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Muncie, Indiana, 1930-1954.

STATE OF INDIANA

Ball State Teachers College

MUNCIE

September 22, 1930.

DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL SCIENCE

Rabbi Silver

Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

We are endeavoring in the college here, to make our convocations of outstanding benefit and interest to the students. We have heard of your lyceum work and would like very much to have the students hear you on some subject of your own choosing. Unfortunately the committee in charge of convocations is rather short on funds. We would be able to pay your expenses including transportation and food, however. I hope that it will be possible for you to be with us on some Wednesday morning.

I am

Sincerely yours,

Robert La Follette
Chairman of the Public Exercise Committee.

card

Sept. 24th, 1930

Mr. Robert LaFollette,
Ball State Teachers College,
Muncie, Ind.

My dear Mr. LaFollette:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of Sept. 22d and for the invitation which you extend to me to address one of your convocations. I am very appreciative of your thoughtfulness.

My calendar, however, is very crowded for the next few months and it will be out of the question for me to make a special trip from Cleveland to Muncie. Should I be in the vicinity of Muncie at any time which would enable me to keep an engagement with you on a Wednesday morning, I shall regard it a great pleasure to do so.

With kindest regards and best wishes,
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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October 6, 1931

Rabbi Abbe Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It proved impossible for you to speak to our students last year owing to a crowded program; therefore we are again approaching you early in the academic year for a speech before our college convocation.

Our college convocation comes on Wednesday of each week. If you could suggest a series of Wednesdays that would be open for you, we would be delighted to meet your convenience. We have a modest fund for college convocations and we will be glad to pay you an honorarium.

May we be favored with your presence on the campus at some convocation this year?

Sincerely yours

Robert La Follette

Head of Social Science
Department

RL:MC

cc:al

Oct. 20th, 1931

Mr. Robert LaFollette,
Ball State Teachers College,
Muncie, Ind.

My dear Mr. LaFollette:-

Let me thank you for your letter of
October 6th and for the invitation which you extend
to me to address your College Convocation.

I am constrained to decline the invitation
again and for the same reason as last year. My program
both locally and out-of-town is already over crowded for
this coming year. I have undertaken a considerable amount
of work in connection with various relief campaigns in
the country and I have been compelled to decline many
invitations which under ordinary circumstances I would
have been most happy to accept.

Will you not keep me in mind for some
future time?

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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June 18 1937

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Rabbi. A H Silver,
Tifereth Tsrael Temple
Cleveland Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The 1937 state convention of the Indiana-Kentucky state association, will be held in Muncie, Ind, Sunday October 3rd.

At the evening banquet we will have about four hundred people, and to this affair I have been instructed to invite you as our speaker. It will be a genuine pleasure to all Indiana Jewry to have you with us on this occasion.

As our committee meets June 27th, it will facilitate matters if you will inform me of your decision, which we hope will be favorable, by that time, and what expense will be connected thereto.

With Kindest personal regards,

I am sincerely yours.

Andrew Fried
Andrew Fried, Secretary,
Indiana-Kentucky State
Association of Bnai Brith
Lodges.

June 21, 1937

Mr. Andrew Fried, Secretary
Indiana-Kentucky State Ass'n of Bnai Brith Lodges
614 North Sixth Street
Lafayette, Indiana.

My dear Mr. Fried:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of June 18th and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the 1937 state convention of the Indiana-Kentucky state association of the Bnai Brith Lodges on Sunday, October 3rd. I deeply regret my inability to accept your invitation. It is quite impossible for me to leave Cleveland on a Sunday when most of our Temple activities take place. Furthermore the month of October is exceedingly crowded for me with lectures for which I have already scheduled myself.

Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you. With best wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Beth-El Temple

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PHONE 2-2978

February 26, 1954

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Ansel Rd. Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

For the past five years Temple Beth El has conducted an Institute on Judaism for the Christian Clergy, which is held on a Friday, in the late Spring. There is a morning and afternoon session, and the Institute speaker has also preached in our pulpit on Friday evening. The Institute elicits a very excellent response from our local clergy in terms of attendance and interest, and it is an annual event to which they eagerly look forward.

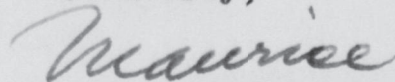
I should like to cordially invite you to be the guest Lecturer for our Institute this year. There are four alternative dates on which it could be held - April 30th, May 7, May 14th, May 21st. If you are in a position to accept the invitation, will you kindly select one of these dates, or list several in order of preference.

The Institute speaker receives, of course, an honorarium of \$100.00 plus expenses from the Temple.

May I say that your acceptance of this invitation would be a source of deep personal pleasure to me, and would be considered an honor by the officers of the Temple.

Looking forward to your reply, and with warmest regards to Virginia and yourself in which Sally joins me,

Cordially,



Rabbi Maurice Feuer

March 11, 1954

Rabbi Maurice Feuer
Beth-El Temple
525 West Jackson Street
Muncie, Indiana

My dear Maurice:

I was very happy to hear from you, and I wish I were free to accept your gracious invitation to address your Institute on Judaism, but I am just head over heels involved in lecture commitments both here and out of town, and I cannot, in justice to my health, take on any additional obligations. I am sure that you will understand.

With all good wishes to you and Sally in which Virginia joins me, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBAHILLEL SILVER

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