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Feb. 23, 1928.

Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:-

We should deem it both a privilege and an honor, if you would consent to preside at Graduation Exercises in celebration of the "Fourth Graduation" from our school, to be held Sunday afternoon, April 15, 1928, in the auditorium of one of the public schools. We do not mean gratuitously. Whatever sum you will state shall be acceptable to us.

Ours, is the only Talmud Torah in Hudson County, possessing a Hebrew Kindergarten and Parochial School; and in order to make it available to the entire city, the institution operates three buses which transport the children to and from school. The school also incurs an additional expense, by serving luncheon to the Parochial Classes. Four hundred little sons and daughters attend the school daily. It might also interest you to note that our graduates are admitted to the Teachers' Seminary of N.Y., without further preparation.

We feel, that for the approaching event, you are "the person" who would sufficiently stir our Jews and we call upon you to aid the advancement of Judaism.

We shall be very grateful for an early reply, stating whether or not April 15th is an open date and approximately how much we must figure for your services.

Hoping that you will find it possible to be with us, we are,

Sincerely yours,

Talmud Torah of the 5 Corners

By

S. S. Feller

PRINCIPAL

card ✓

March 22d, 1928.

Mr. S. S. Yellin,
7-9 Fraser Place,
Jersey City, N. J.

My dear Mr. Yellin:-

Please pardon the long delay in answering your letter of February 23d. I had misplaced it and it has just come to my attention.

I wish I could accept your kind invitation to address the Graduation Class of your school. Unfortunately I find it impossible to leave Cleveland on Sundays. Most of our Congregational activities take place on that day. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With kindest regards, permit me
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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PHONES ¹⁷/₁₈ JOURNAL SQUARE

Jan. 10, 1930.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

A few nights ago the Lyceum Forum Committee of the Jewish Community Centre held a meeting, at which it was suggested that an invitation be extended to you to visit with us some evening when you next make a trip to New York City.

Needless to say, this suggestion was met with great enthusiasm, and due to the fact that I esteem it an honor and a privilege to have met you so frequently, I volunteered to communicate with you for this purpose.

Your sister, Mrs. Liebow and Sam feel sure that you will not refuse us.

The Jewish Community Centre of Jersey City is a very beautiful edifice erected at a cost of upwards \$800,000. Won't you help grace it with your presence and an appropriate talk to the Jewish people of our Community?

I should like you to inform me sufficiently in advance when you will come so that your address and visit will be given due publicity.

With kindest personal regards, I
am

W/S

Very cordially yours

Atwood C. Wolf

Wed. April .30-

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Jan. 22d, 1930

Mr. Atwood C. Wolf,
Labor Bank Bldg.,
Sip Ave. at Journal Square,
Jersey City, N. J.

My dear Mr. Wolf:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of January 10th and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the Lyceum Forum of your Jewish Community Center.

My program is pretty well filled for the remainder of the season. I have, however, an engagement in the vicinity of Jersey City for the 29th of April and I could come to the Jewish Community Center of Jersey City on Wednesday evening, April 30th. My customary honorarium is \$250.

If the terms and date are convenient please let me know and I will definitely book your organization for that evening.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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PHONES ¹⁷₁₈ JOURNAL SQUARE

Feb. 1st, 1930.

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

I regret being unable to respond sooner to your cordial letter of January 22nd, due to the fact that our Lyceum group did not have a meeting until Thursday evening.

This Committee has no funds for expenses, and as a matter of fact, the Community Centre itself is having a rather bad time of it because of its inability to collect pledges and also because, like all new buildings of this character, there is not yet a sufficient revenue with which to properly maintain the building and operate the various activities which should be carried on.

As a matter of fact, a majority of the Board of Directors voted to close the building in December and dispose of it either to the Knights of Columbus or some similar organization. A few of us got together however, and decided to hold a mass meeting which resulted in our obtaining sustaining membership pledges which will enable us to carry on the "Y" longer. The unfortunate thing about the whole matter is that the building is entirely too large and sumptuously furnished for the needs of a community like ours. The minimum budget for a year's operation is \$84,000. So far as Jersey City is concerned it may just as well be Eighty-four million dollars.

It was because of our financial straits that I wrote you for assistance, thinking that perhaps you may find it convenient to talk to our Community on some occasion when you may be in the vicinity of New York.

Jersey City is not at all a rich community. It has no real residential district, and I can safely state that there is not even one Jewish millionaire in the entire City, so you can see what we are up against. We have a beautiful building but no funds, no endowments and only four or five sustaining memberships of \$1000. a year.

Perhaps some day when you are visiting the Liebows, you will give us sufficient notice in advance so that we can prepare for your "dropping in".

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

Atwood C. Wolf

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CHARLES HERSHENSTEIN
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SAMUEL TARTALSKY
HARRY TARTALSKY
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January 15, 1938

Dear Doctor Silver:-

The Jewish Community of this City is very happy to learn of your election as National Chairman of the U. P. A. We congratulate you and wish you good health and offer you our wholehearted support.

We are about to embark upon a United Jewish Appeal campaign to raise \$25,000. The major beneficiaries are to be the U. P. A. and the J. D. C. The balance will be distributed among The American Jewish Congress; American Jewish Committee; Wider Scope Committee; Hias; Jewish Welfare Board; the Seminaries and the Anti-Nazi League.

At an organization meeting held the other evening it was the unanimous opinion of the body that the success of the campaign would be assured if you would consent to address our community at a breakfast meeting to be held on either February 6th or February 13th (to suit your convenience) at the Jewish Community Center in this City.

It is not idle flattery but our sincere conviction that you can be responsible for a turn out which very few can claim and we feel confident that on this occasion the greatest amount of the campaign quota can be raised.

Your brother-in-law and my good friend, Ely Liebow, joins in extending his personal invitation. He is active in the work and is as anxious as everyone else that this drive be a success.

Of course, we will be very happy to defray any and all expense that you may have, together with an honorarium.

In anticipation of your acceptance, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Samuel Tartakover
Chairman

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
10311 Lake Shore Boulevard,
Cleveland, Ohio



January 17, 1938

Mr. Samuel Tartalsky,
26 Journal Square,
Jersey City, N.J.

My dear Mr. Tartalsky:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of January 15 and for your warm words of congratulations. I am afraid that I need more sympathy than congratulations...

I wish I could come to help you with your campaign in Jersey City but the dates which you give me, both on a Sunday, are out of the question. As you know, I am still Rabbi of The Temple, drawing a salary, and I am expected to occupy my own pulpit and preach on Sunday mornings. It is only on the rarest occasions that I absent myself from Cleveland on a Sunday. Besides, there are numerous other congregational affairs that take place on Sundays.

If you can set the opening of your campaign for some evening during the week, say, Monday evening, February 7, which, by the way, is a good day for me inasmuch as I am to be in the East on Tuesday the 8th, I would make an effort to come.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

P.S. I would be interested to know what proportion of your quota of \$25,000 is to be set aside for the overseas funds (the J.D.C. plus the U.P.A.) and what percentage of that amount the U.P.A. will receive.

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January 19, 1938

Dear Doctor Silver:-

In accordance with yours of the 17th inst., I called a meeting of the Campaign Committee this afternoon. In order to take advantage of your kind acceptance of our invitation to address our community, the committee decided to commence the campaign on Monday evening, February 7th with a dinner to be held at the Jewish Community Center.

Please accept the thanks of the committee for your co-operation and we will communicate with you later regarding details.

In reply to your inquiry concerning the allocation of the campaign quota, I beg to advise that it was tentatively decided that not less than 75% of the funds raised should be distributed equally between the J.D.C. and U.P.A. The balance to be allocated among the other known institutions.

With best wishes and looking forward to seeing you on the evening of February 7th, I am,

Very cordially,

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

Samuel Tartalsky

January 27, 1938

Mr. Samuel Tartalsky,
26 Journal Square,
Jersey City, N.J.

My dear Mr. Tartalsky:

I have been away from the city practically the whole week and I do not know whether I confirmed with you the date of February 7 for my appearance in Jersey City. If not, this letter will be such confirmation. I hope that nothing will prevent my coming. I hope, too, that Jersey City will make an extraordinary effort this year to raise a sum for the United Palestine Appeal much larger than that which was raised last year. The needs are so much greater. American communities, generally, seem to realize this fact.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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February 1, 1938

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I look forward to greeting you with Ely Liebow next Monday afternoon at your New York hotel.

We have arranged for a reception at five thirty in the afternoon at the home of the treasurer of the campaign, David Lerner, to which have been invited about 40 persons best able to contribute. At seven o'clock we shall hold an informal dinner at the Community Center to which the general community has been invited at a nominal charge of \$1. per person. We expect about 400 but I would not be at all surprised if a considerably greater number come to hear you.

We have not tried to get initial commitments but have arranged the reception with the idea you might obtain more sizeable contributions than we could. The dinner will be attended by many small contributors and potential workers. Whether an effort should be made to secure pledges at the reception or whether it should be deferred until you have delivered your address, is left entirely to your suggestion. The dinner opens the campaign.

I am a novice at fund raising. My first experience was last year when I headed the U.P.A. J.D.C. drive. We raised \$9000., our quota being \$10,000. We held a Sunday morning breakfast addressed by Supreme Court Justice Joseph B. Perskie and raised about \$4500. Lerner, the treasurer, gave \$1000. the next highest was \$250. and the average was very much less.

This year the quota is \$25,000. because there are included seven other agencies. We hope to raise the amount by reaching more contributors. It can be done even during this period of recession with the co-operation of workers notwithstanding the demands of local institutions and the non-existence of really wealthy Jews. I think you can stir your audience to

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

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give adequately. You are to be the only speaker.
The evening is yours, ad lib.

I don't suppose our community is any
different than the average nor do I mean to burden
you but I am writing at length in order to present
our local situation.

With kindest personal regards.

Very sincerely yours,




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

February 10, 1938

Mr. Samuel Tartarlsky,
26 Journal Square,
Jersey City, N.J.

My dear Mr. Tartarlsky:

I trust that your Campaign is progressing favorably. You had a good start last Monday and a thorough-going canvass of the community will net you your goal. I shall be very happy to hear from you concerning the progress of your Campaign.

My traveling and hotel expenses amounted to \$45.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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February 17, 1938

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Chair. Publicity Comm.

Meyer S. Mintz
Campaign Director

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Enclosed with the kind thanks
of the Committee is check for \$45. for your
traveling expenses.

On the evening of your address
we raised \$8,500. which is considerably more
than originally calculated. Now we are organ-
ized and engaged in personal solicitation. To
the present writing, we have about \$10,000.
Mr. Mintz and I are confident of substantially
reaching our quota.

I deeply regret the incidents
following your stirring speech. One speaker
on the program was unexpected; In fact, it
had previously been definitely decided that he
should not participate. But like other best
laid plans, ours went awry. I was distressed
for several days and the audience generally
disliked the intrusion. We are convinced that
but for the occurrence more funds would have
been raised that evening. However, realizing
that the cause must not suffer, the Committee
are diligently applying themselves to attain
our goal.

With kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel Tartalsky

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TELEPHONE
JOURNAL SQ. 2-0210

February 19th, 1938

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

To begin with, I know how very busy you will be for the next several months and how important your assignment is. I also know that within your limited sphere you wish to make the best use of your time. However, I have been delegated to write you, and as you know, I am a good soldier.

The Jewish War Veterans Post of Trenton, N.J. is tendering a testimonial dinner in behalf of Benjamin Kaufman who was the first commander of this post last year. Were this an ordinary testimonial, I would not waste time writing you about it. However, Benjamin Kaufman is one of the outstanding heroes of the World War and the pride of our people.

Only three Jews were awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor in the World War. I do not know if either of the two others are now alive but Benjamin Kaufman was one of those three.

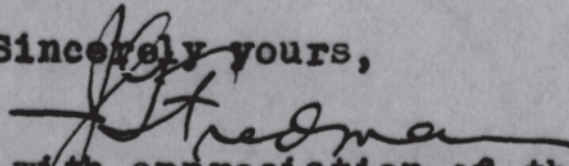
The dinner will take on state-wide, if not national scope, and will symbolize the patriotism of the Jew. There will be not less than 500 and possibly 700 in attendance, about half Jewish and half Gentiles, and after wide publicity will be nationally broadcast. Outside of the Governor of the State of New Jersey there will be one Gentile speaker and one Jewish speaker.

When my advice was sought as to who that Jewish speaker should be, I unhesitatingly recommended you because I know that you appreciate the work that our organization is doing, and that you are in sympathy with our purposes, and more selfishly because I know that we could not have a better advocate.

The dinner will be held in Trenton, N.J. on May 5th, 1938 and your expenses would be arranged for. I will be very happy if it will be possible for you to accept this invitation.

With warm personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,



P.S. Jersey City is still talking with appreciation of the address you gave here last week.

February 22, 1958

Mr. J. George Fredman,
391 Summit Avenue,
Jersey City, N.J.

My dear Mr. Fredman:

I deeply appreciate your kind letter of February 19 and I wish I were free to come and join with you and the Jewish War Veterans Post of Trenton, N.J. in tendering a testimonial dinner in behalf of Benjamin Kausman on May 5. It would be a real source of satisfaction to me if I could do so. Unfortunately my commitments for the next few months for out of town engagements, particularly in connection with the United Palestine Appeal, are so numerous that I cannot in justice to myself take on any new ones.

With all good wishes for success, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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December 12, 1939

Rabbi Samuel A. Berman
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CAN YOU POSSIBLY SPEAK BEFORE OUR BROTHERHOOD ON A NIGHT
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IS RATHER DEPLETED BUT CAN PAY ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS HOPING
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RABBI SAMUEL A BERMAN

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

May I recall to your mind your last appearance in Jersey City, on the occasion of the Expansion Fund dinner tendered in your honor? That was three years ago, during my presidency of this district. No function has, since then, elicited the response and the impression that remained with the community at that time.

Now, we are planning the major function of our Jewish National Fund Council, geared toward the raising of our \$25,000 quota. It will take place on Wednesday evening, June 1st, as a celebration of the first anniversary of Statehood.

Our Council members have unanimously agreed that your name as guest speaker would be the most effective means of drawing out the several thousand capacity that our High School auditorium will hold.

With your acceptance of this engagement, we can proceed further on program arrangements that will make of this evening another unforgettable experience in Jersey City.

Your many friends in this community look forward with much anticipation to your presence here again and I will deem it a genuine personal favor if you will find it possible to accept.

With warm personal regards, I remain

Cordially yours,

Henry Goldman
HENRY GOLDMAN,
Program Chairman,
J.C. Jewish Natl Fund Council

HG:R

235 Harrison Ave.
Jersey City 4, N. J.

March 24, 1949

Mr. Henry Goldman
235 Harrison Avenue
Jersey City 4, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Goldman:

Permit me to acknowledge your kind letter of March 22nd and your gracious invitation to address the Jewish National Fund Council of Jersey City on June 1st. It would indeed give me great pleasure to do so. Unfortunately, however, I am already committed to so many engagements and my own congregational responsibilities are such at that time of the year that it is impossible for me to accept. I hope that at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes for a very successful meeting, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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ההסתדרות הציונית של ארצות הברית

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

41 EAST 42nd STREET
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

November 6, 1950

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have had numerous inquiries regarding your availability, but have refrained from imposing upon you for relatively unimportant meetings. However, I have just received an urgent invitation from our Jersey City Zionist District, which will hold a Testimonial Dinner to Louis A. Falk on January 7th.

The District hopes to raise \$10,000. for Z.O.A. Projects at this affair. Mr. Liebow, who is in charge of the dinner is most anxious to have you as the guest speaker.

I would appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

With kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

Judith Daniel

JUDITH DANIEL, DIRECTOR
SPEAKERS' & ARTISTS' BUREAU

JD:es

*Wm. J. ...
Jan. 8th*

November 9, 1950

Mrs. Judith Daniel
Zionist Organization of America
41 East 42nd Street
New York 17, New York

My dear Friend:

Thank you for your letter of November 6th. It will not be possible for me to attend the meeting of the Jersey City Zionist District on January 7th, much as I should like to do so. I have a date here on January 7th and I am to be in Winnipeg on January 8th.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

BENJAMIN E. GORDON

COUNSELLOR AT LAW

358 CENTRAL AVENUE

JERSEY CITY, N. J.

JOURNAL SQUARE 4-3200

March 20, 1953.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Teaneck Zionist District, which I helped to organize years ago and which I served as President for three terms, is planning a large Zionist Rally for the Jewish Community of Bergen County, New Jersey, to be held at a convenient time between April 8th and May 15th, 1953. Its purpose is to make use of this Rally as a spring-board for an intensified membership campaign and effort to reenroll all of its former members. This is to be followed by a vigorous drive for AZF contributions.

Our Community has never had the honor of your presence in its midst. It is on the insistence of the leadership of our ZOA District that I write you this letter.

Appreciating, as I do, the many demands made on your time and your full schedule of commitments, I was reluctant to add to your already heavy burden. I have never in all the years made such a request of you. However, in view of their faithful and unflagging support of you and the principles for which you stood firm over the years, and in support of which I led the Community, our local people feel that you might find it possible to deliver the principal address at the Rally. They desire to be brought up to date on the current political situation as it affects Israel and the Jewish people.

If you can see your way clear in giving us an acceptance, please name the date, or give us a choice of two dates, so that we may fully publicize the Rally. We assure you of an audience of at least 500. Should you be able to come, my wife and I would like you to have dinner at our home in Teaneck. I shall call for you at your New York hotel and return you there (portal to portal) after the meeting. Of course, we shall be glad to reimburse you for all expenses incurred. Will you be good enough to advise me about this matter at an early date?

Mrs. Gordon joins me in sending warmest regards and very best wishes to you, Mrs. Silver and your sons for a pleasant and enjoyable Passover.

Very sincerely yours,

Benjamin E. Gordon

April 2, 1953

Mr. Benjamin E. Gordon
358 Central Avenue
Jersey City, New Jersey

My dear Friend;

Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter. I have been away from the city and my correspondence has lagged. I appreciate very much your gracious invitation to address a Zionist Rally under the auspices of the Teaneck Zionist District, and I wish I were free to accept it. Nothing would have given me more pleasure than to address a meeting under your auspices. It so happens, however, that my program is terribly crowded for the remainder of the season. I have been away for a few weeks on the Pacific coast and in Mexico, and I cannot in fairness to my own congregation, accept any more out-of-town engagements. I am committed to a number of important conventions in the next few weeks, as well as campaign meetings in behalf of the UJA. This, on top of important congregational affairs, will absorb all of my time and energies. I hope I may be of service to you at some future time, and I look forward to the pleasure of having dinner with you and Mrs. Gordon at some time in the not-too-distant future. Please remember me to Mrs. Gordon. Mrs. Silver joins me in sending you both warmest regards and best wishes for a happy Pesach.

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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April 7, 1954

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

On Sunday, May 16th, our Zionist district is tendering a dinner to Meyer Pesin, National Kfar Silver Chairman, for the purpose of raising funds for our various quotas.

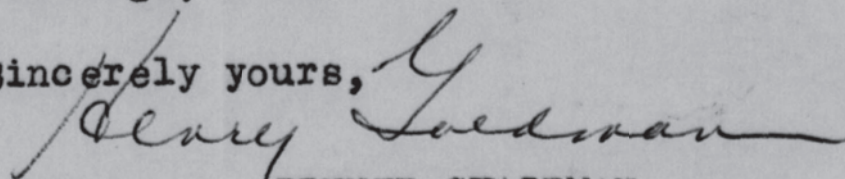
Our entire community recalls, with warmest memories, your last appearance here as guest speaker at a similar function, an evening that stands out as one of the highest spots in our community functions.

We are cognizant of the many demands made upon your time and energy and of the countless requests that pour into your office. We sincerely hope, however, that this request may be given your favorable consideration since we feel that your presence here on May 16th would be the natural tie-up with the occasion...the man who is being honored and the project for which he is working so enthusiastically and so ardently...KFAR SILVER.

May we look forward to your favorable response? We will deem it a great privilege as well as an assured guarantee of the success of our function.

With cordial Zionist greetings, I am

Sincerely yours,



DINNER CHAIRMAN,
Jersey City District, Z.O.A.

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April 9, 1954

Mr. Henry Goldman
Henry Goldman Paper Co.
112-114 Harrison Avenue
Jersey City 4, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Goldman:

I deeply appreciate your gracious invitation to attend the dinner honoring Meyer Pesin on May 16th. It would have given me deep satisfaction indeed to be able to attend it.

Unfortunately, I must remain in Cleveland that day. I have my own services in the morning and a wedding of one of my dear friends in the evening. Under the circumstances it is quite impossible for me to leave the city.

I hope that your meeting will be very successful. Please convey to Meyer Pesin my high regard for him and for the great services which he has been rendering our common cause.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordial ly yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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April 29, 1954

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

We were very disappointed to learn that you would be unable to be our guest speaker at the Meyer Pesin Dinner planned for May 16th.

In discussing this with our committee, we felt that the impact of your presence would surely assure the success of this venture. Since it is a \$100. Sponsor's Dinner, and since we expect to make it a very important function with invitations to the Governor, Senator and Mayor, we are particularly anxious to feature your coming and to identify it, particularly, with the Kfar Silver Project, which Meyer Pesin heads nationally.

I have recently returned from a trip to Israel (my first) and am filled with an enthusiasm that I would want very much to harness in this direction. I was very much impressed with Kfar Silver and its tremendous possibilities for the future and feel quite confident that we can do an important job here in Jersey City.

We are holding a tentative date open at our Community Center for Tuesday evening, June 15th awaiting word from you.

May we ask that you wire us, collect, if this date is open on your calendar and if you can honor us with your presence?

We eagerly await your favorable reply.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Goldman
J.C. Chairman, Sponsor Dinner

May 4, 1954

Mr. Henry Goldman
112-114 Harrison Avenue
Jersey City 4, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Goldman:

Thank you for your kind letter of April 29th. I wish I were free to comply with your request to come to you on June 15th. Unfortunately, my schedule is such that I cannot under the circumstances take on any additional obligations. I am more than normally committed this season for local and out-of-town meetings for the next few months.

With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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