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Olean, New York, 1929-1932.

Manuel Oppenheim

SOCCESSION FLORIST SOCIEDADES OLEAN HOUSE BLOCK Glean, Nem Vork

September 11, 1929

Rabbi Abba Hilel Silver c/o The Temple Cleveland. Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

The Jewish Community of Olean has recently completed a new Synagogue and are planning the dedication for either the 22nd or the 29th of September.

We are a community of thirty-five families and have built the building at an approximate cost of seventy thousand dollars which is a credit to Jewry in general. Now, dear Rabbi, in the name of the Jewish Community of Olean who have always responded liberally to any jewish cause, and who have made quite a sacrifice in building this beautiful edifice for the glory of Judaism, we ask you to kindly come and deliver the principal address on the 22nd or 29th of September.

We are witholding the arrangements until we hear from you as to what day would be most convenient for you to come. We would also like to know your fees, if any.

The writer of this letter is a native of Neustadt and knows your family and he is joined by the rest of the community in praying to the Almighty to give you health and strength to enable you to fulfill our request. With kindest regards, I remain

Respectfully yours,
By Mmul

Chairman of Dedication Committee

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card Sept. 12th, 1929. Mr. Manuel Oppenheim, Olean House Block, Olean, N. Y. My dear Mr. Oppenheim:-Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Sept. 11th and to thank you for your invitation to dedicate the new Synagogue which the Jewish community of Clean has just completed. Nothing would give me greater pleasure but I am compelled to be in Cleveland on Sunday, Sept. 22d and I have already accepted an invitation to dedicate the Brooklyn Community House on the 29th. I must therefore forego the pleasure of accepting your invitation. Please convey to all the members of your community my heartiest felicitations on the very auspicious occasion. I hope that your good work will prosper. With kindest regards, I am Very sincerely yours. AHS/IR

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A. H . Silver

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