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Ravenna, Ohio, 1918-1936.

First Congregational Church

RAVENNA, OHIO

REV. I. J. SWANSON, D. D., PASTOR

Ravenna, Ohio, Oct. 29, 1918.

Rabbi Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing to remind you of your kind promise to address our Pilgrim Brotherhood at some time, and to ask you if it would suit your convenience to come on either Wednesday or Friday evening of the last week in Nov., - the 27th or the 29th. Perhaps by that time the ban on public meetings, on account of the "flu", will be taken off. If not, and in case the dates named are not convenient for you, will you please give us the choice of some dates on which you could come. You were good enough to say that you would come without making any charge, but you will allow us to pay your traveling expenses and your hotel bill in case you should stay overnight.

Perhaps you would be willing to speak on some phase of your recent trip to France. No doubt you had many interesting experiences over there, about which we would be glad to hear.

I trust you are keeping well and that you will escape an attack of the "flu". We have comparatively few cases so far in Ravenna, I am glad to say.

I remain, cordially yours,

I. J. Swanson

February 14th, 1920

Rev. Swanson,

Ravenna, Ohio.

My dear Rev. Swanson,

Referring to your Long Distance conversation with me last Tuesday - Rabbi Silver regrets that there was any misunderstanding regarding ~~me~~ ^{his} speaking in Ravenna. He had not booked any date for you, because he has not been in a position for several months to add to the burden of his speaking engagements.

Rabbi Silver's spare time has been, and will be for a number of weeks, at the disposal of the National Committee on Jewish War Relief and Palestine Restoration. He is very much overburdened with engagements to speak and cannot take on any further obligations for the next couple of months at least.

He regrets any inconvenience the misunderstanding may have caused you.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

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OF
PORTAGE COUNTY

PROBATE AND JUVENILE COURTS
HENRY J. ROBISON, JUDGE
C. B. HARRIS, CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

RAVENNA, OHIO

ELMER BRUMBAUGH, CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER

January 27, 1936

Rabbi A. H. Silver
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.,
Cleveland, Ohio

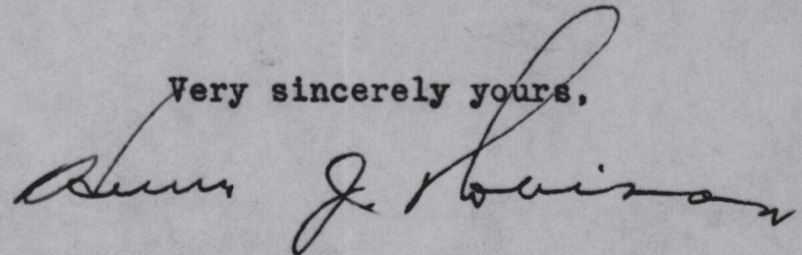
Dear Rabbi Silver:

On several different occasions I have met you at sessions of the Ohio Welfare Conference. It would be impossible for me to overstate the regard in which I hold you as a public speaker, and I say this in complete sincerity.

I am Chairman of the Program Committee of our local Kiwanis Club, and I noticed in Saturday's paper that you spoke yesterday on the subject, "My Impression of the Lindberg-Hauptmann Affair." I am wondering if you would be so kind as to advise me whether or not there would be any possibility of securing you to speak before our local Club on Tuesday, March 24, at 11:45 A. M. In the event that you can arrange to come, will you please indicate just what the charge would be for this address?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,



HJR:E

January 30, 1936

Judge Henry J. Robinson,
Probate Court of Portage County,
Ravenna, Ohio.

My dear Judge Robinson:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of January 27 and for the invitation which you extend to me to address the Kiwanis Club of Ravenna on March 24. I wish I were free to accept your generous invitation. Unfortunately I am so heavily booked up with lecture engagements for the remainder of the season that I cannot in justice to my work here accept any more. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes and thanking you again for your thoughtfulness in writing to me, I remain

Very cordially yours.

AHS:BK