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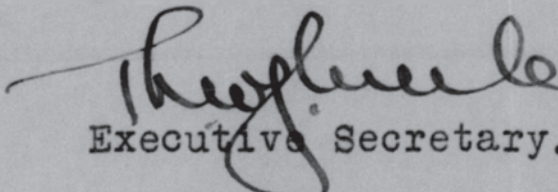
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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

It was good of you to telegraph in response to my request for an address at our twentieth annual meeting. I am sorry, of course, that we shall not have you. Possibly, we might count on that pleasure in the future. At any rate, I shall try again.

Sincerely,

  
Executive Secretary.

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THEODORE J WERLE

EXECUTIVE SEC MICH TB ASSN.



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DAY LETTER COLLECT

Sept. 1st, 1929

WRHS  
Theodore J. Werle,  
Exec. Sec. Michigan T. B. Ass'n.,  
Lansing, Mich.



Have just returned from Europe regret can not accept  
your kind invitation for September eighteenth. Wish  
you every success.

A. H. Silver



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Health Service Building  
535 South Capitol Avenue

September 3, 1931

Rabbi J. Silver  
Reformed Congregation  
Temple Emmanuel  
Cleveland, Ohio

Reverend Sir:

Perhaps you may recall that two years ago the Michigan Tuberculosis Association program committee for its annual meeting, desired to have you address them. I have again been directed to ask you to come to our annual meeting. This time it will be held in Ann Arbor at noon on Friday, October 16. I am happy to extend the invitation of this Association to you, and presume to urge you to accept.

We feel that your high minded thinking and high ideals for service will be of infinite value in guiding and inspiring the men and women who are the Michigan Tuberculosis Association, and whose desire is that their work should not suffer from deterioration of ethical and spiritual ideals. This request is directed to you not merely to fill thirty minutes in a program, but because it is sincerely felt that you as a personality and as a spiritual leader can help the Michigan Tuberculosis Association.

As previously mentioned, expenses plus a modest fee for the trip, will be available.

Very truly yours,

*Theo. J. Werle*  
Executive Secretary

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*card*

Mr. Theo. J. Werle,  
Michigan Tuberculosis Ass'n.,  
Lansing, Mich.

My dear Mr. Werle:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of September 3d and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the Michigan Tuberculosis Association on Friday, October 16th.

I wish I were free to come to you but I shall be in New England during that week delivering a series of lectures.

Perhaps at some future time we will be able to get together.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



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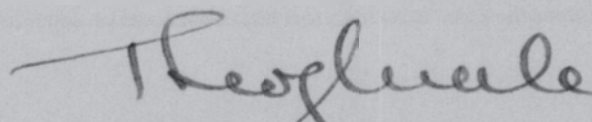
September 17, 1931

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

Reverend Sir:

We are sorry we shall not have the privilege of an address by you at the annual meeting of the Tuberculosis Association this year. However, I shall continue to look into the future.

Very truly yours,

  
Executive Secretary

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EAST LANSING, MICHIGAN  
(MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE)

November 5, 1937

Rabbi Abba Hillil Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Our student Y.M.C.A. is planning its third annual series of religious lectures and would like very much to include you as one of the speakers to be presented to our campus. Would you be available either of the last two weeks of January or the first or second week of February for a Sunday afternoon engagement? If we are fortunate enough to find you available for one of these dates, what are the other conditions we would have to meet to bring you here?

The set-up we plan now is an all-campus meeting at four-thirty or five o'clock Sunday afternoon. We hope to bring to our campus a speaker from each of the three largest religious faiths of our nation today. We would like very much to have you speak on behalf of Judaism on some topic under the theme, "What Judaism can contribute to our nation today." We would appreciate any information you can give us at your early convenience.

Very cordially yours,

Henry F. Pierce, Chairman  
Committee on Religious Lecture Series, YMCA

HFP:od



November 8, 1937

Mr. Henry F. Pierce, Chairman,  
Committee on Religious Lecture Series, YMCA,  
136 Albert  
East Lansing, Michigan.

My dear Mr. Pierce:

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to address your body. It would have given me great pleasure to accept it. Unfortunately I cannot leave my community on a Sunday. I have my own services in the morning and in the afternoons there are usually weddings and other Temple functions which make it necessary for me to remain in the city.

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

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK





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June 4, 1951

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Because of our intense desire to include a deep spiritual emphasis in our National Training Conference of Scout Executives, I am appealing to you for help. This Conference will be in session in Lansing, Michigan, from September 5 to 12. We are calling together all of our 2300 professional Scouters.

At eleven o'clock on Sunday morning, September 9, we will have a Convocation of the entire Conference. This is not a Service of Worship; it is a Convocation with emphasis upon our cooperative relationships with Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish Synagogues and Churches. We are inviting the outstanding leaders of each Faith to speak, and we turn to you as one of the leading spokesmen of the Jewish people of America.

At a previous Conference of this nature we had the pleasure of having with us Dr. Julian Morgenstern of Cincinnati who delivered a most inspiring address to our Executives.

Through the years we have had the most friendly relations with Orthodox, Conservative and Reform Congregations and Rabbis, and we anticipate further extension of Scouting Service for Jewish boys through the very effective program of cooperation that has been developed.

I shall be leaving shortly for the World Jamboree of Scouts and Scouters in Europe, and will hope to have your reply by the end of June. Of course, you understand that we will gladly reimburse your travel expenses.

Awaiting your pleasure, I remain

Very respectfully yours,  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Arthur A. Schuck  
Chief Scout Executive

AAS:lcl





### THE SCOUT OATH

On My Honor I will do my best:

1. To do my duty to God and my country, and to obey the Scout Law;
2. To help other people at all times;
3. To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

### THE SCOUT LAW

#### 1. A SCOUT IS TRUSTWORTHY

A Scout's honor is to be trusted. If he were to violate his honor by telling a lie, or by cheating, or by not doing exactly a given task, when trusted on his honor, he may be directed to hand over his scout badge.

#### 2. A SCOUT IS LOYAL

He is loyal to all to whom loyalty is due: his scout leader, his home, and parents and country.

#### 3. A SCOUT IS HELPFUL

He must be prepared at any time to save life, help injured persons, and share the home duties. He must do at least one good turn to somebody every day.

#### 4. A SCOUT IS FRIENDLY

He is a friend to all and a brother to every other scout.

#### 5. A SCOUT IS COURTEOUS

He is polite to all, especially to women, children, old people, and the weak and helpless. He must not take pay for being helpful or courteous.

#### 6. A SCOUT IS KIND

He is a friend to animals. He will not kill or harm any living creature needlessly, but will strive to save and protect them.

#### 7. A SCOUT IS OBEDIENT

He obeys his parents, scoutmaster, patrol leader, and all other duly constituted authorities.

#### 8. A SCOUT IS CHEERFUL

He smiles whenever he can. His obedience to orders is prompt and cheerful. He never shrinks or grumbles at hard work.

#### 9. A SCOUT IS THRIFTY

He does not wantonly destroy property. He works faithfully, wastes nothing, and makes the best use of his opportunities. He saves his money so that he may pay his own way, be generous to those in need, and helpful to worthy objects. He may work for pay but must not receive tips for courtesies or good turns.

#### 10. A SCOUT IS BRAVE

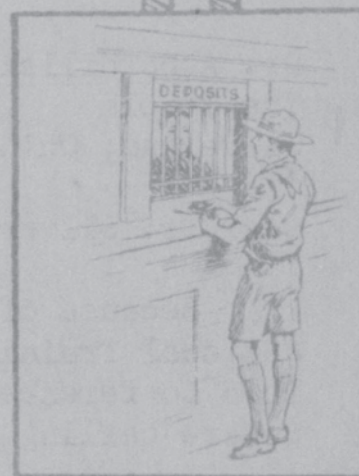
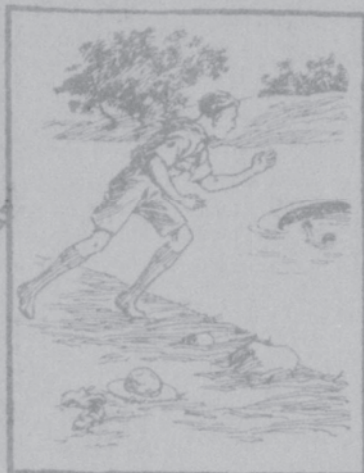
He has the courage to face danger in spite of fear and to stand up for the right against the coaxings of friends or the jeers or threats of enemies, and defeat does not down him.

#### 11. A SCOUT IS CLEAN

He keeps clean in body and thought, stands for clean speech, clean sport, clean habits, and travels with a clean crowd.

#### 12. A SCOUT IS REVERENT

He is reverent toward God. He is faithful in his religious duties, and respects the convictions of others in matters of custom and religion.





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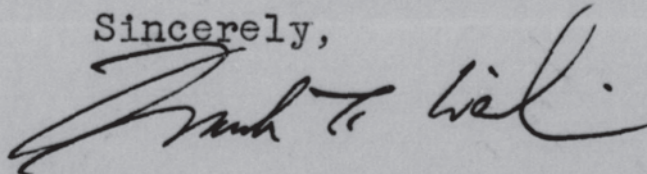
Dear Rabbi Silver:

Arthur Schuck, Chief Scout Executive of the  
Boy Scouts of America, has sent me a copy of his letter-  
invitation to you of June 4th.

May I add my word to his and hope that you  
will see your way clear to accepting this invitation.

Kind regards.

Sincerely,



FLW:RAS.  
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I thought I should add a word to the invitation being sent to you by our Chief Scout Executive, Arthur Schuck, to address the National Training Conference of Scout Executives on Sunday, September 9th.

When I was asked who was America's outstanding Rabbi who could give this address, I immediately answered Dr. Silver of Cleveland. I mean it sincerely.

As a member of the National Staff, I naturally have been to the Executive Conferences which take place every four years. There will be 2,500 Professional Scout Executives plus their wives and families. The Convocation at which you would speak is really the spiritual highlight of the entire Conference. Many of the men will undoubtedly be listening to a Rabbi for the first time in their lives. Some of them might even expect you to appear with a beard, but don't let that bother you! After a few minutes you will have them so enthralled that they will think they are listening to one of the ancient prophets of Israel.

Please, therefore, Dr. Silver, do everything possible to accept this invitation and be with us. I will naturally be prepared to give you whatever background information you may need about the Boy Scout Movement.

With all best wishes and kindest regards from Frank Weil and myself,

Very sincerely yours,  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

*Harry Lasker*

Harry Lasker  
National Director  
Jewish Relationships

HL:SR



June 8, 1951

Mr. Arthur A. Schuck  
Boy Scouts of America  
2 Park Avenue  
New York 16, New York

My dear Mr. Schuck:

Permit me to acknowledge your kind letter of June 4th and to thank you for your gracious invitation to participate in the convocation of the Conference of Scout Executives which is to be held on September 9th. I should very much like to accept your invitation. However, there is the possibility of the Congress of the World Zionist Organization being held in Israel the latter part of August. In that case I shall probably not be back by September 9th. There is an off chance that the Congress will not be held until later in the year. I do not believe, however, that you would want to count on my presence at your conference, and later in the summer find yourself under the necessity of obtaining a substitute for me. If you do want to take that chance, I shall be glad to take it with you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

cc - Frank Weil



[Encl.]

Theodore J. Werle,  
Michigan Tuberculosis Ass'n.  
Lansing, Mich.

I find that I ~~am~~ scheduled to address the Southwestern  
Ohio Teachers Ass'n. in Cincinnati on October 26th. Regret  
that I must forego the pleasure of being with you.

Rabbi A. H. Silver

card