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Jackson, Michigan, 1932-1939.

TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL
119 EAST WESLEY STREET

RABBI J. D. FOLKMAN
JACKSON, MICHIGAN

RESIDENCE:
402 FIRST STREET

January 15, 1932

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Yesterday afternoon, a committee of the Jackson County Ministerial Association met to discuss the contribution of the Association to the local George Washington Bicentenary celebration. As chairman of the committee, I am writing you at the request of the members of the committee; we would like to know whether you would be willing to come to Jackson to address a community service in the local High School Auditorium. What expense would be attached to your coming?

You may take your choice of any of the following dates: February 21, 28, and March 6, or 13. The meeting would be held in the evening.

Hoping to hear from you soon, and extending most cordial personal greetings, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Jerome David Folkman

and

Jan. 18th, 1932

Rabbi Jerome D. Folkman,
Jackson, Mich.

My dear Folkman:-

Thank you very much for your letter of Jan. 15th and for your kind invitation to address a Washington celebration in your community. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately my program is so crowded with lecture engagements for the next few months that I must, in justice to myself, decline all others.

This has been a trying year for me and I have been compelled to travel extensively. I find that I must conserve my health a bit more.

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

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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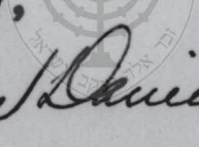
Dear Rabbi Silver:

I wish to express my regret personally
and officially in behalf of my committee that
you will be unable to be with us for reasons
mentioned in your kind favor of the eighteenth.

However, you may be sure that we are
looking forward to having you with us sometime
in the future.

Believe me, I am,

Sincerely,


Jerome David Folkman

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To Rabbi Charles B. Lesser

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Deeply appreciate your invitation but it is quite impossible for me to stay over.

Kindest regards

Abba Hillel Silver

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DEAR DR SILVER WOULD YOU PLEASE CONSIDER REMAINING JACKSON
FRIDAY EVENING TO OCCUPY MY PULPIT IT WOULD MEAN A GREAT
DEAL TO THIS CONGREGATION AND WE SHOULD BE PLEASED TO INVITE
THE COMMUNITY KINDLY ANSWER BY WESTERNUNION INCLUDING SERMON
SUBJECT SO THAT I MAY SEE TO PUBLICITY AND OTHER ARRANGEMENTS
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CHARLES B LESSER RABBI TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL.

FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
JACKSON, MICHIGAN

FREDERICK SPENCE, D. D., MINISTER

March 17, 1939

Rabbi Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I am entertaining the annual session of the Michigan Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church on June 7th to the 12th. This conference is made up of ministers and laymen of whom there will be five or six hundred.

I was wondering if you could be with us on Wednesday evening, June 7th, or on Sunday evening, June 11th. I have special reasons why I am eager to have an outstanding representative of your race somewhere on the program.

I have not a great deal of money to spend, as the conference lasts a week and I have such a large group to entertain, but I shall be very glad to pay you a reasonable honorarium.

I think that Rabbi Lesser will write to you, if he has not already done so. Please let me know as early as possible, stating your terms.

With very warm regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Frederick Spence

March 24, 1939

Dr. Frederick Spence
First Methodist Episcopal Church
Jackson, Michigan

My dear Dr. Spence:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of March 17 and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the Michigan Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church on June 7 or 11. I wish I were free to avail myself of your invitation. Unfortunately the entire month of June is already heavily dated up with both local and out of town engagements. Please keep me in mind for some other occasion. I am sure that you will have no difficulty in obtaining the services of some outstanding Jewish leader to address your Conference.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK