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KANSAS STATE COLLEGE
OF AGRICULTURE AND APPLIED SCIENCE
PRESIDENT'S OFFICE
MANHATTAN, KANSAS

January 4, 1937

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

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The honorarium would be two hundred dollars, which would include your expenses.

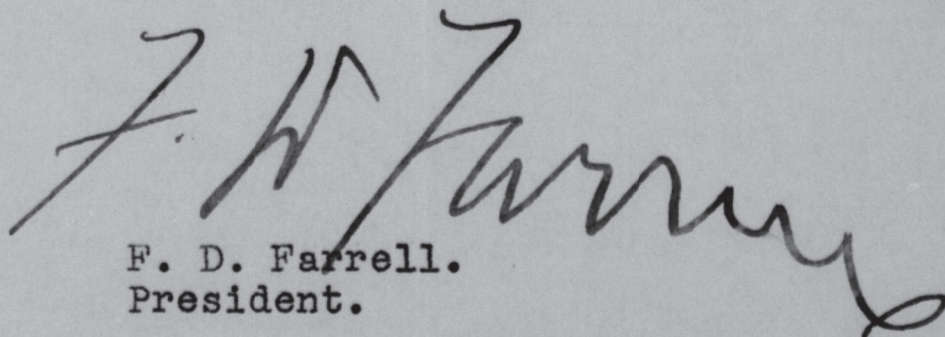
We hope that you will accept this invitation and that you will inform me of the fact in the near future.

The enclosed booklet of campus views will give you some idea of the kind of institution the College is.

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January 21, 1937

Dr. F. D. Farrell, President,
Kansas State College of Agriculture and Applied Science,
Manhattan, Kansas.

My dear Dr. Farrell:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter of January 4. I have been absent from the city during the last two weeks attending a convention in New Orleans. I am profoundly appreciative of your invitation to deliver the baccalaureate address at the commencement exercises of the Kansas State College on Sunday, May 30. I wish I were free to accept it. I am, however, scheduled to attend the convention of the Central Conference of American Rabbis which will be held over that weekend at Columbus, Ohio. I am president of the Alumni Association of the Hebrew Union College and I am scheduled to conduct its meetings at this convention.

Please keep me in mind for some future occasion. With all good wishes and thanking you again for the courtesy of your invitation, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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January 22, 1937

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

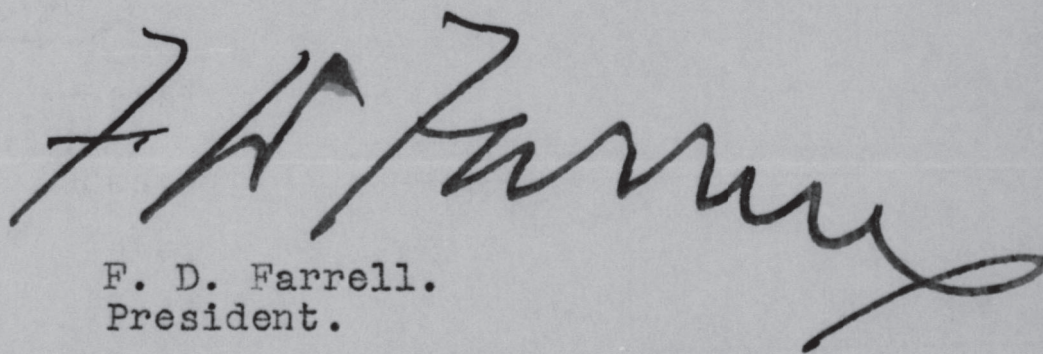
Dear Rabbi Silver:

As I have received no reply to a letter I wrote to you on January 4, I assume that the letter may have miscarried and I therefore enclose a copy of it.

We shall be grateful if you will reply within the next few days and we hope that you will accept the invitation.

With best wishes, I am

Very truly yours,


F. D. Farrell.
President.

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January 23, 1937

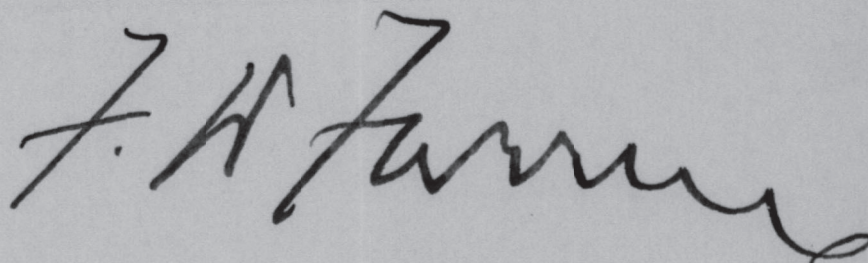
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are sorry to learn from your letter of
January 21 that you will not be able to be with us
next spring. We shall hope to have you here at
some later date.

With best wishes, I am

Very truly yours,



F. D. Farrell.
President.