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February 1, 1960

Dear Dr. Silver:

Our Organization is launching the 3rd Edition of "American Jews: Their Lives and Achievements" with a testimonial banquet to be held on March 27, 1960 at the Biltmore Hotel in New York City.

This publication is a unique biographical compendium of Jewish personalities and institutions whose contributions to American progress have been a credit to American Jewry. Last year's testimonial which commemorated the 2nd edition bestowed public recognition upon those to whom we dedicated the various divisions of the volume, e.g. Herbert H. Lehman, Fannie Hurst, Mischa Elman, Leo Davidoff, Bela Schick, Selman Waksman, etc.

This year, our Advisory Council has voted you a distinguished spiritual personality whose leadership has reflected to the prestige and pride of the entire American Jewish community. We, therefore, wish to dedicate the "Division on Clergy" to your name.

May we be privileged with your acceptance and presence at the testimonial of March 27th. This would enable us to present you with the A.J.L.F. award. This, of course, will not involve you in any financial obligation. We look forward to your gracious and affirmative response with undisguised anticipation.

Believe us to be with every good wish and sentiments of high regard.

Sincerely yours,

*Julius Marks*  
Dr. Julius Marks  
Chairman, Committee on Clergy

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Dr. Harry Cohen  
Editor-in-Chief

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio



February 12, 1960

Dear Dr. Cohen:

Dr. Silver is out of the country and I shall forward your letter to him.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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Dr. Harry Cohen  
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M. TORCZYNER  
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February 12, 1960

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Manhattan region of the Z.O.A. will observe the anniversary of the Warsaw up-rising, at the newly built Mt. Sinai Jewish Center at Broadway and 187 St. on Sunday April 24.

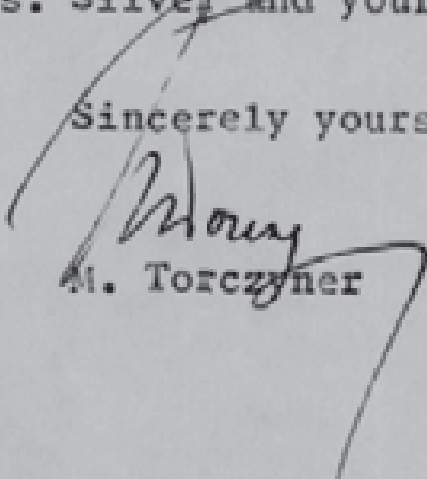
We shall have a senator from New York address the meeting, in addition to religious ceremonies customary at such occasions, with community-wide participation, particularly of the Jewish War Veterans.

I am writing to you to consent kindly to be the main speaker at the meeting. No one will impress all participants like you, and help in reasserting Z.O.A. communal leadership. The auditorium of the center holds 10000 people, and facilities will be established to carry your address to the outside, as well.

I realize that you have not accepted many engagements for some time, now. I do hope that no health considerations are the reasons.

I hope that you will favorably consider my plea. With warmest wishes to Mrs. Silver and yourself, I remain

Sincerely yours,

  
M. Torczyner

February 22, 1960

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

Dear Mr. Torczyner:

Dr. Silver is out of the country and will not be back at his desk until about the middle of March at which time your letter of February 12th will be called to his attention.

Sincerely yours,

Beatrice F. May (Mrs.)  
Secretary to Dr. Silver

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March 18, 1960

Dr. Harry Cohen  
Editor-in-Chief  
The American Jewish  
Literary Foundation  
165 West 72nd Street  
New York 23, New York

My dear Dr. Cohen:

Upon my return from abroad, I find your letter of February first in which you invite me to attend a testimonial banquet on March 27th in New York City. I am deeply appreciative of the honor and of your gracious invitation but unfortunately I have a very important wedding in Cleveland on that date which I scheduled before I left for Europe. I regret that I am unable to cancel that engagement.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

DSa

March 18, 1960

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

My dear friend:

Upon my return from Israel, I find your gracious letter of February 12th inviting me to address the annual meeting of the Warsaw up-rising on Sunday, April 24th. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately, I have an engagement already scheduled at the Long Island Zionist Region on that very day.

During my visit in Israel, I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Fur Sinai.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:bfm



M. TORCZYNER  
6 WEST 77TH STREET  
NEW YORK 24, N. Y.  
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New York, March 22nd., 1960

Rabbi Dr.

Abba Hillel Silver  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

I have your answer regarding my plea to address a rally commemorating the Warsaw uprising on Sunday, April 24th. Needless to say how disappointed we are and how much we looked forward to your acceptance.

However, in line with our weekly readings now, may I plead once more, because there is the possibility in time to appear at both functions, provided it entails no strain on you.

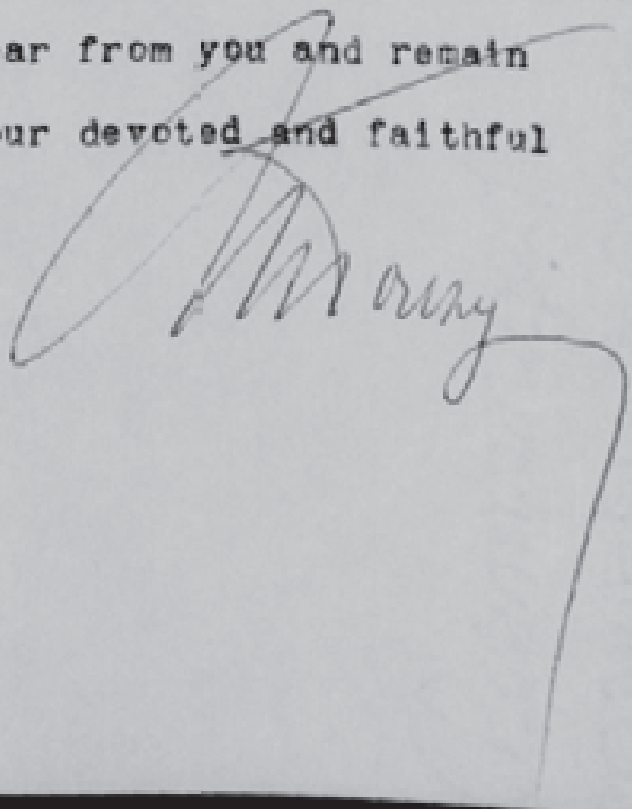
The dinner in Long Island is called for 6 p.m. Our function for 2 or 2.30 p.m. In either case remains ample time to take you to Long Island long ahead of the dinner and I'll consider it a privilege to bring you, there.

It, also, is the first time that we, of the ZOA, shall commemorate this date which has been so far an affair of circles to the left, only. In particular, do we intend to emphasize that Eretz alone represents the solution. If you were to accept, we may turn this function into a national one, perhaps. Will you be good enough, dear Dr. Silver, to reconsider your decision in line with what I said and advise me regarding your final opinion.

I thank you for your regards from my brother in Jerusalem, Prof. Tur Sinai.

I look forward to hear from you and remain

Your devoted and faithful

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, likely belonging to M. Torczyner, is written over the typed name and extends down the right side of the page.



DSa

March 25, 1960

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

My dear Friend:

If I could come to the meeting which you are arranging on April 24th you know that I would gladly do so but it is quite out of the question for me to deliver two lectures the same day. I have to conserve my health. I am sure that you will understand. I hope to be able to be of service to you at some future time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR ISRAEL

# STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS

215 Fourth Avenue, New York 3, N. Y. · ORegon 7-9650

May 19, 1960

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
East 105th St., & Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In accord with your suggestion, I am noting below some details regarding the Chicago Dinner sponsored by Temple Sholom, Sunday evening, October 23, 1960.

This Dinner will take place at the Ambassador East Hotel with an anticipated attendance of approximately 500 people. It is estimated that the potential of this meeting is in the neighborhood of a quarter of a million dollars in Bond sales.

This is the first Bond function sponsored by Temple Sholom since the inception of the Bond campaign in Chicago. Rabbi Bienstock and his Board have pledged an all out campaign to make this function outstandingly successful. Because of the importance of the event to the congregation and the community at large, they would like to have you as the guest speaker that evening and have asked us to clear this date with you.

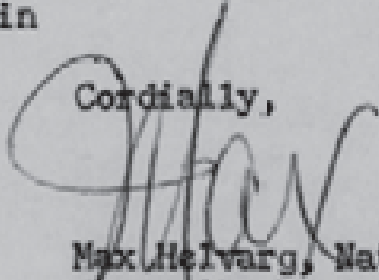
It is our firm belief that the success of the Temple Sholom affair, and your presence in Chicago that night, would -- in addition to adding roughly \$250,000 to their sales -- very likely compel Rabbi Mann to go through with a similar function for Temple Sinai, a project you had discussed with him last year.

I hope that you will find it possible to accept this date, and confirm it at the very earliest opportunity, so that we may go ahead with the necessary advance plans and publicity.

I shall be in touch with you the early part of next week.

With warmest regards, I remain

Cordially,

  
Max Helvarg, National Director  
Community Leadership Division

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May 31, 1960

Mr. Max Helvarg  
State of Israel Bonds  
215 Fourth Avenue  
New York 3, New York

My dear Mr. Helvarg:

I checked on my calendar. I find that Sunday, October 23rd, is the opening Sunday service of the Temple, at which I have to preach. It will, therefore, be impossible for me to go to Chicago on that day. I am sorry that I cannot be of help there.

With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA BILLET SILVER

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 OF AMERICAN ZIONIST NOVEMBER 13-15 1960 ASSEMBLY WILL CULMINATE  
 WITH HERZL CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION TUESDAY EVENING NOVEMBER 15  
 AT CARNEGIE HALL. MOST CORDIALLY INVITE YOU ON BEHALF OF COUNCIL  
 TO BE THE PRINCIPAL AND ONLY SPEAKER THAT EVENING. EAGERLY AWAIT  
 YOUR ACCEPTANCE. KINDEST REGARDS

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RABBI GEORGE B. LIEBERMAN, Litt. D.

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Central Synagogue of Nassau County

Rockville Centre, Long Island, New York

October 12, 1960  
via Air Mail

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

Dear Dr. Silver:-

Our congregation will be celebrating its 25th Anniversary at a special Friday Evening Service on February 24, 1961. For a Long Island congregation, a quarter of a century is a long time and is looked upon as "old age."

It would mean so very much to me personally and to the larger community if you could possibly be our guest speaker that evening. We now number about 1,000 families and you will have a large and appreciative attendance.

Please say yes. Of course, we do not wish to take advantage of you. The president of the Temple has requested that in your reply you kindly state the honorarium and please do not fail to include in it your expenses.

We will arrange to meet you at the airport or anywhere in New York City to bring you here and to take you back. The thought has come to me that perhaps you have to be in New York for some other purpose and you would also include us in your plans.

Kindly present my devoted greetings to Mrs. Silver, in which my wife joins me.

With all good wishes, I remain

Faithfully yours,

*George*

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October 17, 1960

Dr. George B. Lieberman  
Central Synagogue of Nassau County  
Rockville Centre  
Long Island, New York

My dear George:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of October 12th and for your gracious invitation to join in your celebration of the 25th Anniversary of your congregation on February 24, 1961. It would give me great pleasure indeed to attend such an auspicious occasion. In all likelihood, however, Mrs. Silver and I will be out of the country during the months of February and March and I must, therefore, fore-go the pleasure of accepting your invitation. I know the occasion will be a very happy one for you and I send my heartiest felicitations.

With warmest regards in which Mrs. Silver joins me,  
I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm



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Nov. 4, 1960

Dr. Silver:

Mr. William Schwartz called - Trafalgar 9-8400 New York  
David Rose and Col. J.R. Elyashar would like you  
to be principal speaker at their annual Technion  
Dinner Nov. 28, 1960 - Pierre Hotel, N.Y.C.

Also - Chicago wants you at their annual Technion  
dinner on December 7th.

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November 7, 1960

Zionist Organization of America  
145 East 32nd Street  
New York 16, New York

Attention: Miss Salkind

Gentlemen:

In a phone conversation you asked if Dr. Silver had any preference as to hotel reservations. He would be pleased to have you make a reservation for him at the Pierre Hotel for the night of November 15th. I am unable to send you advance publicity since he has no text ready as yet for his speech.

Dr. Silver is leaving here on United Air Lines Flight #636 at 12:15 P.M., arriving in New York at La Guardia Field at 2:20 P.M.

Very sincerely yours,

Beatrice P. May (Mrs.)  
Secretary to Dr. Silver

# AMERICAN ZIONIST COUNCIL

515 PARK AVENUE

TELEPHONE PLAZA 2-1234

NEW YORK 22, N. Y.

Cable Address: AMZIONIST

November 16, 1960

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

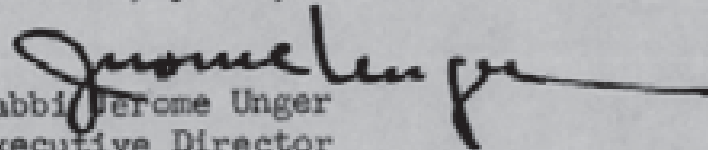
Dear Dr. Silver:

I know that I do not have to express my own deep gratification in having you with us at the Herzl Centennial celebration last night. Aside from the contribution of your address, the impact of your presence and personality enhanced the whole affair.

Now I turn to the delicate matter of expenses. Will you not be good enough to send me a note as soon as possible listing our financial indebtedness to you, so that we can forward a check to you immediately?

With fond regards to you and Mrs. Silver and to Dan and his family, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
Rabbi Jerome Unger  
Executive Director

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November 18, 1960

Rabbi Jerome Unger  
Executive Director  
American Zionist Council  
515 Park Avenue  
New York 22, New York

My dear Rabbi:

I want to thank you for your letter of November 16th.  
My expenses covering plane and getting to and from  
the airports amounted to \$90.78.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:ibm

*Check received*

DECEMBER 5, 1960

JACK ARJON  
130 WEST 16 STREET  
NEW YORK, New York

APPRECIATE YOUR INVITATION. REGRET THAT MY CROWDED  
SCHEDULE WILL NOT HERMIT ME TO ACCEPT YOUR INVITATION.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



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Dear Rabbi Silver:

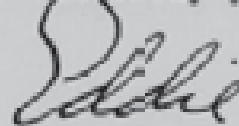
On Sunday, March 26 at 2:00 p.m. about 3,000 representatives of the fraternal and benevolent organizations of New York are holding a rally at Manhattan Center. This meeting will be held under the auspices of the United Jewish Appeal and the two Jewish daily newspapers, The Day-Jewish Journal and The Forward.

As you know the total membership of these organizations comes to 700,000 and they will be urged at this meeting to memorialize our six million dead on the 27th of Nisan (April 12) according to the date recently set by the Knesseth.

They have asked me and I join them in urging, if at all possible, that you be the principal speaker on March 26, and I do hope that this might fit in with your plans. I realize, of course, that the time is short but it took a while to get this event jelled in the form we want it.

Do let me hear from you at your earliest convenience. With best personal regards.

Most sincerely yours,



Edward M. M. Warburg  
Vice-Chairman of the Board



JEWISH RECONSTRUCTIONIST FOUNDATION, INC.

15 WEST 86TH STREET, NEW YORK 24

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DR. MORDECAI M. KAPLAN, *Founder*

DR. IRA EISENSTEIN, *President*

March 10, 1961

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

On June 11, 1961, Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan will be 80 years of age.

I believe you will agree with us that this milestone in his life means much to American and world Jewry. His teachings and his writings have made him one of the truly distinguished Jewish personalities of this century.

How celebrate such a simha? We could, of course, do the usual thing: have a dinner, invite many guests, and shower Dr. Kaplan with praises.

But this is not what he would appreciate. It is not what we consider appropriate.

Instead, we are arranging a two-day conference, away from the big city, to which we are inviting twenty-five distinguished Jewish leaders. The purpose of this conference will be to attempt to achieve a consensus on one of the most urgent and vital issues of the day, namely the meaning of Jewish peoplehood today, in the light of the establishment of Israel and the confusion regarding the status of the Jews.

Unfortunately, after all these years, Jews and non-Jews alike are confused. The recent reactions to Mr. Ben-Gurion's address, the editorial in Life magazine, the constant barrage of attack by the American Council for Judaism, all testify to the fact that, until now, no authoritative formulation of a Jewish consensus on these questions has yet been published to which the troubled and confused can be referred.

The discussions will, of course, be off-the-record. But if a statement does emerge, it will be issued to the press with the names of those who wish to be identified with it.

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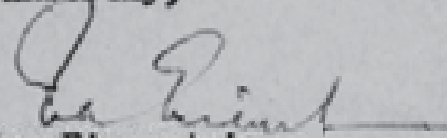
March 10, 1961

Certainly, there could be no better way of observing Dr. Kaplan's birthday than by arranging such a gathering of Jewish thinkers and leaders.

Would you do us the honor of participating? The details of the entire observance are contained on the attached sheet, for your convenience. Need we add that all expenses will be paid by the Jewish Reconstructionist Foundation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



Ira Eisenstein,  
President

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Dr. Kaplan's 80th Birthday Conference

Place: White Plains, New York at the Beth Shalom Synagogue.

Dates: Wednesday and Thursday, June 7-8, 1961  
(If the group so decides, the conference  
can be extended to Friday, June 9)

Hotel Accommodations: At the Hotel Roger Smith in White Plains.  
(For those who wish to sleep in the City, transportation will be available.)

Transportation to the Conference will be arranged, leaving from  
the offices of the Jewish Reconstructionist  
Foundation.

Meals will be served (except breakfast) at the Beth Shalom Synagogue.

The participants are invited to a luncheon on Sunday afternoon, at  
1:00 o'clock, at a hotel in New York as guests of the Foundation.  
At that time, opportunity will be given to discuss any statement  
which may have been drawn up summarizing the conclusions of the  
Conference.

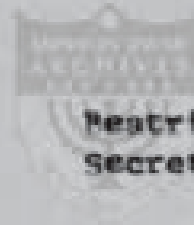
That evening, at the Hotel Pierre, there will be a reception to  
Dr. Kaplan to which the participants are also invited. It is  
hoped that any statement approved by the Conference will, at  
that time, be presented to the public.

March 13, 1961

My dear Dr. Eisenstein:

In the absence of Dr. Silver who is out of the city,  
I am acknowledging receipt of your letter of March 10th.  
When Dr. Silver returns to his desk at the end of this  
month your communication will be called to his attention.

Very sincerely yours,



Beatrice F. May (Mrs.)  
Secretary to Dr. Silver

Dr. Ira Eisenstein  
President  
Jewish Reconstructionist  
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15 West 86th Street  
New York 24, New York

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March 13, 1961

Mr. Edward M.M. Warburg  
Vice-Chairman of the Board  
United Jewish Appeal of  
Greater New York  
220 West 58th Street  
New York 19, New York

Dear Mr. Warburg:

Dr. Silver is out of the city and does not plan to return until April first. He has asked me to communicate to you his appreciation of your kind invitation and regrets his inability to participate.

I am sure that the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York will have a successful campaign.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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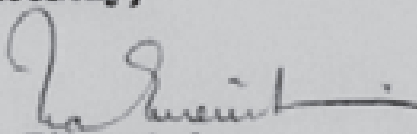
Some weeks ago you will recall, I wrote to you about an Ideological Conference which we have arranged for June 7th-8th in honor of Dr. Kaplan's 80th Birthday. The purpose of the off-the-record meeting is, as you will recall, to attempt to achieve a consensus on the question of Israel, Zionism and the Diaspora.

It may interest you to know that as of today the following have indicated their intention of attending: Dr. Nahum Golimann, Mrs. Rose Halperin, Rabbi Joachim Prinz, Rabbi Samuel Blumenfeld, Prof. Horace Kallen, Prof. A. A. Neuman, Dr. Judah Pilch, Dr. Judah Shapiro, Mr. C. Bezalel Sherman, Dr. Miriam Freund, Dr. Trude Weiss-Rosmarin and Dr. Eugene Borowitz. In addition, we have tentative acceptances from Dr. Emanuel Neumann and Rabbi Emanuel Rackman.

Clearly this conference promises to be an exciting and productive one. Do you think that perhaps we might be able to hear from you within the next week or so, that we can have a complete roster of our participants ready by the early part of April?

Hoping to hear from you and with best wishes,  
I am

Sincerely,

  
Ira Eisenstein  
President

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The participants are invited to a luncheon on Sunday afternoon, at 1:00 o'clock, at a hotel in New York as guests of the Foundation. At that time, opportunity will be given to discuss any statement which may have been drawn up summarizing the conclusions of the Conference.

That evening, there will be a reception to Dr. Kaplan to which the participants are also invited. It is hoped that any statement approved by the Conference will, at that time, be presented to the public.

DS:2

April 3, 1961

My dear Dr. Eisenstein:

Let me thank you for your kind letters. I have but recently returned from a brief vacation and that is the reason why my correspondence has lagged. I feel deeply honored by the invitation to attend the Ideological Conference which the friends of Dr. Kaplan are arranging in honor of his eightieth birthday on June 7th and 8th. I need not tell you that it would have given me great pleasure if I were free to avail myself of the honor of attending this conference. Unfortunately, I must remain in Cleveland that week because of definite commitments which I undertook some time ago.

Please convey to Dr. Kaplan my warmest greetings and all my good wishes.

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

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April 20, 1961

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

My Dear Dr. Silver:

I take this means of cordially inviting you to address the National Conference on Jewish Education which the ZOA is arranging for Sunday and Monday, May 28-29 in New York City, at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Building.

The theme of our conference is "Education for Survival." We are shaping the program on ambitious but practical lines, adapted to the needs of our communities and our membership. Eminent scholars and educators will lead sessions devoted to specific subjects, such as Day Schools, Hebrew in the public schools, adult education, and Zionist cultural activities.

I need not stress how important such a conference could be to Jewish and Zionist education and to the ZOA--nor how much your presence would contribute to its success.

We would particularly like to have you speak at the Sunday evening session, and all my colleagues join me in expressing the hope that you will find it possible to be with us.

In anticipation of your kind acceptance and with all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

*Joseph Tenenbaum*  
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D.S.E.

April 24, 1961

Dr. Joseph Tenenbaum  
Zionist Organization of America  
145 East 32nd Street  
New York 16, New York

My dear Dr. Tenenbaum:

I deeply appreciate your gracious invitation to address the National Conference on Jewish Education on Sunday, May 28th. It would have given me great pleasure if I were free to accept it. Unfortunately, I must remain in Cleveland for important functions over that week-end.

With warmest regards and hoping that your Conference will be very successful, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA WILLEL SILVER

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1 EAST 65TH STREET  
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June 26, 1961

Dr. A. H. Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th St. and Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Abba:

I am writing this letter to confirm our telephone conversation of the other day and to express my earnest hope that you will find it possible to accept our invitation to deliver an address in New York City under the auspices of the Synagogue Council of America on the occasion of my installation as its newly elected president.

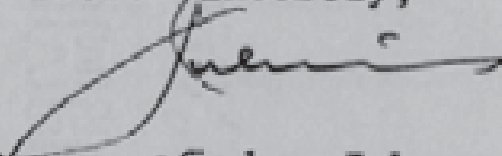
The date of the meeting will largely depend upon your convenience. May I suggest Wednesday evening, October 4, or the evenings of Monday, October 9, or Wednesday, October 11. The meeting place will be one of the hotels, probably the Waldorf.

The subject of your address is, of course, left to you. My own suggestion would be: "The American Jewish Community - Past, Present, and Future."

I should like, if possible, to have your reply - affirmative, naturally - by the end of the week, since Margaret and I are leaving for Europe on July 4.

Best from house to house,


Yours sincerely,



P.S.

How proud you must be of Danny, of whom I hear so many fine things. I was glad to see him at the Conference.

JM/mb





DSE

June 28, 1961

My dear Julius:

I have gone through my calendar and I regret that it will not be possible for me to attend the function of the Synagogue Council of America on the occasion of your installation next October. I will probably be out of the country right after the Holy Days.

With warmest regards and with congratulations upon your election to the office, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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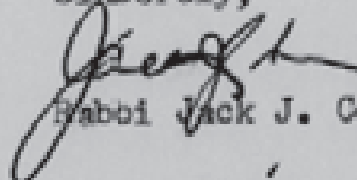
Dear Dr. Silver:

During this coming year of activity, the Society for the Advancement of Judaism is planning to continue as part of its educational program, a feature which was most successfully inaugurated last year. On five occasions during the year, we are inviting distinguished thinkers in Jewish life to spend a Shabbat morning and afternoon with us, and to bring to us a distillation of their lifelong concern with the problems of Judaism and Jewish life.

It would be a distinct honor for us if you would consent to talk to us on Shabbat morning, October 14, and to respond to questions at an Oneg Shabbat that same afternoon. We are asking our guests to sum up their intellectual careers in the form of a "spiritual will" to the Jewish people. The idea of this is to have you give your credo as a Jew, and your hopes for the future of Jewish life. If these could lead you to a programmatic statement, it would be most welcome.

We have available the sum of \$150 as an honorarium, plus travel expenses. We look forward most eagerly to your affirmative response.

Sincerely,

  
Rabbi Jack J. Cohen

DSE

August 14, 1961

Dr. Jacob J. Cohen  
The Society for the  
Advancement of Judaism  
15 West 86th Street  
New York 24, New York

My dear Dr. Cohen:

I need not tell you that I deeply appreciate your gracious invitation to come to The Society for the Advancement of Judaism on the Sabbath of October 14th to share with your membership some of my thoughts on Judaism. Under normal conditions I should have been most happy to accept your invitation but my plans for the fall and early winter months are still in flux. It is possible that I will go to Israel shortly after the High Holy Days. I do not know how long I will stay there. I am not making any commitments for the coming season.

With warmest regards and all good wishes for the New Year, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ANNA HILLEL SILVER

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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I take great pleasure in extending to you this most cordial invitation to be our honored guest and to deliver the major address at the dinner of the American Friends of the Hebrew University which will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Pierre, New York City, Wednesday evening, November 29, 1961.

I know that I need not draw your attention to the special significance of this date, since it marks the fourteenth anniversary of the United Nations decision favoring the establishment of a Jewish State -- an historic event with which your name will be forever linked. Your personal participation in our dinner on this important anniversary would be both fitting and inspiring.

The dinner will also mark the inauguration of the annual Scopus Award of the American Friends of the Hebrew University, and the first recipient of the Award will be our very good friend Joseph M. Mazer.

My fellow officers join me in expressing the profound hope that you will accept this invitation.

With assurances of highest esteem, I am

Sincerely yours,

Daniel G. Ross  
Chairman of the Board

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I trust that you and Mrs. Silver enjoyed your trip abroad. I hear that you visited the Soviet Union and hope there will be opportunity to receive your impressions of the situation there, particularly where our people are concerned.

As you may have learned from Daniel, I shall contribute the biographical article to the special anniversary volume and have already done some work on it.

I believe that you have received a letter from Daniel G. Ross concerning the dinner of the American Friends of the Hebrew University on November 29th -- the anniversary of the U.N. decision. It promises to be a fine event and would provide a very good platform for you if you are able to accept the invitation.

My best regards to Mrs. Silver and your entire family.

Ever best,

Harold P. Manson

HPM:lz

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August 18, 1961

Mr. Daniel G. Ross  
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My dear Mr. Ross:

Let me thank you for your letter of August 15th and for your gracious invitation to be your guest and to deliver the address at the dinner of the American Friends of the Hebrew University on November 29th. I shall be very happy to attend this meeting. I am especially pleased to learn that Mr. Joseph M. Mazer will be the recipient of the first annual Scopus Award. It is certainly a deserved tribute to him.

With all good wishes for the New Year and looking forward to seeing you, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105 Street and Silver Park  
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I was delighted to receive your gracious acceptance of our invitation to you to be our honored guest at the American Friends' dinner of November 29th and to address the event.

I know that my fellow officers join me in looking forward to the great pleasure of greeting you on that occasion.

With best wishes for the New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Daniel G. Ross  
Chairman of the Board

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September 24, 1961.  
Erev Succoth, 5722.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I am sending you herewith the Succoth issue of PANIM EL PANIM which features, as a cover story, parts of your address at the recent ZOA convention together with my comments.

As a reader of PANIM EL PANIM you are probably aware of our efforts to serve as a mouthpiece for world Jewry, above and beyond partisan differences. We maintain editorial offices in this country and publish a special American edition with the purpose of creating a 'living bridge' between American and Israeli Jewries, to bring them together for a better knowledge and understanding of each other.

I would greatly appreciate to hear your comments on the enclosed Succoth issue as well as on the Rosh Hashana issue which included among others my article "ה'ש"ג ו'תש"א" and the feature "ה'תש"א ו'תש"ב" which, I believe, should be of interest to the religious spiritual leaders of world Jewry.

Wishing you and yours a

אחל זח !

I am, admirably yours,

*Pinchas H. Peli*  
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September 29, 1961

My dear Mr. Peli:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me the Succoth issue of "Panim El Panim" which contained parts of the address which I delivered at the Z.O.A. Convention, especially the parts which had to do with my comments on the Jews in the Soviet Union.

I have very little to add to what I said in that address. Friendly representation to the Soviet Union should be made on all occasions and from many quarters, and intercession in behalf of the religious and cultural rights of the Jewish community, as such. I feel that there is a possibility that under the new conditions which have been developing since the end of the infamous Stalin regime, an improvement might take place.

With warmest regards and all good wishes for the New Year, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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November 1, 1961

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
1855 Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Abba:

At the present time, as a member of the Board of the Men's Club of Temple Israel, Lawrence, L.I; N.Y., and one of Men's Club's program committee, we feel that it would be our outstanding meeting of the year if it were possible for us to have you address our club membership and their wives.

I fully realize that you do not get to N.Y. too often these days, but if you have any plans to be in N.Y. either in February or March of next year and could arrange an evening to address our Men's Club we should feel honored to have you do so. I know for a fact, that if you could tell us of your trip to Russia this past summer and your thoughts and impressions of this trip, that our membership would be quite enthralled to hear it, or possibly another subject which you would consider more appropriate and which we could discuss.

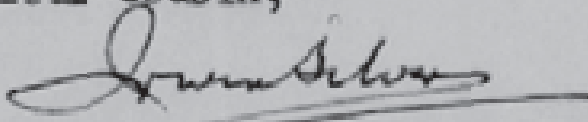
As our budget is quite limited, we would be in a position to offer you \$300.00 for being our guest speaker.

Please be good enough to let me know if this can be arranged, and I hope to have your reply with any information you can give me as soon as possible.

I hope that this finds you, Virginia and the boys just splendid and I am looking forward to hearing from you and most anxious to have you with us if at all possible.

Please reply to home:  
696 Broadway  
Cedarhurst, N.Y.

Your Cousin,

  
Irwin Silver

November 6, 1961

My dear Irvin:

I appreciated very much your letter of November first and I wish I could come to your Temple Men's Club some time in February or March of next year. Unfortunately, my plans for next year are very indefinite and I do not wish to make commitments for lectures this far ahead. Perhaps if you will write me early next year and if my schedule will permit, I will make an effort to be with you.

We are all well and we send you our best wishes.

As ever yours,

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Mr. Irwin Silver  
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November 10, 1961

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

At the time of our telephone conversation last month, you were kind enough to indicate that when you visit New York at the end of November, it would be possible for us to discuss the interviews which the Oral History Center is desirous of doing with you.

As you no doubt recall, the topic on which we should like to record you is the struggle for Israel's statehood, and your role in its achievement, particularly in the years immediately preceding its attainment. We are concerned to probe into the story behind the decision-making in the Zionist movement and in the Jewish Agency in New York from 1944-48. Of course the material to be taped is completely confidential, so that you may feel free to discuss those eventful years with complete candor.

Would it be possible for you to set aside an hour for us to talk over the material to be covered in the interviews, and the documentation which is available. I should appreciate your letting me know at this address what would be the most convenient time for us to meet.

With many thanks,

Sincerely yours,

*Judith Elizur*

Judith Elizur  
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My dear Mrs. Elizur:

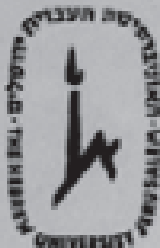
Thank you for your letter of November 10th. I shall  
be in New York attending the dinner of the American  
Friends of the Hebrew University at Hotel Pierre on  
November 29th. Please get in touch with me and we  
will arrange an interview.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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December 4, 1961

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
East 105th and Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Please accept this expression of the most profound thanks of the American Friends of the Hebrew University for your magnificent address at our first Annual Scopus Award dinner on November 29th.

I know that it is unnecessary for me to tell you that your presence at the dinner was deeply appreciated and that your address reached the hearts and minds of your listeners. The response of the audience provided ample evidence of this.

My fellow officers join me in voicing gratitude over the fact that the Hebrew University enjoys the benefits of your deep interest.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Daniel G. Ross  
Chairman of the Board

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April 4, 1962

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation this evening, I wish to extend to you, on behalf of the 800 Orthodox, Conservative and Reform Rabbis who comprise the New York Board of Rabbis, this warm invitation to be our principal speaker at the 80th anniversary celebration of the the NYBR at the Commodore Hotel in New York City on Thursday evening, May 3rd, 1962.

Subsequent to his communication to you some time ago, Rabbi Irving Miller, Chairman of the 80th anniversary Dinner, was unfortunately taken ill and is still hospitalized. Not until today did our committee learn that definitive arrangements had not been made to have you honor us and the New York community on May 3rd. This was shocking news to us, because our entire membership and the general Jewish community of New York have been cherishing the hope that we would be privileged to have you address us on this significant milestone. Indeed, we feel that our celebration cannot be complete unless this hope will be realized.

As the enclosed Bulletin indicates, eight distinguished Jewish lay leaders will be honored at our Dinner; and I believe some if not all of the honorees are known to you. These men are interested in the major project to which the New York Board is now dedicated, namely, the erection at Idlewild Airport of an International Synagogue on a site assigned to us by the Port Authority of New York. A Catholic chapel and a Protestant chapel will also be built by these respective denominations on the same site. (There will be no solicitation of funds at our Dinner.)

Let me hasten to assure you, dear Dr. Silver, that your presence at this meaningful event will earn our profound gratitude. Your participation will give substance to our having reached *בן שמונים' אגורה*.

Hoping to receive your favorably reply, and with deep esteem,  
I am

Very cordially yours,

*A. Alan Steinbach*

Rabbi A. Alan Steinbach  
Co-Chairman



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April 6, 1962

My dear Rabbi Steinbach:

Thank you for your letter of April 4th. I appreciate your gracious invitation to be the speaker at the 80th anniversary celebration of the New York Board of Rabbis on Thursday evening, May 3rd. The night before, May 2nd, I am opening the campaign of the Jewish Welfare Fund here in Cleveland. Nevertheless, I am pleased to accept your invitation for May 3rd. I must, however, make this one request -- that I go on the program that evening no later than nine-thirty. I make this request out of consideration of my health and I hope that no last minute changes in the program will be made to put me on at a later hour. I assume that you want me to speak about thirty to thirty-five minutes.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

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April 11, 1962

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you very much for your gracious letter of April 6.

At a special meeting of our 80th Anniversary Committee this afternoon, I apprised my colleagues of your request to be called upon for the principal address of the evening no later than nine-thirty. Indeed, I insisted that the program be arranged so that your request will be honored.

I was assured that the Program Committee will make the necessary arrangements. You are a veteran in attending occasions of this nature; therefore, I trust you will understand and forgive us if we must go ten or fifteen minutes beyond the time specified in your letter.

Please permit me to express, personally and on behalf of the New York Board of Rabbis, our delight and anticipated pleasure in having you with us on May 3.

Will you kindly have your secretary send us a biography for publicity purposes here in New York.

With every good wish, I am

Very cordially yours,

*A. Alan Steinbach*

Rabbi A. Alan Steinbach  
Co-Chairman

80th Anniversary Committee, NYBR

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We wish to advise you that black tie will be worn by  
the dais guests, at the 80th Anniversary Dinner of the  
New York Board of Rabbis, at the Commodore Hotel on  
Thursday evening, May 3rd.

' Looking forward to greeting you,

Sincerely,

*Israel Mowshowitz*  
Rabbi Israel Mowshowitz  
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\*Deceased

April 29, 1962

My dear Rabbi Gordon:

As requested, I am enclosing herewith a copy of the address which I will deliver Thursday.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

APPA HILLEL SILVER

ANS:bfm

Rabbi Harold H. Gordon  
10 E. 73rd Street  
New York, New York

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May 2, 1962

Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I hope and trust that Mrs. Silver, you and your family, have enjoyed the Passover festival, and that this letter finds you all in good health.

I take the liberty to come back to correspondence of a year ago. Manhattan Region, which I head, will meet at its annual convention on Saturday evening June 16, and Sunday June 17, two weeks prior to our national convention. I trust that the situation within the Zionist movement, and the proposals advanced by Dr. Goodman are of no less concern to you than to all of us who believe quite differently. Additionally, the rather unfriendly attitude on the part of our government requires that your statement be heard. For the first reason stated, your opinion prior to the national convention will carry decisive weight. Whereas at national convention time, matters may have become already more difficult to tackle.

We, therefore, like to appeal to you to accept this invitation of ours to speak at our convention, either Saturday night, or Sunday at lunch time. I believe that the Manhattan Region happens to be the most active and outspoken among all others, of which you, no doubt, are aware. We would deem it a great privilege to receive your acceptance and advise what meeting you would prefer to address.

I look forward to your favorable reply at your earliest convenience and remain with best wishes to your family and yourself,

Your devoted

  
Moses T. R. C. Z. Y. N. E. R.



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May 4, 1962

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
Tifereth Israel  
University Circle & Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I should like to pay my respects to you for your presence at the 80th Anniversary Dinner of the New York Board of Rabbis and for your stirring message that evening.

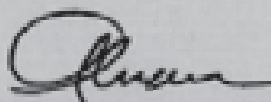
As one of many who have had the highest respect for you for many years, I felt that your message that evening was of prophetic heights.

The many members of my Congregation present that evening will never forget your words and message. They were very inspired and wish me to convey their feelings to you.

I look forward to seeing you at the Alumni Overseers meeting on Monday, June 18th in Minneapolis.

With kindest good wishes for a Happy Shavuot and good health,

Sincerely,



Alvan D. Rubin,  
Rabbi

ADR:ef

May 7, 1962

Dear Rabbi Steinbach:

Rabbi Silver's traveling expenses to and from New York in connection with the 80th Anniversary of the New York Board of Rabbis was \$120.00.

Sincerely yours,

Beatrice F. May (Mrs.)  
Secretary to Dr. Silver

Rabbi A. Alan Steinbach  
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May 8, 1962

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
Tifereth Israel  
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Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I wish to express to you the deep-felt thanks and gratitude of the New York Board of Rabbis for your magnificent address at the truly historic and memorable evening celebrating the 80th Anniversary of the New York Board of Rabbis and the launching of the International Synagogue at Idlewild. Your presence and the inspiration of your message helped lift the evening to the great heights which it had achieved.

We are enclosing a few photographs as a memento of this historic occasion.

Many of our colleagues have requested copies of your address and we would like your permission to reprint it for general distribution.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Israel Mowshowitz*  
Rabbi Israel Mowshowitz  
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May 10, 1962

6 Iyar 5722

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Tifereth Israel  
University Circle and  
Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Your address at our 80th Anniversary dinner was indeed magnificent. I do want to apologize for commenting on your address without having read it. I was obviously misinformed by someone who glanced at it briefly.

Since your appearance at our dinner we have had many requests for copies of your address. If you could send us ten or fifteen copies we would appreciate it greatly. Also, as Rabbi Israel Mowshowitz indicated to you in his letter, our men would like to see your address reprinted and distributed widely, not only among our members, but among all the guests who were present and many who wanted to be there but were unable to manage it.

Once again, my personal thanks as well as that of the Board for your appearance and for your message. It left a deep impression on everyone present.

Cordially,

*Harold H. Gordon*

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May 16, 1962

My dear Mr. Torczyner:

Please pardon the long delay in replying to your good letter of May 2nd. I should very much like to comply with your request to attend the convention of the Manhattan Region on June 17th and 18th, but it is quite impossible. I must attend the convention of the Central Conference of American Rabbis which is to be held in Minneapolis that week-end. As Chairman of the Board of Overseers of the Hebrew Union College, I am to preside at sessions during that week-end.

I trust that you are well and I hope that I will have the pleasure of seeing you before long. With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. Moses Torczyner  
6 West 77th Street  
New York 24, New York



May 16, 1962

My dear Rabbi Gordon:

I received your letter of May 10th. When you phoned me I knew there was some confusion with regard to the address which I was to deliver, a copy of which I had already forwarded to your organization. I wrote to Rabbi Mosshowitz that your organization has my permission to reprint my address if it so desires.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA WILLEL SILVER

AMS:bfm

Rabbi Harold H. Gordon  
10 East 73rd Street  
New York 21, New York

May 16, 1962

My dear Rabbi Mowshowitz:

Thank you for your letter of May 8th. I enjoyed the meeting in New York very much indeed and enjoyed listening to you. I am grateful to you for the photographs which you sent me. You have my permission to reprint my address if you so desire.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Enclosed is a check covering your traveling expenses in connection with our 80th Anniversary celebration. This is the sum which your secretary specified in her letter to Rabbi A. Alan Steinbach.

Once again, I want to say how much your appearance and message meant to all assembled and to those who were not present and who have since heard about it. We are indeed grateful to you for having come to us in the midst of a busy schedule and to have shared with us your significant thoughts on such vital subjects.

A copy of your address which you sent to me was given to the press and not returned. Would you therefore be good enough to send us another copy that we could duplicate and make available to all those who have requested it.

Hoping that you will favor us with another copy of your presentation, and with all good wishes from the New York Board of Rabbis and myself, I am

Cordially,

Rabbi Harold H. Gordon

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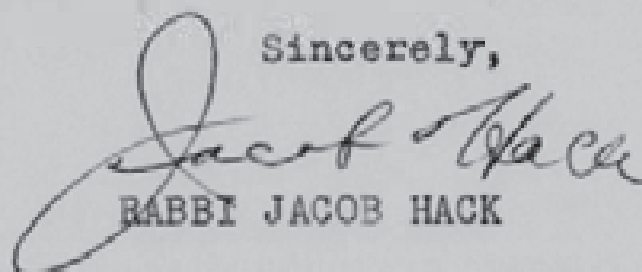
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I was truly uplifted and deeply moved by your penetrating address which was delivered upon the occasion of the 80th Anniversary Dinner of the New York Board of Rabbis.

I wonder if I could receive a copy of the text of your address.

Sincerely,

  
RABBI JACOB HACK

JH:ec



AFFILIATE  
CONGREGATION OF  
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May 25, 1962

My dear Rabbi Gordon:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the address which I delivered at the eightieth anniversary celebration of the New York Board of Rabbis. I have received quite a number of requests for the address but I am sure that you will be able to supply them with copies.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfn

Rabbi Harold F. Gordon  
The New York Board of Rabbis, Inc.  
10 East 73rd Street  
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June 1, 1962

My dear Rabbi Hack:

Thank you for your letter of May 22nd. I understand that the New York Board of Rabbis intends to make copies of the address available to its members. Please get in touch with them.

With all good wishes, I remain

Cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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June 20, 1962

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The officers of the UJA were tremendously pleased to learn that you had accepted the invitation to deliver the sermon at the special UJA Anniversary service on December 7th.

All of us are in complete agreement with you that the services should be held in a synagogue. As you can well understand this presented somewhat of a problem. I discussed the matter with Morris Adler and with other members of the UJA Rabbinical Advisory Council with the view of getting some guidance from them. Rabbi Lookstein came up with a suggestion which I personally feel has a great deal of merit. He recommended that the service be held at the Spanish-Portuguese Synagogue. The historic significance of this synagogue as well as its serenity and dignity are entirely in keeping with the projected service. Moreover, the synagogue is fairly large, it being able to accommodate about 800 persons.

Rabbi Lookstein left it with me that if this choice meets with your approval, he will get in touch with the officers of the synagogue and try to engage the place for us.

I would appreciate it very much if you would let me hear from you on this at the earliest possible date.

With highest esteem and warmest regards, I am,

Cordially,

*Herbert A. Friedman*

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S. A. Davis

June 25, 1962

My dear Mr. Friedman:

Replying to your kind letter of June 20th --  
I shall be pleased to speak in any synagogue or any place that you finally agree on. I can understand why the Tercentenary should be held in the Spanish-Portuguese Synagogue. For the life of me, I cannot see why the UJA Anniversary service should be held especially in that place, unless it is to satisfy the Orthodox Rabbis. If the service is to be held in an Orthodox Synagogue, your program will have to conform with the Friday evening ritual and with Orthodox regulations for the Sabbath. If you want a flexible service which, as you suggested, might involve instrumental music, the kindling of lights, etc., you might have to fall back on your original idea of having the service at Hunter College.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfn

Mr. Herbert A. Friedman  
Executive Vice-Chairman  
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July 19, 1962

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am replying to your letter of June 25th as Mr. Herbert Friedman is in Israel at the present time with our 1962 Young Leadership Mission.

In view of the questions raised in your letter, we are now in the process of exploring Hunter College, as well as other appropriate places, for the UJA Anniversary service on Friday, December 7th.

We will keep you informed of developments and I know that Mr. Friedman will be in contact with you personally, immediately upon his return to the office.

Kindest regards,

Sincerely,

Irving Bernstein  
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August 14th, 1962.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
1855 Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

On Tuesday evening, September 18th, the Brith Rishonim, in cooperation with the American Zionist Council and other organizations, will Memorialize Arnold Kritchmar Isreeli. The Memorial Meeting will be held in the Auditorium of the Herzl Institute, 515 Park Avenue.

Recalling the high regard in which you held the late Arnold K. Isreeli, I am taking the privilege of respectfully inviting you to deliver the main address.

All of us concerned with arranging the meeting, particularly the widow, Mrs. Isreeli, would be highly honored if you were to grace the occasion with your presence.

With high esteem and kind personal regards to you and Mrs. Silver, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Morris Margulies*  
Morris Margulies

MM/mw

DSE

August 17, 1962

My dear Mr. Margulies:

I appreciate your invitation to speak at the Memorial Meeting which is being arranged in memory of Arnold Kritchmar Isreeli on September 18th. I would have considered it a privilege to speak at this meeting and to pay my tribute to Mr. Isreeli, for whom I had the highest regard. Unfortunately, an important congregational meeting will necessitate my remaining in Cleveland.

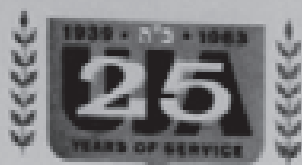
I hope that the meeting will be an impressive one for Mr. Isreeli served our cause with faithfulness and rare devotion. With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Temple Teferath Israel  
1855 Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

As your calendar will show, the time is drawing rapidly near for our Annual Conference at which we will have the deep pleasure of your participation on Friday evening, December 7. Since you will be delivering the Sermon at the Sabbath Service, it would be most helpful if we could have either the text or excerpts from it, in advance. I make this request because I wish our Public Relations Department to give your remarks the largest possible circulation in the press, especially in view of the fact that there will be extensive press coverage at the Conference itself by both the New York newspapers and the wire services.

In addition to the regular work facing the delegates of setting the UJA objectives for the coming year, our Conference will mark the opening of the UJA's 25th year.

As of the end of this year's campaign the record will show that the UJA has raised \$1,435,000,000 since the first campaign in 1939, and that these funds -- as employed by the United Israel Appeal-Jewish Agency for Israel, the Joint Distribution Committee and the New York Association for New Americans (and its predecessor organizations) have made possible the rescue, resettlement and rehabilitation of 3,000,000 men, women and children, of whom more than 1,500,000 have been resettled in various of the free countries of the world, 1,310,000 resettled in Israel alone. I mention these figures as a possible resource for you.

I look forward to greeting you personally in New York, and offer you my warmest best wishes for your continued good health and strength.

Faithfully yours,

*Herbert A. Friedman*

Herbert A. Friedman  
Executive Vice-Chairman

November 23, 1962

My dear Herbert:

Inasmuch as I am leaving Cleveland for a few days, I thought that I would send you today a copy of the sermon which I am to deliver at the Sabbath Services on December 7th.

I am looking forward with pleasure to the occasion. I assume that your organization has made reservations for me at the hotel. I plan to stay until Sunday morning. My secretary will make my plane reservations and will let you know the time of my arrival in New York.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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November 28, 1962

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am enclosing an open air ticket for your use in connection with your participation in our Conference.

In Rabbi Friedman's absence I acknowledge receipt of the text of your sermon. It is a very moving address and we all look forward to the privilege of hearing you.

I wonder if you would have your office advise us by what flight you will be coming to New York. One of us will want to meet you at the airport.

Reservations have been made for you for Friday and Saturday at the Americana Hotel, the place where the Friday night services, as well as the entire Conference will be held.

With highest esteem, I am

Sincerely,

  
Abraham S. Hyman

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Enc:



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December 10, 1962

Dear Mr. Hyman:

Since Dr. Silver took the train to and from New York, I am returning to you the open air ticket which you sent him so that you can be credited by United Air Lines. Dr. Silver's railroad expenses were \$65.00 and he requests that ;you send him the food items on his hotel bill so that he can pay his bill. Thank you.



Sincerely yours,

Beatrice F. May (Mrs.)  
Secretary to Dr. Silver

Enclosure

Mr. Abraham S. Hyman  
The United Jewish Appeal  
165 West 46th Street  
New York 36, New York

*Received [signature]*



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December 14, 1962

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

Seldom have I been moved as I was by your sermon at the special Sabbath services in observance of the 25th Anniversary of the United Jewish Appeal.

Your graphic historical review of the UJA on that occasion, and your challenging and inspiring words at the closing session Sunday morning contributed immeasurably to the success of the Conference, and indeed, helped to alert American Jewry to our responsibilities in 1963.

All of us here join in sending this expression of our grateful appreciation to you.

With warmest personal regards,

Cordially,

*Joseph Meyerhoff*  
Joseph Meyerhoff

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December 18, 1962

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In the letter I received from your secretary, Mrs. May, she indicated that you had incurred railroad expenses in the amount of \$65 and that you wanted to reimburse us for the food items on your hotel bill.

We have a counter-proposal that perhaps represents a more just disposition of this crucial problem of expenses. Let us simply forget about the food item and let us pay you for expenses you had over and above your railroad fare. In line with this counter-proposal, I am sending you our check for \$80 accompanied by our profound gratitude for your contribution to the Conference.

I know, Dr. Silver, that you are accustomed to hearing nice things said about yourself, but please be receptive to this additional observation: your sermon on Friday night had great depth and breadth, and your closing remarks, spoken with almost no prior notice, was nothing short of an admirable piece of virtuosity.

With highest esteem, I am

Sincerely,

Abraham S. Hyman

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AMERICAN ZIONIST COUNCIL  
515 PARK AVENUE  
NEW YORK 22, N.Y.

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
RABBI IRVING MILLER

February 1, 1963

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105 Street and Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You have made us all very happy by so graciously consenting to accept the Brandeis Award of the American Zionist Council at its gala celebration of Israel's 15th Anniversary on April 28, 1963 at Philharmonic Hall in New York City. We know that this evening at which the Award will be presented to you and you will address a representative and distinguished audience will be a memorable and highly successful one. I cannot tell you enough of the enthusiasm with which the announcement of your acceptance was received by all of us.

Fondest regards to you and your family and with deep appreciation, I am

Cordially,

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# AMERICAN ZIONIST COUNCIL

515 PARK AVENUE

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NEW YORK 22, N. Y.

Cable Address: AMZIONIST

April 29, 1963

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

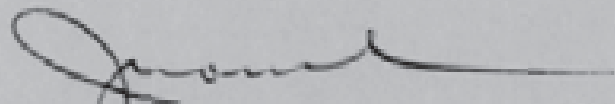
What can I say to you this morning after last night? It was truly a good occasion, but particularly so because of you, what you said, and your just being there. Your magnificent address made many of us relive the old days. I appreciate that an event like this marks the beginning of new days equally vigorous.

I have forwarded a copy of your manuscript to Mr. David A. Hirsch of the ZOA for publication in the American Zionist, and enclose the original for you as I promised.

Mrs. Unger and I were delighted to see you and Mrs. Silver looking so very well.

Grateful to have been with you once again, and with affectionate regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



Rabbi Jerome Unger  
Executive Director

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320 Central Park West  
New York 25, N.Y.  
June 19, 1963

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
E. 105th Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Today I met with the Herzl Institute people on a matter which I know will be of interest to you.

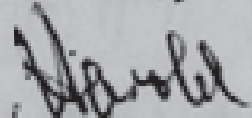
The subject of the discussion was Emanuel's 70th birthday -- and the manner in which the Herzl Institute will mark the occasion. The plan is to open the next season of the Institute with a special evening in Emanuel's honor. This event would inaugurate the Emanuel Neumann Lectures -- and it is hoped that you will deliver the first lecture on this important anniversary. The projected date is Sunday, September 29.

I should emphasize that Emanuel knows nothing about these plans at this time.

Please let me know whether you would be available for this event.

My fondest greetings to Mrs. Silver and the entire family.

Ever best,

  
Harold P. Manson

HPM:scf

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June 25, 1963

My dear Harold:

I should be very happy to deliver the lecture inaugurating Emanuel Neumann's lectures on Sunday evening, September 29th. I hope that nothing will interfere with my being present on that day.

With warmest regards and all good wishes to you and yours, I remain

As ever

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. Harold P. Manson  
320 Central Park West  
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DR. JOSEPH P. STERNSTEIN  
National Director

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

Cordial greetings. It was good to see and hear you in Israel. The dinner given in your honor was a notable and unforgettable event. The Convention held in Israel was one of the most outstanding ever held in the history of the ZOA.

It is my great honor and privilege to extend to you, on behalf of President Albert Schiff, and our entire Committee, a most cordial invitation to address the JNF National Assembly which will be held October 31 - November 3, 1963 at The New York Hilton, New York City.

Your last appearance under our auspices was in Washington, D. C. where we observed our 60th Anniversary. I know the work of the Jewish National Fund is close to your heart. Since we will have delegates from all parts of the United States, and we will also have Mr. Jacob Tsur, World Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Keren Kayemeth Leisrael, who is coming especially from Israel to discuss the present situation, and also an important representative of the Government, etc., it will be most appreciated if you would kindly consent to address this outstanding event.

The principal sessions will be held on Saturday night, November 2nd, and Sunday, November 3rd. We will certainly be glad to make arrangements convenient to you so that you can address either of the two sessions.

I do hope, dear Dr. Silver, that your response will be an affirmative one.

With cordial greetings and best wishes to you and Mrs. Silver and the children for the New Year, believe me, I am

Faithfully yours,

MENDEL H. FISHER  
Chairman, JNF National Assembly

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October 14, 1963

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
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Dear Dr. Silver:

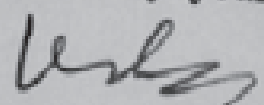
The Long Island Zionist Region has ~~just~~ called upon me to serve as Chairman of its 30th Anniversary Dinner which will honor Rabbi Irving Miller as one of its founders.

Under ordinary circumstances I would never dare to make any demands upon you for you were so good and gracious to have accepted my invitation to be the guest speaker at the Region's 25th anniversary. However I had the occasion to call upon Irving at his home to discuss this affair, which will be held on Saturday night, December 14, 1963, at the Top of the Fair, on the World's Fair grounds. When I broached the subject of a guest speaker to Irving he said to me that the only one he would be delighted to have is Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

It was painful to me to find Irving, relatively a young man, so weak in body and low in spirit. I have no right to make any demands upon your time. Over the years you have been most generous with the Long Island Zionist Region. However, your acceptance would really fall in the class of, "...m'kayem nefesh achat..."

Awaiting eagerly to hear from you, and with every good wish for your continued health, I am

Faithfully yours,

  
I. Usher Kirshblum

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October 16, 1963

My dear Rabbi Kirshblum:

Let me thank you for your letter of October 14th and for your kind invitation to address the Thirtieth Anniversary Dinner of the Long Island Zionist Region which will honor my good friend, Rabbi Irving Miller, on Saturday evening, December 14, 1963. I need not tell you that I should have been most happy to come, especially since the occasion will honor a man who is so deserving of honor and who has given so much of himself to our common cause.

Unfortunately, I am scheduled to be in Chicago the very next day to address the Zionist Chanukah Festival -- an invitation which was extended to me some six months ago -- and it is impossible for me to travel to these two cities and to deliver two addresses on two successive days.

Please convey all my good wishes to Irving. With warmest regards and 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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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

A number of friends, who attended the Z. O. A. Israeli Convention, told me of the warm tribute you paid to Mr. Louis Lipsky, during your opening address while memorializing fellow Zionists who departed this earth, last year. The Brith Rishonim, that had the privilege of having had Mr. Lipsky as its first president, will dedicate the next membership meeting to his memory.

Mindful of your Convention address, I am taking the liberty, on behalf of our organization, to respectfully invite you to be the guest speaker.

I will not mention any date, for we shall be glad to arrange the meeting to suit your convenience. I must, however, mention two dates that cannot be utilized, namely, November 26th and December 5th. We would like to hold the meeting before the end of 1963.

As it is our practice with major addresses, following delivery the address is issued in pamphlet form and distributed among the members, leading Rabbis, the Anglo Jewish Press, Jewish American Libraries, U.S. Military bases where Jewish Chaplains are assigned and Public Libraries situated in large Jewish communities.

With every good wish and Zionist greetings.

Sincerely yours,

*Morris Margulies*  
Morris Margulies  
Hon. Secy.

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November 18, 1963

My dear Mr. Margulies:

Thank you so much for your letter of November 13th and for your invitation to be the guest speaker at the membership meeting which will honor the memory of Mr. Louis Lipsky. I wish I were free to accept your invitation but I am already heavily booked up for the remainder of the year and I must forego the privilege of addressing a meeting which I would otherwise have gladly done.

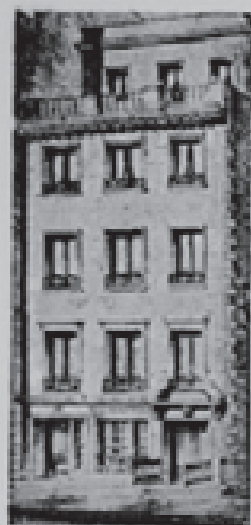
With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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## 80TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER, MAY 3, 1962

### Our Eight Honorees

A few highlights . . .

#### Mr. Jacob Blaustein



- Member of Presidium & Senior Vice President, Conference of Jewish Material Claims Against Germany.
- Member, U.S. Delegation to 10th General Assembly of U.N.
- Member of many U.S. diplomatic missions abroad.
- Honorary President and former National President of American Jewish Committee.

#### Ambassador Philip M. Klutznick



- U.S. representative in the Economic & Social Council of the United Nations.
- Honorary President of B'nai Brith and former President.
- U.S. delegate to 12th and 15th sessions of U.N. General Assembly.
- Served as Assistant Administrator of National Housing Agency and Commission of Federal Public Housing Authority.

#### Mr. Joseph M. Mazer



- Chairman, Board of Governors of Hebrew University.
- Treasurer of American Friends of Hebrew University.
- Donor of Abraham Mazer Building for the Institute of Jewish Studies, Hebrew University.
- Recipient of First Annual Scopus Award, Hebrew University, and many other awards for his philanthropic activities.

#### Admiral Lewis L. Strauss



- Member, U.S. delegation, Final Armistice Convention World War I.
- Special Assistant to Secretary of Navy.
- Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission.
- Awarded Distinguished Service Medal, Medal of Freedom, Legion of Merit and many honorary degrees.



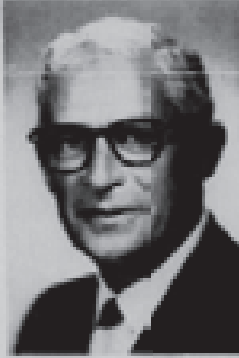
#### Mr. Samuel H. Daroff

- President, American Jewish League for Israel.
- President of Board of City Trusts; member, Penna. F.E.P.C.
- Served on numerous National Boards of Directors including AAJE, JWB, JDC, PEC, UJA.
- Recipient of many awards including Jewish War Veterans Gold Medal Award, State of Israel Award for Distinguished Merit.



#### Senator Herbert H. Lehman

- Governor of the State of New York. Promoted legislation to prevent social and religious discrimination.
- U.S. Senator from the State of New York.
- Director-general, United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.
- Leader in Federation, UJA, and all causes of Jewish interest.



#### Mr. Max Stern

- Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees, Yeshiva University.
- Established Stern College for Women, Yeshiva University, nation's first liberal arts college for women under Jewish auspices.
- Founder and Member Board of Overseers, Albert Einstein College of Medicine.
- President, The Jewish Center, N.Y.C., active in UJA, Federation, Manhattan Day School.



#### Mr. Lawrence A. Wien

- President, Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York.
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## NYBR SABBATH March 30-31, 1962

### To All NYBR Members:

In observance of our 80th Anniversary, to be climaxed by the 80th Anniversary Dinner on Thursday, May 3, 1962, at the Commodore Hotel, we invite you to observe

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and to discuss the vital role of the NYBR in the community during these past eight decades.

### RABBI HALPERN CITED BY BOARD

Following is the text of the citation presented to Rabbi Harry Halpern upon his retirement as president of the NYBR at the Annual Meeting, February 15, 1962.

"THE NEW YORK BOARD OF RABBIS gratefully renders this testimonial to RABBI HARRY HALPERN, President, 1961.

During his term of office, the Board has risen to even greater heights of achievement and has attained universal recognition as the spiritual spokesman of our people in this, the world's largest Jewish community.

Rabbi Halpern has thus brought honor to his colleagues and strength to K'lal Yisrael.

May the Almighty bless him with His choicest benedictions and may he be enabled to continue to lead in all endeavors for the enhancement of Judaism and the deepening of our Faith."

### NYBR ACTS ON CEMETERY SITUATION

In an attempt to stave off the threatened closing of Jewish cemeteries on Sundays, a special NYBR Committee headed by Rabbi Salomon Faber, who is the NYBR representative on the NY State Cemetery Advisory Board, met with Deputy Mayor Edward F. Cavanagh, Jr. Other NYBR members of the committee were Rabbis Sidney Applbaum, Gilbert Klaperman and Max Schenk. At this meeting Deputy Mayor Cavanagh, on behalf of Mayor Robert F. Wagner, reaffirmed New York City's determination to respect and protect the religious convictions of the Jewish community on the issue of keeping the Jewish cemeteries open on Sundays. In the course of the discussion, Deputy Mayor Cavanagh repeatedly stated that he had received assurances from the Drivers Union that it would supply all the drivers necessary to attend to Jewish burials on Sundays.

Also present at the meeting were Mr. Norman Ferlstein, Executive Director of the Brooklyn Jewish Council, Brooklyn, N.Y., Mr. Harold A. Felix, Commissioner of Labor of the City of N.Y., Mr. Morris Tarshis, Senior Mediator of the Department of Labor and Mr. Hugh E. Sheridan, Arbitrator between the Liveries Association and the Drivers Union.

To follow up the situation, the NYBR called a special meeting with owners and operators of the Jewish cemeteries in the NY area. Assurances were received from all present that none of them intend to close cemeteries on Sundays. These sentiments also were confirmed by Mr. Herbert Kramer, attorney for a number of cemeteries, as well as by some cemetery directors and superintendents.

The Committee dealing with this problem will be in constant communication with the New York Cemetery Board, as well as with all parties concerned.

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#### DUES ARE DUE

We want to remind the NYBR membership that we depend upon your dues to carry on some aspects of the Board's work.

Please send in your 1962 dues (which were due on January 1, 1962) if you have not already done so.

Rabbi  
Alvan D. Rubin  
Treasurer

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*Editorially Speaking***POETS ON IMMORTALITY**

A satisfactory definition of immortality is hard to find. Religion ventures a number of answers, but none meets the test of empirical criteria. Philosophers have grappled with this elusive problem; their theories form a voluminous library.

I wish to cite several clues derived from poets. Walt Whitman, in *Leaves of Grass*, sang his invincible faith in these lines:

*I do not think seventy years  
is the time of a man or woman,  
Nor that seventy million years is  
the time of a man or woman,  
Nor that years will ever stop  
the existence of me or any  
one else.*

Numerous poems iterate Whitman's rhapsody, "years will not stop the existence of me or any one else." Among my favorites is this stanza:

*Because I could not stop for Death  
He kindly stopped for me;  
The carriage held but just ourselves  
And Immortality.*

Only a poet could invoke such startling imagery. Death, riding in a carriage, gives the weary traveller a lift, and he is pleasantly surprised to find that Death has another passenger, *Immortality*. This statement is simple, but it grips and nourishes the mind. Once you read it, you will not soon forget it.

The poet does not discuss physical survival. His quatrain is an affirmation of life's deathlessness in the sense that it is endowed with a depth, a range, and a compass that guides it toward the carriage riding beyond the grave to divine fulfillment. The immortal soul is not something we possess; it is something that possesses us. It was such a thought that motivated the 13th century Hebrew poet, Judah Al-Harizi, in his poem *Al Hanesama* — "The Soul":

*On the day that it puts off  
the body, it wears  
Its jewels, removing earth's  
captive attire.*

A. A. S.

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**A NATION REBORN.** By Richard H. S. Crossman.  
New York, Atheneum Publishers, 1960. 171  
pages. \$3.50.

Richard Crossman has earned the gratitude of the Jewish people for his conspicuous role as a member of the Anglo-American Commission of Enquiry in 1945. One might paraphrase his characterization of Chaim Weizman as "the right man with a sense of the right moment in history" to reflect upon the happy fact that Mr. Crossman himself became a friend of the Zionist political ideal at the right time. His determined opposition to the anti-Semitic policies of Ernest Bevin contributed a measure of weight which eventually helped to sway the then perilously imbalanced scales in favor of Statehood for the Yishuv.

Mr. Crossman's intimate knowledge of the fateful events concerning Palestine in the years following World War II, as well as his absorbing fascination with all that transpired in and around Israel during the first decade of the State's history, eminently qualified him for the honor to deliver the fourth Chaim Weizman Memorial Lectures in Rehovot. There were three lectures covering three major themes identifying the personalities dominant in the particular era: I The Zionist Vision — Chaim Weizman, II The End of the Mandate — Ernest Bevin, III The First Decade — David Ben-Gurion.

These lectures formed the framework for "A Nation Reborn," a charming little volume written with exquisite verve and humor. The book, despite its modest size, is replete with important hitherto unknown incidents and full of revealing observations which shed considerable light on the story events out of which emerged Israel — "the greatest democratic achievement since World War II." In the judgment of this reviewer, it is one of the most attractive, most readable volumes published since the establishment of Israel.

Rabbi Salomon Faber

**BREVITIES**

In a recent autobiography by a certain Rabbi appear the words: "Jews devoted their entire strength to a course not of reconciliation, but of harrowing the Nazis to the utmost. Within a few years six million Jews perished through violence. The method of hatred and revenge, whatever it may have achieved, did not deliver the Jews from these unprecedented horrors." Could anything more reprehensible ever have been written by a supposed "Saint" in Jewry? Yet his students and colleagues are uniting to celebrate his 60th birthday as a representative Jewish leader . . . The irresponsible editor of the "Autobiography" and the equally irresponsible editor of the periodical in which it appeared, are typical of the shoddy, inconsiderate magazine heads who fail to meet their editorial responsibilities.

Another instance of editorial malfeasance is to be found in an article entitled "Go to Bethel" in a recent issue of a Rabbinical journal. A choice tidbit allowed by the editor remarks: "Our grooms delight in smashing a whiskey glass at the nuptial altar (and brides insist that they do), frustrated maybe because they reasonably suspect — indeed they often know — that there is nothing left for them to break." Perhaps this should not be repeated, but if it ought not be quoted it shows the insensitivity and callousness of both the author and the editor who accepted it for publication. It is time to call a halt to these exhibitions of Rabbinical vulgarity and folly.

Rabbis should be careful about the invocations they deliver at public functions, making sure their purpose is worthy. The same is true of Rabbis who act as toastmasters at dinners with questionable objectives. The community situation is too delicate to permit carelessness or self-seeking at the cost of our prestige and dignity as Jews . . . Has the New Liberalism spawned a New Rightism? Will the New Rightism assume an anti-Semitic guise before long? These are vexing and strenuous questions, and we should develop a helpful policy toward them. However, if anti-Semitism enters the picture, the Rabbinic and Jewish defense leaders must take up the cudgels with courage and confidence.

L. I. N.

## THUMBNAIL BOOK REVIEWS

NINE GATES TO THE CHASSIDIC MYSTERIES. By Jiri Langer. New York. David McKay Company, Inc., 1961. 266 pages. \$3.95.

A wide gap intervenes between the reserved tone of Simon Dubnow's pioneering researches in Hasidism and Martin Buber's ardent writings for nearly a half century. The proliferation of Buber's works have inspired a heightened interest in Hasidism. Its emphasis upon *kithlahabut* and *kavanah*, and its focus on inwardness are reflected not only in a growing corpus of literature, but also in music, in art, and in the theatre.

*Nine Gates to the Chassidic Mysteries* is in the tradition of Buber's *The Tales of Rabbi Nachman* and *Tales of the Hasidim*. The title might mislead the reader to believe he will be transported from gate to gate into the secret sanctum of Hasidism. He might expect a pattern analogous to the esoteric Kabbalistic doctrine that God (the *En Sof*) can be comprehended only through the ten divine emanations (the *Sefirot*) which flow out of Him.

Such an expectation will meet with disappointment. The "Nine Gates" refer to brief biographies of nine *Tsad-dikim* together with their sayings and parables, and a recounting of the miracles ascribed to them. The stories were originally published under the title *Devet Bran* in Prague in 1937. When the Nazis invaded Czechoslovakia a year and a half later, they ordered the book to be burned as a "monstrosity of art." Consequently, Jiri Langer was forced to flee to Palestine, where he was buried in March, 1943.

A foreword by the author's brother throws light upon Jiri's strange career. It began with an immersion in the ecstasy of mysticism in Belz, Galicia, and ended with his book *Die Erotik der Kabbala*, in which he applied Freudian psychoanalytic techniques to Jewish ritual and Jewish cults.

This book is not for those seriously seeking to fathom the message and meaning of Hasidism. But it will help the reader establish a mood tinged with a Hasidic aura. It will serve as a guide for those who desire to "go slumming" into this occult empire. One who has cultivated such a taste will find this book appetizing.

Rabbi A. Alan Steinbach

THE INFORMED HEART. By Bruno Bettelheim. The Free Press of Glencoe, Illinois. 269 pages. \$3.00.

Dr. Bettelheim, head of the University of Chicago's Sonia Shankman Orthogenic School, is Professor of Educational Psychology in the University's departments of Education and Psychology. *The Informed Heart* is very well written; it contains fascinating material from Dr. Bettelheim's personal experience and observations during a year's internment in the concentration camps of Dachau and Buchenwald.

The author explores the question of personal autonomy in a mass age, believing that environment has a much more radical effect upon changing personality than does psychoanalysis. In two chapters entitled "Behavior in Extreme Situations," he shows how the terrible, coercive measures of the Nazis stamped out the individual will of the prisoners and much of their defenses relating to human dignity and individual integrity.

He wonders why Jews who were doomed to die anyway did not resist and put up a battle, and at least carry some of their tormentors to death with them. They thrust from their minds the reality of what was happening; they labored under the illusion that "business would go on as usual" even as they marched to the gas chambers. Such was the illusion of Anne Frank, who declared that there was good in all men even though, in fact, this was not the reality. We know, of course, that the resistance of the Warsaw Ghetto was an epic of courage in a time of deep misery, and we can understand that the Jews who perished were not dying like sheep. Perhaps if theirs had been continual resistance the Nazis could not have carried out their fiendish plans so thoroughly.

Dr. Bettelheim believes society must set an environment favorable to the development of human personality, and that on the other hand the individual must not permit himself to be submerged into the mass without retaining and developing his individuality. There are threats to individual personality from the technical age in which we live, but we must hold to our freedom as individuals.

There is much in the book that gives us pause about the lot of man and the preservation of "self" in this mass age.

Rabbi Joseph I. Weiss

THE POWER WITHIN US. By Kurt Klappholz. Brooklyn, N. Y., The Torah Institute, Inc., 1961. 95 pages. \$2.95.

This is a collection of messages published in the magazine TRUTH, sponsored by the Torah Institute. Fifteen are general messages and five are concerned with the special meanings of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Chanukah and Passover. All deal essentially with the central concept that if we Rabbis and laymen would only tap the spiritual resources within ourselves — *The Power Within Us* — broad highways to fulfillment and happiness would open to us.

Our world is outer space-minded. Kurt Klappholz is much more concerned, as all of us are, about the inner space of man himself, with tremendous spiritual power awaiting release for the advancement of personal peace and inner security. As outer space becomes more expansive and mysterious with each penetration, so man's inner space shrinks in inverse proportion to the expansion of the Infinite within him.


Man is a frightened creature. His system of thought and ways of life are threatened. He is unsure of himself and of the meaning and purpose of his existence. This seems to be the dilemma and the spiritual crisis of our times.

Kurt Klappholz is not a frightened man. He has deep faith in the answer Judaism has for the modern world. I do not concur in his Jewish adaptation of Norman Vincent Peale's *Power of Positive Thinking*, but he manages to give his readers the spiritual goad we all need. He speaks simply and concisely, embellishing his ideas with liberal literary allusions and illustrations from the Torah, Midrash and Talmud, as well as from contemporaries of all kinds.

While the messages were written for laymen, they will interest all his colleagues. The only weakness is his placing the superstructure of Jewish faith and belief on the flimsy foundations of "Positive Thinking." It should have been the reverse. In Judaism, *yirat shamayim* and the *simchah shel mitzvah* have as their goal not inner security, peace and the solution of man's mental, spiritual, social and economic problems, but are sheer acts of worship and of reverence for the Master of the Universe. All other aims are but byproducts of a Judaism of Faith. "Even though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him."

Rabbi Max Schenk





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## TO RABBIS WITHOUT SYNAGOGUES

Dear Colleague:

On May 3, 1962, the New York Board of Rabbis will climax its 80th Anniversary observance with a Dinner at the Hotel Commodore. We have asked our colleagues who have Congregations to enroll their Congregations as Sponsors of the International Synagogue, chief beneficiary of the Dinner, which will be constructed at New York International Airport (Idlewild). Sponsorship involves a minimum contribution of \$1,000 from the Synagogue or from individuals in the name of the Synagogue.

In the lobby of the International Synagogue there will be a Tablet of States, on which will be inscribed the names of the Synagogue, the name of the Rabbi, and the name of the President of the Sponsoring Synagogues.

Those of our colleagues who have no pulpits can become Sponsors of

the International Synagogue with a contribution of \$1,000 or more to be obtained from any source whatsoever. If you obtain \$1,000 for this purpose, then your name will be included on the Tablet of States at Idlewild Synagogue.

Subscription to the Dinner will be \$100 per person and \$125 per couple. We turn to you as a loyal member of the New York Board of Rabbis to help us in any manner in this great project, which will redound to the glory of our faith, at this gateway to America and the United Nations.

Cordially yours,

*Rabbi Israel Mowshowitz, Pres.*

*Rabbi Irving Miller, Chairman*

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### CONDOLENCE TO:

Rabbi Charles S. Freedman  
on the loss of his father.

## PERSONALS

Rabbi Josiah Derby's Congregation, the Rego Park Jewish Center, celebrated the dedication for its new Youth Building.

Rabbi Abraham I. Feldbin represented the NYBR at a meeting in City Hall to discuss time off for Civil Service personnel on the eve of the major Jewish holidays.

Rabbi Reuber E. Gross has completed internship and residency in Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy at a Psychiatric clinic and training institution. He has been appointed to the Marriage and Counseling Committee of the Beth Din of the RCA.

Rabbi Joshua Grunwald's Congregation, Adas Mochsike Hadath, celebrated the dedication of its new synagogue at 240 West 98th St., N.Y.C. Among the NYBR participants was Rabbi Robert Serebrenik.

Rabbi Jacob Hurwitz delivered the opening prayer at the March 5th session of the House of Representatives.

Rabbi M. H. Lewittes, upon his retirement from the Brooklyn Jewish Center was honored with life membership and elected Honorary Educational Advisor. At present he is a Chairman of English and Curriculum Coordinator with the New York City Board of Education.

Rabbi Louis I. Newman has published his latest book, "Maggidim and Hasidim: Their Wisdom", a Companion Volume to "The Hasidic Anthology."

Rabbi Jacob Sable represented the NYBR at a special meeting in Albany to discuss the Schechita legislation.

Rabbi Arthur Schneier has been elected to the pulpit of Congregation Zichron Ephraim, N.Y.C.

Rabbi Ralph Silverstein, representing the NYBR, delivered the Invocation at a City Council meeting.

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## ROUMANIA'S CHIEF RABBI ADDRESSES NYBR

At a special meeting on February 22nd, Chief Rabbi Moses D. Rosen of Roumania addressed a very receptive audience of NYBR members. He spoke warmly and intimately of Jewish life in Roumania, its hope and its future. The Chief Rabbi was introduced by a former *landsman* and long-time friend, Rabbi Joseph S. Schulsohn, now a U.S. citizen, and one of the NYBR chaplains at Kings County Hospital. In commemoration of his appearance at the NYBR, which took place a few days before his departure for Europe, Rabbi Rosen was presented by NYBR president, Rabbi Mowshowitz, with a silver-covered Israeli Bible.

On February 20th the Roumanian Embassy in Washington was host to a dinner in honor of Chief Rabbi Rosen. Among those present were Rabbis Israel Mowshowitz, Harold H. Gordon, Gilbert Klaperman and Herschel Schacter. Rabbi Schacter was in charge of arrangements for Rabbi Rosen's tour during his stay in this country.

## 80TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

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Two breakfasts held respectively in Queens and Nassau Counties highlighted the interest of the NYBR members and laymen of congregations in furthering the 80th Anniversary Dinner on May 3rd and the International Synagogue to be built at Idlewild.

The first breakfast took place at the Hillcrest Jewish Center of which Rabbi Israel Mowshowitz is the spiritual leader. Mr. Morris Diamond, vice-president of the synagogue welcomed the rabbis and congregational presidents and pledged the wholehearted support of Hillcrest Jewish Center "in everything that NYBR will undertake in behalf of the community," specifically, the 80th Anniversary Dinner and the building of the International Synagogue. Mr. Diamond pledged the Sponsorship of Hillcrest Jewish Center towards this and additional financial help for the success of the NYBR program. Among the rabbis and the synagogue leaders present were: Rabbi Pynchas N. D. Brenner, Mr. Albert Wolf, Pres., Holliswood Jewish Center; Rabbi Zelig Chinitz, Mr. Samuel Solomon, Utopia Jewish Center, Flushing; Rabbi Abraham I. Feldbin, Mr. Julius Bard, President, Astoria Center of Israel; Rabbi Morris S. Friedman, Mr. Solomon Green, President, Congregation Beth David, Lynbrook; Rabbi Elihu Kasten, Oceanside Jewish Center; Rabbi Gilbert Klaperman, Mr. Norman Gordon, President, Congregation Beth Shalom, Lawrence; Rabbi Sol Roth, Mr. Reuben Barshay, Atlantic Beach Jewish Center; Rabbi Alvan D. Rubin, Mr. Jerome Lorber, Temple Sinai, Roslyn Heights; Rabbi Benjamin Teller, Israel Center of Hillcrest Manor; and Mrs. Harry Flak, Trustee, Temple Beth El of Great Neck.

The second breakfast took place at Congregation Beth David, Lynbrook, of which Rabbi Morris S. Friedman is the spiritual leader. Rabbi Friedman and the president of the synagogue, Mr. Sol Green, greeted their guests, all of whom pledged their support.

Among the rabbis and synagogue leaders present were: Rabbi Samuel Chiel, Mr. Max Furman, President-elect, Malverne Jewish Center, L.I.; Rabbi Jacob Hack, Scuthside Jewish Center, Valley Stream; Rabbi Abraham Moseson, Mr. Irving Goldman, President, Community Center of West Hempstead; Rabbi Alvan D. Rubin, Temple Sinai Heights, Roslyn Heights, and Rabbi Harold I. Zaperstein, Mr. Paul Kutel, President, Temple Emanuel, Lynbrook.

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Rabbi and Mrs. Norman Layman on the birth of their son, Jonah Samuel.

Rabbi and Mrs. Nathan Rosenbaum on the birth of their daughter, Rachel.

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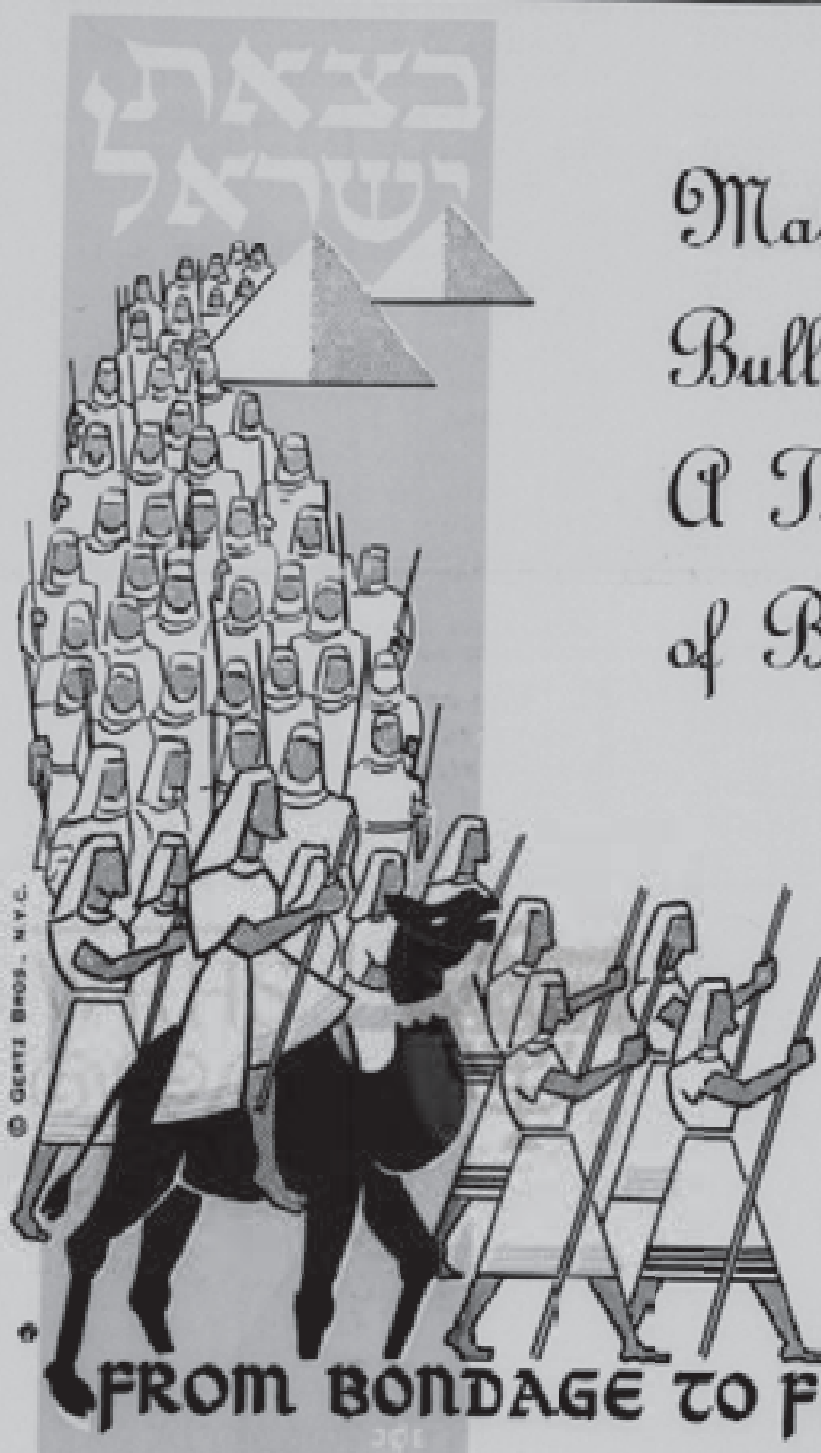
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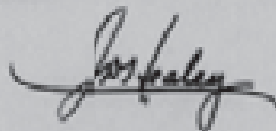
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