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Elyria, Ohio, 1918-1950.

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Elyria Chamber of Commerce

(INCORPORATED)

E. JAY HOWENSTINE, Sec'y-Manager

Member of Chamber of Commerce of United States
Member of National Association of Commercial Executives
Member of Ohio Commercial Secretaries' Association

ELYRIA, OHIO

September 6th,

1918

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Cleveland, O.

My dear Sir:

We would like to ask if you will extend us the courtesy of addressing our Chamber of Commerce at the monthly dinner the first or second week in October at 6:30 o'clock in the evening, any day in these two weeks that may suit your convenience.

The membership of this Organization are very anxious and desirous of hearing you speak on some subject relative to your experiences abroad. We sincerely trust that you will be able to be with us next month.

Thanking you for a prompt reply to this matter; we beg to remain,

Yours truly,

E. Jay Howenstine
Secretary,
THE ELYRIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

P. S. Will you please state the terms on which you will come to Elyria?

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C O P Y .

September 11th, 1918

Mr. E. Jay Howenstine
Secy. Elyria Chamber of Commerce
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Howenstine,

Replying to your letter of the sixth instant, I think I may be able to address the Elyria Chamber of Commerce some day during the period you mention. My fee would be fifty dollars.

If this be satisfactory to you, kindly let me know as soon as possible, so that I may plan accordingly.

Very truly yours,

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RABBI A H SILVER

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THE TEMPLE CLEVELAND O

UPON YOUR KIND SUGGESTION ABOUT NOVEMBER VISIT TO ELYRIA WILL YOU
ADDRESS VICTORY SERVICE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH FOUR OCLOCK
NEXT SUNDAY AFTERNOON AS SPOKESMAN OF THE CITIES JOY AND THANKSGIVING
SHALL WE SEND AUTOMOBILE FOR YOU SINCERELY AND EAGERLY HOPE YOU CAN
RENDER THIS GREAT SERVICE TO ELYRIA WIRE COLLECT

REV J H GRANT

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OVER

Reply.

Rabbi Silver on Lecture tour in West.
Will not return for ten days.
Francis N. Jones, Secy.

W. R. H. S.



First Congregational Church
Elyria, Ohio

REV. JOHN H. GRANT, MINISTER

July 13.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

You were so very good
last October to tell me in your
study at the Temple, that you antic-
ipated seeing Elyria at a little
close view ~~on Monday~~ and that you
would try to ~~arrange~~ to speak for
me at our Sunday afternoon Com-
munity Service in the near future.
I have by no means forgotten your
gratifying attitude on this matter.
Have you July 23 for an open
date, at 4 o'clock, and an
address on a Patriotic or League

of elevations, or reconstruction or
Americanization theme, which you
could bring to our community,
sparing yourself. I should hope, the
necessity of preparing something entirely
new? A very delighted audience
of a thousand - there is no person to
believe - would fill the church
and adjoining church school room
to hear you.

In spite of your demuror at
the time of our conversation, I
should like to beg your acceptance
of the moderate honorarium
of twenty-five dollars.

A desirable way of making
the trip would be by your own

Baltimore Md.

Cordially and Hopefully Yours.

J. H. Smith



February 20th, 1919

Rev. John H. Grant,
First Congregational Church,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Rev. Grant,

I trust you will pardon my delay in answering your kind letter of the thirteenth. February 23rd was out of the question entirely. I could give you March 13th or 20th, if either of these dates would fall in with your plans. Please let me know at your early convenience and I will arrange to be with you, unless the unforeseen occur.

I thank you very much for the kind courtesy of your invitation and hope I may ~~anyway~~ have the pleasure of meeting you again in the near future.

Very sincerely yours,

First Congregational Church

Elyria, Ohio

REV. JOHN H. GRANT, Minister

July 21. 1909.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Your very kind letter is at hand.

*March 13 and 20, the proposed dates, are both
Thursdays - which is the Prayer Service of the
various Elyria Churches, whereas I was desir-
ous of making for you a community meeting*

at some day and hour when there are not
conflicting services. Which explains my first
choice of Sunday afternoon in March, if Feb'y
23 should not be available. I am loath to
turn an adverse ear to any ~~of~~ ⁱⁿ name - but
I think the part of good judgment is to save
you for some bigger occasion in Egypt than
a Thursday evening would afford. No hat doubt
that I will bring up this agreeable subject
with you again. Very cordially, J. H. Grant.

COURT OF APPEALS
NINTH APPELLATE DISTRICT OF OHIO

JUDGES

CLARENCE S. WASHBURN, ELYRIA,
PRESIDING JUDGE
PHILIP B. TREASH, AKRON
WM. E. PARDEE, AKRON

Elyria, Ohio.

December 31, 1921.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

I presume our mutual friend, Joseph Klein, has spoken to you about the possibility of your being able to arrange to have supper with the Men's Club of the First Congregational Church, of Elyria, at 6:30, Friday evening, January 13, 1922, and to address the men on any subject you may care to present.

The men of this Club recall with a great deal of pleasure an address by your predecessor, the late lamented Rabbi Griese, and the same intense interest with which the address of Rabbi Griese was received will, I am sure, attend any utterances of yours.

Your address would immediately follow the supper and you would be in close contact with the men around the tables, and there would be an attendance of about 150 men representing all lines of business and professional endeavor in our city.

Mr. Klein has told me that he will drive you out and return you home safely and in good season.

It will greatly please all the members of the Club and especially myself if you can find it convenient to accept our invitation to visit Elyria on January 13th, and I can assure you in advance of a very cordial reception and attentive hearing.

Trusting to hear favorably from you in the near future, I am,

Very respectfully yours.

C. G. Washburn

Chairman.

JOSEPH J. KLEIN
GEORGE B. HARRIS
THOMAS S. DUNLAP
ALBERT D. MULLIGAN
S.Y. ALLEN

Law Offices of
Klein and Harris
1102-1103 Engineers Building
Cleveland

January 3rd, 1922.

Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
E. 55th St.
City

My dear Rabbi Silver:

My very good friend, Hon. C. G. Washburn, judge of the Court of Appeals, who is a resident of Elyria, has asked me to get in touch with you to find out whether you would be willing to address their men's club at the First Congregational Church at Elyria on Friday, January 13th. I tried to reach you by 'phone, but you were out of the city. I told the judge to write you in person so that you would have the date and the date in front of you to prevent any possible mix-up. However, I added that I would also get in touch with you either in person or otherwise.

They are very anxious to have the benefit of an address by you, and are looking forward to it as a real privilege.

The plan, as I understand it, is that they would have a dinner first. After the dinner they would allow ladies and non-members of the club to listen to the speaking.

I sincerely hope that you can make it. I know it would be thoroughly appreciated.

Cordially and sincerely yours,

Joseph J. Klein

JJK:S

P.S.

They would be willing to make any arrangements that suitable or agreeable.

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FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

ELYRIA, OHIO

REV. JOHN H. GRANT, Minister

Jan'y 5.

Rabbi A. H. Selom
Cleveland

My dear Rabbi Selom:

Learning that an invitation
is being pressed upon you to come to
Elyria to address our men next week,

I am writing this brief line that you may
know how very cordial is my interest
in your acceptance, if you can so arrange
it; and how delighted we shall all be
to hear you speak - fulfilling a hope
which, you have reason to know, I have
entertained for a long time.

This requires no answer. Do not
consider adding to your busy day a
single extra letter - With highest regards.

Wm. Brewster

January 8th, 1922.

Judge C. G. Washburn,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Judge,

Permit me to thank you for your invitation to address the Men's Club of the First Congregational Church of Elyria, on Friday, January 13th. I wish I were in a position to accept your invitation. Unfortunately I cannot leave Cleveland on a Friday, in as much as we have our services that evening in conjunction with a Forum. Perhaps at some future time when you have a scheduled meeting during the week, I may be able to see my way clear to come.

Thanking you again, I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

**JIM ARMITAGE
HIMSELF**

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COMMERCIAL SIGNS
SHOW CARDS

ELYRIA, OHIO Jan. 7, 1922.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Rev. and dear Sir:-

Am arranging a program
of speaking at the Elyria Kiwanis Club
Thursday dinners, and would greatly appreciate
having you with us, any Thursday noon this
year.

If you have any open
dates in the near future, we are more than
anxious to have you with us. Will you, or
your secretary, kindly get in touch with me.

Very Respectfully,

Jim Armitage
Chairman of Program Committee.

January 11th, 1932.

Mr. Jim Armitage,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Armitage,

Permit me to thank you for your kind invitation to address the Elyria Kiwanis Club. I wish I were in a position to accept it. Unfortunately the number of lecture engagements that I have for the next few months is so great that in justice to myself, I cannot accept any more. I shall be happy to be of service to you at some future time.

With kindest regards, I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Elyria

The Weinberg-Billstein Co.

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Cleveland, O.

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Feb. 18, 1922

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
c/o The Temple,
E. 55th St. & Central Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:-

The writer, a member of your congregation has been requested by the First Congregational Church of Elyria, to get in touch with you relative to your addressing the club of this church on the 14th of April.

If you will remember, Judge Washburn of Elyria talked to you relative to this matter but unfortunately you could not go at the time that they wanted you.

If you will kindly get in touch with Mr. A. L. Werner, Chairman, of Elyria, Ohio and advise him as to whether or not you can attend at the time stated above, it will be very much appreciated.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

J. H. Weinberg

JW:RF

Telephoned Mr. Weinberg.

Rabbi Silver is very much over-burdened with lectures in the interest of War Relief and the pressure of official duties and will find it impossible to accept any further engagements to speak during the next three months, at least.

PHONE 1660



LUNA LODGE NO. 1003

SECOND FLOOR GOLDBERG BUILDING

ELYRIA, OHIO

Feb 27 1922.

Rabbi Silver,
Cleveland,
Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:-

Remembering our conversation I am now asking
if you can give me a fixed date for your coming to Elyria.
The next two Sundays are provided for. Could you come ~~the~~
Sunday March ~~19~~ 19, 3 p.m.? or March 26th?

If these dates are not avail~~able~~ name some date in April.

Thanking you in advance, I am yours truly,

R.B. Whitehead, Secy Open Forum,
P.O. Bx 309

March Third, 1922

Mr. R. B. Whitehead,
Secy. Open Forum,
P.O. Box 309, Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Whitehead,

I regret exceedingly to advise you that it will be absolutely impossible for me to accept your kind invitation to speak. I am now very much over-burdened with speaking engagements and in justice to myself I am forced to refrain from accepting any additional obligations for the balance of this season.

Perhaps at some future time I may be able to serve you, should you still desire to have me.

Very sincerely yours,

THE A. L. WERNER CO.
TAILORS
ELYRIA, OHIO

March 18/22

Rabbi Seligson
Cleveland O

My Dear Sir,

Re your request
yesterday I am writing you in
regard to your coming to Elyria
April 14th to address the Men's
Club of the 1st Congregational Church.
We are very anxious to have you
come and as a consolation I had
Washburn then to talk with you
in Jan. you could not come then
but might later. Kindly let me
know if you will come and what
it will cost us. Prime Dinner 6³⁰ PM
followed by your address choosing
your own subject. Place 1st Cong.
Church April 14th before 8 o'clock
a favorable reply from
A. L. Werner, Chas. A. Werner, Jr.

March 31st, 1922.

Mr. A. L. Verner,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Verner,

I believe that I may be able
to come to address the Men's Club of the
First Congregational Church on April 14th.
My customary remuneration is \$100.00. For
Church Organizations it is one half of that
and traveling expenses.

With kindest regards, I beg to
remain

Very sincerely yours,

202 Ely Block

THE A. L. WERNER CO.
TAILORS
ELYRIA, OHIO

March 23/22

Rabbi Silver
Cleveland O

My dear Sir,

I received your letter of March 21st at
 noon and so shall expect
 you to be with us by 14th as
 per your letter. While this is a
 great deal more than we have said
 we appreciate your kind offer of
 one half your regular rate and
 gladly accept. Kindly let me know
 at once if possible your subject
 that we may get our notices printed.
 Also how you will come and what time
 you will arrive. That is very important.
 Place 1st Cong. Church
 Time Sunday 6³⁰ P.M. Address to follow
 later April 14th
 How much time do you want for address? Reply
 you soon very sincerely A. L. Werner.

March 24th, 1922

Mr. A. L. Werner,
212 Ely Block,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Werner,

I shall speak on the subject -
"Organization for Service". I shall let you
know later of the exact hour of my arrival.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

THE A. L. WERNER CO.
TAILORS
ELYRIA, OHIOApr 18th / 1922Rabbi A. H. Silver
Cleveland

My dear Rabbi Silver

Enclosed find check for
\$5.00 which the Trust just gave to me
for you, also find a clipping from
our paper the next day after you
passed here. I cannot get you to
come here, it gives me great
satisfaction to know that every-
one was so greatly pleased that
heard you. Again I want to thank
you very much and to hope
to hear the privilege and pleasure
of having you with us again.
Very sincerely
A. L. Werner

Rbbay Hillel Silver Rabbi
The Temple

Elyria, Ohio.

Oct 28-1922

Dear Friend:-

We are preparing our our schedule for the Elyria Open Forum,
usually we meet Sabbath 3 P.M., Can make a week night date
if found necessary.

Will it be possible to use your name?

If so give us suggested dates and terms.

Thanking you,

I am yours truly,

W.R.H.S. H. B. Hitchcock, Secy. Elyria Open Forum.

Dear Rabbi:

Under the date of March 3, 1922
you said "perhaps at some future time
I may be able to serve you"

November 7th, 1922.

Mr. R. B. Whitehead,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Whitehead,

I wish I were in a position to accept your kind invitation to address your forum. Unfortunately the tasks involved in building a new Temple are so many, that I cannot in justice to myself accept any more out of town engagements.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

November Twenty-eighth
1922

Mr. A. L. Werner,
202 Ely Block,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Werner,

I took up with Rabbi Silver the subject matter of our telephone conversation of yesterday.

As I anticipated, he bids me say to you that he would like very much to accept your invitation to speak to the Federated Clubs of Elyria, on the evening of February 21st, were he in a position to do so. However, he is very much overburdened with speaking engagements this season, and in addition will be very busy with the duties involved in the building of the New Temple. He finds he cannot, in duty to himself, accept any further obligations to speak this season.

Rabbi Silver hopes that at some future time he may be in a position to serve his friends in Elyria.

Very sincerely yours,

OPEN FORUM SPEAKERS BUREAU

THE ACCREDITED AGENCY OF THE NATIONAL OPEN FORUM COUNCIL

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TELEPHONE BRANCH 7475

LITTLE BUILDING, ROOM 1243
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MASS.

Elyria

September 21, 1923.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Mr. R. B. Whitehead, Secretary of the Elyria Open Forum, has just written that he would like to have you open for them some Sunday afternoon this season. It is so very near Cleveland I thought you might be able to accept. Any Sunday afternoon in January, March or April would be acceptable. If one of these is not convenient, won't you suggest some other Sunday? They meet from November 18th to the first of May.

Ironton, O., is also asking for you. They can meet practically any night in the week though Monday is preferred. If you happen to see a date for them please let me know. They can pay \$50 and your traveling expenses.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred C. Smith

Executive Secretary.

Rabbi Abba H. Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

MCS:F

September 26th, 1923.

Miss Mildred C. Smith,
80 Boylston Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Smith,

It will be impossible
for me to accept the invitations from
Elyria and Ironton. I am holding my
lecture engagements down to a minimum
this year.

I am With kindest regards
Very sincerely yours,

A. H. WEST
CHAIRMAN PROGRAM COMMITTEE



HAROLD H. PERRY
SECRETARY

OF ELYRIA, OHIO

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE
305 LORAIN COUNTY BANK BUILDING

February 11th, 1936.

Rabbi^{A.} H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street and Ansel Road,
Cleveland,
Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In arranging our schedule for 1936, we are anxious to have you address us at one of our Thursday noon luncheons. In view of the fact that you, undoubtedly, have most of your dates filled, will you, kindly, consider May 20th, 1936, as to whether you could come to Elyria to address us?

If it be impossible for you to address us on that date, will you, kindly, consider the matter and give us any date which is available after May 20th, 1936?

Thanking you for your consideration,
I am

Very truly yours,

AHW:LJ

A. H. West

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Monday May 24*

February Fifteenth
1926

Mr. A. H. West,
Chairman Program Committee,
Kiwanis Club,
305 Lorain County Bank Building,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. West,

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of February eleventh, extending to me an invitation to address one of your Thursday noon luncheons. I think I may be able to give you Monday, May 24th. Please let me know at your earliest convenience whether this date will be satisfactory.

With kindest regards, I am,
remain

Very sincerely yours,

A. H. WEST
CHAIRMAN PROGRAM COMMITTEE



HAROLD H. PERRY
SECRETARY

OF ELYRIA, OHIO

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE
305 LORAIN COUNTY BANK BUILDING

February 23rd, 1926.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street and Ansel Road,
Cleveland,
Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your prompt and courteous letter of February 20th, 1926, unfortunately, we do not have our luncheons on Mondays and as May 24th comes on Monday such a date would not fit in with our plans.

May 27th, however, is an open date and comes on Thursday, or June 3rd, is the succeeding Thursday. Will you, kindly, consider these dates and advise me?

Thanking you for considering this matter and for your promptness, I am

Very truly yours,

AHW:DJ

A H West
Thursday
June 10.

February Twenty-fourth
1926

Mr. A. H. West
Kiwanis Club of Elyria,
305 Lorain County Bank Bldg.,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. West.

I find in looking over my schedule that the only other date which I could give you would be Monday, June 10th. Kindly let me know at your earliest convenience whether that would be satisfactory and I will reserve it for you.

With very kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

A. H. WEST
CHAIRMAN PROGRAM COMMITTEE



HAROLD H. PERRY
SECRETARY

OF ELYRIA, OHIO

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE
305 LORAIN COUNTY BANK BUILDING

February 25th, 1926.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street and Ansel Road,
Cleveland,
Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of February 24th, 1926, we are very pleased to find that you have Thursday, June 10th, 1926, open so that you can accommodate us by addressing our local Kiwanis Club at 12:00 o'clock noon on that date.

Kindly, call at the office of the undersigned at about 11:50 A. M.

Will you, kindly, advise us about ten (10) days before June 10th, 1926, as to the subject matter of your address?

Will you, kindly, confirm this arrangement?

Thanking you, I am

Very truly yours,

A. H. West
Attorney-at-Law.

AHW:DJ

Paid Day Letter

June 2nd, 1926

A. H. West
Attorney, 305 Lorain County Bank Bldg.,
Elyria, Ohio.

I note that I have an engagement with the Kiwanis Club of Elyria,
~~made through you~~, for an address at noon on June tenth. I would like very much
to attend a luncheon to be given on that day in Cleveland in honor of my friend
Judge Adams, recently made Probate Judge of Cuyahoga County. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
Could I not give you another Thursday in June? Please wire my expense.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

June 2nd, 1926.

Elyria-

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Rabbi Silver:

Wire received. Try July 1st, or 8th. June full.
Notify any event if unsatisfactory. Pick date.

A. H. West,
Elyria, Ohio.



If Adams call
tell him it will be all right

S.A. called & received message.

be all right

OTIS ALTFELD
President
364 Broad Street
Elyria, Ohio

LOUIS KAHN
Vice President
365 Broad Street
Elyria, Ohio

PHILIP SCHULZ
Treasurer
361 Broad Street
Elyria, Ohio

DAVID HYMAN
Financial Secy.
365 E. S. & T. Bldg.
Elyria, Ohio

SAMUEL DEUTSCH
Corresponding Secy.
411 E. S. & T. Bldg.
Elyria, Ohio

Elyria-Ohio ✓*

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF B'NAI BRITH

ELYRIA LODGE NO. 855

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
411 ELYRIA SAVINGS AND TRUST BLDG.
ELYRIA, OHIO

June 4th

1 9 2 6

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
1485 East 106th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

It is once again my pleasure to correspond with you relative to an invitation to speak in the community where I reside. You will recall that some years ago as president of the Memorsh Society of Ohio State University, I had the pleasure of extending the invitation to you to speak at that institution.

Our Elyria Lodge was long ago advised by Brother Louis Iglauer of a visit you are to make to Elyria where you will speak before the Kiwanis Luncheon Club.

It is likewise long ago that I was detailed as secretary of this organization to notify you of the desire we have to have you speak before us. I am sure you will excuse delinquency in any club secretary.

Seriously, Dr. Silver, will you not kindly accept our invitation to speak before an open meeting of the B'nai Brith of Elyria on the evening of your proposed visit to this City? And because I have been so delinquent in getting the invitation to you, you must be ~~more~~ than prompt in accepting so that we can make the necessary arrangements.

Very sincerely yours,

Samuel Deutsch
secretary.

SD:DO

E. ✓*

June 7th, 1926.

Mr. A.H. West,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. West,

It was kind of you to release me of my engagement with your organization for June 10th. This will enable me to attend the luncheon in honor of Judge Addams. I shall do my utmost to be with you on Thursday, July 8th. There is a possibility of my going away on my vacation prior to that time but I shall give you ample notice.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Kiwanis. July 8th

June 7th, 1926.

Mr. Samuel Deutsch,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Deutsch,

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of June 4th. I hoped to address the Kiwanis Club of Elyria on June 10th but due to a testimonial dinner given in our city in honor of Judge Addams, I requested the Kiwanis Club to excuse me and they were kind enough to comply with my request. I will come to that organization later but I do not know as yet, when. When I come for the Kiwanis organization, I shall also be pleased to address your group.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

A. H. WEST
CHAIRMAN PROGRAM COMMITTEE



HAROLD H. PERRY
SECRETARY

OF ELYRIA, OHIO

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE
305 LORAIN COUNTY BANK BUILDING

June 8th, 1926.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street and Ansel Road,
Cleveland,
Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of June 7th, 1926,
we will be pleased to have you visit us on July
8th, 1926.

Thanking you, I am

Very truly yours,

A. H. West
Attorney-at-Law.

AHW:DJ

*I have just been informed that due to an
over-sight & my seeing your letter, confi-
dentiality would show me. I regret it
more than I can say especially the mem-
ber one caused you trouble. Please and*

*See Perry's this information
very at.*

OTIS ALTFELD
President
344 Broad Street
Elyria, Ohio

LOUIS KAHN
Vice President
345 Broad Street
Elyria, Ohio

PHILIP SCHULTZ
Treasurer
381 Broad Street
Elyria, Ohio

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Financial Secy.
305 E. S. & T. Bldg.
Elyria, Ohio

SAMUEL DEUTSCH
Corresponding Secy.
411 E. S. & T. Bldg.
Elyria, Ohio

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF B'NAI BRITH

ELYRIA LODGE NO. 855

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
411 ELYRIA SAVINGS AND TRUST BLDG.
ELYRIA, OHIO

June 9th

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
105th Street, nr Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

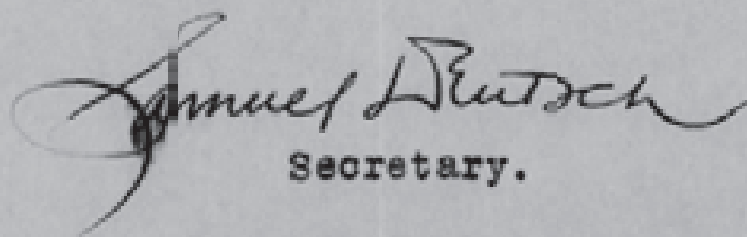
Dear Sir:

I have for acknowledgment your highly valued favor of the 7th inst. setting out the cancellation of your engagement with the Kiwanis Club of this City and proposed visit at some later date. I understand also that you will consent to address our organization on the occasion of that visit.

On behalf of the organization, I want to say that we regret exceedingly the conflicting of dates which makes it impossible for you to come at this time. However, we will look forward to your visit all the more anxiously you may be sure.

Again thanking you, I am

Very sincerely yours,


Secretary.

SD:DO

A. H. WEST
CHAIRMAN PROGRAM COMMITTEE



HAROLD H. PERRY
SECRETARY

OF ELYRIA, OHIO

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE
308 LORAIN COUNTY BANK BUILDING

July 8th, 1926.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street and Ansel Road,
Cleveland,
Ohio.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your telegram to the effect that your Secretary neglected to advise you as to my letter of confirmation confirming your letter of June 7th, 1926, setting July 8th, 1926, as a date for you to address our local Kiwanis Club.

It is regretted that this happened but in view of the fact that your letter was so specific and my letter in return was so definite in accepting July 8th, 1926, it was not deemed necessary to call you or to communicate with you in any other way. We had a large crowd ready to listen to you, including many who were not members of the Kiwanis Club and, of course, it was embarrassing to the undersigned and the officers of the Club.

It is understood that you are leaving for England, but we will be glad to have you meet with us on October 21st, 1926, at 12:00 o'clock noon, if the same is satisfactory with you.

Very truly yours,

A. H. West
Attorney-at-Law.

AHW:DJ

Thurs
Oct
28

Elyria, Ohio ✓*

July 9th, 1926.

Mr. A.H. West,
Kiwanis Club,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. West,

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of July 8th. I need not tell you how much I regretted the incident of yesterday. This was the first of its kind in my twelve years experience in the Ministry.

I shall of course be delighted to come to you in the fall. I find however, that on October 21st, I shall be east but I can come to you the following Thursday, October 28th. I have definitely booked you for that date and unless I hear from you to the contrary, I hope to be with you. I am leaving tonight for Europe.

With kindest regards, and wishing you a pleasant summer, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

A. H. WEST
CHAIRMAN PROGRAM COMMITTEE



HAROLD H. FERRY
SECRETARY

OF ELYRIA, OHIO

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE
305 LORAIN COUNTY BANK BUILDING

July 10th, 1926.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th and Ansel Road,
Cleveland,
Ohio.

Dear Sir:

We are very much pleased to hear, according to your letter of July 9th, 1926, that you will be with our Kiwanis Club at Elyria October 28th, 1926, at 12:00 noon. Will you, kindly, call at this office about five or ten minutes to twelve?

Thanking you for your courtesy in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

AHW:DJ

A. H. West

A. H. WEST
CHAIRMAN PROGRAM COMMITTEE



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HAROLD H. PERRY
SECRETARY

OF ELYRIA, OHIO

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE
305 LORAIN COUNTY BANK BUILDING

October 8th, 1936.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street at Ansel Road,
Cleveland,
Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Confirming my telephone conversation with you as of October 5th, 1936, he advised that Elyria Kiwanis Club have arranged to have our meeting which was scheduled for noon October 28th, 1936, at which time you were to address us, at 6:30 o'clock P. M., October 28th, 1936.

This is final as to the time, and we appreciate very much your willingness to alter your plans so as to be with us.

The place is not yet determined but it will be in Elyria at some convenient place concerning which you will be notified at a later date by the undersigned.

Thanking you very much for your courtesy in the matter, I am

Very truly yours,

AHW:DJ

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'A. H. West'.

A. H. WEST
CHAIRMAN PROGRAM COMMITTEE



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HAROLD H. PERRY
SECRETARY

OF ELYRIA, OHIO

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE
305 LORAIN COUNTY BANK BUILDING

October 8th, 1926.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street at Ansel Road,
Cleveland,
Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Confirming our statement as to the time when we would hold our meeting of the 28th of October, 1926, arrangements have been made to hold the Kiwanis noon-day luncheon at 6:30 o'clock P. M. on the 28th day of October, 1926, at the Elk's Club, consequently, it is requested that you come directly to the Elk's Club on Second Street at the above date and, further, that you confirm this appointment.

Thanking you, I am

Very truly yours,

AHW:ELJ

A. H. West

DEUTSCH & DILGREN
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS AT LAW
411-13 ELYRIA SAVINGS & TRUST BUILDING
ELYRIA, OHIO

SAMUEL DEUTSCH
J. W. DILGREN

January 25th

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

As the ambitious and recently ascended president of the local B'nai Brith Lodge, may I extend to you an invitation to speak in Elyria some evening during the month of February or March. The date and subject may be of your own choosing.

The people of Elyria have not generally had the opportunity of hearing you, at least, since I have been here. It would be my plan to have the B'nai Brith sponsor your talk but to hold it in the auditorium of some large non-Jewish auditorium. I have no doubt but that the arrangements could be satisfactorily made. I am not unmindful of the many encroachments made on your time. Our membership, I am sure will appreciate your coming the more in view of that fact.

Thanking you in anticipation and trusting that you will let me hear from you at your convenience, I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Samuel Deutsch

SD:DO

Carol ✓

Jan. 30th, 1928.

Mr. Samuel Deutsch,
411 Elyria Savings & Trust Bldg.,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Deutsch:-

Permit me to thank you for your
kind invitation to address the Elyria Lodge
of the B'nai Brith.

I wish I could see my way clear
to come to Elyria, but unfortunately I am so
heavily crowded with lecture engagements for the
remainder of the season, that I can not in justice
to myself accept any more.

I would suggest that you get in touch
with Rabbi Leon Feuer, my associate here at the
Temple. You may persuade him to come, and I am sure
that he will give you an eloquent and helpful message.

With kindest regards, permit me to
remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

333 Columbus St.,
Elyria, Ohio.
August 14, 1930

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In our estimation the Men's Clubs of the various religious organizations can do a great deal toward world fellowship and better understanding among the different groups of men. With this thought in mind for the year we are filling our program for the season of 1930-31 with some of the best speakers that are available.

We realize that you are an extremely busy man and that your time is very limited. Yet, we are bold in writing you to come gratis to Elyria and speak before the First Congregational Church Men's Club. The opening night, October 16, will be a mixed audience. The men are having their wives as guests for the dinner and program.

Our resources, as many other organizations, are very limited. We provide transportation by having two of our club members call for the speaker and return him to his home.

Trusting that this will appeal to you and that you will accept our invitation we remain,

Sincerely yours,

Manhattan J. Lenzel

The Program Committee,
First Congregational Men's Club.

card ✓

Aug. 19th, 1930

Mr. Manhattan J. Lengel,
333 Columbus St.,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Lengel:-

I regret exceedingly that I can not avail myself of your kind invitation to address the Mens' Club of the First Congregational Church on October 16th. I am already too heavily booked up with out-of-town lecture engagements and I am compelled to decline any more.

With kindest regards, permit me
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

card ✓
THE ADULT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

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CLEVELAND COLLEGE BLDG.
PUBLIC SQUARE MAIN 1102

September 19, 1931

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

Mrs. R.T.J. Martin, Program Chairman of the Elyria Women's Club, which numbers around four hundred members, is interested to know if you would consider addressing their club on any of the following dates: December 9, January 13, February 10, March 9, and April 13.

I believe that they can offer a fee of \$50.00. I would appreciate an early reply as to whether you are interested to accept this invitation.

Very sincerely yours

Frances F. Bushea
Mrs. W. J. Bushea
Program Service

FFB:AL

Copy

card

Sept. 22d, 1931

Mrs. W. J. Bushea,
Adult Education Ass'n.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Bushea:-

Permit me to thank you for your
letter of Sept. 19th.

I am afraid that I shall not be able
to accept any more engagements this season as my
program is already over crowded.

With kindest regards and trusting
to be of service to you at some future time, permit
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

ELYRIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ELYRIA, OHIO

R. C. MASTON
SUPERINTENDENT

April 20, 1936.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
10311 Lakeshore Blvd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

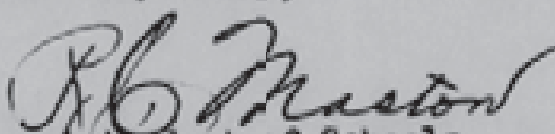
My dear Rabbi Silver:

Our high school commencement occurs on Wednesday evening, June 10, at which we will have something over two hundred graduates.

Would you be available to deliver the commencement address at this time? If so, will you kindly advise as to the honorarium?

We would like very much to have you in case you are available and in case we can meet your requirements. Will you kindly advise at your earliest convenience?

Yours very truly,


Superintendent of Schools.

RCM:GS

C O P Y

April 22, 1936

R. C. Maston, Superintendent,
Elyria Public Schools,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Maston:

Let me thank you for your kind letter
of April 20. It may be possible for me to address
your High School Commencement on Wednesday evening,
June 10. My honorarium is \$75.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

ELYRIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ELYRIA, OHIO

R. C. MANTON
SUPERINTENDENT

April 23, 1936.

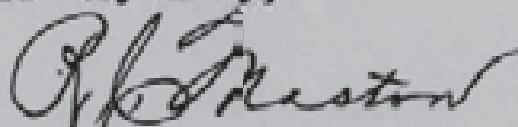
Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street at Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

In reply to your letter of April 22 we would like to make definite arrangements with you as suggested therein.

Are your plans sufficiently definite at this time that you may advise us by return mail as to whether or not you can be with us on the evening of June 10? The honorarium which you suggest is satisfactory.

Yours very truly,



Superintendent of Schools.

RCM:GS

April 27, 1936

R.C. Maston, Superintendent,
Elyria Public Schools,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Maston:

I shall be very happy to address your Commencement Exercises on Wednesday evening, June 10.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

ELYRIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ELYRIA, OHIO

R. U. MASTON
SUPERINTENDENT

April 28, 1936.

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

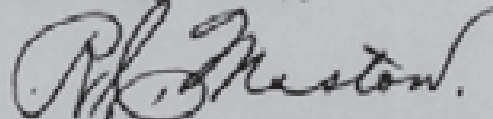
My dear Rabbi Silver:

We are naturally pleased to receive your acceptance of our invitation to deliver our commencement address on Wednesday evening, June 10. We are considering the arrangements as final.

You may rest assured that it is indeed a pleasure to know that you will be with us.

Our commencement program begins at 8:00 P. M. Eastern Standard Time. You will report to the office of the high school principal in the high school building on Sixth Street at 7:45 P. M.

Yours very truly,



Superintendent of Schools.

RCM:GS

Agudath Achim Bnai Abraham Congregation

ELYRIA, OHIO

MARCUS KRAMER, RABBI

May 11, 1936.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

Dear Rabbi Silver,

The Jewish people of Elyria were very happy to hear that you are to deliver the address before the Elyria High School graduates on June 10. It is our great wish that Mrs. Silver and you will have dinner with us on that day, before you deliver your address. We do not desire to burden you with another talk, but hope that you will accept our invitation to spend a social hour with us.

Let me assure you that you have

many friends and admirers among our
people here.

Very sincerely
Thurcus Tramer



CLEARVIEW SCHOOLS
W. J. DURLING, SUPERINTENDENT
CLEARVIEW
LORAIN, OHIO

262 Harwood Street
Elyria, Ohio
May 22, 1936

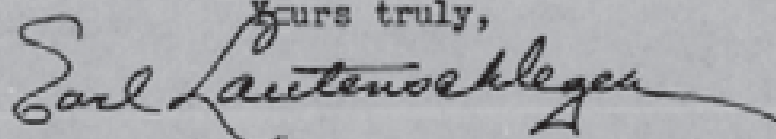
Rabi Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

The Lorain County Educational Association is planning its fall meeting and is seeking information as to your availability to speak at an evening meeting to be held in Elyria, Ohio.

The date of the meeting has not been set. The days under consideration have been Wednesday, October 7, and Friday, October 9. Would you be so kind as to tell us of your availability and what fee you generally receive?

I thank you for this courtesy.

Yours truly,


Sec'y. of Lor. Co. Educational Association

EL/vb

May 26, 1938

Rabbi Marcus Kramer,
Agudath Achim Bnai Abraham Congregation,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Kramer:

Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter. I have been so busy here with the Welfare Fund Campaign and with other activities. It is my plan to motor to Elyria and arrive just in time to deliver my address and motor right back. Mrs. Silver is not coming along with me. I have not been entirely well and I do not wish to subject myself to any more engagements than I have already committed myself to.

I hope that I shall have the pleasure of seeing you in Elyria. With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

May 26, 1936

Karl Lauterschleger, Secretary,
Lorain County Educational Association,
263 Harwood Street,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Lauterschleger:

It may be possible for me to come
to the Lorain County Educational Association on
October 7. My honorarium is \$150.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Decline

Avon June 22nd
[1937]

Rabbi Silver

10207 Madison Ave

Dear Sir

As program Chairman
of the Elyria Women Club
I would like to know if
you could possibly give
us a talk at our Nov Meeting
which comes on the second
Wednesday of the month -
Nov 10th

It would be one of my

ambitions fulfilled if we
could have you.

Of course it all depends
on whether we could afford
this. Kindly let me hear from
you within the next week
as we are leaving then
for six weeks.

Sincerely

Carrie Beidler

Mrs. E. W.

37399 Detroit Rd Akron
Ohio

June 28, 1937

Mrs. E. W. Beidley,
37389 Detroit Road,
Avon, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Beidley:

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to address the Elyria Women's Club at your November meeting. I should very much like to come, but I am afraid that at the present writing I am unable to commit myself for a date so far ahead. If you will communicate with me when I return from my summer vacation early in September, I shall check through my calender to see whether I am free to come.

With all good wishes and thanking you again for your thoughtfulness in inviting me, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

[July? 1937]

MRS. ALLAN FRITZSCHE • 234 WASHINGTON AVENUE • ELYRIA, OHIO

dear
My dear Raffi Silver -

The Public Affairs Committee
and the Educational Committee of the Y. W. C. A.
of Elyria are joining forces this year and
hope to be able to give to our towns people some
worth while lectures. We wondered if you would
have any open dates in November or December,
also what is your fee for an evening lecture
and what are some subjects you could suggest?

The audiences will be composed
of men and women. May we hear from you in the
very near future?
Very sincerely yours
Josephine B. Fritzsch.
(Mrs. Allen.)

July 30, 1937

Mrs. Allan Fritzsche
254 Washington Ave.
Elyria, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Fritzsche:

I wish to take this opportunity to advise you that Rabbi Silver is at the present time in Europe and does not plan to return to the city until September 1st.

At that time, I shall be very happy to refer to him your letter in which you extend him an invitation to speak before the Y. W. C. A. of your city.

Sincerely yours,

H. A. LEVY

HAL:HP

Lecture

The Young Women's Christian Association
318 West Avenue
Elyria, Ohio

August 4, 1937.

My dear Rabbi Silver-

I wrote last week to you, asking your rates and available dates for a lecture to be given here in Elyria before a mixed audience. Your secretary said you were in Europe and would get in touch with us as soon as you returned.

We have just had a committee meeting and we feel that you are in such close touch with youths all over Europe, and the world in general, that we must have you on our lecture course if possible. Of course the fee enters into the picture because you know the state of finances in most Y. W. C. A's, but we wondered if you or your secretary could con-

The Young Women's Christian Association
318 West Avenue
Elyria, Ohio

we very soon and give us the required information as we have to plan the course with other lecturers and their dates in mind also. Any date following Thanksgiving or before Christmas, preferably from November 25 to December 15 would be satisfactory to us and we would prefer to not have the lecture on a Tuesday or Sunday. The lecture would start probably at 8. We want to have our tickets printed in September and hope to have a satisfactory answer from your secretary, soon, as to the fee and a satisfactory date.

Hoping to get a favorable reply in the near future I am

Very sincerely yours
(Mrs. A. W.) Josephine D. Fritzsche.

September 1, 1937

Mrs. E. W. Beidley,
37399 Detroit, Road,
Avon, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Beidley:

On my return from Europe I find your kind letter of June 22 in which you invite me to address your group on November 10. I wish I were free to accept your invitation. Unfortunately my out-of-town lecture program for that month is so crowded that I cannot, in justice to my work here accept any more obligations. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

September 1, 1937

Mrs. A. W. Fritzsche,
254 Washington Avenue,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Fritzsche:

On returning from Europe I find your kind letter of August 4 inviting me to address your group in Elyria some evening in November or December. I wish I were free to accept your invitation. Unfortunately my out-of-town lecture program for those months is heavily crowded and I cannot, in justice to my work here take on any additional obligations. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

Thanking you again for your courtesy in inviting me and with best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:RK

Avon Ohio
Sept 28th (1937)

My dear Rabbi Silver.

It was a keen disappointment
to me that you could not
come, as our first speaker
of the Elyria Banners Club.
I feel, we could make other
plans, regarding time.

Our meetings are held on
the second Wednesday
of each month. and come

as soon as possible as we
want to get the calendar
out by the last of October.
As I said the meeting should
be held the second ^{Wednesday} evening
of April.

If you can arrange this,
and, I do sincerely hope
you can please advise me
and also please let me know
what your rate, would be.
Sincerely, Carrie B. Beidler.

37399
Detroit Ad Avon (Mrs E W)

You date us up for April
this would be our last
meeting of the year.
We know our club rooms
would not be large enough
to hold the people who would
want to hear you, and
we would arrange to
have you in the evening
at some large public
place.

Will you kindly give
this your attention fast.

October 7, 1937

Mrs. E. W. Beidler,
37599 Detroit Road,
Avon, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Beidler:

Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter. I have been away from the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I should very much like to come to the Elyria Women's group. You suggest the second Wednesday in April. I am, however, scheduled to be in Cumberland, Maryland the evening before and it would not be possible for me to get back in time to keep an engagement with you. Please keep me in mind for your next season's program. I shall do my best to come to you.

With all good wishes and thanking you again for your thoughtfulness in inviting me, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

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Oct. 8th [1937]

My dear Rabbi Silver

Your letter, saying April
was not convenient to speak
of our Elyria Women Club
just received.

Could you make it for
our March meeting? Which
would be held Second
Wednesday evening

Sorry to bother you so
much. But I find it would

be easy to change you
from April to March.
Kindly let me hear from
you at your earliest.

Thanking you so much
Sincerely

Carrie B. Beidler

(Mrs E. W.)

34399 Detroit Ave

Amen

Tel. ^{your} 45.862



Lorain County Chapter No. 267

ALEPH ZADIK ALEPH

Junior B'nai B'rith

835 West River St

Clyria, Ohio

Feb. 5, 1938

Rabbi A. H. Silver of The Temple

East 105th St. and Ansel Road

Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

On the anniversary of George Washington's birth, February 22, we, the Lorain Chapter of A. Z. A. in conjunction with the Lorain Chapter of De Molas are presenting a program. This program will be one of many that A. Z. A. will be staging through out the nation on that day. The purpose of this program is to demonstrate to the public that the youth of the nation is aware of the threats of Communism and Fascism and is active in the fight against them. At the suggestion of Rabbi L. Elliot Grafman, Director of the Speakers Bureau of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, we are extending our invitation to you to be speaker at this program. Rabbi Grafman also informs that the League will



Lorain County Chapter No. 267

ALEPH ZADIK ALEPH

Junior B'nai B'rith

take care of your traveling and incidental expenses. This program will be held in the Lorain High School Auditorium in the evening.

We hope that you will lend your ability to our efforts and wish to thank you for consideration of this invitation.

*Yours very truly,
Isadore Smith
Aleph Mayker*

February 15, 1938

Mr. Isadore Smith,
835 West River St.,
Elyria, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Smith:

Please pardon the delay in answering your letter of February 5. I have been out of the city a good part of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I appreciate your invitation to address the Lorain Chapters of A.Z.A. and De Molay on February 22 and I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately I shall be in St. Louis on the 21st and would not get back in time for such a meeting. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

THE ELYRIA WOMAN'S CLUB, INC.

321 FOURTH STREET

ELYRIA, OHIO

Avon Sept 20th

My dear Rabbi Silver

Last year. I tried very hard to have
you talk before our Womans Club.

I failed last year. but. you did give me some
encouragement. in as much. you told me
to get in touch with you this year.

Could you, or would you come to us, for
our March meeting? This meeting would be
held on the Second Wednesday, of the month.
and would be an evening meeting
Kindly let me know as soon as possible
and also state terms.

We are having our program Calendar printed
and will be so very happy, if I can see
your name there for our March number.

37399 Detroit Rd Sincerely Yours

Avon. O.

Carrie B. Beidler (Mrs E W)

September 27, 1938

Mrs. E. W. Beidler
37399 Detroit Rd.
Avon, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Beidler:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of September 20. I appreciate very much your invitation to address the Elyria Woman's Club on the second Wednesday of March of next year. The second Wednesday is March 8. I am scheduled to be at Johns Hopkins University on March 7 and 8. Please let me know whether you have any other dates available.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

THE ELYRIA WOMAN'S CLUB, INC.

321 FOURTH STREET

ELYRIA, OHIO

Sept 29th

My dear Rabbi Silver

Your letter of Sept 27th received yesterday and, I hasten to write, and let you know I could easily change my Dec 14th date or any April date. Kindly let me know if you could fill either of these. I was hoping you could give me your sermon because there is such a thing of our not being able to afford, but I am really hoping and even praying that you can come to us. Sincerely Yours

Currie B. Beidler

37399 Detroit Rd (Mrs E.W.)

Aven Ohio

October 3, 1938

Mrs. E. W. Beidler
37399 Detroit Road
Avon, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Beidler:

I would be very happy to be with your organization on Wednesday evening, December 14 if I could get away in time to catch the 11:15 train for Chicago where I have a long standing engagement on the 15th. Please let me know the exact time and place of your meeting.

Regarding my honorarium - I fully realize that you are not able to pay my customary honorarium of \$250. I shall therefore leave this matter entirely to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

THE ELYRIA WOMAN'S CLUB, INC.

321 FOURTH STREET

ELYRIA, OHIO

Avon Oct 17th

My dear Habbie Silver

I have been waiting for an first meeting of the club. to decide on a place, where we could hold our Dec. 14th meeting.

We have decided on the Congregational Church at Court & 2nd St.

With our Jr. & Sen. members there are close to four hundred, and our Club ~~to~~ ^{we} would not hold them. We wish to have the members invite guests - also.

Thanks. So very much, for coming to us and believe me I will keep you all I can possibly manage. The Club only allows me \$2.00 ^{per} for my programs. So you can readily see I cannot go too far. We hope to pay off our mortgage this next year and then they can allow more for programs. Thanking you again.

Meeting started 8 P.M.

Sincerely Carrie B. Bradley

THE ELYRIA WOMAN'S CLUB, INC.

321 FOURTH STREET

ELYRIA, OHIO

November 22, 1938.

Rabbi Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

It is indeed, a great honor to have you address the evening meeting of the Elyria Woman's Club, on Wednesday December 14.

This is to be a meeting open to the Public, and I am anxious to give it publicity. As Publicity Chairman, may I request some information as to your subject, and some facts about you?

If you have a mat picture, the kind newspapers use, will you enclose one, for pictures bring favorable notice to the speaker. Thank you.

Sincerely

Miriam W. Travers

Mrs. Curtis L Travers
Publicity Chairman
241 Stanford Avenue
Elyria, Ohio

November 25, 1938

Mrs. Curtis L. Travers
241 Stanford Avenue
Elyria, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Trevers:

The subject of my address will be
"Some Aberrations of Our Day". I am enclosing
herewith a gloss photograph which you can
use in your publicity.

With all good wishes and looking
forward with ple sure to the meeting on the
14th, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.

ELLIOTT W. BEIDLER
ELYRIA, OHIO

December 16, 1938

Rabbi A. H. Silver
10311 Lake Shore Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I want to tell you again how much I enjoyed your talk before the Women's Club at Elyrie on Wednesday night. In fact I think it was one of the most profitable evenings I have spent in many years. I also want to tell you that I appreciate having had the opportunity of meeting you, personally, and want to thank you for your very nice attitude toward Mrs. Beidler. However, she will write you on this subject herself.

Under separate cover I am sending you a copy of our local paper which has an article on this nice talk of yours which I thought you might like to have.

With best personal regards, I am

Very truly yours

E. W. Beidler

E. W. Beidler

B:A

THE ELYRIA WOMAN'S CLUB, INC.

321 FOURTH STREET

ELYRIA, OHIO

Elyria

Jan. 10, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

The Temple

Cor. Arundel Rd. & E. 105th St.

Cleveland
O.

Dear Sir:

The Elyria Woman's Club wishes me to
express its appreciation of your generous kindness
of December 14, 1938.

You may be interested to know that your check
was applied to a mortgage which we still owe
on our Club home. We are very grateful.

Very Sincerely

Katharine S. Mason

Cor. Secretary

Davis and Young
Attorneys at Law

Cuyahoga Bldg.
Cleveland

Telephone
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Rees H. Davis
Fred J. Young
Chas. A. Chapin
Charles Belson

Robert L. Ross
Thomas A. Brown
Ralph S. Locher

March 21, 1940.

Rev. Rabbi Abba H. Silver,
The Temple,
Tifereth Israel Congregation,
246 East 105th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.

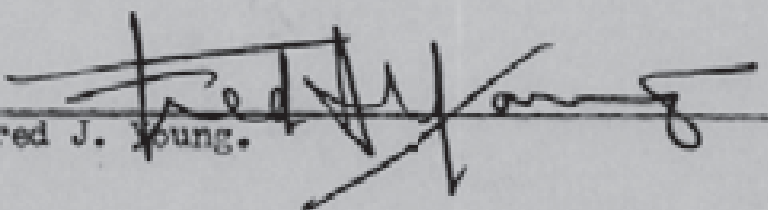
My dear Rabbi Silver:

My wife is a member of the Speakers Committee at the Y.W.C.A. at Elyria, Ohio. During the past few years their lecture series has been run at the First Congregational Church of Elyria, which seats about five hundred people.

The Committee has asked my wife to obtain from you an expression as to whether you would deliver an address on Tolerance, some Monday evening in October, or November of this year, and second, what your charge therefor will be?

I would appreciate hearing from you at your convenience.

Very truly yours,


Fred J. Young.

FJY/mdr

April 1, 1940

Mr. Fred J. Young
Cuyahoga Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Young:

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

It is too early, at the present time, to indicate whether I would be free next October or November to deliver a lecture before the Elyria Y.W.C.A. I must sometimes leave for extended trips away from Cleveland in the Fall of the year. If it is not too late, I would suggest that the Committee get in touch with me early in September, and if it is at all possible, I shall be very happy to come to their organization. The honorarium would be left entirely to their judgment.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

The Young Women's Christian Association

MEMBER OF THE YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES

318 West Avenue Phone No. 2158
ELYRIA, OHIO



June 21, 1940

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

My dear Rabbi:

Your letter to Mr. Fred J. Young has been on file. At a meeting of the Lecture Series Committee last evening, it was decided to ask you to be on our Lecture course. At this time would it be possible for you to confirm either of these dates, Wednesday, the 13th of November, or Monday, the 13th of January, 1941? Should these dates be taken, would you suggest others?

Sincerely yours,

Ona V. Holly

Ona V. Holly
General Secretary

OVH:d

June 27, 1940

Miss Ona V. Holly, General Secretary
The Young Women's Christian Association
318 West Avenue
Elyria, Ohio

My dear Miss Holly:

In reply to your kind letter of June 21, permit me to say that I shall be very happy to be with your organization on Wednesday evening, November 13, 1940. Would it be quite satisfactory to send you the subject of my address early in September? So much is happening in the world today that I would like to have a message based on the latest developments in the national and international scene.

As far as my remuneration is concerned, about which Mr. Young inquired last March, permit me to say that whatever is customary with your organization as an honorarium for your forum speakers would be perfectly agreeable.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

The Young Women's Christian Association

MEMBER OF THE YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES

318 West Avenue Phone No. 2158

ELYRIA, OHIO



July 3, 1940

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

My dear Rabbi:

Your letter at hand. November 13 would not be an acceptable date, since too many events are scheduled for that week here in Elyria. Could you give us a date the first week in December, a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday evening. If not, what about early January? The remuneration would be seventy-five dollars.

We would have to have the subject of the lecture by early September. Possibly you might make it broad enough so that it would cover changing world conditions.

Rabbi and Mrs. Lubasch are close friends of the Y.W.C.A. and are such an asset to our community.

Sincerely,

Ona V. Holly

OVH:d

July 5, 1940

Miss Ona V. Holly
The Young Women's Christian Ass'n
318 West Avenue
Elyria, Ohio

My dear Miss Holly:

Would Wednesday evening, December 4th be acceptable to you? If so, I shall schedule it definitely. As far as the subject is concerned, perhaps the theme "The Outlook for America" is sufficiently broad to enable me to bring in any new material which I would wish to at that time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RB

The Young Women's Christian Association

318 West Avenue

Elyria, Ohio

Elyria, Nov 5/40
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver:-

Dear sir:-

Enclosed find
check for Lecture on Nov. 4th
at 1st Congregational Church
for Y. W. C. A.

Sincerely yours.
Minnie A. Beebe.
Treas.

THE YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

318 WEST AVENUE

ELYRIA, OHIO

November 18, 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

The Temple

East 105th Street at Ansel Road

Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

We are looking forward to having you with us for the lecture "The Outlook for America" on December 4, 1940.

Would it be possible to get a mat of yourself for the newspaper and also data concerning your life? We find that publicity preceding a lecture proves very beneficial and we shall appreciate whatever information you care to give to us.

Sincerely,

Ona V. Holly

Ona V. Holly

OVH:HHS

Sent 11-18-40

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December 9, 1948

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We would consider it a great honor if you could find time during the year of 1949 at a Thursday noon luncheon to talk before the Elyria Kiwanis Club on the Palestine situation.

If you feel that you could possibly accept our invitation, we would then invite all other civic clubs in our city to attend on that particular day. We could also arrange that your entire talk be broadcast directly from the luncheon.

If after you have checked your calendar and find there is a possibility, please advise me at your convenience the earliest possible Thursday you could be here so that I could arrange the necessary publicity. We would appreciate this favor.

Sincerely yours,

J. N. Rassler
Program Chairman

JNR:lb

OLD SCOTCH BOND

December 14, 1948

Mr. J. N. Rassler, Program Chairman
Elyria Kiwanis Club
408 Elyria Savings & Trust Bldg.
Elyria, Ohio

My dear Mr. Rassler:

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to address the Elyria Kiwanis Club during the year 1949 at one of its Thursday noon luncheons. It would give me pleasure indeed if I could, at this writing, indicate to you that I could come, but unfortunately, my program for 1949 is such that I cannot commit myself to definite engagements for fear that I would have to cancel them at the last moment. I am still heavily committed to the work in connection with the State of Israel and the task of bringing refugees into the country. These responsibilities plus those of my own congregation here in Cleveland make it impossible for me at the present writing to accept any lecture engagements. I trust that I may be of service to you at some future time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

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January 14, 1950

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

This letter will confirm my conversation with you today in reference to your speaking to our Elyria Congregation on the evening of February 12.

This gathering is planned as a final drive by which we are in hopes of inspiring the remainder of the congregation who have not as yet pledged towards our new temple, and also to try and increase pledges which have already been made.

We have purchased our plot, and plans have been drawn by an architect in Cleveland.

Our committee and the entire Jewish group would consider it a privilege and an honor if you could be with us on that evening. Transportation will be arranged to and from Cleveland for you.

Knowing that your program throughout the year is quite a heavy one, I am in hopes that you will find this evening free.

Anxiously awaiting your reply I am,

Sincerely yours,

Jack N. Rassler

JN:lb

January 16, 1950

Mr. Jack M. Ressler
408 Elyria Savings & Trust Bldg.
Elyria, Ohio

My dear Friend:

Thank you for your kind letter of January 14th. I have checked my calendar and I find that there are several important engagements scheduled for the 14th which will make it impossible for me to be away on that day. It would have given me great pleasure indeed to be with you and I appreciate your thoughtfulness in inviting me.

With all good wishes for a successful campaign, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

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January 17, 1950

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Immediately upon receipt of your letter our program committee got together at noon today and it was the unanimous feeling amongst us that we would change the date of our meeting to meet with your convenience, if you feel that there will be a possibility that you could be with us one or two weeks later than February 12.

If it would be more convenient for you to be with us during the week rather than on Sunday, I am certain that can also be arranged.

Anxiously awaiting your further reply I remain,

Most cordially yours,

J. N. Rassler

JN:lb

From
January 19, 1950

Mr. J. M. Rassler
408 Elyria Savings & Trust Bldg.
Elyria, Ohio

My dear Mr. Rassler;

Thank you for your kind letter of January 17th. I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness, but upon re-checking my calendar I find that it is impossible for me to accept any additional engagements. My out-of-town schedule is already too full, and because this is our Centennial year, my congregational duties are unusually heavy and necessitate my being here as much as possible.

With all good wishes for a successful meeting, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er