B. Hoffman

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CORNELL UNIVERSITY

ITHACA, NEW YORK

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

September 25, 1929

The Reverend Abba H. Silver, D.D.
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

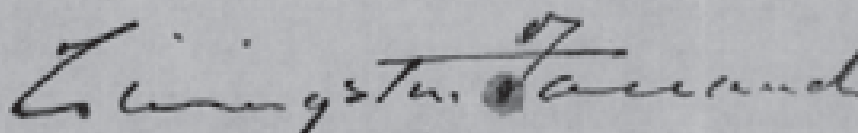
In behalf of the Trustees and Faculty, I have the honor to invite you to preach to the students and other members of Cornell University on Sunday, May 18, 1930.

There will be the usual Sunday morning service at eleven o'clock, and a short afternoon service lasting from half past three to fifteen minutes after four o'clock. The latter will be chiefly musical, with about one third the time reserved for a practical religious address. These services will be held in Sage Chapel. The honorarium afforded by the Dean Sage Chapel Fund is one hundred dollars (\$100.00). During your stay here you will be entertained in Willard Straight Hall as the guest of the University.

Entire liberty is left to each of the University Preachers in the choice of topic and mode of treatment and in the manner of conducting the service.

Trusting that you will find it possible to accept, I am

Very sincerely yours,



Livingston Farrand
President

copy

Sept. 30th, 1929.

Dr. Livingston Farrand,
Cornell University,
Ithaca, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Farrand:-

Permit me to thank you for your letter of September 25th and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the students of Cornell University on Sunday, May 18th, 1930. I am very pleased to accept your invitation and shall look forward with a great deal of pleasure to our meeting.

I understand that I am to speak twice, once in the morning and once in the afternoon. Would you please indicate the time allowed for the morning address. I understand that the afternoon address should last about fifteen minutes.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

ITHACA, NEW YORK

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

October 4, 1929

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

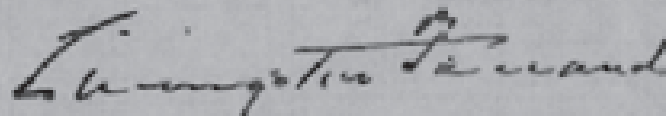
I am very glad indeed to receive your letter and your consent to preach for us on May 18th next. We shall look forward to your visit at that time.

Replying to your inquiry, there is no regulation as to the length of the sermon at the morning service in Sage Chapel. The minister ordinarily speaks from twenty to thirty minutes, the whole service occupying about an hour. I enclose a card showing the order of service generally followed.

You are right that there is an afternoon service, chiefly musical and where the minister makes a short address of about fifteen minutes.

With kindest regards and renewed expressions of appreciation of your willingness to come to us, I am

Sincerely yours,



Livingston Farrand

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

at Cornell University

134 Court Street

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RABBI L. B. HOFFMAN

Director

Student Council

HENRY GICHNER, Pres.

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LAWRENCE L. LEVY, Sec'y

October 7, 1929.

Dr. Abba H. Silver,
The Temple,
105th Street at Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are anxious to receive your reply to our invitation contained in our letter of September 12th. It would be a great help to us in planning our year's program if we could know at once whether you will be able to come here sometime in November or later in the year.

With the Season's best wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

L. B. Hoffman

LBH:B

card

Oct. 8th, 1929.

Rabbi I. B. Hoffman,
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation,
134 Court St.,
Ithaca, N. Y.

My dear Rabbi Hoffman:-

Please pardon the long delay in answering
your letter. I have been so busy in my holiday work.

It will be quite impossible for me to
accept any more engagements for the next few months. I
am simply overwhelmed with them. Perhaps in the spring
I shall have more time. If you will write me then I shall
make an effort to come but I do not wish to commit myself
at this time.

With kindest regards and wishing you
success in your new field and with best holiday greetings,
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

at Cornell University

134 Court Street

Ithaca, N.Y.

RABBI I. B. HOFFMAN

Director

February 5, 1930.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

When I wrote to you last September inviting you to deliver the address at one of our Friday evening services, you replied that you would be unable to come here for the next few months but that you might be able to in the Spring. I am therefore writing to you now to inquire if it is possible for you to come sometime in March or April.

With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

I. B. Hoffman.

IBH:ASB

Feb. 13th, 1930

Rabbi I. B. Hoffman,
134 Court St.,
Ithaca, N. Y.

My dear Rabbi Hoffman:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind note of February 5th and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the Hillel Foundation of Cornell University some time in March or April.

I am scheduled to be at Cornell University for two addresses on Sunday, May 18th. This is at the invitation of the President of the University. If you can arrange to have the students of the Hillel Foundation meet me some time during the day, at a time that will not conflict with the University program, and with the consent of the University authorities, I shall be most happy to address them. Otherwise I would find it extremely difficult to make a second trip to Ithaca this season.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

at Cornell University

134 Court Street

Ithaca, N.Y.

RABBI I. B. HOFFMAN

Director

February 25, 1930.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I want to thank you for your kind letter of February 13th and for your willingness to address the Hillel Foundation of Cornell University if suitable arrangements can be made.

I was happy indeed to learn that you are to speak at Sage Chapel on Sunday, May 18th. I am particularly glad that the President of the University has extended this invitation to you and that you have been able to accept it because of my own part in the matter. The President asked me to suggest some outstanding rabbi whom he might invite to speak at Sage Chapel. There has been no rabbi speak at Sage Chapel since Dr. Stephen S. Wise was here several years ago. It appears that the President was good enough to accept my suggestion that the invitation be extended to you.

It is not at all unusual for the Sage Chapel Preacher to come a day or two before the Sunday Service and address various University organizations. This last week, for instance, Dr. Albert W. Palmer, President of the Chicago Theological Seminary, who spoke at Sage Chapel delivered the address at the Services at our Temple on the preceding Friday Evening. If it is possible for you to be with us on Friday, May 15th, we should consider it a privilege to have you speak at our Services. If this is not possible, we could arrange to have an Open Forum Meeting on Sunday Evening, May 18th at which we hope you would deliver the address.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

I. B. Hoffman

Director

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B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

134 Court Street

Ithaca, N.Y.

RABBI I. B. HOFFMAN
Director

April 15, 1930.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

There are a number of students to whom I have mentioned the fact that you are coming to Cornell to speak at Sage Chapel on Sunday, May 18th. They, as well as myself, are enthusiastically hopeful that you will also address a meeting under the auspices of the Hillel Foundation. We would like very much to arrange an Open Forum for Sunday evening, May 18th, at which you would speak. In your letter of February 13th you indicated your willingness to do this, provided there was no conflict with the University program.

It would help us if we could announce your coming and the subject of your address this week. Perhaps it would be best for you to telegraph us confirming this engagement, and if possible, informing us of your subject.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

I. B. Hoffman

IBH:AS

card ✓

April 17th, 1930

Rabbi I. B. Hoffman,
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation,
134 Court St.,
Ithaca, N. Y.

My dear Rabbi Hoffman:-

Although I am scheduled to speak both in the morning and in the afternoon at Cornell University, I shall also make an effort to address the Hillel Foundation in the evening.

Before I do so, however, I should like to have you find out definitely from the University authorities whether they have any objections to my addressing another body on the same day.

I do not wish to address an open forum. Coming at the end of a full day that would be too strenuous for me. I shall content myself with just an address.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

134 Court Street

Ithaca, N.Y.

RABBI I. D. HOFFMAN
Director

April 24, 1930.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

The University authorities have no objection
to your addressing another body on the same
day that you speak at Sage Chapel.

I shall be glad to schedule you for an ad-
dress under the auspices of the Hillel Founda-
tion in the evening instead of an Open Forum
discussion. Will you kindly inform me what
the subject of your address will be?

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Dr. Silver:

We are looking forward with pleasure to your coming as Sage Chapel preacher to the Cornell campus on May 18th. The Cornell United Religious Work, a student organization, is endeavoring this year to bring about a more informal and intimate relationship between the Sage Chapel speakers and the students, and to this end it has been our custom to invite each visiting speaker to a tea and discussion in Barnes Hall Library at 4:30 in the afternoon, immediately following the Vesper Service. This gives opportunity to those who will have heard you speak in the morning worship to ask questions in any way provoked by your remarks, and to all to meet you personally.

If you can open the discussion with a ten minute talk on some subject which you consider fitting and of general interest, it will lend unity and coherence to the meeting. The group has concerned itself in the past with such diverse things as student apathy and agnosticism, modern developments in religious thought, of every day living and ideals. But whether the topic is specific or inclusive, it is very desirable that attention be focused on something of interest to yourself and to the group.

If you find it convenient to attend, kindly let us know as soon as possible what topic, or if you prefer, what general field you would like for the discussion. Please let us know also if you will be available at any time during the day for interviews with students, in case any may wish to consult you.

Very sincerely yours,

Philip H. Tucker

Chairman of the Committee.

PNT:MEG

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

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May 5th, 1930

Mr. Philip H. Tucker,
Cornell United Religious Work,
Barnes Hall,
Ithaca, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Tucker:-

Permit me to thank you for your
kind letter of May 2d.

I shall be very happy to attend the
tea and informal discussion in Barnes Hall Library at
4:30 in the afternoon and I shall bear in mind what you
say about the nature of the meeting.

With kindest regards and looking
forward with pleasure to our meeting, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

The Secretary,

*Publishing Office
of the University*

27 Morrill Hall, Ithaca, New York

May 8, 1930.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

It is my privilege to make arrangements for your reception and entertainment on the occasion of your visit to Cornell as Sage Chapel preacher on Sunday, May 18.

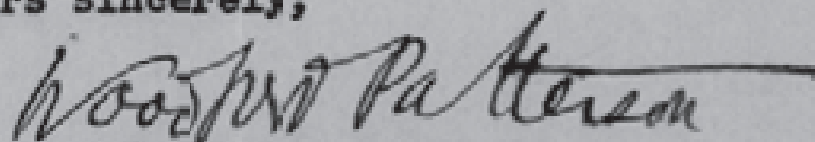
Will you not write to me as soon as you can do so, saying what route you will take and what day and hour you will arrive in Ithaca? A representative of this office will meet you at the station and will show you to the campus, where rooms in Willard Straight Hall, a University building, are reserved for you.

These quarters, two rooms and bath, are designed to afford you freedom and privacy as well as comfort, and I hope you will find them agreeable in all respects. Willard Straight Hall is the University's social and recreational center for students and Faculty. It contains rooms for reading and conversation, dining rooms, and sleeping rooms.

Breakfast will be served in the Tea Room or in your room if you prefer, or you can get it in the Cafeteria. For luncheon or dinner the Terrace Room is recommended. The Tea Room and the Terrace Room are open until 8 p.m., and until 11:30 p.m. sandwiches are served at the Soda Bar. The location of any of these rooms can be learned at the desk in the main lobby.

You will be the University's guest in Willard Straight Hall. When a check is presented for a meal please sign it. You can order the regular luncheon or dinner or what you like from the card. Gratuities are not expected.

Yours sincerely,



Woodford Patterson,
University Secretary.

WP:EP

RABBI I. B. HOFFMAN
Director

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
CORNELL UNIVERSITY
134 Court Street
Ithaca, N.Y.

May 8, 1930.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are looking forward with pleasure to your coming here on May 18th. The meeting which we are arranging for you in the evening will be attended chiefly by students. I would appreciate it if you would let me know as soon as possible what the subject of your address at this meeting will be. It would be appropriate and helpful if you would say a few words about the Hillel Foundation, - either as part of your address, if you can conveniently work it in, or as a five or ten minute "postscript".

When do you expect to arrive in Ithaca and how long can you stay?

With cordial greetings, I am

Sincerely yours,

I. B. Hoffman

IBH:AS

May 13th, 1930

Mr. Woodford Patterson,
Secretary, Cornell University,
27 Morrill Hall,
Ithaca, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Patterson:-

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 8th addressed to Rabbi Silver and to advise you that Rabbi Silver plans to leave Cleveland on the New York Central at 2:30 p. m. Saturday and will arrive in Ithaca at 12:00 o'clock Saturday night.

Rabbi Silver has chosen as his subject in Sage Chapel, "How Shall We Measure Life?"

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With kindest regards, permit

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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May 13th, 1930

Rabbi I. B. Hoffman,
B'nai B'rill Hillel Foundation,
134 Court St.,
Ithaca, N. Y.

My dear Rabbi Hoffman:-

The subject of my address
before the Hillel Foundation will be "The Four Major
Tendencies in Jewish Life."

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

Speaking

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
CORNELL UNIVERSITY
134 Court Street
Ithaca, N.Y.

RABBI I. B. HOFFMAN
Director

May 20, 1930.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are still reveling in the aftermath of your visit here. The deep and helpful impression you made continues to be a frequent subject of discussion and encouragement among the Jewish faculty members and students. The spiritual fervor and exquisite eloquence of your morning sermon have been echoed throughout the University community. The discussion in the afternoon and the lecture in the evening served, in addition to other things, to arouse the enthusiasm of the small but more mature group of students whose interest in and respect for our Hillel work and ideals I have been particularly anxious to secure. I have been concentrating upon them for some time and I feel that the impact of your personality and insights will go far towards securing their permanent attachment to Jewish life.

Not the least of the benefits your presence here conferred upon me was the light you were able to throw upon some of the problems which have perplexed me personally. For all these things accept my deep appreciation and thanks.

I want to express my best wishes for a significant and triumphant celebration of the milestone that your congregation is about to reach. Under your guidance may it grow from strength to strength.

Sincerely yours,

I. B. Hoffman

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214 Mennen Hall
Cornell University
Ithaca, N.Y.
Feb. 15, 1934.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio.
Dear Sir;

It has been called to my attention that you expect to be in Syracuse some time in March. As you will be so close to our campus, we would greatly appreciate if you would consent to address the Cornell Chapter of Avukah, at Cornell University.

It is very seldom that we are fortunate to have leaders of American Jewry in the vicinity, and we would appreciate greatly if we could benefit from your nearby presence.

Yours truly,

Leon Mohr

Leon Mohr, Pres. of
Cornell Chapter of
Avukah.

February 16, 1934.

Mr. Leon Mohr, President,
Cornell Chapter of Avukah,
314 Mennen Hall,
Cornell University,
Ithaca, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Mohr:

Permit me to thank you for your kind
letter of February 15th. I regret that it will
not be possible for me to address the Cornell
Chapter of Avukah.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:EK

CORNELL UNIVERSITY
ITHACA, NEW YORK

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 4, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver:

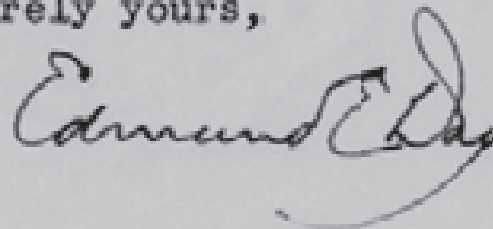
In behalf of the Trustees and Faculty, I have the honor to invite you to preach to the students and other members of Cornell University on Sunday, Dec. 10, 1939.

The only service of the day will be the regular morning service and it will be held in Sage Chapel at eleven o'clock. The honorarium afforded by the Dean Sage Chapel Fund is one hundred dollars (\$100.00). During your stay here you will be entertained in Willard Straight Hall as the guest of the University.

Entire liberty is left to each of the University Preachers in the choice of topic and mode of treatment and in the manner of conducting the service.

Trusting that you will find it possible to accept,
I am

Sincerely yours,



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

April 7, 1939

Dr. Edmund E. Day, President
Cornell University
Ithaca, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Day:

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to preach to the students of Cornell University on Sunday, December 10, 1939. I would gladly avail myself of your kindness but I am not free to absent myself from my own pulpit on that day which falls in the midst of our Festival of Chanukah. I would be free to come the following Sunday, December 17. Please let me know whether that date is convenient for you.

With all good wishes, permit me to
remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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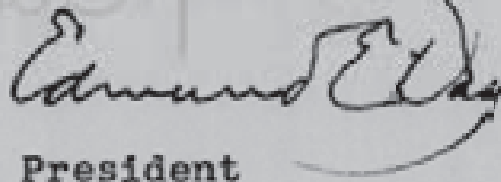
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 11, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you very much for your letter of the 7th. I am glad to find, on checking the Sage Preaching list for next year, that the date of Sunday, December 17, 1939 is open. I am, therefore, putting you down definitely for that Sunday and we shall look forward to your visit at that time.

Sincerely yours,


President

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

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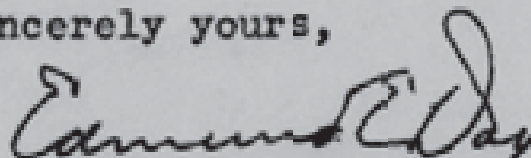
April 18, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am taking the liberty of writing you again in regard to your preaching engagement with us. By this time you will have received my letter and will know that we are very glad indeed that we may look forward to your coming to Cornell.

Because we have run into a conflict of dates on the Sage Preaching List around the middle of December, I am wondering whether or not any of the following Sundays would fit as conveniently as December 17th into your schedule: November 26, 1939, February 18, 1940, March 3, 1940 or a Sunday in May 1940. I hope you will write me quite frankly and be sure that, if December 17th is much the most convenient date for you, that is the Sunday we want you here.

Sincerely yours,



President

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

April 20, 1939

Dr. Edmund E. Day
Cornell University
Ithaca, N.Y.

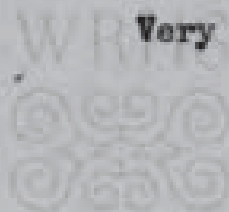
My dear Dr. Day:

Let me thank you for your kind letter.
I find that it will be possible for me to come
to you on November 26, 1939.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX



CORNELL UNIVERSITY
ITHACA, NEW YORK

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT


April 22, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you very much for your letter.

I appreciate greatly your kindness in the matter of preaching dates and am very pleased indeed to know you will be able to come to us on Sunday, November 26, 1939. I am putting you down definitely in the Sage list for that time.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Edmund S. Day". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name "President".

President

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

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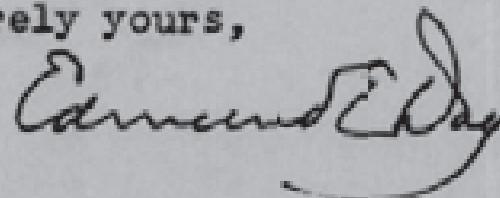
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 14, 1939

My dear Rabbi Silver:

President Roosevelt having unexpectedly moved Thanksgiving Day, we shall have to make a change in our Chapel service program here at Cornell. The Thanksgiving holidays, instead of coming from November 30th to December 3rd inclusive, as had been expected, will now come from November 23-26 inclusive. Since there are a great many of the students away during these holidays, we ordinarily conduct no Chapel service on the Sunday following Thanksgiving, so that the service heretofore scheduled for Sunday, November 26th, has to be abandoned and in its place a service arranged for the following Sunday, December 3rd. I write with no little anxiety to inquire whether you can conveniently shift your engagement here at the University from the earlier of these Sundays to the later, that is from November 26th to December 3rd. I earnestly hope that you will be able to make the change and to make it with no serious inconvenience. Your early advice in the matter would be much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,



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

September 15, 1939

Dr. Edmund E. Day, President
Cornell University
Ithaca, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Day:

Permit me to acknowledge your kind letter of September 14. I understand fully the change of date which you are compelled to make. I shall be very happy to come to the Chapel Service at Cornell on December 3 instead of November 26.

With all good wishes, and looking forward with pleasure to our meeting, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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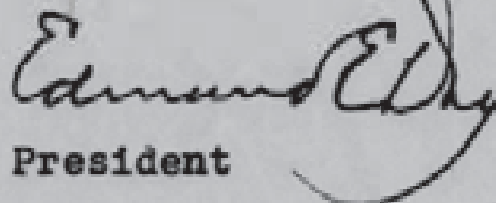
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 18, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am gratified indeed to learn from your letter of the 15th that you will be able to come to Cornell for the Sage service on Sunday, December 3, 1939, and I appreciate greatly your readiness to make this change in date. We are anticipating with much pleasure your visit to the University.

Sincerely yours,


President

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

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October 9th, 1939.

Rabbi Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi: —

I've just learned of your plans to be here
in Ithaca on the morning of December 3rd to
address Page Chapel.

As a regular part of the Hillel Foundation
activities we have regular Sunday evening
discussion groups with our sororities and fraternities
as hosts. We invite worthy Rabbis as guest
speakers on such occasions. As President of
Hillel and member of Sigma Beta Tau sorority,
I am happy to invite you to speak at our
house.

I sincerely hope that the evening of December
3rd can be made to fit into your plans.

Very sincerely yours
Muriel Gluck
Pres. of Hillel Campus

October 11, 1939

Miss Muriel Glick, President
Hillel Cabinet
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
Cornell University
Barnes Hall
Ithaca, N.Y.

My dear Miss Glick:

Permit me to thank you for your kind invitation to be with you on the evening of December 8. I wish I were free to avail myself of your kindness. Unfortunately I must leave Ithaca immediately after my address at Sage Chapel.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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THE ITHACA JOURNAL

Ithaca Journal-News, Inc., Publisher

ITHACA, NEW YORK

November 14, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

We understand that you are to be the speaker at the Sage Chapel services at Cornell University Sunday, November 26.

It is our practice to publish each Monday a report of the sermon at the chapel. Would it be possible for you to send us in advance a four or five hundred word abstract of the whole? Such a resume or copy from you direct would help us greatly and would insure the accuracy of our article.

Your assistance in this matter will be much appreciated. The material or other reply should be in our hands by Friday preceding the service.

Thank you.

Very truly yours

Janet O'Daniel

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
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DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

16 November 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
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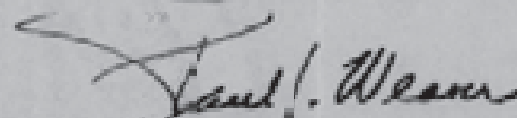
Dear Rabbi Silver

Do you care to suggest a hymn which would be appropriate for the point just before the sermon, for the service in the Sage Chapel on Sunday the 3rd of December?

We usually choose the processional and recessional hymns ourselves, but shall be glad to be guided by your wishes if you care to indicate appropriate subject matter for these two hymns.

I shall greatly appreciate a message from you by Monday the 27th of November; our program must go to the printer on that day.

Sincerely


Paul J. Weaver

PJW:hr

November 20, 1939

Mr. Paul J. Weaver
Department of Music
Cornell University
Ithaca, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Weaver:

Any non-sectarian hymn which you would
select would be perfectly agreeable to me.

I shall speak on the subject: WHAT RELIGION
CAN OFFER A WAR TORN WORLD

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

November 24, 1939

Miss Janet O'Daniel
The Ithaca Journal
Ithaca, N.Y.

My dear Miss O'Daniel:

I am to speak at the Sage Chapel services
not on November 26, but on December 3.

The subject of my address will be:
WHAT CAN RELIGION OFFER A WAR-TORN CIVILIZATION?
I am enclosing herewith a brief abstract of the
address.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BK
Enc.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

The Secretary

*Publishing Office
of the University*

27 Morrill Hall, Ithaca, New York

November 24, 1939.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Will you be coming on Friday, or as early as Saturday morning, for your visit to Cornell as the Sage Chapel Preacher of Sunday, December 3? Will you please let me know? A message received by Friday afternoon would be very much appreciated.

I shall be reserving for you the quarters in Willard Straight Hall which are regularly assigned to the visiting preacher. They will be put at your service as early and for as long a time as you wish, but a word in advance would be appreciated because rooms in the Hall are always in demand and the management will look to me for your reservation.

You will be met at the station by a representative of this office if you will let me know the hour of your arrival.

Your quarters in Straight Hall, two rooms and bath, are intended to afford you freedom and privacy as well as comfort. The Hall is the University's social and recreational center for students and faculty. It contains dining rooms and rooms for reading or conversation.

You will find in your quarters a printed and framed card of information about the hours of meals in the several dining rooms, and you can learn where those rooms are by inquiring at the desk in the main lobby. You may, if you prefer, have meals served in your own room.

You are to be the University's guest in Straight Hall. When a bill is presented for a meal please sign it and hand it to the cashier. Gratuities are not expected or received by anybody working in the Hall.

Willard Straight Hall, will be your address for letters or telegrams.

Yours sincerely,

Woodford Patterson
Woodford Patterson,
Secretary of the University.

November 30, 1939

Mr. Woodford Patterson, Secretary
Cornell University
27 Morrill Hall
Ithaca, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Patterson:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of November 24 and for the information which it contains. My present plans are to arrive in Ithaca late Saturday night, around eleven p.m. from Buffalo. I will go straight to the rooms which you have kindly reserved for me in the Willard Straight Hall. Please do not bother to have any representative meet me at the train.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

CORNELL UNIVERSITY
ITHACA, NEW YORK

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

March 8, 1943

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In behalf of the Trustees and Faculty, I have the honor to invite you to preach to the students and other members of Cornell University on Sunday, February 13, 1944.

You well know our plan here: the morning service in Sage Chapel at eleven o'clock with entire liberty left to each of the University Preachers in its conduct and in his choice of sermon topic; your entertainment as the guest of the University in Willard Straight Hall; the honorarium of one hundred dollars.

Your contribution to the Sage series is greatly appreciated always. I trust we may look forward to your coming again in 1944.

Sincerely yours,

Edmund Day

Jan. 9-16

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

March 12, 1943

Dr. Edmund E. Day, President
Cornell University
Ithaca, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Day:

Thank you for your kind letter and for your invitation to preach in the Sage Chapel of Cornell. I always enjoy the experience of Sunday morning services at the University, and I should like to come. Unfortunately I cannot come on February 13th. The Temple holds its annual Father-Son -- Mother-Daughter banquets on that day, the Sunday nearest to Lincoln's birthday. I would be free to come either on January 9th or on January 16th, or some Sunday in April.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

ITHACA, NEW YORK

March 17, 1943

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Many thanks for your letter of March 12th. I am happy to report that the date of Sunday, January 9, 1944, is clear on the Sage list. It is with a great deal of satisfaction that I put you down definitely for a Cornell visit on that Sunday.

Sincerely yours,

Edmund Day

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Ansel Road
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September 1, 1943

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are glad to know that you are planning to be at Sage Chapel, Cornell University on January 9, 1944. We are looking forward to hearing you.

As you may know, it has been our custom to have an informal Sunday afternoon or evening meeting of some Cornell students with those Sage Chapel preachers who find it possible to stay with us. Since most of the ministers leave on the night train, they find it convenient to join with this group of students for an informal discussion. The purpose is far more than to have just another meeting. During these critical days, we feel the need of clarifying our convictions for the days ahead through discussion with men like yourself.

The meeting is an informal one either in a faculty home or the living room of some large student center. If the meeting is in the evening, simple refreshments are served. The informality of the occasion and opportunity for questions, make it a very fruitful experience.

We shall appreciate your joining us on the Sunday afternoon or evening of your visit. We hope it will be possible to include this in your plans, and we shall be glad to hear from you to that effect.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Gillett

Ruth Gillett
For Sage Chapel Associates

September 9, 1948

Miss Ruth Gillett
Cornell United Religious Work
Cornell University
Barnes Hall
Ithaca, N.Y.

My dear Miss Gillett:

Thank you for your kind note of September 1. I do not know at the moment what my plans are for January 9, whether I will be able to remain over for the afternoon or evening. I know that my schedule for the coming season will be a very crowded one and I may have to leave Ithaca right after the morning services at Sage Chapel. If I am free to remain over, I am sure that it will give me great pleasure to meet with your group. I will, however, not know my program until close to the date of my visit. Please write to me then.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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October 2, 1943

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Miss Gillett has asked me to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter of September 9, in which you indicated the uncertainty of staying over in the evening.

If you are going back to Cleveland, the train leaves at 6:40 p.m. In case you are going to New York, the train leaves either at 12:58 p.m. or 11:45 p.m. Unless you are going to New York on the 12:58, we would like to arrange a meeting with you in the late afternoon, possibly in conjunction with the Hillel Foundation. We would like to resume the custom of having the Sage preacher meet with those interested for one-half hour following the sermon to discuss any matters of interest especially those that might have come to their minds as a result of your sermon. This will not interfere with taking any train you wish; unless you have objections we will plan on the one-half hour.

It will be fine to have you with us. Although I have been here for four years only, I have heard a number of people speak of your visit here in the past. They will join me in the anticipation of a good sermon.

Very sincerely yours,

W. W. Mendenhall
W. W. Mendenhall
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November 11, 1943

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

It is with extremely great pleasure that we not your appearance on the Cornell campus as Sage Chapel preacher scheduled for the morning of Sunday, January 9, 1944.

We have an unusually large Jewish student body, civilian and military, at Cornell this year vitally interested in Jewish, and particularly, in Zionist affairs. Would you honor us by attending a reception that Sunday afternoon to be tendered by the Hillel Foundation at which you would lead a discussion on Jewish and Zionist affairs. As you surely realize, college youth represents our leadership of the future, and it is through inspiring contacts with the leaders of the present, that this future can be best assured.

With best wishes for the success of your labors for world Jewry, we remain,

Sincerely yours,

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November 12, 1943

Rabbi Avraham Soltes, Director
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

My dear Rabbi Soltes:

Some time ago I received a letter from Mr. Mendenhall, director of the Cornell United Religious Work, asking me to meet with that group also in the late afternoon, possibly in conjunction with the Hillel Foundation. I suggest that you get in touch with Mr. Mendenhall and arrange for a joint meeting. I shall have to leave Ithaca around 6:00 in the afternoon.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

AHS:DB

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THE ITHACA JOURNAL

Ithaca Journal-News, Inc., Publisher

ITHACA, NEW YORK

November 23, 1943

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

The Temple, East 105th St. at Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

We understand that you are to be the speaker at the Sage Chapel services at Cornell University Sunday, Jan. 9, 1944.

It is our practice to publish each Monday a report of the sermon at the chapel. Would it be possible for you to send us in advance an abstract of four or five hundred words or a copy of the entire sermon? Such a resumé or copy from you would help us greatly and would insure the accuracy of our article.

Your assistance will be much appreciated. The material or other reply should be in our hands by Friday preceding the service. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Elizabeth Boyle Rogers

(Mrs. Arthur B. Rogers)

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November 30, 1943

RABBI AVRAHAM SOLTES

Director

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have spoken to Mr. Mendelhall regarding your schedule during your day at Cornell, January 9th. It will be (with your approval) approximately as follows:

The Sage Chapel Service is completed at 12:00 after which there is a forum of about one-half hour's duration at which members of the congregation will have an opportunity to ask you questions. Mr. Mendelhall's second forum takes place at 4:00 p.m. We will arrange for your dinner at one of the Jewish fraternity or sorority houses at 1:00 p.m., and follow the dinner with a discussion of Jewish problems, preferably Zionism, with the Jewish students.

I hope that this schedule will not be too heavy and that you will find it possible to accept it.

Very sincerely yours,

HILLEL FOUNDATION

Avraham Soltes

Rabbi Avraham Soltes
Director

AS:rla

December 2, 1943

Rabbi Avraham Soltes, Director
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
Barnes Hall
Cornell University
Ithaca, N.Y.

My dear Rabbi Soltes:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter
of November 30.

I note that you have arranged for four
meetings or discussion groups for me on January 9.
I regret very much that I cannot accept that schedule.
I have not been entirely well. I have been traveling a
great deal these last few months and cannot subject
myself to that kind of intensive program. I can give the
group only one additional discussion period over and
above the Chapel address. I would suggest that you
arrange with Mr. Mendelhall for that forum.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

B'NAI B'RITH HILLEL FOUNDATION

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December 15, 1943

RABBI AVRAHAM SOLTES
Director

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

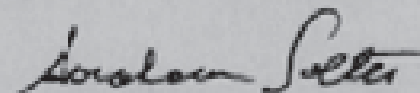
Thank you very much for your prompt reply to my letter of November 30th. I realized that the schedule might appear to be heavy and that you undoubtedly have been heavily engaged during the past months, therefore I presented it in a tentative fashion. I am sorry to learn that you have not been entirely well and I hope that for your own sake, as well as that of the causes to which you are devoted, you will be spared any lapses from good health.

Although I had hoped it might be possible to spend some time on January 9th with the Jewish student group as such, I have arranged instead with Mr. Mendelhall for the Public Affairs Forum, at which you will lead a discussion, to deal with the British White Paper concerning Palestine.

Mrs. Soltes and I will be very happy to have you as our guest for dinner on that afternoon between the Sage Chapel sermon and the afternoon Forum, and hope that you will be able to find some relaxation during those hours. If I can be of any further help in easing your stay in Ithaca, your coming or your departure, please feel free to call upon me. With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

HILLEL FOUNDATION



Rabbi Avraham Soltes
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22 December 1932

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Rabbi Silver

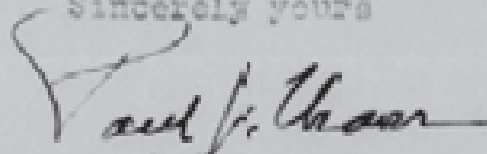
May we please have your suggestions as to the order of worship and desirable hymns for the service at the Sage Chapel on Sunday, 9 January. We enclose a copy of the order which is usually used by the preachers from the various Protestant denominations. Some rabbis who have preached in the Chapel have made slight adaptations of this order, while some have changed it radically. You are completely free to do whatever you wish with it.

The physical conditions in the Chapel practically force us to have processional and recessional hymns, which we normally choose ourselves. You may wish to suggest one or more other hymns to be sung during the course of the service. Of course, we realize that the processional and recessional should avoid christological significance.

The choir usually sings an anthem with a rather short response after the prayer. This also can be changed if you wish.

Because of our limited rehearsal periods with the choir, and because of our difficulties with the local printer, it would be very helpful indeed if you could have your suggestions in our hands by Wednesday, the 29th of this month. That would give Mr. Kuypers, the director of the choir, and Mr. Gore, the University organist, an opportunity to make definite plans prior to the rehearsal held the next day.

Sincerely yours


Paul J. Weaver

PJW:ES

Enc.

December 29, 1943

Mrs. Arthur B. Rogers
The Ithaca Journal
Ithaca, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Rogers:

I am enclosing herewith some paragraphs from the sermon which I am to preach at the Sage Chapel on Sunday, January 9. I trust that you will find them satisfactory.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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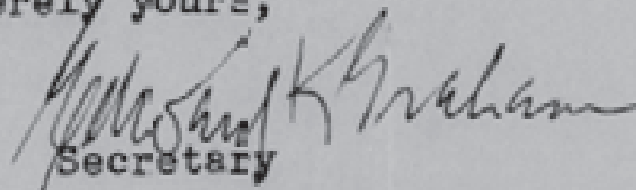
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December 30, 1943

My dear Rabbi Silver:

We are looking forward to your return here as Sage Chapel preacher of Sunday, January 9, and I plan to reserve quarters for you in Willard Straight. Bills presented for your meals should be signed and turned over to the cashier. We want you to feel free, of course, to consult your own convenience in arranging your schedule. The management of Willard Straight Hall will look to me for your reservation, however, and so I trust that you will let me know your plans within the next few days. Someone from this office will meet you at the station. Again, I want you to know that there is a warm welcome for you here.

Sincerely yours,


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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
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CORNELL UNIVERSITY

ITHACA, NEW YORK

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

March 8, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Center
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

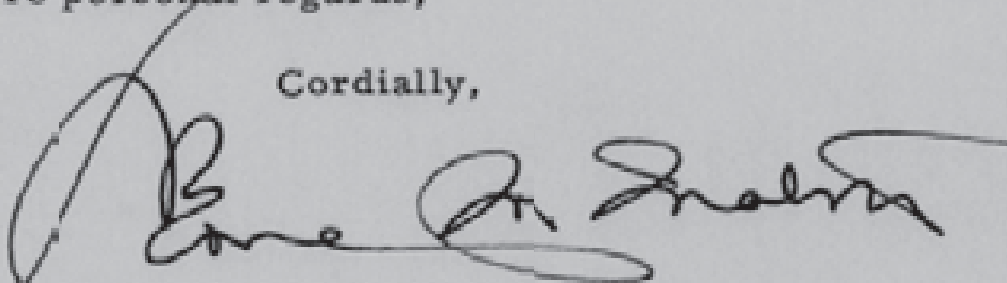
Once again, on behalf of our Trustees and Faculty, I have the honor to invite you to preach in Sage Chapel during the academic year 1957-58. Would Sunday January 12, 1958 be a convenient date for you? Should that particular time not seem to fit into your schedule, could you suggest another date during the year when you might be able to be with us? As you know, we have the morning service in the Chapel at eleven o'clock and while you are here, you will be our guest at Willard Straight Hall. The honorarium is \$125.

We want your visit to our campus to be as pleasant for you and as rewarding for our students as possible. With that in mind, it would mean much to our Cornell United Religious Work, if your schedule would permit you to remain with us through Sunday evening to meet with one of our religious groups. This would give you a more intimate acquaintance with the religious life on the campus and would give our students and chaplains an additional opportunity to share in your ministry. If you can and would like to do this, please let me know and one of our chaplains will be in touch with you immediately.

Please be assured, however, that our primary interest is to have you preach in Sage Chapel and your acceptance of this additional assignment depends entirely on your wishes and availability.

With sincere personal regards,

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Deane W. Malott". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "M".

Deane W. Malott

DWM:b

March 15, 1957

Deane W. Malott, President
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

My dear President Malott:

Thank you so much for your kind letter of March 8th and for your gracious invitation to preach at the Sage Chapel again. I appreciate the opportunity to be on the Campus of Cornell again and I shall make every effort to be with you on Sunday morning, January 12, 1958.

If possible I will stay over through Sunday evening. I will know better as we get closer to the date, whether it will be possible for me to remain through the evening and to meet with one of your religious groups.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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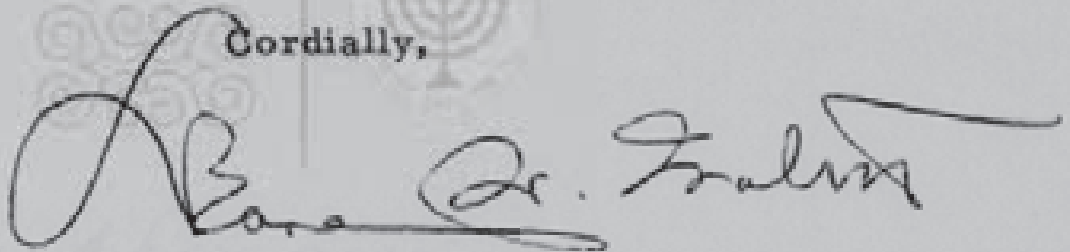
March 22, 1957

My dear Dr. Silver:

I do appreciate your willingness to come to Cornell on January 12, 1958, and we shall all be looking forward to your visit to Sage Chapel on that date.

With best personal wishes,

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Deane W. Malott". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Deane W. Malott

DWM:jb

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AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY AND ITHACA COLLEGE



ANABEL TAYLOR HALL
ITHACA, N. Y.

RABBI MORRIS GOLDFARB
DIRECTOR

May 3, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Center
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am delighted to learn that you will be the Sage Chapel preacher for Sunday, January 12, 1958. We would be greatly honored and privileged if you would speak to a Hillel audience on that Sunday evening. It is important for the leaders of the future Jewish community to have the opportunity of meeting with you and hearing discussed some aspects of Jewish thought and life in as stimulating and provocative a manner as only you can provide.

I earnestly hope that your reply will be in the affirmative. Further details of topic, time and place can be arranged later.

Sincerely yours,

Morris Goldfarb
Rabbi Morris Goldfarb.

MG:z

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY AND ITHACA COLLEGE



ANABEL TAYLOR HALL
ITHACA, N. Y.

RABBI MORRIS GOLDFARB
DIRECTOR

May 30, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I wrote to you on May 3 regarding your visit to Cornell on January 12, 1958 with the hope that you will be able to speak to our group that evening. I realize that you have many other obligations and this may seem to be off in the distant future. However, it would be helpful to us in preparing our program for next semester if we could have your reply. I am hopeful that it will be in the affirmative.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Morris Goldfarb".

Rabbi Morris Goldfarb

MG:z

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY AND ITHACA COLLEGE



ANABEL TAYLOR HALL
ITHACA, N. Y.

RABBI MORRIS GOLDFARB
DIRECTOR

July 31, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have been trying to get in touch with you since May 3. This is the third letter that I have sent and I trust that it reaches your desk.

We are anxious to have you speak to our Hillel group on the Sunday evening of January 12, 1958 when you are scheduled to speak at Sage Chapel of Cornell. It would be a privilege to have you with us and speak to an audience of young maturing leaders of the future of American Jewish life who should meet and know you.

I trust that we will have an affirmative answer in the very near future so that we can complete our plans for the Fall semester.

Sincerely yours,

Morris Goldfarb
Rabbi Morris Goldfarb

MG:z

August 5, 1957

Rabbi Morris Goldfarb
B'nai B'rith Hallel Foundation
at Cornell University and Ithaca College
Anabel Taylor Hall
Ithaca, New York

Dear Rabbi Goldfarb:

Thank you for your letter of July 31st which I am taking the liberty of acknowledging in Dr. Silver's absence from the country.

When Dr. Silver returns (the beginning of September) I shall be pleased to see that your letter receives his immediate attention.

Yours very truly,

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Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

September 4, 1957

Rabbi Morris Goldfarb, Director
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
Anabel Taylor Hall
Ithaca, New York

My dear Rabbi Goldfarb:

Upon my return from Europe I found your letter. I shall be pleased to be with the Hillel group on the evening of the Sunday that I am scheduled to speak at the Sage Chapel, if the arrangements are satisfactory with the authorities of the Sage Chapel.

I shall speak on my book WHERE JUDAISM DIFFERED and I would appreciate if you would have some copies available.

With warmest regards and all good wishes for the New Year, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:sl

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY AND ITHACA COLLEGE



ANABEL TAYLOR HALL
ITHACA, N. Y.

RABBI MORRIS GOLDFARB
DIRECTOR

October 8, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105 St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am very pleased that you will speak to our Hillel group on Sunday evening, January 12. The arrangements are satisfactory to the Sage Chapel authorities and it is very likely that there will be a goodly number of non-Jews in the audience.

We will arrange to have a number of copies of "Where Judaism Differed" available for possible sale to the audience.

Best wishes for a healthy and happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Rabbi Morris Goldfarb

MG:2



Phi Sigma Delta
CORNELL UNIVERSITY
640 STEWART AVENUE
ITHACA, NEW YORK

Dear Rabbi Silver,

We have been informed that you will be at Cornell University on the 12th of January. If it is convenient for you, we of Phi Sigma Delta would be very honored if you would visit our fraternity after your sermon at Sage Chapel.

We would like to invite you to lunch and we were hoping that you could spend part of your afternoon in a discussion with some of our members and some members of a nearby sorority.

Yours truly,

Jack Karp

Master Frater
of Phi Sigma Delta

November 4, 1957

Mr. Jack Karp
Master Prater of Phi Sigma Delta
Phi Sigma Delta
Cornell University
640 Stewart Avenue
Ithaca, New York

My dear Mr. Karp:

I greatly appreciate your gracious invitation to have lunch with the members of your Fraternity on the occasion of my visit to Sage Chapel and also to participate in a discussion in the afternoon.

I already have accepted an invitation from Hillel to be its guest that evening and I feel that two functions in one day is all that I can undertake. I shall be most happy to meet you and your friends at the Chapel Service in the morning or at the Hillel meeting in the evening.

With warmest regards and thanking you again for your thoughtfulness in inviting me, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:sl

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

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ANABEL TAYLOR HALL
ITHACA, N. Y.

RABBI MORRIS GOLDFARB
DIRECTOR

December 12, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105 St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are preparing our publicity material for your forthcoming visit to Cornell, and it would be most helpful if we could obtain some biographical information.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely yours,

Gladys B. Zatzkis

Mrs. Gladys B. Zatzkis
Administrative Assistant

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WILLARD STRAIGHT HALL
CORNELL UNIVERSITY

ITHACA, NEW YORK

December 16, 1957.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Center
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

The Campus Relations Committee of Willard Straight Hall cordially invites you to attend an "After Chapel Coffee Hour" to be held in the East Lounge of Willard Straight Hall on Sunday, January 12, 1958, immediately following the service.

We feel that this hour between noon and 1 p.m. might be an opportune time for Cornellians and distinguished guests to have a chance to meet and talk informally.

We realize that your time schedule, while at Cornell may already be limited, but we hope you will be able to join us.

Sincerely yours,
Dick Samuels

Lanie Meresman

Dick Samuels
Lanie Meresman
Campus Relations Committee

Campus Relations Committee
WILLARD STRAIGHT HALL

Cornell University
ITHACA, N. Y.

December 17, 1957

Mrs. Gladys B. Zatzkis
Administrative Assistant
B'nai B'rith Hyllel Foundation
Cornell University
Anabel Taylor Hall
Ithaca, New York

My dear Mrs. Zatzkis:

Rabbi Silver has asked that I send to you the enclosed biographical material and glossy print for your use in publicizing his visit with you on January 12th, 1958.

I extend my best wishes for a successful and enjoyable evening.

Sincerely,

Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

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B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY AND ITHACA COLLEGE



ANABEL TAYLOR HALL
ITHACA, N. Y.

RABBI MORRIS GOLDFARB
DIRECTOR

December 20, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105 Street at Angel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We look forward to your visit with great anticipation. I am enclosing a copy of the order of the service of Sage Chapel which might give you an idea as to the format and the responsibilities in conducting the service. It is the practice in Sage Chapel to have the Preacher lead the congregation in worship as well. If you have any particular questions, please do not hesitate to write.

There are two other matters with which I hope you will be able to favor us with your assistance. One is that I would like to have an informal meeting with a number of faculty people at which time I would like to have you speak on the general situation of Israel and its relationship to American foreign policy. During the past semester there have been a number of speakers brought by the Arab Club that have caused a bit of stir on the campus. Among the speakers were Alfred Lilienthal, who happens to be a Cornell alumnus, and Dr. Fayer A. Sayegh, the Acting Director of the Arab States Delegation to the United Nations. Lilienthal had a very large turnout primarily because of the goodly number of Jewish students who came out of curiosity and mainly to heckle. Nevertheless there are some influential members of the faculty who indicated agreement with his views. Dr. Sayegh, who in my opinion is the ablest speaker for the Arab viewpoint, did not have a very large turnout but was effective with a number of influential University people. I think it is important that we have a person like yourself to speak to a university audience and to try to correct some of the misinformation.

The other matter relates to the Jewish Chautauqua Society which has recently contributed about thirty books to the library of Cornell United Religious Work. Would it be possible for you to act on their behalf in officially presenting these to the library? All that would be required would be a brief statement and acceptance by the Director of Cornell United Religious Work, Dr. Glenn A. Olds. This can be done very easily at a reception which we will have immediately after your talk. We have a number of copies of your book and individuals might wish to purchase copies then for your autograph. An appropriate announcement

2. - Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

December 20, 1957

to this effect will be made by our Chairman.

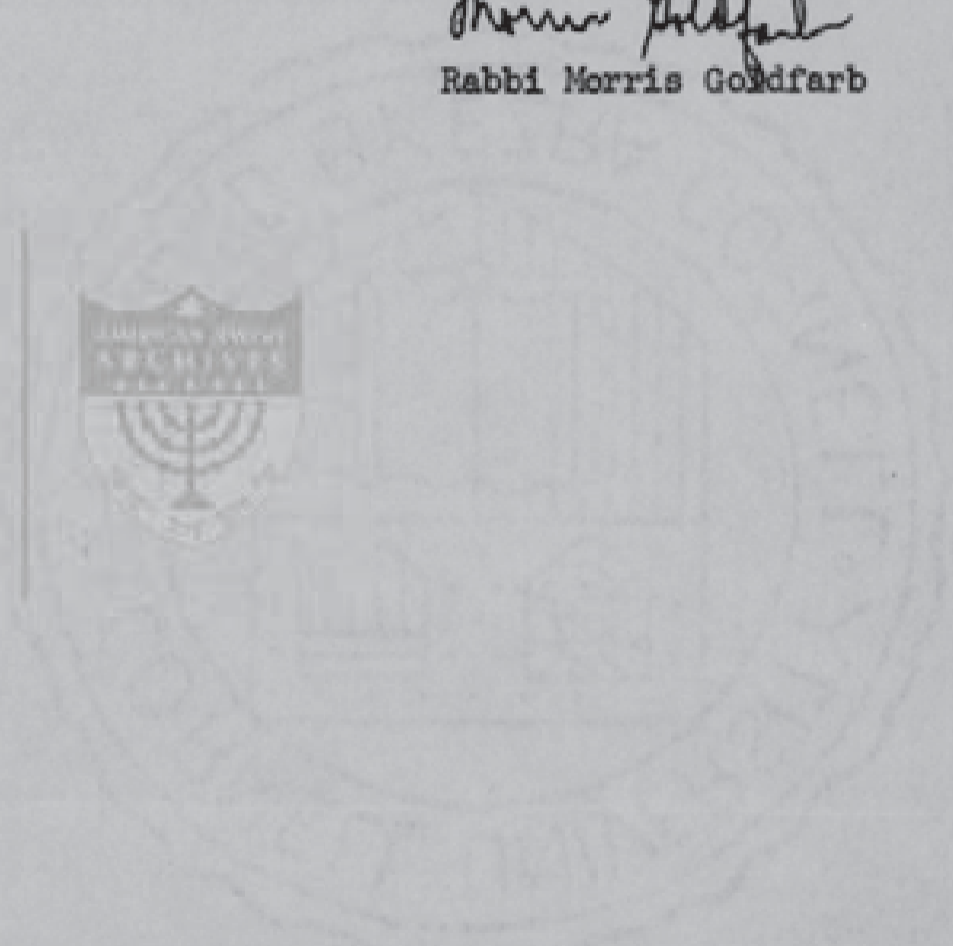
I realize this entails a heavy schedule, but I trust it will not be too great a burden upon you. I will appreciate your letting me know what your plans for arrival and departure are.

I look forward to the pleasure of greeting you personally.

Sincerely yours,

Morris Goldfarb
Rabbi Morris Goldfarb

MG:z



December 23, 1957

Rabbi Morris Goldfarb
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
Cornell University and Ithaca College
Anabel Taylor Hall
Ithaca, New York

My dear Rabbi Goldfarb:

Thank you for your letter of December 20th.

I should like to have the informal meeting with the faculty people which you suggest as well as the presentation of the Jewish Chautauqua Society books. I must, however, forego these events because I should like to conserve my strength a bit. Speaking twice in one day is really quite enough for me, especially, since early the next morning I am to speak in Rochester.

I have also received an invitation from the Campus Relations Committee of Willard Straight Hall to attend an "After Chapel Coffee Hour". I would appreciate it if you will let me know how important this gathering is as I should like to forego that too.

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

Most cordially yours,

AHS:sl

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

P.S. In making up a travel schedule to Ithaca, I find that it is somewhat out of the way to reach by plane. I can leave Cleveland on Saturday at 5:25 P.M. and arrive in Rochester at 6:35 P.M. but there seems to be no plane from there to Ithaca. Can arrangements be made for someone to pick me up and drive me to Ithaca? Is there perhaps satisfactory bus transportation that you can recommend?

A.H.S.

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY AND ITHACA COLLEGE



ANABEL TAYLOR HALL
ITHACA, N. Y.

RABBI MORRIS GOLDFARB
DIRECTOR

January 13, 1958

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105 Street
Cleveland 5, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are deeply grateful to you for your stimulating talk to our group. I am sure that the interest generated at the meeting last night is sufficient reward for any effort expended. You presented a great deal of material for students to ponder over and the effects of your visit will be felt for quite some time.

It was a deep personal pleasure to meet with you and I trust we will have the opportunity of having you with us again in the near future.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

Morris Goldfarb
Rabbi Morris Goldfarb

MG:sz

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY AND ITHACA COLLEGE



ANABEL TAYLOR HALL
ITHACA, N. Y.

RABBI MORRIS GOLDFARB
DIRECTOR

Jan. 2, 1958

Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with your wish, we will not schedule any other meetings on your visit to Cornell on Jan 12 other than the previous arranged schedule. Your talk for the evening on "Where Judaism Differs" is set for 8 p.m.

If it is all possible, I would suggest you join the students for the "After Chapel coffee hour". It gives an opportunity to a number of students of speaking informally with the Sage Chapel preacher + usually questioning + commenting upon the sermon. It might provide you with a better view as to the view + attitudes of the present generation of college students.

I have been asked by the Sage Chapel Choir director to inform you that 2 changes have been made in the order of the service. The Lord's prayer is omitted as well as the Shema Cantic.

I regret the difficulty in travel schedule. A bus leaves from Rochester at 8:45 p.m. which arrives in Ithaca at 11:37 p.m. If I can arrange for a car to bring you to Ithaca, I shall call you. Otherwise, it might be possible to make train connections with the Lehigh R. R. at Buffalo or at Rochester Junction (12 miles from Rochester proper) the train leaves Buffalo at 8:50 p.m. - Rochester Junction at 10:04 arriving in Ithaca at 11:30 p.m.

I look forward to the pleasure of meeting you in Ithaca.
Morris Goldfarb

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January 3, 1958

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Center
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

How delighted we are that you are to be our Sage Chapel preacher on Sunday, January 12. We are eager that your visit be as pleasant as possible and we invite your help in completing preliminary arrangements.

As the enclosed memorandum indicates, we would appreciate early word concerning your schedule of arrival and departure in order that we may plan to meet you and make room reservations in Willard Straight Hall.

It is customary for our president to read the scripture lesson each Sunday. In addition, our director of music is eager to select music appropriate to your message. Would you be good enough to indicate on the enclosed card, scripture lesson and sermon topic in order to give time to those responsible to adequately prepare for the service.

You may like to know that a preacher's gown is provided so that you need not bring your own unless you prefer to do so. Should you wish any further information concerning your visit to our campus, please feel free to write me. We all look eagerly to hearing you.

Cordially yours,

Glenn Olds

Glenn A. Olds
Director

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