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February 21st 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver National Chairman, United Jewish Appeal 342 Madison Avenue New York, New York

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The welcome news that you will be our Honor Guest for dinner Tuesday, February 27th, couldn't come at a better time.

The inspiration of your presence, on the eve of campaign preparations, is of inestimable value. I know the guests who come to pay you honor will agree with me in this feeling.

I can think of no other person whose work makes me realize the somber significance and solemn responsibility which is mine as chairman of the 1940 campaign, than you.

Sincerely yours,

O. M. Daufmann

P.S. I have arranged for a room at the Hotel Schenley and ask that you inform us your time of arrival and your plans for departure, so that I may personally assist you.

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March 2, 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman United Jewish Appeal East 105th Street and Ansell Road Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The comments I have had from people who attended the dinner in your honor on Tuesday have been so favorable that I can't help telling you about how wonderfully your address was received.

The message which you brought to us will act as a beacon all through our 1940 campaign. You may be sure that the success of this campaign will in no small measure be attributed to the splendid work you are doing.

The hanks of the committee and myself go out to you wholeheartedly.

Cordially yours,

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FEDERATION OF SOCIAL AGENCIES OF PITTSBURGH & ALLEGHENY COUNTY 519 SMITHFIELD STREET PITTSBURGH, PA. COURT 601C JOHN W. LAWRENCE IRABEL P. KENNEDY PREBIDENT EXECUTIVE SECRETARY April 29, 1940 Rabbi Atba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Chio Dear Rabbi Silver: The Federation of Social Agencies would like very much to have you speak at its Annual Meeting to be held any time during the first week of June. We prefer a luncheon meeting, and the end of the week, say June 6th or 7th, would be most preferable. If you would consider this, we thought you night use somewhat the same topic as you plan to use in Grand Rapids, "The Outlook for America." If that could be tied in in some way to the Federation process -- what social agencies can do, their responsibility, etc., it would be most timely. We can pay \$100.00 and expenses. I know this is less than your usual rate, but we thought you might consider it, since Pittsburgh is so near and sinc; it would involve little or no additional preparation. When I first came to Pittsburgh from Cleveland in 1930, you addressed our Girl; Conference meeting. I don't believe you have been in Pittsburgh since that time to speak to our group. We are most eager to have you and hope to hear that you will be available. With cordial personal regards, I am, Executive Secre IFK:JG

April 30, 1940 Miss Isabel P. Kennedy, Executive Secretary Federation of Social Agencies of Pittsburgh 519 Smithfield Street Pittsburgh, Pa. My dear Miss Kennedy: Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of April 29. I appreciate very much your invitation to address the Federation of Social Agencies of Pittsburgh and while my program is rather crowded the early part of June, I can arrange to be with you for a lancheon meeting on Thursday, June 6. I shall bear in mind what you say about the topic which you wish me to discuss. With all good wishes and looking forward with pleasure to the meeting on June 6, permit me to remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

found on deals FEDERATION OF SOCIAL AGENCIES OF PITTSBURGH & ALLEGHENY COUNTY 519 SMITHFIELD STREET PITTSBURGH, PA. COURT 6010 ISABEL P. KENNEDY JOHN W. LAWRENCE EXEGUTIVE SECRETARY PRESIDENT May 2, 1940 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Chio Dear Rabbi Silver: We are indeed delighted that you are going to be able to be with us for the Annual Meeting of the Federation. and we have made definite arrangements to have the meeting on Thursday, June 6th, in the Ball Room of the William Penn Hotel. I will make a reservation for you at the Botel so that you can go directly to your room when you come in from Cleveland. In order that we may have advance publicity, we would appreciate it very much if we could have one of your pictures. Looking forward to seeing you, I am, Executive Secretary IPK:JG peto sent 3,1940 SUPPORTED BY THE COMMUNITY FUND

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June 4, 1940 Miss Isabel P. Kennedy, Executive Secretary Federation of Social Agencies 519 Smithfield Street Pittsburgh, Pa. My dear Miss Kennedys I am enclosing herewith a copy of the address which I will deliver before your organization in Pittsburgh. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Enc.

Phone ATlantic 1793 COMMITTEE TO DEFEND AMERICA BY AIDING THE ALLIES 516 GRANT STREET PITTSBURGH BRANCH NATIONAL COMMITTEE PITTSBURGH, PA. WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE, CHAIRMAN FREDERICK C. MCKEE, CHAIRMAN HENRY L. STIMSON MRS. J. J. TILLOTSON, SECRETARY FRANK KNOX WILLIAM R. OLIVER, TREASURER HERBERT R. LEHMAN NICHOLAS MURRAY BUTLER ROBER" WATT SAMUEL SEABURY GEORGE E VINCENT STEPHEN S. WISE June 7, 1940. Dear Dr. Silver: If you will be kind enough to mail to me, at your very earliest convenience a copy of the address you delivered so eloquently to the rederated Philanthropies group in Pittsburgh, at noon yesterday. (as per your very kind offer to me), we will be very grateful to you. It is our plan to give this address as wide publicity as possible. Thanking you for giving this your immediate attention, and assuring you of our appreciation. I remain, Very Trudy Tours. Elsie L. Goldbloom ELG: 1bh Rabbi Hillel Silver. The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

June 8, 1940 Miss Elsie L. Goldbloom Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies 518 Grant Street Pittsburgh, Pa. My dear Miss Goldblooms Enclosed herewith is a copy of the address which Rabbi Silver delivered in Pittsburgh and also at the National Conference for Social Work in Grand Rapids, Michigan. With best ishes, I remain Very sincerely yours, BJK Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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519 SMITHPIELD STREET

June 10, 1940

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I was sorry that I had a Board Meeting immediately following our Annual Meeting so that I lost sight of you, and did not get to speak to you again.

We were indeed delighted to have you with us, and you did exactly what that audience needed very much. We have had excellent comment from the meeting, and so many people have asked if a copy of the speech is available that I am wondering whether or not you would be willing for us to have some copies made for distribution. If for any reason you prefer us not to do this, I shall, or course, return the copy you sent us.

Will you please submit your expense account, so that I may have a check made out for you.

With sincere appreciation, I am,

TPK:JG

Very sincerely

Executive Secretary

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June 11, 1940 Miss Isabel P. Kennedy, Executive Secretary Federation of Social Agencies of Pittsburgh 519 Smithfield Street Pittsburgh, Pa. My dear Miss Kennedy: Let me thank you for your kind note of June 10. I appreciate what you say about the address which I delivered before your Federation of Social Agencies. I enjoyed my weeting with your group a great deal. I have no objection at all to having the address which I delivered distributed among those who are interested. My expenses amounted to \$12. . With all good wishes, I remain Most cordially yours, AHS: BK

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519 SMITHFIELD STREET

June 21, 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Chio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

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I am enclosing a check for \$112.00 covering your expenses and honorarium.

Again let me say how happy we were to have you with us.

Very sincerely,

Isabel P. Kennedy Executive Secretary

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JOINT PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE 406 GROGAN BUILDING - 541 WOOD STREET Osked for additional PITTSBURGH, PA. TELEPHONE ATLANTIC 6273 August 8, 1940 DR. H. M. MARSTON Executive Director Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple . Cleveland, Ohio Dear Rabbi Silver: I had the pleasure of meeting you on the occasion of your address before the Federation of Social Agencies of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County. I have been approached by the Program Committee of the Pittsburgh Forum to ascertain whether you would be awailable for an appearance before the Forum some Monday evening after November 1st. The Pittsburgh Forum, throughout the last season, drew an average crowd of around 1,500. The subsequent publicity to Forum meetings is particularly well arranged. If I may be permitted to add my personal opinion to their request, I venture to say that your acceptance of the Forum's invitation would have a very wholesome effect on the Pittsburgh community which is very much in need of messages from outstanding representatives of the Jewish faith such as yourself. Anticipating a favorable reply, I am, with best regards, Very sincerely yours, Manton Horace M. Marston HMM: DS

JOINT PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE 406 GROGAN BUILDING - 541 WOOD STREET PITTSBURGH, PA. TELEPHONE ATLANTIC 6273 August 23, 1940 DR. H. M. MARSTON Executive Director Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Mooselookmeguntic House Haines Landing Mooselookmeguntic, Maine Dear Rabbi Silver: I am loathe to disturb your vacation with business matters but I am desirous of answering your kind letter of August 15th as well as complying with the earnest request of the Pittsburgh Community Forum to have your answer to their invitation. The president of the Pittsburgh Community Forum is Judge

Sara Soffel; the chairman of the Program Committee is Rev. Dr. Clausen.

The Pittsburgh Forum is set up on a cooperative basis and includes every educational and civic group amongst its sponsors, from the Chamber of Commerce to the Parent-Teachers organization and the Republican and Democratic parties to the Socialists and left wing groups. This is the same Forum which you addressed a few years ago.

The following dates are open for you to choose from: December 2nd, 9th, 16th and February 17th.

Trusting that you enjoy a pleasant vacation and with the sincere hope that you will agree to appear in this city before the Forum, I am

Very cordially yours,

Horace M. Marston

HIM: DS

September 3, 1940 Dr. H. M. Marston, Executive Director Joint Public Relations Committee 406 Grogan Building -541 Wood Street Pittsburgh, Pa. My dear Dr. Marston: Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter. I have just returned to my desk from my vacation. I wish I could come to your Pittsburgh Forum. I recall with pleasure my last visit to your group. I find, however, that I shall probably be on the Pacific Coast during the month of December, and I am not free to state now whether I will be able to take on any cut of town en agements in February. Please let me off this season as it is a very crowded one for me, and keep me in mind for some future season. With all good wishes, permit me to remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

JOINT PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

406 GROGAN BUILDING — 541 WOOD STREET PITTSBURGH, PA.

TELEPHONE ATLANTIC 8273

September 10, 1940

DR. H. M. MARSTON Executive Director

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I was sorry to learn, from your letter of September 3rd, that you will not be able to address the Pittsburgh Forum this season.

I am glad to note, however, that I may call on you in the future.

With best regards and good wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

Horace M. Marston

HMM: DS

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PITTSBURGH HOLIDAY LEAGUE

PITTSBURGH, PENNA.

November 20th, 1940

Dr. Abbi Hillel Silver. The Temple, E. 105th and Ansel Road. Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Am writing you in behalf of the Pittsburgh Holiday League - a group of two hundred Jewish Women, who devote their time and effort to bring cheer and financial help to Tubercular patients, regardless of creed, color or religion.

We are sponsoring a Donor Luncheon, on Wednesday, April 23rd, 1941, at the William Penn Hotel, the proceeds of which will be used for furthering the charity of our Organization. I have been requested by the Organization, of which I am a member, to obtain if possible your appearance as our guest speaker, which we feel will greatly aid our affair.

Your message need not be lengthly, but we all know that whatever you say will be worth while listening to. We have always considered your messages inspiring and are confident that your presence at this affair would strengthen this work of American Jewish women.

Will you be kind enough to advise me at your earliest opportunity whether you can accept this invitation and be our guest. If so, what renumeration or expense you generally require.

Enclosed is an invitation mailed to members which may enlighten you further as to the type of work we do.

Mrs. Samuel Lichter,

(Chairman # Entertainment Committee)

#2 Amherst St., West View,

Pittsburgh, Pa.

November 25, 1940 Mrs. Samuel Lichter #2 Amherst St., West View Pittsburgh, Pa. My dear Mrs. Lichter: Permit me to thank you for your letter of November 20 and for your kind invitation to address the Pittsburgh Holiday League on April 23, 1941. I wish I were free to accept it. Unfortunately my program for the remainder of the season is so crowded with lecture engagements, especially in connection with campaigns for overseas relief, that I cannot, in justice to myself, take on any additional responsibilities. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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Air Mail

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The religious leaders at the Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa., have requested our cooperation in securing a trio 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 11. This will be part of the RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS WEEK at the Institute, beginning February 10. The Committee has requested me to invite you to be a member of a trio.

Dr. Clinchy has consented to be the Protestent representative and we are endeavoring to secure Father Cooper, the eminent Catholic anthropologist at the Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C. If Father Cooper is not available, we will ask Father Parsons, Dean of the Graduate School, Georgetown University.

The topic is to be "Communication and Cooperation: Essentials of Democracy." The trio would treat the subject both as religious leaders and as educators and scientists.

Your travel expenses would be paid but no honorarium is available unfortunately. It is particularly important to reach the students and faculty of these important scientific schools and I sincerely hope that you can arrange to accept the engagement. If your reply is favorable I would endeavor to secure another engagement at the University of Pittsburgh or another educational center in or adjoining that City.

Dr. Clinchy joins me in the earnest hope that we may receive a favorable reply.

Very truly yours.

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December 16, 1940 Mr. Horbert L. Seamans National Conference of Christians & Jews 300 Fourth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Seamans: Thank you so much for your letter of December 11 and for your invitation to participate in a program at the Carnegie Institute of Technology on February 11. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately my program is very crowded as a result of many engagements which I am compelled to accept in connection with overseas campaigns. You probably know that I am national co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal. I have been devoting mearly all of my spare time in recent years to the activities of this Appeal. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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5624 Woodmont Street December 21, 1941.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

The Pittsburgh Chapter of Hadassah is planning its Twelfth Annual Donor Luncheon, for the benefit of the Hadassah Medical Organisation, on Tuesday, March 17, 1942, twelve o'clock noon at the William Penn Hotel. The Donor Program Committee, anxious to present to a thousand prospective donors a most outstanding and stimulating program, is unamimous in its decision to invite you to be the guest speaker.

We hope that you are available, because we feel certain that you are particularly qualified and informed to deliver an appropriate address on a Hadassah platform.

During these difficult days when all American women are rightly turning to Civilian Defense work, and Hadassah women too are officially urged to participate actively in local war work, we need so much to keep impressing the necessity for increased efforts in behalf of Palestine. Because we know that we can depend upon you to transmit this kind of propoganda, Rabbi Silver, we urgently call upon your valuable services at this time.

We ask you, please, to reply at once and to include also your fee.

Mrs. Henry Bluestone, Chairman Doner Luncheon Program Committee

December 24, 1941 Mrs. Henry Bluestone, Chairman Donor Luncheon Program Committee Hadassah 5624 Woodment Street Pittsburgh, Pa. My dear Mrs. Bluestones I deeply appreciate your kindness in inviting me to address the Twelfth Annual Donor Luncheon of the Pittsburgh Hadassah. I wish I were free to accept your invitation. Unfortunately I am so overwhelmed with work that I cannot in justice to myself take on any additional out-of-town lecture commitments. The work of the United Zewish Appeal and the United Palestine Appeal is more than absorbing all the time which I can spare from my own rather crowded schedule here at The Temple. I am sure that you will understand. With all good wishes to you for success, I remain Most cordially, AHS: BK



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

Dear Rabbi Silver :-

We regret that it is necessary to withdraw the invitation extended to you a few days ago to address the Pittsburgh Donor Euncheon on March 17, 1942.

Originally, the plans of the Program Committee were rather elaborate withma good-sized budget of our disposal. However, since action taken by the Board of Directors on Tuesday, it becomes advisable to curtail all Donor expenses to a minimum in keeping with the war spirit.

We hope our contacts have caused you no inconvenience. It is our earnest desire to have the honor of your presence in Pittsburgh at some future time when conditions will warrant it.

With sincere apologies, we remain

Cordially.

Mrs. Henry Bluestone, Chair.

Donor Luncheon Com.

YOUNG MEN & WOMEN'S HEBREW ASSOCIATION

BELLEFIELD AVENUE, BETWEEN FIFTH AND FORBES

PITTSBURGH, PA.

June 2, 1942

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Our committee would like very much for you to open our Lecture Series on October 20th and I am writing you at this early date to inquire whether you will be able to do so and if the date is satisfactory.

In a few days I am going out on the coast to do some work for the Jewish Welfare Board in connection with our U.S.O. operations and I would like to hear from you before I leave.

I hope it will be a favorable reply.

Sincerely yours,

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H. Passamaneck Executive Director

June 5, 1942 Mr. H. Passamaneck, Executive Director Young Men & Women's Hebrew Association Bellefield Ave., Between Fifth and Forbes Pittsburg, Pa. My dear Mr. Passamaneck: Many thanks foryour kind letter of June 2 and for the invitation to open your free to come. Unfortunately I will not be able to accept any invitations in the Fall of this year. With all good wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

5513 Bryant St. Pittahugh, Pa. June 25, 1942. my dear Dr. Silver: -The Brai Britt auxilianies of Western Tennaybrania, of which there are ten, each year have one large money raising event, and then is our Pledge Luncken. which Takes place here in Villahuga sometime in Hovember. We Brai Brit women in Pittahugh, would deen it a great privilege & also a pleasure to have you address this large group I women, with a timely measure for we all. We contributed 50,000 towards The Ked aras Roll cell, + now have pledged muselnes & sell \$100,000 unex J Defence Bondo. To you see, no too, are doing our his towards Kational Defence. Inhamuel as our obligations are as hig as ever, and all the Loopital on our list that we take care of need our help now more than ever and and our gral to get in money herder then ever

before; the to present existing anditions, (meaning the Conflicts) I wonder it is is asking too much of you, to speak to we Statio and only expenses ping, cert of this Pledge Lunchon money towards one numerous obligations, A The very splendid work of Brien. Brits. They I hear from you some please, in order & report & one Committee ? Thanking you, Dan Gratefully mis Leonard Trice. P.A. I some some me mould greatly apprients here in Pittalugh, so seldow get & her you at all, but only read Jyou. Thank you.

June 29, 1942 Mrs. Lecnard Price 5515 Bryant St., E.E., Pittsburgh, Pa. My dear Mrs. Prices Thank you so much for your kind letter of June 25 and for your invitation to address the B'nai B'rith Auxiliaries of Western Pennsylvania in November. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately my numerous duties in connection with the United Jewish appeal and the United Falestine Appeal make it impossible for me to accept many invitations which I would normally be very happy to accept. I wish your organization every success. Most cordially, AHS: BK

CHARLES J. ROSENBLOOM 521 UNION TRUST BUILDING PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

December 10th., 1942.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have been asked to write to you on behalf of the Arrangements Committee of the local Hadassah Chapter. As you know this Chapter like others has its Annual Donor Luncheon, - this one to be held on April 1st. These affairs are all exceedingly well attended and have marked the climax of a year's devoted work as well as offering inspiration and guidance for the following year.

This year more than ever the Committee feels it necessary that the speaker for the luncheon should be you because of your brilliant leadership, your clear and lucid thinking and your great eloquence.

May I say that, as you probably know, these luncheons are attended both by ardent Zionists and non Zionists or lukewarm Zionists. I think in these times it is important that they should hear from you the problems of postwar immigration and settlement and the role Palestine must assume in the rehabilitation of European Jewry. The Committee believes and I, of course, heartily endorse the thought that you are the one person who can through your magnificent powers and persuasive personality give hope and inspiration to such an audience. So I appeal to you on their behalf to accept this invitation to be the great speaker at the Hadassah luncheon on April 1st, 1943 at the William Penn Hotel.

I would like to make one personal appeal. That is, that I have accepted the Chairmanship of the United Jewish Fund Campaign, which will probably be held early in May. Your presence here a month before at such a large affair will, I believe, be of inestimable value to me in the Campaign effort.

I do hope you can be here.

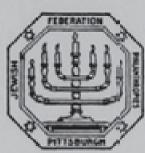
My very best wishes to you.

Charles J. Resembloom.

December 14, 1942 Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom 521 Union Trust Bldg. Pittsburgh, Pa. My dear Friends Let me thank you for your kind letter. I am honored at the invitation of the Pittsburgh Hadessah, and I should very much love to attend its donor luncheon, more especially since you are the conveyor of the invitation. I have made it a rule not accept similar invitations and many others coming from Zionist Districts all over the country invitations which in normal times I should have been delighted and honored to accept. All the time which I can spare from my many duties as Rabbi of The Temple I am devoting to the United Palestine Appeal and the United Jewish Appeal. There are a few other invitations which I must accept -- University, Christian-Religious groups, Army Camps, stc. which are in a way "must" acceptances in these difficult times. I am away from Cleveland as you undoubtedly know, a good part of almost every week and I feel that in justice to my own congregation and to my own health, I should do no more. Please explain this to our good friends in Pittsburgh. With all good wishes and hoping to see you in the near future again, I remain Most cordially yours, AHS:BK

THE FEDERATION OF THE JEWISH PHILANTHROPIES OF PITTSBURGH 15 Fernando Street - - Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Telephone-GRant 2033 CHARLES J. ROSENBLOOM, President LEO LEHMAN, 1st Vice President:

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January 26, 1943

MAURICE TAYLOR Executive Director

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It was a pleasure to have spoken to you, if only for a moment. I can imagine that you were pretty well snowed under by messages from a myriad of well wishers. As I recall it, you are still entitled to birthday greetings, which I extend to you, with the sincere hope for a healthy, happy birthday and many, many more of the same. It seems difficult to realize that one could have accomplished all that you have and still have arrived at the age of only fifty. I greet you and salute you!

Now as to our telephone conversation, we are planning our Federation Annual Meeting as a personal tribute to Charles Rosenbloom, who has completed five years in office and who because of an amendment to the By-Laws to be passed at this meeting will not be eligible for reelection. The committee in charge, therefore, decided unanimously that it would be a timely and a gracious thing to pay him the respects that are due him as one of our genuine community leaders. We agreed on two things: first, that because of your long association with and personal regard for Mr. Rosenbloom, you would be ideally fitted to be the speaker of the evening; and secondly, that we should like to have you discourse along the general lines of the responsibilities of communal leadership. It is a topic on which we feel deeply hereabouts.

The date of our meeting, which will be held in the form of a dinner, is quite flexible. We should like to plan for the first or second _ week in March at your convenience.

May I hope, therefore, to have a speedy acceptance of our invitation with an indication of the date which you would prefer.

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A BENEFICIARY OF THE COMMUNITY FUND OF PHISBURGH EXECUTIVE Director

January the 27th 1 9 4 3 My dear Mr. Taylors Thank you so much for your letter of January 26th. I am very happy to learn that your Federation will honor the services of Mr. Charles Rosenbloom on the occasion of your next unnual meeting. I know so few people who would be more deserving of the great honor at the hands of their communities as Mr. Rosenbloom who has given such distinguished service, not only to his own community. but to Israel for many years. I shall be most happy to participate in your program on that occasion. I would be free to come on Monday evening, March 8th. Is that date convenient for your

With all good wishes, I am

Most cordially yours

Mr. Maurice Taylor Federation of Jewish Philanthropies Pittsburgh, Penna.

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January 29, 1943

MAURICE TAYLOR Executive Director

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Many thanks for your letter of the 27th. We appreciate your courtesy in accepting our invitation, and are scheduling the meeting for Monday evening, March 8th.

We look forward to a very fine occasion.

Cordially,

Maurice Taylor Executive Director

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I need your cooperation to ensure the success of the Tri-State Conference which the United Jewish Appeal is calling in Eittsburgh on Sunday, April 4th.

As you know, this is the first time I have written to you to request such cooperation because I realize that your heavily burdened schedule leaves you very little time. I further realize that you he sitate to leave your pulpit on a Sunday, and I therefore want to assure you that the United Jewish Appeal would feel obligated to supply a speaker to occupy your pulpit on that date.

Now, let me give you something of the background. As you know, some ninety odd communities in this area contribute in excess of \$200,000 annually to the United Jewish Appeal. This excludes Pittsburgh, which is not considered a part of the Tri-State area. The Conference is an annual tradition of the United Jewish Appeal. For several years it has been the hope of the leaders to have you as their honored guest, but either a trip to the Coast or some other pressing engagement has made your acceptance impossible. Our Mr. Mints and one or two of the leaders told me that last year you assured them they could count upon you in 1943, if your calendar would permit.

Because of the complex situation with regard to the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds, it is absolutely essential that our program at the Conference this year be "tops".

Next Monday, a week from today, an announcement of the Conference will go out in the form of a letter over the signature of our three chairmen. This first letter will merely ask the recipient to hold april 4th open for the Conference. One week later a printed invitation will go out announcing the program, so you can see we would like to have your acceptance at an early date.

Would you please be good enough to drop me a line letting me know your desires in the matter?

March 1st, 1943 Dr. Abba Hillel Silver - 8 -With kindest personal regards, I om Sincerely yours, M. Robert Herman Field Director MRE:dls

March 3, 1943 Mr. Robert Herman United Jewish Appeal 342 Madison Ave. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Herman: I should very much like to come to the Tri-State Conference on Sunday, April 4, but I am scheduled to attend the convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in New York City on that day. With all good wishes, I remain Most cordially yours, AHS: BK

JUDGES' CHAMBERS COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PITTSBURGH, PA.

HENRY ELLENBOSEN JUDGE

March 9, 1943.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I want to congratulate you on your stirring address presented at the annual dinner of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of Pittsburgh last night.

Your speech was well thought out, constructive in its proposals, and eloquently rendered. You made a deep impression on our community and strengthened our conviction that you and men like you must lead in the critical years ahead.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Cleveland, Ohio.

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MAURICE TAYLOR Executive Director

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Just a line to repeat how thrilled we were to have you. Reactions have been many and enthusiastic, and we appreciate no end the time and trouble you took to come.

If you will kindly send me a statement of your expenses I shall be happy to see that you are reimbursed forth-with.

Cordially yours,

Maurice Taylor

Executive Director

MT:G

March 11, 1943 Mr. Maurice Taylor, Executive Director The Federation of the Jewish Philanthropies of Pittsburgh 15 Fernando Street Pittsburgh, Pa. My dear Mr. Taylor: Thank you so much for your kind letter. I enjoyed the meeting tremendously - and your part of it especially. My traveling expenses were \$15.00. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS:BE

March 11, 1943 The Honorable Judge Henry Ellenbogen Judges! Chambers Court of Common Pleas Pittaburgh, Pa. My dear Judge Ellenbogen: Thank you very such for your kind note and for what you say about my share in the program of the Federation dinner. I enjoyed the meeting greatly, and the pleasure of seeing my old friends again. Many thanks for writing to me. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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March 17, 1943

MAURICE TAYLOR Executive Director

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am enclosing check for \$15.00 covering your traveling expense.

With best wiehes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Maurice Taylor /

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PITTSBURGH, PA. January 20th, 1944.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, 2 East 105th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr.Silver;

At the suggestion of our Past National Commander, J. George Fredman, of Jersey City and New York, I am extending to you our invitation to be our GUEST SPEAKER, at the Annual Good-Will Dinner, to be sponsored by our post in the very near future. (Exact date to be selected by mutual agreement).

This annual dinner is an institution in our city for the past eight years. It is always attended by our national commander and five hundred and more guests, two hundred of these being Mon-Jewish men and women active in the civic and veteran affairs of our community. These two hundred or more non-Jewish leaders, representing the Catholic and Protestant Faiths are Guests of our membership.

The program for this dinner features our National Commander and ONE guest speaker. Other distinguished guests present are introduced for a bow or brief greeting. The program is ussually completed by 10.30 P.M. This annual dinner receives wide publicity in the local English print Jewish Press as well in the Metropolitan Daily Press. Occasionally we are successful in putting parts of the program on the "air".

Past Commander Fredman advises me that he will meet with you in New York on January 25th, on the occasion of the Jewish Conference. He will there, personally, extend this invitation to you.

I sincerely hope that your schedule will permit you to consider and accept this invitation, and that you suggest an acceptable date, at your very earliest convenience. Details for other arrangements to be left to the near future. This is necessary so that proper arrangements may be made by the committee.

Awaiting your pleasure, I remain,

William Unger, Chairman of Arrangements.

January 28, 1944 Mr. William Unger Jewish War Veterans of the U. S. 5879 Shady-Forbes Terrace Pittsburgh, Pa. My dear Mr. Ungers Permit me to acknowledge your kind letter of January 20. Your Past National Commander, J. George Fredman, spoke to me about your invitation last Tuesday, in New York. I wish I could come to your Good-Will Dinner. It would give me great pleasure indeed. Unfortunately pressure of work is so heavy, and I am committed to so many out of town engagements, that I cannot in justice to myself and to the obligations which I have assumed, undertake any additional lecture engagements. I know that you will understand. Parhaps at some future time I may be of service to you. I wish you and your organization every success. Most cordially yours, AHS: BK



Pittsburgh Chapter of Hadassah

September 29, 1944.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

On January 16, 1945 the Pittsburgh Chapter of Hadassah will hold its annual Donor Luncheon. This event marks the successful conclusion of fulfilling the local chapter's quota for our Medical Organization.

For this occasion the Pittsburgh Chapter has always had some of the best nationally known men and women as its speakers. This year there has been a universal demand for your appearance as our guest. In extending to you our very warm invitation I want to assure you that Pittsburgh Jewry and the local Chapter of Hadassah will receive the news of your acceptance with great joy.

We hopefully await your affirmative reply.

Cordially yours,

MRS. J. H. MARCUS, Chairman

Donor Luncheon

Aara 12 Marcus

5562 Hobart Street, Pittsburgh, 17, Pa.

October 3, 1944 Mrs. J. H. Marcus, Chairman Donor Luncheon Pittsburgh Chapter of Hadassah 5562 Hobart Street Pittsburgh, 17, Pa. My dear Mrs. Marcus: I desply appreciate your kind invitation to ad ress the annual donor of the Pittsburgh Chapter of Hadassah on January 16. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately I am so heavily committed to other responsibilities in connection with our Movement that I cannot, in justice to myself, take on any additional responsibilities. I am sure that you will understand. I hope that I may be of service to you at some future time. with all good wishes for a happy new year, I remain Most cordially yours, AHS: BK

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

My Dear Rabbi Silver:

On Sunday evening, August 25th, the citizens of Connellsville will rededicate themselves to the principals of our American ideals at an outdoor meeting that will nodoubt be the largest ever held in this area.

We, in this vicinity, recognize the need of such a gathering and are very happy to cooperate with the sponsorsThe American Legion. Only such action will tend to lessen and, I sincerely hope, destroy those subservive elements which are rapidly making inroads in our American scene causing disruption and possible destruction if they are permitted to go unchecked.

The program will have a national figure as the speaker of the day, also a national figure from each of the three faiths who will be represented on the program.

I have been chosen to contact you and ask that we be privileged to have you represent Jewry on this occasion.

I sincerely hope that you will honor us by your presence and assent to participation.

We Jews in this area have never been able to present our outstanding leader to our Christian neighbors, and I feel certain that this tremendous event warrants that they meet and hear you.

Trusting your early reply will be favorable, I am

Mayor Abe. I. Daniels.

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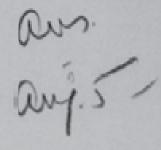
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Rabbi A. H. Silver c/o Mooselookmeguntic Lodge Mooselookmeguntic, Maine

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The National Association of Life Underwriters is holding their National Convention in Cleveland the week of September 9. We expect between four and five thousand in attendance from all over the United States.

There will be three open meetings held at the Public Music Hall and it is our intention to have the invocation given by ministers of a different faith at each meeting.

I personally happen to be very active in National Association affairs and would consider it a great favor to me if you could possibly arrange to invoke the blessing on our assembly Friday, September 13, at 9 a.m.

Programs are going to the printers next week and I would appreciate it very much if you would wire me collect.

I know that you are a very busy man these cays, Rabbi, but I sincerely hope that your schedule will make it possible for you to be with us at that time.

I hope you and Mrs. Silver and the boys are having a grand time at that intriguing sounding location. Are there still any Indians up there?

Most sincerely,

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My dear Dr. Silver:

You haven't heard from me in weeks, in fact in months, even though I have had not one but a dozen requests for you to appear in various parts of the country. My answer invariably has been that we have no right and we cannot ask you to do more than you are already doing.

There is an exception and I would plead and beg that you make this exception for the JNF. You usually give us two or three dates a year. Thus far I haven't called upon you this year so you really owe us three dates. I amnot going to collect all of them.

Our Pittsburgh Committee is now planning the Annual Dinner. You were their guest speaker a few years ago. It was the most prosperous JNF evening they ever had and Judge Ellenbogen, our very dear and devoted friend, and Max Engelberg. both of whom are your devotees, insist that they must have you as their speaker again this year. It means a very substantial sum of money. In arranging our affair in Pittsburgh, you know we clear with the Welfare Fund and our Annual Dinner is conducted with the goodwill and the cooperation of the entire community excepting for one or two people who usually do a little grumbling.

Their dimner will be held on January 23rd. I am, therefore, extending to you a most cordial invitation on our own behalf and on behalf of our Pittsburgh friends. It is a Sunsay night. You could fly over from Cleveland in the afternoon and still arrive in time for the dinner. I promise not to bother you for at least another three or four weeks after you accept this invitation. You are to be the guest of honor and they expect over 1,000 people. We do not raise funds at the dinner itself, as you will recall, but the money is raised prior to the dinner.

Will you please convey my warmest and affectionate greetings to Mrs. Silver and to your dear children. It was good to see you in New York.

Very cordially yours,

MENDEL N. FISHER Executive Director

MNT: SS

NOVEMBER 30, 1948

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YMHA 26=1

May 27, 1949 Mr. Herman Passamaneck T.M.-W.H.A. 315 North Hellefield Pittsburgh 13, Pa. Dear Mr. Passamaneck; Rabbi Silver has left for the Zionist Convention in New Tork and I am, therefore, replying to your recent telegram. He has requested that I inform you that it may be possible for him to come to Pittsburgh on October 26th to address the Forum of the Y.M.-W.H.A. His honorarium is \$400. With all good wishes, I am Sincerely yours, Secretary to Rabbi Silver er

YOUNG MEN & WOMEN'S HEBREW ASSOCIATION

BELLEFIELD AVENUE, BETWEEN FIFTH AND FORBES

PITTSBURGH, PA.

May 31, 1949

Miss Elizabeth Rice Secretary to Rabbi Silver The Temple Cleweland, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice:

Please convey my sincere thanks to Rabbi Silver for accepting our invitation to speak on our forum October 26 next. In your letter you say "it may be possible for Dr. Silver to come here". Do you think we may consider this as a commitment or is there some doubt as to whether he might keep the engagement? This is a regular forum and since this would be the opening lecture, we would be terribly disappointed if we had to make a change.

I would appreciate it if the Rabbi would tell us that we may consider it a definite date.

The honorarium is satisfactory.

Sincerely yours,

14. Parramanech

H. Passamaneck Executive Director

June 2, 1949 kr. Herman Passamsneck Y.M. & W.H.A.
315 So. Bellefield Pittsburgh 13, Pa. Dear Mr. Fassamanecks In reply to your letter of May 31st, I have checked with Rabbi Silver, and he has confirmed the October 26th date to address your form, With all good wishes, I am Sincerely yours, Secretary to Rabbi Silver or

YOUNG MEN & WOMEN'S HEBREW ASSOCIATION

BELLEFIELD AVENUE, BETWEEN FIFTH AND FORBES

PITTSBURGH, PA.

June 28, 1949

Miss Elizabeth Rice Secretary to Rabbi Silver The Temple East 105th St. at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice:

I can now definitely confirm the engagement of Rabbi Abta Hillel Silver to speak on the Pittsburgh Y M & W H A Forum Series Wednesday, October 26, next. It is understood that his honorarium will be \$400.00.

We are looking forward to having our good friend, Rabbi Silver, with us again and I trust nothing will occur to interfere with these arrangements.

I appreciate your cooperation.

With kindest regards, I am

H. Passamareck

H. Passamaneck Executive Director



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Miss Elizabeth Rice Secretary to Rabbi Silver The Temple East 10th St. at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice:

We are in immediate need of some glossy pictures, mats, biographical material and any other material you may have on Dr. Silver for his lecture here on October 26.

Your attention to the above will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Rosella Horvitz

Secretary to Mr. Passamaneck

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Miss Elizabeth Rice Secretary to Rabbi Silver The Temple 105th St. at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice:

We are starting our advance publicity for our Lecture Series for the coming season and since Dr. Silver opens our series on October 26, it is very urgent that we have some biographical material and photographs of him.

I would appreciate anything you can do for me on the above.

Sinceraly yours.

Rosella Horvitz

Secretary to Mr. Passamaneck

4009 Murray Avenue Pittsburgh 17, Pa. Sept. 16, 1949.

Rabbi A. H. Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I understand that you are coming to Pittsburgh as a speaker for the Y. M. & W. H. A. Lecture Series, on Wednesday October twenty-sixth.

Pittsburgh Metropolitan Chapter of Intercollegiate
Zionist Federation of America would consider it a great
privilege if you would address the Jewish student body
of the University of Pittsburgh in the afternoon of
Wednesday October twenty-sixth at the Stephen Foster
Memorial. We feel sure that your presence would be
an incentive that would enable our membership committee to increase our number to over two hundred.

Trusting to receive a favorable reply, and wishing you a Healthy and Happy New Year, I am
Respectfully yours,

Betty Chait den

Intercollegiste Zionist Federation of America Pittsburgh Metropolitan Chapter MRS. SOLOMON B. FREEHOF ear abba: We shall haze upper date and real before Tal and fare

delight to this visit with you. lue send an affec. tionate greetings to Virginia - les blays v you, and best wishes fad a hazepey need year. Devalegly Lielian Sep. 18, 1949.

September 19, 1949 Miss Betty Chaitkin, President Intercollegiate Zionist Federation 4009 Murray Avenue Pittsburgh 17, Pa. My dear Miss Chaitking Thank you so much for your letter of September 16th and your kind invitation to address the Jewish student body of the University of Pittsburgh on Wednesday aftermoon, October 26th. It would give me great pleasure indeed to do so. Unfortunately, I do not plan to arrive in Pittsburgh until late in the afternoon. With all good wishes to you for a very Happy New Year, I re-Most cordially yours, ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHSter

October 4, 1949 Miss Rosella Horvits Y.M. & W.H.A. 315 So. Bellefield Pittsburgh 13, Pa. Dear Miss Forvits: In connection with Dr. Silver's engagement in Pittsburgh on October 26th, will you please reserve a room for him at the Schemley Hotel for that date. He will arrive some time in the afternoon and will leave the following morning. I shall let you know the exact time of Dr. Silver's arrival as soon as his plans are definite. With best wishes, I am Sincerely yours, Secretary to Dr. Silver or

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October 7, 1949

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

Dear Miss Rice;

Acknowledging your letter of October 4th, I have reserved a room for Dr. Silver at the Schenley Hotel.

With best wishes for the coming New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Rosella Horvitz

Secretary to Mr. Passamaneck

LAW OFFICES MARKEL & MARKEL 3020 GRANT BUILDING PITTSBURGH. PA. JACOB A. MARKEL GERTRUDE F. MARKEL EDWARD S. BOAS ATLANTIC 6488 October 14, 1949 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th St. at Ansil Road Cleveland, Ohio Dear Rabbi Silver: As Chairman of the Y. M. and W.H.A. Lecture Series, I am happy to extend a warm welcome to you as we anticipate your advent to our city as opening speaker of the Lecture Series on Wednesday evening, October 26th. We are interested at this time to ascertain whether or not you have any plans or commitments during your stay in the city, and how long you are planning to remain, so that we can arrange your schedule accordingly. We usually defer to the speakers preferences in this regard. Ir. Larkel and I would no happy to have you at our home as our dinner guest preceding the Lecture, or if you have other plans, we shall respect your wishes. I hope you will advise me immediately so that we can cooperate to make your visit a pleasant one. (Mrs. J. Statule T. markel. gfm; mml

.4 October 17, 1949 Mrs. J. A. Markel 3020 Grant Building Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania My dear Mrs. Markel: Permit me to acknowledge your kind letter of October lith and your gracious invitation to have dinner at your home. It is indeed very kind of you. However, I do not plan to arrive in Pittsburgh until very late in the afternoon and I plan to proceed directly to my hotel to rest a bit. I have already made arrangements to spend some time with my good friends, Dr. and Mrs. Freshof, after the lecture. I shall be leaving for Cleveland the following morning. It, therefore, appears unlikely that I shall be able to avail myself of your hospitality, which I deeply appreciate. with all good wishes and looking forward to seeing you in Pittsburgh, I remain Most cordially yours, ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHSter

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October 20, 1949

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

We understand that you plan to be in Pittsburgh on Wednesday, October 26 and will deliver an address under the auspices of the lecture series of the Y.M. & W.H.A. We have made inquiry at the Y and are informed that your present plans call for your arrival in Pittsburgh sometime on Wednesday afternoon and that you have been invited for dinner at the home of Mrs. Markel, chairman of the lecture series committee.

A number of the active leaders and workers of the Pittsburgh Zionist District have expressed a desire to meet with you on the occasion of your visit to Pittsburgh and we would greatly appreciate an opportunity to spend a little time with you. If you could possibly stay over part of the following day, Thursday, October 27, so that we could arrange a private luncheon for the members of our executive committee and a few others, the total of whom, would not exceed twenty five, We would feel greatly indebted to you. We have just completed our American Zionist Fund Dinner campaign and are laying plans to open the membership drive within the next few weeks. A few words of inspiration and encouragement coming from you pointing out the urgency of maintaining a strong Zionist organization at this time would be extremely helpful to our cause in this city.

Trusting that you will find it possible to favor us in this matter and with best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

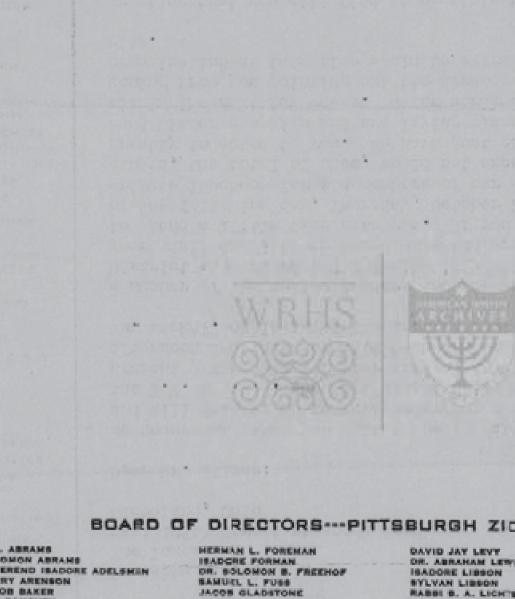
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October 24, 1919 Mr. Bernard Kaplan, President Pittsburgh Zionist District 308 Magee Building Pittsburgh 22, Pennsylvania My dear Mr. Kaplant Thank you so much for your letter of October 20th. I wish I could stay over on Thursday, October 27th, and meet with the members of your Executive Committee. Unfortunately, I must return to Claveland early Thursday morning to keep important engagements here which were made some time ago. With all good wishes, I remain Most cordial ly yours, ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHS:er

JUDGE HENRY ELLENBOGEN CITY COUNTY BUILDING PITTSBURGH? PA.

REGRET THAT COMMITMENTS HERE MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO ACCEPT YOUR GRACIOUS INVITATION. ALL GOOD WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

Our Pittsburgh Chairman, Judge Henry Ellenbogen, who is a very great admirer of yours, and the Jewish Mational Fund of America, is most eager to have you as the guest speaker at our JNF Jubilee Dinner to be held in Pittsburgh on January 28th.

I am most reluctant to ask you to accept invitations, although I get many, as I am not unaware of your busy schedule. This is an exception in addition, of course, to your participation in our National Conference.

You were our guest speaker a few years age and it was one of the largest and most representative of all gatherings. We expect an affair similar in kind and I think it will even be a bigger one this year. Funds are not raised that evening itself. The money is always raised in advance.

We have a wonderful Committee and Judge Ellenbogen as you know is doing a splendid job for the Zionist Organization as he is for the JNF. You will, of course, be speaking on Sunday morning but fortunately Cleveland is not very far from Pittsburgh and we realize that we have to take a chance on the weather insofar as flying conditions are concerned. That chance we are willing to take.

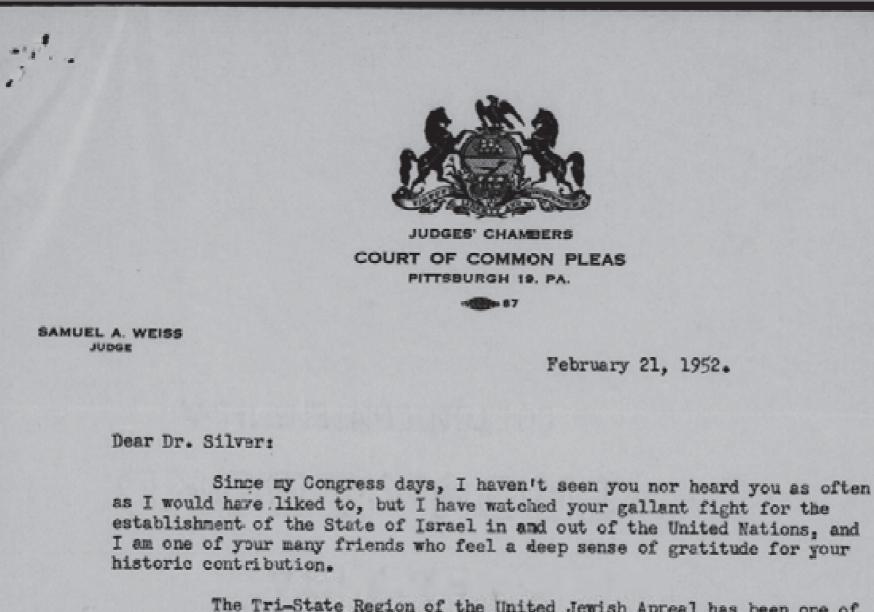
I sincerely hope, dear Dr. Silver, in view of the importance of this particular event that you will make an exception and accept this invitation. Please make your reply affirmative.

With warmest and affectionate greetings,

Cordially yours,

Executive Director

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establishment of the State of Israel in and out of the United Nations, and I am one of your many friends who feel a deep sense of gratitude for your The Tri-State Region of the United Jewish Appeal has been one of

the most productive regions in the Country. Our most cutstending function is the annual Luncheon Conference which is usually attended by between 600 and 700 people from seventy-five communities in Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Eastern Ohio and at which the community leaders, outside of the City of Pittsburgh, present to the guest speaker, checks which usually total close to \$1,000,000.

I would be very happy, and your many devoted friends and admirers in this area would be happy, if you would accept our invitation to be the guest of honor at our 1952 Luncheon Conference and Israel Anniversary Celebration which is scheduled to take place on Sunday, April 20th, at the William Penn Motel in Pittsburgh.

In the past we have had as our guest speakers such distinguished leaders as Ambassador Eban, Vice-President Barkley, Henry Morgenthau, Foreign Minister Sharett and Bernard Joseph. All of them expressed delight with the spirit and results of these Conferences. I would be deeply grateful if you would write or wire your acceptance.

Looking forward to your early reply and with kindest regards, I

Yours since and Whin

United Jewish Appeal

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Ansel Rd. & E 105 Cleveland, Ohio

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TRI-STATE REGION UNITED JEWISH APPEAL on behalf of JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL, UNITED SERVICE FOR NEW AMERICANS 712 BAKEWELL BLDG., PITTSBURGH 19, PA. ATlantic 1-9345 HON. SAMUEL A. WEISS **Divisional Director** MEYER S. MINTZ February 22, 1952. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver Cleveland, Ohio Dear Dr. Silver: Judge Weiss told me that he wrote yesterday extending his invitation to you to be the guest of honor of the Tri-State Region of the United Jewish Appeal at its Annual Conference and Israel Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, April 20th at 12:30 P. M. at the William Penn Hotel, in Pittsburgh. The attached report of Tri-State's 1950 Conference, will give you an idea of the scope and spirit of our Conferences. If you come, it will be even bigger and better. There is another reason why I am addressing myself to you and that is to remind you of your kind promise to me of some time ago that "some day" you would address a Tri-State Conference. I recall with delight the consideration and friendship you showed me personally way back in 1925 when, as New Jersey Director, I came to Cleveland to persuade you to accept an invitation to open the Newark campaign, which you did and which, as you will recall, on the basis of the standards of those days, was the most successful campaign in the Country. I also recall your acceptance of our invitation for the New Jersey State Ecception to Dr. Einstein in 1934. The Tri-State area is in need of your inspiring and prophetic word. Your presence will not only assure somewhere in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000 in cash, in advance of campaigns, which will be presented to you at the Conference, but will also inspire the Tri-State leadership to greater efforts in behalf of the UJA in 1952. I am reasonably certain of an attendance of 700 from about 80 communities, if you come. Please, Dr. Silver, say "yes", if at all possible. With many thanks and with kindest personal regards to yourself and Mrs. Silver, I am, Sincerely yours, Mayer S. Mints Meyer S. Mintz Divisional Director

February 25, 1952 Judge Samuel A. Weiss Court of Common Pleas Pittsburgh 19, Pa. My dear Judge Weiss: Pen it me to thank you for your kind letter of February 21st and for your gracious invitation to address the Tri-State Region of the U.J.A. in Pittsburgh on Sunday noon, April 20th. It would have given me great pleasure indeed to accept your invitation were it at all possible to do so. However, I must be in my own pulpit on Sunday morning. I could have arrange to be away from my pulpit on that Sunday morning and have a guest speaker, but I am already obligated to do so for the Sunday of March 30th when I shall be in Los Angeles for the U.J.S. I cannot be away from my pulpit that often. I hope that I may be of service to you at some fature time. With warmest regards, I remain Most cordially yours, ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHSter

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March 6, 1952 Judge Samuel A. Weiss Court of Common Pleas Pittsburgh 19, Penna. My dear Judge Weiss: I received your telegram. I appreciate very much your urgent invitation to attend the UJA Conference on April 20th and I certainly would like to accommodate you and be of service to the cause. It so happens on that particular date, it is just impossible for me to leave Cleveland. In my earlier letter to you I stated that I must be in my pulpit on that morning. I did not state that at 5 o'clock in the afternoon of that same day I have a wedding at The Temple of the children of close friends who have been members of The Temple for many, many years and they would be keenly disappointed if I did not officiate at the marriage of their children. It is too bad I am so circumstanced that I cannot accept engagements which under other circumstances I should be most happy to accept. Were the meeting on the following Sunday, it would perhaps be possible for me to come on a special plane, although I should like to remind you in that connection that I carmot reach the airport on Sunday after my service before 1:15 p.m. With all good wishes for success, I remain Most cordially yours, ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHSter

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I wish to tell you how happy we are that you have graciously agreed to be the principal speaker at the dinner which the Congregation is holding in Dr. Freehof's honor on Tuesday evening, November 18. The affair is scheduled for 7 o'clock in the William Penn Hotel ballroom. Dress will be informal.

It goes without saying that a cordial invitation is extended to Mrs. Silver to attend. Please tell her that we expect her.

For publicity purposes we should like very much to have one or two cuts or mats of you, also some biographical data for use in the Jewish weeklies and the Temple Bulletin.

I understand from your secretary that you will most likely come in some time during the day of November 18 and will stay overnight. With this in mind I have engaged a room for you and Mrs. Silver at the William Penn Hotel.

Anticipating the pleasure of having you with us and assuring you of my high esteem, I am

Cordially yours,

C. G. Bandman

Executive Secretary

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October 15, 1952 Mr. Chester G. Bandman Rodef Shalom Congregation Fifth and Morewood Avenues Pittsburgh 13, Pennsylvania Dear Mr. Bandman: In reply to your request of October 1hth, I am enclosing herewith some biographical information on Dr. Silver as well as two glossies. I shall appreciate their being returned to me when the cuts have been made. In all likelihood, Dr. Silver will arrive in Pittsburgh on November 18th at 3:20 p.m. via the P.&L.E. Railroad. Since he must be in Cincinnati the following morning, he will have to leave Pitteburgh that same evening on the Cincinnati Ltd., Pennsylvania Railroad, which leaves Pittsburgh at 1:42 a.m. If there are any changes in this schedule, I shall let you know. Sincerely yours, Elizabeth Rice Secretary to Dr. Silver Ends.

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Movember 6, 1953 Mrs. Lillian Friedberg Religious Education Association o/e Webster Hall Hotel Pittsburgh, Pannsylvania Dear Mrs. Friedberg: I haven't the text available. I'm enclosing herewith a few sentences which I believe will be all that the newspapers are likely to use anyhow. Very cordially yours, ABBA HILLEL STLVER AHSedk Encl.

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"THE PRICE OF LIBERTY IS ETERNAL VIGILANCE"

June 13, 1955

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver % The Temple E. 105th St. & Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Chio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are privileged to extend to you our earnest invitation to address the Tenth Annual American Zionist Fund Dinner of the Pittsburgh Zionist District which will be held on Sunday evening, October 16, at the Hotel William Penn.

Mr. Samuel Goldstock has informed our Executive Committee of his recent telephone conversation with you when he stressed our sincere desire to have you address this important annual function. We are convinced that there is no one on the American scene who can stir the hearts and the imagination of Zionists as you can. It is for that reason that we feel the need for the inspiration which you alone can bring.

As you may know, Pittsburgh has always been one of the great ZOA centers in America. While membership nationally has continued to shrink, the Pittsburgh Zionist District has maintained a paid membership of 3,200 and has continued to be, percentage-wise, the largest single District in the country. In addition, we have consistently made substantial contributions to the American Zionist Fund and in recent years to the K'far Silver. Thus in the year 1953-5L, from an approximate net of \$18,-000, we sent one-half to National. In addition, the sum of \$5,000 was contributed to the K'far Silver by Mr. Ben Paul Brasley, one of our members and a most generous philanthropist in our community.

This past year, the net proceeds from the AZF Dinner of approximately \$17,500 was divided equally between our District and the Mational Office. We have also sent \$1,000 for the K'far Silver which represented the proceeds of our Purim Dance.

At the request of Dr. Harris Levine, I recently discussed K'far Silver with Mr. Brasley. He indicated that he has many other philanthropic commitments to complete but that we can expect another substantial contribution for K'far Silver in the near future. We firmly believe that your presence in Pittsburgh and your personal meeting with Mr. Brasley would have a salubrious effect and would hasten the date

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Page 2 of his second contribution to K"far Silver. Concretely, in answer to the specific questions you put to Mr. Goldstock, we believe that your presence in Pittsburgh will result in increased contributions to the AZF Dinner to the extent that we can anticipate a net of \$24,000, of which \$12,000 will go to the National Office. In addition, we shall put aside the sum of \$1,000 from the Dinner as our contribution to K far Silver in lieu of a speaker's honorarium. We further hope to raise \$1,000 for the K'far Silver from our Annual Purim Dance. All this will be in addition to the contribution we expect from Mr. Brasley. At this point you must surely be aware of our anxious desires to have you address our AZF Dinner. If you find it impossible to accept our invitation we shall in no way slacken our efforts to make this annual function the success that it must be. We hope, however, to receive your favorable response indicating that you will honor us with your presence on the 16th of October. With best personal regards, I am Respectfully yours, Harry Monzer, President Pitts wirgh Zionist District

Zionist Organization of America

Office of the President 145 EAST 32nd STREET NEW YORK 16, N. Y. MUrray Hill 3-9201

June 21, 1955

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your valuable contribution which you made to the Convention. It was greatly appreciated by all, and as usual, the enthusiasm of the audience demonstrated their gratitude.

The sessions were all very heartening and it is to be regretted that you could not have stayed through until Saturday night. It was the consensus that the meeting on Saturday night was one of the best we have had in a long time.

I understand you are leaving for Europe quite shortly and wanted to get in one business matter before you should depart. You seemed to feel that if we would try to give you dates at a reasonable period ahead, you could handle them to advantage.

The Pittsburgh District has written you about the matter of your appearance there on October 16th and I want to express my hope that you can make them. I believe we can get them to guarantee \$15,000 for the National Office and our projects, of course.

I trust you will be able to put this down on your calendar, as anticipated. Miss Hannah Stein and I will try to figure out some other dates later on; we will try to give you ample time and hope that in this way we can bring to our districts and regions, your inspiring messages.

I shall probably go to Israel about the middle of August and will try to spend a little time in Europe after the Actions Committee meeting.

I trust you will have a very pleasant summer and with regards to your good wife, in which Gertrude joins me, I am

Cordially yours,

Mortimer May

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00016 June 29, 1955 Mr. Harry Menzer, President Pittsburgh Zionist "istrict 308 Magee Building Pittsburgh 22, Pennsylvania My dear Mr. Menzer: Please pardon the delay in answering your letter of June 13th. I have been away from the city a good deal of the time. I shall make every effort to be with you on Sunday evening, October 16th. I note that you will set aside one half of the funds of your AZF dinner to the National Office and that in addition you will make two special contributions to the Kfar Silver. I am very eager, as you may readily understand, to give every possible support to this fine school, which I understand will begin operations in September. I should also welcome the opportunity to talk to Mr. Ben Paul Brasley, whose generous gift to the Kfar Silver I recall with much pleasure. with wermest regards and all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHStrms

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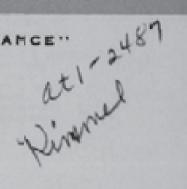
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June 30, 1955



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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I was delighted to receive your letter indicating that you will be able to be with us as the principal speaker at our Annual American Zionist Fund Dinner, Sunday evening, October 16, in the Ballroom of the William Penn Hotel.

You may be interested to know that this is to be our Tenth Annual AZF function, and that you addressed our first Dinner in 1946. The forth-coming event will therefore have added significance to the Pittsburgh Zionist District and to our Jewish community.

Please be assured that we shall make every affort to make the Dinner the most successful in our history, so that we may make a maximum contribution to the National Office and to the K'far Silver.

With best personal wishes, I am

Respectfully yours,

Harry Menger, President

Pittaburgh Zionist District

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September 8, 1955

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I was very happy to learn from various of our friends of the wonderful vacation which you and Mrs. Silver had this summer and I know you will not mind if I come to you with a request at this time.

You were good enough to accept the invitation of our friends in Pittsburgh to address their Annual AZF dinner on October 16th and I know that they are already hard at work to present you with a very sizeable contribution.

As you may remember, two years ago Mr. Ben Faul Brasley, (Suite 412, Frick Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.) made a contribution of \$5,000 in the form of an Israel Bond which was earmarked for Kfar Silver.

Our friends in Pittsburgh feel that Mr. Brasley would be prepared to make a similar contribution again at this time, particularly in view of your personal appearance in Pittsburgh. It was, therefore, suggested that if you would possibly agree to write a personal letter to Mr. Brasley indicating your desire to meet with him at the time of your visit to Pittsburgh, he would be greatly flattered and respond in due fashion.

I do hope that you can see your way clear to write to Mr. Brasley. This would certainly be of tremendous help to our friends. In the meantime may I take this opportunity to wish you and Mrs. Silver a Very Happy New Year and everything of the best.

Sincerely yours,

Hannah Stein

Director, American Zionist Fund

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MURRAY HILL 3-9201

September 28, 1955

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I hope you will not mind my bothering you in the middle of the holidays, but our friends in Pittsburgh have asked me to find out at what time you are planning to arrive in their city so that they can make arrangements accordingly. I would very much appreciate receiving this information at your convenience.

In the meantime, may I refer to my letter of September 8, in which I asked whether you would be good enough to write to Mr. Bem Paul Brasley (Suite 412, Frick Euilding, Pittsburgh), who, as you may remember, two years ago made a contribution of \$5,000 in the form of an Israel bond which was earmarked for Efar Silver. Just in case my letter got mislaid, I mentioned in it that our friends in Pittsburgh feel that Mr. Brasley would be prepared to make a similar contribution again at this time, particularly in view of your personal appearance in Pittsburgh. It was, therefore, suggested that if you would possibly agree to write a personal letter to Mr. Brasley, indicating your desire to meet with him at the time of your visit to Pittsburgh, he would be greatly flattered and respond in due fashion.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course, and send you and Mrs. Silver my best wishes for a very happy New Year.

Sincerely yours.

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Hannah Stein, Director American Zionist Fund

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October 3, 1955 Hanna Stein, Director American Zionist Fund Zionist Organization of America 145 East 32nd Street New York 16, New York My dear Miss Stein: I plan to arrive in Pittsburgh at 5:30 P.M. on October 16th, by train. I have to be in my own pulpit in the morning. As far as writing to Mr. Brasley, I am afraid I must decline. If Mr. Brasley attends the meeting in the evening, I shall be very happy to speak to him. Cordially yours, ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHS:sl

Telegram 10-10-55 1:30 PM Phone

TO: COMMODCRE HOTEL LEXINGTON & 42nd NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK

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TELEGRAM RECEIVED BY PHONE OCT. 11, 1955 9:30 A.M. NEW YORK CITY, N.Y.

TO: DR. A. H. SILVER
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OCTOBER 17th FOR DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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October 20, 1955 Mr. Harry Menzer, President Pittsburgh Zionist District 308 Magee Building Pittsburgh 22, Pennsylvania Dear Mr. Menzer: It is assumed that the enclosed statement of the William Penn Hotel was forwarded here in error and it is directed to you for proper allocation. Very truly yours, Miss Sophia Levine Secretary to Dr. Silver encl.

RABBI SOLOMON B. FREEHOF, D. D. RODEF SHALOM TEMPLE FIFTH AND MOREWOOD AVENUES PITTSBURGH 13, PENNSYLVANIA April 23, 1956 Dr. Abba Hillel Silver Congregation Tifereth Israel East 105th Street and Ansel Road Cleveland 6, Ohio Dear Abba: Our United Jewish Campaign is getting under way and wants to have as its central event a great rally of the entire community on Sunday night, May 20th. Whom else should they think of but you, as everybody else naturally thinks of you, speaking on such great occasions? I know, therefore, that you have innumerable invitations, but it is some time since you spoke in Pittsburgh. I am asked to invite you and if you come, I am given the privilege of introducing you. Won't you come? See if you can't arrange your busy schedule to make it possible. The community is very anxious to have you. Lillian joins in best Wishes to Virginia and yourself. As ever, SEF:t Solomon B. Freehof

... file-United Tewish Campaign April 24, 1956 Dr. Solomon B. Freehof Rodef Shalom Temple Fifth and Morrayood Avenues Pittsburgh 13, Pennsylvania My dear Sol: I wish I could come to Pittsburgh on May 20 for the United Jewish Campaign. I should have been especially happy to accept the invitation because you extended it. Unfortunately that is the day on which we hold the Annual Meeting of our Congregation. Perhaps at some future date I may be of service to the Pittsburgh community. With warmest regards in which Virginia joins ne, I remain As ever yours, ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHStal



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November 29, 1956

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
104th Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am very happy to learn from our dear, mutual friend, Dr. Freehof, that you have consented, at his request, to be the guest speaker at the annual meeting of the United Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh which is to be held in January, 1957. Dr. Freehof said that you would be available on January 20, 21 or 22. After clearing with other community events and hotel accommodations, we have concluded to hold the meeting on Tuesday, January 22. The meeting will be a dinner meeting at Hotel Webster Hall.

May I extend to you the sincere thanks of the officers of the Federation for your gracious acceptance of our invitation for this occasion! We feel extremely fortunate in securing a man of your great stature and importance in the life of America, who commands the respect and admiration of countless thousands of his fellow citizens of all faiths and whose interest in Jewish affairs and in the well-being of our people have made him one of their most distinguished leaders. We will indeed be proud to have you as our guest.

I would also like to express my personal thanks to you for coming to us. Your presence and your message on that evening will. I am sure, be of great help in the work which I, as President, and my colleagues in the Federation, including our Executive Director, Mr. Robert I. Hiller, are trying to do here. I look forward with great delight to your visit.

With my kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Louis Caplan, President

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cc: Dr. Solomon B. Freehof



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December 6, 1956

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I was most pleased to learn that you have consented to deliver the major address at the Annual Meeting of the United Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh on January 22, 1957, 6:00 P.M., at the Webster Hall Hotel. Your message and inspiration is eagerly awaited by the total Jewish community of Pittsburgh.

I would like to add my congratulations to you on the receipt of the Charles Eisenman Award presented to you by the Cleveland Jewish Community Federation. The principles that have guiled your work are the very basis of what we are attempting to accomplish in Pittsburgh.

Our meeting on January 22 will be the Second Annual Meeting of the United Jewish Federation, as our Fund and Federation were merged into a single organization in 1955. Since that time, the community has been striving for a united approach to our problems and responsibilities locally, nationally and overseas. Our 1956 campaign was one indication of the progress in this direction, as we were able to raise, for the first time since 1948, substantially more than had been raised the previous year.

The Jewish community of Pittsburgh is eager to have your thinking on the role and responsibility of Federation, particularly in such a critical year as 1957 appears to be.

My office will be in touch with your searctary so that we might make the necessary arrangements for your visit to Pittsburgh.

I look forward, with sincere excitement, to your visit to Pittsburgh, and our officers and Board eagerly await the opportunity to greet you.

With my warnest regards, I remain,

Robert I. Hiller Executive Director

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December 14, 1956

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TO: Secretary to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Adele Nusbaum, Public Relations Director

If you haven't already done so, I would appreciate it very much if you would send me the promised glossies and biographical material on Rabbi Silver by special delivery as we are holding up preparation of a mailing piece.

I shall be in touch with you later concerning other arrangements.

December 17, 1956 United Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh 200 Ross Street Pittsburgh 19, Pa. Attention Adele Nusbaum, Public Relations Director Dear Miss Nusbaum: I regret very much the delay in forwarding to you the material you require in connection with the publicity for the Annual Meeting of the United Jewish Federation on January 22, 1957, and I am enclosing herewith a biographical sketch and two glossies of Dr. Silver. I will appreciate your contacting me at a later date with regard to other details. Sincerely, Miss Sophia Levine Secretary to Dr. Silver /sl encl

Robli Selver: Heave indicate your and return to - S. Levry United Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh 200 ROSS STREET . PITTSBURGH 19, PA. . ATIONIC 1-4605 January 4, 1957 Provident. LOUIS CAPLAN Fice-Presidents HERMAN FINEBERG SAMUEL HORELICK Secretary Miss Sophia Levine MORRIS BALTER The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road WALTER BURKE Cleveland 6, Ohio Andriant Treasurer ARE BANCHEK Executive Director Dear Miss Levine: ROBERT L. HILLER I shall call you early in the week so that we can go ahead with final plans on our annual meeting or matters that concern Dr. Silver. I shall appreciate it if you would discuss these things with nim in advance. I have checked all planes and trains from Cleveland to Pittsburgh and find that transportation leaves much to be desired. If he wishes to fly, we suggest that he take Capitol Airlines leaving Cleveland at 11:20 A.M. and arriving in Pittsburgh at 12:06. If he prefers the train, there is one on P & LE leaving at 1:15 P.M. and / ()() arriving here at 4:15 P.M. There's a chair car on it. Cur president, Louis Caplan, will meet Dr. Silver. Depending upon time of arrival, he will take him either to the home of Dr. Freehof or to the Concordia Club where we should like to Bold a press conference. There is a cocktail party in Dr. Silver's honor at Webster Hall Hotel at 5:30, and the dinner is scheduled for around 6:30. I have made a reservation at the hotel for Dr. Silver. If you will tell me what transportation he prefers, I shall make the reservations and send you the tickets. Please find out too how and when he wants to return to Cleveland. We should like to have a title for Dr. Silver's talk. The newspapers here have shown great interest in Dr. Silver's appearance in Pittsburgh, and we should like to set up a press conference if it is agreeable to him. Thanks so much. I'll probably call you on Tuesday. Sincerely yours, adele H. Musbaum Adele H. Nusbaum Public Relations Director AHM: Sg



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January 23, 1957

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Tear Rabbi:

I wish to extend my sincere and heartfelt appreciation for what you did for the Jewish community of Pittsburgh last night. I am told that there has never in the history of this community been a meeting with so much interest and true community feeling as that of last night's.

I am sorry that the day was so hectic, but I promise you m your next trip to Pittsburgh we will figure out more pleasant travel arrangements.

Not only were the 40 copies of your book sold at last night's meeting, but we have 20 additional requests at this time for copies of it. I will communicate with your secretary to make arrangements for delivery of the books.

I wish to express my thanks to you for the very kind words that you said about me. Our whole community is most grateful to you for the new feeling of inspiration that you created by your appearance here last evening.

My warmest personal regards.

Robert I. Hiller Executive Director

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January 24, 1957

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Miss Sophia Levine

The Temple

East 105th Street at Ansel Road

Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Miss Levine:

First let me thank you for all of your help with our arrangements. A wild day was had by all westerday but in spite of everything, we had a very wonderful meeting -- the largest we have ever had.

I would appreciate your sending me the amount of Dr. Silver's expenses so that we can send you a check.

I am enclosing a check for \$270 to cover the — 40 books that we sold and 20 more that we have orders for. Dr. Silver promised to autograph them. Would you please send them here?

We are also returning to you the pictures of Dr. Silver.

Again many, many thanks for your patience and your help.

Sincerely yours,

Adele H. Nusbaum

Public Relations Director

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AHN:sg Enc.

January 28, 1957 Miss Adele H. Nusbaum Public Relations Director United Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh 200 Ross Street Pittsburgh 19, Pa. Dear Miss Musbaum: Thank you for your letter of the 21th. Indeed it must have been a hectic day - but if we may employ a trite phrase - "all's well that ends well". Rabbi Silver has turned over to me the enclosed tickets. These covered the original reservations you made and of course were not used. The amount to cover Dr. Silver's expenses, including the ticket he purchased, is \$35.00.

Kindest regards. Sincerely Miss Sophia Levine Secretary to Dr. Silver /91 encl. P.S. Thank you for the check of \$270.00 to cover the 60 copies of WHERE JUDAISM DIFFERED. We are awaiting a shipment from the publisher and as soon as it arrives Dr. Silver will autograph the 20 copies for which you have orders and we will dispatch them. S.L.

January 31, 1957 Miss Adele H. Nusbaum Public Relations Director United Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh 200 Ross Street Pittsburgh 19, Pa. Dear Miss Nusbauma Under separate cover I am sending you the twenty books of Dr. Silver which were ordered. They are all autographed. I regret the delay but there was some confusion in the sending of these books to us from Wacmillan. Should there be any requests for additional copies I shall be very happy to provide them. Sincerely, Miss Sophia Levine Secretary to Dr. Silver /01

DUIS CAPLAN ATTORNEY AT LAW FRICK BUILDING PITTSBURGH 19. PA. February 14, 1957 Dear Dr. Silver: Because of several absences from the city (including a trip to Florida, "on business", of course), I did not write you before this to express again the sincere thanks of the officers and Directors of the United Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh, and especially of myself as President, for your great kindness in coming to Pittsburgh as the guest speaker at the annual meeting of the Federation last month. I regret exceedingly all of the annoyance and discomfort which was yours that day because of travel difficulties, but that you did endure all of this just to be with us puts us even more greatly in your debt. The fact that we had by far the largest attendance in the entire history of annual meetings of our Federation speaks more eloquently than any words which I could use of the great regard and esteem in which you are held here, not only as a rabbi pre-eminent, but also as one of the country's truly great orators and scholars, whose service to America and its people and whose deep devotion to the welfare of Jews everywhere have exemplified the finest possible use of the genius that is yours. All of us expected much of you that evening and our expectations were more than realized. I am sure that this was one community meeting which the audience hated to leave. I hought you might like to have the enclosed photographs as mementos of the evening. I am especially proud of the one in which you and I alone appear. It was a privilege to grasp your hand and to look up to you as one who towers above me not only in physical size but also in many other respects. With my kindest regards and, again, my thanks, I am, Sincerely yours Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple 104th Street and Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

February 15, 1957 Mr. Louis Caplan Frick Building Pitteburgh 19, Pa. My dear Friend: Thank you for your lovely note of February 14 and for the photographs which you enclosed. It was good to hear from you. I need not tell you that I enjoyed my visit to Pittsburgh a great deal. It was a very pleasant experience. I trust that you are well and am looking forward with pleasure to seeing you soon again. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHS:al



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Deer Dr. Silver:

It was indeed a great pleasure to learn today from Rabbi Friedman that you have accepted his invitation to participate in the United Jewish Appeal Tri-State Regional Conference to be held in Pittsburgh on Sunday, April 19.

I'll write again to furnish full details, but for the moment, I wented to let you know that we have the following general plan for the day:-

10:30 A.M. - we hope to set up press, radio and television interviews.

11:15 A.M. - there will be a reception for seme 150 leading dele-

12:15 P.M. - marks the beginning of the luncheon session in which Gov. David L. Lawrence will take part and at which yours will be the principal address

With your consent, I hope to be in touch with your secretary in the near future to ascertain your wishes regarding transportation.

Again with sincere appreciation

Cordially yours,

Leonard J. Wechsler Assistant Director

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April 13, 1959

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

You will be visiting Pittsburgh on our behalf on Sunday, April 19th, to participate in the Tri-State UJA Conference which will be held as a luncheon, at 12:15 P.M., at the Penn Sheraton Hotel. Mr. Meyer Mintz, UJA Director for the Regior, will be in charge of the meeting. If you should need his home telephone number, it is: Hazel 1-7357.

Please use the enclosed tickets on the following schedule:

Leave: Cleveland, 9:05 A.M., 4/19, via Eastern Airlines #747 Arrive: Pittsburgh, 9:49 A.M., 4/19

You will be met at the Pittsburgh Airport and taken to the Penn Sheraton Hotel. There, at 10:30 A.M., you will participate in a press conference and radio interview.

At 11:15 A.M. there will be a reception in the Skyroom to be attended by about 100-150 community leacers. You and Governor Lawrence are the guests of honor.

Luncheon will commence at 12:15 P.M. in the Penn Sheraton Ballroom where we expect an attendance of about 600 delegates, representing some 65-70 communities in the region. The conference chairman will be Judge Samuel A. Weiss and there will be a presentation by Governor Lawrence. Tours is the principal address. The agenda will include presentation of checks by delegates on behalf of their communities.

April 13, 1959 -2-Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The return schedule will be: Leave: Pittsburgh, 6:05 P.M., 4/19, via Capital #419 Arrive: Cleveland, 6:56 P.M., 4/19 With sincere appreciation and best wishes, Cordially yours, Leonard J. Wechsler Assistant Director LJW:SH Enc. Speakers Bureau

April 20, 1959 Mr. Leonard J. Wechsler Assistant Director Speakers Bureau 165 West 46th Street New York 36, New York My dear Mr. Wechsler: This is to inform you that Dr. Silver's Taxi expense to the Airport and back in Cleveland was \$15.00. Sincerely yours, Beatrice F. May (Mrs.) Secretary to Dr. Silver



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver 19310 Shaker Blvd. Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

All of us here were tremendously gratified to learn that the Tri-Meeting in Pittsburgh on April 19th was such an enthusiastic and well-attended gathering. The total which was pledged at this meeting was certainly a most heartening one.

It is obvious to us that no one could have made a greater impact than you did on this occasion, and that your efforts were in a large part responsible for the splendid spirit of it. From all reports, the presentation you made had a tremendous effect.

You have my warmest personal thanks, as well as those of everyone here, for your immensely helpful participation in this meeting.

With all good wishes and kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Mooris W. Bernstein Morris W. Berinstein

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PITTSBURGH 30, PA. OFFICE OF THE PUBLISHER April 27, 1959 (Dictated 4/24/59) Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio Dear Dr. Silver:

I thought perhaps you would like to have a picture that was published in the Sun-Telegraph -- tear sheet attached -- of your attendance at the UJA Tri-State kickoff drive of which the Honorable Samuel Weiss was the chairman.

Reading from left to right, the people in the photograph are Meyer Mintz, Mayor Gallagher, yourself, your writer, Governor David L. Lawrence and Judge Weiss.

It was a privilege to have had the opportunity of meeting and chatting with you for a few moments and I hope that you will give Harry Horvitz my very best regards at your next meeting.

Alan G. Nicholas

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April 28, 1959 My dear Harry: I was in Fittsburgh a week ago Sunday for the United Jewish Appeal and I met at the meeting Mr. Alan C. Nicholas, the publisher of the Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph, As you will see from the enclosed copy of letter, he wishes to be remembered to you. With warmest regards to you and yours, I remain Most cordially yours. ABBA HILLEL SILVER AH3: bfm Englosure: copy of letter Mr. Harry R. Horvits 3701 Hillbrook Rd. Cleveland 18, Ohio

April 28, 1959 Mr. Alan G. Nicholas Publisher Sun-Telegraph Pittsburgh 30, Pennsylvania My dear Mr. Nicholas: Permit me to thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me the picture that was published in the Sun-Telegraph of the United Jewish Appeal meeting which was held in your city. It was a great pleasure for me to have met you and I hope that we will have the opportunity of meeting again before long. With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours. ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHS: bfm

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Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, D. C.

28 April 1959

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Chio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing to tell you that it was a pleasure to see you at the Tri-State Regional Conference at the Penn Sheraton Hotel, of the United Jewish Appeal and Israel's eleventh anniversary celebration on Sunday, 19 April 1959, in the William Penn Ballroom, Pittsburgh, and I enjoyed your fine message. My good friend, Judge Sam Weiss, certainly is a wonderful temporary Chairman and I would not want to disturb the situation in the least by risking making him permanent Chairman, as it is so successful just as the present organization is set up.

You are all to be congratulated on the wonderful success of the drive this year, and I will be glad to do everything that I can to give help to the recognition of the fine efforts of our United States citizens, at the time that our United States Mutual Security Bill is discussed before our House Foreign Affairs Committee.

It was a real inspiration to many of us who were present, to see the many young people who are vitally interested in the progress and security of our good friends and relatives in Israel, who have proved themselves such good allies and friends of the entire American people.

Personal regards, Juin Tulton

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April 30, 1962

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Dr. Silver has asked me to write to you advising you of the time of his arrival in Pittsburgh. He leaves New York Friday, May 4th at 3:00 P.M. on United Air Lines Flight #851 and will arrive in Pittsburgh at 3:18 P.M.

Cordially yours,

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

Rabbi Harold Silver Temple Emanuel 1250 Bower Hill Road Pittsburgh 16, Pennsylvania

May 6, 1959 The Honorable James G. Fulton Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. My dear Mr. Fulton: Thank you so much for your thoughtful letter of April 28th. It was a pleasure for me to have an opportunity of meeting you and of chatting with you. I too thought that the meeting was a very fine one. I hope that I shall have the pleasure before very long of meeting you again. With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHS :bfm

TEMPLE EMANUEL 1250 BOWER HILL ROAD PITTEBURGH 16, PA.

OFFICE OF THE RABBI OLD SILVER, M. H. L.

November 20, 1961

Dear Uncle Abba:

Thanks so much for sending on to me a copy of your new book. Both Ruth Lee and I appreciate also your kind personal inscription. I plan to dig in to your new work this weekend and I know that I will derive much knowledge and deep new insights therein. Danny told me something of your challenging thesis when I saw him last week in Washington and it sounds most provocative and original as befits all of your excellent writings.

I am wondering whether you received the photograph of Grandfather which I sent on to you several weeks ago. I hope that it was not lost in transit.

In my last letter to you I mentioned that we are planning to dedicate our new Temple this coming Spring. The Dedication Committee has finally decided upon a date and their first thought was to have me ask you to come here for that significant event in the life of our young Congregation. There will be two key Congregational and Community Services in connection with the dedication ... one on Friday evening, May 4, 1962 and one on Sunday evening, May 6, 1962. The Friday event is a Dedication Service and the Sunday evening event is a Dedication Dinner. Knowing how heavily committed your speaking calendar is I mention both of these dates so that you may decide for yourself which of these two events you might care to be the chief speaker at in connection with the Ceremonies. Sunday night's dinner capacity, in connection with our new Social Hall, is approximately 600 people. Our Friday evening combined seating capacity will probably handle close to 1300 people. I have no particular preference for either Service. Hy only consideration in the matter is that we have the great joy and privilege of having you present at one of these two milestone events in the life of our Congregation. I would be grateful to you if you could let me know your decision at your

earliest convenience so that we may begin our Community publicity in connection with the Dedication.

Danny told me of the thrilling arrival of your new granddaughter. Ruth Lee and I extend a hearty mazel tov to you and Aunt Virginia. Our new little one, Molly Ann, is developing beautifully and it is wonderful to have a baby around the house again. Mother and Father are coming tomorrow to spend the Thanksgiving Holidays with us and we are all anxiously looking forward to their visit. They will probably spend a week or two with us and then go directly to Florida.

Hoping that this note finds you in good health and high spirits and with all good wishes, I remain

As eyer,

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December 4, 1961 My dear Harold: Thank you for your letter of November 20th. I am glad to know that your new Temple will be completed this coming spring and that you are now planning the dedication ceremonies. I appreciate your gracious invitation to participate in these ceremonies. I cannot come on Sunday, May 6th, but I will be very happy to be with you for the dedication services on Friday evening, May 4th. Thank you for the photograph of grandfather which you sent me. It is very good. I send you and Ruth Lee all my good wishes and Chamukah greetings in which Aunt Virginia joins me. As ever yours. AHS :bfm Rabbi Harold Silver Temple Emenue! 1250 Power Hill Road Pittsburgh 16, Pennsylvania

March 16, 1962

Dear Rabbi Silver:

As requested in your letter to Rabbi Dan, I am enclosing six glossies and six biographies of Dr. Silver. We would appreciate your returning the photographs, if possible, after they have served their purpose.

Kind regards.

Cordially,

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UJA CALLED me re. the attached. I explained that it is impossible for you to attend a Sunday noon luncheon because of Services. They said they would supply a speaker, or a special plane so that you could arrive in Pgh. by 3 p.m., thus being the last speaker on the program. Since the members of the Tri-State area are from small communities around Pgh., Sunday noon is the only convenient time for them, and your presence would mean for the UJA three quarters of a million dollars.

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