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October Second
1917

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
C/o The Temple,
Cleveland, O.

My dear Colleague:

The work of the Jewish Student Congregation of the U. of M. is about to be resumed at the beginning of the scholastic year. The enthusiasm manifest among the men warrants us in believing that this year will be one of the most successful seasons of activity that we have yet had. We are anxious that the high standard heretofore established may be fully maintained, and for this reason we are asking only men of proved ability to participate this year in the services.

We are most anxious that you shall deliver a sermon very early in the season, and for this reason I am writing to ask whether it might be possible for you to occupy the pulpit at Ann Arbor on November 4th. If you can do so and will so advise me at your earliest convenience, I will greatly appreciate your courtesy and co-operation. If possible, I shall be glad to have the subject upon which you will speak.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness and with fraternal greetings, believe me to be,

Sincerely yours,

Leo M. Franklin
Supervising Rabbi.

P.S. The service takes place at seven P.M. Central time.

October 6th, 1917

Rabbi Leo H. Franklin,
10 Eliason Avenue
Detroit, Mich.

My dear Rabbi Franklin,

I have your letter of the second instant and desire to thank you for your invitation to speak before Jewish Student Congregation of the University of Michigan.

The date you mention is rather early in the season and for that reason I dislike to be away from my pulpit, but I will gladly make arrangements to go to Michigan if you will exchange pulpits with me on that Sunday.

Awaiting word from you at your earliest convenience, and reciprocating your kind greetings, I remain

Sincerely yours,

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October Ninth
1917

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
3/o The Temple,
Cleveland, O.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you so much for your kind letter of October 5th. I greatly appreciate your kindness in asking me to exchange pulpits with you on November 4th, but unfortunately it will be impossible for me to do so. However, I do not believe that it would be necessary for you to be absent from your pulpit in order to meet the Ann Arbor engagement. Services there do not begin until seven o'clock, Central time and it is my impression that you can leave Cleveland shortly after noon and arrive here in time to catch the train which leaves here for Ann Arbor at five-fifteen. Will you not look into this and advise me?

I am so glad to know that your work has begun so auspiciously. I am sure that you will meet with happy results right along.

With cordial regards, believe me to be,

Sincerely yours,

Leo M. Franklin

October 11, 1917.

RABBI LEO M. FRANKLIN,
DETROIT,
MICH.

My dear Dr. Franklin:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th. I am afraid that I shall be unable to accept your kind invitation to address the "Jewish Student Congregation" of the University of Michigan on November 4th.

It would be too much of a task for me to preach in my own Temple in the morning, and travel in the afternoon, and then preach at Ann Arbor in the evening.

At some future time, when I will have some one to occupy my pulpit here, I shall be more than happy to be of service to you.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:G

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Feb. 17th, 1919.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple, 55th and Central,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear colleague:

It is the desire of the Executive Committee of the Jewish Student Congregation as well as my own most earnest wish, that you should preach the sermon at Ann Arbor on March 16th at our great annual Hill Auditorium Service. As you no doubt know, once a year all the churches in Ann Arbor close their doors in order that all may participate with us in a Jewish service. On such occasions, we usually gather together a congregation of anywhere from 2,000 to 3,500 people, composed largely of the students of the University and many of the professors besides a large proportion of the townspeople. In many ways, it is the greatest Jewish service held anywhere throughout the year.

Should you see your way clear to accepting this invitation, I should want you also to preach in my own pulpit in Detroit on the morning of the same day.

May I hope for your acceptance at the first possible moment, preferably by wire?

Hoping to hear from you affirmatively in the matter and with most cordial greetings, believe me to be, as always,

Sincerely yours,

Sam. Frankel

9 n 23rd

February 19th, 1919

Rabbi Leo M. Franklin ,
10 Edison Avenue,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Franklin,

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation of the seventeenth, to address the Jewish Student Congregation at Ann Arbor, on March 16th, and would be glad to accept, were it not for the fact that March 16th is Purim, and we are arranging for a large entertainment which entails my presence here.

I could come on the 9th or perhaps on the 23rd, if one of those dates would be satisfactory. Please let me know as soon as possible.

With cordial regards,

Very sincerely yours,

CONGREGATION BETH EL
DETROIT

Feb. 24th, 1919.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, O.

My dear friend and colleague:

I sincerely regret your inability to deliver the address at the Jewish Student Congregation on March 16th but I fully appreciate the circumstances.

At some other time, let us hope to have you.

I regret that the 16th is the only date available to us at this time.

With cordial regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Sam. Frank

613 E. Huron St.,
Ann Arbor, Mich.,
December 1, 1919.

Rabbi Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

We have had a number of our students ask if it would not be possible to induce you to come to Ann Arbor to speak before the Jewish young men and women of the University. We have here over 300 Jewish students, a Jewish students' Congregation, a Menorah Society, and a Zionist Society. With such a large field for work and with such fine material for Jewish workers and leaders as these people certainly afford, it is only a pity that we have had very few Jewish men of note to address us, there having been here thus far this year no one at all who has imbued the students with a desire for work along any particular line.

I am certain that it is not necessary to point out to you the great wealth of Jewish thought and power here, that lies latent, waiting only to be awakened. Although the work must necessarily emanate from the students themselves, there are but few who are already keen to the responsibility and the opportunity. It therefore seems to me that we should benefit greatly by the immense good you could accomplish in the way of urging on these people to greater efforts. We should indeed be happy if you would consent to come and talk on Zionism and the Student. I assure you that there will not be a single Jewish young man or woman whom it is physically possible to reach, that will not be at the meeting to hear you. In asking you to come here, we have the entire support of the Students' Congregation and the Menorah.

Of course, your expenses including railroad fare, will be borne by us. As for the date, we had in mind any one of the Sunday evenings of January 11th, 25th, or February 1st (8:00 P.M.) preferably January 11th, as this is the first meeting after the Christmas vacation, - the best time for a large meeting as this.

We shall consider ourselves extremely fortunate if you will consent to come, and we assure you that we shall do everything we can to make your visit to Ann Arbor a pleasant one. We sincerely trust that we shall hear favorably from you.

Yours respectfully,
MICHIGAN ZIONIST SOCIETY.
DISTRICT OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN.
S. Emanuel Goldberg
President.

December 4, 1919.

Mr. E. Emanuel Goldberg,
613 East Huron Street,
Ann Arbor, Mich.

My dear Mr. Goldberg,

I am in receipt of your very kind invitation to address the Menorah-Zionist Society.

I would gladly avail myself of your kind invitation, but unfortunately I cannot leave Cleveland on a Sunday. The principle service for the week of my congregation is the Sunday service.

I expect to be in Detroit the first week in February, I think it is the second, and if you could arrange for a meeting on the third, I might see my way clear to come, although this too, of course, is subject to change.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Oct. 15th, 1923.

Rabbi Abba H. Silver,
c/o The Temple,
Cleveland, O.

My dear colleague:

You perhaps know that for several years past, the Jewish Student Congregation of the University of Michigan has been privileged to arrange one of a series of services held under University auspices in the great Hill Auditorium.

Our date this year is January 13th and it is my privilege to ask you if you will deliver the address on that occasion.

The audience which is made up of students, professors, and townspeople usually runs anywhere from 2500 to 3500 people. We have been accustomed to take our Temple choir to Ann Arbor for this occasion which is a really important one. I regret that it is impossible for me to offer you anything in the way of an honorarium but of course we pay all expenses.

Your acceptance of this invitation will not only be a source of the greatest gratification to me personally but as well I can assure you, to the entire student body.

Thanking you in advance for an early and I trust favorable reply and with very cordial greetings from house to house, believe me to be,

Sincerely yours

Leo M. Franklin

October eighteenth
1923

Dr. Lee M. Franklin,
Temple Beth El,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Dr. Franklin,

Permit me to thank you for your kind invitation to address the Student Congregation at the University of Michigan, on Sunday, January thirteenth. I shall be very happy to be with you on that date.

This is the only Sunday that I am allowing myself to be away from my Temple this season. I wish to reciprocate the kindness which you showed my Congregation in coming to our Friday Evening Forum.

Looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you again, I remain, with kindest regards to yourself and Mrs. Silver,

Very sincerely yours

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1000 E. Washington St.
Ann Arbor, Mich.
Jan. 2nd 1924.

Secretary To,
Dr. Abba H. Silver
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Miss Secretary:

As you probably know, Dr. Silver is scheduled to speak in Ann Arbor under the auspices of the Jewish Student Congregation on Jan. 13th 1924. It is in regard to publicity matter for that occasion that I am writing you.

I would be very much obliged to you if you could send me a cut of Dr. Silver. Also any matter of interest and importance connected with Dr. Silver's career as a minister would be appreciated. Any other matters that you might deem advisable for publicity would be very welcome. Thanking you most kindly for this favor and assuring you of my most

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*Kearnest endeavors to make the services
on Jan. 13th a huge success, I remain,
Sincerely Yours,*

*Joe L. Nathanson,
President*



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ADDRESS:

LEO M FRANKLIN:

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Triumph & Failure of Democracy

1304 WASHTENAW TERRACE
ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

January 15th 1924

My dear Rabbi:

It may be that I have
too much timidity in trespassing on
your time, but I cannot refrain
from telling you with what intense
admiration and appreciation I listened
to your address in the Hill Auditorium
on Sunday evening.

It is my belief that

a Catholic should have with respect
the teaching of the teacher of your
ancient Faith; but, here as was
my expectation, I was surprised
for any thing so masterly as your
remarkable lecture. It was without
exception the most beautiful address
(and the most beautifully delivered)
to which I have ever listened.

May I confess that since then
ever I have been inclined to

agree with Mr. Adams, and the able
critics of democracy, and to feel that
it had been a failure? Your eloquence
so touched me that it truly felt
hopeful again, - and I thought I
should like to tell you so.

With sincerest admiration, I have
the honor to be

Very cordially yours,

Benjamin Clark Cohen.

PHI CHAPTER
ZETA BETA TAU
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
ANN ARBOR, MICH.

Jan. 17, 1924.

Dear Dr. Silver:-

It was indeed both a pleasure and an honor to have you with us last Sunday. We deeply regret the fact that you had to leave immediately after your lecture. We all enjoyed hearing you give one of the best talks ever given in Hill Auditorium.

We hope that any time in the future that you are in the vicinity of Ann Arbor you will consider this your home. We also hope that you will be able to be with us for our initiation and house dedication, which will take place sometime in March.

Fraternally,

Joseph E. Michaels
Sofar.

January 18th, 1924.

Mr. Joseph E. Michaels,
Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My dear Mr. Michaels,

Permit me to thank you
for your kind note of January 17th.
I need not tell you that I enjoyed
my few hours in Ann Arbor tremendously
especially the ~~opportunity~~ of meeting the fine
men of our Fraternity.

Looking forward with pleasure
to another such opportunity, permit me to
remain

Fraternaly yours,

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*Ann Arbor
J.S.C.*

1000 E. Washington St.

Ann Arbor, Mich.

Jan. 25, 1924.

Dr. Abba H. Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Just a line Dr. Silver, to express
my sincerest thanks to you in behalf of the
members of the Jewish Student Congregation,
for the very excellent address you gave at
the Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor on Jan. 13th.

I am continually hearing echoes, as
it were, about the campus from students who
had the good fortune to listen to you on that
occasion, and they all join in the chorus
in wishing that they may be able to hear
you again many times in the future.

I am extremely sorry that I was unable
to meet you but I hope that I may have
the pleasure of making your acquaintance
some time in the future.

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Again, thanking you for the opportunity
you gave us to listen to you, and with
my kindest regards, I ask to remain,

Respectfully Yours,
Joe L. Nathanson.
President.



January 25th, 1924.

Mr. Benj. Clark Cooper,
1304 Wachtens Terrace,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My dear Mr. Cooper,

Please pardon the long delay
in acknowledging your very kind note of
the 15th. I have been out of the city
so much of the time. I am very happy to
know that you were present at the Services
and that my words have had a meaning and
message for you. I need not tell you that
I enjoyed my few hours in Ann Arbor immensely.

Thanking you for your thoughtfulness
in writing to me, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

The B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

At the University of Michigan

615 E. University Ave.

Ann Arbor, Michigan

Rabbi Adolph H. Fink

Director

September 30, 1927

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Realizing that you are probably the busiest Rabbi in the country, I have yet been able to summon sufficient courage to ask you to deliver an Open Forum address before our organization (which was evidently named after you).

Almost any day that you select will be convenient for us, providing that day should not happen to fall during either an examination or vacation.

Will you be kind enough to let me hear from you regarding this matter? Be assured that the Michigan Campus at large will appreciate your visit immensely. I still hear references to your appearance here several years ago.

With cordial greetings and best wishes for a happy New Year, I am

AHF:ET

Sincerely yours

Adolph H. Fink

Mem. Feb. 6

card

Dec. 5th, 1927.

Rabbi Adolph H. Fink,
615 E. University Ave.,
Ann Arbor, Mich.

My dear Rabbi:-

Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter and invitation of September 30th. I have been waiting for an opportunity to clear my calendar so that I might find a day for The Michigan Hillel Foundation.

It may be possible for me to come Monday evening, February 6th. If the date is convenient for you, please let me know and I will send you the subject of my address.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

ARS/IR

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December 6, 1927

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

Feb. 13

Dear Dr. Silver:

Please accept my sincerest expression of appreciation for your kind letter of December 6, with its agreement to speak for us.

If you can not arrange a convenient date other than Monday, February 6, we shall, of course, be exceedingly happy to have you here on that date. We should prefer another date, however, because February 6 is the date upon which the second semester begins. This means that many students will have been out of the city for several days between semesters, returning on Monday, February 6. We could not expect to have the largest possible attendance on this date although I feel certain that we would have a large turnout.

With repeated thanks for your acceptance and looking forward to an early reply, I am

AHF:MT

Sincerely yours

Adolph H. Fink

card ✓

December 7th, 1927.

Rabbi Adolph H. Fink,
University of Michigan,
615 E. University Ave.,
Ann Arbor, Mich.

My dear Fink:-

If Monday, February 6th is
not a convenient one, how would Monday,
February 13th be?

With kindest regards, permit
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

The B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

At the University of Michigan

615 E. University Ave.

Ann Arbor, Michigan

Rabbi Adolph H. Fink

Director

December 9, 1927

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Please do not consider me the proverbial calamity howler; but I must inform you that on the evening of Monday, February 13, Myra Hess, the English pianist, is scheduled to play here in one of the Concert Series. Some four or five thousand people hold series tickets. I think it would be impossible, therefore, to anticipate a satisfactory attendance at any other event scheduled on that evening. There are three possible procedures; you could speak here on the afternoon of February 13, or on the evening of the 6th, or, if possible, select another date.

I have found out that you could leave Cleveland on the New York Central at 8:30 in the morning, arriving in Toledo at 11:00, leaving Toledo by motor bus at 11:20 and arriving in Ann Arbor about 1:30. We could schedule your address for 4:15. As a matter of fact, most of the prominent speakers who appear in Ann Arbor deliver their lectures at this hour. I frankly believe, however, that a larger attendance could be had at night.

Will you be good enough to consider the various possibilities and inform me as to your selection?

I appreciate immensely your very kind spirit of cooperation. The students and I are already looking forward with greatest pleasure to your appearance here. The date you select will be the most important on the Hillel Foundation calendar of the year.
(over)

A Jewish Organization Devoted to Social and Religious Work Among Students at the University

The B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

At the University of Michigan

612 E. University Ave.

Ann Arbor, Michigan

Rabbi Adolph H. Fink

Director

(2)

with kindest regards and anticipating
an early reply, I am

AHF:ET

Sincerely yours

Adolph H. Fink



Carol

Dec. 14th, 1927.

Rabbi Adolph H. Fink,
615 E. University Ave.,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My dear Rabbi Fink:-

How would Monday evening, February
20th suit you.

With kindest regards, permit
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AFS/IR

The B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

At the University of Michigan

615 E. University Ave.

Ann Arbor, Michigan

Rabbi Adolph H. Fink

Director

December 16, 1927

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am greatly embarrassed in being compelled to report that on Monday evening, February 20, one of the Oratorical Association Series Lectures will be held here. Some five thousand people have series tickets.

Would Monday evening, February 27, be satisfactory?

Between December 18 and January 1, I shall be visiting

L. Minden

22 Dunsmure Road

Hamilton, Ontario

Canada

May I take the liberty to request that you be kind enough to communicate with me there relative to a convenient date?

Please be assured of my great appreciation of your kindness.

With kindest regards, I am

AHF:ST

Sincerely yours

Respectfully,
Adolph H. Fink

Adolph H. Fink

December 23d, 1927.

Rabbi Adolph H. Fink,
c/o L. Minden,
22 Dunsmure Rd.,
Hamilton, Ontario,
Canada.

My dear Fink:-

Monday evening, February 27th
is satisfactory. I shall reserve that date
for your organization.

With kindest regards, permit
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

The B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

At the University of Michigan

615 E. University Ave.

Ann Arbor, Michigan

Rabbi Adolph H. Fink

Director

January 4, 1927

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Hansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The students and I are
eagerly anticipating your visit on the
evening of February 27. Please accept my
thanks for your acceptance.

Will you be kind enough to
send me the topic of your address at your
earliest convenience?

With kindest regards, I am

AHF:ET

Sincerely yours

Joseph H. Fink

January 10th, 1928.

Rabbi Adolph H. Fink,
615 E. University Ave.,
Ann Arbor, Mich.

My dear Rabbi Fink:-

I shall address the students
on "The Four Major Tendencies in Jewish Life".

With kindest regards, permit
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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Rabbi Adolph H. Fink

Director

January 11, 1928

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Hansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter, stating the topic of the address that you will deliver in Ann Arbor on February 27.

With kindest regards and looking forward to seeing you, I am

AHF:ET

Very sincerely yours

Adolph H. Fink

Feb. 6th, 1928.

Rabbi Adolph H. Fink,
Sec'y. B'ne B'rith Hillel Foundation,
615 E. University Ave.,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Dear Rube:-

Enclosed herewith is a biographical
paragraph of Rabbi Silver, which you can use
for your publicity.

With best regards to Mrs. Fink
and yourself, I am

Sincerely yours,

LF/IR

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615 E. University Ave.,

Ann Arbor, Michigan

Rabbi Adolph H. Fink

Director

March 19, 1928

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St at Hansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am indeed very sorry to have delayed so long in writing to you. It was not for lack of appreciation, but only because I was waiting for a current expense check in order that I might enclose a small check for your expenses.

Your appearance in Ann Arbor greatly benefited the status of the Hillel Foundation.

I wish to bring you the sentiments of appreciation of the student group as well as myself.

With cordial personal greetings, and many thanks for your kind cooperation, I am

AHF:ET

Sincerely yours

Adolph H. Fink

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF SPEECH

ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

1024 Mill St. Sept. 18, 1930.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

We should like very much to have you give
an address before the Wesleyan Guild of the University of
Michigan on Sunday evening, February 1. The honorarium is
\$100.00. An early reply is desired.

I am enclosing a copy of last year's lecture course.

With cordial good wishes, I am,

Yours most sincerely,

Thos. C. Trueblood

President of the Guild.

Sept. 24th, 1930

Dr. Leo Franklin,
Temple Beth El,
Detroit, Mich.

My dear Dr. Franklin:-

I have received an invitation from the Wesleyan Guild of the University of Michigan to address them on a Sunday evening. What kind of an organization is it?

The circular which they sent me included an announcement that you addressed them last season. I would appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

With kindest regards and best wishes for a happy New Year, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

CONGREGATION BETH EL
DETROIT

September 25, 1930

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Colleague:

Replying to your letter of September 24th I beg to say that the Wesleyan Guild of the University of Michigan is an organization primarily of students under the auspices of the Methodist Church. The lectures are held in that Church on Sunday evenings and are maintained through an endowment fund which allows a very modest honorarium for the speakers. You would in all likelihood address an audience of seven or eight hundred people. They are appreciative and reasonably intelligent.

With cordial personal regards and best wishes for a happy New Year, believe me to be, as always

Faithfully yours,

Leo M. Lander

card ✓

Sept. 26th, 1930

Dr. Thos. C. Trueblood,
Department of Speech,
University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Mich.

My dear Dr. Trueblood:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind invitation to address the Wesleyan Guild of the University of Michigan on Sunday evening, February 1st. I shall be pleased to be with you on that day and trust that nothing will prevent me from coming.

With kindest regards and best wishes,
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

Jan. 9th, 1931

Dr. Thos. C. Trueblood,
Department of Speech,
University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Mich.

My dear Doctor Trueblood:-

I am writing you this note with a great deal of hesitancy.

I have accepted your kind invitation to address the Wesleyan Guild of the University of Michigan on Sunday evening, February 1st. I have however, been compelled by doctors' orders to cancel most of my out-of-town engagements. I have been going at a terrific pace the last few months and my health has suffered in consequence.

I would appreciate very much if you could see your way to release me from my engagement on February 1st. Perhaps later in the year or next season I may be in a position to be of service to you. I trust that this request will not inconvenience you greatly.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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12 Jan, '31.

Dear Hebbi Silver:

As we are to have the pleasure of having you at our Wesley Guild course on the 1st of February may I ask the subject title of the address?

We would appreciate it in time for our notices on the window cards and papers.

Mr. Dueblood has gone South and I am taking care of it for him.

Yours very truly,

Junius E. Beal

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20 Jan. '31

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland,
O.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

As I have

received your letter to Prof. Duellgood, who is in Florida, I have consulted with our Committee, and they wish me to say that we regret exceedingly that circumstances are such that it would not be wise for you to come to Ann Arbor for the address on February 1st. We hope you may come here at some other time, and that you can get rested up from your labors in the near future.

Yours very truly,

Junius E. Beal

October 5th, 1931.

Dr. Thomas C. Trueblood,
Department of Speech,
University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Michigan,

My dear Dr. Trueblood:-

I should very much like to come to the Wesley Foundation at Ann Arbor this season, especially since I was compelled to cancel my engagement with your organization last year due to ill health.

I have, however, taken on such a tremendous amount of work this year in connection with the unemployment situation and various relief activities and shall therefore be constrained to be out of Cleveland so much of the time this year that I must reserve my Sundays for my own Congregation. I find it increasingly difficult to absent myself from my own pulpit on Sundays.

Should you at any time plan meetings during the week and should you still want my services, please communicate with me.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

and
October 6th, 1931

Dr. Thomas C. Trueblood,
University of Michigan,
Department of Speech,
Ann Arbor, Mich.

My dear Dr. Trueblood:-

I find upon inquiry that I can leave
Cleveland at 2:50 in the afternoon, arriving in Detroit
at 7:40 and can leave Detroit at 8:00 o'clock arriving
in Ann Arbor at 7:45 Central time.

If that is so I shall be very glad to be
with you on Sunday evening, February 21st, 1932. I
would request you, however, to check back these railroad
schedules in Ann Arbor and let me know.

I hope that nothing will interfere with
my keeping this engagement this year.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

ARS/IR

629 TWENTY-FOUR RILL STREET
ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

Oct. 10, 1931

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I deeply regret
that train schedules would
not permit your coming
to Ann Arbor in February.

You will be glad to know
that we have secured
Rabbi Louis Wolsey of Phila-
delphia to come on that
date.

With kind regards. Love,

Most sincerely,

Thos. C. Trueblood

Card

THE STUDENT CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

LANE HALL
ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

November 2, 1931.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
E. 105 St. & Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Our organization is doing its utmost this year to win the battle against world armaments and militarism. In conjunction with the Peace Office and the Student Committee on Disarmament we are sponsoring a vigorous campaign on our campus for the furtherance of World Peace. This campaign is taking the form of student debates on militarism, open forums, lectures, and deputation work. Our program to date has been conducted entirely by students. However we are now at the point where we feel that a little outside help in this project will be of inestimable value to us in our future operations.

The Student Christian Association is particularly anxious to have you visit Ann Arbor as its guest, and to address one of its Peace Mass Meetings early this winter. We feel that with your background of education and experience you could afford us considerable aid. Our large meetings at which we should like to have you talk are attended by about 1000 students, faculty members and townsfolk. They are customarily held at 7:30 in the evening in Hill Auditorium. However if you should find it difficult to address one of our evening assemblies, we should like to have you talk at a Sunday Morning Student Convocation at a date to your suiting during the month of November, December, or January. We should appreciate knowing promptly knowing whether you can be with us, and if so on which particular date you would like to speak. You are free to choose any subject relative to World Peace as your text. We shall be glad to pay your traveling expenses and a small honorarium.

Very cordially yours,

Julia Ayers

Nov. 19th, 1931

Miss Jule Ayers,
Lane Hall,
Ann Arbor, Mich.

My dear Miss Ayers:-

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter of November 2d. I have delayed answering it because I had another engagement in the vicinity of Ann Arbor pending.

I shall be in Detroit on Tuesday, Dec. 15th for a noon meeting. It may be possible for me to come to you for a meeting that evening, if that falls in with your plans.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

THE STUDENT CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
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LANE HALL
ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

November 30, 1931.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

 Pardon my delay in replying to your last letter. I was obliged to delay until I had an opportunity to talk with Rabbi Heller regarding our meeting of December 15th. Rabbi Heller is very happy to learn that you can come to our campus and address our students. The only difficulty with the whole proposition is that our Student Disarmament Committee has already scheduled a meeting with another speaker for the afternoon of the 15th. Inasmuch as you would be scheduled to talk in the evening there would be no conflict as between the time of the two speeches. However there might be a somewhat smaller average attendance at each of the two meetings as long as they are taking place on the same day.

 This morning, however, Rabbi Heller told me that he would gladly offer the full support of the Hillel Foundation to your lecture if you should come to Ann Arbor. As a group we feel that from the standpoint of attracting a large crowd to your meeting, we can be very successful. But the financial burden of sponsoring two lectures is very great for a small organization of students. We are very very anxious to have you with us on the 15th, and we assure you a successful meeting. May we ask you whether or not you can be with us on the 15th, and whether you will take for your services, whatever sum is

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LANE HALL
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equivalent to your traveling expenses to Ann Arbor from Detroit.

We are fighting for a great cause, and we can now see that our efforts are bearing a little fruit. Students here are very desirous of hearing whatever contribution you can make to their cause. We regret that we are now unable to make you a more attractive material offer, but we have but \$5.00 which we can afford to spend to cover your traveling expenses. If you feel that you can spare your services for one evening at that price, we feel sure that money will never be able to measure the value that we as a group will receive from our contact with you for one evening on our own campus. Please inform me as soon as possible as to whether you can come to Ann Arbor to address a meeting at 8 o'clock in the evening. After I receive your affirmative answer I shall write you more regarding details of that assembly to which you will talk.

Very cordially yours,

Jule Ayers
Jule Ayers Jr.

card

Dec. 24, 1931

Mr. Jule Ayers Jr.,
Student Christian Ass'n.,
University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Mich.

My dear Mr. Ayers:-

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of Nov. 30th.

I do not regard it advisable to have two
meetings on the subject of discernment held on the same
day, one in the afternoon and one in the evening.

I shall have other opportunities to be
in the vicinity of Ann Arbor this season and I shall
take the opportunity of communicating with you then.

With kindest regards and best wishes,
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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Oct. 16, 1933

Rabbi Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
E. 108th St. & Angel Rd.,
Cleveland, Ohio

My Dear Rabbi Silver:

Rabbi Franklin has informed me that you are scheduled to address his men's club on Tuesday Evening, October 31. In view of the proximity of Detroit to Ann Arbor I would deeply appreciate if you would consent to come to Ann Arbor and address the Jewish Student Body under the auspices of the Hillel Foundation either sometime Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday at a luncheon meeting. I would consider your coming as a personal favor. If I do not merit such consideration then construe your coming as the payment of a debt for getting Harry Newman, last Spring to address your Sons and Fathers Banquet.

reply I remain,

Hoping to receive a favorable

Most Sincerely yours,

Bernard Heller

BH: DP

October 18, 1933.

Dr. Bernard Heller,
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My dear Heller:

I wish I could accept your kind invitation to address the Hillel Foundation. Unfortunately I can only spare one day for Detroit and must be back in Cleveland the following morning. I am scheduled to address a luncheon meeting in connection with the anti-German boycott and in the evening I speak before The Temple Men's Club so that it is quite impossible for me to avail myself of the opportunity to visit the Michigan Hillel Foundation. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

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April 26, 1935.

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

Dear Abba:

The Hillel Foundation at Michigan has last year been re-modeled and beautified. In addition, a Mrs. Viola Weiss of Detroit has exquisitely decorated and furnished the Hillel Foundation library in the memory of her late husband, Dr. Louis Weiss. She has also promised to set aside a fund with which to purchase the Jewish books which are to fill the shelves.

She and I are planning a formal opening and dedication of the building and the library some time in the fall. We are both exceedingly eager that you come for the occasion and deliver the main address. Your coming will be a great source of delight to me. It will even mean more to Mrs. Weiss, who has informed me that you are the rabbi who married her to her beloved late husband. We shall make the date so that it will be convenient to you. Please accept the invitation.

With esteem, I remain

Devotedly yours,

Bernard

BH:EA

I have been thinking and even working on the plan of the symposium which we discussed once in Scranton and at one of the Conference sessions. I have a list of the proposed chapters which I would like to show you for your approval or criticism. If you really wish that we proceed on the project, I could run over to Cleveland some time and we can confer on the selection of the men for each particular chapter. If the assignment

would be acceptable to the men, we could perhaps meet together and discuss the objective ~~philosophy~~ ^{unity} that should characterize the whole series of essays.

I am planning to go abroad this summer. Active work, however, in writing the essays would ordinarily commence after the High Holy days. I, as well as the other men, would use the summer in extensive reading about and ruminating over the subject matter that would be assigned to each.

I shall appreciate a word from you about this matter. B.H.



April 30, 1935.

Dr. Bernard Heller, Director,
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My dear Heller:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of April 26. I cannot say now whether I can come to help dedicate the new Hillel Foundation building at Ann Arbor next Fall. I cannot plan now for the Fall season. If you will write to me early in September, I shall be in a better position to know whether I can come or not.

I am glad that you are working on the symposium which we discussed. I am still very much interested in it. Do you plan to attend the Rabbinical Conference this year? If so we can arrange to meet with a few of the men and talk the whole matter over.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

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Monday

Dear Abba -

We are planning to have some celebration relative to the remodeling and refurnishing of the Hillel Foundation - on Sunday Oct 27th. The event will also include the formal presentation of the Louis Weiss Library by Mrs. Weiss. We are both very anxious that you come down and be the principal speaker at the dinner Sunday night. Ann Arbor is a very interesting city - and U of M. is a very eminent institution - and its Hillel Foundation a very significant instrument in cultivating an appreciation of Jewish values amongst Jewish and non Jewish students.

Please accept Mrs. Weiss' invitation and come down for the occasion. I will deem a personal favor.

Best wishes for a very happy New Year.
Bernard

September 24, 1935

Dr. Bernard Heller, Director,
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation,
University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My dear Bernard:

I received your letter as well as one from Mrs. Weiss. I should very much like to come to Ann Arbor, but as you know, I find it quite impossible to get away on a Sunday. On that particular Sunday when you plan to hold your dedication, I have already three weddings scheduled. These next few months will be exceedingly crowded ones for me and I am limiting my out of town lecture engagements to an absolute minimum.

With all good wishes for a happy new year,
I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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9 UNIVERSITY HALL

EDWARD W. BLAKEMAN
COUNSELOR IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

November 13, 1935

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

We would be greatly aided in our thinking during this particular semester at the campus if you could be induced to lecture before our students.

Usually a week-end is best including luncheon with those faculty persons active in religious matters, a lecture at 4:15 P.M.- a second lecture on Saturday and a third either Sunday afternoon or evening.

I am asking Rabbi Heller to take care of the details and to confer with you about dates. We sincerely hope that you may be able to serve us. There will be an honorarium of \$100.

Sincerely yours,

E. W. Blakeman

EWB:WG

C O P Y

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
ANN ARBOR
9 University Hall

Edward W. Blakeman
Counsellor in Religious Education

November 13, 1935

Dr. Bernard Heller,
1102 Oakland Ave.,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My dear Rabbi Heller:

Do you think there is any possible chance of securing the Rabbi Silver early in December, preferably for a week-end?

An arrangement for the following meetings would be very profitable. Arrive for luncheon Friday with certain faculty people and a local clergyman. Special student meeting Friday afternoon or evening. Wide campus announcement. Saturday spent with the Jewish constituency. Sunday breakfast with selected students in leadership in the various religious organizations, and the final meeting of the series Sunday afternoon at 4:15 at Lydia Mendelssohn.

Our funds can be drawn upon for \$100. Also I will take care of the advertising, publicity, etc. If Hillel Foundation would take care of transportation and , the speaker would have \$100 clear. However, if he has to supply someone for his pulpit that week-end, he really should have an additional fee for that purpose but we will know how to work this out with the Rabbi.

Sincerely yours,

Edward W. Blakeman

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November 15, 1935

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

Having failed to get you to come in connection with the dedication of our library, I followed another course and got the University to appropriate a sum of money for you to come to deliver a series of talks or lectures under its auspices as well as the Hillel Foundation.

You see the various guilds have endowment funds for that purpose. We haven't, but the University has been kind and generous enough to appropriate that sum. I appreciate very much that act, though I did not expect that they would go to that extent.

I ~~am~~ also ~~inclined to~~ believe that your work and your reputation also played an important part in their decision.

Will you be good enough to inform me at once whether you can come on the date that they specify and if not what dates you could come. Please return the enclosed letter.

Yours very truly,

Bernard Heller
Bernard Heller

BH:SP
Enclosure

November 18, 1936

Dr. Edward W. Blakeman,
University of Michigan,
9 University Hall,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My dear Dr. Blakeman:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of November 13. I appreciate your invitation to lecture before the student body. It will be quite impossible for me to spend a week end at Ann Arbor. My work here is so heavy that I cannot get away for more than a day. It may be possible for me to come on a Sunday in December, say December 15. You can then use me for two addresses during the day. I cannot undertake to speak more than twice in any one day. Please let me know if such an arrangement would fall in with your plans.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX

November 18, 1935

Dr. Bernard Heller,
Hillel Foundation,
University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My dear Heller:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter which I have written to Dr. Edward W. Blakeman. I am also returning his letter to you. I have received quite a number of requests this year to spend week-ends on campuses of various universities. I find it impossible to do so.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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EDWARD W. BLAKEMAN
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December 2, 1935

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
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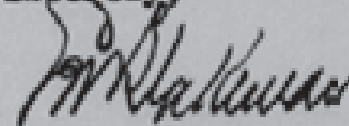
My dear Dr. Silver:

We are delighted to know that you will lecture December 15th. Allow me to confer quite informally about your visit for we desire to do a particular service under your leadership.

The series announced on the attached page is intended to draw a picture for our campus constituency which will set forth the four specific traditions. By setting forth, I mean to suggest the existence of these separate traditions: Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, and Eastern faiths. Therefore, we would like to have you make specific presentation before the faculty group but a general presentation for religion itself before the campus public.

Can you let us know at what hour you will arrive and whether it is possible for us to have the selected faculty group at the dinner table, say at 1 o'clock? In case this would necessitate your filling your pulpit, we would prefer to make the honorarium \$125 instead of \$100 rather than limit your service to one address. The subjects here suggested are entirely tentative. Will you re-word them? Likewise, if you will have your secretary forward a cut for newspaper service, or a picture, we will be aided in our announcements. I trust that you have already heard from Rabbi Eeller.

Sincerely,



EWB:WG

(enclosure)

LECTURES ON RELIGION
at
The University of Michigan
First Semester 1935-36

Four major religious traditions are represented in our student body,—Protestant, Catholic, Jewish and Eastern faiths. Each of these traditions has a body of knowledge partly peculiar to itself, and in part the heritage of us all. Each tradition has made an important contribution to the students reared at its altars. It is fitting that we should seek to understand these several traditions. Therefore, a series of lectures will be introduced. The Counselor in Religious Education, advised by his faculty committee, has asked the co-operation of various student groups.

- Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 1935 Professor Wilhelm Pauck, Ph.D., Chicago Theological Seminary.
Before a Faculty Group: "Present Situations in Theology".
Before a Student Group: "An Adequate Christian Philosophy".
Before the Campus Public: "Religious Liberties in Germany".
- December 15, 1935 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, D.D., The Temple, Cleveland.
Before a Faculty Group: "Jewish Religion in Western Culture".
Before Jewish Students: Subject to be announced.
Before the Campus Public: "Religion In A Changing World".
- January 21, 1936 Professor Reinhold Niebuhr, Ph.D., Union Theological
Seminary, New York City.
Before a Faculty Group: "A Theology for To-day".
Before the Campus Public: Subject to be announced.
- Jan. 26 or 28, 1936 Professor Carlton Hayes, Ph.D., Columbia University.
To lecture before Catholic students and before the
Campus Public.

For the details of Professor Pauck's visit we are indebted to the Student Christian Association, the Student Guilds and Students of Martha Cook Dormitory.

Edward W. Blakeman,
Counselor in Religious Education,
Room 9, University Hall

December 4, 1935

Dr. Edward W. Blakeman,
9 University Hall,
University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My dear Dr. Blakeman:

Let me thank you for your letter of December 2.
I shall be pleased to set aside the whole day of December 15
for the University of Michigan, arriving in the morning.

I had hoped that I would not have to deliver more
than two lectures. I believe I stated that in my last letter
to you. I notice in your letter that I am scheduled for three
addresses. I wish you would give me a little more information
about these lectures. I understand that I am to address the
faculty group at one o'clock. When do I address the Jewish
students and when the campus public? What is the campus public?
Is it a general meeting in the evening?

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Dec. 10, 1935.

My Dear Rabbi Silver:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that we await your visit to Ann Arbor this coming Sunday. The Hillel Student Council is giving an afternoon social on Sunday from 4 till 6, to which all Jewish Students have been invited. We would like you to be our guest of honor at this affair, which will be in the nature of an Open House. You will have an opportunity to meet the Students and chat with them over a cup of tea, which will ^{be} greatly appreciated by us all.

This will be directly after your faculty dinner at the Union. The evening lecture will not start until 8 o'clock.

Until Sunday, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Shirrel Kasle,

December 12, 1935

Mr. Shirrel Kasle,
President, Student Council,
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation,
University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My dear Mr. Kasle:

Let me thank you for your kind note
of December 10. I shall be very pleased to be with
the Hillel Student Council on Sunday afternoon.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105 St. at Ansel Rd.
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Dear Dr. Silver:

The Hillel Foundation at the University of Michigan is preparing its forum series for next year. As the forums are of outstanding interest both to Jewish and non-Jewish students, although predominantly to the former, we are endeavoring to secure the outstanding speakers on contemporary problems.

If you are planning to be in the vicinity of Ann Arbor (Detroit, Toledo, Chicago, etc.) this coming school year, we would appreciate it if you would address one of these forums on some date convenient to yourself. The forums are Sunday-evening affairs, on a lecture-and-discussion basis. The subject-matter is left to the speaker's discretion, with only the qualification that it be of interest and concern to Jewish college youth.

We can assure you of an alert and interested audience. We are able to defray expenses from the points mentioned above.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Martin Dworkis

MARTIN DWORIS
Forum Chairman

MD:LG

June 11, 1939

Mr. Martin Dworkis, Forum Chairman
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan

My dear Mr. Dworkis:

I greatly appreciate your kind invitation to address one of your forum settings at the the Hillel Foundation of the University of Michigan next season. It would give me great pleasure to do so. Unfortunately I cannot leave Cleveland on a Sunday. I must be in my own pulpit on that day and many other congregational activities take place on that day.

With all good wishes for success, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We should like to invite you to lecture at the University of Michigan on October 30th on "The Nature of Man". Your lecture would be the third in a series of four lectures on the same subject, for which we are inviting Dr. Earnest A. Hooton of Harvard, Dr. Robert Harold Calhoun of Yale, and Dr. Mortimer J. Adler of Chicago, to speak.

Two years ago, when the University decided to develop its own student religious program, we had a series of lectures on "The Existence and Nature of God" given by Bertrand Russell, Reinhold Niebuhr, and Fulton Sheen. Last year, a similar series was given on "The Existence and Nature of Religion" by A. J. Carlson, Father Furfey, Walter Horton, and Rabbi Mann. In each case, the series has attracted a campus-wide attention, with an attendance ranging from six hundred to twenty-five hundred people, and a discussion which has continued throughout the semester.

If possible, we should like you to stay over in Ann Arbor for a discussion of your lecture on the afternoon of the 31st. The honorarium would be One Hundred Dollars and entertainment in Ann Arbor.

We realize that this is a difficult subject to treat in a popular lecture, but we have found that if one will avoid the technical language of theology and use the necessary circumlocutions, it is possible to deal with such a difficult subject in a most profitable manner. After the lectures and forums, we make available to the students a mimeographed copy which they may use for further study. This year, about three hundred such copies were given out. We hope that you will be able to help us in our efforts to arouse the students in a state university to the realization that theological problems are of vital importance and an exciting study.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth Morgan
Kenneth W. Morgan

June 13, 1940

Mr. Kenneth W. Morgan, Director
The Student Religious Association
University of Michigan
Lane Hall
Ann Arbor, Michigan

My dear Mr. Morgan:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of June 7 and for your invitation to address your group on October 30 on the subject, "The Nature of Man". I greatly appreciate your invitation and I shall make every effort to be with you.

I am not so sure at the present moment that I can stay over an extra day for a discussion group. I will know better when I return from my vacation early in the Fall and size up my schedule then.

With all good wishes and looking forward with pleasure to seeing you at Ann Arbor, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Rabbi Abba H. Silver
The Temple
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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In order that we may prepare the publicity for the series of lectures on "The Nature of Man", will you please send us a photograph from which we can make a cut, and if you have drawn up any biographical sketch, we should like to have a copy of it. Early in the fall, we shall send you detailed information concerning the series.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth Morgan
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KENNETH W. MORGAN, DIRECTOR
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Rabbi Abba H. Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Enclosed is a folder describing the series of lectures in which you will take part. Please let us know when to expect you in order that we may make our final arrangements. A room will be reserved for you at the Michigan Union. Following the lecture, there will be an opportunity for questions and for a small reception at Lane Hall.

The Hillel Foundation has probably written to find out whether you could meet with them at any time while you are here. We should like very much to have you spend enough time in Ann Arbor that you could meet with the Hillel Foundation.

We are anticipating the pleasure of having you with us at the University.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth Morgan

Kenneth Morgan

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We at Hillel Foundation are looking forward with a great deal of pleasant anticipation to your visit next week. We know that your visit to our campus will prove highly beneficial, and will serve as a stimulus for the activities which we sponsor on behalf of the Jewish students here.

We are anxious to take advantage of your visit in order that as many Jewish students as possible may have an opportunity to meet you. Mr. Kenneth Morgan of the Student Religious Association is planning a reception at Lane Hall after your lecture. If you are planning to arrive in the afternoon, we shall be happy to arrange an informal gathering during which you may meet a number of Hillel members who desire to discuss with you several matters which are now absorbing their interest.

If you are planning to arrive too late on Wednesday to make such a meeting possible, we shall be happy to arrange for a luncheon for you on Thursday if you intend staying over.

Please be assured of our desire to make your visit here as pleasant as possible. We want very much to know if there is anything that we can do for you while you are here.

Looking forward to meeting you personally and with warm regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Jehudah M. Cohen
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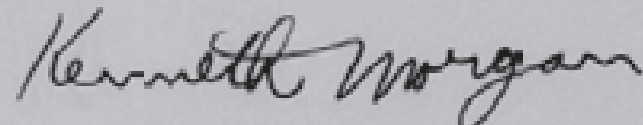
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The Temple
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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

As soon as the stenographer can prepare copies, we shall send you a transcript of the first two lectures in our series. Your lecture will be given at 8:15 p.m. next Wednesday, October 30th, in the Rackham Lecture Hall. We prefer that our speakers dress informally.

The Hillis Foundation would like to have you meet with their students while you are here. Please let us know when you plan to arrive in Ann Arbor and how long you can stay on Thursday.

Sincerely yours,



Kenneth Morgan

KM:A

October 28, 1940

Rabbi Jehudah M. Cohen, Director
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan

My dear Rabbi Cohen:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of October 23. Please pardon the delay in answering it. I have been away from the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I should very much like to meet with the members of the Hillel Foundation during my visit to Ann Arbor, but unfortunately, I will not have the time. I will not be able to arrive much before the meeting of October 30 and I plan to leave right after the meeting, if possible, or early the next morning, by plane for New York City, where I must attend some important conferences. I hope that I shall have at least an hour or so after the meeting at which time I shall be most happy to meet with the Hillel people.

Looking forward with pleasure to seeing you,
I remain

Very cordially yours,

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Enclosed is a transcript of your lecture the other evening. Please return the corrected copy as soon as possible in order that we may make mimeographed copies for all those who wish to have them.

We appreciate your willingness to come to Ann Arbor and hope that next time we may have the privilege of your company for a longer visit.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth Morgan

Kenneth Morgan

KM:A

November 13, 1940

Mr. Kenneth Morgan, Director
The Student Religious Association
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan

My dear Mr. Morgan:

I am enclosing herewith a corrected copy of the manuscript that you sent me. I trust that you will find it satisfactory.

I enjoyed my meeting with your group very much.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK
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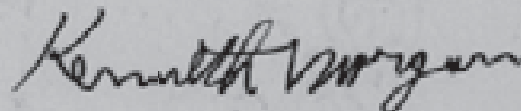
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

Enclosed is a copy of the questions and answers following your lecture. If you wish to make changes in the copy, please return the corrected copy as soon as possible. If we do not hear from you before December 9th, we shall assume that it is all right to mimeograph the material as it now stands.

Sincerely yours,



Kenneth Morgan

KM:A

December 4, 1940

Mr. Kenneth Morgan, Director
The Student Religious Association
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan

My dear Mr. Morgan:

I am returning herewith the corrected copy of
the discussion which followed my lecture before
your group. I trust that you will find it satisfactory.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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March 5, 1943

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

A Town Meeting motivated by the 2,000,000 Jewish victims of the Nazi Terror is being planned for the University of Michigan campus early this spring.

The meeting is to be sponsored by the Student Religious Association, the Post-War Council, the Inter-Guild Council (Protestant), the Inter-Cooperative Council, the Inter-racial Association, Avukah (Student Zionist organization) and the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation.

We are anxious that you appear as one of the two principal speakers at the meeting and we are inviting you because of your familiarity and sympathy with the problem with which we are dealing. We are planning to hold the meeting on one of the following Sunday evenings: March 28, April 4, or April 11. Could you address the meeting on one of those days?

These are the ideas which we wish emphasized at the meeting:

- 1.) To inform our community of the atrocities committed against the Jews and to analyze the nature of the problem as revealed by these atrocities.
- 2.) To relate the Jewish Problem to the present conflict, suggesting the stakes that civilization has in this war.
- 3.) To stimulate thought regarding the post-war solution of the Jewish Problem and to point out avenues of action for members of our community.

It is our intention to make this meeting more than one of mourning. We hope that some constructive thinking and action will result from it.

We are prepared to cover all your expenses including transportation, hotel room, meals, etc.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Page #2
March 5, 1943

We hope that you can accept our invitation
and will find it possible to reply in the very
near future.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Warner

Robert Warner
Student Director

RW:et



March 10, 1943

Mr. Robert Warner, Student Director
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
University of Michigan
Hill at Haven
Ann Arbor, Michigan

My dear Mr. Warner:

Thank you so much for your letter and for the invitation which you extend to me to participate in the Town Meeting which you are arranging. I wish I could come to you, but unfortunately I cannot leave Cleveland on a Sunday. Numerous congregational duties and the necessity of occupying my own pulpit on Sunday morning make it very difficult for me to absent myself from the city on that day.

I hope that your meeting will be very successful. With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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June 10, 1954

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Rabbi, The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have been asked by the Executive Planning Committee for the University of Michigan All-Campus Religious Lecture Series next fall to invite you to come to the University of Michigan and give one of the three lectures of this series Thursday morning, November 11. This annual series constitutes our religious emphasis period and is sponsored by the religious chaplains of the various faiths on campus through the Campus Religious Council and by the students of the Student Religious Association, and is designed to emphasize the importance of religious and ethical values to our student body of more than 18,500. Along with you in this series we are inviting Bishop Hans Lilje of Germany and Dr. John Courtney Murray of Woodstock College, Maryland. As a part of the program to reach all parts of the University, the Executive Committee is planning to have discussions led by the student chaplains in each fraternity, sorority, and living center on campus. They also would like to have faculty luncheons led by each of the three major speakers. Will it be possible for you to be with us at least one full day in order to speak to one of the faculty luncheon groups? If it was possible in your busy schedule to remain a second day, we would make it very worth your while in terms of opportunities to speak to groups on the campus.

Just at present on our campus there seems to be a great deal of concern about ethics. Questions such as, Is there a basis for right and wrong? What basis for ethics? "Religion, Rights, and Righteousness", was one suggested subject. The committee decided that the topic or theme of the three lectures should be concerned with the theme which has been selected for the three lectures, "Ethics by God and Man".

As a member of the administration of the University I am writing to you because your name was suggested by the students of the Hillel Foundation. Dr. Herman Jacobs, the director of the Hillel Foundation, wished me to express his real hope that you could accept this invitation to address the University at large. I might also say that we have been looking forward to having you on our campus and hope that your schedule will allow you to accept our invitation this November. The dates for the other lectures are November 3 and 8. If the 11th is inconvenient for you, would either of the other dates be possible?

June 10, 1954

In extending this invitation we will naturally expect to look after all of your travel expenses by train or plane, and provide an honorarium of \$150. I will await with anticipation for your reply.

Sincerely yours,

DeWitt C. Baldwin

DeWitt C. Baldwin
Director

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June 17, 1954

Dr. DeWitt C. Baldwin, Director
Lane Hall
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan

My dear Dr. Baldwin:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of June tenth and for your gracious invitation to participate in the Religious Lecture Series which you are arranging. I shall be very happy to be with you on Thursday morning, November eleventh.

I will be able to stay only one day, and shall be very pleased to attend a faculty luncheon. I note the subject which you have selected for the lecture series, "Ethics by God and Man."

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILIEL SILVER

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DR. HERMAN JACOBS, *Director*

June 22, 1954

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Rabbi, The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver

I was very happy to learn from my colleague Reverend Baldwin, Director of Lane Hall, that you have accepted our invitation to participate in our next University-wide religious program on November 11. Your visit is bound to stir our campus and to leave a profound impression on the minds of both our faculty and students.

During your short visit, I also hope we may have the privilege of arranging a session for our Jewish student leaders with you at our Foundation and if this idea meets with your approval I shall clear on your time and other commitments with Mr. Baldwin.

Yours sincerely

Herman Jacobs
Director

HJ:s

cc: DeW.C. Baldwin

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June 23, 1954

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I was more than delighted to receive your letter of June 17 accepting our invitation to participate in the religious series in November. The lecture will be Thursday evening, November 11 at 8:00 p.m., instead of Thursday morning as you mentioned in your letter. We are glad that you can be with us for one full day and we will plan a faculty luncheon for soon of the 11th. You are right that the subject which we would like to have you speak to is the topic of the series "Ethics by God and Man". When the student committee makes more definite plans in the fall for this series, I will get in touch with you again.

Thank you again for accepting our invitation. You may expect to hear from me by mid September again.

Sincerely yours,

DeWitt C. Baldwin

DeWitt C. Baldwin
Director

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September 28, 1954

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

With the opening of the fall semester at the University of Michigan some of us are turning our attention to plans for our religious lecture series which opens in early November. We are most delighted that you are able to be with us Thursday evening, November 11, and I am writing today to give you a few more details about the program.

The theme which the students have chosen for consideration in the lectures is, ETHICS---BY GOD OR MAN? As one of the speakers, we hope that you will use this as the subject for your lecture, developing it as you feel you wish to according to your own theological background. It has been suggested that you might wish to phrase your subject yourself, and we will be glad for you to do this. Since the publicity must go to the press very soon, we will appreciate your sending back the wording of your subject within a few days.

In addition to the lecture which is scheduled at 8:00 p.m., Thursday, November 11, we would like very much to have you on the campus at noon-time of the 11th and to be the guest at a faculty luncheon and to talk to them concerning the responsibility of the faculty member in aiding the religious program of the campus. Also as a second suggestion in addition to the faculty luncheon and evening lecture, would you want us to sign you up to speak to a departmental meeting during the afternoon? If so, would your preference be with our History Department, in our Department of Near East Studies, or in some other department?

Tomorrow we are having a meeting of our Executive Committee and will appoint the committee responsible for the publicity work. We need a statement about you together with two glossy print pictures which we can use in newspapers here.

My very best wishes to you at this time.

Very cordially yours,

DeWitt C. Baldwin
DeWitt C. Baldwin
Coordinator, Religious Affairs

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October 4, 1954

Mr. DeWitt C. Baldwin
Coordinator, Religious Affairs
Lane Hall
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

Enclosed please find two glossy prints and
a biographical sketch of Rabbi Silver which you may
use in publicity for his coming visit, November 11.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Ruth M. Sparrow
Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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October 26, 1954

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105 St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I understand you are giving an address, "Ethics --
By God or Man", at the University Thursday, November 11.

Would it be possible for you to furnish our office
with a copy of the manuscript, or an abstract of your talk?
Having the manuscript in advance would greatly facilitate
our getting an accurate report to the press to be released
after you speak.

If such a copy can be made available to us, we would
need to have it a day or two before you speak.

Very truly yours,

Rosamond Haas

Rosamond Haas,
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November 2, 1954

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing today to assure you that we are looking forward very much to your visit to Ann Arbor November 11. If you will let me know when you are arriving by plane or train, I will be glad to meet you personally.

I am enclosing a copy of the program for our religious emphasis period which we are calling the "This I Believe" series.

You have been invited to speak before a class at 2:00 p.m., the afternoon of the 11th. It is a class considering the subject "Church and State", and the professor would like to have you express your opinions on this subject and let the students of the class ask questions.

We are looking forward very much to your lecture.

Sincerely yours,

DeWitt C. Baldwin

Dr. DeWitt C. Baldwin
Coordinator, Religious Affairs

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November 9, 1954

Miss Rosamond Haas
Assistant to the Editor
University of Michigan News Service
3564 Administration Building
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Miss Haas:

Enclosed are two copies of the address which
Rabbi Silver will give in Ann Arbor on this Thursday,
the eleventh.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Ruth M. Sparrow
Secretary to Dr. Silver

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November 19, 1954

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The check for your honorarium and travel expenses of \$170 has just come from the University Accountant, and I want to take this opportunity to again express my personal thanks and the gratitude of our student-faculty executive committee for your lecture and presence with us. Many have remarked how much it meant that you were with us here and I hope that we may look forward to another visit in a year or two.

Gratefully yours,

DeWitt C. Baldwin

DeWitt C. Baldwin
Coordinator, Religious Affairs

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November 23, 1954

Dr. DeWitt C. Baldwin, Director
Lane Hall
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan

My dear Dr. Baldwin:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of November nineteenth and for the check which you enclosed. It was a great pleasure for me to meet with your fine young people. I enjoyed the experience very much indeed.

It was also a pleasure to me to have made your acquaintance.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Ann Arbor, Michigan

DR. BERNARD HELLER, Director

CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES

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The Foundation is located on the corner of East University and Oakland Avenues. It is two blocks from the campus and is in the heart of the Fraternity District. It is a very spacious and attractive mansion (southern colonial style). The first floor consists of a Social Hall (equipped with radio, club chairs and tables), Magazine Room, Office (for Stenographer, Rabbi) and Kitchen. On the second floor there is a Library of Jewish books, Synagogue or Chapel, Class rooms, Office for Student President, and Recreation Room (with ping pong table). The third floor is set aside for janitor's living quarters and store rooms.

CLASSES

DRAMATIC MOMENTS in the HISTORY OF JUDAISM

Leader: DR. BERNARD HELLER

The course will not essentially concern itself with the history of the Jewish people—but rather with its culture and civilization. Instead of pursuing the genetic method—tracing its origin and development—a series of episodes will be selected wherein Judaism found itself in the midst of great inner conflict. To overcome the perplexities various solutions presented themselves. In the recurrent adjustment, Dr. Heller perceives a persistent attitude or law. In refusing to heed the siren call of extreme assimilation and the stern admonition of undeviating traditionalism it gave evidence of a sense of realistic idealism.

The following are some of the themes that will be considered:

1. Judaism in Canaan—Shall it be a religion of shepherd or farmer?
2. Zion in Ashes—Can Jehovah be worshipped on alien soil?
3. Jew Meets Greek—What were the issues in back of the Maccabean struggle?
4. Judaism Goes Democratic—Or the philosophy and achievements of the Pharisees.
5. The Birth of Christianity—Judaism's Daughter Religion sets house for herself.
6. Judea and Rome—A hook proves mightier than battalions.
7. Judaism in Aristotlean Garb—Maimonde's Guide to the Perplexed.
8. Chassidism—Is salvation but for the learned?
9. Judaism under Benign Skies—Hasklah, Orthodox, Reform and Conservative Adjustments.
10. Brands of Zionism—an historical and critical examination of their claims and hopes.

Class will meet

JEWISH ETHICS

Leader: MR. HIRSCH HORKINS,
Instructor in the Department of
Romance Languages.

The subject matter of this course will be presented from the historical and genetic points of view. The ethical precepts and customs will be traced from their very beginning until their fullest development.

An attempt will also be made to discover the salient ideas

and ideals which are basic to the Jewish system of ethics, considering likewise the question of whether these ideas were common with other peoples or unique with the Jews—and if the latter, wherein the uniqueness consisted. The application of Jewish ethical and social ideals to present day problems and the possible results will conclude the discussions.

Class will meet

POST-BIBLICAL LITERATURE of the JEWS

Leader: DR. BERNARD HELLER

The course will represent a survey and a study of the character of the literary creations of the Jew after the completion of the Bible. The first group of writings to be taken up will be those of the Apocryphal and Apocalyptic works. Their form as well as their content will be examined and the reasons for their exclusion from the Canon will be enumerated.

This will be followed by a series of lectures on the development and status of law in Judaism. The concept of Torah will be interpreted and evaluated from the Jewish point of view. The work of the Scribes and the Pharisees, and the part they played in the making of the Mishnah and Gemarah (or Talmud) will be stressed. In addition, Dr. Heller will also attempt to show the encyclopedic character of the latter, its wealth of folklore, poetry, philosophic speculations and scientific opinions, as well as ethical and religious views.

The second semester will be devoted to the literature of the Spanish period. Here the work of translators and interpreters of the Bible will be reviewed, as well as that of the poets, philosophers, and scientists of that period.

The method pursued will be through discussions, lectures and readings.

Class will meet Friday evenings immediately after the service.

JEWISH MUSIC

Leader: GEORGE GALVANI,
Cantor and Musical Director,
Temple Beth-El,
Detroit.

This course will be devoted primarily to the classic music of the Synagogue. Its unique character and form will be analyzed. An attempt will be made to trace its beginnings to the pastoral stage of early Hebrew life and how it was embellished in pre- and post-exilic times when the ritual of the Temple came under the influence of Babylonian culture. This will be followed by a description of the modifications and variations which ensued when the Synagogue replaced the Temple and when the form of worship centered itself around prayer and study instead of sacrificial cult. The impress which medieval and modern church music made upon it and it upon them, will also be touched

upon. The course will consist of lectures and illustrative renditions by Mr. Galvani. Mr. Galvani is a graduate of the Staats Hochschule of Berlin and the Conservatory of Naples. He is recognized as one of the outstanding baritone and vocal teachers in the city of Detroit. His position and experience amply qualify him as an authority on this subject.

Class will meet

UNIVERSITY COURSES OF JEWISH INTEREST

The Hillel Foundation wishes to call the students' attention to courses given in the University which are of especial interest to Jewish students. Michigan is unique in its possession of an ORIENTAL LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE DEPARTMENT with such distinguished scholars as Professors Worrell and Waterman. We thoroughly urge the students to avail themselves of the opportunity to take these courses in Hebrew, Biblical History and Literature which these men are giving.

We particularly recommend the following course.

ORIENTAL LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

111-112	Elementary Biblical Hebrew	Worrell
113-114	Intermediate Hebrew	Worrell
108	Mohammedan Civilization	Worrell
101-102	Knowing the Bible	Waterman
104	The History of Israel	Waterman
153	Israelitish History and Prophecy	Waterman
156	Biblical Archaeology	Waterman

ENGLISH

147-148	The English Bible, Its Literary Aspects and Influence	Humphreys
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PHILOSOPHY

130	History of Ethics	Vibbert
142	The Philosophy of Value	Parker
190	Philosophy of Religion	Sellers

NOTE: The readings and interpretations of Judaism's origin and orientation in the above classes may conflict with accepted Jewish version. Dr. Heller will be glad to confer with students taking the above courses and explain to them the cause of the difference and the basis of his preference.

AVUKAH DISCUSSION

The Avukah will conduct a series of lectures and discussions in the History of Zionism, the economic, industrial and cultural development of Palestine. These meetings will be held bi-weekly, the date and hour to be decided by those interested in the project.

Group will meet

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RELIGIOUS

The Religious Activities of the Foundation embrace:

(1) **FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES.** These services are held in the *Hillel Foundation Synagogue Room*. The traditional (*orthodox*) form of worship is followed. Congregational responses and singing are stressed. The service is decorous and very appealing. These services take place at 7:30 P. M.

(2) **SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES.** The services are held in the chapel of the *Women's League Building*. The *reform* ritual and mode of worship is followed. Rabbi Heller reads the service and delivers the sermon except when there is a visiting speaker. Twice a year the service is completely in charge of the students. A student conducts the service and another delivers the sermon. One service is assumed by the men and the other by the women. Following the service written questions, which have been handed in the previous week, are answered by the Rabbi. In this way the hour functions both as a service and as a forum. The Sunday morning services take place at eleven o'clock.

(3) Once a month on Sunday evening, there is an open forum in which the theme of discussion of both the speaker and the students is one which deals with the problem and content of religion. These open forums are held in the assembly hall of the Foundation. In this forum, the expression of views on the part of the student is particularly encouraged. Often the speaker's views are questioned, challenged, and discussed, and hotly debated by members of the audience.

The religious activities of the Foundation are in charge of a group of students known as the Religious Committee. The Religious Committee also attempts every year to obtain a census of the Hebrew and religious education as well as the synagogue affiliations of the incoming students.

OPEN FORUMS

During the year various lectures are given—by eminent Rabbis, Jewish Educators, Social Workers and Jurists, who happen to be in the vicinity of Ann Arbor. Now and then Jewish and non-Jewish professors of Michigan are called upon. The Foundation is particularly grateful to Professors Raphael Isaacs, I. L. Sharfman, Reuben Kahn, and W. H. Worrell, who have generously responded to the students' call.

The Open Forums are held on the Sunday evenings which are not given over to debating, dramatic or social programs. The discourse is presented by a guest speaker, after which the general discussion is thrown open to the students. Complete freedom and divergence of opinion is encouraged.

DRAMATICS AND THE HILLEL PLAYERS

The Hillel Players devote part of their monthly meetings to a discussion of current Jewish plays. Members are assigned articles and books dealing with Jewish drama for review and criticism. The history of the Jewish theatre, the nature of Jewish drama, and the men who are responsible for its development are studied.

Papers possessing especial merit are read at the Sunday evening Forum—which once a month is given over to the Hillel Players. These Forums are open to all students. In addition, the Hillel Players present each year on the campus a play or plays. The following were some of the productions: Lewisohn's "Adam," Levinger's "Tenth Man," Ansky's "Dibbuk"—as well as "Caponsacchi," "Death Takes a Holiday" and "Anna Christie."

DEBATING

The Hillel Foundation sponsors monthly debates between students. These debates are held on Sunday evening in the Social Hall of the Foundation. Students of marked ability are selected to constitute the Hillel Debating Team. The team during the year engages in debates with Hillel teams of other universities or organizations in nearby cities. The topics selected are mostly Jewish in nature.

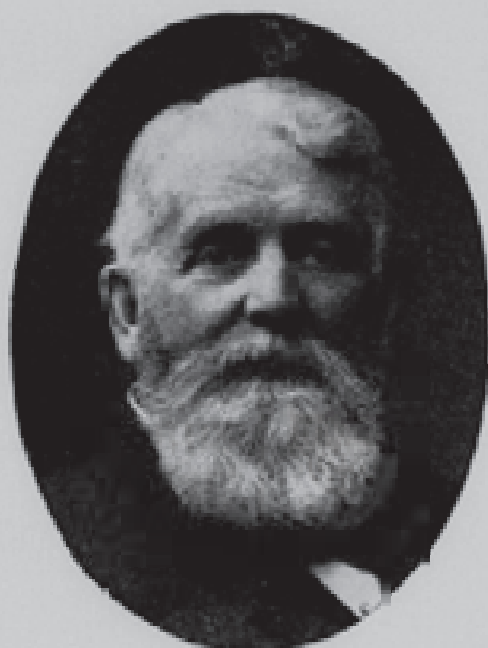
SOCIAL AND SOCIAL WELFARE

The Committees in charge of the above activities have a twofold aim. They attempt (through the weekly teas, periodic social gatherings and dances) to foster a spirit of fellowship and friendship among the Jewish students—whose background and surroundings are often varied. The program is prompted not only by the realization that social expression is vital to normal growth—but also by the desire to create and emphasize a feeling of unity—*achduth yisrael*.

The committee through its welfare work attempts to aid unadjusted students so that they would feel themselves more at home in the new environment. The committee helps freshmen find rooms. They, together with the Rabbi, visit the sick. A Loan Fund is maintained by students, where students may borrow without interest sums from \$1.00 to \$50.00 to tide them over periods of straits. Before examinations student groups are tutored in various subjects by select upper classmen. The Rabbi is ever ready to confer with individual students and advise them on any personal problem that may trouble him or her.

NOTE—Please fill in date for each class in the allotted space and keep folder for future reference.





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Hymn—No. 78. Stanzas 1, 2, and 5.

Prayer: REVEREND ARTHUR W. STALDER

Anthem: "When O'er the Hills" - *Dickinson*

Scripture Reading—

Offertory Solo: "The Voice in the Wilderness" *Scott*
MR. SYDNEY STRAIGHT

Address—Hon. Robert Underwood Johnson,
Readings from His Poems, with Comments

Hymn—No. 98. Stanzas 1, 2, and 4

Postlude: "Finale" - - - - *Capocci*

HENRY MARTIN LOUD LECTURESHIP

Wesleyan Guild Lectures 1929-1930

November 10

HON. ROBERT UNDERWOOD JOHNSON
New York

Poet, Director of the Hall of Fame, and Former
Ambassador to Italy

December 8

BISHOP THOMAS NICHOLSON.....Detroit

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February 16

BISHOP WARREN L. ROGERS... ..Cleveland

Episcopal Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio

March 9

DR. HARRY F. WARD.....New York

Union Theological Seminary

✓ March 23

RABBI LEO FRANKLIN.....Detroit

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May 4

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Prof. of Philosophy, Haverford College