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Congregation Emanu-El
of the City of New York
Fifth Avenue at Sixty-fifth Street

Office of the Senior Rabbi
REV. DR. JULIUS MARK
1 EAST 65th STREET
NEW YORK 21, N.Y.

June 17, 1952

Dr. Alba:

By way of corroborating our
conversation in Buffalo may I
transmit the following information:

Purpose: A special service commemorating the 30th anniversary of my ordination.

Date: Saturday, November 1, 1952, 10:30 A.M.

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

Please advise at your
earliest convenience.

Sincerely
Julius

Dr. A. H. Silver
Akron, O.

June 25, 1952

Rev. Dr. Julius Mark
Congregation Emanu-El
1 East 65th Street
New York 21, New York

My dear Julius:

I have given a great deal of thought to your gracious invitation. I should very much like to participate in your commemoration service on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of your ordination for I have been very fond of you and have followed your career with great admiration. But frankly, I should be very much embarrassed to come to Temple Emanu-El for the first time in connection with a commemorative service in honor of its Rabbi. Through all these years I have never once been invited to occupy the pulpit of Temple Emanu-El although I have invited nearly all of its rabbis to occupy the pulpit of my Temple and we have had the pleasure of having nearly all of them in our pulpit.

As you probably know, through the many years of my ministry, I have been in nearly all the pulpits in the United States. I do not at all criticize the authorities of Emanu-El. I believe that I know the reason. On the other hand, I should be considerably embarrassed to come to the congregation via "the back door" of a special occasion connected with the celebration of an anniversary of its Rabbi, who is a personal friend of mine.

I am sure that you will understand. I am rather sensitive about such matters. Please be assured of my friendship and my readiness to be of service to you. With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

*Congregation Emanu-El
of the City of New York
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REV. DR. JULIUS MARK
1 EAST 65th STREET
NEW YORK 23, N.Y.

June 27, 1952

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
East 105th Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Abba:

I have your letter of June 25th and must confess my disappointment though, of course, I quite understand your feelings in the matter. You must, on the other hand, give some consideration to other aspects of the situation.

I knew, of course, that Congregation Emanu-El has not heretofore enjoyed the privilege of having you occupy its pulpit. Why my predecessors did not see fit to invite the man whom I have long regarded as easily the most distinguished member of our profession, is a question that I am not in a position to answer. With due modesty I am pleased to say that a somewhat different spirit prevails in Emanu-El today.

Believe me when I write that this is no "back-door" invitation. Since coming to New York I have been looking forward to having you in my pulpit on some special occasion - just as I was honored with your presence on several times during my ministry in Nashville. I recall with pleasure my occupancy of your own pulpit and am still regretful over my inability to accept the invitation you extended me several years ago.

Again let me assure you that I shall continue to understand, but that I am still hopeful for a change in your mind (just as there has been a change in this pulpit.)

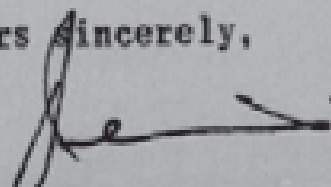
Because I am planning to have a Special Service in the Congregation on October 18th in honor of the opening of the General Assembly of the United Nations in its new building and in order not to have two important occasions so close together, I am postponing what I hope will be your visit to Saturday morning, November 15th.

It is my earnest hope that an affirmative reply will be forthcoming and that I shall be hearing from you before July 4th when Margaret and I plan to leave for a month.

With best wishes always, I remain

Yours sincerely,

JM/k



United Committee of Jewish Societies and Landsmanshaft Federations

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October 28, 1952

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

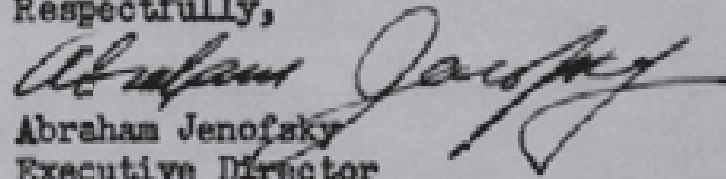
We have the honor to extend a cordial invitation to you to address the Conference of Sunday, November 16, 1952 at the Hotel New Yorker, New York, NY.

The enclosed copy of the Call will give you information on the program and the purpose of the Conference. We hope that you will accept our invitation and if it is physically impossible for you to attend, please, send a written message, which we are sure would add a great deal of clarity and prestige to this most urgent cause for which the Conference stands for.

We, in the United Committee have great respect and admiration for your magnificent and courageous leadership in the most vital issues concerning our People and mankind at large. We follow your statements and your deeds for every thing which is just and righteous and we wish to extend our most sincere greetings and best wishes for successful achievements in your endeavors in a world of peace and security for our People, for the State of Israel and for all mankind.

Your acceptance of our invitation will be greatly appreciated by all of us.

Respectfully,


Abraham Jenofsky
Executive Director

Temple Israel

Lawrence, N. H.

Rabbi's Study

December 18, 1952

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Congregation Tifereth Israel
East 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

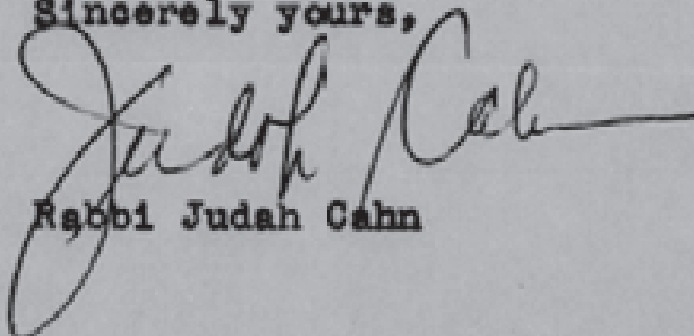
Dear Dr. Silver:

This year Temple Israel of Lawrence celebrates its Forty-fifth Anniversary. In connection with the celebration, we should like to conduct a religious service. It will be the Anniversary Service.

The Board of Trustees and I join in extending to you a very cordial invitation to be the speaker at that Service. We, of course, are prepared to pay an honorarium.

I know how very busy you are, but I hope that you could arrange to be with us any Friday Evening after Passover. We would be very grateful for your consideration and assistance.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Judah Cahn", written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned above the typed name "Rabbi Judah Cahn".

Rabbi Judah Cahn

JC:EH



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December 22, 1952

Dr. Abba Hilel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am taking the liberty of inviting you in behalf of the Mizrahi Organization of America and its newly elected president, Rabbi Mordecai Kirschblum, to appear as the principal speaker at the dinner tendered to Rabbi Kirschblum by the Israel Bond Organization, scheduled for Monday evening, March 2, 1953, at the Astor Hotel in New York.

You are probably aware of the fact that the thirty-second Mizrahi National Convention has elected Rabbi Kirschblum to the post of president of the Mizrahi Organization of America. Entering his new post in a period that is decisive to the future of Zionism and its greatest achievement, namely the establishment of a sovereign "State of Israel", it is the wish of the administration and personal friends of Rabbi Kirschblum to celebrate his inauguration at a highly dignified affair with the participation of leaders and representatives of the world-Zionist movement and its spokesmen.

I am convinced that your most friendly relationship with Rabbi Kirschblum, which was illustrated on many occasions and especially in the months of struggle for Jewish statehood when you served so gallantly the Zionist and world-Jewry cause as the chairman and official spokesman of the Jewish Agency, will influence your decision in favor of accepting this invitation.

May I also add that this dinner will serve an additional cause, which is considered holy to all of us, namely the strengthening of the economy of the State of Israel through selling \$250,000 worth of Israel Bonds, for the dinner will be on the basis of admission by \$1,000 worth of bonds.

Dr. Abba Hilel Silver

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December 22, 1952

I hope that you will be kind enough to accept this invitation and add a great deal through your participation to the success of this great event.

Looking forward to hear your reaction and favorable decision and thanking you in advance, I am

Sincerely yours,

MIZRACHI ORG. OF AMERICA

Isaac B. Freilich

Rabbi Isaac B. Freilich
National Director

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December 24, 1952

Rabbi Isaac B. Freilich
Bonds of Israel Government
1133 Broadway
New York 10, New York

My dear Rabbi Freilich:

I greatly appreciate your letter of December 22nd and your invitation to participate in the dinner which is to be tendered Rabbi Kirshblum on March 2nd. I have the highest regard for Rabbi Kirshblum. It would have given me great pleasure indeed to attend this function. Unfortunately, I shall be on the Pacific coast at that time.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

January 6, 1953

Rabbi Judah Cahn
Temple Israel
Lawrence, New York

My dear Rabbi Cahn:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of December 18th and for your gracious invitation to address a religious service in connection with your 45th anniversary some Friday evening after Passover. It would have given me great pleasure to come. Unfortunately, I am heavily committed with out-of-town engagements for the remainder of the season. I have crowded my schedule in connection with a visit to the Pacific coast in the spring and I feel that I should not take on any additional obligations at this time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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March 4, 1953

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Department of New York Jewish War Veterans, of the United States of America, embracing 285 Posts, in the State of New York, is holding an Out-Door Rally, to protest the anti-minority, anti-religious persecutions being carried on by the Soviet Union and its satellites against Catholics, Protestants and Jews, among others.

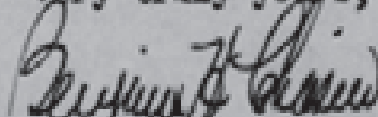
This event will be held on Wednesday, March 25, 1953, in Union Square Park, between the hours of 4:30 P.M. and 6 P.M.

This Rally will afford an opportunity to the citizens of the largest city in the world to demonstrate against the viscious inhumane policy which has shocked the entire world. To permit these acts to continue, would decimate, if not destroy the faith of the people of the world and the human concepts now being established by the United Nations.

As a leading Rabbi, whose words would express and evidence the outraged feelings of the people of the City of New York, we are privileged to invite you to be one of our guest speakers on this occasion.

Accordingly, we would appreciate your advising us that you will be able to be present and participate in what we hope will be a positive and concrete demonstration of the feelings of the cosmopolitan citizenry of our city, representing in its constituency every walk of life, every religious denomination, every fair-minded citizen. Should you be inclined, we would welcome in advance of your attendance a short statement regarding your sentiments on this subject.

Very truly yours,



BENJAMIN H. CHASIN,
Department Commander

THEODORE BROOKS,
Committee Chairman

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1472 Vyse Avenue
Bronx 80, New York
March 9, 1952

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing to you as a representative of the Executive Board of the National Compass Clubs. We are an organization which presents public discussions on controversial issues. We are planning a discussion on the Prague trial and would like to have your participation. We have such speakers as Morris U. Schapper, William Patterson, and Earl Browder. We would like to have someone like you to present a balanced program. The discussion is going to be held in a large New York Auditorium some time in late April. We would appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible.

Thank you.

Yours truly
Leon Goldfarb

March 11, 1953

Mr. Leon Goldfarb
1172 Vyas Avenue
Bronx 60, New York

Dear Mr. Goldfarb;

In reply to your letter of March 9th to Rabbi Silver, his schedule for the balance of this season is already too overcrowded to accept any additional speaking engagements. Thank you for thinking of him.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Rice
Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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March 16, 1953

Rabbi Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Our Union, District 65, has a membership of 30,000 members in New York City. Amongst these a large percentage are Jewish.

Our union has been active in the various campaigns conducted on behalf of Jewish causes. We have annual relief drives where money is raised for United Jewish Appeal, Histadrut and other causes.

In the last year we set up a clinic in Israel in the name of our President, Arthur Osman.

As far as social activities are concerned we have conducted various holiday celebrations such as Purim and Chanukah festivals. This year we are planning a celebration on the 5th anniversary of the independence of the state of Israel.

We expect over one thousand of our members will participate in such a gathering.

Our members, especially our Jewish members, look upon you as the outstanding leader in the American Jewish community and as an outstanding personality in the American scene.

Therefore, we would like to invite you to be our guest speaker at this meeting. We feel that your presence and what you will have to say to our members will give them encouragement to continue to work in the interests of the state of Israel and Jewish causes in America.

Our meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 20 at 7 P.M. at our Union Headquarters.

May we hear from you at the earliest possible date as to whether you will be able to participate in this celebration.

Very truly yours,

Frank Brown
Frank Brown, Vice President
Chairman, Jewish Affairs Committee

March 16, 1953

Commander Benjamin H. Chasin
Jewish War Veterans
276 Fifth Avenue
New York 1, New York

My dear Commander Chasin:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter of March 4th, inviting me to participate in an outdoor rally on Wednesday, March 25th. I regret that I am unable to accept the invitation. I am committed to another important meeting on that day.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

March 20, 1953

Mr. Frank Brown
District 65
13 Astor Place
New York 3, New York

My dear Mr. Brown:

Permit me to thank you for your letter of March 16th and for your gracious invitation to address a meeting on April 20th in celebration of the fifth anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel. I am highly honored that you have extended this invitation and I wish I were free to accept it. I shall, however, in all probability be abroad during that period and I must therefore forego the pleasure of accepting your invitation. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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LESTER N. DUBERSTEIN
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March 26, 1953

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

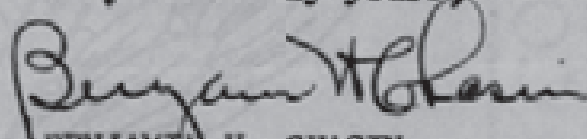
This is to inform you that the Anti-Communist Rally that was to be held on March 25, 1953, by resolution, unanimously adopted, by the City Council of the City of New York, and proclaimed by the Mayor of the city of New York, as Anti-Communist Day, was cancelled due to inclement weather.

I know that on the invitation sent to you, to address this particular meeting, that due to previous commitment, you could not attend and be a speaker at this Rally on that date.

I wish to advise you that the Rally will take place on Thursday, April 16, 1953, at 4 P.M. to 6 P.M., in Union Square Park.

We again cordially invite you to attend and be a guest speaker.

Very sincerely yours,


BENJAMIN H. CHASIN,
Department Commander

THEODORE BROOKS,
Committee Chairman

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RABBI MORRIS N. KERTZER

384 Grand Avenue

New York 16, N. Y.

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July 16, 1953

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

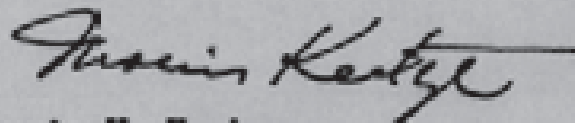
Dear Doctor Silver,

I trust that you are having a pleasant summer.
Am writing this note to be forwarded to your summer address.

As Chairman of our local Community Council Forum in Rockville Centre, Long Island, I am anxious to have you address our community some time either in October or April. Would you be free to be with us? Our budget is in the neighborhood of \$400.00 for the lecture, and while I know that it is much too modest, it would be a great personal favor to me if you could fit it into your schedule. As you know, the Long Island communities now contain the core of Jewish life and Jewish leadership in the East, and your audience would be, in every sense, a worthwhile one.

Mrs. Kertzer joins me in warmest regards to you and Mrs. Silver. We shall never forget your gracious hospitality when I was guest preacher in your pulpit.

Sincerely,



Morris N. Kertzer

August 4, 1953

Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer
386 Fourth Avenue
New York 16, New York

My dear Friend:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter of July 16th. I have been away from the city most of the time and my correspondence has unfortunately lagged. I greatly appreciate your invitation to address your local Community Council Forum. I cannot come in October, but I may be free to come in April - say, April 12, which is a Monday, or April 13th, a Tuesday.

With all good wishes and hoping that you have had a pleasant summer, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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RABBI MORRIS N. KERTZER

386 Fourth Avenue

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August 12, 1953

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear friend:

We are delighted with the possibility that you can be with us next spring. Will you be able to make it on April 6th? The alternative date is April 12, but the first would fit into our plans a little more readily. ✓

With all good wishes and kindest regards,

Sincerely,

Morris N. K.

Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer

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August 17, 1953

Rabbi Morris H. Kertser
386 Fourth Avenue
New York 16, New York

Dear Rabbi Kertser:

In reply to your letter of August 12th, Rabbi Silver is scheduled to be in Kansas City on April 6th. He will, therefore, plan to be with you on April 12th.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Elisabeth Rice
Secretary to Rabbi Silver

August 24, 1953

Mr. Samuel D. Freeman
Jewish Center Lecture Bureau
145 East 32nd Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Freeman:

Thank you for your telegram regarding Rabbi Silver's availability during February. Rabbi Silver is contemplating a European trip during the coming winter, and is accordingly not accepting any speaking engagements for the winter months or early spring.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Rice
Secretary to Rabbi Silver

RABBI MORRIS N. KERTZER

386 Fourth Avenue

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"The Future of the American
Jewish Community"

September 14, 1953

Dear Doctor Silver:

I neglected to ask you for a title for your address on April 12th. For your guidance, our other speakers include Norman Cousins, Marvin Lowenthal, and a symposium on Marriage and Morals.

Any subject in the general area of the world Jewish scene, or the relevance of Judaism to moral and social problems of the day will be appropriate. Can you please let me have your reply by return air mail as we are going to the printer's.

With all good wishes for a shanah tovah to you and Mrs. Silver.

Sincerely,

Morris N. K.

Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer

MNK:mcn

September 15, 1953

Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer
306 Fourth Avenue
New York 16, New York

Dear Rabbi Kertzer:

In reply to your letter of September 11th, the subject
of Dr. Silver's address on April 12th will be "The Future
of the American Jewish Community."

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Rice
Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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September 30, 1953

400 Madison Avenue
New York 17, N. Y.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Zionist Organization of America and the Palestine Economic Corporation have appointed me chairman of a committee formed to arrange a testimonial dinner for Robert Szold. It is in this connection that I am writing you today.

I know that there is no need to call to your attention the splendid work which Mr. Szold has been doing on behalf of Israel for a great many years. I am confident that you share my conviction that he is fully deserving of this tribute.

It is our hope that the dinner will be the springboard for the establishment of the Robert Szold Industrial Compound in Israel.

The leadership of the Z.O.A. and the P.E.C. join me in soliciting your acceptance of our invitation to be the guest speaker at the dinner in honor of Mr. Szold, as well as an Honorary Chairman of the testimonial dinner.

Needless to say, your acceptance of this invitation will assure the success of the dinner. We have set Wednesday evening, December 2nd, as the date for this affair, which will be held at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York.

I look forward with anticipation to your early and, I trust, affirmative reply.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes,

Most sincerely yours,

Albert Schiff
Albert Schiff, Chairman
Dinner Committee

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October 4, 1953

Mr. Albert Schiff, Chairman
Dinner Committee
Palestine Economic Corporation
400 Madison Avenue
New York 17, New York

My dear Friend;

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter and for your gracious invitation to be the guest speaker at the dinner in honor of Mr. Robert Szold on December 2nd. It would give me great pleasure indeed if I were free to leave Cleveland on that day to attend this function. Unfortunately, The Temple has scheduled its annual Chanukah event on that evening and, of course, I must be here.

I shall be very happy to serve as an honorary chairman for this dinner.

With all good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

AHS:dk

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

GEORGE S. WISE

*41 East 42nd Street
New York*

October
19th
1953

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105th St. & Ansel Rd.
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing to the American members of the Board of Governors to bespeak their cooperation in connection with our November 12th dinner. By now you have received a formal invitation and announcement, but I find it necessary to direct this appeal to you as a member of the Board of Governors to ask for your special effort in connection with this event.

As you know, the American Friends found it necessary to leave the U.J.A. of New York in 1953 because the allocation given to us in previous years was very small and restricted our activities on behalf of the University. We are limited by an agreement with the Jewish Agency to conduct our campaign for funds in New York during a five-month period only -- September through January. In order to have a successful campaign, we must have one principal function which will project the importance of the University to the community. The main affair of this year is the dinner on November 12th where the Solomon Rubick Award will be presented to ex-President Harry S. Truman and where a large group of American college presidents, headed by Professor Einstein, will welcome the new President of the Hebrew University, Professor Benjamin Mazar. It is of the utmost importance for our work and for the very future of the American Friends that this event and the New York campaign be successful. The degree of our future success in receiving equitable allocations from the Welfare Funds throughout the country and New York will depend largely on the measure of success we achieve in the New York campaign.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

October 19, 1953
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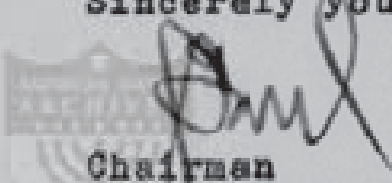
To my knowledge, the members of the Board of Governors have not been asked in the past for personal or collective financial efforts. This, however, is a time when I must appeal to you to help us make our dinner the success it must be for the sake of the University. I hope that I may count on your whole-hearted cooperation.

The charge per plate is one hundred dollars. There will be no solicitation of funds at the dinner since we want it to be a dignified function. I am enclosing ten (10) tickets which form one table, and I trust that you will be able personally and among your friends to dispose of these tickets.

I shall look forward to your favorable reply and remain, with kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,




Chairman
Board of Governors
Hebrew University

P.S. I am very pleased to enclose for your information a memorandum of Professor Eli Ginzberg of Columbia University pertaining to his recent visit to the Hebrew University.

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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

THE TEMPLE=

IT IS MY GREAT PLEASURE TO CONVEY TO YOU IN THE NAME OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE AMERICAN ZIONIST COUNCIL AN INVITATION TO BE ONE OF THE SPEAKERS AT THE OPENING SEESION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL ZIONIST ASSEMBLY TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY EVENING, DECEMBER FIFTH AT THE HOTEL ROOSEVELT IN NEW YORK STOP THE SESSION WILL BE DEVOTED TO THE CRUCIAL POLITICAL SITUATION WHICH CONFRONTS THE ZIONIST MOVEMENT STOP WE WOULD APPRECIATE A WIFE INDICATING YOUR ACCEPTANCE=

MRS SAMUEL W HALPRIN CHAIRMAN PROGRAM COMMITTEE= (

TELEGRAM

October 23, 1953

Mrs. Samuel W. Halprin, Chairman
Program Committee
American Zionist Council
342 Madison Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

I SHALL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND THE ASSEMBLY ON SATURDAY
EVENING DECEMBER FIFTH AND I APPRECIATE YOUR GRACIOUS INVITATION.

Abba Hillel Silver



Congregation Emanu-El
of the City of New York
Fifth Avenue at Lady Fifth Street

Office of the Senior Rabbi
REV. DR. JULIUS MARK
1 EAST 65th STREET
NEW YORK 21, N.Y.

October 30, 1953

Dear Abba:

I am still determined to have you
in my purport and trust that my per-
sistence will be rewarded.

Many years ago I invited you
to come to Nashville to help celebrate
my 20th anniversary there. You couldn't
make it, but asked for a rain-check
for the 25th. But I left Nashville
before such an observance could take
place.

I have been in Emanu-El
five years and should like to
mark the occasion with a special
Sabbath morning Service in January.
This is to be the extent of the celebration.
No dinner — just a Service! Just
name any Saturday morning in
January and that's when it will
be.

If you say "yes", I promise
not to bother you again for at
least five more years.

Best wishes from Louie
to Louie —
Sincerely,
Julius

November 10, 1953

Rabbi Julius Mark
1 East 65th Street
New York 21, New York

My dear Julius:

Please pardon the delay in answering your letter. I have been away from the city most of the time.

I appreciate your invitation but I find myself under the necessity of declining it regretfully. One is the reason which I gave you in my last communication; added to it is now the fact that in all probability Mrs. Silver and I will be taking a few weeks vacation in January inasmuch as we had no vacation this summer.

I want to send you my heartiest congratulations upon the completion of five years of distinguished leadership in your community.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:dk

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



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November 10, 1953

165 West 46th Street, N. Y. 36, N. Y. Plaza 7-1500

Cable Address, UJAPPEAL, New York

Mrs. Dorothy Koslen
Secretary to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Koslen:

We would like to reimburse Dr. Silver for the expenses he incurred on his visit to Providence, Rhode Island on November 2nd. Would you be good enough to let us know how much he spent on travel and incidentals.

I look forward to hearing from you.

With kindest personal regards.

Cordially yours,

Arthur Fishohn
Director, Speakers Division

AF:WSG

November 13, 1953

Mr. Arthur Fishohn
Director, Speakers Division
United Jewish Appeal
165 West 46th Street
New York 36, New York

Dear Mr. Fishohn:

In accordance with your letter of November 10th, I wish to inform you that the expenses incurred by Dr. Silver in connection with his visit to Providence on November 2nd were as follows:

United Air Lines	\$74.29
Cash Expenses	15.00
	<u>\$89.29</u>

Dr. Silver's hotel accommodations were taken care of by the committee in Providence.

With all good wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

(Mrs.) Dorothy Koslan
Secretary to Dr. Silver

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THE TEMPLE=

DOCTOR NEUMANN INFORMS ME OF POSSIBILITY YOUR NOT BEING
ABLE TO BE AT ZIONIST ASSEMBLY SATURDAY NIGHT DECEMBER
FIFTH IT WOULD BE A GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT TO ALL OF US AND
AN IRREPARABLE INJURY TO THE ASSEMBLY IF YOU ARE NOT WITH
US DESPITE THE MANY DIFFICULTIES AND INCONVENIENCES WHICH
IT MAY CAUSE YOU AND WITH WHICH I FULLY SYMPATHIZE I STRONGLY
URGE YOU TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT IN ORDER TO ATTEND THE SESSION
AND ADDRESS THE ASSEMBLY SINCERELY YOURS=

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SOLOMON COHEN
ACCOUNTANT AND AUDITOR
11 WEST 42ND STREET
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TELEPHONE LONGACRE 5-5850

December 2, 1953

My dear Abba:

I had planned to visit you in Cleveland this weekend, but changed my plans upon learning that you will be in New York to attend the sessions of the American Jewish Council. I had spoken to you during the J. O. A. convention at the end of August and you asked me to write to you after the holidays about the planned celebration of my 60th Birthday and my 35 years of communal service to the Long Island Jewish community.

Now I am not a man of riches or of wealth. But there is one thing that I possess and which no money on earth can buy - and that is your friendship, dating back to our boyhood days, and which friendship for me you have not hesitated to demonstrate in public

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on every occasion.

A committee consisting of all Jewish organizations in the community comprising my own Temple and Community Center, the neighboring Synagogues in the community, my own and the neighboring Zionist District and the local Hadassah has been formed to celebrate my 60th Birthday and my 35 years of Zionist and general communal leadership, including U. P. A. U. I. A. and J. N. A.

Such a celebration happens once in 60 years. Heaven knows whether such an opportunity will offer itself again. In the past you have participated in all my joys - beginning with my wedding and ending with the dedication of a room in my honor in my Community Center.

No greater honor could be conferred upon me, ~~than~~ than your participation in this great day of mine.

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When you were responsible
for my selection as a delegate to
the last Zionist Congress I
wrote to you (1947) L.N. 1-11-47. If it
was not for you I would have
never been able to see the
Jewish State with my own eyes.

Your friendship for me has
always been pointed out by Zionists
as the symbol of ~~your~~ unexcelled
and unselfish devotion and loyalty
of a great leader to his
loyal friend. I have tried
throughout my life to be deserving
of this.

Your participation in this
testimonial to me will mark
the climax of my life and
the highest reward of my Zionist
and Jewish communal endeavor.
At my request, no date has
been set for the Testimonial. That
will depend entirely on you. The
community will select the date.

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most convenient to you.

Kindest regards to Virginia,
Daniel and Raphael and best wishes
for a joyous Chanukah, in which
Anna joins me.

Looking forward to ~~the~~ see you
at the A. J. C. conference, Sam.

As ever yours,

Doc.

P.S. Excuse the scribbling, which
has much deteriorated since
my recent illness.

TAKE IT FROM ONE WHO KNOWS

TOPS IN CHEER!
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:RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER, THE TEMPLE=

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AS CHAIRMAN OF THE DINNER FOR THE OPENING MEETING OF
THE COMBINED CAMPAIGN ON BEHALF OF THE COLLEGE-INSTITUTE
AND THE UNION TO BE HELD AT THE WALDORF HOTEL IN THIS CITY
ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY TWENTIETH, I INVITE YOU TO BE GUEST
OF HONOR AND PRINCIPAL SPEAKER. RABBI EISENDRATH
TELEPHONED ME FROM AKRON CONCERNING HIS TELEPHONE
CONVERSATION WITH YOU EARLIER TODAY. PLEASE TELEGRAPH
ME YOUR ANSWER SINCERELY TRUST YOU WILL ACCEPT.

KIND REGARDS=

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December 11, 1953

Tues.
Feb. 23

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver;

The various congregations, organizations and Zionist groups of Richmond Hill have formed a joint committee to celebrate the 60th Birthday of Sol Cohen, which also marks the completion of his 35 years of communal leadership on Long Island.

We in the community are fully aware of the strong ties of friendship between Sol Cohen and yourself dating back to boyhood days. We therefore can conceive of no greater honor to him than your participation in a testimonial tendered to him in recognition of a life devoted to Jewish communal endeavor and the cause of Israel Rebuilt.

No date has been set for the celebration because we feel that nothing would make Sol happier than your presence as guest speaker on this occasion. Therefore any date convenient to you would be acceptable to us.

We look forward to your favorable reply and remain,

Respectfully yours,

Abraham J. Schwartz
Chairman, Sol Cohen 60th Birthday
Celebration

Bernard Friedman
Co-Chairman

I. USHER KIRSHBLUM

Rabbi of the

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December 21, 1953
AIRMAIL

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

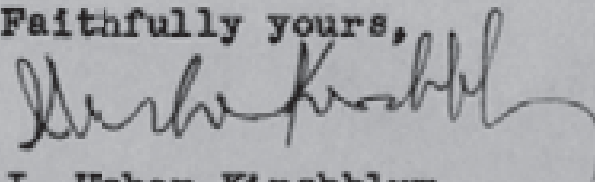
As a former president of the Long Island Zionist Region I have recently accepted the chairmanship of its 20th Jubilee Celebration to take place during the month of May. It is our intention to hold a dinner in one of the leading Manhattan hotels through which the Jubilee will culminate. That function is going to pay homage to all of the past presidents of the Region among whom are some of your dearest friends and greatest admirers. Just to mention a few, they are Sol Cohen, Ben Friedman, and Benjamin Dof.

The Region would deem it a great honor if you were to accept my invitation to be the guest speaker of the evening. I need not tell you what your appearance would mean to New York Jewry in general and to the thousands of Long Island Jewry in particular. As for the date we leave it entirely to you as long as it can be during the month of May.

At the committee's suggestion it was unanimously and enthusiastically voted to set aside a substantial sum of money for a project in K'far Silver.

Trust that we will merit your favorable consideration and awaiting eagerly your immediate response, I am, as ever

Faithfully yours,



I. Usher Kirshblum

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SOLOMON COHEN
ACCOUNTANT AND AUDITOR
11 WEST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK 36, N. Y.
TELEPHONE LONGACRE 9-6890

December 26, 1953

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My dear Abba;

"It would be a shame if Dr. Silver were invited to come ~~to come~~ to the celebration of the Region's 20th Anniversary on the promise that something would be done for Kfar Silver, and then nothing were to happen. That would be grossly misleading." This was a statement I made last week at a meeting of the Officers of the Long Island Zionist Region when it was proposed that the Region celebrate its 20th Anniversary sometime in May with a \$50.00 Dinner per couple and that in order to induce you to come as guest speaker that we promise to set aside some of the monies raised for a project in Kfar Silver. I felt outraged especially when the President, a slick lawyer, remarked that we will give some

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money for Kfar Silver from
the net income of the dinner.
And if there will be no
net income?

As far as I know
conditions on the Island I
fear there will be no net
income. But your name and
the Kfar Silver Project will be
utilized for raising funds. I felt
bad for I remembered what Hannah
Stein told you about money raised
for Israel Projects in the past.

I know how the Kfar
Silver Project is close to your
heart. I would suggest that in
accepting the invitation it should
be on condition that you be
presented that evening outright—
irrespective of net or gross profit—
with a check for two, three, four or
five thousand dollars for a specific
project in Kfar Silver which you
yourself will cable to the General
 Zionist Party in Israel for that
specific purpose. If they agree to that

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then they can say to the public that part of the funds raised will go for Kfar Silver. On promises or pledges alone Kfar Silver will not be built, Nor will it be built on pledges to contribute to A. J. S.

I write this to you for I would feel guilty if I were silent and were not to apprise you confidentially of the situation.

The Richmond Hill Committee for my 60th Birthday celebration is most anxious to hear from you as to the day convenient to you, so that they can start proceeding with arrangements.

Kindest regards to Virginia and the boys in which Rose joins me.

As ever yours,
Sol.

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JOSEPH GREENSTEIN

Director

Dec. 29, 1953.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Rd. at E. 106th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You were so kind as to accept membership on the Committee of World Sponsors for the "HONOR THY TEACHER" Golden Book Project of the Jewish National Fund.

The aim of this project is to honor our teachers past and present, by inscribing them in a special Golden Book; and to put the J.N.F. into the foreground as an institution of great educational importance. It was felt that it would be most appropriate to launch this project somewhere around Purim with a reception to the American World Sponsors which include Prof. Albert Einstein and Dr. Israel Goldstein, as well as yourself.

We deeply appreciate your advising what date during the month of March would be most convenient for you to be our guest of honor in New York City, at the reception launching this most worthwhile project. All travel arrangements per your instructions will of course be taken care of.

Enclosed find a preliminary prospectus which will give you a better picture of the scope and plans for the project. Your comments and suggestions would be deeply appreciated.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

JG/EJE
Encls.

Joseph Greenstein
Joseph Greenstein, Director
Education & Youth Dept.

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December 30, 1953

Rabbi I. Usher Firshblum
Main Street and 72nd Avenue
Flushing 67, New York

My dear Rabbi Kirshblum:

I deeply appreciate your kind letter and invitation to address the Long Island Zionist Region Jubilee Celebration in May. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately, my commitments for the remainder of the season are so heavy that I cannot, in justice to myself, take on additional out-of-town obligations. In fact, I am trying to disengage myself of some of them. I am sure that you will understand.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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SOLOMON COHEN
ACCOUNTANT AND AUDITOR
11 WEST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK 36, N. Y.
TELEPHONE LONGACRE 5-0880

January 5, 1954

My dear Abba:-

You have no idea how embarrassed I feel everytime I meet Mr. Abraham J. Schwartz, Chairman of my 60.th Birthday celebration and he advises me that he still did not receive a reply from you to his invitation that you be the guest speaker at the celebration.

He wanted to send you a reminder, but in line with my telephone conversation with you, I told him to have patience as most probably you have to find a date suitable to you.

Do take me out of this dilemma and write to him: 193-39 Salerno Avenue, Hollis, New York.

I should appreciate if you would send me a copy of your reply.

Kindest regards to Virginia, Daniel and Raphael. Anna wishes to be remembered.

As ever yours,

Sal

*Spk. Eng.
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January 7, 1953

Mr. Joseph Greenstein, Director
Education and Youth Department
Jewish National Fund
41 East 42nd Street
New York 17, New York

My dear Mr. Greenstein:

Permit me to thank you for your letter of December 29th.
I am afraid that it will not be possible for me to participate in the meeting which you are planning for March. Previous commitments make it impossible for me to take on any additional obligations.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rms

January 7, 1954

Mr. Abraham J. Schwartz
193-39 Salerno Avenue
Holliswood, Long Island, New York

My dear Mr. Schwartz:

Thank you for your kind letter, and please pardon the long delay in replying to it. I have been away from the city a good deal of the time, and I have had many commitments pending which I had to organize before I was able to find a time for the 60th birthday testimonial which the friends of Sol Cohen are tendering him.

I should be very eager to attend this function as I have great affection for my lifetime friend, Sol Cohen. I find that the only date open to me would be Tuesday, February 23. Please let me know whether that date is convenient to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rms

ABRAHAM J. SCHWARTZ

~~XXXXXX PLACE~~
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
JAMAICA, L. I., NEW YORK

193-39 Salerno Ave
Holliswood, L.I

January 8, 1954

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

Dear Rabbi Silver;

I was most elated to receive your letter accepting my invitation to be the guest speaker at the Sol Cohen 60th Birthday Celebration, marking the completion of thirty five years of service to our community and to the cause of Zionism on Long Island.

I read your letter this morning to the Committee, at a meeting especially convoked for this purpose. Your kind acceptance was received with unbounded enthusiasm. I need not tell you how happy Sol will be when he learns that you are going to do him honor on this momentous occasion in his life.

Looking forward to the extreme pleasure of seeing and greeting you on Tuesday evening, February 23rd, I am with kindest regards,

Sincerely,

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Abraham J. Schwartz -Chairman

Sol Cohen 60th Birthday Celebration

SOLOMON COHEN
ACCOUNTANT AND AUDITOR
11 WEST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK 36, N. Y.
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January 12, 1954

Dear Abba:

Mr. Abraham J. Schwartz phoned me Sunday that he received your acceptance to the invitation to come to Richmond Hill on February 23rd and be the Guest Speaker at my 80th Birthday celebration.

I shall not use the hackneyed phrases: "Words fail me to adequately express my deep appreciation, etc., etc." You know just how I feel. I consider your acceptance the greatest gift in my life.

Anna and I would like to have you over at the house for dinner that evening. We feel confident you will say: yes.

Kindest regards to Virginia Daniel and Raphael. Anna joins me in best wishes to you all.

As ever yours
Sol

RUSSEKS FIFTH AVENUE, INC.
NEW YORK 18, N. Y.

January 26, 1954

WALTER H. WEINSTEIN
PRESIDENT

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker Heights
Cleveland, Ohio

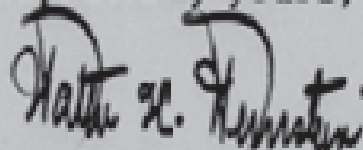
Dear Rabbi Silver:

I take the liberty of writing you because the subject concerns a milestone in the progress of human welfare. On Sunday, May 16, 1954, at 4:30 p. m. the Geriatrics Institute in the Max and Bertha Weinstein Pavilion of the Home and Hospital of the Daughters of Jacob will be dedicated. The vast new older segment of our population which is the beneficiary of the wonders of modern science and medicine will demand answers to the many problems which will accompany their blessings. This Home, which cares for 600 aged Orthodox Jews, has had unusual opportunities for clinical observation and study of the diseases of the aged. Its contemplated program will benefit all faiths in our country and throughout the world.

As Chairman of the Dedication Committee on this important occasion, I ask if you would honor our distinguished guests from the fields of industry, labor and government by joining them. Your acceptance would be inspirational to our executive committee and I would be deeply grateful. Most important, your presence would electrify the Jewish population of our city and alert all citizens to one of the great human problems of today - the study of the diseases of the aged.

As America's most prominent rabbi, you would bring untold blessings to this dramatic new work on behalf of the living and the unborn aged of tomorrow. It would be an honor, a pleasure and a potent spark of encouragement to hear from you.

Respectfully yours,



Walter H. Weinstein

WHW:lr

RABBI MORRIS N. KERTZER

386 Fourth Avenue

New York 16, N. Y.

Murray Hill 5-0181

January 28, 1954

Dear Doctor Silver:

We are looking forward with keen anticipation to your visit in our community on Monday, April 12th. Will you be able to have dinner in our home that evening? Julia and I would love to have you, and we hope that George and Sylvia Lieberman will join us.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,



Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

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February 3, 1954

My dear Abba:

The Testimonial in my honor is the talk of all Long Island Jewishists because of your participation. Soon this will be made known and will become the talk of all New York Jewishists.

It is planned that the evening be on a very high cultural plane, with a very fine program of Jewish music by a group of the New York Philharmonic Symphony orchestra. We celebrated the 20th Anniversary of our Rabbi Neulander in similar fashion and it made a hit and was a phenomenal success.

After all, I am not Mr. Abba Halper Silver, where 800 people would be willing to pay \$30.00 a couple, and on top of it, have to make reservations. The cost of a dinner to-day would have to be \$25.00 per couple, in addition to the expenses attached thereto. The Committee felt that to charge such an amount would jeopardize the success of the Testimonial. The

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only beneficiary would be the caterer.
I concurred with the committee.

Now you will understand the reason
for my inviting you to be my guest
at my home for dinner, at say about
six o'clock. Anna had written to
Virginia that if she contemplates
to come to New York for the
Washington Birthday weekend, we
would feel highly honored to have
her as our guest for dinner.

I am enclosing a copy of our
Temple Bulletin. All the Jewish
organizations of Richmond Hill who
are sponsoring this Testimonial
are all full of excitement about
your participation.

Please let me know at what
hotel you plan to stay so that a
committee - including me of course -
will call on you and take you to
Richmond Hill.

kindest regards to Virginia Daniel
and Raphael in which Anna joins
me.

As ever yours,
Sol.

February 9, 1954

Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer
386 Fourth Avenue
New York 16, New York

My dear Friend:

Thank you for your note of January twenty-eighth. I am very happy to accept your gracious invitation to have dinner with you at your home on the occasion of my visit to your community on April twelfth.

With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:mas

February 16, 1954

Mr. Walter H. Weinstein, President
Russocks Fifth Avenue, Inc.
New York 18, New York

My dear Mr. Weinstein:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter. I have been away from the city and my correspondence has unfortunately lagged.

I deeply appreciate the honor of your invitation to attend the dedication of the Geriatrics Institute in the Max and Bertha Weinstein Pavilion of the Home and Hospital of the Daughters of Jacob on May sixteenth. It would give me great pleasure indeed if I were free to accept it. The importance of the occasion recommends itself to me very highly. Unfortunately, I must occupy my own pulpit that morning, and I have two other congregational events scheduled for that day.

I deeply regret my inability to be of service to you. Perhaps at some future time I can be helpful.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRAHAM HILIEL SILVER

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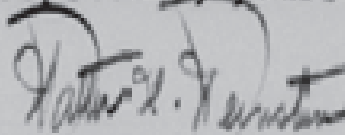
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105 St. at Ansel Rd.
Cleveland 5, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I fully understand the conditions which prevent your attendance at the dedication ceremonies at the Geriatrics Institute in the Max and Bertha Weinstein Pavilion of the Home and Hospital of the Daughters of Jacob on May 16th. May I take this opportunity of thanking you for the spirit of good will contained in your letter.

With every good wish, I am,

Respectfully yours,



WHW:lr

Walter H. Weinstein

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Dear Dr. Silver;

I cannot permit the occasion to pass without reiterating my pleasure in meeting you once again, and to thank you for being present at Sol's Testimonial last Tuesday evening.

Your humor was priceless, and the evening, I am certain will always be remembered by all of us.

Please remember me to Mrs. Silver, and with kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Abraham J. Schwartz

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March 3, 1954

My dear Abba:

Your presence and participation at my Sixtieth Birthday celebration was the greatest tribute I could have received. I could not dream nor hope for greater honors and richer rewards. And Virginia's presence added so much to my joy and happiness.

What greater honors or recompense could one expect or wish for! Your presence and participation in the celebration is the Talk of the Community and Long Island Zionists.

It was a monumental evening to Anna and me. Your evaluation of me was the greatest tribute paid to a friend. P. H. 3 P. H. 1

Kindest regards to Virginia in which Anna joins me.

As ever yours
Sol.

March 9, 1954

Telegram

Mr. Leonard J. Wechsler
United Jewish Appeal
165 West 46th Street
New York, New York

F. J. Shuman

DEEPLY REGRET CANNOT ACCEPT YOUR GRACIOUS INVITATION.

ABRA HILLEL SILVER



M. TORCZYNER

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

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March 15, 1954

Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland,

Dear Dr. Silver,

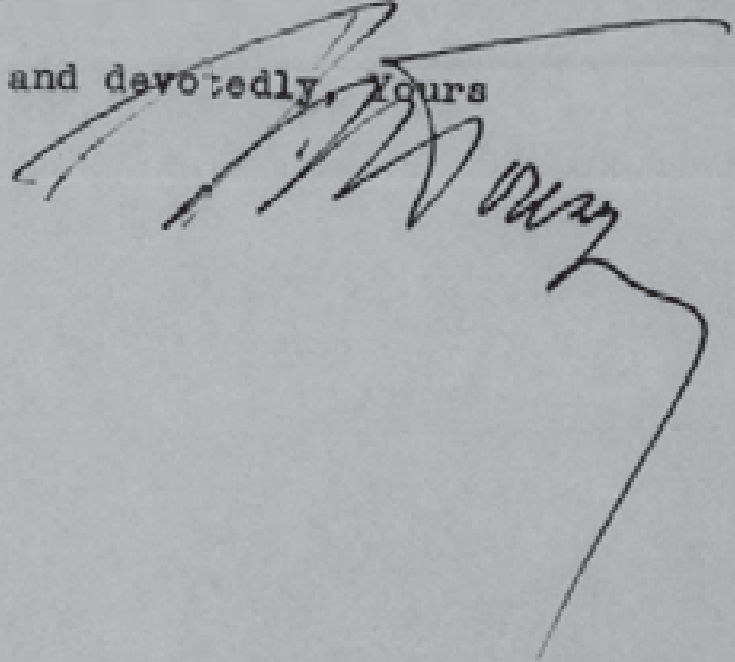
Mr. Warburg invited you over the phone to accept to address the annual Dinner of the Jewelryindustry in behalf of UJA which is scheduled for may 25, in the Grand Ballroom of the Astorhotel.

I take liberty to add this additional appeal. The Jewelryindustry is one of the biggest contributors to UJA. Our people are to a large extent Zionists and members of our ZOA, or potential supporters of our cause. The intent is to bring a thousand people to the Dinner. My nephew Jaques will be toastmaster of the evening, I, myself, head the Diamonddivision within our industry.

Nobody can inspire us like you, dear Dr. Silver; your acceptance will encourage us to work devotedly for an outstanding success.

We hope that you will be able to honor us with accepting our invitation in spite of the innumerable requests which are being extended to you and looking forward to hear from you, I remain

gratefully and devotedly, Yours

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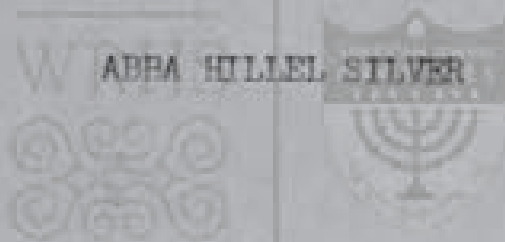
MARCH 17, 1954

Telegram

M. Torczyner
6 West 77th Street
New York 24, New York

I HAD PREVIOUSLY DECLINED MAY 25TH INVITATION BUT I SHALL BE VERY
HAPPY TO RECONSIDER IT IN SPITE OF MY CROWDED SCHEDULE.

KINDEST REGARDS



March 16, 1954

Mr. Arthur Fishohn
United Jewish Appeal
165 West 46th Street
New York, New York

DEEPLY REGRET PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS PREVENT MY ACCEPTING NEW YORK
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March 18, 1954

Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland,

Dear Dr. Silver,

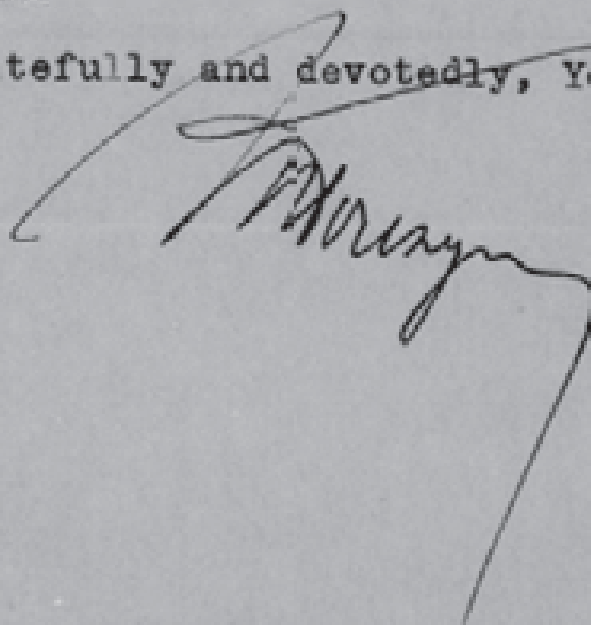
It is with deepest gratitude that I acknowledge receipt of your wire indicating your readiness to reconsider accepting our invitation for May 25.

Your immediate and so encouraging cooperation has given us the greatest possible stimulation for the work ahead. Everybody will look forward eagerly to meet with you, the spokesman of our people. I assure you, dear Dr. Silver, that we shall make this evening a more than outstanding success, thanks to you.

I hope that you will be able to confirm the date soon in a definite manner. In the meantime, permit me, to express to you once more our sincerest thanks. Dear Dr. Silver, may God bless you with good health and strength; you know best how we feel for you, and long for your leadership.

With warmest personal regards for you and your family, I am

gratefully and devotedly, Yours

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March 19, 1954

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

In connection with the Honor Thy Teacher Golden Book project of the Jewish National Fund of which you are an American World Sponsor, the J.N.F. is holding a public meeting on Sunday Evening, April 11, in New York City.

Delegations from teacher and educational bodies will be present at this salute to our workers in the field of Zionist education.

We would feel honored indeed, if it would be possible for you to be present at this gathering. A highlight of the program will be a public tribute to the American World Sponsors. A short message from you would be most fitting and proper, and would be deeply appreciated by us and the teachers who work so diligently on behalf of the Jewish National Fund and Israel.

With thanks for your consideration and cooperation and with best wishes, I remain,

Cordially yours,

Joseph Greenstein, Dir.
Education & Youth Dept.



BREAKERS HOTEL

BOARDWALK AT
NEW JERSEY AVE.
ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.

March 29, 1954

My dear Abba:

My rush season
being over, I am here with
Anna to spend a long-needed
rest.

I am still floating
in mid-air. Never shall
I forget that memorable
evening of my Sixtieth
Birthday and how you, by
your presence and
participation, have caused
to make that evening
the happiest and
outstanding one in
my life. And Virginia's
presence certainly helped
to make that evening outstanding.
The event is still



BREAKERS HOTEL

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the talk of Long Island
New York Journal, and, of
course, of the Community
of Richmond Hill.
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As ever yours,
Lol

Anna wishes to be
remembered.

DAVID OPPENHEIM
COUNSELOR AT LAW
475 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.
OREGON 9-4747

March 22, 1954

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am a neighbor of Jack and Rose Matlaw, in Forest Hills, and am a past president of the Forest Hills (Long Island) Zionist District, and am on the National Administrative Council of the Z.O.A.

I also happen to be Chairman of the 1954 drive of the Forest Hills Division of the United Jewish Appeal. Ours, I am told, is the key area in all of Long Island, and last year, for the first time, topped \$1,000,000. for the U.J.A. As is customary, the highlight of our drive is a dinner, and due to the recognized position of our community in this field of endeavor, we have been able to obtain outstanding personalities as our guests of honor at these dinners. For example, last year we had Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.

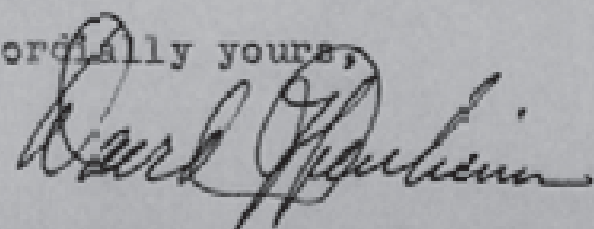
We understand from U.J.A. headquarters here, that you are coming to New York to be the speaker at the Jewelry Division U.J.A. dinner on May 25th. We would very much like to arrange our dinner for the next night, May 26th, with you as our guest of honor. Needless to say it would be a feather in the cap of our drive to have you, and unquestionably, the U.J.A. drive on all of Long Island would be stimulated as a result.

Personally, I well recall the last public visit you made to Forest Hills that I knew about. It was when your nephew Danny Matlaw was Bar Mitzvah in the old building of our Forest Hills Jewish Center. The proposed present dinner would be in our new building on Queens Boulevard, whose platform, I believe, you have not yet graced.

I am sure that Rose and Jack would be thrilled to have you in our midst again, as would all of Forest Hills' Jewry (some 12,000 families now) of whom about 400 would be expected at the dinner.

I trust I shall be honored with a favorable reply.

Cordially yours,



March 22, 1954

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

P.S. I received an announcement of Danny's wedding in Israel, and Rose told me Sunday night - at a Purim party that our Zionist District ran - that she is flying to Israel early in April, to be at the wedding. - Mazel-tov.



March 23, 1954

Mr. David Oppenheim
475 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, New York

My dear Friend:

Thank you for your kind letter and your invitation to address the Forest Hills United Jewish Appeal on May 26th. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately, I must return to Cleveland right after my New York engagement. My calendar is all too crowded, I am afraid.

With warmest greetings, and hoping that I may be of service to you at some future time, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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March 24th, 1954

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

Dear Sir:-

Our Union again, this year, as in the past will celebrate the anniversary of the State of Israel.

Last year we sent you an invitation that you be the honored guest at our celebration. If you recall, you wrote us that you would have welcomed an opportunity to participate in our celebration, but that you would be abroad at the time. We want to again extend this invitation to you. Our members look upon you as the outstanding personality in the American scene. Our affair is scheduled for Saturday evening, May 15th at 9:00 P. M. at our own Union Headquarters where we expect 1,000 members and their families.

May we hear from you at the earliest possible date as to whether it will be possible for you to be present.

Very truly yours,

Frank Brown

Frank Brown, Vice-President
Chairman, Jewish Affairs Committee

FB/mf

March 30, 1954

Mr. Joseph Greenstein
Education and Youth Department
Jewish National Fund
41 East 42nd Street
New York 17, New York
Dear Mr. Greenstein:

Thank you for your kind letter of March nineteenth.

I regret that I will not be able to be with you at your meeting on April eleventh as I have a very important meeting here at The Temple that evening.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rus

March 30, 1954

Mr. Frank Brown, Chairman
Jewish Affairs Committee
District 65 A. I. O.
13 Astor Place
New York 3, New York

Dear Mr. Brown:

Permit me to thank you for your letter of March 24th.

I regret very much that I will not be able to accept your kind invitation for your meeting on May 15th. I have another long standing engagement on that date.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:mas

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SAMUEL D. FREEMAN, Director

March 30, 1954

Dear Friend:

We are now preparing our 1954-56 Biennial Jewish Center Lecture Bureau announcement. Please fill out one copy of the enclosed questionnaire in detail and send it to us by return mail in the self-addressed envelope enclosed for your convenience. A copy of last year's announcement is also enclosed.

Please study carefully item #6 regarding the type of representation by the Bureau which you accept. It is helpful to the Bureau and to the program planner to have exclusive calendar arrangements with lecturers and artists.

As is our practice, each individual listed is asked to help meet the increased costs of printing. Your check in the amount of \$5.00 should bear the notation "for inclusion in Biennial announcement" and is to be made out to the Jewish Center Lecture Bureau.

Your cooperation in returning the enclosed questionnaire promptly will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

SAMUEL D. FREEMAN

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March 30, 1954

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

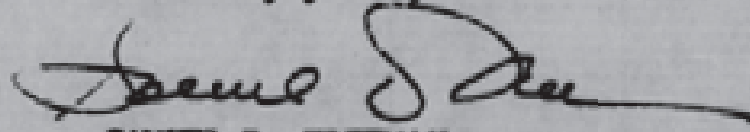
The Jewish Center Lecture Bureau from time to time invites several outstanding personalities who have a contribution to make to the adult education programs of Jewish Centers, to be listed in its biennial announcement. Our Advisory Committee would like to invite you to join our roster of lecturers. The service we render is extended on a non-commercial basis to all Jewish communal organizations. In addition to making the arrangements for the appearance of lecturers in connection with their forum programs, this Bureau also extends a program guidance service to its constituency.

In connection with engagements which this bureau arranges, it makes a 12½% deduction from the fee in order to partially offset the cost of maintaining these services. Two-thirds of our budget, however, is provided for by the National Jewish Welfare Board, the national association of Jewish Community Centers and YMHAs.

I can understand that it may not be possible for you to accept such lecture engagements frequently. We would be guided by your wishes in the matter in discussing your availability with Jewish organizations. It is for this reason that I enclose a questionnaire which will give us all pertinent data concerning the limitations on your availability.

I hope that we may hear from you shortly so that the printing of our regular announcement may not be delayed.

Sincerely yours,


SAMUEL D. FREEMAN

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April 2, 1954

Mr. Samuel D. Freeman
Jewish Center Lecture Bureau
~~115 East 32nd Street~~
New York 16, New York

My dear Mr. Freeman:

Thank you for your letter of March 30th. I prefer that my name should not be included on your Lecture Bureau. I have followed that as a policy with lecture bureaus generally for quite a number of years.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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M. TORCZYNER

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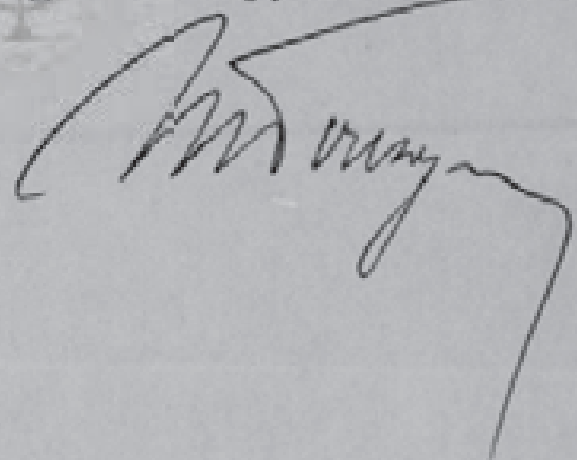
Dear Dr. Silver,

The need to advertise our dinner, to print and to mail invitations, compels me at this time to plead with you to accept our invitation to address us on May 25th as set forth in my letter of March 15, in a definite manner.

We shall work devotedly and untiringly for a maximum success at our dinner, inspired and honored by your acceptance. I assure you personally, dear Dr. Silver, that the evening will be a memorable one and am grateful if you could honor us at this time with your acceptance.

Looking forward to hear from you, I am

devotedly and gratefully, Yours

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'M. Torczyner', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

RABBI MORRIS N. KERTZER

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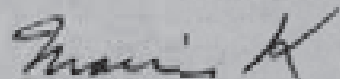
April 7, 1954

Dear Doctor Silver:

We are looking forward to your visit with us next Monday. Can you please tell me of your travel plans so that I can meet you in the city and drive you to our home for dinner?

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,



Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

MNK:mcm:

Jack B. Cohen

April 8, 1954

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

It gives me great pleasure to advise you that the newly-formed District #20 of the Zionist Organization of America has unanimously voted to be known as the Abba Hillel Silver Zionist District.

As President of this new group, which in the short space of three months already has a membership of close to 150, I am conveying its action with the profound hope that you will agree to our use of your illustrious name for the high purposes and endeavors which we plan to undertake. Surely no Jew of our time is more deserving of the devotion and admiration which we wish to express by our action.

We would be deeply honored if you would consent to present our charter to us at a meeting to be arranged at your convenience. Any date during the latter part of May or early June would be most welcome.

May I have an early reply from you, which I look forward to conveying to the district's members.

Please accept our profound wish that you may be blessed with many more years to serve Israel and the Jewish people throughout the world.

Sincerely yours,

Jack B. Cohen
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RABBI MORRIS N. KERTZER
386 FOURTH AVENUE
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ABBA HILIEL SILVER



April 9, 1954

TELEGRAM

MOSES TORCZYNER
6 WEST 77th STREET
NEW YORK 24, NEW YORK

WILL BE PLEASED TO BE WITH YOU FOR THE UJA DINNER MAY 25.

REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



M. TORCZYNER

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April 12th, 1954

Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland

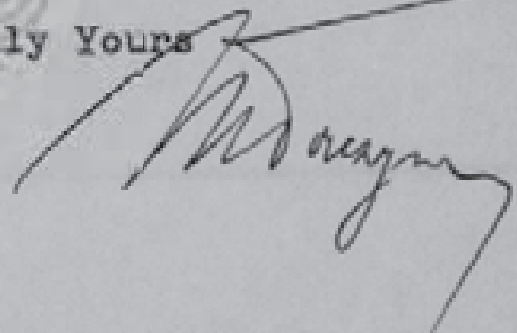
Dear Dr. Silver,

It is with profound gratitude that I acknowledge receipt of your wire confirming your address at our UJA dinner on May 25th.

Inspired by your acceptance, your very many friends will do their utmost to make this affair a really outstanding one, well worth your sacrifice of time and energy in behalf of our people.

With best wishes for your well being and with kindest regards, I remain

devotedly Yours

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'M. Torczyner', is written over the typed name 'devotedly Yours'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail that extends downwards and to the right.

April 15, 1954

Mr. Jack B. Cohen
263 West End Avenue
New York 23, New York

My dear Mr. Cohen:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of April 8th. I was pleased to be informed that the newly organized District #20 of the Zionist Organization of America has voted to be known as the Abba Hillel Silver Zionist District. I feel highly honored that such action was taken. I hope that the District will prosper and grow in number and in influence.

I wish I were free to come to you in May or June. Unfortunately, the remaining weeks in this season are terribly crowded for me, not alone with congregational duties but with many out-of-town engagements to which I am already committed. It will therefore be impossible for me to avail myself of your gracious invitation to attend the meeting at which your charter will be presented.

With all good wishes for success, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rms

M. TORCZYNER

6 WEST 77TH STREET

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May, 10, 1954

Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland,

Dear Dr. Silver,

Our intention to have a record number of people listen to your address at our UJAdinner on may 25, required a program different from the customary, of which I take liberty to acquaint you.

Because of the many we expect to attend, it will be physically impossible to call cards. We, therefore, will have a captain at each table invite pledges or increases for some 15 minutes after the conclusion of your address. In all probability shall we come to the dinner with pledges already in for appr. 500,000 \$ which compares very favourably with the total sum of 670,000 \$ raised up to the end of last year's ~~annual~~ campaign. Following that part, the evening turns social with some entertainment and concluded with dancing.

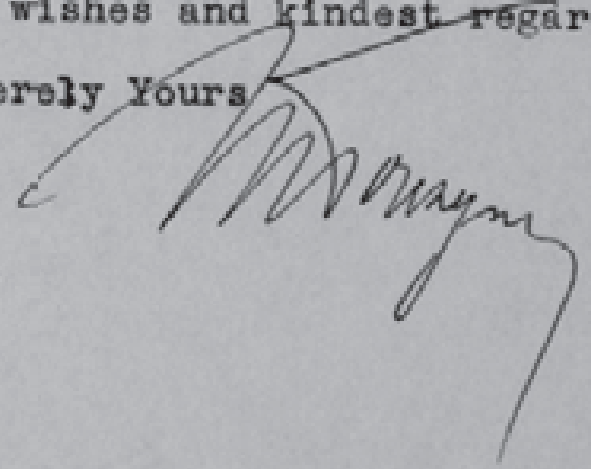
This dinner is the major effort on the part of us Zionists in our trade to increase the interest in UJA, to enlarge the number of contributors and to educate them on our point of view; particularly now when the Council for Judaism goes out to gain supporters among those Jews who became confused on account of statements by Mr. Byroade, the supply of arms to Iraq by our government ecc. Your address will set the record straight and become instrumental to achieve the goal.

There will be drinks and "hors-d'oeuvres" at 6.15. We expect the dinner, anthems, invocation to last from 7.15 to 8.30 appr. There will be only your address, introduced and followed up by the toastmaster, Jaques.

Will you, please, be good enough, Dr. Dr. Silver, and let us know whether we may expect Mrs. Silver as well, and when and where to call on you to take you to the dinner.

Expressing once more our deep gratitude for your kind cooperation, I remain with best wishes and kindest regards

Sincerely Yours



Dress informal,

May 14, 1954

Mr. M. Torczyner
Six West Seventh-seventh Street
New York 24, New York

My dear Friend:

Thank you for your letter of May tenth. I noted the details of the meeting. They are entirely satisfactory.

I do not believe that Mrs. Silver will be coming along, as my stay in New York will be very brief. Please make reservations for me at the Astor Hotel, where I understand the meeting is to be held.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rms

Telegram

May 20, 1954

Mr. Moses Torczyner
576 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

RABBI SILVER ARRIVES NEW LAGUARDIA 11:05 A.M. TUESDAY, MAY 25 VIA
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MRS. E. M. SPARROW
SECRETARY TO RABBI SILVER



M. TORCZYNER

6 WEST 77TH STREET

NEW YORK 24, N. Y.

TRAFALGAR 3-1043

Newyork, may 26, 1954

Rabbi
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland

Dear Dr. Silver,

I hope you had a good trip home and have recovered
fully from your cold by now.

I like to express to you, once again, our appreciation
and deep gratitude for having addressed us in behalf of
U.J.A.

To be with you and to listen to you - unfortunately
for us so very seldom - has been with us in the past the
great inspiration and continues to be so today. May G'd
bless you with good health and strength so that we, your
unreservedly committed followers, may benefit from it by
having you leading us in the future "ad meah veesrim".

Thanks and kindest regards to Mrs. Silver,

Yours

M. Torczyner

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Rabbi Leonard S. Schofer

LARCHMONT, N.Y.

JULY 12, 1954

DEAR RABBI SILVER:

WE PLAN TO DEDICATE OUR NEW BUILDING
ON SEPTEMBER 25TH AND ARE BEGINNING TO PREPARE
PLANS FOR THE DEDICATION CEREMONY. IS THERE ANY
POSSIBILITY THAT YOU MIGHT AGREE TO SPEAK AT
OUR DEDICATION? IF SO, WHAT ARRANGEMENTS DO YOU
DESIRE.

PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR DECISION AS
SOON AS YOU CAN SO WE CAN CONCRETIZE OUR PLANS.

SINCERELY,

Rabbi Leonard S. Schofer

RABBI ABBA SILVER
ANSEL ROAD TEMPLE
CLEVELAND, OHIO

July 28, 1954

Rabbi Leonard S. Schofer
21 North Chatsworth Avenue
Iarchmont, New York

My dear Friend:

I deeply regret it will not be possible
for me to accept your gracious invitation to
address the dedication exercises of your new
building.

I wish you every success and progress.

With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rm8

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135-12-72 Avenue
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CITY OFFICE

4330 BEDFORD AVENUE
BROOKLYN 29, N. Y.
Tel. DEway 2-6761

August 20, 1954

Dear Dr. Silver,

Nine long years have gone by since Long Island Region was privileged with your presence. It was in the summer of 1946 when you last addressed us.

Last Spring I wrote to you about our Jubilee Year. Your inability to be with us actually cancelled out our plans. Now we are planning to hold our Jubilee Dinner in March of 1955 in one of the Metropolitan Hotels. We've got to have you! Name the date and name the conditions. As chairman I will see to it that we meet any commitments.

With your presence I feel confident that this affair
will be a most outstanding one and will, at the
same time, be able to carry on with my
membership work for another year.

Wish I could come and plead the cause
of the Long Island Zionist Region before you
in person!

Sad to relate but there are no substitutes
for you. Thus your refusal would leave
us orphaned and nothing to be jubilant about.

Your acceptance would be the greatest
reward I could receive for the very hard
work I've been performing for the Z.O.A. in
a position which so few wish to occupy.
With deep reverence and profound affection,

I am

Faithfully yours
Herschel K. Kohn

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LETTER OF AUGUST 20. OUR FUTURE REGIONAL ACTIVITIES DEPEND
ENTIRELY UPON SUCCESSFUL JIBILEE DINNER WHICH CAN ONLY BE
SO WITH YOUR PRESENCE. AWAITING EAGERLY YOUR ACCEPTANCE=
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SEPTEMBER 15, 1954

RABBI I USHER KIRSHBLUM
LONG ISLAND ZIONIST REGION
123-32 82 AVE.
KEW GARDENS, NEW YORK

REGRET EXCEEDINGLY THAT DUE TO PRESSURE OF WORK THIS COMING
SEASON IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR ME TO ACCEPT YOUR GRACIOUS
INVITATION.

WARMEST REGARDS,

ABBA HILIEL SILVER



AMERICAN ZIONIST COUNCIL
342 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN
RABBI IRVING MILLER

September 23, 1954

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

The Executive Committee of the American Zionist Council has asked me to express to you its very deep appreciation of your acceptance of our invitation to address the Tercentenary meeting which the Council is arranging for Monday evening, February 21st at the Hunter College auditorium.

As for myself, I am sure you know how very grateful I am to you for this. We shall spare no efforts to make the evening a memorable one from every point of view. Already a staff member of the Council is at work gathering material in accordance with your suggestions for a publication which will adequately portray the role which both America and American Jewry played in the creation of the State of Israel.

With kindest personal regards and with my very best wishes to Virginia and the boys as well as to yourself for a happy New Year, I am,

As ever,


Irving Miller
Chairman

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October 5, 1954

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

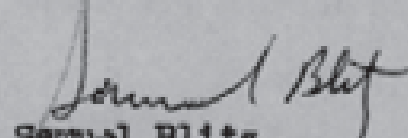
Our Council of Organizations is planning to have its annual meeting early next year prior to the opening of our 1955 campaign. The meeting will be attended by about two thousand delegates representing all the fraternal and landsmannschaften organizations in Greater New York. We are very eager to have you be the guest speaker on this occasion.

Knowing that you will be in New York on Monday, February 21st, for the meeting of the American Zionist Council, our Council of Organizations can arrange to have their meeting on Sunday afternoon, February 20th, in the hope that you will find it possible to be with us.

Will you be good enough to advise me whether this meets with your approval.

Wishing you a New Year of health and happiness, I remain

Sincerely yours,



Samuel Blitz
Executive Vice-President

SB/al

October 14, 1954

Mr. Samuel Blitz
United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, Inc.
220 West Fifty-eighth Street
New York 19, New York

My dear Mr. Blitz:

Thank you for your kind note of October fifth and for your gracious invitation to address the Council of Organizations on Sunday afternoon, February twentieth.

I regret that it will not be possible for me to accept your invitation. I must be in my own pulpit on that day.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rms



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October 25, 1954

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are delighted to know that it will be possible for you to participate in the mass celebration to be held in Carnegie Hall in New York City on Sunday evening, November 14, 1954 at 8:15 p.m., under the sponsorship of the Synagogue Council of America and the New York Board of Rabbis.

We look forward to having you with us, and trust that your address will be within the time schedule of 20 minutes which we have had to establish, in order to keep the program within reasonable limits.

The program will also include remarks by Ralph E. Samuel, chairman of the American Jewish Tercentenary Committee; Rabbi Norman Salit, president of the Synagogue Council of America; Rabbi Julius Mark, chairman of the Tercentenary Committee of the New York Board of Rabbis; Rabbi Aaron D. Burack (in Yiddish) and Prof. Abraham Weiss (in Hebrew). The Honorable Simon E. Rifkind will deliver an address. Tercentenary medals will be presented to the rabbis and presidents of the oldest congregations in the United States; a musical program will be presented by the Cantors' Concert Ensemble of the Metropolitan Region of the Cantors' Assembly of America; and by Roman Totenberg, noted violinist.

In order that we may adhere to our time schedule, and to provide material needed by the press, we would very much appreciate your sending a copy of the text of your address, no later than November 7, to Marc H. Tanenbaum of Synagogue Council, who will be in charge of the public relations aspects of the evening.

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Rabbi Silver

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On the evening of November 14, will you be good enough to report backstage at Carnegie Hall, 161 W. 56th Street, by 7:45 p.m. There you will be escorted to the guest room prior to the seating of program participants on the stage. Participants are requested to wear striped trousers and black jackets.

Tickets in the reserved seat section will be available for your guests. Please let us know how many you will require. Please address all communications to the office of the Synagogue Council of America, 110 W. 42nd Street, N.Y.C. phone Bryant 9-2647.

Thank you for your interest and cooperation.

SIMON G. KRAMER
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LEON SAKS, D. D. S.
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Rabbi Dr Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

Nov 7/1954

Dear Doctor Silver

Permit me to express deep admiration
& sincere gratitude for the benefit I have received
from hearing your address at the Tercentenary Dinner.

The preceding talks were excellent & led one
to wonder if it would be possible to enthuse or be
stirred by the main address. I can only say that
they were ^{but} steps, beautiful and stirring, but
nevertheless merely precludes to the grand climax,
your noble, stimulating, and heartfelt address.

Through it ran the prophetic vein of our
people's heritage and I feel that I must humbly
express the gratitude of my wife & myself for the
privilege of hearing it. There is much more that I
wish I could express, except to say that I hope &
pray that your admonition will bear the fruit
that it should.

Thank you
Sincerely
Leon Saks

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*Federation
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Office of the President



130 East 59th Street, New York 22, N. Y. - Plaza 1-1000

November 10, 1954

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Congregation Tifereth Israel
East 105th Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It gives me great pleasure to invite you to participate as guest speaker at the third Annual Dinner of the Jewish Education Committee of New York in behalf of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies.

This annual event has become a great manifestation on the part of almost one thousand people, who attend this function, of their interest in the furtherance of the work of the Jewish Education Committee of New York.

This year, the guest of honor will be Leo J. Goldberger, past President of the Jewish Education Committee, and one of the great communal leaders of New York. The Chairman of the dinner will be Samuel S. Schneiersen, whose national reputation in behalf of all Jewish causes is now legend.

The Board of Federation, the Board of the Jewish Education Committee, and the whole Jewish community would be proud to have you speak at this function, which will take place on Wednesday, January 26, 1955 at the Hotel New Yorker.

Won't you please let us know at your earliest opportunity that you will be able to accept this engagement?

Sincerely yours,

Salim L. Lewis
President

SLL/mr

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November 17, 1954

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Please accept my warm thanks for your consent to address our Carnegie Hall Mass Meeting of Sunday evening last and for your splendid address.

The meeting itself was an occasion of much gratification to the rabbinate, and it was carried off, we believe, along lines of great Jewish dignity and on a plane wholly befitting its sponsorship and significance.

To those results, your masterly address chiefly contributed.

With cordial personal greetings, believe me to be

Sincerely yours,

Norman Salit

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NORMAN SALIT

P.S. If our office does not have a copy of your address, will you please send a copy at your earliest convenience, as I should like to print the texts of the addresses and greetings.

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November 18, 1954

Mr. Salim L. Lewis, President
Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of N. Y.
130 East Fifty-ninth Street
New York 22, New York

My dear Mr. Lewis:

I deeply appreciate your gracious invitation of November tenth to participate in the third Annual Dinner of the Jewish Education Committee of New York in behalf of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies.

I wish I were free to accept it. Unfortunately, I am already very heavily scheduled for out-of-town meetings during the last week of January, and I am afraid that I shall have to forego the pleasure of being with you. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:rne

November 30, 1954

Rabbi Abraham J. Feldman
Synagogue Council of America
110 West 42nd Street
New York 36, New York

Dear Rabbi Feldman:

I believe you would like to know the amount of expenses incurred by Rabbi Silver in connection with his recent trip to New York for the Carnegie Hall Mass Meeting on November 14th. His travel and hotel expenses totaled \$100.

Very truly yours,

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

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Dr. Dr. Silver:

I heard your
great oration in Carnegie
Hall on the occasion of
the 300 anniversary of the
Coming of the Jews
to America. I think
that it was magnificent.

I agree with you
that the three most

important things for survival
are freedom, unity and
compassion. We have
achieved the first two
in most parts of the world.

We need yet to realize
the third, compassion or brotherhood.

I think that we
must do this by
the twelfth commandment: "THOU
SHALT BE THY BROTHERS
KEEPER". According to
great living historians

Our civilization will go
the way of previous
ones if we do not
take the religious way out.
I believe that the
United Nations should adopt
as its slogan or motto:
"We are our brothers keepers."

Yours truly,

Morris Sheps