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March 7, 1935.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland, O.

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

It seems almost providential that Newark should not be deprived of an address by you at least once a year; and so the celebration about to take place will be the medium for giving us again the pleasure of listening to your inspiring words.

The celebration will be the Eighteenth Anniversary of the founding of my congregation and the Tenth Anniversary of its occupancy of its new temple. The festivities will wind up with a Banquet on Sunday evening, March 31, at which we invite you to be the speaker for the occasion.

Needless to say that, aside from the pleasurable anticipation of your coming, we feel certain that your presence will be a great factor in making the affair a great success. I may divulge to you that through the medium of this banquet we expect to raise a considerable fund, which is vitally essential to our existence, and the magic of your name will help us reach our goal.

It will be possible for you to conduct your own service in the morning and reach Newark by plane in plenty of time. And what's more: it will not be necessary to engage a special plane. Of course we will defray the expenses. I need not add that your acceptance will be a personal favor to me.

Mrs. Silberfeld and I often feel chagrined that owing to circumstances we have not the opportunity of meeting with you and Mrs. Silver as often as we should like to. She wishes to be remembered.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Silver and the boys, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Julius Silberfeld

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January 13, 1936

Rabbi Julius Silberfeld,  
Congregation B'nai Abraham,  
32 Ingraham Place,  
Newark, N.J.

My dear Rabbi Silberfeld:

Please pardon the delay in writing to you. I have been quite busy these last few days. I am not clear in my mind after the telephone conversation which we had about the date which your congregation was considering for your anniversary celebration. In looking through my calendar, I find that it would be possible for me to come East on Tuesday, March 3. I have an engagement in New York on March 4. Is that date convenient to you?

Some time ago, I received an invitation from Mr. Aaron Levinstone to address the Zionist District of Newark. I cannot, of course, make a special trip from Cleveland to Newark for that purpose but if they could arrange to have such a meeting, say on the noon of March 3, I would be enabled to meet two engagements on the same day. Would you communicate with Mr. Levinstone and let me know your thought in the matter?

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

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January 20, 1936.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland, O.

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

Excuse the delay in answering your kind letter, as I thought I would be able to give you all the details of the forthcoming celebration, but I am not yet able to do it. I was certainly very happy and grateful at your prompt acceptance to honor me at such an important event of my life.

The reason for the delay is due to the fact that there is a movement on the part of the Zionists of this region to take cognizance of my celebration. Perhaps your promise to Levinstone could be combined with your coming to my anniversary. The details are being worked out now. As soon as everything is in shape, which will be very shortly, I will communicate with you further.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Silver and the boys, in which Mrs. Silberfeld heartily joins me, and thanking you again, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Julius Silberfeld

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January 22, 1937

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To Rabbi Julius Silberfeld,

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Street and No. 32 Ingraham Place

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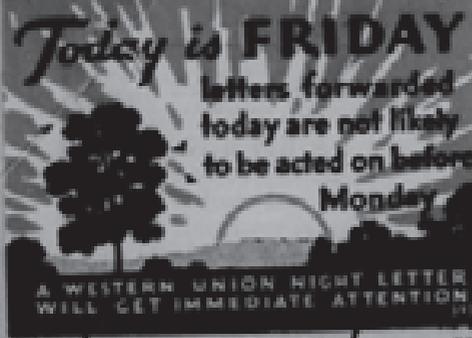
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THE FIVE YEAR PLAN STILL WORKING STOP AM GOING TO CELEBRATE  
 THIRTY FIFTH ANNIVERSARY NATURALLY CANNOT TAKE PLACE WITHOUT  
 YOUR PRESENCE STOP YOU HAVENT FAILED ME BEFORE PRAY YOU WILL  
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November 1, 1937

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
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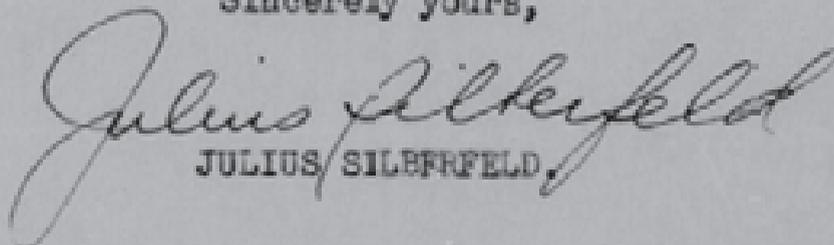
My dear Rabbi Silver:

I hate to report bad news to you, especially when it concerns myself. I have had the misfortune of being run down by an automobile and have been laid up in the hospital for the past three weeks, with the prospect of being here three more weeks. While, as you know, we are always happy to have you occupy my pulpit, under present circumstances, it will be a real personal favor, as my flock is now left, "like sheep without a shepherd." So, if you will be in the East within the next few weeks, after the 12th of November, and could arrange to be in Newark on a Friday evening, I shall be very happy and grateful.

The injury I sustained is not dangerous, but it has incapacitated me as both my legs are fractured. With the help of God, I shall, within a few weeks, again be able to attend to my work.

With warmest personal regards to Mrs. Silver and the boys, in which Mrs. Silberfeld heartily joins me, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

  
JULIUS SILBERFELD.

JS:Nf

November 5, 1937

Rabbi Julius Silberfeld,  
Temple B'nai Abraham,  
Clinton Avenue, Shanley Ave. and 10th St.,  
Newark, N.J.

My dear Rabbi Silberfeld:

I was sorry to hear about your automobile accident and the fact that you are confined in the hospital. I trust that you are rapidly recovering and that you will soon be able to return to your duties.

I regret that I will not be in the East during the month of November. My crowded out-of-town lecture schedule is through the Middlewest. I have just returned from a rather lengthy stay in and around Boston.

Should my plans for some reason change, I shall, of course, notify you. With all good wishes to you and Mrs. Silberfeld in which Mrs. Silver joins me, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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December 16, 1937.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

I read in the New Palestine that you are scheduled to speak in Providence, R.I. on Wednesday evening, January 26; would it be possible for you to stay in the east a few days longer and address my congregation on Friday evening, January 28?

I am very slowly recovering from the terrible accident I met with on October 12, and your coming would be a great help to me, as I am not yet able to stand long on my feet. And besides this personal favor, I need not tell you that my congregation is looking forward with pleasurable anticipation to hearing you again.

Any expenses you might incur through your staying over will be gladly defrayed.

With kindest regards from Mrs. Silberfeld, and thanking you in advance, I remain,

Sincerely yours

Julius Silberfeld

December 17, 1937

Mrs. Irving E. Blum,  
551 Warwick Avenue,  
South Orange, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Blum:

Let me thank you for your kind letter and your invitation to address the Hadassah Luncheon on April 5. I wish I were free to come. I am, however, scheduled to open the campaign for the United Palestine Appeal in Montreal, Canada on that very day.

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

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BX

December 21, 1937

Rabbi Julius Silberfeld,  
Temple B'nai Abraham,  
Clinton Avenue, Shanley Ave. and 10th Street,  
Newark, N.J.

My dear Rabbi Silberfeld:

I certainly would wish to accommodate you by staying over in the East and addressing your congregation on January 28th. But January 28th happens to be my birthday and my family insists on my spending the day with them at home.

I am sorry to hear that you have not yet fully recovered from your accident. I hope that it will not be long now before you are completely restored to health. It is a long time since I have seen you and I do hope that I shall have that pleasure in the near future. With all good wishes to you and Mrs. Silberfeld in which Mrs. Silver joins me, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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March 23, 1938

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

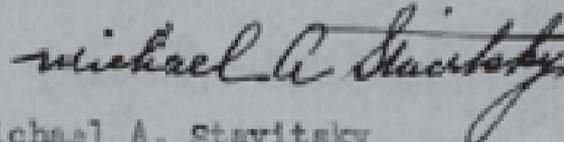
Nettie Hollander told me of her conversation with you and of her urgent appeal to you to crowd into your very busy schedule a visit to Newark on or about April 25th to inaugurate the Initial Gifts Campaign of our United Jewish Appeal. Regrettably, I have been ill or I would have joined with her in the call to you.

We are extremely anxious for the sake of Newark, as well as for the several deserving causes for which this appeal is to be made, to attain our goal of \$100,000.00. Unfortunately, in these times and especially in Newark where we have all too few wealthy men among our givers, it is not easy to reach this goal except through most strenuous efforts on the part of a few die hards. Furthermore, we need the stimulus that your prophetic words can give us.

I, therefore, join with Nettie and Mike Hollander in this invitation to you to bring us on April 25th the torch of inspiration and determination to succeed.

With kind greetings, I remain

Most cordially yours,



Michael A. Stavitsky  
President

MAS:AS

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March 28, 1938

The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Mr. Michael A. Stavitsky, President,  
The Conference of Jewish Charities,  
24 Branford Place,  
Newark, N.J.

My dear Mr. Stavitsky:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of March 23. I deeply appreciate your warm invitation. I should like to come to you for your Initial Gifts Campaign meeting. The date of April 25, however, is a very inconvenient one for me. I am to be in Kansas City on April 28. A visit to Newark on the 25th would crowd my week greatly.

I am scheduled to be in New York the following week, on May 3rd in the evening for a campaign dinner at the Astor Hotel. I wonder whether you can use my services for a luncheon meeting on that same day? Inasmuch as it is not a large banquet or a mass meeting, which you are planning, perhaps a luncheon meeting would be just as effective.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

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October 20, 1938.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland, O.

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

You must have been wondering why we, of Newark, and particularly of Temple B'nai Abraham, have neglected you so long. You haven't been in our city since my sixtieth birthday celebration, which was in March 1936. Now the time has come when we may have, I hope, another opportunity to hear you. The occasion will be the Eighty-Fifth Anniversary of the founding of our congregation, which will begin with a festival service on Friday evening, November 18, and we want you to grace the occasion with your presence.

I need not tell you that such anniversaries are mainly for the purpose of stimulating the membership and inspiring them to still greater sacrifices for the synagogue. We have still a very hard, uphill struggle, and we expect, by means of this celebration, to raise sufficient funds to lead us to final victory. The announcement of your coming will surely be the greatest factor to bring about this happy result. In case you wish to go back to Cleveland immediately, you can leave in time to catch a train the same evening. It is naturally understood that your expenses will be defrayed. Had I the time, I would give myself the pleasure of coming to Cleveland to extend this invitation to you in person.

How is Mrs. Silver and the boys? Mrs. Silberfeld is looking forward with pleasurable anticipation to meeting you again. My kindest regards to you all.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

*Julius Silberfeld*

November 7, 1938

Rabbi Julius Silberfeld  
Temple B'nai Abraham  
Clinton Ave., Shanley Ave. and 10th St.  
Newark, N.J.

My dear Friends:

I deeply regret my inability to come to you and participate in the celebration of the Eighty-Fifth Anniversary of the founding of your congregation. I am so over-burdened with out of town engagements that I have really been neglecting my own Temple work. I am trying to devote all the spare time which I have to the United Palestine Appeal which has prior claim upon me so long as I am its national chairman.

Please convey my warmest greetings to Mrs. Silberfeld in which Mrs. Silver heartily joins me.

With all good wishes to you, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BC

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February 1, 1939.

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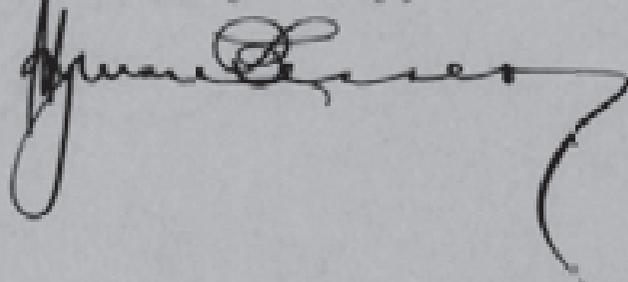
My dear Rabbi Silver:

Congregation Ohav Shalom,  
one of the leading congregations of this city and  
in existence for over seventy-five years, has never  
had the honor of your presence at one of its functions.  
It is now planning to hold its annual dinner on Sunday  
evening, April 30 and, as a forerunner to an expansion  
program for the enlargement of its Hebrew School fa-  
cilities, we should like to have as our guest on that  
occasion someone of outstanding national reputation.  
We know of no one who would meet with greater approval  
than yourself.

I know how busily engaged you  
are, not only in the work of your own congregation but  
in the numerous Jewish problems which exist today, but  
if it is at all physically possible for you to accept  
our invitation on this occasion we should be very grate-  
ful.

Will you kindly give this your  
careful consideration and let me know whether or not  
we can look forward to the pleasure of having you with  
us, and also what the expense would be.

Yours very truly,



HB:AH

February 3, 1939

Mr. Hyman Besser  
Besser & Company  
11 Commerce Street  
Newark, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Besser:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of February 1 and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the Annual Dinner of Congregation Chev Shalom on Sunday evening, April 30. I wish I were free to accept it. Unfortunately the pressure of work upon me is so great this year, due to the task which I have assumed in connection with the United Palestine Appeal and the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees that I am unable to accept any additional responsibilities. I am confident that you will understand.

Perhaps at some future time when the situation has eased up a bit in the Jewish world, I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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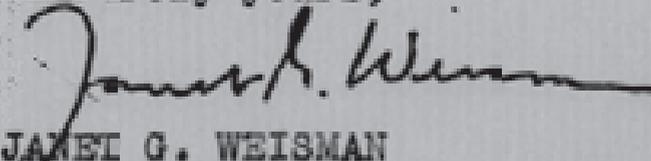
Dear Rabbi Silver:

While awaiting your reply with reference to the Troy invitation for a date during the week of October 8th, I also want to add the specific request from the Newark YMHA for either Monday evening, January 8th or January 15th, at a fee of \$200.

If either date is convenient for you, I shall appreciate your indicating your preference on the enclosed agreement and returning a signed copy to me by way of confirmation.

With good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
JANET G. WEISMAN  
Director

Enclosure

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BOOKING MEMORANDUM

From Miss Weisman To Rabba Abba Hillel Silver Date June 22, 1939

WE HAVE SCHEDULED YOU TO APPEAR ON Mon., January . 1940. at  
(date) (hour)

ORGANIZATION YM and YWHA

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PERSON IN CHARGE Harold Herman

PLACE OF MEETING YM and YWHA, 652 High St., Newark, N. J.

SUBJECT OR PROGRAM \_\_\_\_\_

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_

(lecturer or artist)

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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From Miss Weisman To Rabba Abba Hillel Silver Date June 22, 1939

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From Miss Weisman To Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Date July 18, 1939

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Signed James L. Weisman  
(for Jewish Center Lecture and  
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October 12, 1939

Miss Janet G. Weisman, Director  
Jewish Center Lecture and Concert Bureau  
220 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Weisman:

I am enclosing herewith some photographs and a short biographic sketch of Dr. Silver which you may use in your publicity. For additional information, please consult "Who's Who".

I am also enclosing a list of subjects. Kindly have the Newark people choose one and let Dr. Silver know of their choice.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:EK

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October 17, 1939

Miss Bessie Kline,  
Secretary to Dr. Silver,  
The Temple,  
East 105th St. at Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

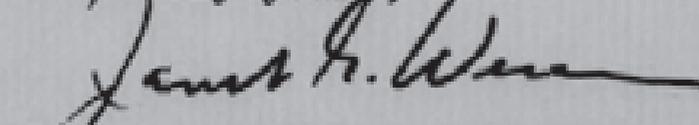
Dear Miss Kline:

Thank you for your letter of October 12th,  
enclosing glossies and publicity statement for Rabbi  
Silver.

Newark has chosen the subject, "Some  
Aberrations of Our Day", for his talk on January  
15th.

With good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
JANET G. WEISMAN  
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Dec. 14, 1957

Dear Rabbi Silver

When I spoke to you on the phone this morning you asked me to write to you to give you all the information about April fifth, nineteen thirty-eight.

The Northern New Jersey Region of Hadassah, for the first time in its history is having a joint donor luncheon. All of the chapters on April fifth. There will be about twelve hundred women, all of whom are making a donation of seven dollars minimum up to twenty-five dollars.

Because of the largeness of the group we feel we have the privilege of asking you to come to speak to us. The most important selling point we have is that you will be there. Will you please let me know, as quickly as possible, whether you will be able to be with us. I cannot overstate the

importance of your coming to our luncheon  
which is to be held in Newark, New Jersey  
Zionism, for the first time, is beginning to  
penetrate the reformed circles here. You  
will come to hear you and no one else.

We will be delighted to send  
you the expenses for your trip. If there  
is anything I could have said further to  
emphasize upon you the importance of your  
coming to us & the pleasure we anticipate  
in having you — Please assume  
that I have said them —

Sincerely,  
Sara Blum  
(Mrs Irving E.)

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HAROLD HERMAN 652 HIGH ST.

*replied*

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*Dr. Joachim Prinz, Rabbi*

May 13, 1945

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver

This letter may be long, and you may not be in the mood to read it, but I want you to do me the personal favor to do so, if not today, then some other time.

For the last four years, I have tried to build up under the auspices of my Congregation an Adult School. We have been exceedingly successful. Instead of the usual lecture series, I have introduced an attempt to have a number of people, experts in their fields, lecture on one topic. We are enclosing a copy of last year's program. This year, I am contemplating to invite ten people to lecture on the theme, "Eternal People, The Story of Jewish Survival". I have in mind to invite people to give the story of the Jewish catastrophies, from the destruction of the First Temple to the days of Hitler. But instead of stressing the negative part of it, I want to dwell upon the fact that the most creative periods in Jewish history coincide with periods of greatest crisis. I want them, for instance, to show that the Pogroms of Russia resulted in the upbuilding of Palestine and the founding of American Jewry. The same trend can be shown for the ancient catastrophies and for those of the Middle Ages. You will find a list of those whom we have invited and their topics attached hereto.

I am inviting you to be the first speaker, on Tuesday, October 26th. I would like you to give a general philosophy of Jewish survival, which should emphasize the fact that we are an eternal people and that as long as the Jewish values are preserved, there is no need for despair. I feel that our people need this kind of a theology of survival.

I don't have to tell you that we are accustomed to paying fees, and I wish you were good enough to tell me what your fee will

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

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May 13, 1943

be. Of course, we will be very happy to cover your expenses in addition to that. I am eagerly awaiting your reply, which I hope will be in the affirmative. Although you may say that October is a long time from today, and it is difficult to make plans, I wish you would take into consideration that our next year is being planned now and that literature will be printed this summer.

I hope you forgive me for addressing so long a letter to you. Many personal regards.

I am, sincerely yours,

*Joseph Prins*  
Dr. Joseph Prins

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Speaker—Dr. Joachim Prinz
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Speaker—Nahum Goldman

May 20, 1943

Dr. Joachim Prinz  
Temple B'nai Abraham  
826 South Tenth Street  
Newark, N.J.

My dear Dr. Prinz:

Thank you for your kind letter and for your invitation to participate in your lecture series. Your series looks very interesting and I am sure will prove most stimulating to your people. I should very much love to come but I am afraid that I must decline your gracious invitation. I do not wish to commit myself to any lecture engagements for next Fall. I made the mistake, last year, of dating myself up far in advance, and because of emergencies which arose at the last minute, I was compelled to cancel quite a number of these invitations causing considerable embarrassment on both sides.

I am sure that you will understand. I am tied up with so many activities related to the war which make sudden and imperative demands on my time that in all fairness, I should not bind myself down to lecture engagements.

It was a great pleasure to see you in Newark and to hear on all sides such splendid accounts of your fine Ministry. More power to you!

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver:

You will recall my mentioning to you the other day a request that I was asked by the Brooklyn Chapter of Hadassah to transmit to you.

They will have their Annual Luncheon at the Hotel St. George, Brooklyn on the afternoon of Monday, March 20th, and they are very anxious to have you as their principal speaker.

You will also recall that I promised to send you a reminder about this, which I am now doing. Very likely by this time you will have received a letter from the Brooklyn Chapter of Hadassah. At any rate, permit me to add that they usually have a tremendous attendance at their Annual Luncheons - in the neighborhood of 2000.

I remember your telling me that you dislike to have two speaking engagements on the same day (your evening speaking engagement is in connection with the Herzlich Dinner). However, I hope that you will see your way clear to make an exception on this occasion, and would be very happy to hear from you in an affirmative manner.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

*Abba Hillel Silver*

AG:RR

*see letter  
from Mrs. Silver*

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You + G. W. N. A. - Nov 13 or 20

Will phone you later today

Joseph Fough

TELEGRAM TO RABBI SILVER

10-19-44

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JOSEPH KRUEGER.

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10-20-44



JOSEPH KREUGER  
NEWARK N.J.

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REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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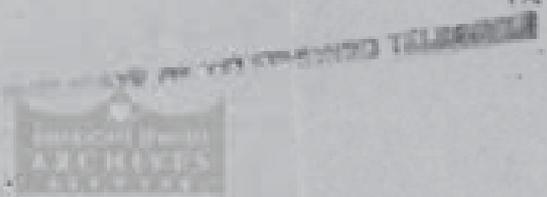
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JOSEPH KRUGER.

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October 24, 1944.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It was with regret that I received your telegram advising us that you were unable to accept our invitation to open our 20th Anniversary Lecture Series.

We appreciate full well the enormous demands made upon your time. We trust that at some future date you will find it possible to be with us.

With best personal wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

*Joseph Kruger*

Joseph Kruger  
Educational Director

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1924 - "Y" Twentieth Anniversary - 1944

20 Branford Place  
Newark 2, New Jersey  
November 30, 1944.

Doctor Abba Millel Silver  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Doctor Silver:

Many of us in the New Jersey Region of Junior Hadassah have become acquainted with you through your invaluable and outstanding affiliations with matters Jewish and Zionist. You have been as a friend to us personally, though none of us do know you personally. About one year ago, at our Cleveland National Convention, only twenty of our one thousand members did have the privilege of hearing you speak. How many times since then, it has been our thought, "if only we could know this man, hear him, have him impart to all our members of Junior Hadassah some of his greatness and knowledge in world affairs--and more closely, the position of the Jew and what we can do in these times and trends!" But we had to wait for an occasion large enough, important enough, before we could hope for realization. The opportunity is now at hand.

The New Jersey Region of Junior Hadassah will hold its annual Fledge Luncheon on Sunday afternoon, June 3, 1945, at the Hotel Astor, New York City. This luncheon will mark the culmination of many months of activity for Junior Hadassah projects on the part of our members in 16 cities of the State.

We extend to you, Doctor Silver, a most cordial invitation to be our Guest of Honor on that afternoon. Junior Hadassah of this Region needs you. This is a time when youth is beset with problems, confused and disheartened. Your encouraging words, your timely message would impress our members with the tremendous significance of establishing their place today in a Junior Hadassah of greatly expanding number and program.

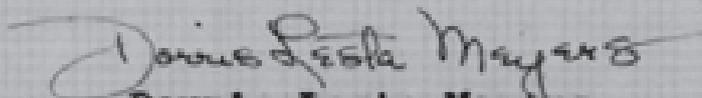
As soon as it may be known that you will attend the Luncheon, we are confident that instead of 900 girls, we will 1800 girls fulfilling their pledges. The sum of these pledges means lives saved, land bought, another step taken in the direction of a Homeland for the Jewish people. Since we know of your keen interest in youth, we feel that you can help us so ably to accomplish our aim.

I know that you are very busy, but should you find it possible to be with us at that time, your answer "Yes" will insure the success of this, our Sixth Pledge Luncheon. We shall be happy to arrange our program so that you may speak at any hour of the afternoon convenient to you, but we would like to have you spend as much of the afternoon with us as possible.

You have already done so much in reconstruction of some of the disaster of the world, that this may seem very little to you indeed. But it is these drops, these comparatively insignificant contributions, which make the difference between an extinguished and a brighter burning light of hope for Victory. The individual pledges of our members represent so many "rebirth certificates" for fellow-man less fortunate than we. How many more pledges we could obtain if we had your help!

The New Jersey Region of Junior Hadassah joins me in the hope that you will participate with us in our Annual Pledge Luncheon.

Very truly yours,

  
Dorris Lesta Meyers  
Program Chairman  
Pledge Luncheon

December 26, 1944

Miss Dorris Lesta Meyers  
20 Branford Place  
Neward 2, N.J.

My dear Miss Meyers:

I trust that you will pardon the long delay in reply to your kind letter. I have been away from the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I wish I were free to accept your invitation to address the New Jersey Region of Junior Hadassah on June 3, 1945. It would have given me great pleasure indeed were I free to accept it. Unfortunately I am so heavily committed to out-of-town engagements and so heavily involved in Zionist activities that I cannot, in justice to myself and to my health take on any additional responsibilities for the rest of the season. Perhaps at some future, when things ease up for me a bit, I ~~will~~ be free to be of service to you.

Let me assure you of my deep interest in all that you are doing, and of my most sincere wishes for success.

Most cordially yours,

ANS:BX

Dr. Joachim Prinz  
825 South Eleventh Street  
Newark 8, N. J.

February 26, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have just finished talking to you over the telephone. I don't know whether I was able to impress upon you how important it would be for our campaign to secure you as the speaker at our opening rally, on Tuesday, May 8. The meeting will be attended by 2000 people.

Ours is a united drive. The goal is the largest ever set in our community. I don't have to tell you how imperative it is to have a man of your stature address this important meeting. I am eagerly looking forward to your affirmative reply. I know that if you can possibly arrange to come, you will.

With warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Joachim Prinz*

jp/al

Dr. Joachim Prinz  
825 South Eleventh Street  
Newark 8, N. J.

February 27, 1945

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver

The opening of the drive has been postponed to  
Wednesday, May 9.

I hope this date is acceptable to you.

Sincerely yours,

 *Joachim Prinz*  
Prinz

JP/al

February 28, 1945

Dr. Joachim Prinz  
825 South Eleventh Street  
Newark 8, N.J.

My dear Friend:

I should very much love to come to you to address the rally of the United Jewish Appeal on Tuesday, May 8. I recall with pleasure earlier visits to your community in connection with this and other causes. I have gone through my schedule and find that unfortunately I shall not be free to get away. I have already committed myself to a heavy program for the remainder of the season and I cannot, in justice to myself, take on additional out-of-town engagements. I know that you will understand.

With all good wishes for great success in your campaign, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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 VERY IMPORTANT PREVIOUS ENGAGEMENT MAKES ACCEPTANCE IMPOSSIBLE. WISH YOU EVERY  
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October 27, 1945

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
c/o Zionist Emergency Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York, New York

Dear Dr. Silver:

Can you be engaged to speak to a large gathering of people of Essex County at the close of a fine Festival of Thanksgiving at the Mosque Theatre here on Monday evening, November 19?

It is for us to give thanks for the end of the war, for the harvest and for the common non-material gifts of our life, and to rise to a fresh vision of our parts, each one, in the making of a better society. It is to be presented by this Foundation in cooperation with the Board of Jewish Ministers, the Essex County Council of Churches and the National Conference of Christians and Jews. The choirs of many of our churches and temples are to sing together under the direction of Dr. Clarence Dickinson of Union Theological Seminary.

At this first Thanksgiving after the war, the need everywhere is so great for the insights and inspiration you can give, we hope eagerly that you can be here to talk to this gathering of people of nearly every race and creed, at the close of the Festival. Then we shall all sing an appropriate great hymn together, and go home much better fit for the days ahead.

A fine company of our leading citizens of both great faiths join me in urging you to come if you can possibly arrange to do so. We would, of course, wish to pay all the expenses of your coming, and a fully appropriate honorarium.

Sincerely,

(Mrs. Parker O. Griffith)  
President

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P.S.

This is a copy of a letter I addressed to you at the Temple in Cleveland.



Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
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October 27, 1945

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

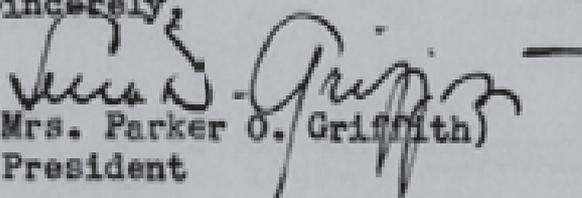
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Sincerely,

  
(Mrs. Parker O. Griffith)  
President

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October 31, 1945

Mrs. Parker O. Griffith, President  
The Griffith Music Foundation  
805 Broad Street  
Newark 2, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Griffith:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of October 27 and for your invitation to address a meeting in connection with the Festival of Thanksgiving on Monday, November 19. I wish I were free to accept your gracious invitation. However, I am committed to a convention in Atlantic City for that day and I must therefore forego the pleasure of participating in your program.

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

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

RABBI ELY E. PILCHIK  
17 WAVERLY AVENUE  
NEWARK 3, N. J.

September 20, 1948

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Pursuant to our conversation yesterday, I beg to submit this formal request in the hope that you may be with us for the climactic event of our Centennial observance.

This congregation, consisting of approximately 1,000 member families has had, for better or worse, profound influence in this state. The past several years have brought significant changes here in terms of a more intensified orientation in Judaism and a deeper integration into the world Jewish community. There is much to be done yet and it is my feeling that your voice and your message on this significant occasion would lend tremendous impetus toward this effort. I hope with all my heart that it will be possible for you to be with us, so that thereby I might be able to inaugurate a second century of Jewish religious activity in this congregation.

The Centennial dinner is scheduled for Sunday evening, November 28th, at the Essex House Hotel in Newark. We are expecting some 1100 people. I promise you that there will be no battery of speakers -- you would be the only speaker. I would be happy to pick you up in New York and bring you right back after your address. Please try to be with us.

Faithfully yours,

*Ely*

*אני מאמין כי אתה תבוא איתנו*

September 21, 1948

Rabbi Ely E. Pilchik  
17 Waverly Avenue  
Newark, New Jersey

My dear Ely:

I received your gracious letter of September 20th. I hasten to reply to it. I need not tell you that I should have been most eager to comply with your request and to accept your invitation to participate in the 100th anniversary of your congregation. I have gone through my schedule for the month of November. It is really so crowded with meetings that I cannot, in justice to myself and to my work here, take on additional responsibilities. I must also conserve my health which I have subjected to considerable strain in the last few years.

I must be in my own pulpit that Sunday morning. I am away from my Temple so much of the time that I feel a moral obligation to be in my own pulpit and to attend to congregational duties on Sundays. I would have to cancel a wedding date in order to fly to Newark in the afternoon. There is also the possibility that planes would not fly due to weather conditions.

All in all, I am constrained to decline the invitation which under normal conditions I would have been delighted to accept. Please keep me in mind for some future occasion.

I know of the fine work which you are doing in Newark and I congratulate you and wish you all success. I hope to have the pleasure of meeting you again and for a longer time in the near future.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

RABBI ELY E. PILCHIK  
17 WAVERLY AVENUE  
NEWARK 3, N. J.

September 23, 1948

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

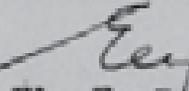
Dear Dr. Silver:

I deeply appreciate your prompt reply to my request. I fully understand how extremely difficult and taxing it would be for you to make this engagement. As a matter of fact, I knew before I asked you. It was only the extraordinary nature of the event which prompted me to make the effort.

I do hope that with all that you have on your mind and upon your shoulders, you will be very careful about your health. You mean too much to us as a people and to us as a faith to jeopardize that.

My very best wishes to you and many thanks for your consideration.

Faithfully yours,

  
Ely E. Pilchik  
Rabbi

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REVEREND MARTIN ADOLF=

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DAY LETTER

MARCH 10, 1949

REV. MARTIN ADOLF  
11 WEST 42nd STREET  
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

FIND IT IMPOSSIBLE TO GIVE YOU DATE FOR ANY TIME NEXT FEW  
WEEKS. WILL TRY TO GIVE YOU DATE LATTER PART OF APRIL.

KINDEST REGARDS.

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POLICY COMMITTEE AND SUPPORTER OF YOUR PRESENT POSITION AM  
CONVINCED YOUR PRESENCE HERE GREATLY NEEDED TO ENCOURAGE  
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JOSEPH H LERNER MI2 6833 1060 BROAD ST NEWARK  
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DAY LETTER

MARCH 31, 1949

JOSEPH H. LERNER  
1060 BROAD STREET  
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

DEEPLY APPRECIATE INVITATION. REGRET EXCEEDINGLY UNABLE TO  
ACCEPT IT BECAUSE OF NUMBER OF ENGAGEMENTS ALREADY ACCEPTED  
THAT WEEK. I WISH YOU EVERY SUCCESS. WARMEST REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



Newark, N.J.

APRIL 5, 1949

REVEREND MARTIN ADOLF  
11 WEST 42 STREET  
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO LEAVE CLEVELAND ON SATURDAY OR  
SUNDAY. I SHOULD LIKE TO BE WITH YOU BUT REGRET IT  
IS IMPOSSIBLE. WARMEST REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



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MAY SEVENTH EIGHTH. RESPECTFULLY INVITE YOU TO BE  
GUEST SPEAKER AT BANQUET SUNDAY EVENING IN HARMONY  
WITH YOUR TENTATIVE PROMISE. APPEAL TO YOU PERSONALLY  
TO ACCEPT. KINDEST REGARDS=

REVEREND MARTIN ADOLF

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Ely E. Pilchik, Rabbi

October 18, 1949

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Congregation Tifereth Israel  
E. 105th Street and Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

It was a joy talking with you the other day and learning that you are rested and back in the struggle for the more just society.

Twice now I have failed in my earnest endeavor to have you speak at something in which I was particularly interested. I want to make a third attempt!

In my own congregation I think that we have now gone a long way in overcoming a half century of anti-Jewish indoctrination. Every now and then I feel that I need just a little bit of help in this mission from the very best, and so I am appealing to you to pick any Friday evening of this year to come to our pulpit, from which your voice has yet to be heard, and deliver a sermon. All of my people are thirsty for your words. Perhaps when you are here in the East in the middle of the week, before going back to Cleveland for your Sunday service you can grant us this great privilege.

With my every best wish to you,

Respectfully,

Ely

אני מאחל לך שיהיה לך חלק גדול  
במשימתנו המשותפת

March 8, 1950

Mr. Joseph H. Lerner, President  
Zionist Council, Essex County  
1060 Broad Street  
Newark, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Lerner:

Dr. Silver is at present out of the city, and is, therefore, unable to reply to your telegram and kind invitation. Upon his return to Cleveland early next week, I shall bring it to his attention.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver

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ZIONIST COUNCIL ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY PLANNING GIGANTIC  
 ELEBRATION MOSQUE THEATRE SUNDAY NIGHT APRIL 23RD. WE FEEL  
 THIS IMPORTANT OCCASION MERITS YOUR PRESENCE AS HONORED GUEST  
 SPEAKER. YOUR ACCEPTANCE WILL PRODUCE A MAXIMUM RESPONSE AND  
 ASSURE SENSATIONAL SUCCESS OF SECOND ANNIVERSARY NO  
 SUBSTITUTE FOR YOU AT THIS OR ANY OTHER TIME. ANXIOUSLY  
 AWAITING YOUR REPLY PLEASE MAKE IT AFFIRMATIVE CORDIALLY=.

JOSEPH H LERNER PRESIDENT ZIONIST COUNCIL ESSEX COUNTY  
 1060 BROAD ST NEWARK NJ=

ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

JOSEPH L. LERNER

ESSEX COUNTY ZIONIST COUNCIL

1060 Broad St

~~NEW YORK, NEW YORK~~

Newark, N.J.

IMPORTANT TEMPLE AFFAIR IN CONNECTION WITH OUR  
CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR  
ME TO ACCEPT YOUR KIND INVITATION. WARMEST REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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 MISS ELIZABETH RICE, SECTY TO DR SILVER=  
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APPRECIATE YOUR CALLING MY MARCH 18TH TELEGRAM TO  
 DR SILVERS ATTENTION REGARDING SECOND ANNIVERSARY MASS  
 MEETING PLANNED NEWARK MOSQUE APRIL 23RD HOPE FOR  
 AFFIRMATIVE REPLY TODAY THANKS=

JOSEPH L LERNER CHAIRMAN ESSEX  
 COUNTY ZIONIST COUNCIL=

ARNOLD S. KLEIN  
151 HALSEY STREET  
NEWARK, N. J.

January 12th, 1951.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Congregation Tifereth Israel,  
Ansel Road & E. 105th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It has been my privilege to be appointed as Chairman for the annual Layman's Sabbath Service, sponsored by the Men's Club of Temple B'Nai Jeshurun, Newark, New Jersey.

You are, no doubt, acquainted with our Congregation, which celebrated its centennial two years ago, and in point of membership is the largest reform group in the State.

Appreciating the fact that you are a tremendously busy man, and realizing to the fullest the demands that are made upon you, from all sections of the Country, I am hopeful that you will be able to visit with us in Newark, and allow our people to become acquainted with you, many of whom have frequently expressed the desire of hearing you speak in person. The date is Friday evening, April 13th, 1951.

It goes without saying that all your expenses will be taken care of, and it will be possible for the Club to make a contribution to your favorite charity, if you so elect.

Our services are well attended and are broadcast over a local radio station, WNJR. We have a fine choir, which is augmented for the occasion.

Often as a boy, I have heard my Father, who is now deceased, speak of you. You may remember him, Rabbi David Klein, who many years ago

ARNOLD S. KLEIN  
151 HALSEY STREET  
NEWARK, N. J.

was at the Bryden Road Temple in Columbus, Ohio, and later in Petersburg, Virginia, and South Carolina. Sharing the esteem in which he held you, I am prompted to ask this great favor.

Our Rabbi Pilchik will also be delighted to have you with us, as will all of the Officers and Board members of the Temple.

Trusting to be the happy recipient of your acceptance and looking forward to greeting you personally, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Arnold S. Klein*



January 16, 1951

Mr. Arnold S. Klein  
151 Halsey Street  
Newark, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Klein:

I appreciate very much your gracious invitation to address the Layman's Sabbath Service which the Men's Club of Temple B'nai Jeshurun is sponsoring on April 13, 1951. It would have given me great pleasure indeed if I were free to accept. Unfortunately, schedule for the remainder of the season is so heavily crowded with local and out-of-town engagements that I am unable to accept any additional obligations this year.

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

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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February 21, 1952

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

Dear Rabbi:

We are anxious to have a big Zionist get-together in Newark, and I would like to know if there is a possibility of your coming to Newark for this occasion.

As you know the idea has more or less calmed down a bit particularly in New Jersey, and we are quite anxious to create a strong Zionist feeling amongst our Jews and your presence would be a big help.

We have not set the date because we want to know whether you would be available and also the date could be arranged to suit your convenience if you will tell us what dates will be convenient for you. Any expenses involved we naturally expect to take care of.

I would greatly appreciate a favorable response from you.

Sincerely,

MAX HARMELIN, President  
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February 25, 1952

Mr. Max Harnelin  
Weequahic-Clinton Hill District  
5 Commerce Street  
Newark, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Harnelin:

Thank you for your kind letter of February 21st and for your gracious invitation to address your organization. Unfortunately pressure of work here in Cleveland plus an over-crowded out-of-town speaking schedule makes it impossible for me to accept any additional engagements.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

JEWISH COMMUNITY

Newark  
Center

CENTER of Essex County

652 HIGH STREET

NEWARK 2, NEW JERSEY

TELEPHONE MARKET 3-4462

April 18, 1952

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Newark Jewish Center is a community group that has established a reputation for conducting a forum where various points of view can be heard and where people of different backgrounds can discuss some of their views with the people of our community.

The forum is an educational, non-profit making venture which aims to provide provocative and interesting people to the members of our community.

We are now working on our 1952-53 plans and our Committee has indicated an interest in having you as one of the speakers. I would appreciate an early reply indicating whether you are available, the dates when you would be available, and the fee which you require.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

*Zelda Lowenstein*

Mrs. Robert C. Lowenstein  
Chairman

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April 25, 1952

Mrs. Robert C. Lowenstein  
Newark Jewish Center  
652 High Street  
Newark 2, New Jersey

Dear Mrs. Lowenstein:

I am replying to your letter of April 18th inviting Dr. Silver to address your forum during the 1952-53 season. It may be possible for him to come to you on some week night, since our own principal service is held on Sunday morning. Dr. Silver's honorarium is \$500 plus expenses. If you are interested, I shall be pleased to hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Rice  
Secretary to Dr. Silver

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May 2, 1952

Miss Elizabeth Rice  
The Temple  
East 105th St. at Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Liz:

Mrs. Robert Lowenstein has turned over your letter of April 25th to me. You may remember that you wrote this in reply to her request inviting Dr. Silver to speak on our Forum Series.

I had completely forgotten that you were back in Cleveland and once again working in the Temple. It seems such a long time since those days in Pittsburgh. Sylvia and I have been in Newark for over five years and are well established citizens. We now have three youngsters crawling around, ranging in age from  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 9 years.

Our Forum Committee is very anxious to have Dr. Silver on our series next year, particularly since it has been quite some time since he has spoken in Newark. However, his fee plus expenses is just a little too stiff for our budget. Do you think it would be possible to schedule Dr. Silver for some time when he would be planning to be in New York and in this way manage to reduce the expenses involved? Or is there any other way that you might think of by which we could manage to get him on our platform at a cheaper fee. I would appreciate any help you can give me in this matter.

Best regards from Sylvia.

Cordially,

*Ber Gold*

BERTRAM H. GOLD  
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May 23, 1952

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

Dear Liz:

Our Forum Committee has just met and would like to arrange for Rabbi Silver to speak on Monday evening, December 1st. I would appreciate early confirmation of this as we are ready to get our publicity and brochures ready for the printer's. If Rabbi Silver is unavailable, January 19th is an alternate date. However, December 1st is the preferred one.

Thanks loads.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

*Bert H. Gold*

Bertram H. Gold  
Executive Director

rsb  
Air Mail

June 2, 1952

Mr. Bertram H. Gold  
Jewish Community Center  
652 High Street  
Newark 2, New Jersey

Dear Bert:

In the rush of Confirmation exercises, annual meetings, etc., I have not been able to reply to your letter of May 2nd, so I shall reply to it along with your letter of May 28th as well.

Monday evening, December 1st, is an open date for Rabbi Silver, but I am afraid I can do nothing about the financial arrangements. It would not be fair to other communities who have accepted his terms. Please let me know the decision of your committee. I shall hold the date until I hear from you.

It was nice to have news of you and Sylvia and I hope one of these days we can renew acquaintance - perhaps next year when the National Conference will be in Cleveland. Here at The Temple we have a number of former C.E.A. people - Florence Rabin Stern, Miriam Papert and Saul Henkin, and with the headquarters of the J.C.C. in the neighborhood, I do manage to keep in touch with them now and then. As for Pittsburgh and the School - that is another and sadder tale, I am afraid. Frankly, I am glad I am not there.

With best regards to you and Sylvia, and looking forward to hearing from you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Elisabeth Rice  
Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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NEWARK 2, NEW JERSEY

September 4, 1952

TELEPHONE MARKET 3-4462

Miss Elizabeth Rice  
Secretary to  
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th St. & Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice:

Our Forum series has been set up in its entirety and our general overall title is "The U.S.A. Today".

Our committee would like to suggest that Rabbi Silver discuss "The American Jewish Community".

The topic is sufficiently broad so that the Rabbi can cover any allied subjects which he may wish to discuss.

Sincerely yours,

*Meyer Schreiber*

Meyer Schreiber  
Adult Activities Worker

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652 HIGH STREET

NEWARK 2, NEW JERSEY

TELEPHONE MARKET 3-4462

October 1, 1952

Miss Elizabeth Rice  
Secretary to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street & Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice:

The local ZOA has asked the Center if it can conduct an informal reception for Rabbi Silver for a brief time prior to his speech here; specifically, the leadership of ZOA would like to hold a reception for the Rabbi at about 7:30 for about 50 leaders in the ZOA movement. I wonder if you could please check with the Rabbi whether this would meet with his approval and whether we could go ahead with these plans.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Meyer Schreiber". There is a small mark below the name, possibly initials or a flourish.

Meyer Schreiber  
Adult Activities Worker

MS:SB  
Air Mail

October 3, 1952

Mr. Meyer Schreiber  
Jewish Community Center  
652 High Street  
Newark 2, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Schreiber:

In reply to your letter of October 1st, Rabbi Silver will be pleased to meet with the ZOA leaders of your community prior to your meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Rice  
Secretary to Rabbi Silver



JOSEPH H. LERNER

MAGISTRATE

MUNICIPAL COURT  
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY



November 10, 1952

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am the President of the Zionist Council of Essex County, which is the local affiliate of the American Zionist Council for this area. I have been invited to serve as Chairman on behalf of the Council, for a reception which we plan to hold, in your honor, on Monday, December 1, 1952, at 7:15 p. m., in the vestry room of the Temple Oheb Shalom, which adjoins the Newark Jewish Center. This reception is planned for the purpose of having the leading Zionists in our community meet with you immediately prior to your address on that evening at the Center. I wish to extend a most cordial invitation for you to attend this reception.

I am also pleased to extend an invitation for you to be my guest at dinner at 6:00 p. m. at my home, 9 Porter Place, Newark, New Jersey, if your schedule will permit you to arrive in Newark at that hour.

I shall appreciate your advising me at your convenience at what time you plan to arrive at Newark, and of your acceptance hereof.

My kindest personal regards.

Cordially yours,

JOSEPH H. LERNER

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BENJAMIN E. GORDON

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November 12, 1952.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Weequahic-Clinton Hill ZOA District in Newark has invited me to attend a lecture you are delivering at the Jewish Center in Newark on Monday evening, December 1st. It is my understanding that before the lecture a reception is to be given in your honor at the Oheb Shalom Synagogue of Newark.

On the afternoon of that day I shall be at the ZOA and JNF offices in New York for meetings. If you expect to be in New York that afternoon I should be glad to call for you at your hotel and drive you to Newark in time for the reception and your lecture. I shall also be delighted to take you back to your hotel in New York upon the conclusion of the lecture.

Please drop me a note and let me know whether the above would be convenient for you, and whether I can be of any further service to you on the occasion in question.

With warmest regards to Mrs. Silver and yourself, in which Mrs. Gordon joins me, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

*Benjamin E. Gordon*

November 13, 1952

Judge Joseph H. Lerner  
Municipal Court  
Newark, New Jersey

My dear Judge Lerner:

Thank you for your kind letter of November 10th. I shall be pleased to have dinner at your home, and in an earlier letter to Mr. Meyer Schreiber of the Jewish Community Center in Newark, I indicated my willingness to meet with a few of the Zionist leaders in your community prior to my address. As soon as I know the time of my arrival in Newark, I shall let you know.

With warmest regards and looking forward to meeting you, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

November 14, 1952

Mr. Benjamin E. Gordon  
358 Central Avenue  
Jersey City, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Gordon:

Thank you for your kind letter of November 12th and for your gracious offer to drive me to Newark on Monday evening, December 1st. I have been invited to have dinner at the home of Judge Joseph Lerner in Newark at 6 o'clock that evening, and shall, accordingly have to leave New York some time in the late afternoon.

With many thanks for your thoughtfulness and looking forward to seeing you in Newark, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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December 13, 1954

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

Dear Rabbi:

I have been trying for a number of years to get you to one of our big affairs in the past, but was not successful. I wonder whether there is a possibility at this time.

We are sponsoring a big affair which will take place Sunday, March 13, 1955, for the Greater Newark Zionist District celebrating the Golden Jubilee for Rabbi Julius Silberfeld who is familiar to you. We, of course, are willing to pay the expenses involved and would greatly appreciate your acceptance.

The chairman of this dinner is Meyer C. Ellenstein who used to be the Mayor of the City of Newark. I believe that you know him too.

With best wishes, I remain,

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Max Harmelin'.  
Max Harmelin

MH:TP



Newark  
Lionel District

December 16, 1954

Mr. Max Harnelin  
5 Commerce Street  
Newark 2, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Harnelin:

In reply to your kind letter of December 13th, I regret very much that it will not be possible for me to accept your gracious invitation for March 13, 1955.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Congregation B'nai Jeshurun

Established 1848

17 Waverly Avenue  
Newark 3, N. J.

Ely E. Pilchik, Rabbi

May 13, 1957

*Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
1855 Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio*

*Dear Dr. Silver:*

*Let me be very brief and direct. Your address at the Biennial lifted us and spurred us to plow aright. Your volume on how we differ teaches us and guides us and helps us project for the days ahead. Thank you for both.*

*I have felt, as I think I have expressed to you in the past, that I would like you very much to speak to my people from this pulpit. I have waited for this for ten years. I would like for you to come to us on any Sabbath evening of your choosing during the coming fall, and to speak to this congregation on any subject you choose. Do grant me this privilege. Do grant my people this opportunity. I look forward to hearing from you.*

*With greetings to Mrs. Silver and Danny,*

*Yours,*

*Ely*  
*Ely E. Pilchik,*  
*Rabbi*

*EEP:l*

May 27, 1957

Rabbi Ely E. Pilchik  
Congregation B'nai Jeshurun  
17 Waverly Avenue  
Newark 3, New Jersey

My dear Ely:

Thank you for your kind letter of May 13th and for your complimentary comments on my address at the Biennial in Toronto and on my book WHERE JUDAISM DIFFERED. I appreciate very much the expression of your sentiments.

I wish I were free to come to your congregation some Friday evening. Unfortunately I am so heavily committed with out of town engagements - chiefly as a result of the position which I hold with Bonds for Israel-that I cannot, in justice to myself, take on any additional responsibilities.

I am sure that you will understand.

With kind regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:al

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Congregation B'nai Jeshurun

Established 1848

17 Waverly Avenue  
Newark 8, N. J.

Ely E. Pilchik, Rabbi

May 31, 1957

*Dr. Abba Hillel Silver*  
*The Temple*  
*East 105th St. at Ansel Rd.*  
*Cleveland 6, Ohio*

*Dear Dr. Silver:*

*Believe me, I understand. I am hoping that the following year might be a little easier for you. I shall try again.*

*My best wishes to the whole family for a healthful and pleasant summer.*

*Cordially yours,*

*Ely E. Pilchik,*  
*Rabbi*

*EEP:l*

Congregation B'nai Jeshurun

Established 1848

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Ely E. Pilchik, Rabbi

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Before the September moon lifts the hem  
of her crescent, *Das volente*, I shall  
renew my plea.

The walls of this Sanctuary must yet  
quiver at the sound of your message;  
my twelve years plus your one address  
will affectively expunge the fifty years  
of *foister govaat*.

May someach *ichel* *hiv* be *teshan*,

Respectfully,

Ely

**Congregation B'nai Jeshurun**

Established 1848

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Ely E. Pilchik, Rabbi

April 17, 1959

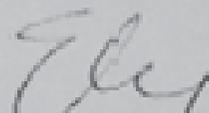
*Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
1855 Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio*

*Dear Dr. Silver :*

*I am setting up the congregational program  
for the next year. We are exceedingly eager to have  
you with us. What Friday evening of the year could  
you give us ?*

*With my greetings to Danny and my best  
personal wishes to you.*

*Cordially yours,*



*Ely E. Pilchik  
Rabbi*

*EEP:hpn*

April 20, 1959

Rabbi Ely E. Pilchik  
Congregation B'nai Jeshurun  
17 Waverly Avenue  
Newark 8, New Jersey

My dear Eli:

Thank you so much for your gracious invitation. At the present time I cannot commit myself to any engagements for next season. My plans are all too uncertain.

With warmest regards and all good wishes for a Happy Passover, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

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# Temple B'nai Abraham of Essex County

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June 8, 1961

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

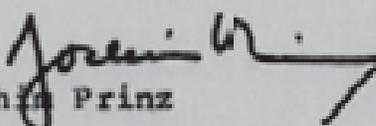
The B'nai Abraham Institute of Jewish Learning, which was founded more than twenty years ago and which has the reputation of one of the leading Jewish adult schools in the country, is planning to conduct a Lecture Series in the fall of this year. It will deal with the challenges of the twentieth century which have to be met by the leaders and the people of the next decade.

Although you have turned me down frequently and consistently, I am not one to be easily discouraged. I am therefore writing to you in the hope that you will accept my invitation and in the trembling fear that you might turn me down again. This year's Lecture Series of our Adult School will deal with the challenges of the twentieth century. We have invited men of very great calibre to deal with the challenges in the fields of politics, science, arts and human relationships. We must also deal with the challenges to religion. Since the audience, numbering approximately one thousand, will consist of Jews and non-Jews we want to deal with the challenges to religion in the broadest possible terms.

I am very hopeful that you will be able to accept our invitation. Your lecture would be planned for the first two weeks in November, on any day save Monday and Friday. I would appreciate it if you would be kind enough to let me know whether you would come and what your fee is.

With every good wish, I am

Very sincerely yours,

  
Joachim Prinz

JP:EN

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June 14, 1961

My dear Dr. Prinz:

Let me thank you for your letter of June 8th and for your invitation to address the B'nai Abraham Institute of Jewish Learning in November. I wish I were free to tell you that I could come. Unfortunately, my plans for the fall are so indefinite that I do not wish to commit myself to any out-of-town lecture engagements.

I trust that you are well and with all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Dr. Joachim Prinz  
Temple B'nai Abraham of  
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621 Clinton Avenue  
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