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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 1918-1950.

November 8th, 1918

Mr. Chester E. Westfall,
Committee on Public Information
Oklahoma City, Okla.

My dear Mr. Westfall,

At the request of Mr. Pettijohn,
Washington, I am sending you some items which
I trust will serve your purpose as publicity
matter. You may use any or all of it, as
you may desire.

I hope to arrive in Oklahoma City
Wednesday morning, and am anticipating with
great pleasure your meeting.

Sincerely yours,

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TO US TO SECURE YOU AS PEAKER FOR ANY DAY OF WEEK BEGINNING
MARCH TWENTY NINTH YOUR ACCEPTANCE WOULD PROVE GREAT IMPETUS
TO APPEAL THROUGHOUT OKLAHOMA WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR WIRING
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July 1, 1946

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road and Park Lane
Cleveland, Ohio

In Re: Men's Dinner Club Matters

Dear Rabbi Silver:

* The Men's Dinner Club here in Oklahoma City has now been functioning for more than thirty-eight years. We are beginning to plan our program for next season. This will start in October and run through May and we will have eight numbers as usual. A copy of our program for last year is enclosed so that you might see the caliber of our speakers.

During the past week we have had a pleasant visit here in Oklahoma City with Dr. Olson of your city. As a result of this visit and our discussion of you, I am writing to inquire if you would be interested in appearing upon our program some time this season and giving us a lecture upon the great Jewish problems. Our club consists of five hundred of the leading businessmen of Oklahoma City and I am sure they would be interested in a fine lecture from a fine speaker on such a timely subject. Dr. Olson says that you would meet the bill in every respect.

Of course, we would expect to pay you for the lecture just as we pay practically all of our speakers. Won't you let me hear from you at your convenience.

Yours very truly,

Claude Monnet

* CM:dw
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July 3, 1946

Mr. Claude Monnet
Monnet, Hayes & Brown
First National Bldg.
Oklahoma City 2, Okla.

Dear Mr. Monnet:

Dr. Silver is out of the city on his vacation and will not be back until sometime around the 1st of September. Upon his return I shall be very happy to refer your letter of July 1 to him.

Yours very truly,

Secretary to Dr. Silver

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OKLAHOMA CITY 2

August 20, 1946

Mrs. C. A. Richards
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

In Re: Men's Dinner Club Matters

Dear Mrs. Richards:

I have just returned from my vacation and am now working on the Men's Dinner Club Program. I am wondering if you can give us any further information as to whether Rabbi Silver would be interested in speaking to the Men's Dinner Club here in Oklahoma City. You will recall that I wrote you about this sometime ago and that you suggested that I drop you a line in the early fall.

Yours very truly,

Claude Monnet

CM:dw

John Horwitz

2724 N. W. 15TH STREET
OKLAHOMA CITY 7. OKLA.

December 11, 1950

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

As chairman of the Oklahoma City Zionist Emergency Committee I should like to appeal to you to assist the organized Zionist movement of Oklahoma City in a revitalization of its program here. While from a membership point of view we are more than holding our own, we have nevertheless retrogressed from both a psychological and programmatic standpoint.

Recently we sponsored an ACPC Seminar in Oklahoma City which evoked a very fine response from the non-Jewish community and which can serve as an impetus for the development of a vital ACPC Chapter in Oklahoma City as well as a strong American Zionist Council program.

However, as you well know, prerequisite to the success of such programs in the general community is the necessity of having the Zionists of the community united in backing such programs. Unfortunately our Zionists are far from united, are confused by the trend of Zionist events the past few years, and are, therefore, poorly equipped to carry out such sustained programs. The work of the local chapter of the American Council for Judaism, now inactive, has also left its detrimental effects.

Recently Mr. Harry Steinberg of the American Zionist Council was in Oklahoma City and we discussed this situation in detail. During the course of our conversations I inquired as to the possibility of your coming here to address a meeting of the entire Jewish community to be sponsored by the General Zionist groups. Mr. Steinberg thereupon suggested that I communicate with you with regard to coming to Oklahoma City and added that the next time he saw you he would discuss it with you in detail.

I am confident that your appearance here would bring a minimum audience of 400 to 500 people, which could be augmented if non-Jews

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were also invited, and might well be a fine beginning toward the reactivation of a community wide Zionist program in Oklahoma City.

I am sure that a date suitable to both you and our community can be arranged once you find that your schedule will permit you to come to Oklahoma City.

I would appreciate your careful consideration of my request.

JH:mt
cc:
Harry Steinberg



Sincerely yours,



John Horwitz

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December 27, 1950

Mr. John Horwitz
2724 N.W. 15th Street
Oklahoma City 7, Oklahoma

My dear Mr. Horwitz:

Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter. I have been away from the city a good deal of the time.

I greatly appreciate your kind invitation to visit Oklahoma City and to address the Zionists there. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately, I am already so heavily burdened with lecture engagements in all parts of the country that I cannot, in justice to myself, take on any additional responsibilities. Perhaps at some future time I may be free to come.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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The
**MEN'S
DINNER
CLUB**

of
**OKLAHOMA CITY
OKLAHOMA**

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PROGRAM

THIRTY-EIGHTH SEASON

1945-1946

SEPTEMBER, 1945

THE MEN'S DINNER CLUB OF OKLAHOMA CITY*THIRTY-EIGHTH SEASON — 1945-1946***October 18, 1945 — Thursday**

HENRY J. TAYLOR, successful business man, author and world traveler. Subject: "The Survival of the Free Enterprise System." Joint meeting.

November 15, 1945 — Thursday

GILL ROBB WILSON, aviation editor of New York Herald Tribune. Subject: "Blueprinting the Air Age."

December 4, 1945 — Tuesday

ROBERT FRIERS, with his new all-color motion picture lecture. Subject: "Mexican Holiday."

January 8, 1946 — Tuesday

DR. WALTER H. JUDD, a physician and surgeon, formerly a missionary to China and now a member of Congress from Minnesota. Subject: "Unlocking the Chinese Puzzle."

January 28, 1946 — Monday

DR. GERALD WENDT, science editor of Life, Time and Fortune. Subject: "War-Time Science and Post-War Living."

February 28, 1946 — Thursday

DR. DIOSDADO M. YAP, a distinguished Filipino scholar, economist and publicist and a great speaker. Subject: "Japan's New Order," or "The Fate of the Philippines."

March 21, 1946 — Thursday

EDWARD TOMLINSON, adviser and commentator on Inter-American Affairs. Subject: "The Life and Times of the Good Neighbor Policy."

May 7, 1946 — Tuesday

LOUIS P. LOCHNER, famed Associated Press correspondent, now in Germany. Subject: "Germany After the War."

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