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New York City, New York, 1926-1929.

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July 1st, 1926.

Rabbi Norman Salit,  
Jewish Center of Far Rockaway,  
Far Rockaway, New York.

My dear Rabbi Salit,

It may be possible for me  
to come to your Center forum on Thursday,  
October 21st. You will however, have to  
arrange your meeting so that I can get away  
in time to catch a New York train for Cleveland.  
I managed to make it by a hair's breadth.  
If the date is acceptable to you, please let  
me know.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

July First, 1926

Mr. Harold Korn,  
1440 Broadway,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Korn,

Permit me to thank you for the  
kind invitation which you tender to me on  
behalf of the Men's Club of Temple Israel.

I regret that I am unable to  
accept it. It is my policy not to be away  
from my own Temple on Friday evening or  
Sunday, on both of which days I have Services.  
Perhaps I may be able to serve you on another  
occasion at some future time.

With kindest regards and best wishes  
I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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New York  
July 6th  
1920

Miss Jones Sec'y  
1/2 The Temple  
Cleveland

Ohio

Dear Miss Jones:

I wish to extend many thanks  
to you for the Picture and literature you so  
kindly sent to Our President Mrs. David E. Goldf-  
arb. We are all looking forward with great  
pleasure to Dr. Silvers visit in November.

With best wishes ,

I am  
Very truly yours

(Mrs. S.) Rose Singer  
Cor. Sec'y



Far Rockaway, N.Y. ✓ \*

## Congregation Shearay Tefila

(GATES OF PRAYER)

The Jewish Center of Far Rockaway, N. Y.

Norman Salit  
Rabbi

July 7th, 1926.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I wish to thank you for your  
prompt reply of July 1st to my inquiry of previous  
date.

Our first Forum will be held on  
October 25th in connection with our Annual Health  
Week. Our future Forum dates, however, are:

December	20th
January	17th
February	28th
March	28th
April	28th
May	16th, all Monday

evenings. Can you say now whether you will be  
available for any of these dates, preferably  
December 20th?

With kindest regards, believe  
me to be

NS/MF

Cordially yours,

*Norman Salit*

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CHARLES G. F. WAHLE, W. MASTER  
42 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

July 7,  
1926.

Rev. Abba Hillel Silver, D. D.,  
Rabbi, The Temple,  
105th St. & Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, O h i o.

My dear and Rev. Dr. Silver:-

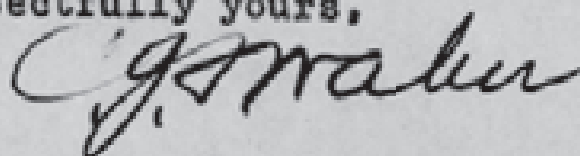
There have been so many requests by members of Centennial Lodge and their guests at the Festival Lodge of April 26th, for a copy of your address then delivered, that it has been decided by the Lodge to print in souvenir form, all of the addresses delivered.

It has occurred to me that before sending the enclosed transcript of the stenographic minutes of that address to the printer, you might prefer to examine the same for the purpose of deleting clerical errors or otherwise editing the same, as you see fit.

I am therefore taking the liberty of enclosing typewritten copy thereof, with the request that at your own convenience you be kind enough to comply with my request, and when you shall have finished, return the same to me, for which purpose find herewith stamped and addressed envelope.

With assurances of my high regard, believe me to be, Reverend Sir,

Very respectfully yours,



W/G  
(Encl.)

July 9th, 1926.

Rabbi Norman Salit,  
Jewish Center of Far Rockaway,  
Far Rockaway, New York.

My dear Rabbi Salit,

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 7th. At the present writing I cannot give you any definite date for your forum. I have accepted an invitation from the National Recreation Congress which meets in Atlantic City on Wednesday, October 20th and that is why I offered you Thursday, October 21st. Upon my return from abroad I shall look through my program again and if I can come to you I shall be very happy to let you know.

With kindest regards and wishing you a very pleasant summer, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

HAROLD KORN  
1440 BROADWAY  
PENNSYLVANIA 7417  
New York City

July 9, 1926.

*cannot accept now.  
write us later in  
Season -*

Rabbi H. Silver,  
East 105 Street at Ansel Road,  
Cleveland,  
Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I am very sorry to learn that  
your engagements with your Congregation will  
not permit you to address the Men's Club &  
the Congregation of Temple Israel, at a Friday  
evening service.

Both the Congregation & the Men's  
Club are exceedingly anxious to have you  
deliver an address sometime during the coming  
winter.

We shall be delighted if you will  
accept an invitation to speak, at a Wednesday  
evening forum, either on January 26th, Feb-  
ruary 23rd, or March 23rd, 1927.

With sincere hope that you will be  
able to accept the invitation of the Men's  
Club,

Very sincerely yours,

*Harold Korn.*

H.K./C.L.

July Thirteenth  
1926

Mr. Chas. G. F. Wable,  
42 Broadway,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Wable,

Dr. Silver found time just before his departure for London to make the necessary corrections in the copy of his address delivered before Centennial Lodge on April 26th. The corrections were not very numerous; the manuscript was quite clean. At Dr. Silver's request I have made a re-copy and am sending it to you herewith.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

July Twenty-fourth  
1926

Mr. Harold Korn,  
1440 Broadway,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Korn,

Your letter to Rabbi Silver will  
be brought to his attention upon his return  
from London, about the middle of August. He  
has been away from his desk since the first  
week in July.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary



September Twelfth  
1926

Mr. Harold Korn,  
1440 Broadway,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Korn,

Your letter conveying to me the kind invitation of Temple Israel and your Men's Club reached my desk during my absence abroad. Since my return early in September I have been submerged with accumulated correspondence and work incident to the Holydays.

I should love to be able to accept your invitation, but cannot at the present writing see my way clear to do so. Perhaps I may be able to write you more definitely later on, and should be very glad to have you communicate with me later in the season, if you still desire to have me come to you.

With kindest regards and greetings for the New Year, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,



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# WESTERN UNION



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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER.

PAYMENT OF TELEPHONED TELEGRAM

EAST 105 ST AND ANSEL ROAD CLEVELAND OHIO.

CAN YOU ADDRESS FORUM MONDAY EVENING NOVEMBER FIFTEENTH  
WIRE REPLY.

NORMAN SALIT.

*Oct 13 2*

Telephone *M.B. (out)*

Tele. No. *1531*

*1051*

*do 110*

*Faris*

Collect Day Message

Cleveland, Ohio, September thirteenth, 1926

Rabbi Norman Salit,

Far Rockaway, New York.

Regret cannot accept. Cleveland Community Fund campaign  
opens November fifteenth.

Abba Hillel Silver

Rabbi A. H. Silver

Cleveland, Ohio.

September 12th, 1926

Can you address Forum Monday evening, November fifteenth?

Wire reply.

(Signed) Norman Salit

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# Congregation Shaaray Tefila

(GATES OF PRAYER)

The Jewish Center of Far Rockaway, N. Y.

Norman Salit  
Rabbi

September 14th, 1926.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
c/o The Temple  
105th St. at Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am very sorry that you were unable to accept our invitation to address our Forum on Monday evening, November 15th. I understand, however, that you are to speak at the Brooklyn Jewish Center on Monday evening, November 8th. Would it be possible for you to stay over one day and address our Forum on Tuesday evening, November 9th?

Awaiting an early reply and with cordial, personal and seasonal greetings, I am

Faithfully yours,

*Norman Salit*  
N. S.

NS/MF

September 16th, 1926.

Dr. Norman Salit,  
The Jewish Center,  
Far Rockaway, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Salit,

Thank you for your kind note  
of September 14th. I wish I could come  
to you on Monday, November 9th but  
unfortunately I am scheduled to be in  
Providence that evening.

With kindest regards and wishing  
you a Very Happy New Year, permit me to  
remain


Very sincerely yours,



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FAVOR IF YOU ACCEPT INVITATION STOP WE WILL STAND ALL  
EXPENSE AND FEES STOP IF IT REQUIRES A SACRIFICE ON YOUR  
PART I FEEL YOU WILL DO IT FOR MY SAKE STOP CANNOT STRESS  
TOO MUCH THAT I AM HEART AND SOUL INTERESTED IN THIS DRIVE  
AND HOPE YOU WILL HELP TO PUT IT ACROSS WIRE IMMEDIATELY.

SOL COHEN 8807 104 ST RICHMONDHILL NY.

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RABBI A H SILVER.

CARE THE TEMPLE CLEVELAND OHIO.

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DEAR ABBA MY COMMUNITY INAUGURATES ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLAR CAMPAIGN FOR COMMUNITY CENTER WITH DINNER ON SUNDAY OCTOBER THIRD STOP ALREADY HAVE FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS PLEDGED IN ADVANCED TO ANNOUNCE AT DINNER STOP OUR CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE FEELS THAT YOUR PRESENCE AT DINNER WILL ASSURE SUCCESS OF DRIVE STOP AN PERSONALLY GREATLY INTERESTED IN PROJECT AND WILL CONSIDER IT A PERSONAL



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RABBI A H SILVER.

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CARE THE TEMPLE CLEVELAND OHIO.

*Ad 132*

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ANXIOUSLY AWAITING REPLY TO MY TELEGRAM OF LAST FRIDAY STOP  
HAVE TO START PUBLICITY AT ONCE REGARDING DINNER STOP WONT  
YOU SAY YES.

SOL 8807 104 ST RICHMONDHILL

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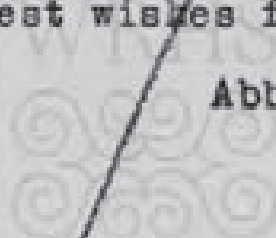
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Mr. Sol Cohn,  
8307 104th St.,  
Richmond Hill,  
New York City.

*Staten Island*

Sunday, October 3rd is opening of  
my Sunday Services. I cannot leave Cleveland on  
Sunday. Best wishes for your campaign.

Abba.



Brooklyn  
Jewish Center  
Nov 8th

MT. NEBOH SISTERHOOD  
Incorporated  
OF WASHINGTON HEIGHTS  
364 WEST 150TH STREET  
TELEPHONE AUDUBEN 3189  
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Sept. 22, 1946.

Miss Frances Jones  
Secretary

105<sup>th</sup> St. and Canal Road  
Cleveland, O.

Dear Miss Jones:

I am writing you directly instead of addressing my request to Rabbi Silver because I realize how busy he is and that you can answer me for him, perhaps.

I am desirous of talking over my Sisterhood with Rabbi Silver before November tenth, the date on which he is to address us, so that he may acquaint himself with us. I, therefore thought, instead of writing a communication, if perchance he is to be

in New York anytime before November tenth I  
may be able to talk with him for a few moments.  
Will you let me know about this since I shall  
want to write him otherwise.

Very sincerely  
Claude P. Goldfarb





Telephone CALEDONIA 1430

Paris Office  
34 RUE DE HAUTEVILLE

## *Jonas Millinery Inc.*

6 EAST 39TH STREET

New York

September 28th, 1926

Dr. A. H. Silver  
c/o 105th Street Temple  
105th Street and Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

Several weeks ago I wrote my daughter, Mrs. Murray Jonas, asking her whether she would not be good enough to approach you and ask you whether you would not honor the United Home for Aged Hebrews by appearing and speaking at a meeting they are having on Sunday, October 17th, for the purpose of raising funds to build an extension to our present Home, which building is filled to capacity and cannot admit any more inmates.

I have since received a letter from my daughter advising that although you would be unable to attend this meeting on October 17th, you would be glad to speak for us either on Thursday, October 21st, or Tuesday, October 19th, if we could arrange to change the date of this meeting.

I have taken this up with the Board of Directors and it seems that preparations have already been made, making it impossible for us to change the date of this affair.

I sincerely regret that we will be unable to be honored with your presence, and thanking you for the courtesy you have extended my daughter, I am, trusting that at some future date you will do us this honor,

Most sincerely and gratefully yours,

SJ/JS

# Congregation Shaaray Tefila

(GATES OF PRAYER)

The Jewish Center of Far Rockaway, N. Y.

Norman Salit  
Rabbi

September 28th, 1926.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I was very sorry to receive your note of recent date and learn that you could not be with us on Monday evening, November 9th. Would any of the following dates be convenient for you: December 20th, January 17th, February 28th, March 19th, April 18th, or May 16th? Please let me have a selection of dates possible from which to choose.

Appreciating the favor of an early reply and with kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Norman Salit*

NS/MF



September Twenty-ninth  
1926

Mrs. Blanche P. Goldfarb,  
62 Hamilton Terrace,  
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Goldfarb,

Rabbi Silver is to lecture before  
the Jewish Center Forum of Brooklyn, New York  
on the evening of Monday, November 8th.  
While in New York he will stop at the Belmont.  
You might get in touch with him either at the  
Hotel or at the Center.

Following his lecture in Brooklyn he  
speaks in Philadelphia, Pa. and in Philadelphia  
before returning to New York for your lecture.

I trust you may find an opportunity  
to see and talk with him before he leaves.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary



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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER.

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EAST 105 ST AT ANSEL ROAD CLEVELAND OHIO.

I AM AWAITING REPLY TO MY LAST LETTER GIVING OUR VACANT FORUM DATES STOP HOWEVER CAN YOU ADDRESS OUR FORUM ON SUNDAY EVENING NOVEMBER SEVENTH THE DAY BEFORE YOU SPEAK AT THE BROOKLYN JEWISH CENTER STOP PLEASE WIRE REPLY IMMEDIATELY TO ME CARE OF CONGREGATION SHAARAY TEFILA STOP KINDEST REGARDS.

NORMAN SALIT.

Monday Feb. 28 - 1927

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Collect day message

October eighth, 1926

Rabbi Norman Salit

The Jewish Center of Far Rockaway

Far Rockaway, New York.

Can give you Monday, February Twenty-eighth.    Regards.

✓  
A. H. Silver

# Congregation Shaaray Tefila

(DATES OF PRAYER)

The Jewish Center of Far Rockaway, N. Y.

Norman Salit  
Rabbi

October 10th, 1926.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
105th St. at Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am in receipt of your telegram of recent date in which you say you can be with us on Monday evening, February 28th.

It gives me much pleasure to assign that date on our schedule to you. Please let me have a list of subjects from which I may choose the topic of your address.

Looking forward to the pleasure of greeting you, I am with kindest regards

Cordially yours,

NS/MF

*Norman Salit*

MT. NEBOH SISTERHOOD  
OF WASHINGTON HEIGHTS  
564 WEST 150TH STREET  
New York.

657 W 161  
Oct-73/16

Mr Abba Heller Silver  
Dear Rev. Mr.

As publicity  
chairman of Mt. Neboh Sisterhood  
for our 15th anniversary, I  
am sending you a clipping  
from Sat Eve Sun. This is  
the second article we have  
had published the past week,  
as we expect a few of the  
city papers to have an  
article in regarding the  
affair and its speaker, may  
I ask you to kindly let me  
know whether you prefer these

to be mailed to you as  
they appear or shall I  
hold them until your  
visit with us.

Assuring you we are  
looking forward of the  
pleasure of having you  
with us on this oc-  
casion, and at your  
suggestion I will be  
very happy to either mail  
or hold copies of our  
publicity.

Remain  
Very truly Yours  
Wm) Row Merchimer

October 13th, 1926.

Dr. Norman Salit,  
Jewish Center,  
Far Rockaway, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Salit,

The lectures given below  
proved rather popular with forum and  
lecture audiences. Please select one and  
let me know of your choice.

1. The Rising Tide of Choler.
2. The Fundamental Needs of Human Life  
(This is a lecture on religion)
3. The Four Major Tendencies in Jewish  
Life. (This is a discussion of  
Prophecy, Legalism, Mysticism and  
Nationalism in Jewish life)
4. Democracy at the Cross Roads.
5. Jew and Christian -Will They Ever Meet?

Sincerely yours,

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# Congregation Shaaray Tefila

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The Jewish Center of Far Rockaway, N. Y.

Norman Salit

Rabbi

October 21, 1926

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
East 105th Street at Ansel Rd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

In reply to your kind note  
of October 18th, we shall be very  
glad to have you address us at our  
Forum of Monday evening, February 28th, on  
"Democracy at the Cross Roads."

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

NS/EC

*Norman Salit*



**THE SENDER  
OF THIS  
MESSAGE**

authorizes us  
to say that a  
TELEGRAPHIC reply  
is desired

**WESTERN UNION**

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# WESTERN UNION

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

J. C. WILLEVER, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

Form 1261

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NITE	Night Message
NL	Night Letter
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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER 118

THE TEMPLE

WE KNOW YOU HAVE APPOINTMENT IN NEWYORK ON NOVEMBER TENTH STOP NEWYORK  
FEDERATION CAMPAIGN OPENS WITH TREMENDOUS RALLY AT HOTEL PENNSYLVANIA  
SUNDAY EVENING NOVEMBER SEVENTH STOP WE CORDIALLY INVITE <sup>YOU</sup> TO BE THE  
SOLE SPEAKER OF THAT EVENING WILL YOU ACCEPT STOP AUDIENCE WILL PROBABLY  
NUMBER TWENTY FIVE HUNDRED MOST REPRESENTATIVE JEWS OF NEWYORKCITY PLEASE  
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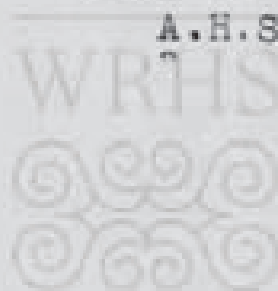
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Solomon Lowenstein  
Exhibit Room 6  
Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City

Regret Exceedingly cannot accept your  
kind invitation. I cannot leave Cleveland on a Sunday.

A.H. Silver.



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Jamaica Jewish Center  
Jamaica, N. Y.

BENJAMIN WERNE  
RABBI

November 16th, 1926.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I have read with keen interest your articles on "Why Do The Heathen Rage" which have appeared of recent date in the Jewish Tribune. I would greatly appreciate your acceptance of our invitation to open our Public Forum during the latter part of the month, if possible, with an address on some such topic.

Trusting that you will favor us with best wishes, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

*Benjamin Werne*

No!

146-11 Hillside Ave.  
Jamaica, L.I.

November Twenty-third  
1926

Rabbi Benjamin Werne,  
Jamaica Jewish Center,  
Jamaica, New York.

My dear Rabbi Werne,

I wish it were possible for me to accept your kind invitation to come to Jamaica to address your Public Forum, but I am compelled to decline. My speaking schedule for the balance of this season is very much overcrowded and I must, in fairness to myself refrain from taking on any additional obligations.

I trust that at some future time I may have an opportunity to serve you.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

H.U.C.

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12/30/26

M.A.Zeldin,  
114 Fifth Ave.,  
New York City.

Regret cannot give you any more dates  
in March for New York.

A.H.Silver.

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East 105th St. at Ansal Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: Annual Meeting

My dear Dr. Silver:

Just a line to remind you  
of your very great kindness in consenting  
to address our Tenth Annual Meeting at the  
Hotel Cleveland, Wednesday night, January  
26th.

The meeting is arranged in  
the Ball Room at eight o'clock.

The enclosed ticket will ad-  
mit you to all of the sessions, and I very  
much hope that you can sit in at more than  
the one.

With great appreciation and  
best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

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R. C. Sheldon

(not dinner)

ONE HUNDRED NINETY EDWARD STREET

BUFFALO, NEW YORK

My dear Rabbi Silver,

In the list letter you wrote to me you stated that you could address the Conference on the evening of January 16<sup>th</sup>. That was stated in your Telegram of acceptance of January 25<sup>th</sup>. Yesterday, receiving a letter from you saying you would be with us on the 20<sup>th</sup>. I trust that was a mistake on the part of your secretary - at the 16<sup>th</sup> is the date on which we have you, and on



which your name appears on the  
program. The conference lasts three days,  
January 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

Very sincerely

Laura Esther Fleischman

February 1st

Yours

M. Simon Fleischman

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## Congregation Shaaray Tefila

(GATES OF PRAYER)

The Jewish Center of Far Rockaway, N. Y.

Norman Salit

Rabbi

February 2nd, 1927.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
102nd Street at Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are looking forward to your address  
on Monday evening, February 28th.

Please note the following change with  
reference to our arrangements: instead of the topic  
we asked you to speak upon we would greatly  
appreciate your talking on and for the United  
Palestine Appeal. My Synagogue in this instance  
is giving this measure of its cooperation to the  
local campaign and is using the Forum for the purpose  
of stimulating the local stimmung. We may even, in  
fact it is probable that we shall, hold our Forum in  
the Synagogue of Rabbi Landman, noted well-wisher of  
Zion, in which case you will have a larger proportion  
of your audience comprised of those to whom Zionism  
is not yet a cherished cause.

We shall be very glad to make dinner  
arrangements for you. These details I shall apprise  
you of as soon as they will be complete.

Please remember me to Sol Goldman when  
you see him.

With cordial greetings, I am

Sincerely yours,

NS/MF

*Norman Salit*

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February eighth  
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Dear Silver:

By fortunate arrangement I heard you are to address our Men's Club (Temple Israel of Far Rockaway) on the evening of February twenty-eighth. The congregation as a whole, as well as the men, are delighted with the opportunity of hearing you. I have suggested that the meeting be held in the Temple proper instead of our Center, the audience of which I know will not accommodate the gathering.

You will thus be in our pulpit as well as on our platform; I want you to know that both our pulpit and our platform are absolutely free and untrammelled to an invited guest as well as to me. Talk on any subject you please -- and say anything you like.

May Mrs. Landman and I entertain you for dinner before the address?

Regards to Mrs. Silver,

Cordially,



Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
East 105th St. at Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Far Rockaway      F      ✓X

LEON LAUTERSTEIN  
15 WILLIAM STREET  
NEW YORK CITY

February 9, 1927.

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

My dear Rabbi:

At a meeting of a small group of men held in the Center of Dr. Salit's congregation in Far Rockaway to discuss the Palestine situation, I learned that you were booked to address the Men's Forum of that Congregation on February 28th. Upon my suggestion the Forum Committee generously agreed that instead of speaking under their auspices only, you should speak before the Men's Club of the Reform Temple. I further suggested that instead of speaking at the Center, that you speak in the Temple. My suggestion was prompted largely by the fact that the Reformed Jews of our Community have heretofore shown very little interest in Palestine. This has been due partly to the fact that Rabbi Landman has been an opponent of Zionism, and only several weeks ago delivered a sermon approving in large measure Dr. Pritchard's report and used the report as confirmation of his previous position. I understand that his attitude is somewhat more favorable since the exchange of letters between Dr. Weizmann and Mr. Marshall.

In this condition of affairs I feel that you could render a much better service by speaking in Dr. Landman's pulpit than you could by addressing a Forum in an orthodox congregation. The Trustees of our Temple have acceded to the request of the Men's Club that you speak in the Temple, and while I anticipate that Rabbi Landman will express the view that the present drive is entitled to support by reason of unemployment in Palestine, and other charitable considerations, it seems to me that the opportunity should not be lost of presenting Palestine upon a much more spiritual and constructive plane.

I also would like to point out that although you will be speaking in Rabbi Landman's pulpit your talk will be under the auspices of the Men's Club and not as the result of his personal invitation. I point this out lest you may be misled as to the amenities of the occasion and feel restrained by any convention not applicable to the situation.

Unfortunately, Rabbi Landman has at various times however sincerely spoken in strong terms of disapproval of orthodox customs, beliefs and traditions, in

Feb. 9, 1927.

the desire to emphasize the alleged superiority of modern Jewish reform, philosophy and practices, and has asserted that the Zionist movement is opposed to reform conceptions. The result is that Palestine has received very little support from the Reformed Jews in our Community, many of whom might not give support even if the conditions were different, but who find ready excuse in the attitude of their Rabbi. The result has been an undercurrent of bitterness on the part of the Orthodox Jews and the feeling that things dear to them have been scoffed at. I have recently been told that our Rabbi has given expression to some change of position, and is willing to cooperate on the basis of the proposed Agency.

I have written you thus in confidence and at some length, because I feel confident that your talk will attract an audience large for our section, but I see no reason why your talk should necessarily bear the label of Palestine. I have in mind the message of your sermon in Carnegie Hall several years ago which moved me very much, and in which you pointed out that Judaism was in a state of flux, and that Reformed Judaism especially was by no means fixed and you pointed out that it lacked, as it undoubtedly does, much of the devotion, color and spirituality of orthodoxy.

Far be it from me to presume to suggest to you either text or method of presentation, but in view of the conditions which I have sought to present rather hastily, but I hope fairly, it seems to me that an effective way of bringing home the cultural, spiritual and other possibilities of Palestine might be under the heading of 'Some misconceptions as to Reformed Judaism'.

The Men's Club Committee desires to advertise your talk and it might be helpful to announce a subject. No funds are to be solicited after your talk, but we hope to create the inspiration which will result in a large outpouring at a dinner which we intend to give to Mr. Louis Marshall on March 13th, and which after some persuasion he has indicated to me that he will attend.

Now as to a more personal matter: Mrs. Lauterstein suggested to me that if you were coming to our section on February 28th, she would like to keep a promise made last summer in Maine to Mrs. Aaron Davis that we would get in touch with them during the winter. If you could take dinner with us at our home on the 28th, we would like to invite the Davis, to join us and thus resume a pleasant friendship.

I look forward with pleasure to meeting you again. I hope that you will be able to accept our invitation to dinner and I can assure you of a very hearty reception by our Community and which needs inspiration of your message.

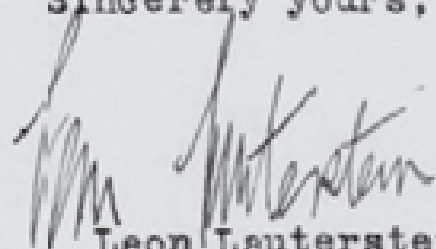
A. H. Silver

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Feb. 9, 1927.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Silver, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
Leon Lauterstein.

LL:H





H.

February 10th, 1927.

Mr. Isaac S. Heller,  
Woodland Avenue at Midfield Rd.,  
Far Rockaway, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Heller,

Permit me to thank you  
and Mrs. Heller for your kind invitation  
for the evening of February 28th. I am  
not sure that Mrs. Silver will accompany  
me on my visit to the east. I shall however  
be pleased to be with you for dinner that  
evening. I plan to return to New York im-  
mediately after the lecture.

With kindest regards and  
looking forward with pleasure to my visit,  
I am

Very sincerely yours,



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February 10th, 1927.

Rabbi Norman Salit,  
Far Rockaway, New York.

My dear Salit,

I have received word from Rabbi Landman to the effect that my forthcoming appearance in Far Rockaway is to be at the Men's Club of Temple Israel. I assume that your arrangements have gone through. I have no objection to delivering an outright Palestinian campaign address if that is what your organization wants. I feel however that Landman and his group ought to be informed of the fact. I would suggest a general subject such as the Four Major Tendencies in Jewish Life in which I stress that thought that nearly all the great contributions of our race have come from Palestine. I am wondering whether this would not be a more effective type of propoganda.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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February 10th, 1927.

Rabba Isaac Landman,  
Temple Israel,  
Far Rockaway, N.Y.

My dear Rabbi Landman,

Permit me to thank you  
for your kind note of February 8th. I  
am looking forward with pleasure to  
my visit to Far Rockaway and to your  
Temple. I am very grateful to you and  
to Mrs. Landman for your kind invitation  
to take dinner with you before the lecture  
but I have already accepted an invitation  
from Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Heller.

Looking forward with  
pleasure to seeing you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

For Rockyway

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2-13-57

My dear Helen:

Your letter was forwarded to me  
at Golden, where I'm spending my  
winter vacation.

I'm glad to know. Of course I took  
it for granted. That you would make  
no objection to speaking at Landman's  
Synagogue and in the CPA campaign  
instead of in my Center and on  
another topic.

This change was made as a

because I want you to know our  
plans, and realize that all three  
Synagogues are united in the  
effort to put across the campaign  
this year. My congregation  
contributes, so to speak, our privilege  
of having you address us, - to the  
general program, and were asking  
you to speak where we think  
~~your~~ your powers are most  
needed and will be most effective  
for the good of the cause. That is,  
in the Synagogue of the Reform  
Congregation.

result of the suggestion of the local  
FA Committee, comprising members  
of Landerau's, Abres' (the Concordant)  
and us, Synagogue. The Chairman of  
the Men's Club is a member of our  
Committee; the Chairman of the WFA  
Committee is a member of the Synagogue.  
So, of course, the arrangements have  
been concluded with their full  
knowledge and consent.

Wine rather a pretentious  
program: You speak in the Reform  
Temple on the campaign on Feb 28th,  
then wine in Cedarhurst, at Abres'  
Synagogue, on March 1st, and finally  
Marshall at the dinner, which  
will be held in my building on  
March 13. I cite these details:

Our purpose, therefore, is to bend every  
energy toward an enhancing of  
the success of our campaign. You will  
be addressing people the majority of whom  
have never contributed to Palestine,  
know nothing about it, and have the  
frame of mind which is to be expected  
in those who have been fed for years  
on the sympathetic treatment of the  
subject for which Lushman has  
made himself famous. I should  
imagine that there will be a host  
of prejudices to remove, a multitude  
of fears to allay, an abyss of  
ignorance that at least partially <sup>to</sup> fill.  
If you can attain these ends in  
a general address such as you  
have in mind, well and good. But



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I rather think that the particular situation you are called on to confront demands more intense and direct treatment. We are looking to you to counteract in one address much of the evil that has been wrought in the past years by Russia's arch-flouter.

So far as concerns the ethics of the matter, Lordman, his niece's Club Chairman, and members of his



Congregation fully understand  
and speak on the matter  
that for the purposes of the P.D.  
Campaign my congregation is  
extending to them the courtesy  
of choosing their synagogue  
as the forum of your address.

With cordial greetings, and  
looking forward to the pleasure  
of greeting you in So. Lakewood. I am

Sincerely yours  
Mordecai  
Levi

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
Cleveland, Ohio.

For Rockovioy

February 14th, 1927.

Mr. Leo Lauterstein,  
15 Williams Street,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Lauterstein,

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of February 9th. I have suggested to Dr. Salit as the subject of my address, The Four Major Tendencies in Jewish Life. The subject lends itself to a definite Palestinian emphasis. I am looking forward with pleasure to seeing you. I regret that your invitation to dine with you came too late. I have already accepted another invitation for that evening. I do hope that I shall have a chance to see you after the meeting.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,



My dear Rabbi Silver, —

A number of local organizations, including, — "The Women's Temple Society of Temple Beth Zion", "The American Association of University Women", "The Council of Catholic Women", "The Council of Churches", "The Federation of Women's Clubs", "The Interchurch Council of Women", "The League of Women Voters", "The Women's Christian Temperance Union", "The Young Women's Christian Association", and "The Foreign Policy Association", are arranging to hold a three day

Conference on International  
Relations tending towards Peace,  
on February sixteenth, seventeenth  
and eighteenth at The Hotel  
Statler in Buffalo.

We are endeavoring to secure  
a goodly number of prominent  
leaders of thought and speakers  
to discuss various phases of this  
great subject, amongst whom  
your name readily comes to  
the front.

The pleasant office has been  
assigned to me, of enlisting  
your cooperation in this world-  
wide cause, by asking you to  
deliver an address of about  
forty minutes on the particular

angle of this general subject, indicated above, which interest and appeals to you especially, on Thursday, February sixteenth, afternoon or evening, or Friday, February sixteenth, afternoon or evening - Thursday preferred.

Will you do us the honor of helping us out in this worthy and inspiring enterprise? If so, upon what terms? In this connection we are reluctantly compelled to plead a substantial degree of poverty, as available funds will be limited.

I shall appreciate the favor of an early reply, so that we can coordinate our program as soon as possible. -

Very sincerely

Laura Justice Fleischman

From

Mrs. Simon Fleischman  
190 Edward St. Buffalo, N.Y.

Feb 16

January twelfth.

February 24th, 1927.

Mr. Israel Goldberg,  
114 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Goldberg,

In compliance with your  
request, I am enclosing herewith a few  
brief paragraphs for publicity purposes.  
I trust that you will find them satisfactory.

I am

With kindest regards,

Very sincerely yours,

F.

# Congregation Shaaray Tefila

(GATES OF PRAYER)

The Jewish Center of Far Rockaway, N. Y.

Norman Salit

Rabbi

March 7, 1927.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
102nd St. at Ansel Rd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Silver:

Please pardon my delay in thanking you for your brilliant address on Monday evening, February 28th. I wanted to be able to send your check with my word of appreciation.

You traveled far from home to meet with an accident but fortune was with you in that it was not worse. I trust you have fully recovered from its effects. You may be comforted by the thought that a great amount of good was affected by your address. Wise speaks to-morrow evening at Cedarhurst and we will give a dinner in my building to Louis Marshall this Sunday evening at which occasion the appeal will be made.

With cordial greetings, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Norman Salit*

NS/MF  
Enc.



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March 8, 1927

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
E. 105th St. at Mansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

We want to publish your excellent address given at our Tenth Annual Meeting at Cleveland, but before doing so I thought that perhaps you would be good enough to look over the enclosed transcript, pages 263 to 273 inclusive, and to make any corrections.

If you will be good enough to do this, we will appreciate it very much if you will let us have the transcript back as soon as possible.

With great appreciation and best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

RCS/S  
Enc.

R. C. Sheldon

March 18, 1927.

Mr. Rowland C. Sheldon,  
Big Brother and Big Sister Federation,  
511 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Sheldon:

I am enclosing herewith a  
corrected copy of the address which I  
delivered before the Tenth Annual Meeting  
of your organization in Cleveland. I trust  
that you will find it satisfactory.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely,

AHS:NEB

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RABBI A H SILVER, CARE THE TEMPLE,

105 ST AND ANSEL ROAD CLEVELAND OHIO.

REGRET NECESSITY OF CHANGING DATES IT NOW STANDS APRIL  
SIXTH AT NOON WIRE CONFIRMATION TO ME AT HOTEL CHATHAM  
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YOU MUCH WHEN YOU AND I MEET.

FANNIE GRIES.

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

1485 EAST 106<sup>382</sup> ST CLEVELAND OHIO

HAVE PURPOSELY STOPPED YESTERDAY CLEVELAND TO SEE YOU STOP FOUND THAT YOU WILL NOT RETURN UNTIL LATE THIS AFTERNOON STOP IMPORTANT APPOINTMENT PREVENTED ME FROM REMAINING IN CLEVELAND STOP HOPE THAT THIS MESSAGE WILL PRODUCE RESULTS STOP HOWEVER IF YOU WANT I SHALL MAKE A SPECIAL TRIP TO CLEVELAND STOP THIS TIME I MUST ASK YOU MOST URGENTLY TO ACCEPT AN INVITATION TO SPEAK AT BANQUET OF TWO THOUSAND PEOPLE MAY EIGHTH ASTOR HOTEL NEWYORKCITY OF DISTRICT GRAND LODGE ONE CONVENTION STOP THERE WILL BE NO SOLICITATION OF FUNDS STOP YOU WILL BE PRINCIPAL SPEAKER THOUGH GOVERNOR SMITH IS EXPECTED TO BE PRESENT STOP PLEASE SAY YES THANKS WIRE.

BORIS D BOGEN

*Beliver*  
*340ps*

T E L E G R A M

March 20, 1927.

Mrs. Fanny Gries,  
Hotel Chatham,  
New York City.



April 6th reserved for you. Best of luck.

A. H. Silver

WRB  
10:20

New York <sup>Bangor ✓ \*</sup>  
Astor Hotel

T E L E G R A M

Collect - Day Letter

April 14, 1927.

Mr. Boris D. Bogen,  
Electric Bldg.  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

I wish I were free to accept your invitation for May 8th. I cannot however leave Cleveland on Sunday. I am to be out of my pulpit <sup>in La. Maine</sup> on May 15th addressing the National Conference of Social Workers and I cannot be absent two successive Sundays. Best wishes.

A. H. Silver

Sent by NEB  
AT 11:05 A.M.

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Mrs. SIDNEY C. BORG  
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June 22, 1927.

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are planning to have a meeting of all of our Big Sisters some time in the Fall. We wondered whether you would be in New York at any time during October, November or December and if you had any such plan, could you save an evening for us. I feel so sure that our Big Sisters would derive a maximum of inspiration and stimulation from hearing you speak that I would consider it a tremendous boom if you could give us even an hour of your time. If this were possible I would ask the Catholic and Protestant Big Sisters as well because I know that they too would appreciate hearing from you, and you can see what a great spirit of co-operation would thus be fostered.

Awaiting your reply and earnestly  
hoping that you will be able to come to us,

Yours sincerely,

*Madeleine Borg*

Mrs. Sidney C. Borg.

Dr. Abbe Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland, Ohio

July First, 1927

Mrs. Sidney C. Borg,  
Jewish Big Sisters,  
228 East 19th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Borg,

Your letter to Dr. Silver came to his office after his departure for Europe and Palestine. It will not be possible to give you a definite reply to your letter until after the middle of September. I feel quite sure, however, that Dr. Silver would not care to give consideration to a date in October.

If your plans will permit of your waiting for Rabbi Silver's return, will you kindly write him again at that time, or let me know whether I shall bring the matter to his attention for decision when he returns in September.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary



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Fall 1927

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July 12, 1927.

Miss Frances H. Jones,  
Secretary to Dr. Silver,  
The Temple,  
East 105th Street at Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.



Dear Miss Jones:

In answer to your very kind letter of July 1st addressed to Mrs. Sidney C. Borg, will you kindly bring Mrs. Borg's letter to the attention of Dr. Silver as soon as he returns in September. Should a date in October be impractical for Dr. Silver, we would be glad to have the opportunity of having him speak to our Big Brother and Big Sister groups any time later in the year when he may be in New York.

With many thanks for your courtesy in the matter,

Yours sincerely,

Violet A. Jersawit  
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5 WHEELER AVENUE, WORCESTER, MASS.

Cotuit, Mass., July 20th, 1927.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

There is to be a World Unity Conference in New York City on October 9,  
10, and 11, which is now being arranged.

It is the earnest wish of both Dr. Randall and Mr. Martin, that you  
address this Conference, if it is possible for you to arrange to be in New York on  
any of those dates, to speak upon the same magnificent theme as you did at Cleveland  
last November.

It will be a privilege to greet you there, and I shall hope to hear favor-  
ably from you in the near future, for I know it will be a great disappointment to  
both the New York men, should it be impossible for you to be present to speak at  
this Conference, the first of the coming season.

Your expenses and honorarium will be gladly paid.

Very sincerely yours,

*Florence Morton.*

Oct. 10 <sup>th</sup> Eve of Tabernacles.  
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July Twenty-second  
1927

Miss Florence Morton,  
World Unity Conferences,  
Cotuit, Massachusetts.

My dear Miss Morton,

Your letter to Rabbi Silver concerning the World Unity Conference in New York, which is being arranged for October 9th, 10th and 11th, has been opened by me in Rabbi Silver's absence in Europe. He left for a trip abroad during the last week in June and is not expected to return to Cleveland before the 15th of September.

The dates for the Conference conflict with important dates in the Jewish Holyday season and I fear Rabbi Silver will not be able to give favorable consideration to your invitation to speak. I know he would not consider the 9th or 10th, and the possibilities for the 11th are so vague that it would not seem wise to depend on it, especially since a definite reply could not be given to you before Rabbi Silver's return in September.

I will bring your letter to Rabbi Silver's attention as soon as he returns. He will appreciate your courtesy in extending the invitation to him.

Very sincerely yours,

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August 10, 1927

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Will you not do us the honor of being the principal speaker at the Eighth Annual Dinner of BETTER TIMES on Thursday evening, November 17, in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Pennsylvania?

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Your addresses have been the outstanding features of the last two National Conferences of Social Work, and we long to have you address a New York audience of persons interested in charitable and social work. We will leave the subject of your speech entirely to you.

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We will of course expect to pay all your expenses in connection with your trip to the City. I am enclosing herewith a copy of our magazine. While it is small in size, it is read by the most influential people in charitable and social welfare work in this City.

Trusting that you will see your way clear to accept this invitation, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

GEORGE J. HECHT  
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*Thursday - Nov. 17*



LUDWIG VOGELSTEIN  
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August 16, 1927.

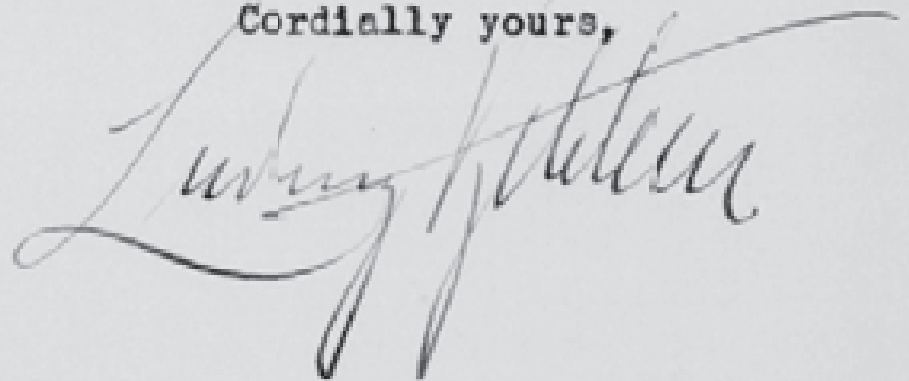
The Reverend Dr. Abba H. Silver,  
c/o The Temple,  
E. 105th St. at Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

My friend Mr. George J. Hecht has asked me to endorse his request for you to act as principal speaker at the next annual Better Times Dinner. I am only too happy to comply with Mr. Hecht's request and to urge you most strongly to accept his invitation if it is at all possible. The annual dinner of Better Times has become an event in the communal life of the City of New York. It is a gathering of communal workers of all denominations meeting at a dinner and discussing great questions of welfare, cooperation and other charity problems. Mr. Hecht has made a name for himself in this community. In addition to acting for Better Times, he is editing a children's magazine, which is supposed to be one of the best published. I think he deserves the support and help of all public spirited men and particularly of a man like you who has always stood in the foreground for the improvement of social conditions in this country.

With kindest personal regards, believe me,

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ludwig Vogelstein". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Ludwig Vogelstein".

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NATIONAL FEDERATION  
OF  
TEMPLE BROTHERHOODS

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

120 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK

August 31st, 1927

Rev. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
1485 East 106th Street  
Cleveland, OHIO

My dear Dr. Silver:-

Under the auspices of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods the twenty-eight Men's Clubs in the Metropolitan District have banded themselves together in an informal Metropolitan Conference. Their first activity will be holding a distinctly religious dinner meeting on the first evening of Chanukah on Sunday, December 18th. We will have an attendance of more than one thousand men, only men, with a view of emphasizing the fact that the men of Jewry, here in the Metropolitan District, particularly the young men, are interested in their religion. We believe such a meeting will act as a stimulus to the spiritual life of Jewry and we hope to make this gathering on Chanukah eve a yearly affair of ever increasing importance. In order to assure the success of their plans the committee is particularly anxious to have two outstanding speakers, one a Rabbi and one a religious minded layman, who have a particular appeal to thoughtful men. The committee unanimously decided to ask you and Judge Lehman. I am assured of Judge Lehman's acceptance. You will receive from the Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements an official invitation to be one of the two principal speakers and I am writing you to urge your acceptance. We intend to make this dinner meeting a distinctly religious one. We will have a Cantor to bless the lights and in every way emphasize the religious aspect of the occasion.

I have discussed the idea of this dinner with many leaders of Jewish thought, particularly with my uncle, Mr. Nathan Straus, and they have unanimously been of the opinion that our plan holds great promise. Uncle Nathan told me I could use his name in writing to you to urge you to accept our call. I feel



Rev. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver - 2

that if you will accept the success of our plan is assured. I am certain it is a worthwhile undertaking with splendid prospects of making a real contribution to the spiritual life of American Jewry. Needless to say there will be no contributions solicited either at the dinner or following it. The object is not to raise money but to increase interest in our religion.

Again earnestly request your favorable consideration of this invitation, I remain,

Faithfully and cordially yours,



*Joseph W. Shans*

September Second, 1927.

Mr. Roger W. Straus,  
National Federation of  
Temple Brotherhoods,  
120 Broadway,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Straus,

Dr. Silver left Cleveland the latter part of June for a trip to Europe and Palestine. We are looking for his return to his desk about the twentieth of this month, when I will immediately place your letter before him.

Dr. Silver has made it a policy not to be absent from his own pulpit on Sunday, but he may decide to make an exception in the case of your invitation. You will without doubt hear from him before the close of the month.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary



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CERTRUDE SPRINGER

The Reverend Dr. Abba H. Silver,  
c/o The Temple,  
East 105th Street at Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

On August 10th, I wrote you, inviting you to be the principal speaker at the 8th Annual Dinner of Better Times, on Thursday, November 17th.

I am inclosing the carbon of my letter, which was, I believe, forwarded to you by Mr. Ludwig Vogelstein.

As I have not heard from you, I am wondering if by any chance my letter went astray.

We have told a number of people prominent in social work in New York City that we have invited you to be the principal speaker at our dinner, and everybody has been so very enthusiastic that we are awaiting with eagerness your acceptance.

Very truly yours,

*George J. Hecht*  
GEORGE J. HECHT,  
Editor.

GJH:C

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CLINTON T. ROE  
CHARLES F. KRAMER

66 WILLIAM STREET, NEW YORK

September 9, 1927.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
1485 East 108th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi :

I am writing you on behalf of the Metropolitan Conference of Temple Brotherhoods, an organization recently formed under the jurisdiction of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods and taking in twenty-five of the Temples in the Greater New York District. I believe Roger Straus, the President of the National Brotherhood, has already written you advising you of a dinner to be given by the Conference to take place in New York on December 18th, 1927.

We expect to have approximately 1500 representatives, not only members of the Men's Club but Trustees of Temples and general membership attending this dinner. It probably will be the first purely religious affair of its kind held anywhere in this country and we expect that this dinner will be the forerunner of other events of a similar kind which will tend to aid the Temples and Synagogues in our City.

I am writing you particularly to invite you to address the meeting, which you will note takes place at the beginning of the Chanukah celebration. Justice Irving Lehman, of the New York ~~Court~~ of Appeals, has already accepted the invitation to be the lay speaker and it is the unanimous opinion of our entire meeting that it will help us greatly if you were to deliver the principal address.

The dinner will be held either at the Waldorf-Astoria or Astor Hotel in New York and if you could possibly arrange to be present, should like to have your early advice as we are withholding our publicity and advance notices until an answer is received from you.

So that you will recognize the writer of this letter, I will remind you of the meeting you addressed at Temple Israel, Far Rockaway, at which I presided and at which time you unfortunately were in an automobile accident with Ike Heller and his family.

With sincere regards,

*Charles F. Kramer*

September 12, 1927.

Mr. George J. Hecht,  
Editor, Better Times,  
151 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Hecht:

Please pardon the long  
delay in replying to your kind letter  
of August 10th and September 7th. I  
have just returned from my European trip.

I shall be very happy to  
be with you on Thursday evening,  
November 17th. I would appreciate your  
giving me some suggestions as to the  
things you would like me to stress in  
my address, should you have some  
particular subjects in mind.

With kindest regards,  
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

N.Y.

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September 12, 1927.

Mr. Charles R. Kramer,  
Attorney at Law,  
68 William Street,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Kramer:

Permit me to thank you  
for your kind letter of September 9th  
and for the invitation which you  
extended me to address the dinner of  
the Metropolitan Conference of Temple  
Brotherhoods.

I would have been most  
happy to accept your invitation but for  
the fact that your meeting is scheduled  
on Sunday. I have made it a rule not to  
leave my pulpit on a Sunday. I am away  
from Cleveland so much of the time that  
I feel that I owe that day at least to  
the congregational service which takes  
place on Sunday morning and to other  
Temple activities.

If for any reason you find  
it favorable later on to change the date  
to a week day, please let me know and I  
shall be delighted to come.

Please be assured, my dear  
Mr. Kramer, that I stand ready at all  
times to be of service to you and to the  
fine causes with which you are identified.

With kindest regards,  
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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EAST 105 ST & ANSEL ROAD, CLEVELAND OHIO.

UNDERSTAND RABBI SILVER RETURNING FROM EUROPE SHORTLY  
WOULD LIKE IF POSSIBLE TO SEE HIM IN NEWYORK TO EXTEND  
INVITATION TO SPEAK AT BETTER TIMES DINNER PLEASE WIRE ME  
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GEORGE J HECHT.





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GERTRUDE SPRINGER

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your letter of September 12th, agreeing to speak at the Better Times dinner on November 17th, has given us all the greatest satisfaction. New Yorkers who heard you at the Cleveland and Des Moines meetings of the National Conference of Social Work have never ceased to tell us that we could do no greater service to our group than to give it the privilege of hearing you. We are delighted that you will honor us.

I hesitate to impose any suggestions for your address, for I know that whatever you choose to say will be worth our while. Because we are rather involved just now in somewhat elaborate social machinery, which seems sometimes almost to obscure its product, perhaps it might have a tonic effect on us all if you reminded us of the spiritual content of social work. How does the title "The Crusade for Social Justice" appeal to you? Would that title give you scope for what you may want to say to us? Probably you can frame a better one. At any rate, will you let me hear from you about it as soon as may be, so that we may announce it in Better Times? May we have, also, one of your photographs to use in our magazine?

Your audience at the dinner will be about equally divided between professional social workers of all degrees, and the board member and contributor group. All faiths will be represented. On the program with you will be Barry C. Smith, Director of the Commonwealth Fund, who will speak on "This Business of Getting and Giving".

Do you wish us to make a hotel reservation for you, and if so will you please tell us your preference?

Again let me assure you of my appreciation of your generous agreement to favor us in this way.

Sincerely,

*George J. Hecht*  
Editor.

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September 15, 1927.

Mr. Roger W. Straus,  
120 Broadway,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Straus:

I have just returned from my trip abroad and I hasten to reply to your kind letter of August 31st. I have already written to Mr. Charles R. Kramer.

I would have been most happy to accept your most kind invitation to address the Metropolitan Conference of Temple Brotherhoods but you have scheduled your meeting on Sunday, December 18th and I find it impossible to leave the City on a Sunday. I am away from my Congregation so much of the time that I feel that I owe that day at least to the congregational service which takes place on Sunday morning and to the other Temple.

I indicated to Mr. Kramer that if for any reason later on you decide to change the date to a week day, I should be most happy to come.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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NATIONAL FEDERATION  
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120 BROADWAY  
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September 19th, 1927

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
East 106 St. at Ansel Rd  
Cleveland, OHIO

My dear Dr. Silver:-

I was indeed sorry to learn from your letter of September 15th that you find it impossible to speak at our dinner on December 18th.

It is impossible to change the date of the dinner at this time as we have already invited and received the acceptance of Judge Lehman, who on account of the fact that the Court of Appeals will be in session in December, could not come to dinner on any other night but Sunday; furthermore, the Committee feels that Sunday night is a particularly good one on which to hold this first dinner.

I would like to urge you further to change your rule but realize that you are the best judge of your own obligations and that it would be presumptuous for me to urge you further.

We hope that this dinner will be an annual affair and next time we will plan it on some other night and hope to be able to have you as the principal speaker.

Faithfully yours,

*Bozaw Shans*

(Card)

N.Y.

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Temple Brotherhoods

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CLINTON T. ROE  
CHARLES P. KRAMER

68 WILLIAM STREET, NEW YORK

September 21, 1927.

Abba Hillel Silver, D.D.,  
E. 105th St. at Ansell Rd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Silver:

Many thanks for your exceedingly kind letter of  
September 12th.

I regret indeed that you cannot be with us on  
December 18th, but I appreciate the reason for your in-  
ability to come to New York on that date. In arranging  
our meeting for next year, I surely will bear in mind the  
fixing of a date which will enable you to be with us and  
am going to ask you to hold open one evening during the  
year for the Metropolitan Conference of Temple Brother-  
hoods. Of course, you will be given many months' notice,  
but while we lose now, I am certain we will gain by wait-  
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With sincere regards, permit me to remain

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*Charles P. Kramer*

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September 22, 1927.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

Can you possibly, without too much inconvenience, come to New York for our dinner on November 16th instead of November 17th. Confusion in banquet hall arrangements makes the change most important. Please reply collect.

N.E.B.

Geo. J. Hecht

Nov 16th Satisfactory



(Card)

N.Y.

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September 29, 1927.

Mr. George J. Hecht,  
Editor, Better Times,  
151 Fifth Ave.  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Hecht:

Following your suggestion contained  
in your letter of September 15th, I shall be  
very pleased to speak on the subject, "The  
Crusade for Social Justice."

At your request, I am also  
enclosing herewith, one of my photographs.

My understanding is that the  
meeting will be held on Wednesday evening,  
November 16th. Will you please let me know  
where the dinner will be held?

With kindest regards, permit  
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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GERTRUDE SPRINGER

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

We have yours of September 29 giving us "The Crusade for Social Justice" as the title of your address at our dinner on November 16.

Thank you for your photograph, which we shall use in the November issue of our magazine, and possibly for other publicity purposes. I note you ask to have the photograph returned. In the event of our placing the photograph for newspaper use that might be rather difficult. Our publicity plans are not yet in hand, but in the event that we find we can place the picture, could we not communicate directly with your photographer and get more prints at our own expense? If we should be unable to return this particular print to you, we should insist on reimbursing you for its cost.

The dinner will be held at the Pennsylvania Hotel. The October issue of BETTER TIMES, which we have sent you, contains the announcement. We will mail you one of the formal invitations as soon as they come from the printer.

May I ask again if you wish us to make a hotel reservation for you and if so, what is your preference. I must tell you with what enthusiasm our announcement that you are to favor us on November 16 has been met by social workers of every kind. Colonel Underwood of The Salvation Army said, "I thought I would not come to the dinner this year, but if Dr. Silver is coming I'll be there and so will a lot of us. You have gotten the best man in the United States." We feel the same way about it.

Sincerely yours,

*George J. Hecht*  
Editor

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(card)

N.Y. \*

October 7, 1927.

Mr. George J. Hecht,  
Better Times,  
151 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Hecht:

Permit me to thank you  
for your letter of October 3rd.

You may use the  
photograph which my office sent  
you as you please. Should you  
want any additional copies, my  
office will be glad to forward  
same to you.

You need not trouble  
yourself about reserving a room  
for me. I always stop at the  
Belmont Hotel and they always  
accommodate me.

With kindest regards,  
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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October 19, 1927.

Dr. A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
East 105th Street at Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Some time ago I wrote to you hoping that you might come and speak to our Big Sisters and Big Brothers during the latter part of October. I learned from your secretary that that time was not practical.

I have just learned that you are planning to speak here in New York on the evening of November 16th, at the "Better Times" dinner. Would it be possible for you to speak to our group of Big Sisters and Big Brothers any evening during that week? The meeting will probably be held at the home of Mr. Adolph Lewisohn, 881 Fifth Avenue, where the audience must of necessity be limited.

I hope very much that you can arrange your plans so as to spare a little time for our organization.

With many thanks for your courtesy, and awaiting your reply,

Yours sincerely,

*Madeleine Borg*

Mrs. Sidney C. Borg.

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GERTRUDE SPRINGER

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are sending you herewith an advance proof of our dinner invitations which will be mailed the middle of next week.

May we have three more of your photographs to use for press purposes, and can you give us an idea of the amount of time you will need for your address? We do not mean to limit you in any way, of course, and we are counting on a minimum of an hour. But a little advance information will help us in planning the tempo of the program. If you commit your address to writing, we should appreciate an advance copy for the preparation of press releases. Don't let this be more than a contingent request, however, because we have arranged to have your address "taken" the night of the dinner so that the press will be taken care of - although the advance copy would be a help.

Again let me tell you how much we appreciate your willingness to come to us for this occasion. Dr. Keppel's talk is to be very short. We have staked our whole program on you.

Sincerely yours,

*George J. Hecht*  
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October 24, 1927.

Mr. George J. Hecht,  
Better Times,  
151 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Hecht:

Thank you for  
your kind letter of October 21st.

I shall speak  
about an hour and I shall try  
to have advance copies of my  
address for you. However, do  
not count on it.

Under separate  
cover, I am sending you three  
photographs as you requested.

With kindest  
regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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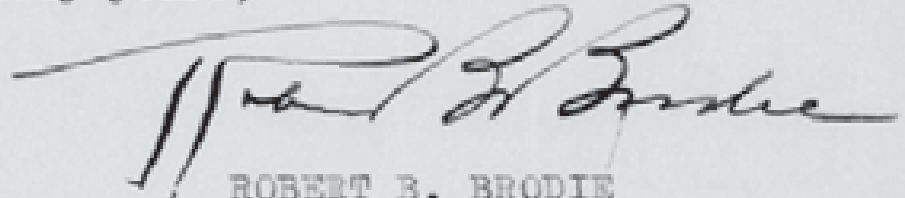
Oct. 27, 1927

Dr. Abbey Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Silver:

A notice of the Better Times Annual Dinner indicates that you will be in New York City on Wednesday evening, November 16th. I am wondering whether you will be able to spare an hour to visit your old school on that day. We should very much like to have you address the student body at the Arista Installation. Any hour of the day will suit us.

Very truly yours,



ROBERT B. BRODIE  
Principal, Seward Park H.S.



October 27, 1927.

Mrs. Sidney C. Borg,  
Jewish Big Sisters,  
228 East 19th St.  
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Borg;

Permit me to thank you for your  
letter of October 19th.

I wish I could see my way clear  
to accept your invitation to address the  
Big Sisters and Big Brothers. I plan to be  
in New York for one day, - which is November  
16th. I leave that same evening for Cleveland.

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

Very sincerely yours,

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C O P Y

November 1, 1927

Rabbi A. H. Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Your splendid address at the National Conference of Social Work in Des Moines made so deep an impression on the Westchester County members of the Conference that you are the instant choice of the Committee to secure a speaker for the Fifth Annual Luncheon of the Westchester County Children's Association, to be held Wednesday, April twenty-sixth, at the Commodore Hotel in New York City.

The group is not a large one, three hundred or more, but it represents the leaders of volunteer work in the cities, towns and villages of Westchester County, an unusual group who are working together, Jews, Protestants, Evangelicals, Catholics and those without church affiliation. We are not a case working agency but are working with the Department of Child Welfare, the Children's Court, the Public School System and the other Child Welfare agencies in the county to improve and keep up standards of work for children.

We have had various kinds of programs in the past at our luncheons. One year we took the subject "The Kind of World I Want for my Children" and had five speakers from various points of view. Another year the subject was "The Child of Tomorrow"; another, "Parents - Liabilities or Assets?"

I have written so long a letter that you may know why we so much want you. This invitation is extended by the Executive Committee of the Children's Association and of course, the expenses involved in your trip will be taken care of.

Very sincerely yours,

*Edith J. Mitchell*

Executive Secretary

HKS:PM

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*Edith Mitchell*  
Executive Secretary

HKS:FM



November 2, 1927.

Mr. Robert B. Brodie,  
Seward Park High School,  
Hester, Essex and Norfolk Sts.  
New York City.

My dear Dr. Brodie:

I shall make every  
effort to be with you during the  
day of November 16th. Would 11  
o'clock be a good hour for you?

With kindest regards,  
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Nov. 4, 1927

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

11 o'clock, November 16th would be suitable for us. I want to thank you for your kind and prompt reply.

Very truly yours,



ROBERT B. BRODIE  
Principal, Seward Park H.S.

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Nov. 7, 1927

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

The occasion of the address on November 16th is the installation of Arista members. This organization, as you probably know, is the honor society of the school, membership to which is based upon scholarship, character and service. Is a better cue possible for a minister?

If convenient for you I should like to provide an escort to bring you to the school and also to have the pleasure of lunching with you after the assembly.

With kind regards I am

Very truly yours,



ROBERT B. BRODIE  
Principal, Seward Park H.S.

November 8, 1927.

Mr. Robert B. Brodie,  
Seward Park High School,  
Hester, Essex and Norfolk Sts.  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Brodie:

Please do not put yourself to the trouble of sending an escort for me. I shall come to the school on time and I shall be most happy to lunch with you after the assembly.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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