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February 27, 1950

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

At a meeting of Bronx United Jewish Appeal leaders last night, plans for an unprecedented effort on behalf of our 1950 drive were discussed at length, and it was the unanimous decision to invite you to be the guest speaker at a borough-wide dinner on some date between May 15th and 18th, according to your convenience.

Your presence on that occasion will be a distinct honor for our community and your message will be of the utmost importance in our efforts to help bring our homeless people to Israel.

Most gratefully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Harry Stackell".

Harry Stackell, Chairman
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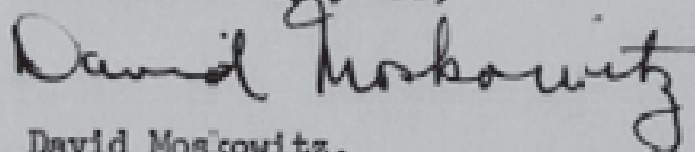
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The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have been asked by the officers of
The Bronx U.J.A. Committee to write you this
letter urging your acceptance of their invitation to
address a dinner function.

As I am anxious to cooperate with the
U.J.A., I therefore ask you - should you have no
other engagement - to attend the U.J.A. function
in The Bronx.

Most sincerely yours,



David Moskowitz,
President.

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March 5, 1950

Mr. Harry Stackell
Bronx County Building
851 Grand Concourse
Bronx, New York

My dear Mr. Stackell:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of February 27th and for your invitation to address your meeting in connection with the Bronx United Jewish Appeal on some date between May 15th and May 18th. That period happened to be the Centennial celebration week of my Temple. Our Centennial Service will be on May 14th and the week will be climaxed with a banquet on May 18th. However, much I should like to come to you, it is not possible to come within the period indicated in your letter.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILJEL SILVER

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March 17, 1950

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Our Region is holding its Annual Convention at Monsey, N.Y. during the week-end of either June 10 or June 17.

We would be greatly honored if you would be our guest at the closing dinner which will take place on Sunday evening, and address our delegates on the issues that face the forthcoming ZOA Convention and also the World Zionist Congress. In choosing the exact date we shall be guided by your preference and by the date more convenient to you.

We look forward to your favorable reply.

Sincerely yours,

I. Usher Kirshblum

RABBI I. USHER KIRSHBLUM
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

Although twice before you were unable to accept my invitation to address a Bronx rally, I am trying again.

This time it is the Annual Conference of the Bronx Zionist Region scheduled to begin Friday (before Shabbath) June 2nd, and ending Sunday afternoon June 4th. It will be held at a mountain resort known as Mt. Freedom, N. J., five miles outside of Morristown. We have engaged the Salts Hotel which offers luxurious accommodations so that our members may not only deliberate on their Regional and National problems but also play, pray, and even relax together.

We should be greatly honored if you and Mrs. Silver would be with us for the entire period. All we ask of you is to deliver one address. For the rest of the period you may consider yourself on vacation and just enjoy a week-end with your Bronx fellow-Zionists who always stood by you, and still regard you as the greatest Zionist leader of our times.

Very sincerely yours,

David Moskowitz
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April 3, 1950

Mr. David Moskowitz, President
Bronx Zionist Region
40 West Burnside Avenue
Bronx 53, New York

My dear Friend:

I deeply appreciate your letter of March 22nd inviting me to attend the annual conference of the Bronx Zionist Region over the weekend of June 2nd. I should really want to come to you, but I again find myself in the position where I am compelled to decline. The Centennial celebration of The Temple is in May, plus the Confirmation exercises scheduled for May 22nd, plus the fact that I have already accepted an invitation to address the New England Zionist Region Convention on May 28th and a meeting in New York during the middle of May, making it absolutely impossible for me to take on additional responsibilities. There is just so much that a man can do, and I am afraid that I am doing a little too much. I am sure that you will understand, and I do hope that I may be able to be of service to you at some future occasion.

With all good wishes for a very happy Passover, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Rabbi Abbel Hibel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver, Will you honor us and
our Guest of Honor by giving the Benediction
at this Testimonial Dinner to Mrs. Eleanor
Roosevelt.

I know that your presence would mean
to her and to all the guests assembled.

It would be a blessing, indeed.

With Love that I may personally greet you.

Respectfully yours,
Bertrude Ammerman

THE JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF AMERICA
NORTHEAST CORNER, BROADWAY AND 122ND STREET
NEW YORK 27, N. Y.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 5, 1950

Dear Rabbi Silver:

During the week beginning July 3rd, the Seminary is convoking an Institute on the Future of Judaism. This Institute, which is being arranged at the request of the Rabbinical Assembly, will devote itself this year to the problem of the status of the Jews as a people.

The issue has, of course, been sharpened through the emergence of the State of Israel and the necessity of clarifying the relationship of Jews throughout the world to their respective communities as well as to Israel.

As you know, Professor Mordecai Kaplan has, like yourself, been giving considerable thought to this issue. He has drafted a paper which I am sending you separately and which you may use in any way you desire in preparing your own statement.

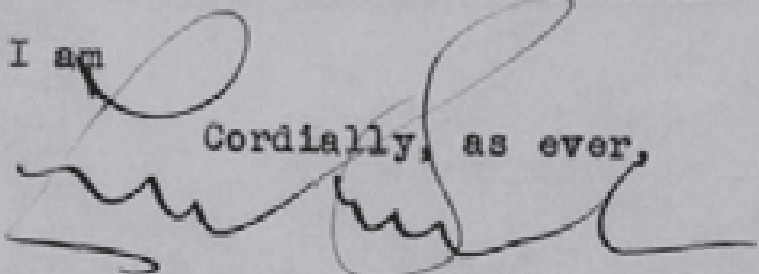
The Institute will be attended by members of the Rabbinical Assembly and others especially invited. We would like to have one seminar during the week arranged on the basis of the paper which we hope you will be willing to prepare.

The Seminary will, of course, be glad to reimburse you for your expenses in attending this Institute.

Do let me know whether you can be with us and if so which day during the week of July 3rd would be most convenient.

With warmest regards, I am

Cordially, as ever,


Louis Finkelstein

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

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April 11, 1950

Dr. Louis Finkelstein
Jewish Theological Seminary
Boardway and 122nd Street
New York 27, New York

My dear Friend:

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to participate in the Institute on the Future of Judaism which you are holding during the week beginning July 3rd. It would give me real pleasure indeed to attend this institute and to exchange ideas with those who will be there on this vital subject. As it is, however, Mrs. Silver and I will probably leave the country during the first week of July for a much needed rest.

This has been a very hard year for me. Centennial activities at The People added to its normal activities, plus many other commitments in and out of town have been quite a drain upon me, and I am eager for a good rest. It will, therefore, not be possible for me to avail myself of your gracious invitation. I do hope that I may be able to be of service to you at some future time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

April 11, 1950

Rabbi I. Usher Kirshblum
Long Island Zionist Region
161-10 Jamaica Avenue
Jamaica 2, New York

Dear Rabbi Kirshblum:

This afternoon Dr. Silver received a call from your organization requesting a reply to your kind letter of March 17th. Dr. Silver stated that a letter had been sent to you a few weeks ago expressing his regrets at being unable to accept your gracious invitation. Due to pressure of work and through an office oversight, I find that that letter never went out, and I am hastening to express my deep apologies.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver

April 11, 1950

Mrs. Benjamin Ammerman
Hotel Park Sheraton
New York 19, New York

My dear Mrs. Ammerman:

Thank you for your kind note of April 4th inviting me to give the Benediction at the Testimonial Dinner to Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt. In your note, however, you neglected to mention the date of the dinner.

I must tell you that although I would be very pleased to comply with your request, it is unlikely that I shall be able to leave Cleveland within the next two months since my Temple is celebrating its Centennial Anniversary this year and the activities surrounding the celebration will reach their climax during the month of May.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HELEL SILVER

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April 13, 1950.

My Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple, Cleveland, O.

My dear Mr. Silver, I do so regret that I failed to mention the date of Mrs. Roosevelt's dinner - but I thought I had had an invitation which had all the information. As you see, the affair is May 1st.

Words of mine can adequately express how much we desire your attendance at this occasion. You are such a great orator and such a great Jew - and such a great Philanthropist - that a man of your stature should grace our dais on the night when we recognize and honor a great woman. The Benediction is only incidental. I had hoped to call upon you for your words of wisdom and encouragement - your speech would inspire our members of United Order True Sisters - of which we are a part - the Brooklyn Lodge of this national Jewish women's organization. Won and seen the Great Settlement.

Other great people will be there. Mrs. Booth, Mrs. Mame Kendler, Dr. Ralph Bunche and Bernard Baruch - will you make an effort and

Let us celebrate this "I am an American Day" in a truly
American fashion.

We will assign the benediction to some one else - we
want you as our Guest Speaker.

Trust my entreaties will reach you and that you will
yield.

With warmest personal greetings, I remain,

Cordially yours,

Esther Amington
Chairman



Williamsburg Settlement
and
Brooklyn Philanthropic League
United Order True Sisters

cordially invite you to attend

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to

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at their

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The previous recipients of our Award were:-
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April 11, 1950

Mrs. Benjamin Ammerman
Park Sheraton Hotel
New York 19, New York

My dear Mrs. Ammerman:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter. I deeply appreciate your invitation to be present at the dinner honoring Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt and to participate in the program. It would have given me great honor indeed if I were free to accept this invitation. As it is, Sunday evening, May 21st, is the beginning of the holiday of Shabbath, and on the following morning is Confirmation, and my presence will, of course, be required in Cleveland over the holiday.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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April 18, 1950

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 106th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland 5, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Many thanks for your note explaining that because of your Temple's Centennial Celebration you cannot accept our invitation for the week of May 15th.

Our committee has discussed the matter and has decided to postpone our meeting to Sunday, June 11, 1950 for breakfast at 10:00 A.M., which we trust will meet with your convenience. On this occasion we hope to secure additional contributions and to stimulate the volunteers to contact their prospects by the end of June.

The members of my committee join me in extending sincere felicitations on the Centennial Celebration of your Temple, as well as our sincere best wishes that under your leadership it may continue to prosper.

Sincerely,

Harry Stackell, Chairman
Bronx Division

April 20, 1950

Judge Harry Stackell
851 Grand Concourse
Bronx County 51, New York

My dear Judge Stackell;

Thank you for your letter of April 18th and your kind invitation to address the Bronx Division on Sunday, June 11th. I wish I were free to accept. Unfortunately, on that day I am scheduled to be in Cincinnati, Ohio, to address the Central Conference of American Rabbis as their annual convention. I hope that at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Following the personal invitation extended you in our behalf by Messrs. Weinstein and Michelson in Boston last Sunday, it gives me great pleasure to extend to you a formal invitation to be our honored guest and to address our JEWISH EDUCATION YEAR DINNER, to be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Astor Hotel at New York City, Sunday evening, December 3, 1950. We expect over 1,000 distinguished citizens from all walks of life and the proceedings will be broadcast.

American Jewish leadership, in common with the leadership of other religious groups, has always shared its deep faith in the value of religious education as a major safeguard of democracy. American Jews have always been aware that the Jewish people can contribute most to American cultural life and citizenship by raising their children informed in, and devoted to their religious heritage.

The American Association for Jewish Education has set aside 1950 as JEWISH EDUCATION YEAR in order to review the accomplishments of Jewish education during the past 50 years and to stimulate the acceptance by our Jewish communities of Jewish education as a primary responsibility in the years to come.

In order to promote community interest in the subject, educational forces in 38 communities of this country will hold celebrations, meetings and dinners. Our New York leadership is confident that its function will be the finest and most publicized of all, and will highlight the accomplishments of the Association in the field of Jewish education.

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By addressing this Dinner, you will not only be able to expound your views on Jewish education, so much looked for by Jewish leadership at large, but you will also be able, as the first President of the Cleveland Bureau of Jewish Education, to emphasize the importance of community responsibility for Jewish education.

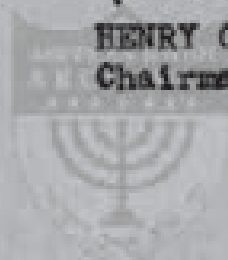
We hope and trust that your calendar will permit your attendance and we look forward most impatiently to your early, favorable response.

With warmest of greetings and best of wishes I am

Sincerely yours,

Henry Clay Greenberg

HENRY CLAY GREENBERG
Chairman, New York Chapter



June 23, 1950

Mr. Henry Clay Greenberg
Chairman, New York Chapter
American Assn. for Jewish Education
1776 Broadway
New York 19, New York

My dear Mr. Greenberg:

Permit me to thank you for your invitation to address your Jewish Education Year Dinner on Sunday evening, December 3rd. While my schedule for that particular season of the year, around Chanukah, is a crowded one, I shall be very pleased to be with you on that occasion. I shall have to be in my own pulpit that morning, which means that I shall have to fly to New York in the afternoon. I trust that the weather will not make it impossible for me to keep my engagement with you.

I assume that you wish me to deliver the address on that occasion, and that I will not be sandwiched in with a lot of other people on the program which, unfortunately, is my fate on so many other occasions. I should like to receive in due time a copy of the full program for the occasion.

Wishing you every success and looking forward with pleasure to the occasion, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
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Dear Dr. Silver:

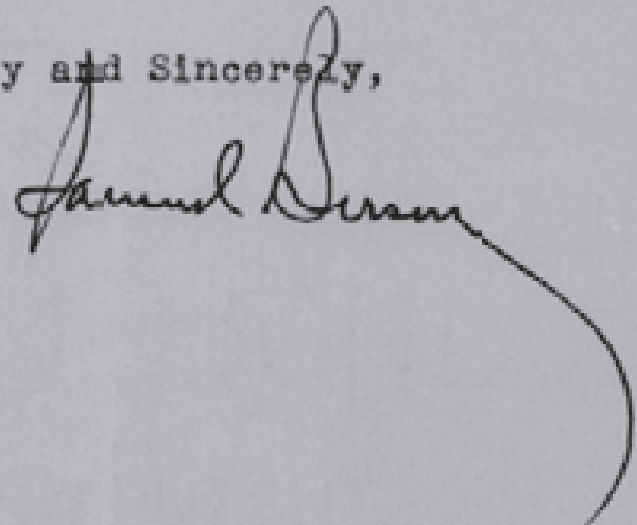
I was extremely pleased over your acceptance to be the guest speaker at the Jewish Education dinner on December 3rd, 1950.

At last year's function, we had as guest speakers Dr. Abram Sachar and Senator Paul Douglas of Illinois. This year, the platform is all yours.

Our annual function attracts many educators and community leaders of the New York metropolitan area, as well as from distant points. Your participation this year encourages us to work with even greater zeal for this function and the cause it represents.

I am sorry that for reasons of health, I cannot be at the Z.O.A. convention, where I would have the pleasure of seeing you.

Cordially and Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Samuel Berson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

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HENRY CLAY GREENBERG
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July 7, 1950

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It is with deep appreciation that as chairman of the New York Chapter of the American Association for Jewish Education I acknowledge your acceptance of our invitation to attend and address our Jewish Education Year Dinner in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Astor at New York, Sunday evening, December 3.

I hasten to assure you that in keeping with our policy, not more than two speakers are invited to appear on our program each year. Last year, Senator Paul H. Douglas and Dr. Abram L. Sachar addressed our gathering. This year, in view of the importance of the address to be tendered, and the large attendance expected, our Committee decided that you should be the only speaker to address our gathering.

With the added hope that Mrs. Silver will join you as our guest, we have reserved accommodations at the Hotel Astor for both of you.

This year's program will be mailed to you as soon as it comes from the press.

With many thanks for your good wishes and looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Henry Clay Greenberg
Henry Clay Greenberg

BRONX ZIONIST REGION

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
260 East 161st Street
Bronx 51, New York
Melrose 5-0020

August 3rd, 1950

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Since June of this year, I have been serving as President of the Bronx Zionist Region, and it was my hope at Chicago to address a request to you in person, which I must regretfully make by way of letter now.

I seek to learn whether it will be possible for you to be our principal guest and speaker at the annual dinner of the Bronx Zionist Region, which is planned to be held during the month of January, 1951. No specific date has been set until I consult your convenience. The preferable dates are Wednesday, January 17th or 24th.

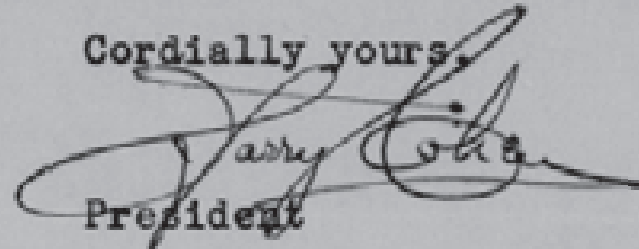
I confess that I extend the invitation with trepidation, recognizing the tremendous demands which must be made upon your time and energy; however, to the Bronx you are and remain among American Zionists the architect of Jewish statehood, and it is a source of keenest regret that distance separates us as it does. That is why, on an occasion such as this, when all of our forty districts participate, it would be so meaningful to your hosts of friends and admirers in the Bronx to be honored with your presence.

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We leave it to you to give us your choice of the preferred date in January. On receipt of your response, we shall proceed with our arrangements.

With every good wish, I remain

Cordially yours,


President

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September 8, 1960

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

May I wish you and your family a very happy and healthy New Year. May the year 5711 usher in an era of peace and good will for all mankind.

Looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you at the forthcoming Dinner of the American Association for Jewish Education, Chanukah Eve, December 3rd, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Henry Clay Greenberg
Henry Clay Greenberg

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BRONX ZIONIST REGION

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
260 East 161st Street
Bronx 51, New York.
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October 10th, 1950

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

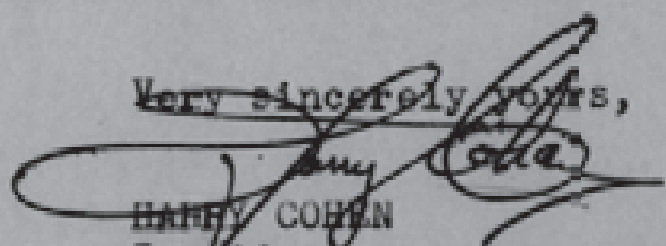
May I ask you to favor me with word, at this time, as to whether you can accept our invitation to be the guest of the Bronx Zionist Region at its Annual Dinner. The urgency of your response at this time arises from the fact that this coming Sunday morning there will be a breakfast under Regional auspices at which our fund-raising plans will be outlined, and the announcement of your attendance will, of course, be a matter of first importance.

A choice of two dates is open to you, as I have made tentative reservations for the ballroom of the hotel for both dates. They are Wednesday, January 24th and 31st, 1951.

I wish you might have been present last week when Mortimer May and Dr. Emanuel Neumann attended our Regional installation. Either of them, I am sure, will vouch for the inspirational character of the meeting and the enthusiastic reception they received. I can only add that it can only be exceeded by a visit from Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

Would you wire me collect so that I may have early knowledge of your acceptance.

Very sincerely yours,


HARRY COHEN
President

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
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October 30th, 1950

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
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My dear Dr. Silver:

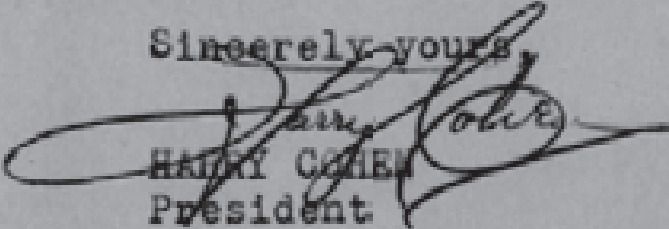
May I thank you sincerely for your kindness in accepting the invitation to be our guest at the Annual Dinner of the Bronx Zionist Region tendered to our District Presidents, and to be held on Wednesday, January 24th, 1951, at the Concourse Plaza Hotel.

I realize fully the personal inconvenience and sacrifice involved, but you might have been repaid in slight measure had you been present last night at a Zionist rally in the Bronx of some 1500 and seen the fever of excitement when I told them that the principal American architect of the Jewish State planned to be our guest.

You may recall, dear Dr. Silver, that two years ago in a column in the "Jewish Review" which I sent you, I said that the pens which had been recently bestowed by the President elsewhere were really given in trust for you who had led and won the fight. I am delighted to see that our National Executive is giving clear indication that in the struggle which lies ahead for our movement, it has not forgotten the power and distinction of your leadership.

Once again, my heartfelt thanks.

Sincerely yours,


HARRY COHEN
President

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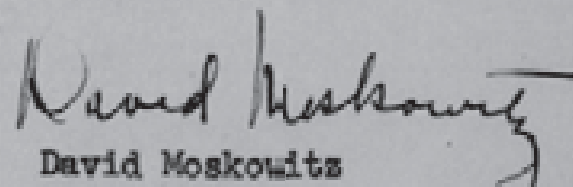
Dear Dr. Silver:

I was most happy to learn from Mr. Harry Cohen that you have finally accepted to address the annual dinner of the Bronx Zionist Region on January 24th.

The purpose of this letter is to ask an additional favor which I am sure will be small to you but exceedingly important to me. May I have the copy of your official acceptance to the function on January 24th? I assure you I shall be most proud to possess it.

I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Sincerely yours,


David Moskowitz

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 106th St. at Ansel Road
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

Now that we are close to the date of our Jewish Education Year Dinner of December 3rd, our committee would like to make arrangements for the details of the program and your expected attendance.

From all indications we shall have a most distinguished and capacity gathering from all walks of Jewish life in New York City, in the Main Ballroom of the Hotel Astor. The press and radio will give wide coverage to the event and a fine musical program is being arranged in keeping with the Chanukah spirit.

Although our program has not been printed as yet, a tentative program is enclosed for your information and guidance. As soon as we shall have the printed form, we shall send a copy to you.

As you already know, our New York Chapter Dinner is part of a nationwide observance of JEWISH EDUCATION YEAR, proclaimed by the American Association for Jewish Education in order to review the accomplishments of Jewish education during the past 50 years and to stimulate the acceptance of our Jewish communities of Jewish education as a primary responsibility in the years to come.

At the same time, the Dinner is being tendered in tribute to Judge Jonah J. Goldstein for his leadership in bringing to all levels of Jewish life an understanding of the urgency and the importance of Jewish education as a foundation for the future of American Jewry.



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By addressing this Dinner, you will not only be able to expound your views on Jewish education, so much looked for by Jewish leadership at large, but you will also be able, as the first President of the Cleveland Bureau of Jewish Education, to emphasize the importance of community responsibility for Jewish education.

Our committee would like to extend to you and Mrs. Silver our most cordial invitation to be our guests for the weekend of the Dinner and we have set aside a suite at the Hotel Astor for your use. The committee realizes that your calendar calls for your attendance at your Congregation on Sunday morning, December 3rd, but feels confident that your congregants will understand the uncertainty of weather and air-service at that time of the year and would urge your leaving for New York sooner; if not Friday, then at least Saturday night.

We would be most appreciative of your advising us of your preference in transportation and date and time for your departure and return to Cleveland. Arrangements will then be made by our committee for your convenience. So that we may guide ourselves, may we hear from you soon?

Please be assured of the gratitude of all connected with the American Association for Jewish Education, for your courtesy and consideration. Mr. Berson extends to you his personal appreciation for your helpfulness.

With warmest greetings and looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you at the Hotel Astor, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Henry Clay Greenberg

HENRY CLAY GREENBERG
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P.S. Should you desire any background material in relation to this event, I am ~~enclosing~~^{enclosing} herewith a few brochures for this purpose.

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

We cordially invite you to address the banquet of the National Conference to Defend the Bill of Rights, which is to be held at the Pythian Plaza, 135 West 70th Street, New York City, on Saturday evening, December 2nd, at 7:00 P.M. Enclosed is a copy of the Call and Program of the National Conference, as well as a statement of policy for the Conference.

The arrest and detention without bail of some 4' non-citizens throughout the country during the past few weeks is a danger signal for all of us, particularly since the Department of Justice action was accompanied by midnight raids and indignities unheard of since the Palmer Raids of 1920. These outrageous arrests of non-citizens who have been legal residents in this country for 25 to 45 years illustrates how the McCarran Law is already being used to destroy basic American rights and makes the Conference particularly timely.

We hope that your schedule will permit you to address the banquet and would greatly appreciate hearing from you.

With many thanks for your cooperation,

Sincerely yours,

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Rev. John W. Darr, Jr.
American Committee for Protection
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23 West 26th Street
New York 10, New York

My dear Rev. Darr:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of November 14th
and for your invitation. I regret that it will not be pos-
sible for me to be with you on December 2nd.

With best wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

November 16, 1950

Hon. Henry Clay Greenberg
American Assn. for Jewish Education
1776 Broadway
New York 19, New York

Dear Judge Greenberg:

With reference to Rabbi Silver's visit to New York on December 3rd, he will arrive in New York at 4:15 p.m. via United Air Lines and will proceed directly to the Astor Hotel. I have already arranged for his return transportation so that it will not be necessary for you to do so.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

We regret that you will be unable to address our National Conference to Defend the Bill of Rights.

However, we hope you will send a message which will be read to the assembled delegates.

With many thanks for your cooperation,

Sincerely yours,

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November 22, 1950.

Dear Dr. Silver:

One of your colleagues in the work in the United Palestine Appeal and then in the United Jewish Appeal, Mr. High Salpeter, serves as the President of our Congregation.

Sunday On the 1st of April, 1951 we will tender him a testimonial dinner for distinguished services rendered to the Temple. Such a dinner would not be complete without his associate of many years standing as the guest speaker.

The dinner will take place at the Plaza Hotel in New York City and we would like to extend this cordial invitation to you to be our guest speaker at that time.

We hope to hear favorably from you. Many thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Jacob B. Gersten
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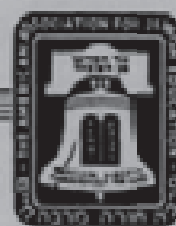
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

As the individual charged with promotional activities for the American Association for Jewish Education, I was very pleased indeed to learn that you will address the JEWISH EDUCATION YEAR DINNER of our New York Chapter, at the Hotel Astor on Sunday, December 3.

If it is at all possible, may I request that you forward to me, at your very earliest convenience, a copy of the text of your address. As I am sure you will understand, this is needed both for the preparation of newspaper releases on the Dinner and for additional work on the publication of that text which is planned by our New York Chapter.

If you do not expect to have the text of your address prepared sufficiently in advance of the "inner, may I ask that you forward to me two or three paragraphs setting forth the major points which you expect to make on December 3. This will serve as a minimum basis for newspaper data.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Milton F. Roseman, Director
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

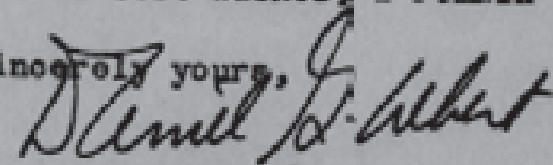
May I reiterate once again how grateful our Committee and all connected with the Association are for your eloquent and inspirational address, delivered at our Jewish Education Year Dinner last Sunday evening. We shall always cherish the memory and appreciate your kindness.

Enclosed is a draft of your address which you so kindly suggested that you would edit and return to us at your earliest convenience. We should like to distribute your address throughout the country as soon as possible.

At the same time I am taking the liberty of enclosing a check to cover your out of pocket expenses in connection with your trip. Should we have underestimated them, please advise us, as our Committee feels that your attendance was more than a sufficient and generous contribution to the Association.

With warmest personal greetings and best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,



Daniel G. Albert, Chairman
Dinner Committee

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December 6, 1950

Mr. Daniel G. Albert
American Association for Jewish Education
1776 Broadway
New York 19, New York

My dear Mr. Albert:

I am returning herewith the corrected copy of the address which I delivered before the American Association for Jewish Education last Sunday evening. I added to it on page 15 a paragraph which I indicated I would have included if time had permitted. The paragraph is essential to elaborate the thought which I make at that point.

I enjoyed my meeting very much indeed.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ARBA HILLEL SILVER

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December 12, 1950

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Albert has turned over to me the edited text of your speech at the recent dinner of the New York Chapter of the American Association. I am proceeding with preparations to publish it in pamphlet form, and I should like your opinion on the title which recommends itself to me. That title is: "Cultural Sterility or Creative Survival". As you will recall, you deal with these concepts throughout the address and they are particularly stressed on pages 7 and 8 of your revised manuscript; I have taken the precise words from those pages.

Please let me know if that title is satisfactory.

Very sincerely yours,

Milton F. Roseman
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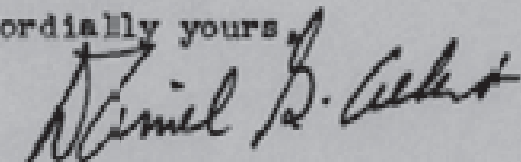
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I wish to thank you for the corrected copy of your address before the American Association for Jewish Education. I have turned it over to the director of our Promotions Department for printing and distribution throughout the country.

May I once again reiterate our deepest thanks to you and convey our warmest best wishes.

Cordially yours



Daniel G. Albert
Chairman, Dinner Committee



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Schools which have contributed to the American Association through the *Keren Ami* in 1950 include:

Connecticut—Congregation Bnai Jacob, New Haven; *Florida*—Jacksonville Jewish Center; Beth David, Miami; Beth Shalom, Miami Beach. *Illinois*—

Board of Jewish Education, Chicago; Jewish Federation of Southern Illinois, East St. Louis.

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Unity for Jewish Education

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Ezekiel had in the Remnant of the exile.

We who have participated in this conference have, by such participation, affirmed the faith of Jeremiah and Ezekiel that only by Jewish education and Jewish living can we sustain our character as members of the Remnant; for the quality of the Remnant is spiritual and not physical, universal and not local.

The Jews in the United States, even more than our forefathers in Babylon, are free to live as citizens and at the same time as members of the Remnant. We can be and are Americans and Jews at one and the same time.

Our faith in democracy, our devotion to the insights of our prophets, our will to live as Americans and as Jews, our belief that we, too, belong to the Remnant—this complex of thoughts, loyalties and faiths brought us together at a national conference on Jewish education; its success vindicates our faith, devotion, belief and will.

Stavitsky Issues Appeal For Membership in AAJE To Implement Conference

An appeal for membership in the American Association for Jewish Education, to translate the promise of the National Conference on Jewish Education into an active nation-wide movement on behalf of Jewish education, was made by Michael A. Stavitsky, A.A.J.E. president, at the conclusion of the Conference.

"We are faced with the real potential of placing Jewish education at the very center of our community life," Mr. Stavitsky declared. He urged all persons who understand the vital importance of Jewish education to enroll as members of the American Association and to bring home to their friends the importance of such membership.

Membership in the American Association is available at \$5, \$10 and \$25 a year and may be secured by completing and sending in the coupon below.

American Association for
Jewish Education
1776 Broadway N. Y. 19, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

Please enroll me as a member
of the American Association for
Jewish Education for 1951. I
enclose \$.....

Name

Address

Survival Rests on Jewish Education, Silver Declares at New York Dinner

The American Jewish community will not survive unless it is based directly upon a strong and vital structure of Jewish faith and Jewish education, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, outstanding Jewish leader and former president of the Zionist Emergency Council, declared at the Jewish Education Year Dinner sponsored by the New York Chapter of the American Association for Jewish Education on December 3, 1950.

More than 500 leaders in Jewish community affairs attended the dinner, held in honor of Judge Jonah J. Goldstein, honorary chairman of the Chapter. Speakers included Michael A. Stavitsky, president of the Association; Justice Henry Clay Greenberg, Chapter chairman; Judge Goldstein and Daniel G. Albert, toastmaster.

"The American Jewish community will be centered in Judaism or it will not survive, Dr. Silver stated. "It will be as an ethnic-religious community that it will carry on on the American scene, or it will disintegrate in the course of time. Our concentration in the last generation upon philanthropy, foreign relief and civil defense has persuaded many Jews that these represent the totality of Judaism, and that they are the true means of our survival. This is a dangerous delusion. These activities are commendable and necessary, but Jewish life in America will wither unless it sends its roots deep down into the rich soil of Jewish faith and Jewish learning."

Pointing out that "the state is steadily moving in on all fields of social and welfare services," Dr. Silver declared that the importance of specifically Jewish agencies in these fields will progressively diminish. Likewise, he said, "campaigns for foreign relief will not continue indefinitely, and they cannot be counted upon to keep Jewish life permanently mobilized. Without a vital religion and a replenishing Jewish education and scholarship, the American Jewish community will linger on as a waning and decaying residuum of the past until some unforeseen storm breaks over it and shatters it beyond repair."

Mr. Stavitsky told the dinner guests that Jewish Education Year had been proclaimed by the American Association in order to encourage Jewish communities to review their achievements of the past half-century, and to plan

progress by raising standards and deepening Jewish community responsibility for Jewish education in the United States. He reported that observances of Jewish Education Year had been held in major communities throughout the country during 1950, to culminate in the National Conference on Jewish Education.

Justice Greenberg presented a testimonial scroll to Judge Goldstein, in tribute to "his many years of outstanding leadership in Jewish affairs, both in New York City and throughout the nation, devoted to the great principle that Jewish education is a fitting and necessary complement to the American system of democratic public education."

Dr. Silver, in his address, declared: "The wise architects of the future of the American Jewish community will do well to strengthen the central and indispensable institution of the Jewish community, the synagogue, which is also the school. If the synagogue is to become the institution primarily responsible for the survival of the American Jewish community, then it must drastically reorient itself. It must shift its emphasis from a place of worship to a place of serious religious education, far more extensive and intensive than anything we have so far achieved. Our Sunday Schools are simply not preparing Jews for the kind of American Jewish community which we have in mind."

Pointing out that "no Jewish community ever survived for long which ignored Hebrew," Dr. Silver said that "failure to teach the Hebrew language in our schools is consigning the future of the American Jewish community to cultural sterility. If we are thinking of

Jewish Education Register Published by Association

The *Jewish Education Register and Directory* for 1951, the first volume of its kind ever issued in America, has recently been published by the American Association for Jewish Education. Issued in connection with the First National Conference on Jewish Education, the volume records the story of Jewish education in America at the mid-century.

The *Register and Directory* features the following authoritative articles: "Jewish Education in the United States at the Mid-Century," by Dr. Israel S. Chipkin; "Jewish Education in Facts and Figures" by Dr. Uriah Z. Engelman; "The Jewish Teaching Profession" by Dr. Aharon Kessler; and "The Function of a Community Agency for Jewish Education" by Dr. Leo L. Honor.

The Directory section of the volume, compiled by Dr. Zaimen Slesinger and Milton F. Roseman, lists for the first time some 2,300 Jewish schools in the United States and Canada as well as various types of educational agencies: national and local, Jewish schools of higher learning, Jewish libraries and museums, educational periodicals, etc. Summer camps with Jewish educational programs are also listed.

The 1951 *Jewish Education Register and Directory* opens with a foreword by Michael A. Stavitsky, president of the A.A.J.E., and an introduction by Judah Pilek, executive director.

The volume can be obtained for \$5.00 from the offices of the American Association for Jewish Education, 1776 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.

any cultural link between Israel and the Jews of the Diaspora then we must be thinking in terms of the Hebrew language."



At the Jewish Education Year Dinner of the AAJE New York Chapter, left to right: Jacob H. Cohen, Chapter honorary president; Rabbi Aba Hillel Silver, guest speaker; Daniel G. Albert, toastmaster; Justice Henry Clay Greenberg, Chapter chairman, and Judge Jonah J. Goldstein, guest of honor and Chapter honorary chairman.

December 15, 1950

Mr. Milton F. Roseman
American Association for Jewish Education
1776 Broadway
New York 19, New York

My dear Mr. Roseman:

Thank you for your kind letter of December 12th. The title which you suggest would be all right except that it is a little too technical and heavy. I would suggest that you use the title, "For a Creative Jewish Community in the United States".

With all good wishes and thanking you very much for the interest which you are taking in the manuscript, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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December 21st, 1950

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I write to confirm the change in date for our Annual Dinner, which is now set for Wednesday, February 7th, 1951, at the Concourse Plaza Hotel. I shall naturally be in communication with you again well before this date.

As I have told you, the dinner is tendered to the District Presidents within our Region. I can only say that our whole community here in the Bronx is perfectly thrilled over the prospect of having you with us on this occasion.

May I add a detail which I have perhaps unwisely assumed was understood, namely, that you are expected to submit your bill for expenses, which the Region will be delighted to honor.

Once again, please accept my thanks for your most generous cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

HARRY COHEN
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December 21, 1950

Mr. Jacob B. Gersten
Kew Gardens Jewish Center
82-52 Abington Road
Kew Gardens 15, New York

My dear Mr. Gersten:

Please pardon the long delay in replying to your kind letter. I have been away from the city a good deal of the time and I am just catching up with my correspondence.

I deeply appreciate the invitation to speak at the testimonial dinner which will be tendered to Mr. High Salpeter on April 1, 1951. I wish I were free to come, but my plans at the moment call for my being abroad at that time of the year, and I would not want to accept an invitation which I would have to cancel at the last moment. Please convey my warmest regards to Mr. Salpeter.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

41 EAST 42nd STREET
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January 10, 1951

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have been requested to extend to you the cordial invitation of the Miami Beach Zionist District to address a joint meeting of all the Districts in South Florida to be held in Miami Beach on Thursday, April 5th. An attendance of at least 2,500 persons is expected.

I shall be grateful if you will advise me at your earliest convenience whether you can accept this invitation.

With kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

Judith Daniel
JUDITH DANIEL, DIRECTOR
SPEAKERS' & ARTISTS' BUREAU

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January 11, 1951

Mrs. Judith Daniel, Director
Speakers' & Artists' Bureau
Zionist Organization of America
41 East 42nd Street
New York 17, New York

My dear Mrs. Daniel:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter of January 10th and your invitation to address the Miami Beach Zionist District on April 5th. Please express my appreciation to the Miami Beach Zionist District for their interest in me. However, my out-of-town schedule is already so overcrowded that, in all justice to myself, I cannot accept any additional engagements.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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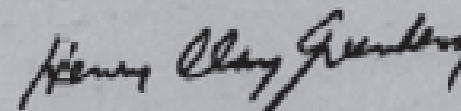
Dear Dr. Silver:

It gives me great pleasure to enclosed herewith a printed copy of the address which you delivered at our recent Jewish Education Year Dinner, which has been produced by the parent body, the American Association for Jewish Education.

This address is being made available to the leaders of Jewish communities throughout the country. I am confident that it will stimulate greater interest and higher standards of Jewish education throughout our land.

With many thanks once again and with warmest greetings I remain

Sincerely yours,



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Dear Dr. Silver:

Our February 7th event draws near and I have deemed it proper to drop you this reminder and also to assure you that I will welcome any inquiry you wish to make.

As I stated to you on the 'phone, I am making sure that you will be presented by no later than 9:45 and that you will be the only address of the evening. (Judge Levy serves only as Chairman of the Dinner Committee.)

I send you the front page of the "Jewish Review" which you may find of interest.

A word about Judge Levy: He is our senior Supreme Court Judge in New York, slated to retire at the end of this year when he attains 70. An ardent admirer of your policies and point of view, I gained his ready acceptance when he learned that you were to honor us as you are doing.

I must leave it to you to tell us how we can serve you best on your arrival and what arrangements to make for you. Please do not

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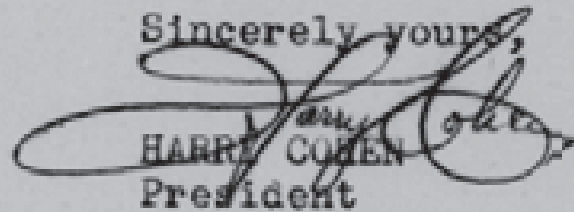
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hesitate to call on us, for you, Dr. Silver, have
no warmer, truer friends anywhere than in the rank
and file of the Bronx Zionist Region.

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Sincerely yours,


HARRY COHEN
President





JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

50 WEST 77th STREET, NEW YORK 24, N. Y.

HENRY ALBERT
NATIONAL COMMANDER

January 31st, 1951.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I hope that this letter will serve to correct what appears to have been a false impression conveyed to you by one of our representatives in Chicago. I refer to the Award voted you by the Fifty-Fifth Annual National Encampment of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America and the plans for an appropriate presentation.

Originally we had planned to hold a Dinner in Chicago to observe our Fifty-Sixth Anniversary. These plans, however, have had to be revised. In addition, we should have been hesitant to suggest the presentation of the Award to you on this occasion since Dinners of this kind customarily serve fund raising as well as public relations purposes.

On Saturday evening and Sunday, April 7th and 8th, we shall be holding the second quarterly meeting of our National Executive Committee in The Bronx, New York. These meetings are always attended by the nationally elected officials of our organization in every part of the country. We believe that this will afford an ideal occasion to tender you formally the JWV Encampment Award. The presentation could take place either at a Dinner on Saturday evening, April 7th, or at a Luncheon on Sunday, April 8th, depending upon which date is satisfactory from your point of view.

Will you be kind enough to advise us if these tentative plans meet with your approval so that we may proceed with the necessary arrangements.

Sincerely yours,

HENRY ALBERT
NATIONAL COMMANDER

February 5, 1951

Mr. Henry Albert, National Commander
Jewish War Veterans
50 West 77th Street
New York 24, New York

My dear Mr. Albert:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of January 31st. I regard it as a high honor to have received the Jewish War Veterans' Encampment Award. At the time that I was first notified of the honor which you bestowed upon me, I was told that the presentation would take place, as on previous occasions, at your National Commanders dinner at the Waldorf Astoria. Do I understand correctly that this dinner has been abandoned for 1951? If so, I shall be very pleased to attend the National Executive Committee meeting either on Saturday evening or Sunday noon, April 7th or 8th, to suit your convenience. I shall have to make arrangements for some guest to occupy my pulpit on Sunday morning in order to enable me to be in New York over that weekend. I discussed this matter with Colonel Julius Klein the other day.

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

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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My dear Dr. Silver:

On April 9th and 10th, the New York Board of Rabbis, which now numbers five hundred colleagues will celebrate its 70th Anniversary.

We are planning to start this celebration with a Service to be held at Shaare Zedek on Monday night, April 9th at 8:15 P. M.

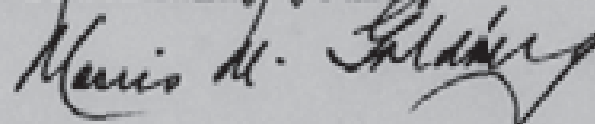
As Chairman of the 70th Anniversary Committee, and as President-elect of the New York Board of Rabbis, I take the privilege of extending a cordial invitation to you to be the speaker and to address us at that Service. The Committee has suggested as a general theme "New Horizons for the Rabbinate". I do not mean to be presumptuous to recommend this as a theme for you to follow. Any topic that you might choose which will be a source of enlightenment to us, your colleagues, will certainly be acceptable to my Committee.

I sincerely hope that you will find it possible to accept this invitation and to afford all of us the pleasure of greeting you when we observe the 70th Anniversary.

With warm personal regards, I

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Fraternally yours,



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February 9, 1951

Mr. Harry Cohen, President
Bronx Zionist Region
40 West Burnside Avenue
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Dear Mr. Cohen:

Dr. Silver's expenses in connection with his trip to New York
on February 7th amounted to \$100.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver



JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

50 WEST 77TH STREET, NEW YORK 24, N. Y.

HENRY ALBERT
NATIONAL COMMANDER

February 13, 1951

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

Many thanks for your note of February 5th.

As a rule, our National Organization conducts a dinner in the Waldorf-Astoria every Spring. This is usually a fund-raising event and has in the past served as the occasion for an address by a leading figure of American life. We are not planning to conduct such a dinner this year.

By an odd circumstance the date of our National Executive Committee meeting in New York corresponds with the date of our last dinner in New York. Under the circumstances, we are delighted to learn that you can find it possible to be with us on the date I suggested in my last note. I believe that Sunday noon, April 7th would be the most suitable date from your standpoint as well as ours, and accordingly, I hope you can arrange to place this date on your schedule.

April 8

We shall be happy to forward complete details to you upon word as to whether your final plans will permit you to be with us on the 7th.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Albert
HENRY ALBERT
NATIONAL COMMANDER

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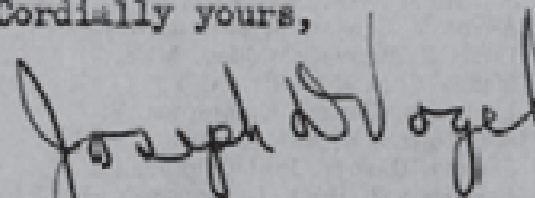
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Congregation, Kehilla Kadosha Adath Israel, is celebrating the anniversary of its centennial. In conjunction with this celebration, the Mens' Club is sponsoring a symposium on March 7th, along the lines of the one arranged by Dr. Goldstein at the Bnai Jeshurin in New York City. The topic will be "American Jewry and Israel - A Study in Mutual Relationships".

They are most anxious to have you participate as the main speaker and have requested me to extend to you their cordial invitation. I understand that the second speaker will be Hayim Greenberg. I surely realize how busy you are and how many calls are made upon you, however I do hope that you will be able to accept this invitation and would be grateful if you will let me have your reply at your earliest convenience.

Cordially yours,



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February 16, 1951

Mr. Joseph D. Vogel
Zionist Organization of America
41 East 42nd Street
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Vogel:

Rabbi Silver has asked me to reply to your kind letter of February 14th, inviting him to address Congregation Kehilla Eadosha Adath Israel on the occasion of its centennial. Unfortunately, Rabbi Silver's schedule for the balance of the season will not permit his accepting any additional out-of-town engagements.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

February 16, 1951

Rabbi Morris M. Goldberg
215 West 88th Street
New York, New York

My dear Rabbi Goldberg:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter of February 8th in which you invite me to address the 70th anniversary service of the New York Board of Rabbis on Monday evening, April 9th. Under normal conditions I would find it difficult to take on another out-of-town engagement in the spring, but inasmuch as I am to be in New York for a meeting of the Jewish War Veterans on Sunday, April 8th, I shall be pleased to stay over for your Monday night meeting. I shall look forward with pleasure to meeting you and my rabbinical colleagues of New York.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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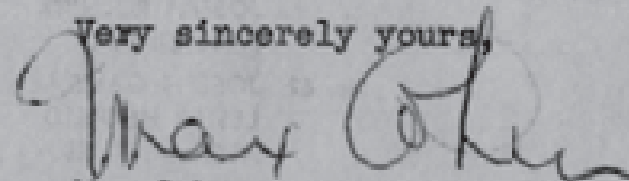
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Our Region is most happy to enclose the check for your expenses. Between us, had you indulged yourself in greater pleasures and comfort in coming to us, we would have been delighted to pay.

Will you permit a plain, ordinary Zionist like myself who is an employee of the Organization to express a sentiment concerning yourself? Like yourself, I have come up from Young Judea and during the time that I have played my humble part in the Movement I have watched our leaders come and go. It is not only my feeling, but as I go around from District to District and listen to my fellow Zionists, more and more you are a man of destiny around whose name the present historic period will be described. That era is not over and you are destined to achieve greater stature and be recognized in your lifetime for the good you have bestowed upon our people. If we have a good God, it is because in every generation there is an Abba Hillel Silver to guide and inspire His people.

Very sincerely yours,


Max Cohen
Regional Director

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February 16, 1951

Mr. Henry Albert, National Commander
Jewish War Veterans
50 West 77th Street
New York 24, New York

My dear Mr. Albert:

Thank you for your kind letter of February 13th. I shall be very pleased to be with you on Sunday noon, April 8th, (not the 7th as your letter states), and I shall look forward to seeing you and the members of your splendid organization.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
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My dear Dr. Silver:

The Tenth Zionist District (Washington Heights, N.Y.C.), the second largest district in the Manhattan Zionist Region, is planning an extraordinary function for the night of May 29, 1951 (eve of Decoration Day).

This function, in which we will be joined by the entire Washington Heights community, has three objectives:

(1) To celebrate the third anniversary of the State of Israel.

(2) To pay honor to the veterans of the Zionist movement who are members of the District (and there are many of them) who contributed so much to the accomplishment of objective (1).

(3) To serve as a testimonial to the distinguished President of the District, S. Alexander Sterenbuch, under whose administration and by whose efforts during the past two years, the District has shown the greatest rate of increase of new members over any other District in the country -- a feat of which we are all justly proud.

When plans for this function were being made, one and only one name, suggested itself as the principal guest of honor and speaker--the name of Abba Hillel Silver. Who else but our own dear Dr. Silver could most fittingly bring honor and be honored on such an occasion?

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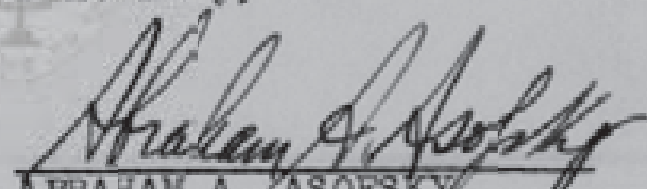
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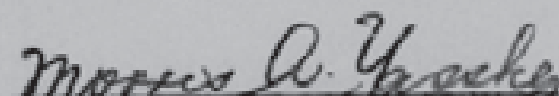
Accordingly, we have been instructed by our Executive Committee, and it is our distinct privilege and pleasure to most respectfully extend an invitation to you to be with us on the night of May 29th, as our guest of honor.

For the occasion, we have engaged the largest meeting place in the community, the Paramount Mansion, 183rd Street and St. Nicholas Avenue, N.Y.C., seating over 1,000 people.

If your busy schedule will permit, can you be with us on the night of May 29th?

Sincerely,


ABRAHAM A. ASOFSKY,
Chairman of Arrangements


MORRIS A. YASSKY, Chairman
of Executive Committee.

P.S. We are ready to assume any expenses you may incur as a result of your visit to us.

February 26, 1951

Mr. Abraham A. Asofsky
c. 6 Leo Greenwood
501 West 187th Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Asofsky:

Thank you for your letter of February 21st and for your gracious invitation. I should very much like to accept. Unfortunately, I have already so over-crowded my schedule with local and out-of-town engagements for the balance of the season that in justice to myself, I cannot take on any additional commitments. It would have given me great pleasure indeed to join with your district in celebrating the third anniversary of the State of Israel, to pay honor to those of your membership who have served our cause so devotedly, and especially to participate in the testimonial to Mr. Sterenbuch. Please extend to me and to your entire membership my gratitude for your invitation and my best wishes for a very successful program.

With all good wishes to you, I am

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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5 Adar II, 5711
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Congregation Tifereth Israel
East 10th Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are looking forward to the pleasure and honor of your presence at our 70th Anniversary Service at Congregation Shaare Zedek, 212 West 93rd Street, New York, N.Y. on the evening of Monday, April 9th at 8:00 o'clock.

May we please receive from you the title of your address and a "cut" of yourself for publicity purposes.

With many thanks and best wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

Morris M. Goldberg
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March 20th, 1951.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Our organization is looking forward, with keen anticipation, to your visit at the meeting of our National Executive Committee in New York next month. We have arranged a luncheon in your honor, to be given at approximately 1:00 P.M., on Sunday, April 8th.

In connection with this luncheon, at which plans have been made for the presentation by our National Commander of the Medal voted you by our last Encampment, we have also arranged for a radio broadcast. One of the radio stations in New York is to carry the talk that same day while another plans to rebroadcast it. The stations have offered their facilities for a half-hour program and, accordingly, we hope you can plan to deliver a talk of twenty-six minutes duration. This will allow for a brief introduction by our National Commander.

In order that we may be able to serve the New York press, which will be interested in your talk and will certainly want to see advance copies in order for the working reporters to make Monday morning deadlines, I hope it will be possible for you to send us a copy of your text two or three days in advance of April 8th.

I know I speak for our entire organization when I say again how gratified we are that you have been able to rearrange your very busy schedule to be with us next month.

Sincerely yours,

Ben Kaufman
BEN KAUFMAN

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Cleveland Plaza 900

March 23, 1951

Mr. Ben Kaufman
Jewish War Veterans
50 West 77th Street
New York 24, New York

My dear Mr. Kaufman:

Permit me to acknowledge your kind letter of March 20th. I note the information which you convey in your letter that my address is to be broadcast and that it should be about 26 minutes in length. I shall also try to make available to you the text of my address two or three days before the meeting.

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

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Please send reply to:
Mr. Jack Arion
130 West 16 Street
New York, N.Y.

March 23, 1951

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

Dear Rabbi:

The problem of the renazification of Germany
is the concern of all Americans.

We should be honored to have you speak at
the public meeting on this subject to be held on
Monday evening, April 2nd at the Hotel Capitol,
50th Street & Eighth Avenue. If it is not possible
for you to attend, we should be grateful for a
statement of your views which could be read to the
assemblage.

We look forward to a favorable reply.

Sincerely yours,

Jack Arion
Jack Arion
Program Chairman
for Manhattan, Long Island
and Young Mens' & Womens' Division

March 26, 1951

Mr. Jack Arion
130 West 16th Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Arion:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of March 23rd and for your invitation to address a public meeting on the subject of the rearmament of Germany, which is to be held under the auspices of your organization on April 2nd. Unfortunately, it will not be possible for me to accept your invitation because of previous commitments.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Committee of Jewish Landsmanshaften and Societies

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March 29, 1951

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We have the honor to extend a cordial invitation to you to address the Conference Against German Rearmament and the Release of Nazi War Criminals, which will take place on Sunday, April 8, 1951 at the Woodstock Hotel, 127 West 43 Street, New York City

The enclosed Call will give you additional information about the program and the purpose of the Conference.

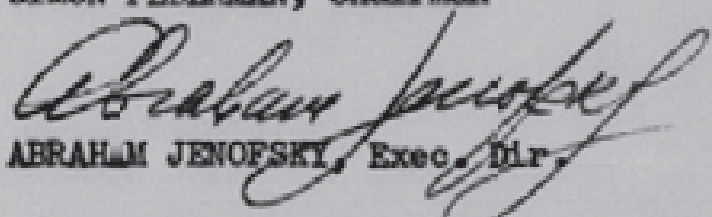
We have the greatest admiration for your staunch leadership in helping to create better understanding among peoples which will guarantee a world peace, and therefore feel that your message would add a great deal of prestige and strength to the tasks of this Conference. We hope that you will accept our invitation.

Should it be impossible for you to appear in person, we would very much appreciate a written message to the Conference.

Awaiting your reply, we are

Respectfully yours,

SIMON FEDERMAN, Chairman


ABRAHAM JENOFISKY, Exec. Dir.

P.S. Should you be interested to know more about the composition of this Committee, we can inform you that the following Federations are affiliated with it: American Federation for Polish Jews, Inc., Union of American Jews of Ukrainian Descent, Inc., American Council for Warsaw Jews, Inc., Riga-Dvinsk Latvian Societies.



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March 30, 1951

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

On Wednesday, May 23rd, Ivriah will hold it's twenty-fifth Jubilee Anniversary Luncheon in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria.

Our organization recalls with pleasure your last inspirational talk on the occasion of Ivriah's tenth anniversary. We do not wish to impose on you, but it is by popular demand of our members that we write you again in the hope that you will honor us by being our guest speaker on this momentous occasion.

I know that you are aware of the wonderful work that Ivriah is doing. We are the only Jewish women's organization in the country primarily concerned with Jewish education. We seek to encourage the parent to carry on in the home the kind of Jewish family life that expresses the best and most inspiring aspects of our Jewish traditions.

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More than 1,000 women will gather at the Waldorf-Astoria on May 23rd, and an address by you would be the highlight of the celebration. Of course, we will be only too happy to take care of any expenses, traveling or otherwise that you may have to incur in coming to New York.

I cannot tell you how much we would appreciate your accepting this invitation. Please let us hear from you as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

Gabriel Hamburger
Mrs. Gabriel Hamburger
Chairman, 25th Anniversary Luncheon

Jacob Pearlstein
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March 30, 1951

Mr. Ben Kaufman
Jewish War Veterans
50 West 77th Street
New York 24, New York

My dear Mr. Kaufman:

I am enclosing herewith copy of the address which I am to deliver before the Jewish War Veterans of the United States on Sunday, April 8th.

I understand that the luncheon is to be held at the Waldorf-Astoria. Will you please make a reservation for me there beginning Saturday, April 8th. I shall be arriving early in the evening.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILMA SILVER

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Enc.

April 2, 1951

Mrs. Jacob Pearlstein
Ivriah
50 West 74th Street
New York 23, New York

My dear Mrs. Pearlstein:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of March 30th and for your gracious invitation to address the 25th Jubilee Anniversary Luncheon of the Ivriah. I recall with pleasure the meeting with your group some years ago, and I wish I were free to come to you this time. However, I plan to be out of the country during the entire month of May, and I must, therefore, forego the pleasure which the acceptance of your invitation would have afforded me. I should like to extend to you and through you, to the members of your organization, my heartiest felicitations on the 25th Jubilee Anniversary of Ivriah.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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April 2, 1951

Mr. Abraham Jenofsky, Executive Director
Committee of Jewish Landsmanshaften
225 West 34th Street
New York 1, New York

My dear Mr. Jenofsky:

Permit me to thank you for your invitation to address the
Conference Against German Rearmament on Sunday, April 8th.
I regret that it will not be possible for me to avail my-
self of your kind invitation.

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM SILVER

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