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July 10, 1934

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

You must have felt the gratitude of our community in the ovation which was tendered you at the close of your prophetic address at our United Jewish Appeal dinner.

I thought you might be interested in seeing a report of this affair and a synopsis of your address made by one of our Congregants. Everywhere I turn amongst my people, I hear them asking, "When will Dr. Silver come again?"

Wishing you a happy summer and continued success in your calling, I am

Sincerely yours,

Arthur H. Neulander

Arthur H. Neulander
Rabbi

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THE REV. JOHN WESLEY LORD
1060 OVERLOOK TERRACE
UNION, NEW JERSEY

July 19, 1934

My dear Dr. Silver,

As chairman of the executive committee of the New York Preachers' Meeting, I am writing to ask if it will be possible for you to address this group of ministers representing five conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church on Monday morning, October 22nd at eleven o'clock. The meeting is held in the Chapel of the Methodist Book Rooms at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

While there is no remuneration, we will gladly pay all expenses incident to your coming. Some of the speakers on our program this year include, Dean Knudson, J.M.M. Gray, Chancellor American University, Albert E. Day, Ralph Sockman, Frank Kingdon, Bishop McConnell, Edgar D. Brightman, Basil Matthews, Lynn Harold Hough, S. Parkes Cadman and others of like ability and prominence.

It is my sincere hope that you will find it possible to be with us.

Cordially yours,

John Wesley Lord

*Ans. July 30 -
asked for another date.*

5.

ROGER W. STRAUS
120 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

August 1st, 1934.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am again extending you an invitation this year to be our principal speaker at the fourth annual Convention of the North East Religious Union which will be held at Congregation Emanu-El, New York City on Sunday, November 4th.

While the Committee realizes how difficult it is for you to get away on a Sunday, it nevertheless feels that since you have not spoken at a Union function in New York for a number of years, you ought to make every effort to accept this invitation because we feel that we need you particularly at this time when the whole of Jewish life is in a turmoil and when people need guidance more than ever.

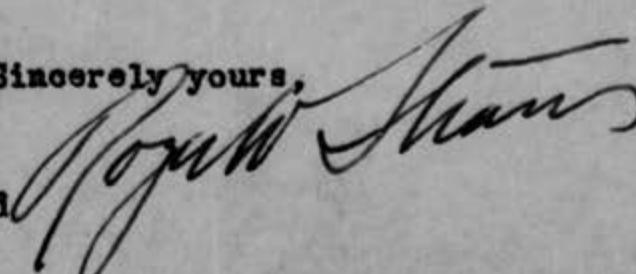
Our Conference will consist of two parts. In the morning there will be conferences at which the representatives will have an opportunity to discuss financial problems of the congregation, problems of religious education, etc. In the afternoon the whole conference will meet together for a consideration of the subject HOW CAN THE SYNAGOGUE STRENGTHEN AND DEEPEN THE SPIRITUAL LIFE IN THESE TIMES OF DIFFICULTY, at which session we should like you to speak.

I am confident that we shall have a representative meeting and I trust you will be able to accept our invitation this time.

Of course your expenses to and from New York will be taken care of.

May I receive your acceptance at the earliest possible moment so that we may begin to circularize our congregations immediately.

Sincerely yours,



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

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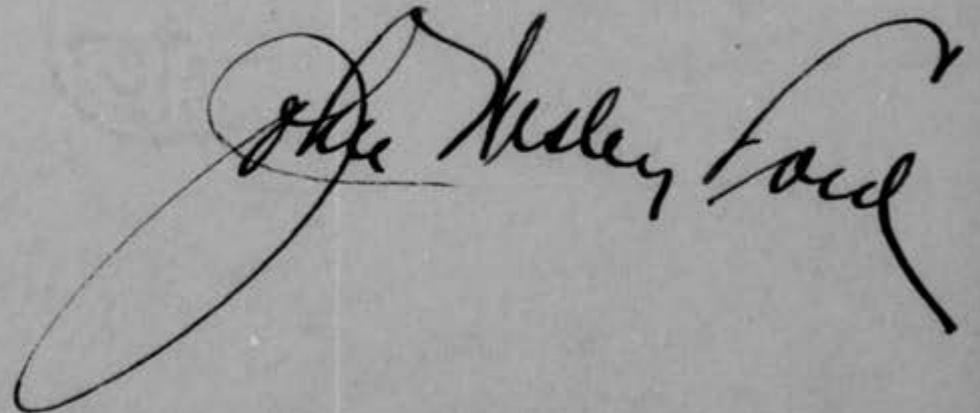
August 7, 1934

My dear Dr. Silver,

Thank you for your kind reply of July 30. Is Monday, January 14 a convenient day for you? If not we will arrange another date. There is a possibility that October 8 will be open but I will need to wait a few days before being sure of it. If it does clear and you would prefer the October date to one in January, I shall be glad to so arrange it.

I am happy to know that you will be on our Program for the year. Wishing for you a most pleasant vacation, I am

Cordially yours,



Ans. Aug. 9
Jan. 14 -
A.S.

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

Some of the friends of Mr. Rabinowitz wish to give fitting expression of their "deep appreciation of the splendid, untiring, unselfish services he has performed, to which he has uninterruptedly devoted days and nights... in the work he has done so much to create".

Justice Mitchell May, Dr. Henry Moscovitz, Hon. Herman Bernstein, Mr. David A. Brown, Rev. Dr. Edward Charles Russell, Rector of St. Anne's P.E. Church, Hon. Joseph H. Broderick are a few of the many who have offered to be vice-chairmen of a dinner committee in his honor. I have consented to be chairman.

The date has been fixed, tentatively, for Sunday, Oct. 9th or Thursday, Oct 4th. We will not set the date definitely until we hear what date will be convenient for you, if you expect to be in New York about that date, and will honor the occasion by giving the chief address. We are asking Mr. Untermyer to "say a few words of appreciation of his work".

We hope to have 500 present.

Will you kindly let me hear from you at the earliest possible hour, at 322 W. 106 St.?

With assurance of my highest regard and esteem, and wishing you a Happy New Year in which you will find Rabbi Ben Ezra was right: "The best is yet to be", I am,

Faithfully yours,
Edward L. Hunt
Edward L. Hunt, Founder.

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September 12, 1934.

Dr. Edward L. Hunt,
322 West 106th St.,
New York. N.Y.

My dear Dr. Hunt:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of September 8. I should very much like to attend the Testimonial Dinner to Mr. Rabinowitz. Looking through my schedule I find that it will be practically impossible for me to come to New York to attend the dinner any time in November. On Sundays I must occupy my own pulpit and during the week I have already scheduled myself for a large number of out-of-town engagements principally with conventions of teachers in various parts of the country.

Mr. Rabinowitz has done a splendid piece of work with the League and is deserving of the tribute which his many friends would like to pay him. I count myself among them.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:EK

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Rabbi A H Silver,
The Temple,
E 105th St & Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Program Committee for the forthcoming Regional Conference of the East-Central States, is asking that you and a number of other representative Community leaders take part in the discussions and meetings which have been scheduled.

We have not asked the other participants in the Program to submit any carefully prepared papers; because we desire a free informal discussion of vital themes where men and women having common Jewish interests, can exchange experiences and points of view.

However, we would appreciate it greatly if you would address the early afternoon Session which will immediately follow the Luncheon at 12:30, on "Common Grounds of Interest Upon Which Jewish Community Groups may coordinate their Activities."

With the interest already manifested we believe that this Conference, no less than those which have already taken place in other sections of the country, will prove very successful and worthwhile.

It is our earnest hope that we may have your acceptance of this invitation so that definite announcement may be made in the Program which is to be sent out with invitations to the Conference, immediately.

Sincerely yours,

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The following are suggested as questions related to the Topics which have been tentatively selected for Discussion; they are offered merely as a basis for possible suggestion to those who are invited to participate in the Program; as well as the others who will wish to contribute their advice and experience.

Topic: "Are there Practical Means by which we may further attempt to offset and minimize the effects of anti-Semitic acts and attitudes in the social and economic life of American Jewry?"

Related Questions:

"What can be done to lessen the resistance in Business and Industry, to the employment of Jews?"

"What influence or training of the Jewish Youth, might assist them in more easily establishing their contacts in the non-Jewish world?"

"Would a greater cohesiveness of the Jewish Group itself, tend to make for a more wholesome relationship with the world about us?"

Topic: "Factors affecting Jewish Communal Interest and Activity, and Support of Jewish Community Enterprise."

Related Questions on Chest Affiliation:

"Has Community Chest affiliation served to promote a better inter-relationship of the various denominational Groups?"

"Have Jewish Federations and Individual Agencies, been able to maintain the interest and activity of their lay leadership?"

"Have there been adequate compensations for the transfer of the interest and activity of Jewish lay leadership to the fields of general welfare enterprise?"

"Have the welfare and relief standards of the Jewish Group for which more generous budgeting has been necessary, made any impression upon the general prevailing standards?"

"Have the traditional standards of Jewish Giving, influenced the general level of contributions of the non-Jewish Community?"

"Have the giving proclivities of the Jewish Contributors, been influenced by the less developed interest or responsiveness of the non-Jewish Community?"

Related Questions on Tax Subsidy:

"With a passing of the Depression, what phases of welfare activity will likely find permanent lodgment under Public Administration?"

"Will Jewish Communities find it desirable or necessary, to supplement Public Aid for the various types of Jewish Clientele?"

"Have Jewish Relief Standards suffered in the budgeting from Tax Sources, or have they tended to influence the adoption of higher general standards?"

Related Questions on Welfare Fund Development:

"Where there is no Community Chest affiliation, is it desirable to create a Welfare Fund independently of the existing Jewish Federation; or may it better be an extension of Jewish Federation interest and activity?"

"What are some of the elements in Welfare Fund Budgeting of national and international Causes and Agencies, which differentiate it from a Federation's budgeting of local Purposes?"

"Will International Appeals fare better under Welfare Fund auspices?"
Can Jewish Education requirements be adequately subsidized through the Welfare Fund Appeal, or more likely by independent Appeal?"

Topic: "Common Grounds of Interest upon which Jewish Community Groups may coordinate their Activities."

Related Questions:

"Is the Federation serving adequately as a crystalizing influence in Jewish Life?"

"What additional contributions can the Synagogue make, as unifying influences in Jewish life?"

"Is it possible to bring about a further combination of the forces in Jewish life, social, religious and political, for the establishment of greater cohesiveness?"

"Is it desirable?"

"Is the Jewish Community Council, the answer or approach to such an accomplishment?"

"Does the Kehillah represent even a remote possibility of community organization in American Jewish Life?"

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS

1. Family and Child Welfare

Suggested Questions for Discussion:

"Basis for Division of Services between Public and Private Agencies."

"Relation of Relief Standards of Private Agencies to those of Public Departments."

"Effect of Old Age Pensions on Care of Aged in Jewish Institutional Homes."

"Care of Jewish Homeless and Transient, as a problem apart from Federal Program."

"Possible enlargement of the programs of Jewish Child Caring Institutions as a solution of the child caring problems of smaller Communities."

II. Health

Suggested Questions:

"Effects on Hospital Standards, of Public Subsidy for Care of Indigent Sick."

"Effects of Group Insurance and other similar Schemes for Hospitalization of the middle and working classes, on Standards of Hospital Service."

III. Recreation and Education

Suggested Questions:

"Developments required to meet the problems of enforced leisure due to unemployment, as well as leisure produced by the shortening of hours of employment."

"Possibility of tying in the Programs of Jewish Education with Center Activities."

IV. Fund Raising

Suggested Questions:

"Special Appeals to stimulate Jewish Interest and Giving."

"New Methods or Programs for Campaign and Collection."

"Advantages of Joint and Independent Appeals for non-local Causes."

Outline of suggested Speakers for
Regional Conference, Columbus, October 13-14, 1934

OPENING SESSION, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13th, 1934 at 8:15 P M

Invocation

Rabbi Samuel Gup, Columbus

Greetings

E J Schanfarber, Columbus, Chairman

Introductory Statement on
Purpose of Regional Conferences
of Lay Leadership of the Country

Edward M Baker, Cleveland
Chairman of Program Committee

"Are There Practical Means by Which We May Further Attempt to Offset
or Minimize the Effects of anti-Semitic Acts and Attitudes in the
Social and Economic Life of American Jewry?"

Chairman and Discussion Leader

Fred Lazarus, Jr., Columbus

(10 Minute Presentations)

In Business & Industry

Henry Wineman, Detroit

In the Professions

Fred M Butzel, Detroit

In Public Life

Max Hirsch, Cincinnati

In the Religious Field

Rabbi Max C Currick, Erie

In Welfare Enterprise

Irving Lehman, Pittsburgh

In Popular Education

Alfred A Benesch, Cleveland

In the Labor Field

Abraham Katovsky, Cleveland

GENERAL DISCUSSION

SEPARATE ROUND TABLE SESSIONS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14th, 1934 at 9:30 A M

I. "Family and Child Welfare"

Chairman and Discussion Leader

Maurice Sievers, Cincinnati

Discussants:

Charles Sacks, Akron
Dr A S Jaeger, Indianapolis
Fred Lazarus, Jr., Columbus
Marc J Grossman, Cleveland
Oscar Berman, Cincinnati

II. "Health"

Chairman and Discussion Leader

Miss Malvina Friedman, Cleveland

Discussants:

Dr Louis Ransohoff, Cincinnati
Dr H A Jacobs, Indianapolis
Jesse F Hirschman, Detroit
Charles Morris, Louisville
Dr Benj Olch, Dayton

III. "Recreation and Education"

Chairman and Discussion Leader

Miss Rose Sugarman, Columbus

Discussants:

Hyman Subrin, Akron
Dr J S Golub, Cincinnati
Rabbi B R Brickner, Cleveland
Rabbi Louis Witt, Dayton
A J Levin, Detroit

IV. "Fund Raising"

Chairman and Discussion Leader

Kurt Peiser, Detroit

Discussants:

Samuel Mueller, Indianapolis
Raymond C Adler, Dayton
S Goldhamer, Cleveland
Charles J Rosenbloom, Pittsburgh
A M Luntz, Canton

V. "Problems of Smaller Communities"

Chairman and Discussion Leader

H Joseph Hyman, Indianapolis

Discussants:

Rabbi Chas B Latz, Canton
Rabbi I E Philo, Youngstown
Harry Levinson, Toledo
Rabbi Jerome Folkman, Jackson

GENERAL DISCUSSION

GENERAL LUNCHEON MEETING & BUSINESS SESSION

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14th, at 12:30 P M

"Factors Affecting Jewish Communal Interest and Activity, and Support of Jewish Community Enterprise"

Chairman and Discussion Leader

William J Shroder, Cincinnati

(10 Minute Presentations)

A. "Effect of Community Chest Affiliation on Morale, and Giving Proclivities of the Jewish Community"

(J W Steinhauser, Columbus
(Julian H Krolik, Detroit
(Leon Falk, Jr., Pittsburgh

B. "Effect of Tax Subsidy on Privately Administered Agencies"

(Marc J Grossman, Cleveland
(Eugene Herzog, Pittsburgh
(G A Efroymsen, Indianapolis

C. "The Development of the Jewish Welfare Fund Program"

(E J Schenfarber, Columbus
(J A Goodman, Indianapolis
(Judge Maurice Bernon, Cleveland

ADDRESS:

"Common Grounds of Interest Upon Which Jewish Community Groups May Coordinate their Activities"

Rabbi A H Silver, Cleveland

BUSINESS SESSION

Max Hirsch, Cincinnati
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William B. Schwartz,
Rabbi

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September 25th, 1934.

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

My dear colleague and friend:

The Program Committee of our Men's Club is planning to hold a Hanukkah dinner during the week of Hanukkah. The Committee feels, as I do, that your presence at such a dinner would make it an outstanding occasion. Hanukkah, as you know, this year will begin on Sunday, December 2nd. We are leaving the date open subject to your convenience. We would like to hold it on Wednesday evening, December 5th, but any other evening of that week would be agreeable.

My question is: first, can you accept our invitation and second, what fee would be expected? We are prepared to go to the limit of our financial ability. I hope you will make it possible for us to secure your services. Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Looking forward to your acceptance and with kindest personal regards, I am

Faithfully yours,

Schwartz

WBS/MF

September 27, 1934.

Rabbi William B. Schwartz,
Temple Israel, Lawrence, N.Y.
Central Avenue and Winchester Place,
Lawrence, N.Y.

My dear Schwartz:

I wish I were free to come to your Men's Club during Chanukah week. Nothing would give me greater pleasure. Unfortunately I am so heavily booked with lecture engagements during this next season that I cannot in justice to myself accept any more. Chanukah week as you know is a very busy one in every congregation and we have numerous Temple activities scheduled for that week.

Hoping that I may be of service to you at some future time, and with all good wishes for a very happy new year, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

William B. Schwartz,
Rabbi

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October 3rd, 1934.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear friend:

I have your letter of recent date. I am, needless to say, disappointed in the fact that you will be unable to accept the invitation to come to us during the week of Hanukkah.

May I ask you to do this: if in the course of the year you have engagements that will take you to New York, perhaps you would be able to arrange an additional engagement here.

With best wishes and kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Schwartz.

WBS/MF

*P.S. My wife and I are planning to visit Cincinnati next month. Should like to ~~go via~~ stop over in Cleveland. Will you give us the pleasure of visiting with you for a little while?
WBS.*

RABBI JONAH B. WISE
35 EAST 62ND STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

October 11, 1934

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. & Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Colleague:

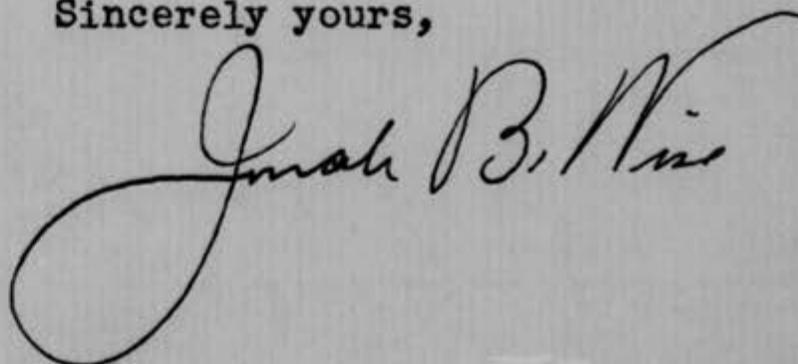
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Will you please advise me promptly of your ability and willingness to meet these requests.

Trusting this finds you in good health and spirits, I
am

Sincerely yours,



JBW:s

Your station is WGAR

October 15, 1934.

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise,
35 East 62nd St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Jonah:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of
of October 11th. I am not interested in the Friday
evening broadcasts.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

October 19, 1934.

Dr. William B. Schwartz,
Temple Israel,
Central Avenue and Winchester Place,
Lawrence, N.Y.

My dear Schwartz:

I am delighted to learn that you are coming this way sometime next month. Be sure to let me know when, a little ahead of time. Mrs. Silver and I will be delighted to welcome you to our home.

With all good wishes, I am

As ever yours,

AHS:BK

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Dear Friend:

The General Assembly of the National Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds provides an occasion for a general discussion of Jewish welfare needs in the United States. After consultation with a number of the agencies conducting social service activities on a country-wide basis, we have decided to extend our General Assembly this year into a National Conference on Jewish Welfare and to hold this Conference in New York City, January 3-6, 1935. Your name has been given to us by one or more of the organizations in which you are interested.

In the course of the Conference, it is planned to cover such subject matter as:

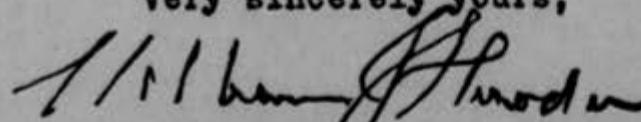
The American Scene—Jewish Needs and Responsibilities and Welfare Resources Today; Present Trends in the Jewish Federation Movement Public Welfare and Economic security
The Synagogue in Jewish Welfare Activities; The Community Center, and Jewish Education
American Aid in Relief and Reconstruction for Jews Overseas
American Interest in Palestine
Problems of Jewish Adjustment and Integration in American Life.

Mr. Felix M. Warburg will act as General Chairman for the Conference. The speakers list will be made up of leaders in the field of Jewish social work, in addition to which we are assured of the attendance of James G. McDonald, High Commissioner for Refugees from Germany, and several European visitors who can report at first hand on the ways in which funds contributed by Americans have aided Jews abroad. There will be opportunity for discussion of problems with which Jewish social service groups are working.

Attendance at the Conference will necessarily be limited. If you are interested, please fill out the enclosed card, which will bring to you a complete program and a card of admission to the Conference meetings.

We urge your acceptance of the invitation to participate in this important series of meetings. The responsibility of our leadership for community-wide as well as specific Jewish needs make imperative the most serious consideration of present problems and future plans.

Very sincerely yours,



WILLIAM J. SHRODER
President

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

My Rabbi Silver:

A national conference on the problems of Jewish welfare is being planned for January 3-6 in New York City. A large attendance of representative leaders in Jewish social work and in community affairs is anticipated. The preliminary program, enclosed, indicates the scope of the problems and needs in Jewish social work which we expect to discuss at these meetings.

We are planning a general session for Sunday (January 6) beginning with luncheon at 12:30 P.M. on the subject -- "Problems of Jewish Adjustment and of Integration in American Life". This program is to be in the nature of a symposium at which a number of theories of Jewish adjustment may be presented. We are inviting you, and Rabbi Mordecai M. Kaplan, Mr. B. C. Vladeck and Professor Morris M. Cohen of this city to participate in this program. The speakers for this meeting have been selected on the basis of their particular viewpoints concerning Jewish life.

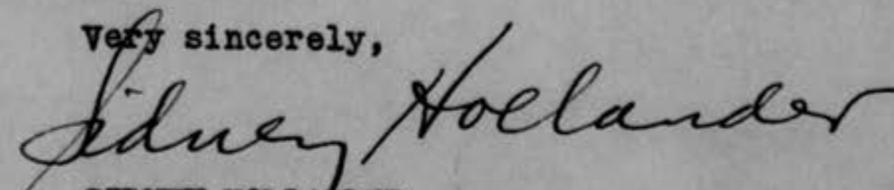
It has been suggested that each speaker should present a paper of approximately 25 minutes. The discussion to follow may include further statements from the floor in relation to the points of view presented by the formal speakers or may center about questions raised by members of the audience.

We hope that we may receive, in advance of the meeting, all of the papers that are being given, in order that there may be prepared proper releases for publicity purposes and if possible, copies of the addresses for distribution among the conference delegates.

We realize that we are asking a great deal of you to undertake this assignment on such short notice. We have had to advance our date because of the fact that Mr. James G. McDonald, and other speakers will not be in this country after the early part of January. We consider, however, that this conference is highly important for Jewish social work at this time and that you have a definite contribution to give us on the suggested subject.

We trust sincerely that you will find it possible to accept this invitation and that we may count on you for the meeting.

Very sincerely,


SIDNEY HOLLANDER
Chairman, Program Committee

WILLIAM J. SHRODER
President

DR. ELIAS MARGOLIS
16 GLEN AVENUE
MOUNT VERNON, N. Y.

PHONE OAKWOOD 0766

December 13, 1934.

Doctor abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver:

The National Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds has invited the Synagogue Council of America to participate in a national conference to be held in Temple Emanu-El, New York, for four days, beginning Thursday, January 3rd. The Sunday session is to be devoted to addresses on the subject of the integration of the Jewish community with American life. Speakers will include Professor Morris Cohen, Dr. Mordecai W. Kaplan, Vladick and one or two others. The Committee asked me as Acting President of the Synagogue Council to suggest a speaker who might treat the subject from the religious point of view. Your name met with unanimous approval. Accordingly, you will receive an invitation from the National Council and I sincerely hope you will accept the assignment. Please drop me a line informing me as to your decision in the matter. With personal greetings,

Very Sincerely Yours
Elias Margolis

December 14, 1934.

Mr. Sidney Hollander,
National Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds,
71 West 47th St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Hollander:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of December 13th and for the invitation which you extend to me to participate in the symposium on "Problems of Jewish Adjustment and of Integration in American Life" on Sunday, January 6th.

The subject is very tempting and the occasion will undoubtedly be very interesting. Unfortunately I must be in my own pulpit on Sunday morning. I have a wedding scheduled for the afternoon and must leave for Chicago in the evening to keep an engagement on Monday.

Wishing your Conference every success, and with all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

December 18, 1934.

Dr. Elias Margolis,
16 Glen Avenue,
Mount Vernon, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Margolis:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of December 13th. I have received a similar invitation from Mr. Sidney Hollander of The National Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. I was, however, compelled to decline inasmuch as I must be in my own pulpit on Sunday morning. I have a few weddings scheduled for that afternoon and in the evening I must leave for Chicago. I hope that your meetings will prove as successful as they are interesting.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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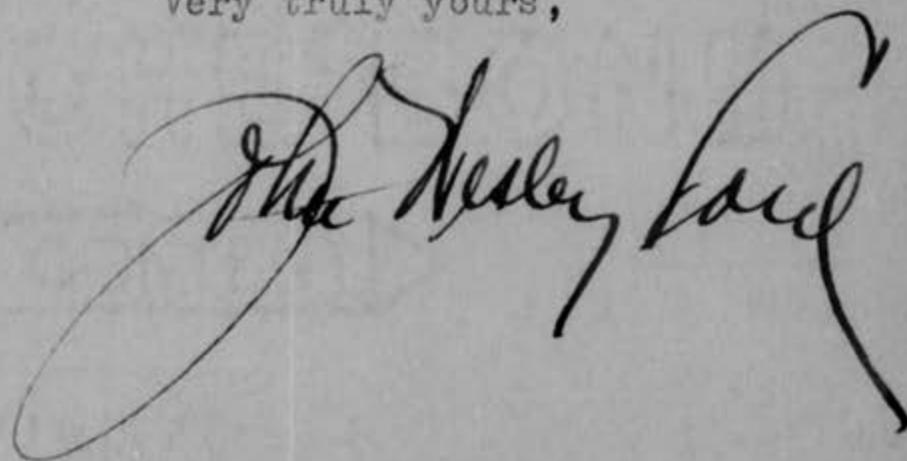
Abba Hillel Silver,
East 105th Street,
Cleveland

My dear Dr. Silver,

We are anticipating your address before the New York Preachers' Meeting on Monday morning, January 14th at eleven o'clock. I should be happy to have the subject of your address, if convenient, in order that I might make announcement of it before our next meeting.

With all good wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

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

January 4, 1935.

Rev. John Wesley Lord,
1060 Overlook Terrace,
Union, N.J.

My dear Rev. Lord:

I am looking forward with pleasure to the
meeting on January 14. I shall speak on the subject:
THE DECLINE OF THE INDIVIDUAL.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

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National Labor Committee

For the Jewish Workers in Palestine

1225 BROADWAY, NEW YORK

TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 4-1652

CABLE ADDRESS:
AMPOALIM NEW YORK

January 8, 1935

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
c/o Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Counting upon Mr. Zuckerman's report that you will be willing to address a few gatherings during this year on behalf of the Histadruth as well as upon the suggestion of our dear friend Zalman Rubashov, I wish to ask you whether it would be possible for you to address the Annual Banquet and Reception to the Palestine Labor Delegation which will be held on Sunday evening, February 10 in Detroit. An attendance of from 700 to 800 people is expected at this gathering and your presence, therefore, would add tremendous prestige to the entire affair and would indeed be a great encouragement to the delegation as well as to us in our activities for Labor Palestine.

Another important occasion. During the week of January 27, we intend to have a special session of the National Labor Convention which will be devoted to the inauguration of the New York Campaign for the Histadruth. This special session will be held Sunday afternoon or Wednesday January 30. Also here your address would be of great value and inspiration.

You will therefore forgive me for asking of you two favors in one letter. I sincerely hope that it will be possible for you to accept both invitations and would appreciate it very much if you would let me have your answer as soon as possible in order that our people in Detroit and New York should be able to announce your visit.

With best wishes and kind regards from the delegation,
I remain

Cordially yours,

I. Hamlin
Nat'l. Secretary

January 11, 1935.

Mr. Isaac Hamlin,
National Labor Committee,
1225 Broadway,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Hamlin:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of January 8. I should very much like to be of help to you in your work. Unfortunately I am scheduled to be at Harvard University on Sunday, February 10 which precludes the Detroit meeting. On January 30, I am to address an organization here in Cleveland. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

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THIS IS CORDIAL INVITATION TO SPEAK AT ANNUAL LUNCHEON OF NATIONAL BOARD OF REVIEW SATURDAY MARCH NINTH TWELVE THIRTY OCLOCK HOTEL PENNSYLVANIA NEWYORKCITY STOP AUDIENCE IS NATIONAL GATHERING REPRESENTING LIBERAL THOUGHT ABOUT FREE SPEECH OF WHICH MOTION PICTURES ARE A PART STOP NATIONAL BOARD AS SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATION COMPOSED OF CITIZEN GROUPS CAN PAY NO HONORARIUM STOP OUR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THINKS YOU COULD MAKE CONTRIBUTION TO THIS LUNCHEON OCCASION STOP HAVE ASKED DR FRANCIS TYSON OF PITTSBURGH UNIVERSITY TO COMMUNICATE WITH YOU REGARDING THIS INVITATION STOP URGE YOU TO ACCEPT IF POSSIBLE IN THE CAUSE OF FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION=

WILTON A BARRETT EXECUTIVE SECRETARY NATIONAL BOARD OF REVIEW OF MOTION PICTURES 70 FIFTH AVE NEWYORKCITY.

THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH
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March 2, 1935

Dr. Abba H. Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

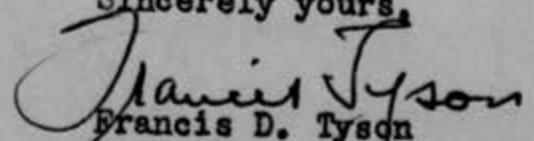
You must feel that we have been persistent in inducing you to come to speak at the National Board luncheon in New York on Saturday, March ninth. Since you are unable to consider that invitation, may I ask if you would be so good as to consider it for the meeting next year?

More immediate, may I ask you to send to Dr. George W. Kirchwey, Chairman, National Board of Review of Motion Pictures, c/o Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, a night or day letter expressing regret at your inability to be with us and making a statement of your conviction about the liberal issue involved in freedom for motion pictures. We feel that this issue is peculiarly acute at present and that the reactionary sentiment favoring censors has been growing.

Personally I may guarantee the sincerity of the Board's position, as I have been familiar with its work for twenty-one years. I am enclosing a copy of last year's program. You will notice that Bishop Francis J. McConnell spoke along with other leaders. I enclose also a recent copy of the Review and a copy of my own brief address at the meeting last year which states fairly, I think, the position of the Board, of whose National Council I have long been a member, concerning freedom of thought and expression. In the narrower motion picture field the Board has worked constructively for selection of superior films, encouraged educational, artistic effort and has opposed the forces of obscurantism and reaction seeking the repression of freedom through censorship. This is well illustrated by the work of Mr. Will Hays and the Producers and Distributors setup. You no doubt noted his acceptance of the new, undiscerning, quasi-censorship of the Catholic and other religious bodies. You will note that a number of national leaders affiliated with the Board and with its work, with whom you are doubtless familiar, can give testimony.

May I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday when we can speak more intimately concerning the great import of the immediate issues.

Sincerely yours,


Francis D. Tyson
Professor of Economics

271 CENTRAL PARK WEST
NEW YORK

March 26th 1935.

My dear Dr. Silver:

I know how many good services you are rendering daily to the Jewish Cause in this Country and to Palestine. I am, also, well aware how busy a man you are and how many are the demands made upon your time.

And yet, in spite of this all, I take the liberty to ask you to add one more \$1500 to the many other \$1500 which you have to your credit on

high.

The Women's League for Palestine - an organization founded by Mrs. Gottlieb and having a membership of nearly one thousand women, is doing a splendid piece of work in providing homes in Palestine for girls that stand alone in the world and in teaching those girls a trade by means of which they may be able to earn their living.

Three years ago, and thanks to the generosity of the late Baron Edmond de Rothschild, such a home was built on Dar ha-Karmel. It has been most useful. The money to build it was gotten together

by the women of the above-mentioned organiza-
tion. Now they are compelled to put a further
story on the building - so great is the demand for
its use; and because of the influx of girls from
Germany, and to prevent them from going on the
street, a second house is to be built - this time in
Tall-Aviv. The municipality of this Jewish City
has understood the necessity for the building of such
a house and has given the ground worth \$25,000
on which to put it up. It remains now for the
organization to gather the money necessary to do
this. They are launching their campaign of giving

a lunch on May 8th; and they wish me to
ask you to be ^{the} speaker - the only one - on that oc-
casion. It is not an easy matter to raise funds
during these days; and, therefore, they are asking the
best in Country to aid them in so doing. Will
you not say "yes"?

I am writing this for Mrs. Gottheil, as she must
spare her eyes, because of the strain she has put them
to by overwork.

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Richard Gottheil.

PS! I forgot to tell you that the ladies have to gather
\$50,000.



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March 26, 1935

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The Reading, Pennsylvania, Chapter of Hadassah is planning a very large function in the way of a Donor Dinner to take place some time in May. They are very anxious to have you address the gathering, which is certain to attract about 300 men and women from towns in the neighborhood of Reading, as well as from Reading itself. In the matter of the exact date is suggested either a Tuesday or Wednesday evening during the second week in May, although they would infinitely prefer a Sunday evening. Since it occurred to me, however, that Sunday would be most difficult for you, I am undertaking to arrange the Dinner for the dates mentioned if either will suit your convenience better than a Sunday.

I hope you will find it possible to accept this invitation and to bring to these Zionists your message of Palestine.

Very cordially yours,

Muriel K. Hollander
Mrs. Franklin Hollander, Chairman
National Speakers Committee

MH:JZK

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March 29, 1935.

Mrs. Franklin Hollander, Chairman,
National Speakers Committee,
Hadassah,
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Hollander:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of March 26 and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the Reading Chapter of Hadassah. It is quite impossible for me to accept any more out of town engagements for the remainder of the season. I have already too many commitments.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

April 1, 1935.

Dr. Richard Gottheil,
271 Central Park West,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Gottheil:

I was very pleased to receive your letter of March 26. I was very much interested in what you write about the home for girls which the Women's League for Palestine is planning to erect. I wish I were free to come to you on May 8. Unfortunately I have just saddled myself with the chairmanship of the Jewish Welfare Fund drive of Cleveland which begins on May 5. I shall therefore be immersed in work practically throughout the month of May, and I shall be unable to leave Cleveland.

Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you. Hoping to have the pleasure of seeing you in the near future and with all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

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THE TEMPLE CLEVE=

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 SPEAKER AT TWENTY FIFTH ANNIVERSARY DINNER SUNDAY EVENING
 MAY FIFTH JUDGE MACK IS HONORARY CHAIRMAN MALDWIN FERTIG
 CHAIRMAN YOUR CLOSE ASSOCIATION DURING EARLY YEARS MAKES YOU
 IDEAL PERSON AS OUR SPOKESMAN THE MOVEMENT DESERVES THE
 BEST PLEASE ACCEPT WIRE COLLECT=

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To RACHEL VIXMAN

Street and No. 111 FIFTH AVE.

Place NEW YORK

REGRET EXCEEDINGLY CANNOT ACCEPT YOUR KIND INVITATION FOR MAY 5 WE ARE
 OPENING OUR JEWISH WELFARE FUND THAT EVENING AND I AM CHAIRMAN OF THE
 CAMPAIGN KINDEST REGARDS AND BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESS

A H SILVER

Sender's address
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April 12, 1935.

My dear Rabbi:

You will no doubt recall that three years ago, you came to New York to address the Ivriah Luncheon at the Hotel Plaza. The prophetic words you sent forth at that time still ring in our ears!

This year, our Springtime Breakfast will take place at the Waldorf on June tenth, and I am writing at this time to ask whether you will not be able to find it possible to be our guest speaker on that occasion.

Ours is a Give-or-Get Breakfast, at which our members pay eighteen dollars for a place. The funds, as you know, are devoted to scholarships for the underprivileged children in the Jewish religious schools.

I have been requested from many sources to invite you to be with us, and I sincerely hope that we may look forward to the pleasure of having you again.

I shall appreciate your prompt response as the time is growing near.

With cordial Pesach greetings, I am

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs. G.) *Julia Hamburger*

President.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland - Ohio

April 15, 1935.

Mrs. G. Hamburger, President,
Ivriah,
70 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Hamburger:

I appreciate very much your kind invitation to address the Ivriah meeting on June 10. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately the month of June is very crowded for me with numerous engagements both local and out of town and I shall be unable to accept any other obligations.

Wishing you all manners of success, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHSEK

ABRAHAM H. COHEN
71-31 MANSE STREET
FOREST HILLS, L. I.

April 17th, 1935.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

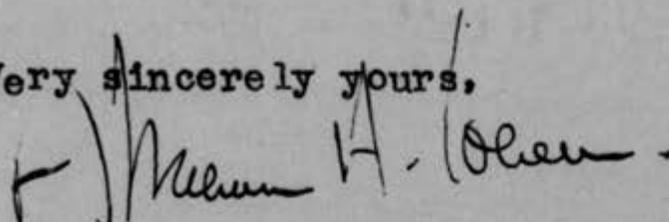
I have just returned from Toronto, where, thanks to the intervention of my friends of the Jewish Welfare Board and of the Jewish Education Association here, I have been sent to try to re-organize the Jewish community of Toronto in its Jewish Educational and general character building activity.

I found a most difficult situation, and I have endeavored at least to raise a sufficient sum of money to make possible the reopening of the Talmud Torah building to some six hundred boys and girls who were literally thrown into the streets because the Talmud Torah organization could no longer continue payments to teachers and to banks, to whom their excellent building is heavily mortgaged.

I believe that if you could possibly arrange your time so that you can come to Toronto some time in early May, when I would personally supervise a City-wide reception in your honor, you could effect a saving of the Jewish educational situation in the entire city - and furthermore you could be instrumental in launching a very essential city-wide program of character building activities.

May I again urge you, if at all possible, that you come to Toronto. Your voice raised in the cause of Jewish education in that City can mean the saving of Jewish education in Canada.

Very sincerely yours,



Rabbi Abba Hilel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

April 23, 1935

Mr. Abraham H. Cohen,
71-31 Manse Street,
Forest Hills, L.I.

My dear Mr. Cohen:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of April 17. I wish I were free to accept your invitation. I have, however, accepted the chairmanship of the Cleveland Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign which also includes a sum of \$28,000 for the Cleveland Hebrew Schools. The Campaign begins on May 5 and will probably last two weeks. It is therefore utterly impossible for me to go out of the city during the next month.

With all good wishes, and hoping that your campaign in Toronto will be successful, I remain

Very sinc-rely yours,

AHS:EK

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May

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To HENRY MORGENTHAU COLLECT

NEW YORK, N.Y.

Street and No.

Place

REGRET EXCEEDINGLY CANNOT ACCEPT YOUR KIND INVITATION I AM IN THE MIDST

OF CLEVELAND JEWISH WELFARE FUND CAMPAIGN OF WHICH I AM GENERAL CHAIRMAN

KINDEST REGARDS

A H SILVER

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May 3, 1935

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To Rabbi Silver

Street and No. _____

Place _____

WE ARE ARRANGING A DINNER AT THE WALDORF ASTORIA MONDAY MAY 13
 AT WHICH PROFESSOR EINSTEIN WILL BE GUEST OF HONOR AND PRINCIPAL
 SPEAKER FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR CARE TREATMENT AND EDUCATION OF
 CHILDREN OF GERMAN REFUGEES WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE IF YOU COULD
 ARRANGE TO SPEAK ALSO THERE ARE TO BE FEW SPEAKERS AND IF YOU WILL
 CONSENT WE COULD GIVE YOU FIFTEEN MINUTES KINDEST PERSONAL REGARDS

HENRY MORGENTHAU

1133 Fifth Ave. - New York

Sender's address
for reference

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DR. NATHAN RATNOFF
ELEVEN-NINETY-TWO PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK

May 7th, 1935

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

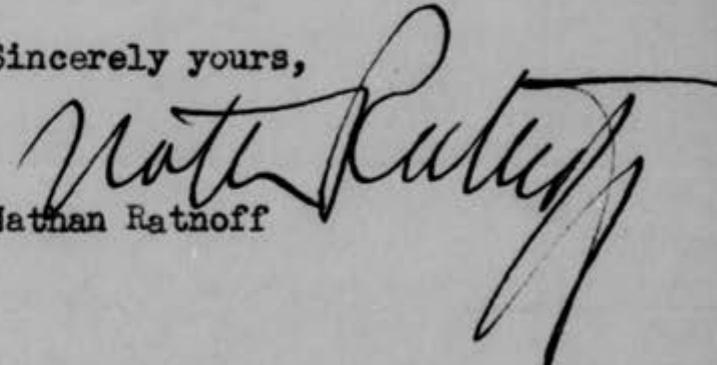
Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am still marveling at the address you delivered. If I had any fore-knowledge of the fact that you would deliver such a wonderful speech, I would have arranged to have had my Secretary present to make notes, so that others might have the opportunity of appreciating you as much as I did.

If we had more speakers of your calibre, I can assure you that there would be no trouble in raising any amount necessary for suffering Jews everywhere.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Silver,
and yourself, I am

Sincerely yours,


Nathan Ratnoff

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To I. EDWIN GOLDWASSER

Street and No. UNITED JEWISH APPEAL HEADQUARTERS

Place COMMODORE HOTEL - NEW YORK, N.Y.

THE ONLY FREE DATE I HAVE IS THURSDAY JUNE 13

A H SILVER

Sender's address
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CONFIRMING JUNE THIRTEENTH DETAILS FOLLOW DEEP APPRECIATION=
 HAROLD ALTSCHUL GENERAL DIRECTOR.

May 14, 1935.

Dr. Nathan Ratnoff,
1192 Park Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Ratnoff:

I delayed answering your letter until the conclusion of our campaign. We ended our campaign last evening with a victory celebration. We exceeded our quota of \$130,000 by a little over \$6,000. In all likelihood when all the returns are in, we will have raised \$140,000. This is gratifying particularly in view of the failures of our campaigns in the last few years.

I need not tell you that much of the success of our campaign is due to the inspiration which you gave us a week ago Sunday. Our people are still talking about the charm of the delightful address which you delivered.

With all good wishes to you in which Mrs. Silver joins me, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS: BK

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To I. Edwin Goldwasser
UNITED JEWISH APPEAL HEADQUARTERS
 Street and No. COMMODORE HOTEL
 Place NEW YORK, N.Y.

REGRET EXCEEDINGLY CANNOT COME ON SEVENTH OR EIGHTEENTH

A. H. SILVER

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THE TEMPLE EAST 105TH ST AND AINSEL RD=

IMPOSSIBLE EFFECT ARRANGEMENTS THIRTEENTH CAN YOU POSSIBLY
GIVE US CHOICE OF SEVENTEENTH OR EIGHTEENTH THANKS REGARDS=

= I EDWIN GOLDWASSER.

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June 28th 1935

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver,

Once again Hadassah comes to you with its invitation that you honor us with your presence at the Opening Tea, on Tuesday afternoon, October twenty-seventh, 1935. This is unquestionably the most important event of our season, because it is the occasion on which Hadassah members and their friends gather to initiate its season of activities. We are counting on this affair to open our membership drive for one thousand new members.

We know of no one who can give us a more inspiring message or make a more eloquent appeal to the hearts and minds of our women, than you. I know you will wish to give us the encouragement that it is in your power to give us in our great endeavor. We feel that an occasion so full of meaning to the New York Jewish community and to Hadassah will make a special appeal to your kindness.

We hope most earnestly that you will make the sacrifice of time and energy that we are asking of you, and bring us your always inspiring message on that occasion.

Very sincerely yours,

Nathan D. Perlman

Mrs. Nathan D. Perlman
President
New York Chapter of Hadassah

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July 4, 1935.

Mrs. Nathan D. Perlman, President,
New York Chapter of Hadassah,
125 East 85th St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Perlman:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of June 28 inviting me to attend your Opening Tea on Tuesday afternoon, October 27. I regret that it will be quite impossible for me to accept your invitation. The month of October is quite a crowded one for me with both local and out of town lecture engagements in addition to my congregational duties. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK



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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver,

No doubt you recall our conversation in Lucerne concerning the Opening Tea which the New York Chapter of Hadassah is planning for Tuesday afternoon, October twenty-second at the Hotel Commodore.

I do hope that you are free to come on that day. However, we are so very anxious to have you as our guest speaker that afternoon, that, should you find it impossible to be with us on the twenty-second, we will change the date of the Tea to Tuesday, October twenty-ninth.

I hope that you continued to enjoy your stay in Lucerne, and had a pleasant trip home. Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience. Would it be possible to hear from you as early as you can, because the hotel has given us only a few days in which to reach a decision as to the date, and I am most anxious to release publicity.

With cordial greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Mrs. Nathan D. Perlman
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September 12, 1935

Mrs. Nathan D. Perlman, President,
Hadassah, New York Chapter,
125 E. 85th St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Perlman:

Permit me to acknowledge your special
delivery letter of September 11.

Rabbi Silver has not yet returned to
Cleveland. We are expecting here the middle of
next week. I shall be pleased to refer your letter
to him when he returns.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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To MRS. NATHAN D. PERLMAN, PRESIDENT

Street and No. HADASSAH - N.Y. CHAPTER

Place NEW YORK, N.Y.

WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO HAVE YOUR MEETING ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 21?

I AM IN BOSTON THE DAY PREVIOUS

A H SILVER

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MOST GRATEFUL FOR YOUR ACCEPTANCE HAVE CHANGED OUR
ARRANGEMENTS TO SUIT YOUR CONVENIENCE FOR MONDAY OCTOBER
TWENTY FIRST HOTEL COMMODORE WILL WRITE FURTHER DETAILS=

MRS NATHAN D PERLMAN PRESIDENT NEWYORK CHAPTER.

854 W. 181 Street
New York City
September 25, 1935

Dear Rabbi Silver,

The Conference on Jewish Relations wishes to bring together a number of scholars to take counsel as to how we may best promote an understanding of the historical, psychologic, sociologic and economic conditions which have made and still make for anti-Semitism. The immediate object is the promotion of a more comprehensive view of the whole field on the part of the participants, so that we shall not invite the general public but only the members of the Conference who are actively interested. Those of us who have studied the problem from one angle or another, need the stimulus of exchanging views with those whose approach has been from a different angle. We hope, however, that this Conference will prove a source of enlightenment not only to those who participate, but also to those interested in reading the reports and papers which the participants may care to have published in appropriate form. Enclosed is a list of the topics for the historical section.

Please let me know what you think of the idea. We shall be grateful for any suggestions. What do you think of beginning the meetings on Friday after Thanksgiving (November 29)? Would you be interested in presenting a paper or in speaking on the subject of Russian Anti-Semitism?

With kindest regards to Mrs. Silver,

Faithfully yours,

Max R. Cohen

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Upon my return from Europe this week our Board of Directors called upon me to arrange for a conference of representatives of Jewish organizations throughout New York, Pennsylvania and the New England territory, to mark the launching of our \$500,000 ORT campaign.

Mayor La Guardia of New York and other non Jews of national prominence will address the conference, and it is planned to have only one Jewish speaker of equal calibre. While turning over in my mind the various candidates suitable for this mission, I have come to the conclusion that there is no one better suited to open the ORT campaign than you.

Incidentally I have in my files a letter from you, offering to speak at an ORT meeting some time in 1934. I never availed myself of that offer for the reason that the particular meeting for which you were invited did not take place and I saved you up for a real occasion. The forthcoming conference is such an occasion and I now hold you to your promise.

The conference will take place Sunday, November 10th, at the Pennsylvania Hotel. We expect approximately 1500 delegates. Since the meeting will last all afternoon, you may choose your own time to suit your convenience..

Hoping to receive your acceptance at an early date, and wishing you and yours a very Happy year, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

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My dear Rabbi Silver,

I wish you could have seen the joy with which the New York Chapter greeted the news that you are to be our Guest Speaker at Hadassah's Opening Tea on Monday afternoon, October twenty-first. We are reserving a room for you at the Commodore Hotel where the Tea is to take place. If you will let us know what time it will be convenient for you, a welcoming committee will be very pleased to call on you. I am sure that your long experience with Hadassah will leave little that that committee may find to tell you, but you may like to know the exact details of our program when you are here.

The Tea opens the Membership drive of the year. Several thousand women will be present, many of whom have not been judicious enough to join Hadassah to date. But since you are to be our speaker, we are not at all worried about their past dereliction. We know that if you tell them so, they will leave the Tea as full-fledged members of Hadassah. And we do hope you will close your address on a note of appeal for every Jewish woman to be an integral part of Hadassah.

New York Hadassah still talks of your address to us five years ago. We are happy that a new generation will be there to hear you as we have.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely,

David de Sola Pool
Mrs. David de Sola Pool

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My dear friend:

You will recall that I spoke to you in Chicago last June about your coming to us for the Hanukkah Dinner. Our Men's Club inaugurated the Hanukkah Dinner last year; it met with great success. I had Wolsey come from Philadelphia to give the address.

My people and I are very anxious to have you as our guest speaker this year. Of course, we are prepared to offer any honorarium that you think you ought to have. I am writing to you early in order to insure your coming.

In looking over the calendar I find that Monday evening, December 23rd (the third night of Hanukkah) is the most logical date. I know you don't want to be away from Cleveland on Sunday. Please let me hear from you at your convenience.

May I take this opportunity to wish you and yours a very Happy New Year.

With warmest regards, I am

Fraternally yours,

William B. Schwartz

WBS/MF

*Wm B Schwartz
Dec. 23*

October 10, 1935

Mr. B. V. Vladeck, President,
American Ort Campaign,
220 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Vladeck:

I appreciate very much your letter of October 5 and the invitation which you extend to me to address the Conference in New York which marks the opening of the Ort Campaign on Sunday, November 10. I should very much like to come. Unfortunately I cannot leave Cleveland on a Sunday. I am opening my Sunday services at The Temple on November 3 and I must be in my own pulpit, especially since I have been away from Cleveland practically the whole of the summer. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes for success, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

October 14, 1935

Mrs. David de Sola Pool,
New York Chapter of Hadassah,
125 East 85th St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. De Sola Pool:

Let me thank you for your letter of October 10. I am looking forward with pleasure to the Hadassah meeting. May I make one request of you. At previous Hadassah meetings I have had to sit through a long luncheon and a long program until my turn came to speak. There were times when I did not get to speak until three or four o'clock in the afternoon. I have no objection to speaking at three or four o'clock but I do not wish to have to sit through a luncheon for three or four hours before I am called upon.

I will have just a few hours in New York and many conferences to attend. If you will let me know the exact hour when I shall be called upon to speak, I shall be there on time for the address. The rest of the time I shall employ in other ways.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

October 14, 1935

Rabbi William B. Schwartz,
Temple Israel,
Central Avenue and Winchester Place,
Lawrence, N.Y.

My dear Schwartz:

Let me thank you for your letter of October 10. I recall the conversation we had in Chicago about my coming to your Men's Club for Chanukah. At the present writing, I find that Monday, December 23 is an open date for me and I shall make every effort to be with you. My customary honorarium is \$250. Let me hear whether the terms are agreeable.

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

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
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My dear Colleague and Friend:

I have your letter of October 14th and I am delighted to know that Monday, December 23rd, is an open date for you. Your coming to us will be more than a visit; it will be an event.

There is, however, one difficulty which I shall ask you to help me overcome, and that is the matter of the honorarium. I am afraid that the amount mentioned in your letter is beyond the means of our Men's Club. Would you do it for me and accept an honorarium of \$150? I hope you will see your way clear to do it. Let me hear from you by return mail so that we can complete our arrangements.

With all good wishes, I am

Faithfully yours,

Bill Schwartz

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My dear Rabbi Silver,

If you could hear the reaction of the Hadassah guests who assembled to hear you address us on Monday last, you would know that whatever sacrifice you made to us was worthwhile, for it was indeed an occasion which we shall long remember. Your message was not only scholarly and profound, but also inspiring in its positive and elucidating philosophy.

We want you to know how deep is our gratitude to you, and how fervent our admiration. We know that we have in your friendship an invaluable association; one which means so much to the members of Hadassah.

We would appreciate it if you would let us know what expenses you incurred in connection with your trip to New York. We shall be more than happy to defray them.

With kindest personal regards, and renewed thanks on behalf of the members of Hadassah for your gracious acceptance, I am

Very cordially yours,

Mrs. Nathan D. Perlman
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October 23, 1935

Rabbi William B. Schwartz,
Temple Israel,
Central Avenue and Winchester Place,
Lawrence, N.Y.

My dear Schwartz:

Thank you for your telegram of October 18. I
have definitely scheduled your organization for December 23.
The honorarium of \$200 which you suggested in your telegram
is acceptable.

With all good wishes and looking forward with
pleasure to our meeting, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

October 25, 1935

Mrs. Nathan D. Perlman, President,
New York Chapter of Hadassah,
125 East 85th St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Perlman:

Let me thank you for your letter of October 25. I am happy to know that my address before the Hadassah group was so well received. I enjoyed the meeting very much. Let me compliment you on the interest and enthusiasm manifested by that fine group of women. I wish you great success in your new office.

As regards my expenses, I believe that \$25 would cover both my traveling and hotel expenses. I am charging part of the railroad fare up to another organization.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
East 105 Street and Ansel Road
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Twenty-first Annual Convention of Hadassah will be held this year in Cleveland from November 28 through December 1. On behalf of the National Convention Committee I am writing to urge you to be our guest speaker at the large public function of the convention to be held on Thursday evening. We feel that one of the advantages of having our convention in Cleveland is the fact that you are there and that our delegates will have the privilege and pleasure of meeting you and hearing you.

This year we are planning to present for adoption a new project - Youth Aliyah. The success of this undertaking and the others for which we are already responsible - the erection of the Rothschild-Hadassah-University Hospital and the maintenance of our curative and preventive services in Palestine - depends largely upon the stimulus given to the delegates at the convention.

Of importance also at this convention, since it is to be a joint Senior-Junior Convention, is the opportunity to awaken and stimulate Zionist responsibility among Jewish youth.

In writing you to address the convention at the mass meeting scheduled for November 28, Thursday night, we know that we will go far in achieving the practical purposes of the convention and the furthering of our national ideals.

May we urge your acceptance?

Sincerely yours,

Rebecca Shulman

Mrs. Herman Shulman
National Secretary

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

We all have not stopped talking
of your truly moving address. One of our members said,
it not only moved the heart but also the mind, and I
know that you have given our New York activities of the
season, a grand start. Please accept our gratitude.

With kindest greetings,

Cordially,

Tamar de Sola Pool
Mrs. D. de Sola Pool

TP/CG

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November 4, 1935

Mrs. Herman Shulman, National Secretary,
Hadassah,
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Shulman:

Let me thank you for your letter of November 29 and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the Hadassah Convention on Thursday evening, November 28. I shall be very pleased to address the gathering. I note what you say about the Youth Aliyah.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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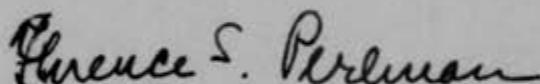
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My dear Rabbi Silver,

Your kind note made me very happy indeed. I am enclosing a check for twenty-five dollars. I certainly appreciate your consideration in keeping the expenses incurred for the Hadassah Tea down to a minimum.

With kindest regards and very best wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,



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Dear Rabbi Silver:

We want you to know how appreciative we are of your fine cooperation in your prompt acceptance of our invitation to address the delegates and in your gracious readiness to change the time of your speaking in accordance with the needs of the convention.

Yours sincerely,

Rebecca Shulman

Mrs. Herman Shulman
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November 27, 1935

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

Since the Jewish masses have never been more susceptible to Jewish thought and ideology, than at the present moment, the Order thought it advisable to start a series of mass meetings throughout the metropolitan area for the purpose of educating sympathizers to the importance of enrolling them as members in the Zionist Movement.

The first of these meetings, tentatively scheduled for the eighth of January, is being arranged for the Bronx. We expect an attendance of fifteen hundred.

It has been unanimously agreed that, as guest speaker of the evening, you could do much to make this rally a complete success, and I, being chairman of the Arrangements Committee, was summoned to communicate with you, and urge you to please be with us on that occasion.

We consider your presence of such great value to the Movement, that, in the event of your being unable to be here on the date above mentioned, we will be only too happy to let you set a date to suit your convenience. This should not be at all difficult, as I understand that the League expects you here sometime in the early part of January.

Please accept our thanks in advance, as well as my personal regards.

Most sincerely,



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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Harry H. Liebovitz, the Chairman of our
Jubilee Chanukah Dinner, and I have just sent you a wire as
follows:

Jewish Education Association Celebrating
Twenty One Hundredth Anniversary of Chanukah
December Twenty Second Hotel Astor Dinner
New York. Occasion Arousing Wide Interest.
Hereby extend earnest invitation you deliver
principal address interpreting historic and
actual significance this Millennial Anniversary.
Please accept. Wire response.

I have wished, also, to convey to you some of
the background of this occasion, so I am sending you, enclosed
herewith, a copy of our formal invitation, as well as our book-
let "2,100 YEARS AGO", which we are giving wide circulation.

I repeat my earnest hope that you will come and
illumine the occasion for us as only you know how to do.

All good wishes to you.

Sincerely yours,
Bernard Semel
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Society organized - - - Jan. 2, 1904
 Incorporated - - - - - June 25, 1904

PURPOSE

To give relief and treatment to persons suffering from tuberculosis in all forms and stages.

SANATORIUM

Sanatorium opened - - - Sept. 8, 1904
 Cost of buildings, equipment \$1,318,288.35
 Capacity - - - - - 300

ADMISSION

Free. Only poor consumptives are admitted.
 Emergency cases admitted without delay.
 Non-Sectarian.

PATIENTS

Regular cases admitted since 1904 - 4,800
 Emergency cases admitted since 1904 - 1,981
 Urgent cases admitted - - - - - 276
 Total number of cases admitted - - 7,057
 Total hospital days - - - - - 1,916,358

PROPERTY

148 Acres
 34 Buildings
 40 Tents
 United States Meteorological Station

FARM

Raises alfalfa, grain and vegetables.

DAIRY

Supplies every drop of milk.

LIBRARY

Eight thousand volumes.

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Established 1923 under the name of Sanatorium, Colo. Changed to Spivak, Colo., Sept. 1, 1928.

INSTRUCTION

School for patients.

INDUSTRIAL REHABILITATION

Bookbinding. Printing.

RECREATION

Lectures. Entertainments. Theatricals.
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December 6, 1935

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
 c/o The Temple
 East 5th Street and Ansel Road
 Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

The writer of this communication is well known to you, although many years have elapsed since we have met in person. I believe that the last time we came in contact with each other was when we met at your sister Rose's wedding.

In June of 1934, Mrs. Miller and I visited Palestine. I stopped in Jerusalem with my sister-in-law, Miss Mattie Rosen, whom you know very well. During my month's stay in Jerusalem, I saw your parents practically every day. Your sister Rose and her two children were in Jerusalem then, and I saw them often, too. You can easily picture our joy in this reunion in the Holy Land. We had many pleasant reminiscences of our thirty years of friendship. I first met your father at a meeting in East Broadway, held by the "Lovers of Zion". Our parting was a tearful one, but I pray that some day I will be able to again visit Palestine, and meet them again. Since your sister Rose's return to New York, she has visited us quite a number of times, and has brought us fond regards from your dear parents.

Now, dear Dr. Silver, I come to my purpose in writing to you.

As you can see from this letterhead, I represent the above-named Institution in New York. I have been connected with it

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for the past eighteen years. I have no doubt but that you are well acquainted with the splendid work which our Institution is doing in behalf of the indigent tuberculous. You surely knew our late lamented Dr. Charles D. Spivak, who devoted his life for our Cause. The principles which he upheld are holy to those who carry on his preachings. He has departed, but his beautiful soul lives on.

Our Institution will celebrate its Thirty-Second Convention and Seventh Annual Dinner on Saturday and Sunday evening, March 21 and 22, 1936, at the Hotel Astor in New York City. The Dinner is priced at \$100. per couple; no appeal will be made for funds. The Dinner represents one of the most important sources of income for our Institution. Delegates are expected from various parts of the United States; we anticipate an attendance of about fifteen hundred persons. Arrangements are being made to broadcast both functions. Prominent artists will perform.

My request of you is that you be our guest of honor at our Dinner on Sunday evening, March 22, and that you address those assembled there. The prestige that your presence will lend the assemblage, both from the moral and financial status, will indeed be far-reaching. I realize that I am communicating with you at a rather early date, but it is my aim to make this appointment with you before others for the same time appear on your horizon. I am also aware of the fact that you come to New York quite a number of times during the course of the year, and if you are approached sufficiently beforehand, you could make your plans so as to be in New York on the above date, without inconvenience to yourself.

I hope that you will take my plea under serious consideration, and that you will decide in our favor.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Chas Miller
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your words are a never failing source of interest and stimulation to Hadassah audiences. This was most evident at the convention when your eloquent address evoked a deeply sympathetic and creative response from the thousands of our delegates and friends who had gathered to hear you. The encouraging note you struck - so rarely heard these dark days - gave us new hope and courage and a determination to push ahead with ever increasing vigor for the realization of our aims.

We are grateful to you and most appreciative of your good will and cooperation.

Most sincerely yours,

Rebecca Shulman

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December 10, 1935

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

May I take the liberty of reminding you that you have not, as yet, answered my letter of November 27th, wherein I asked you to be good enough to let me know if you can be the guest speaker at a meeting to be held on January eighth, where we expect an attendance of fifteen hundred.

I shall greatly appreciate your reply, accepting our invitation, by return mail, so that arrangements and preparations may begin immediately for the meeting.

Yours, with Zion's greetings,

Louis Myers
LOUIS MYERS

December 10, 1935

Mr. Charles Miller, Manager,
The Jewish Consumptives' Relief Society,
31 Union Square W,
Room 607,
Broadway and 16th St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Miller:

Let me thank you for your kind letter and for your invitation to address the Convention of the Jewish Consumptives' Relief Society in New York on Sunday evening, March 22. I know the organization and I am acquainted with the fine work which it has been doing. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately, I cannot leave Cleveland on a Sunday. I must be in my own pulpit on that day and numerous other congregational duties make it impossible for me to leave the city on a Sunday. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

December 11, 1935

Mr. Louis Myers,
Order Sons of Zion,
1123 Broadway,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Myers:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your letters. I have been away from Cleveland a good deal of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

It is altogether out of the question for me to address your meeting on January 8 as I am scheduled to be in Memphis on that day.

I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you when I am in New York on the 23rd of this month. With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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LET ME KNOW WHEN YOU EXPECT TO ARRIVE IN NEWYORK AND WHERE YOU WILL STOP SO I CAN ARRANGE FOR YOUR TRANSPORTATION ON MONDAY SHOULD LIKE YOU TO BE AT OUR HOME AT SIX OCLOCK HANUKKAH DINNER IS AT SEVEN PLEASE WRITE TODAY GREETINGS=
WILLIAM SCHWARTZ

December 16, 1935

Rabbi William Schwartz,
Temple Israel,
Central Avenue and Winchester Place,
Lawrence, N.Y.

My dear Schwartz:

I received your telegram. I plan to arrive in New York some time Monday afternoon and will stop at the Commodore Hotel. I shall be grateful to you if you would arrange transportation for me to the meeting.

With all good wishes and looking forward with pleasure to seeing you again, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

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As Chairman of the Region, I extend to you an invitation to give the principal address on this occasion.

I am enclosing a Program Outline to give you an idea of the interesting Conference that has been prepared. The morning session will be devoted to six round table groups on current religious problems, and the afternoon will be devoted to a panel discussion on the subject THE ROLE OF THE SYNAGOGUE IN A TROUBLED WORLD.

A religious service and your address will bring the Conference to a fitting and spiritual climax.

The subject we have selected for your address is THE JEW QUESTIONS - THE SYNAGOGUE ANSWERS, but you are at liberty to change the subject if you desire.

While we are unable to remunerate you for your services, we shall be glad to take care of any expenses involved.

Kindly wire me your reply, collect, to 3 East 65th Street, New York City.

With the hope that you will honor us with your acceptance, I remain

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Rabbi Abba Hiller Silver
Lakeshore Drive
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

It was with disappointment that I received your message stating that you could not speak at our Luncheon in New York on February the eighth.

I suppose it is my fault that I did not communicate with you sooner, consulting you as to what date it would have been convenient for you to come. There is so much to be done each year with regard to our Annual Conference that things which should be done with forethought get crowded out from day to day.

If by any chance a change in your plans would permit you to come to New York for the Luncheon on the eighth, please feel that our invitation is a standing one, and we should be most delighted to have you with us. There is much to say, I think, about the motion picture with its relation to society at large, and I know you could make valuable contribution were you to speak.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

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Dar Rabbi Silver:

In today's issue of the New Palestine, appears an item which announces your presence as guest of honor at a dinner of the Bronx Zionist District.

Since Young Judaea Month will be observed nationally in March, we are planning a Celebration Tea at the Astor Hotel for the women of New York.

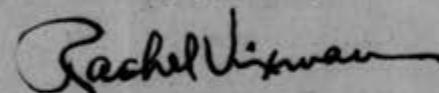
May we not have a claim on one of the first Young Judaeans and the privilege of having you as our principal speaker on an afternoon, at your convenience, during your visit to this city. If you are not staying over or coming in earlier, may we not have you the afternoon of the 4th.

Your presence will be of tremendous value to us and will be an incentive for reaching larger numbers of women in the community.

I have already received the gracious consent of the Bronx District officials, who of course point out that the decision rests with you solely.

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February 5, 1936.

My dear Rabbi:

I am writing to you at the suggestion of Mr. Bernard Semel of the Jewish Education Association - Ivriah's parent organization.

On Monday, May the 25th, we will celebrate our tenth anniversary with a Luncheon at the Hotel Waldorf. This is a Give-or-Get affair with each member contributing eighteen dollars as her quota.

For the past five years our annual functions have taken this shape, and our attendance is usually about one-thousand.

We are most anxious, this year particularly, since it is a milestone in our history, to make this a memorable occasion, and I am writing to ask whether you will not come to New York to be our guest speaker. If you will recall, some five years ago, you addressed Ivriah on a similiar occasion.

We do hope you will find it possible, and shall look forward to an early reply since we have an Executive Committee meeting next week at which we would like to acquaint our membership with the news.

Assuring you of our thanks, and anticipating an affirmative response, I am

Yours cordially,

(Mrs J.) Julia Hamburger
President.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland - Ohio

The Jewish Mother of Today for the Jewish Mother of Tomorrow

February 9, 1936

Mrs. J. Hamburger, President,
Ivriah,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Hamburger:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of February 5 and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the tenth anniversary luncheon of the Ivriah on May 25. I should like to be of service to you but that week happens to be the week of Confirmation and all my time will be required here for preparing our large class for the exercises on Shabuoth, which is on Thursday of that week.

I wish you every success in your work.
With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

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February 26, 1936.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver,

When I received an invitation to meet with you on the occasion of your talk for the United Palestine Appeal, I promptly recalled your visit to the school a number of years ago and your promise to come again.

It would afford us a great deal of pleasure if you and Mrs. Silver would accept this invitation to visit your old-new Alma Mater again (the old building no longer exists - we now occupy a new palace of education). Any day of the week that is convenient to you would suit us.

I might add that with our own broadcasting facilities, you will be heard by a school of four thousand students. We shall all be glad to greet you.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



Robert B. Brodie

RBB:OS

February 28, 1936

Dr. Robert B. Brodie, Principal
Seward Park High School,
350 Grand Street,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Brodie:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of February 26. I appreciate your invitation to address the students of Seward Park High School tremendously and I wish I were free to accept it. Unfortunately the two days which I am scheduled to spend in New York are already crowded with six lecture engagements which is already more than I should have undertaken.

Perhaps at another time when I come to New York I shall be free to come and meet your student body. With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

My sister, Miss Eva Leon, had the pleasure of hearing you speak last week at the Hotel Astor. I regret that due to ill health, I was unable to be there. I have heard you speak many times, and each time I felt that God was indeed very good to us, in bestowing such a gift of eloquence and an unusual power of expression to one whose heart and mind is dedicated to helping his sorely tried people. Being aware of that fact, I take the liberty of appealing to you, in the name of young womanhood in Palestine, whose cause I am sponsoring.

The Women's League for Palestine, founded by me in 1927, has erected a Beth Hachalutzoth in Haifa, on land donated by the late Baron Edmund de Rothschild. The Beth Hachalutzoth is a most unique institution.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, upon his recent visit to Palestine, was so impressed with the work being done by our organization, that he sent me a most enthusiastic letter from Palestine, enclosing a personal check towards our Building Fund and among other things said:

"The sight of your home was one of the gladdest and sweetest surprises for in it dwell Women Pilgrims. The difficulties and perils of the Chalutzoth arriving alone in Palestine are many, and the home with its many advantages for physical and cultural well-being for these girls won the hearts of both Mrs. Wise and myself. It is a beautiful work, beautifully done".

Upon Dr. Wise's return he paid me and my organization a great compliment- that we had the vision to build a home for young pioneer girls, which is proving such a Godsend to the hundreds of young refugee girls, innocent victims of oppression, who now flock to Palestine to seek a new home.

In the Beth Hachalutzoth that we erected in Haifa, we not only shelter these girls, but teach them trades which enable them to become self-supporting. Our Beth Hachalutzoth also serves as

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a cultural center where girls have an opportunity to learn Hebrew, to listen to lectures, concerts, etc. All this provides stimulating intercourse, which makes it possible for the young women to enter their new life with an understanding of the problems that confront us in our new, old Homeland, and gives them an appreciation of its renaissance.

In answer to the crying need for sheltering a greater number of girls, we have just added another story to our Haifa Beth Hachalutzoth, thereby making it possible to take care of approximately six or seven hundred girls annually, in that one institution.

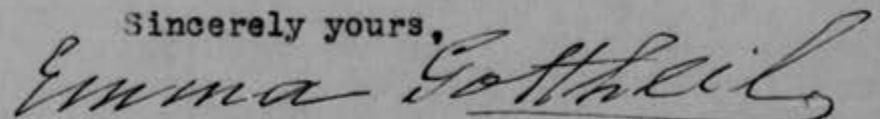
When the Municipality of Tel Aviv realized the many dangers which young girls, who come to Palestine alone, are subjected to, they granted the Women's League a plot of ground in the heart of the city, on which we are now building a Beth Hachalutzoth, similar to the one in Haifa. This building must be completed within the next few months- not later than June or July of this year.

Our Organization is giving a Luncheon on April 21st to be held at the Hotel Astor, to which we expect about one thousand women. I implore you, my dear Dr. Silver, to honor us with your presence, so that our members and friends may have the pleasure of listening to you on that occasion. We will, of course, take care of your traveling expenses. Think what inspiration you will bring to these American women, to many of whom, the problem of Palestine is still a comparatively new one.

When I listened to you speak over the radio at the two meetings you addressed here in New York last week, I felt that, we lovers of Palestine, should be thankful and proud to have such a champion for our sacred cause.

Hoping to receive a favorable answer from you very soon, and with warm greetings to Mrs. Silver and yourself, I am

Sincerely yours,



Mrs. Richard Gottheil.

RG/W

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March 13, 1936

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver:

During your recent visit to New York, Mr. Chodos, one of our students, spoke to you concerning the possibility of your addressing the students of the Seminary. May I take this means of formally repeating the invitation and expressing the hope you will find it possible to accept.

Would you be good enough to let me know when you will be in New York again so that a suitable date can be arranged?

With all best wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Mordecai L. Brill
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A. H. SILVER

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April 14, 1936

Mordecai L. Brill, President,
Student Organization,
Jewish Theological Seminary of America,
N.E. Corner Broadway and 132nd St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Brill:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter of March 13. I have not been well in the last few weeks and my correspondence has lagged.

I am deeply appreciative of your invitation to address the student body of the Seminary. I have no engagements scheduled in New York for the remainder of this season. My out of town lecture engagements through the next two months are largely in the west and the midwest. I shall, however, bear in mind your gracious invitation for next season, or better still, if you hear of my coming to New York in the fall or winter, please communicate with me again.

With best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS: BK

July 14, 1936

Roxanna Wells,
Roxanna Wells, Inc. Lecture Bureau
393 Seventh Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Wells:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of July 10. Rabbi Silver is spending the summer in Europe and will be gone until the early part of September. I shall be happy to refer your letter to him when he returns to the city.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

• FRANCES GROSSEL •

LECTURERS' REPRESENTATIVE

September 4, 1936

Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
105 St & Ansel Blvd
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have been approached by the National Jewish Bureau, a group functioning under the auspices of The Freiheit, Yiddish Communist Daily, with reference to the arrangement of a large debate in New York between an outstanding Jewish leader and a communist, the discussion to be devoted to the Jewish problem and proposed solutions. Your name has been suggested as one who could most brilliantly oppose the communist point of view. Would you be interested in such a debate? Of course I realize that you will have to have more details as to opponent, debate topic, time, place, etc. This is merely a note of inquiry to ascertain whether such a proposal interests you.

I believe the group would be in a position to cover a speaker's honorarium to the extent of \$250.

May I hear from you at the earliest possible moment. I shall appreciate it.

Sincerely yours,

Frances Grossel

September 7, 1936

Miss Frances Grossel,
63 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Grossel:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of
September 4 and for your invitation. I never participate
in debates or symposia.

With all good wishes, permit me to
remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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PROCEEDS FOR ZIONIST WORK IN LONG ISLAND VERY ANXIOUS YOU
SPEAK CAN PAY ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS STOP MY CONGREGATION
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IMMEDIATELY KINDEST REGARDS=

IRVING MILLER.

October 14, 1936

Rabbi Irving Miller,
Far Rockaway,
New York.

My dear Rabbi Miller:

Let me thank you for your kind telegram. I wish I were free to accept your invitation to address the Long Island Zionist Region Chanukah celebration on December 10. Unfortunately I must remain here in Cleveland during Chanukah week as quite a number of affairs have been planned for that week.

With reference to your own Forum on April 6 - I am scheduled to be in Washington, D.C. on that day and it will be quite impossible for me to come to you on January 19. I have to be in New York the previous week, on Wednesday, January 13, addressing the New York University in the afternoon. If you can arrange a meeting for that evening, I shall be pleased to be with you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:EK

RABBI IRVING MILLER
FAR ROCKAWAY, N. Y.

October 19, 1936

Rabbi A. H. Silver
c/o The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

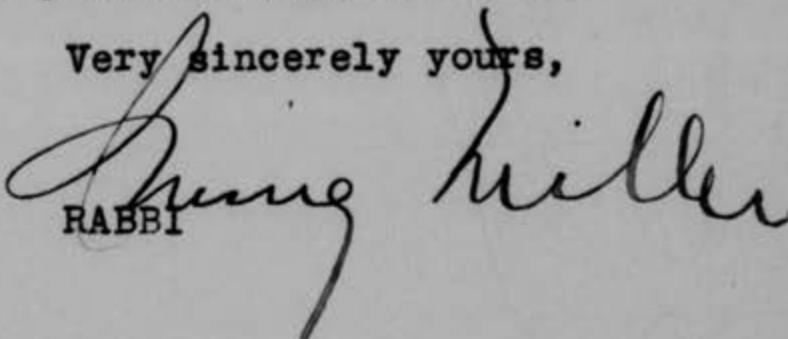
I was indeed happy to hear that you will be in New York on Wednesday, January 13th and can arrange to be with us that evening. I should merely like to point out that our forum meets on Tuesday evenings. If it is therefore possible, with no inconvenience to yourself, to be in Far Rockaway Tuesday, January 12th, it would be all the better. If however that is impossible, please regard this letter as a confirmation of January 13th.

May I hear from you as to your decision in this matter and at the same time will you be good enough to send me a list of subjects.

Let me assure you that my people are looking forward with great anticipation to your participation in our forum this year.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,


RABBI

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October 20, 1936

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Dear Rabbi:

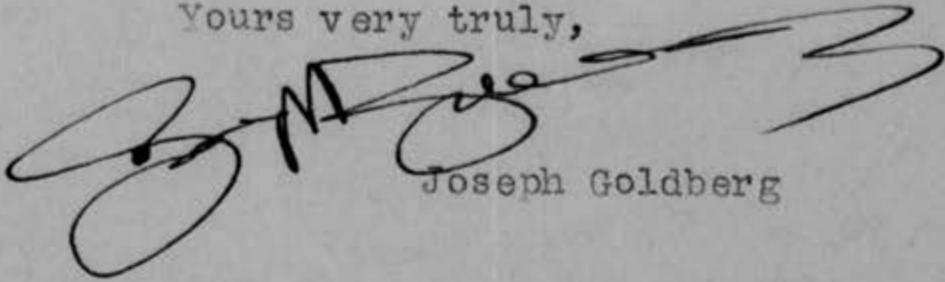
I appreciate receiving your letter
of the seventh.

I cannot help expressing our regret
at your present inability to accept our in-
vitation. However, we want you to know that
we shall look forward to your coming to
Worcester, perhaps in the early part of 1937.

Should you happen to be in our vic-
inity at any time before then, or in 1937, we
trust that you will keep our district in mind,
because we feel sure that you will be very
much impressed by the progress that we have
made here.

With Zionist greetings, I am

Yours very truly,


Joseph Goldberg

JG:N

October 21, 1936

Rabbi Irving Miller,
Far Rockaway,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Irving:

I have definitely scheduled your organization for Wednesday evening, January 13th. I am sorry that I cannot come to you on the 12th. That would mean my being away from Cleveland an extra day.

If you will let me know the subjects on which I spoke before your organization during my last two visits, I will send you fresh ones.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

RABBI IRVING MILLER
FAR ROCKAWAY, N. Y.

October 29, 1936

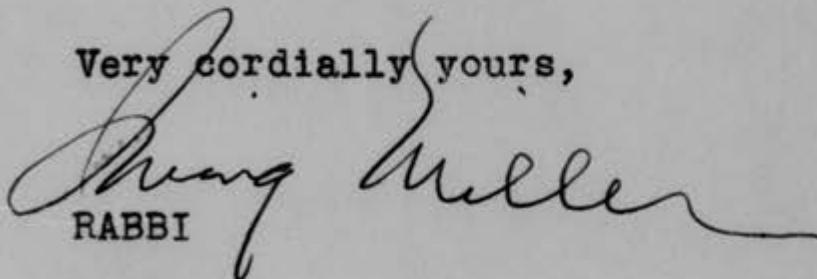
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My dear Dr. Silver:

I am really happy that you will
be with us on January 13th. As I recall, the
subjects you discussed on your last visit to
this community were, "Liberalism at the Cross-
roads" and "Economic forces and the Jew".

With kindest personal regards to
Mrs. Silver, I am

Very cordially yours,


RABBI

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November 17, 1956

Rabbi Irving Miller,
Far Rockaway,
New York.

My dear Rabbi Miller:

If you wish me to discuss a
specifically Jewish subject, I think the
following would be of interest to your
group: "Radiant Centers in Jewish Life."

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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November 23, 1936

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I was delighted to learn from Mr. Roger W. Straus that he has invited you to address the Community Youth Religious Service in Temple Emanu-El on Sunday, January 10th, which is an important part of the program of the annual Convention of the New York State Federation of Young Folks Temple Leagues.

I realize how busy you are and the demands made upon your time and your energy, though I do hope that you will be able to arrange to come to New York and be the speaker on that occasion. We are planning to have between 1,000 to 1500 young people at this Service and you alone will be able to inspire them with enthusiasm and interest in the synagogue. You will indeed be rendering a genuine service to New York Jewry which is sorely in need, especially our young people, for spiritual rejuvenation.

I do hope that you will be able to be with us.

With cordial greetings, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Gustave Falk

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November 23, 1936.

Dear Dr. Silver:

The North East Region of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations is assisting the New York State Federation of Young Folks Temple Leagues in organizing its annual Convention. By means of this Convention we are hoping to awaken the religious consciousness of our young people in Jewish values and in the synagogue.

The Convention will take place from January 8th to the 10th. The Sabbath during that period will be designated as "Youth Sabbath" with services devoted to Youth in the local synagogues. An Oneg Shabbat celebration will be arranged on Saturday afternoon and an institute on the subject "Youth Speaks to the Congregation" will be given on Sunday afternoon. On Sunday morning we are planning a Youth Religious Rally in Temple Emanu-El and we are hoping to have between one thousand and two thousand young men and women attend this Rally.

The Program Committee of the New York State Federation of Young Folks Temple Leagues has asked me to extend to you the invitation to be the speaker at this Youth Religious Rally on Sunday morning, and we sincerely hope that you will be able to honor us with your acceptance, as your presence will lend dignity and spirit to the occasion.

As you can well understand, the treasury of the State Federation of Young Folks Temple Leagues is small and, while it cannot remunerate you for your services, it is able to meet your expenses to New York.

Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience so that we can complete plans to make this Youth Religious Rally a source of inspiration to our young people.

With cordial greetings, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Roger W. Straus.
Chairman

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio.

November 24, 1936

Mr. Roger W. Straus, Chairman,
The Union of American Hebrew Congregations,
3 East 65th St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Straus:

I received your letter of November 23 requesting me to address a rally of the Young Folks Temple Leagues on Sunday morning, January 10. I have a very crowded schedule for the remainder of the year and I do not feel justified in accepting any new invitations, particularly for a Sunday morning when I should be in my own pulpit.

However, I have a proposition to make to you—a trade. The Cleveland Zionist Society is holding a great community Chanukah celebration on Tuesday evening, December 15 at the Hollenden Hotel. Last year a thousand people attended this banquet which has become an institution in the life of our community. This year we shall announce at this meeting, our first \$500 scholarship to the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. The Society has organized a large committee and is carrying on an active educational campaign to interest the people in our community in the Hebrew University, in the making of bequests to it, etc. I know of your great interest in the University and your coming here would be of great service in focussing the attention of our community upon the growing needs and services of the University.

I have always found it difficult to get lay Jewish leaders from New York to come out this way to help us in building up our program, whereas these laymen are not hesitant in summoning us folks from this part of the country to come East to help them. If you will accept this invitation, which is heartily seconded by the Board of the Cleveland Zionist Society, and be our guest on the evening of December 15, I shall come to your group on January 10. How does this appeal to you?

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

ROGER W. STRAUS
120 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

November 27, 1936.

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

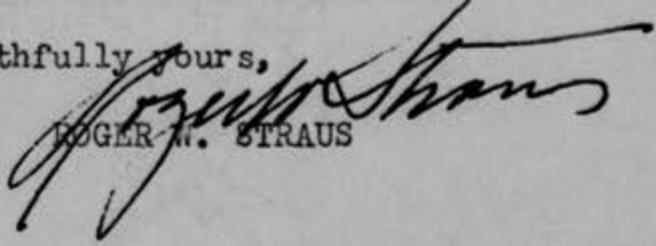
My dear Dr. Silver:

Who said you were a rabbi? I think you are a trader, and it is a fair trade you propose but I cannot accept it.

I took the month of October off on a leave of absence from my company, and I cannot possibly leave my office for sometime to come. After all I have an obligation to the stockholders who are paying my salary. On top of this I am longing and hoping to get away for four weeks this winter to go to Palestine, so it is just impossible for me to leave my business at this time.

I only have one other suggestion to make,-- first of all, the meeting I have asked you to speak to may very well have fundamental future importance in the life of the Synagogue. I have a distinct feeling that we who wish to interest our young people in the Synagogue have a remarkable opportunity just at this particular time, and if we muff it we may not have another. Of all the men in the pulpit whom I know I believe you can do more to inspire this group than anyone else. Do change your mind and come on January 10th, and in return I will give you an option or call on my services next winter.

Faithfully yours,


ROGER W. STRAUS

November 30, 1936

Mr. Roger W. Straus,
120 Broadway,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Straus:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of November 27. Since writing to you, I have received an invitation to preside at the Sunday evening meeting of the Convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in New Orleans and to take charge of the symposium which is to be held that evening. When I wrote to you about your invitation for January 10, I forgot that I was planning to attend the Union Convention over the following week-end. It will be quite impossible for me to be out of my pulpit on two successive Sundays.

Hoping that I may be of service to you at some future time and trusting that we may have the pleasure of your presence here in Cleveland some time next season, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Rabbi Abba Hiller Silver
Lakeshore Drive
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

The Thirteenth Annual Conference of the National Board of Review takes place during the first week in February concluding with the Twenty-second Annual Luncheon on Saturday, February 6th, at the Hotel Pennsylvania in New York City at 12:30 o'clock. You will recall that for the past two years we have extended an invitation to you to speak at the Luncheon as our honor guest, but because of previous engagements you were unable to accept the invitation. We are still hopeful. Therefore I am writing this early to extend, on behalf of our Executive Committee, a most cordial invitation to be with us this year in New York at the time of the annual gathering of friends, members and delegates of our affiliated citizen groups from different parts of the country.

While the National Board of Review is not in a position to pay an honorarium to its speakers, I think it would be able to meet your expenses should you feel like accepting this invitation.

I feel sure that you have something to say about so important a social force as the motion picture has become. The National Board is, as you know, opposed to censorship and committed to the theory of selection and classification of films as a means of developing public taste for the more worthwhile in motion pictures in the entertainment field. But the Board is also very vitally interested in the development of the motion picture in the fields of culture and education and in getting people to see its great potentialities as a universal form of human expression.

The Executive Committee of the Board joins me in hoping that you can and will accept this invitation to speak at our Luncheon this year.

Very sincerely yours,

Wilton A. Barrett
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
THE TEMPLE
East 105th Street at Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you for your letter of December 14th.

I regret that you cannot be with us for the meeting in January. I know how busy you are and how difficult it is to fit in extra engagements. If you could give me a date, say the third week in April, we could arrange our program around it, especially with this much time ahead.

With all good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Henry A. Atkinson

December 21, 1936

Mr. Wilton A. Barrett, Executive Secretary,
The National Board of Review,
70 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Barrett:

I want to tell you that I am deeply appreciative of your invitation to address the Thirteenth Annual Conference of the National Board of Review on Saturday, February 6, especially since this is an invitation which you have extended to me on previous occasions. I wish I were free to come. I am leaving, however, during the middle of January for a Convention in New Orleans which will take me away from my pulpit and from my congregation for some time and I do not feel justified in absenting myself again soon after my return. Please keep me in mind for another year.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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December 24, 1936.

Rev. Dr. Abby Spittel Silver
East 105th Street and Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver,
It is well known to me that you are constantly receiving requests like mine, but it is also known to me that a busy person always finds or makes room to fill them. Hence this letter.

On February 2nd 1937, we are having a luncheon (fund raising) at the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria in New York. If you are going to be in the vicinity of New York, could we hear from you?

May I hear from you?

(Mrs. Nathan Goldschlag)

Sincerely,
Hella R. Goldschlag
625 Lafayette Avenue
Mt. Vernon, N.Y.

December 30, 1936

Mrs. Della R. Goldshlag,
625 Lafayette Avenue,
Mt. Vernon, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Goldshlag:

I am deeply appreciative of your invitation to address your Hadassah luncheon and I only wish that I were able to come. Unfortunately my lecture schedule for the next few months is so crowded with out-of-town lecture engagements that I cannot in justice to myself take on any more. I have had to decline also an invitation from the Brooklyn Hadassah.

Hoping that I may be of service at some future time, and with all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

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דעם 17טן דעצעמבער, 1936

יהואש פאלקס אויסגאבע קאמיטעט:

פראם. י. דאווידזאן, ערווארדער
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רבי אבא ה. סילווער,

סעספיל

אייסס 105טע גאס און ענסל ראוד,
קלייולאנד, אהייא

זיער חשובער פריינד רבי סילווער!

ביי מין לעצטן באזוך אין קלייולאנד האב איך געהאט דעם
כבוד צו באגעגענען זיך מיט אייך, ביי אייך אין אפיס, און שמועסן
וועגן דער אנגעלעגנהייט פון א סיום החורה פיערוונג אין קלייולאנד,
לכבוד דער דערשיינונג פון די לעצטע צוויי בענד פון יהואש'ס חנ"ך
איבערזעצונג. איך האב אייך דאן אויך אינפארמירט, אז די אויפגאבע
פון די פיערוונגען איז א צווייטע ערשטע -- ערשטנס, צו פראפאגאנדירן
די איד'ן פון א פאלקס אויסגאבע, וואס זאל זיין צוטריסלעך פאר יעדן
אינעם, וויל די איצטיקע אויסגאבע איז צו סיער, און צווייטנס צו
זאמלען א פאנד פאר א פאלקס אויסגאבע מיטן העברעאישן טעקסט, אין
אין באנד מיט א פרייז לערך פון צוויי און א האלב דאלער.

אין אונדזער שמועס האט איר מיר באאויפטראגט צו שטיין
מיט אייך אין פארבינדונג דורך קארעספאנדענץ וועגן דעם, און איר וועט
העלפן אין דער אויפגאבע לויט אייערע סעגלעכקייטן.

פאלג אייך אייך און שרייב אייך, און דערמאן אייך וועגן דעם.
אייך וויל אייך אויך אינפארמירן, אז עס ווערט שוין איצט געארבעט אויף
די פלאטן פון דער פאלקס אויסגאבע, און מיר פון אונדזער זייט, וועלן
זיין גרייט אינגליכן אפילו צוטערעטן צום דרוק. אבער דא קומען מיר
צום פונקט און מיר דארפן האבן אייער הילף.

די פיערוונג אין קלייולאנד וועט פארקומען דעם 31סטן
יאנואר, אזוי אינפארמירט מיך דער דארטיקער קאמיטעט. האב אייך
דעם כבוד צו בעטן אייך נאכאמאל צו העלפן אונדז אין דער אויפגאבע,
הן מאטעריעל און הן מאראליש, ווי איר טוט עס אלעמאל ביי אזעלכע
קולטור אנגעלעגנהייטן.

מיט די פריינדלעכסטע גרוסן און דרך ארץ

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דעם 9טן יאנואר, 1937

יהואש פאלקס אויסגאבע קאמיטעט:

פראט. י. ראויצאן, ערוםפארזיצער
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רבי אבא הלל סילווער,
איסט 105טע גאס און אנסל ראוד,
קלייבלאנד, אה"א

זייער חשובער פריינד רבי סילווער!

שבת אונט, דעם 7טן אפריל, קומט פאר דער צענטער
יארצייט נאך דעם דיכטער יהואש. די פיערונג קומט פאר אין ניו יארק אין
אוידיטאריום פון סיטי קאלעדזש, וועלכן די קאלעדזש אדמיניסטראציע
האט אונדז געגעבן פרי, באשאנענדיק, אז זי זיינען צופרידן דאס
צו טאן צוליב אזא היכטיקן קולטורעלן צוועק, ווי פיערן א סעמאריעל
פון א גרויסן דיכטער.

דער דאזיקער אונט דארף זיין אקאדעמיש און דארף
זיין זייער פריי דורכגעפירט.

האבן מיר דעם כבוד צו בעטן אייך ביצוואוינען דעם
דאזיקן אונט און ביטראגן אייערע א רעדע צו דער געלעגנהייט.
נאטירלעך, קען די רעדע זיין אין וועלכער שפראך איר ווילט.

מיר וואלטן דאס באטראכט פאר א כבוד צו האבן אייך אלס
גאסט צו דעם דאזיקן אונט, און האפן, אז איר העט אונדז אין דעם
ניט אפזאגן.

דערווארטנדיק אייער באלדיקן ענטפער,

מיט קולטור גרוס,

יהואש קאפיטעט

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שי:לם

January 11, 1937

Mr. S. Yudson, Secretary,
Yehoash Farlag Gezelshaft,
1133 Broadway,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Yudson:

Your letter was received during the
absence of Rabbi Silver. Upon on his return
from New Orleans next week, I shall call his
attention to it.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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Jan. 13, 1937

Dear Dr. Silver:

Since you have never appeared at meetings of the Academy, the president, Prof. M. R. Cohen, is desirous that you address one of the season's forthcoming assemblies. He urges you, if you are then in New York, to appear at the meeting of Jan. 31; and if you can, would you be good enough to reply immediately, so that the fact be publicized?

Other meetings take place March 21 and May 23.

Please let me hear from you.

Yours most sincerely,

A. Burstein

Secretary

January 15, 1937

Dr. Abraham Burstein,
46 West 83rd St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Burstein:

Your letter of January 13 arrived during Rabbi Silver's absence from the city. When he returns to the city, the end of next week, I shall be happy to refer it to him.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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Jan. 18, 1937

Dear Miss Kline:

I have your letter concerning Rabbi Silver's absence from the city. I should be grateful if you would ascertain, immediately on his return, whether he may be in New York Sunday, Feb. 14, to which date the meeting has been postponed due to the illness of the president.

Yours most sincerely,

A. Burstein

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January 21, 1937

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have been meaning to acknowledge your letter stating that you could not be with us at our Conference this year and speak at the Twenty-second Annual Luncheon of the Board, ever since receiving your letter.

Naturally your inability to accept our invitation this year was a cause of great disappointment since it has been the wish of a number of our people for some years to have you with us on the occasion of our annual gathering.

I am taking you at your word and extending to you an invitation for next year, the probable date of the Conference about the same time as this year.

With all good wishes to you for the coming year,

Sincerely yours,

Wilton A. Barrett
Executive Secretary

WAB:HAC

January 21, 1937

Rabbi Abraham Burstein, Sec'y,
The Jewish Academy of Arts and Sciences,
46 West 83rd St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Rabbi Burstein:

Upon my return from New Orleans, I found your communications. I wish I could come to you on February 14. I have been away from Cleveland these last two weeks and I shall have to stay "close to home" from now on. It will not be possible for me to accept any additional out of town engagements for the remainder of the season as I have too many already booked.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

January 22, 1957

Rabbi Irving Miller,
Far Rockaway,
New York.

My dear Miller:

Please pardon the delay in answering your telegram. I have been attending the Union Convention in New Orleans and I have just returned to Cleveland.

I am sorry to have put you to considerable inconvenience in requesting the postponement of my engagement with your organization. Unfortunately yours was not the only one which I have had to re-arrange this season. So many special occasions come up which demand one's attendance that nearly all of my out-of-town lecture engagements are more or less tentative. I wish I could come to you soon. In checking over my calendar, I find that it will not be possible for me to do so. I wonder how far into spring your Forum extends? I am scheduled to be in Washington on April 5. I could come to you on Tuesday, April 6. Would that be too late? If it is, will you let me off this year and I will make an effort to come to you next season?

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

January 22, 1957

Dr, Carl A. Marsden, Forum Director,
New York University,
20 Washington Square North,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

As per your request, I am
enclosing herewith Rabbi Silver's expense
account.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

January 22, 1937

Mr. S. Yudson, Secretary,
Yehoash Farlag Gezelshaft,
1155 Broadway,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Yudson:

I am deeply appreciative of your invitation to attend the tenth Memorial Anniversary of Yehoash on the 17th of April. It would have given me great pleasure to attend this meeting and to participate in the program. Unfortunately I am unable to come. The week-end of April 16th will be devoted by my congregation to the celebration of my twentieth year with The Temple. You can readily understand the reason why I am unable to accept your invitation.

With all good wishes and hoping that I may be of service to you at some future time, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

RABBI IRVING MILLER
FAR ROCKAWAY, N. Y.

January 25, 1937

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
East 150th St. & Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

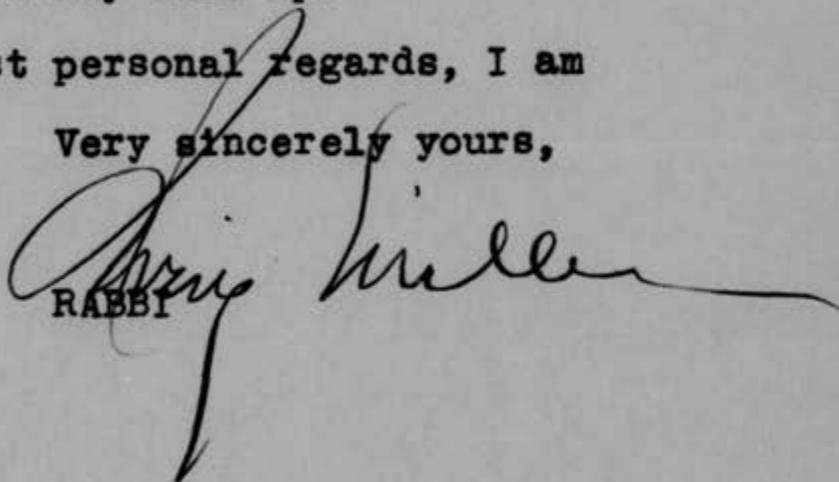
My dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you very much for your letter of the 22nd. I can readily understand how hard-pressed you must be to meet the many requests that undoubtedly come to you.

I am happy that you can be with us on Tuesday, April 6th. Will you be good enough to make that date definite for Far Rockaway? I shall communicate with you a few days before the lecture to inform you of any details that may come up.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,


RABBI

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

We, indeed, regret your inability to attend the
 tenth Memorial Anniversary of Yehoash. Your appearance would add
 greatly to the spirit of the evening.

I take this opportunity to congratulate you
 on behalf of our committee, and in my own name, upon the occasion of
 the twentieth Jubilee of your association with the Temple, twenty years
 of useful intellectual work. Your interest and participation in all
 Jewish cultural needs are but too well known.

Wishing you a long and prosperous life, I
 remain,

Respectfully yours,

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"MESSAGE OF ISRAEL"
National Broadcasting Company

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March 19, 1937

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

Dear Colleague:

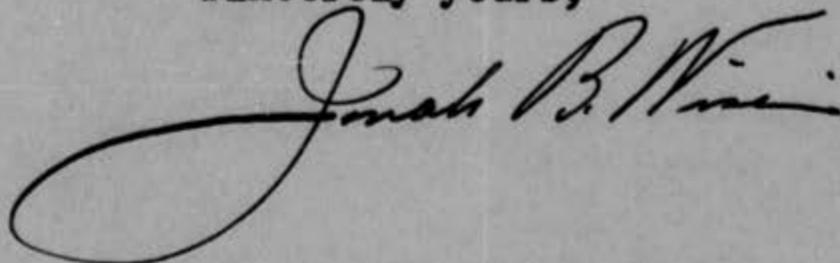
The "Message of Israel" has proven so significant as a means of broadcasting to the American public a weekly message in the idiom of the Synagogue, that it must, by all means, be continued.

I am more than eager to have you broadcast over this program on Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. You will be on continuously for the month of March, 1938. During the past season the congregations of the Rabbis who preached on this program paid a part of the expenses of carrying on this broadcast. This payment amounts to \$200.00.

You have no idea how important this has become and I need the kind of message which you are capable of sending. Please do not refuse as I am sure you will enjoy the experience and make a fine contribution.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,



JBW:EWH

March 23, 1937

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise,
35 West 62nd Street,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Jonah:

I received your letter of March 19th in which you invite me to participate in the "Message of Israel" hour. You may recall that you wrote to me in 1934 asking me then to join in and that I declined the invitation. I didn't then indicate to you why I declined. I assumed that you would understand.

I do not like to accept invitations first to give my services as a speaker and then have to pay for the honor. As you probably know, I am usually well compensated for my lectures. Had the invitation come to me to donate four lectures to the course, I should have been most happy to accept. If, at a later time, an invitation had come to my congregation to make a contribution to the "Message of Israel" hour, I am sure that it would have been glad to respond. But tying up the acceptance of the invitation with the payment of \$200 did not sit well with me then, and does not now.

If you can see your way clear to follow through the arrangement which I suggest, I shall be very happy to reconsider. This is altogether a question of procedure but procedure is also an important matter.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

RABBI JONAH B. WISE
35 EAST 62nd STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

March 24, 1937

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

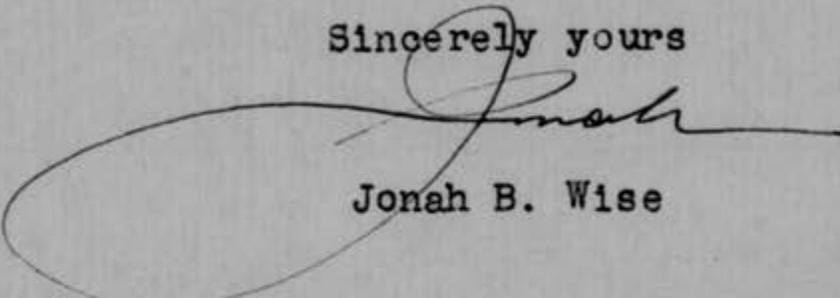
Dear Abba:

I hope you will be able to take over the radio program for next year. We have found it extremely important from the standpoint of the number of listeners and the increasing number of outlets.

Mr. Vladeck told me that he was much pleased with his visit to Cleveland and is under the impression that with a little urging from the leaders the community will be able to raise the seemingly large quota indicated. As you know, Detroit has increased from 70,000 to 150,000 and St. Louis has increased more than 25 percent for both causes. This type of increase is common with most cities, and of course is necessary if the two funds are to achieve anything like the goals they have set.

I certainly wish you every strength for your coming work and again hope that you can be with us on the radio next year.

Sincerely yours



Jonah B. Wise

JBW:LST

HOME *of the* DAUGHTERS *of* JACOB

167th STREET, TELLER and FINDLAY AVENUES
BRONX, N. Y.



Telephone JErome 7-1200

April 9, 1937

Rabbi Abbe Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

On Thursday, April 22, a testimonial luncheon will be tendered to Mrs. James Roosevelt, in the Starlight Roof of the Waldorf Astoria.

May we have the privilege and honor of greeting you as a guest on this occasion, and listing you as a speaker?

We know how eager our assembled guests would be to hear from you and we are anxious to have your acceptance, in view of the fact that a radio hook-up has been arranged for, and we are required to have our program announced in advance.

Anticipating with pleasure your favorable response, and with best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Peter J. Schwartz
President

PJS:L

April 13, 1937

Mrs. Peter J. Schweitzer, President,
Home of the Daughters of Jacob,
167th Street, Teller and Findlay Avenues,
Bronx, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Schweitzer:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of April 9th and for the invitation which you extend to me to attend the luncheon of the Home of the Daughters of Jacob at the Waldorf Astoria on April 22nd. I wish I were free to come. However, I am scheduled to address another organization on that day and I must therefore forego the pleasure.

I wish you every success in your fine work.

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
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Dear Dr. Silver:

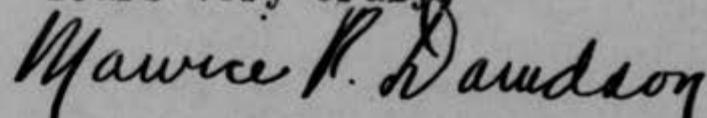
Each year the Brooklyn Philanthropic League tenders a Gold Medal to the one who has done the most for under-privileged children.

I am sure you will be glad to know that this year it was a unanimous decision that the award be tendered to Hon. Fiorello H. LaGuardia at a dinner at the Commodore Hotel on Thursday, June 10.

We invite you to be a speaker on this occasion and join us in paying tribute to one who has done so much for the indigent of our great city.

Your acceptance is eagerly awaited by the committee.

Yours very truly,



MAURICE P. DAVIDSON
Chairman Dinner Committee

June 1, 1937

Mr. Maurice P. Davidson,
Room 604,
9 Rockefeller Plaza,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Davidson:

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to attend the meeting under the auspices of the Brooklyn Philanthropic League to honor the Hon. Fiorello H. LaGuardia. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately I am unable to leave Cleveland on that day.

With all good wishes for success, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Nathan Stern, M. A., Ph. D., Rabbi

Hotel Lucerne
201 West 79th Street
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West End Synagogue
(Congregation Shaaray Tefila)
One Sixty West Eighty Second Street
New York City

June 17, 1937

Rev. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
105th St. & Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland, O.

Dear Silver:-

You no doubt know that on the first day of last Passover our Synagogue was demolished by fire. We are now in the process of reconstructing it, and the services of rededication have been set for the weekend of November 5th.

Rabbi Schachtell and I were assigned the task of drawing up plans for these dedicatory services and both of us are agreed that the sermon on Friday evening, November 5th should be delivered by you if you will accept.

For Rabbi Schachtell and myself as well as for the officers of the Congregation and for its committees, I am herewith, extending to you an invitation to be a guest of the Congregation and to preach the sermon Friday evening November 5th.

The Committee will gladly pay your travelling expenses and your hotel while in New York City for the occasion.

There will be two or three other brief addresses that evening; one by Mr. Wessel, the President of the Congregation, one by Judge Irving Lehman, and one by myself.

Looking forward to an early reply in the affirmative, I am,

Cordially yours,

Nathan Stern

P.S. Please address your reply to me at the Hotel Lucerne,
201 W. 79th St. N.Y.C.

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MASADA
Youth Zionist Organization of America
AFFILIATED WITH THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
111 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

June 17th
1937

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

May I recall to you the Cleveland visit of our Executive Secretary, Mr. Israel Berman, several weeks ago, when he called upon you to discuss Masada problems.

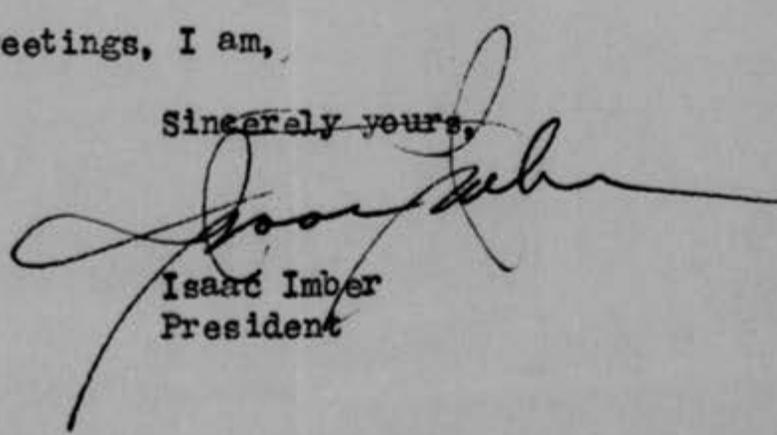
We were all deeply gratified when he reported your sympathetic interest and your kind consent to come to our assistance. He told us that you would be willing to undertake a private effort to raise some money for Masada. This money is now sorely needed. As matters stand now, we have a considerable deficit and have no funds with which to organize our convention, which opens next Thursday night. May I therefore ask if you can find the time now to interest some people in Cleveland to make a contribution to Masada.

So much for that. Now I should like to invite you to address the Masada Luncheon to be held in connection with the Z.O.A. Convention on Tuesday, June 29th at noon. I can think of no one else who will so surely produce the desired affect as you will and I urge you most sincerely to accept this invitation.

May I hear from you before next Thursday?

With Zion's greetings, I am,

Sincerely yours,


Isaac Imber
President

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FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
June 24, 25, 26, 27, 1937
Hotel Roosevelt - New York City

June 21, 1937

Dr. Nathan Stern,
201 W. 79th Street,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Stern:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of June 17 and for the invitation which you extend to me to attend the rededication service of your Temple on November 5th. I wish I were free to come. But on checking over my schedule, I find that I shall be exceedingly crowded with out-of-town engagements during the months of October and November. I am to be in New York City on Friday, October 29 to address the New York State Teachers' Association and it will not be possible for me to return to New York again the following Friday.

I trust that I may be of service to you at some future time. With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ahs:bk

June 21, 1937

Mr. Isaac Imber, President,
Masada,
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Imber:

Let me thank you for your kind letter. I wish I were free to help you at the present time but I am spending the next few days getting cleared up so that I can leave here for my vacation. We are sailing for Europe on the 30th on this month. I therefore haven't the time to solicit funds for the Masada, much as I should like to. Perhaps early next season I may be able to do something for you.

I should like, also, to address your Convention on the 29th at noon. I have, however, already arranged to attend a very important conference in New York City on that day and at that hour.

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

Very cordially yours,

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Program Outline

FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
North East Region
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 1936

Community House of Congregation Emanu-El
1 East 65th Street
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General Theme: **IF THE SYNAGOGUE COULD SPEAK**

9:30 A. M.—REGISTRATION

10:15 A. M.—ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS

A. ADULT GROUPS

1. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES — THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES

For Officers and Trustees of Congregations

2. JEWISH EDUCATION IN ACTION

For persons interested in religious schools

3. THE SYNAGOGUE QUESTION

For persons not included in the other two groups

- a. The Rabbi
- b. The Congregational Member
- c. The Sisterhood Member
- d. The Brotherhood Member
- e. The Junior Member

B. YOUTH GROUPS

1. THE JEWISH STUDENT ON THE CAMPUS

Especially for university students

2. THE JEW IN PUBLIC LIFE

3. THE CHALLENGE OF PERSECUTION TO JEWISH YOUTH

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THE ROLE OF THE SYNAGOGUE IN A TROUBLED WORLD

GENERAL DISCUSSION

4:00 P. M.—SERVICES

Inspirational Address

THE JEW QUESTIONS — THE SYNAGOGUE ANSWERS

5:00 P. M.—BENEDICTION

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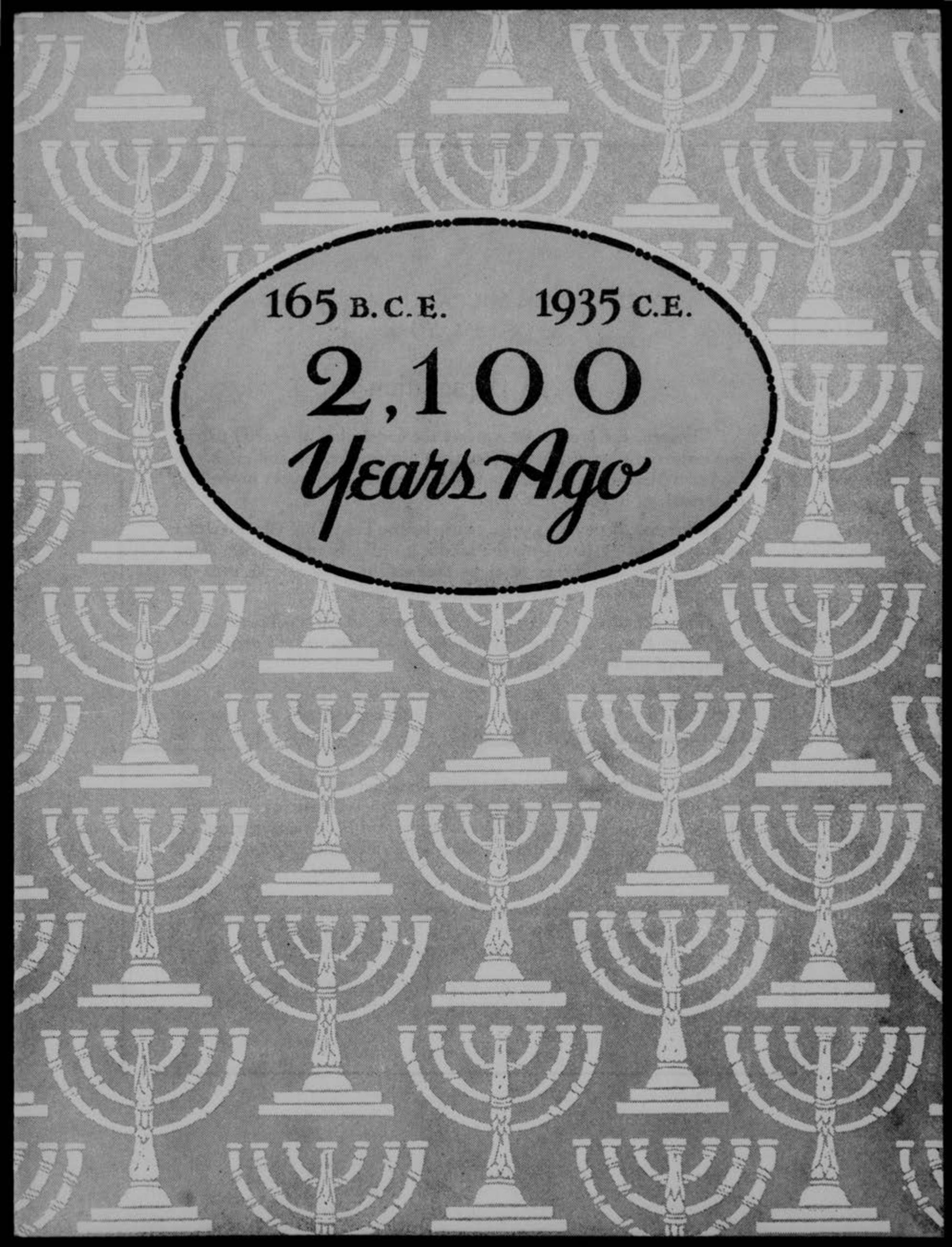
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A Resolution

Whereas, the present year marks the conclusion of exactly twenty-one centuries since the First Chanukah was proclaimed and celebrated by Judas Maccabeus with his heroic brothers and followers in the City of Jerusalem, in 165 B. C. E., and,

Whereas, throughout these centuries the Festival of Chanukah has been observed by Jews with the kindling of lights and with rejoicing, as signaling the victory of right over might, of the weak over the strong, and of civilization over barbarism, and,

Whereas, many Jews are now again the victims of cruel persecution, and Jewry throughout the world finds inspiration and strength in the memory of the Providential victory of old,

Be it resolved, that the Jewish Education Association of New York hold a jubilee celebration of this historic event to take place on Chanukah Sunday, December 22nd, 1935, at the Hotel Astor, in the City of New York; and,

Be it further resolved, that the association call upon their fellow-Jews in America and throughout the world to make fitting observance of this Millennial Anniversary as an inspiration in the struggle against oppression and for the preservation and extension of freedom and justice.

*Adopted unanimously by the Jewish Education Association
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*The Story of the Great and Glorious Victory of the
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Antiochus the Madman*

Retold in Commemoration of the 2,100th
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Judas Maccabeus in Pursuit of the Enemy
(By the famous Bible Illustrator Gustave Doré)

FOREWORD

Two thousand one hundred years! What a vast span of time! What changes mankind has undergone in the two millenia! Empires have risen and vanished, civilizations have flourished and died. The modern nations strutting upon the world-stage in pride and arrogance, are as but of yesterday.

Two thousand one hundred years ago a powerful empire, ruled by a madman, determined to crush a little people struggling to live in conformity with a law of purity and holiness. The Syrian empire of Antiochus IV set out to destroy the Jews and their Torah.

Then the few and the weak rose up and defied the many and the strong. As the descendants of those martyrs and heroes have been repeating every year since: *"Then didst Thou in Thine abundant mercy rise up for them in the time of their trouble. Thou didst plead their cause, Thou didst judge their suit, Thou didst avenge their wrong. Thou deliveredst the strong into the hands of the weak, the many into the hands of the few, the impure into the hands of the pure, the wicked into the hands of the righteous, and the arrogant into the hands of them that occupy themselves with Thy Torah."*

Exactly twenty-one centuries have elapsed since Judas Maccabeus proclaimed the First Chanukah. Should not the marvelous tale on the occasion of this millennial anniversary be retold?

Through the mists of the ages the heroes and martyrs rise up and move before us.

CHAPTER I. *In a World Enslaved by the
Glamour and Vices of Greek Civilization,
the Jews Cling to Their Own Way of Life.*



THE STORY moves against a world-background of vast proportions. Civilizations meet and clash and melt together. Empires are locked in mortal combat. The fate of humanity lies in the balance.

The time is the Second Century before the Common Era. Over the entire Mediterranean world lies the shadow of the hand of Rome. In the Orient, two other empires stand and measure each other. They are, on the north, the empire of Syria, and on the south the empire of Egypt. Little Judea, paying tribute to Syria, is a mere pawn in the forces that stand arrayed against each other.

Such, in outline, is the political background of our story. The cultural background is more simple. The world in which the events move had become saturated with the civilization of the Greeks known as Hellenism. Alexander the Great had carried it with his conquering hosts from its native Hellas or Greece to the lands of the East. The arts and customs of the Greeks had conquered the nations more thoroughly than the strategy of Alexander's generals. Without giving up their own, men now worshipped the Greek gods and goddesses: Jupiter, Dionysus, Aphrodite, and the rest; they spoke the Greek language; built Greek temples, theatres, and gymnasias; they dressed in Greek fashion, and read the Greek poets and philosophers.

The world had become Hellenized. But Hellenism meant other things besides courtly manners, statues and buildings, games, philosophy and poetry. It meant the worship of many gods, which is the mother of all vices. It meant wickedness and cruelty. It meant greed and oppression. It meant lewdness and debauchery. Hellenism was a civilization of social and individual vices overlaid with a veneer of elegance.

In this universal surrender, one people alone held out and clung to its own way of life. It was the little people called Judeans or Jews. Over many centuries and through many trials and sufferings, they had perfected this life which was based on a law and tradition they called Torah. The tradition was a divine record of glorious achievement. The law was a law of holiness and righteousness. Tradition and law made up the word of God, Who had laid a special charge upon this people

involving the destiny of all mankind. "In thee", the tradition declared, "shall all the families of the earth be blessed."

Higher and higher rose the foreign tide. It beat against Judea with all the force of its lure and glitter. Some within the Jewish nation began to give way. They preferred being little Greeks to being great Jews. They began to ape the prevailing customs, calling themselves Hellenists. But the bulk of the Jewish people stood firm. They called themselves *Chassidim* or "pious ones." Passionately they resolved to defend the Torah against the new menace.

The struggle became more and more bitter. Finally, with the rise of a new ruler, it burst into flame, and the little nation of Jews, its life and destiny imperiled, threw down the gauntlet to a huge and mighty empire.

CHAPTER II. *Foiled in His Dreams of Conquest, Antiochus the Madman Determines in His Rage to Destroy the Jewish Faith.*

 HE EMPIRE was Syria, the new ruler Antiochus IV. It was a custom for rulers in those days to append some striking additional name to their own, and Antiochus IV chose "Epiphanes", a Greek word meaning "divine." But he has come down in history as "Epimanes", which means "the madman." Antiochus set his heart on being a great conqueror. He longed especially to conquer Egypt, the empire to the south. He would thus be able to oppose a united Orient against Rome.

Like other rulers, ancient or modern, whose policy is war and ostentation, Antiochus needed huge sums of money. There came forward certain Jewish Hellenists and offered the emperor a large sum if he would confer the high-priesthood, the most exalted office in the nation, upon one of their number. Antiochus accepted the bid and named as high-priest the Hellenist Jason who began at once to Hellenize the Jewish capital. He went so far as to build a Greek gymnasium near the Temple, and did other things to please his master which shocked and outraged the zealous *Chassidim*.

But after four years Jason was dismissed in favor of a higher bidder. This was the notorious Menelaus, a rabid Hellenist and traitor, who robbed the Temple of its treasures in order to pay the price to

his master. Jerusalem became the scene of bitter strife. The *Chassidim* were determined to preserve their ancient heritage, while the traitorous high-priest did not even scruple to advise the emperor to stamp out the religion of his people.

Finally, in the year 170 B. C. E. Antiochus set out to conquer Egypt. His army swept down the coastal plain and overthrew the opposing forces, but he was unable to capture Alexandria. On the way back Antiochus stopped at Jerusalem. He robbed the Temple and had the audacity to enter the Holy of Holies where, only once a year, on Yom Kippur, the high-priest alone could enter. Two years later Antiochus again struck at Egypt. This time his humiliation was complete. A Roman emissary ordered him to leave at once and Antiochus had to obey.

Jerusalem offered the enraged monarch a convenient scapegoat. The city, he learned, had rejoiced in a rumor that he had met his end in Egypt. Antiochus unleashed his mercenaries. They fell upon the people on a Sabbath day when the *Chassidim* would not use weapons even in self-defense for fear of profaning the holy day. The city was nearly destroyed, many were massacred, women and children were sold into slavery.

Then Antiochus determined to annihilate Judaism completely. Why, he asked, should this people follow its own way of life, worship its own God, when all others had accepted the Greek gods and the Greek way of life?

In the Temple at Jerusalem Antiochus erected a statue of the principal Greek god Jupiter or Zeus. That was in the month of Kislev, 168 B. C. E. He ordered a swine to be sacrificed on the sacred altar. The lewd and drunken feast of the wine-god Dionysus was introduced into Jerusalem. The Temple and Holy City stood defiled and polluted.

Finally the tyrant issued decrees forbidding the practices of Judaism. He prohibited, on pain of death, the rite of circumcision, the observance of the Sabbath, the dietary laws, and the study of Torah. Judaism in the land of the Jews became a capital crime.

The desolation Antiochus wrought upon the land is thus described by the chronicler (1 Maccabees, I,39): "Her sanctuary was laid waste like a wilderness, her feasts were turned into mourning, her Sabbaths into reproach, her honor into contempt."

CHAPTER III. *Bitter Persecutions Fall
Upon the Faithful, Many of Whom Die
the Death of Martyrs.*



THE TYRANT and his minions enforced the decrees with brutal thoroughness. Throughout the land heathen altars were set up, and the people were compelled to witness the sacrifice of swine. The land swarmed with secret police and spies, and their victims make up a long roll of martyrs who died "for the Sanctification of God's Name". Some of these martyrs have been lovingly preserved in memory. The heroism of Hannah and her seven sons has nourished the loyalty of generations of Jewish mothers. Said one of the sons to the tyrant: "Thou hast power over men; thou art corrupt; thou dost what thou wilt; yet think not that our nation is forsaken of God".

The roll of the victims continued to mount. Mothers who had their children circumcised were crucified together with their infants. Men caught in possession of a scroll of the Torah suffered death. The policy of extirpation pursued the *Chassidim* who took refuge in the caves and secret places of the mountains. One Sabbath day, when the *Chassidim* refused to defend themselves, a thousand of them fell victim to a surprise attack of the king's soldiers.

Could little Judea hope for deliverance from a tyrant so mighty and merciless?

CHAPTER IV. *An Aged Priest Named Mat-
tathias Raises the Standard of Revolt
Against the Oppressor.*



IN A village of the Judean foothills called Modin there occurred shortly afterwards an incident of decisive importance for the fate of the Jews and, indeed, of all humanity, for, had Antiochus achieved his purpose, would not the entire course of human history have been altered? To Modin there had come from Jerusalem an old priest named Mattathias together with his five sons. They had fled from the capital when the city and Temple had been laid waste and desecrated by Antiochus.

One day a troop of the king's soldiers appeared in Modin. They set up an altar, assembled the people, and prepared the abhorrent sacrifice. The officer called on Mattathias to officiate, but the old man, surrounded by his five stalwart sons, defied him. "We will not hearken to the King's words to go from our faith either on the right hand or the left," he cried. A Jewish Hellenist then stepped forward to perform the rite. Moved by a mighty impulse the old priest stepped forward and struck the man down. There followed an affray in which the King's soldiers were put to flight by the priest's sons.

Now the deed had been done which transformed the martyrs into heroes. Mattathias raised the standard of revolt. "Whosoever is zealous of the law and maintaineth the covenant, let him follow me!" was the call he sent throughout the land. He fled to the mountains, and from all parts of the country men came and joined him. They had been waiting for the word.

Thus the revolt began which saved the Jewish people from destruction and enabled them to continue their role in the spiritual destiny of mankind. A new courage inspired the harrassed *Chassidim*. One of the first acts of the aged priest was to permit the use of weapons in self-defense even on the holy Sabbath. Issuing from their caves and retreats, the patriots appeared suddenly in towns and villages, pulled down the heathen altars, and punished the Hellenist traitors. The most skillful and intrepid of these raiders, it was noted, was Judas, the third son of Mattathias.

Not long afterwards the aged priest felt that he was about to die. He called his sons to his bedside. They were, from the eldest to the youngest, Johanan, Simon, Judas, Eleazar and Jonathan. He spoke to them and said:

"Wherefore, ye my sons, be valiant, and shew yourselves men in behalf of the law; for by it shall ye obtain glory. And, behold, I know that your brother Simon is a man of counsel, give ear unto him always: he shall be a father unto you. As for Judas Maccabeus, he hath been mighty and strong, even from his youth up: let him be your captain, and fight the battle of the people."

And having bequeathed this legacy to his sons, Mattathias died and was gathered to his people.

CHAPTER V. *Judas Maccabeus, Hero and Saint, Becomes the Leader of the Uprising.*

IT FELL to the lot of Judas to become the victorious leader in one of the most unequal and glorious contests that history records. A tiny non-military nation, which for many centuries had been content to live its own Torah-life, paying tribute to whatever political masters the play of war and intrigue imposed upon them, became suddenly transformed into a nation of fearless warriors, reckless of their lives and eager to meet the foe in mortal encounter. What brought about this transformation? First, the inspiration of their cause: they were fighting for God and His holy Law, for the right to continue their destiny as the Torah-people. Second, the example of their leader. This son of a temple priest and of a people of pacifists proved to be one of the greatest military commanders of all time. The ancient world recognized his merits by including him among the "nine worthies" who are the nine greatest military leaders of antiquity.

Judas the Maccabee, or Judas "the Hammer", was the name by which men called him, so he has come down in history as Judas Maccabeus. This is how our ancient chronicler presents him to us in a word-portrait:

Then his son Judas, called Maccabeus, rose up in his stead. And all his brethren helped him, and so did all they that held with his father, and they fought with cheerfulness the battle of Israel. So he gat his people great honour, and put on a breastplate as a giant, and girt his warlike harness about him, and he made battles, protecting the host with his sword. In his acts he was like a lion, and like a lion's whelp roaring for his prey. For he pursued the wicked, and sought them out, and burnt up those that vexed his people. Wherefore the wicked shrunk for fear of him, and all the workers of iniquity were troubled, because salvation prospered in his hand.

He grieved also many kings, and made Jacob glad with his acts, and his memorial is blessed forever. Moreover he went through the cities of Juda, destroying the ungodly out of them, and turning away wrath from Israel: so that he was renowned unto the utmost part of the earth, and he received unto him such as were ready to perish.

But not his military prowess alone has endeared him so greatly to posterity. Judas, to borrow the language of chivalry, was a knight *sans peur et sans reproche*, fearless and faultless. His career and character are untainted by ambition or vainglory. Judas Maccabeus wears on his pious head the double crown of valor and moral grandeur.

CHAPTER VI. *In a Series of Brilliant Victories Judas Proves Himself a Military Commander of the First Order.*

THE IMMEDIATE military problem that confronted Judas was apparently hopeless. How would his untrained, undisciplined and poorly-armed bands resist the onslaught of the imperial hosts of Antiochus? Soon enough the test came. From Samaria came down a Syrian force led by the Governor Appolonius who expected to make short work of the Jewish rebellion. His forces included contingents from the surrounding nations who were hostile to the Jews. Judas came up to meet them and routed them.



Palestine in the Days of Judas Maccabeus

(Courtesy "Outline of Jewish Knowledge")

In quick succession there came the victories of Beth-horon and Emmaus. At Emmaus, especially, Judas displayed all his brilliant strategy against a greatly superior army sent down by Lysias, the governor named by Antiochus to execute his will.

There came the decisive year 165 B. C. E. Lysias had heard of the defeat of his armies with amazement and dismay, but he resolved to try again. What would become of the Syrian Empire if it acknowledged defeat at the hands of little Judea? So, in the spring of that fateful year, he assembled an even greater host which, coming down from the north, swung into southern Judea and made for Jerusalem, with the apparent intention of sweeping the hill country clear of the Maccabean contingents and carrying out his master's command to exterminate the Jewish people or sell them into bondage. But Judas already had an army of 10,000 veterans, and although they were but a small fraction of the strength of the foe, the leader decided to attack. The battle was fought at Beth-zur. The mercenaries of Antiochus were unable to withstand the reckless daring of the Jewish patriots. They broke and fled before them, leaving five thousand slain on the battlefield.

CHAPTER VII. *In 165 B. C. E., Exactly
Twenty-one Centuries Ago, Judas Restores
the Temple and Celebrates the First
Chanukah.*



OW CAME a lull in the fighting and, although Judas was well aware that the final victory was not yet won, he resolved to perform an act which would proclaim to all men that, by the will of Providence and the valor of her sons, the Jewish people and faith had been saved.

Early in the month of Kislev of that year (165 B. C. E.) he took his forces to Jerusalem. He entered the Holy City and went up to the Temple. The sanctuary was deserted and in ruins. Shrubs grew in the courts. The statue of Zeus, the "desolation of abomination", still stood on the altar.

"And when", says the chronicle, "they saw the sanctuary desolate, and the altar profaned, and the gates burned up, and shrubs growing in the courts as in a forest, or in one of the mountains, yea, and the priests' chambers pulled down; they rent their clothes and made great lamentation, and cast ashes upon their heads. And fell down flat to the ground upon their faces, and blew an alarm with the trumpets, and cried toward heaven".

In little more than three weeks, from the third day of Kislev to the twenty-fifth, the Judean warriors restored and purified the Temple. Then, on the twenty-fifth, came the Day of Dedication with sacrifice offered upon a new altar, "with songs and citherns and harps and cymbals . . . decking the Temple walls with crowns of gold and with shields."

For eight days the sacred Festival continued. And Judas ordained that forever after the eight days beginning with the twenty-fifth day of the month of Kislev shall be kept by Jews in all their habitations as the Festival of Dedication or Chanukah.

*CHAPTER VIII. After Many More Battles
and Struggles the Jews, Led by the Mac-
cabean Brothers, Win Their Independence*



THE EIGHT days of rejoicing in the First Chanukah were over, and Judas began preparations for the new battles which he saw would not be long in coming. The struggle went on for many years. Judas fortified the Temple and the City. He fortified Beth-zur and conducted many campaigns against the hostile neighbors of Judea. He defeated all of them swiftly and thoroughly: Idumeans, Philistines, Phoenicians and Ammonites. News now came that King Antiochus was dead in distant Persia.

In 163 B. C. E. Judas again had to meet an overwhelming force sent down by Lysias. This time the Syrians had a large troop of fighting elephants. Judas met them at Beth-zachariah. There, his brother Eleazar, believing the new emperor to be riding on one of the beasts, made his way through the battle, crouched beneath the elephant, and brought him down but was crushed by the huge bulk. Judas was forced to retreat behind his Temple walls.

The struggle continued. The imperial capital of Antioch seethed with bloody political rivalries. More than once these palace conflicts brought the Jews respite. In the Holy City, Judas had to guard against the Hellenist traitors as well as hostile armies.

The struggle continued. In 161 B. C. E. Judas won his most brilliant victory. At Adasa he defeated the bloody and arrogant Nicanor whom a new emperor had sent down to crush the Maccabean brothers. Judas sent ambassadors to Rome who concluded a treaty of alliance with the mighty empire of the west.

Two Thousand One Hundred Years Ago

But the Romans were in no hurry with assistance, so the struggle went on. The odds grew more desperate. Finally, in the year 160 B. C. E., came a tragic turn of fortune. At a place called Eleasa, Judas found himself facing a huge Syrian host before which his own forces melted away. It was the great warrior's last battle. A little band of some eight hundred men was left to the Maccabean brothers. The enemy fell in heaps about them, but the band dwindled. As the sun sank into the Western Sea, Judas fell, and the precious life was extinguished. In the night the three brothers who still remained, Jonathan, Simon and Johanan, carried him away through the hills to the village of Modin and laid him beside their father Mattathias.

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The struggle continued. First under Jonathan, then under Simon, the fortunes of the Jews rose and fell, then rose again. The record reveals a welter of intrigue and treachery in the imperial capital. The Maccabean leaders took advantage of their opportunities, and by sword and diplomacy, under the leadership of Simon, the last of the great brothers, the independence of Judea was achieved. It was in the year 142 B. C. E. that a new emperor, Demitrius II, freed Judea from all taxes and tribute. A decree was issued making Simon "prince and high-priest" of the nation. As further proof of his independence, Simon struck his own coins. He was king of the Jewish nation in everything but name, and some forty years afterwards, (103 B. C. E.), the name also was assumed by his descendants of the Hasmonean dynasty.

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Such, briefly told, is the story of the great struggle. The Jewish faith and people were saved. The menace of Hellenism, with Syria as its instrument, was defeated, and today, Twenty-one centuries later, in a time that is also dark with trial and tribulation, Jews kindle the lights of Chanukah to mark the victory of right over might, of righteousness over wickedness, "of the few and the weak against the many and the strong."

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MASTER!

Migration to Palestine Now at 2,000 Per Month

Georg Landauer Tells of Work There for Jews Fleeing Reich

Dr. Georg Landauer, who heads the central bureau for settling German Jews in Palestine, is sailing tonight to return to Palestine after a two-week stay here, during which he explained the task to American-Jewish organizations.

Some 20,000 German Jews have migrated to Palestine, he said, since Hitler came to power, and the rate of departure continues to increase.

Last year's monthly average was 1,000, he said, but this has grown recently to 2,000. On his way back to Palestine he will stop over in Berlin to arrange facilitation of this exodus.

Hardship for Youth

German-born and long a lawyer in his native country, he left there last year and has taken Palestinian citizenship.

A particular difficulty, he said, lies in the transference of unmarried women and girls to a new life in Palestine.

Under new Nazi decrees favoring employment of persons over twenty-five, the lot of Jewish youth has become harder. While other youth can enlist in labor corps, this course is not open to the Jew.

The Women's International Zionist Organization, a world-wide society, is looking after the settlement of such women on farms. But the Women's League for Palestine of America has had to take on single-handed the job of settling women in the cities in such industry as there is.

Danger for Women

"The dangers that lay before such women and girls arriving alone in Oriental harbor cities, with their mixed population, is obvious.

"The Women's League is to be commended for its accomplishments in providing a refuge in Haifa, where the girls are given homes, taught trades and found jobs before being sent out on their own."



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