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Richmond, Virginia, 1921-1958.

September twenty-sixth
1921

Mrs. M. H. Asher,
Richmond, Va.

My dear Mrs. Asher,

There is a possibility that I may be in your part of the country in February. In that case I should be very happy to accept your invitation. I shall be able to give you more definite information in a few weeks.

My remuneration would be \$100.00 and traveling expenses.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

T. E. 25

November 18th, 1921.

Mrs. M. H. Asher,
2315 W. Grace Street,
Richmond, Va.

My dear Mrs. Asher,

I can come some Tuesday the
latter part of January, say the 24th or
31st. If either of these two dates is
convenient for you, kindly let me know.

With kindest regards, I
beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,



The Beth Ababab Sisterhood

Richmond, Va. Nov 27, 1921

Rabbi A. H. Silver
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir -

Yours of the 18th to hand -

In reply, beg to say Tuesday Jan'y 17th
or Jan'y 24th would be most convenient-
dates for us to have you in Richmond.
There will be a lecture of the Council
Jewish Women on the 30th, and we prefer
not to have another on the 31st.
We are leaving the Topic to you - but

I would like to have it for the
Publicity Chairman.

Anticipating your reply, best wishes,

Very sincerely

Mrs M. H.) May D. Asher

24. 6. Thursday 4/17 -

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The Beth Ababab Sisterhood

Richmond, Va. Sept-15/21

Rabbi A. H. Silver

Cleveland, Ohio -

Dear Sir -

In June I wrote you asking if you would honor us with a lecture sometime during the coming winter. Up to the present time I have not received an answer. Will you

please let me hear from you as soon as possible - your charges &c, so I can arrange my program for the coming winter. We are affiliated with Rev. E. W. Calisch's Temple, and are anxious to have you with us, anticipating much pleasure in hearing you.

With assurance of great esteem,

I am yours most truly

Mary Dec. Asher

Recy Beth Ababale Sister

Mrs W. H. Asher.



The Beth Ababab Sisterhood

Richmond, Va. Nov 3/21

Dr. A. H. Fibner -
Cleveland Ohio.

Dear Dr. Fibner -

We want you here
in Richmond to speak for us.
Please let me know as soon as
possible - or rather when you have
definitely decided. I hope you can

arrange to come.

With best wishes

Sincerely

Mrs W. H. May Du. Asher
Recy.

2815 N. Grace Str.

November 30th, 1921.

Mrs. M. H. Asher,
The Beth Ahabah Sisterhood,
Richmond, Va.

My dear Mrs. Asher,

I shall come on January 24th,
assuming that your meeting is held in the
evening, as I have an address the night
before in Reding, Pa.

Looking forward with pleasure to
~~my~~ meeting the members of your Association,
I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,



The Beth Ababab Sisterhood

Richmond, Va. 12/13/21

Rabbi A. H. Silver -

Dear Sir -

Our meeting will be
in the evening. Then, nothing
unforeseen happening, we shall
expect you on the 24th. Let-

us know a few days ahead, when
you will arrive so someone may
meet you. Sincerely

Mrs M. H. May D. M. Asher

February 22nd, 1922

Mrs. M. H. Asher,
The Beth Ahabah Sisterhood,
Richmond, Va.

My dear Mrs. Asher,

I am writing for Rabbi Silver, to submit to you a statement of his expenses incurred on his recent trip to Richmond to address your Sisterhood. He thinks twenty-five dollars would cover his traveling expenses, and as stated in the correspondence last Fall, his honorarium is one hundred dollars.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Letter previously written to
Mrs. Asher. I gave statement
Honorarium - 100⁰⁰
Expenses approx. 25⁰⁰
125⁰⁰

February 23-22.

Dr A. H. Silver
Cheloland, Ohio -

Dear Dr Silver,

At a very recent meeting
of the Beth Abrahah Sisterhood,
a unanimous vote was tendered
you for the delightful lecture
given at our Temple -

Our Community will long
remember you and trust
that you will again honor
us with a visit -

I was requested to ask

for a statement of
expenses incurred while
in our city, which we will
be pleased to honor upon
receipt.



With very kindest regards

Very truly Yours

Mrs Henry S. Wallenstein

Seiy pro tem

Beth Abrahah Sisterhood.

Richmond - Va.

714 N. Boulevard.



The Beth Ababab Sisterhood

Richmond, Va. Dec 15/22

My Dear Dr. Kilner -

I have just returned to the city and was amazed yesterday when I read your communication that you had not received your fee for your visit to Richmond. Am enclosing check for same.

I was so sorry that owing to my health
I was ordered from the city before
your visit. And doubly sorry after I
heard all the delightful things
that were said of you. I hope that
I may have the pleasure of hearing
you in the near future. Comend
see us again!

With best wishes & again expressing
regrets that check was not forwarded
sooner, I am yours very sincerely
May D. M. Asher Secy.

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Richmond, Va.

July 6/24.

My dear Mr. Silver-, the Council
of Jewish Women are planning
to have one gala evening, to
which they will invite the men
of our community and the
general public. As a member
of the Program Committee, I

Suggested that you be the speaker
for this occasion, and they asked
me to write to you to this effect.

November, February or March
would suit me best - the date to
be set by you for your conven-
ience. Please let me hear from
you the soonest possible, so we
may make arrangements,

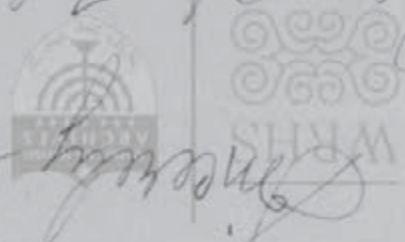
P.D. kindly let me know your
the subject we could share with

W.
Lachmann

3107 Stuart Ave.

(Mrs. J. L. Lachmann)

Wells of Lachmann -



Wells of Lachmann
Lachmann Library

And announcement in our
printer's schedule.
Please give my very
best regards to Mr. Lachmann. I hope
if perhaps the student's change
to come to, and that of you
to not meet. Also hope for a
favorable reply.

August fifteenth
1924

Mrs. Sol Ullman,
3107 Stuart Avenue,
Richmond, Va.

My dear Mrs. Ullman,

The Temple offices have been in considerable confusion during the past few weeks owing to our removal to The New Temple building. In looking through papers accumulated on Rabbi Silver's desk, I find your letter of July 6th and am wondering whether you received a reply. If you did not and you are holding the matter upon awaiting word from Rabbi Silver, I will bring the matter to his attention at once.

Regretting any inconvenience to which you may have been put,

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Richmond Va.

2/25

My dear Mr. Gilver, We are expecting
you to lecture for us in March
third, but as yet we have had no
information as to your subject.

We want to begin at
once to give publicity to this
open meeting, and would be
very grateful if you would
send a few subjects from
which to choose.

Our last speaker talked
on "Causes and Cures of Ras" - this

information I thought you'd
want to have.

With kindest regards,
hoping to hear from you at
once. Love

Sincerely -

Deleah F. | Sherman
(Mrs. J. L.)

My kindest regards to Virginia.
Please let us know exact time
of your arrival, so that we
can meet you.

Richmond, Va.

Aug. 18 / 94.

My dear Mr. Silver,

In reply to
yours of the 15th inst, want to
say that we are still holding
the matter open as per my
letter of July 6th, and would
appreciate it if an imme-
diate reply would be forth-
coming. We are planning on
making the occasion a
feature evening, and are
anxious for you to be

the speaker.

Hoping to hear

at once,

Very Sincerely,

Mrs. Sol E. Ullman,

3107 Stuart Ave.,

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Richmond,

Va.

February Sixteenth
1925

Mrs. S. E. Ullman,
3107 Stuart Avenue,
Richmond, Virginia.

My dear Mrs. Ullman,

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the eleventh. I have Richmond on my lecture schedule for March third. I would suggest one of the two lectures given below for your group. Please let me know which one you choose.

Looking forward to seeing you in the near future, and with kindest regards in which Virginia joins me, I am

Very sincerely yours,

"Is Progress a Myth"

"The Fundamental Needs of Human Life"

August Twenty-eighth
1924

Mrs. Sol E. Ullman,
3107 Stuart Avenue,
Richmond, Virginia

My dear Mrs. Ullman,

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of August eighteenth. I think that it will be possible for me to come to Richmond some time in March, if that is convenient for you. My remuneration would be \$150.00.

With kindest regards, in which Mrs. Silver joins me, ~~permit me~~ *I beg* to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Richmond, Va.

Sept. 17/
94.

My dear Mr. Silver -

~~Excuse me~~ Pardon the
delay in answering your
note, but I have recently returned
from the East.

Can you come to us
the first Tuesday in March
1925? If so please let me
know at once, so we may
make mention of it in our
winter Program, which booklet
appears very soon. We are

hoping to make this a gala
night meeting, and are eager
for you to be the principal
speaker.

Tell your nice wife
I hope she'll come too.

Very kindest regards,
wishing you all the success
in your struggle -

Sincerely -

Dele. H. Ullman.
(Mrs. J. E.)

September Twenty-fourth

Mrs. Sol E. Ullman,
Richmond, Virginia.

My dear Mrs. Ullman,

I believe I shall be able to
come to you on March third. Some time later
in the year I shall send you the subject of my
address.

Mrs. Silver wishes to be re-
membered to you.

With kindest regards, permit me
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

RABBI EDWARD N. CALISCH, PH. D.
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Scheduled to address *
Armistice day Service
here. Sorry!
Oct. 16/
1927

Rabbi A. H. Silver -
Cleveland O.
Dear Silver:

Can you arrange to come here
to Richmond, to deliver an address to the
500 or 1000 workers of the Community Fund,
at a dinner to be given ~~that~~ ^{on} ~~that~~ Evening of Nov. 11th.
There are usually two speakers of national prominence,
to inspire the workers for the drive to raise
the fund for the maintenance of all local
Charities.

If you can ~~and~~ will come it will be a
great happiness to me and my Congregation.

What fee would you ask for the occasion,
if you care to do so. -

Kindly let me hear from you as soon
as possible. -

With cordial greetings S. 2 / S. 2 N

Sincerely

E. Calisch

P.S. I have just received my copy
of your "Messianic Speculations in Israel," & I know I
am going to enjoy & profit by it. -

October Nineteenth
1927

Dr. Edward N. Calisch,

Richmond, Virginia.

My dear Calisch,

I am exceedingly sorry that your kind letter of the sixteenth finds me booked up for November the eleventh. I should love to have come to Richmond to speak in behalf of your Community Fund, but I am scheduled to address an Armistice Day service here in Cleveland on that date.

I trust I may have an opportunity at some future time to serve you and the people of Richmond.

With best wishes for the success of your campaign and reciprocating your kind greetings for the New Year, permit me to remain

Sincerely yours,

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AND ENERGIES BUT BELIEVE YOU BELIEVE ME WHEN I SAW THERE IS NO CITY
OUTSIDE YOUR OWN WHERE YOU CAN EXERT GREATER INFLUENCE AT ANY GIVEN
MEETING THAN RICHMOND STOP WILL YOU NOT COME AS OUR GUEST AND SPEAK FOR
US THAT EVENING I AM TELEGRAPHING YOU NOT ONLY IN MY OWN
CAPACITY AS CHAIRMAN OF FUND BUT BY DIRECTION AND AT EARNEST REQUEST
OF MOST REPRESENTATIVE BODY OF
CITIZENS RICHMOND EVER ASSEMBLED

JOHN STEWART BRYAN

CHAIRMAN.

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

1485 EAST 106 ST CLEVELAND OHIO

NOVEMBER ELEVENTH CITY OF RICHMOND WILL OPEN ITS FOURTH COMMUNITY
FUND CAMPAIGN LAST YEAR RICHMOND PASSED ITS OBJECTIVE AND WAS
ONE OF FEW CITIES IN AMERICA TO DO SO THIS YEAR WE FEEL OUR AIM
WOULD BE EASILY AND CERTAINLY REACHED IF WE COULD HAVE IMMENSE
ADVANTAGE YOUR INFLUENCE AND PRESENCE AT THE OUTSET STOP
I KNOW UNDER WHAT PRESSURE YOU LABOR AND HOW GREAT THE DEMANDS
ARE UPON YOUR TIME.

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DAY LETTER

October 21, 1927.

Mr. John Stewart Bryan,
Chairman, Richmond Community Fund,
Richmond, Virginia.

I should have been most happy to accept your kind invitation but I am scheduled to address a large armistice day service under the auspices of the Federated Churches of Cleveland on that day. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you

N.E.B.
11:45

A. H. Silver

THE NEWS LEADER
RICHMOND, VA.

JOHN STEWART BRYAN
PRESIDENT AND PUBLISHER

October 22, 1927.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I have your wire of the 21st, and am very sorry you cannot be with us on November 11th, but I thoroughly understand your position. I, too, hope that at some future time we will have the pleasure of hearing you speak in this city.

Believe me, with best wishes and renewed thanks for your kindness and trouble,

Very truly yours,

J. S. Bryan

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November 18, 1927

Mr. John Stewart Bryan,
Richmond Community Fund
Richmond, Va.

Regret more than I can say my inability to come.

I must be in Cleveland on Monday.

A. H. Silver



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RABBI SILVER

CLEVELAND OHIO



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SINCE MY CONVERSATION WITH YOUR SECRETARY SITUATION HAS CHANGED
AND IT WILL NOT BE NECESSARY TO ASK YOU ASSUME BURDEN COMING
TO RICHMOND NOW PRAY REMEMBER WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD ANXIOUSLY
TO HAVE YOU AS OUR GUEST IN THE FUTURE KINDEST REGARDS VERY MANY
THANKS FOR YOUR EXTREME COURTESY

JOHN S BRYAN.

TELEPHONED
FROM MAIN OFFICE

Time 7:21 P.M. Date 11/18/27
To Mrs. Silver By No 16

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RABBI A H SLIVER=

CARE THE TEMPLE E 105 ST AND ANSEL RD CLEVELAND OHIO=

HAVING A JOINT CONFERENCE MID ATLANTIC STATES COUNCILS OF
JEWISH WOMEN AND SISTERHOOD OCTOBER TWENTY FOURTH THE
CONFERENCE DESIRES TO HAVE YOU AS THE SPEAKER FOR THAT
EVENING WILL DISCUSS SUBJECT BY LETTER AFTER YOU SIGNIFY
YOUR WILLINGNESS TO COME AND STATE YOUR TERMS KINDLY WIRE
REPLY=

MRS RAYMOND STRAUS 2205 MONUMENT AVE.

Regret excc

Oct. 7th, 1928.

Mrs. Raymond Straus,
Richmond Va.

Regret exceedingly can not accept your
kind invitation for October 24th. Have
very important engagement here. Thanks.

WRHS A. H. Silver



THE NEWS LEADER

RICHMOND, VA.

JOHN STEWART BRYAN
PRESIDENT AND PUBLISHER

September 16, 1929.

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Rabbi Abba Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Again I come to prefer the request that you will bring to us in Richmond this Fall, at the opening of the Community Fund Campaign, Friday evening, November 8th, at 6 o'clock, the immense benefit and aid of your presence and personality.

We were unfortunately a little late on the other occasions when we asked you to assist us, and I trust that at this time we will not again have to defer the hope of having you in Richmond.

This is the sixth year that Richmond has run its campaign, each time with an increase of subscribers and interest. Thirty-six thousand people subscribed last year, and the work is now deeply, and I hope, permanently, imbedded in the life of this city, but the campaign has not yet touched as it should the imagination of the potential large givers. From what I have heard of you and your own attitude towards life, I feel that like Moses you could "smite the rock" of over-rich hearts and that abundant resources will flow forth. But, whether this is done or not, I am satisfied that your coming would quicken and strengthen the activities and the faith of the great mass of workers and givers of this community. Since we might well take the motto, "Hitherto hath the Lord led us", I am satisfied we can go on whether the very rich are converted or not, for there are a number of liberal men in this city, and is it not written: "The liberal man deviseth liberal things, and by liberal things shall he stand"? As a great and liberal minded man yourself, I appeal to you to come and help us. Of course, you will be our guest.

Believe me, with kind regards and best wishes,

Faithfully yours,

John Stewart Bryan

RABBI EDWARD N. CALISCH, PH. D.
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Sept. 16th, 1929.

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

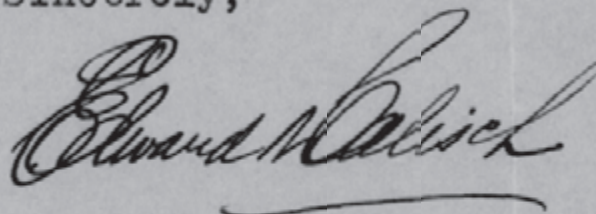
Dear Silver:-

An invitation has doubtless been extended to you to deliver the address at the opening dinner for the campaign of the Richmond Community Fund to be held early in November. The officers of the Fund are very anxious that you shall come for they feel, and I agree with them, that there is no one who can present a cause better than yourself. We tried to get you last year, but you had an Armistice speaking date. I am adding my personal solicitation to their invitation with the hope that you will be able to see your way to come.

With cordial regards and greetings from house to house,

Sincerely,

ENC/A.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Edward N. Calisch", with a horizontal line underneath.

Sept. 19th, 1929.

Rabbi Edward N. Calisch,
Richmond, Va.

My dear Rabbi Calisch:-

Thank you very much for your
letter of Sept. 16th.

I received the invitation from
the Richmond Community Fund to address their opening
meeting on Friday, November 8th. I wonder whether that
meeting will not conflict with your services on Friday
evening and whether the selection of that evening was
made with your knowledge and approval. Please let me
know at your earliest convenience for I am withholding
my answer to the Richmond people until I hear from you.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL of
CONGREGATION BETH AHABAH
of RICHMOND, VIRGINIA ™ ™
RABBI, EDWARD N. CALISCH, PH.D.
~~ISADORE FRANTZBLAU~~, EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR

OFFICE OF THE EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR
FRANKLIN AT RYLAND STREET

Sept. 23rd, 1929.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

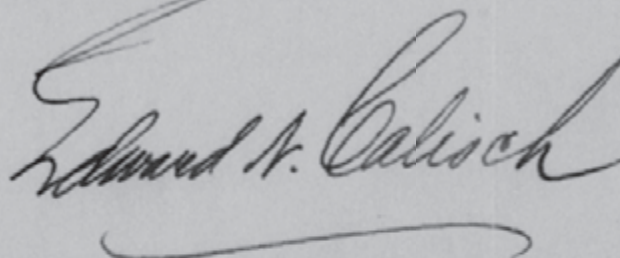
Thank you for your letter of the 19th instant. The opening meeting of the Richmond Community Fund does to a slight extent interfere with my Friday evening service, but it is one of those things that is unavoidable. The dinner begins at 6 o'clock in the evening. Many of my members are very much interested in the work, not only as active canvassers but also among the executive officers. I myself have been present at these dinners and have on several occasions made an address at them. They begin on Friday night because it is necessary for them to make all preparations both physical and mental so as to open up the drive on Monday morning.

It is very nice of you to make inquiries regarding interference with my service. I appreciate it, but please do not let this detain you, for, as I have said, I myself have participated in the program of these dinners on more than one occasion. I trust that you will see your way to accept the invitation and to assure you that there will be great pleasure afforded here if you do.

With cordial greetings and best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

ENC/A.



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RABBI H SILVER

834
CLEVELAND OHIO

ON BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF RICHMOND I THANK YOU
IN ANTICIPATION FOR YOUR GRACIOUS PROMISE TO COME STOP MEETING NIGHT
OF NOVEMBER EIGHTH WILL BE ARRANGED SO YOU CAN LEAVE AT EIGHT
TWENTY BEST REGARDS

JOHN STEWART BRYAN.

Oct. 2d, 1929

DAY LETTER TO

JOHN STEWART BRYAN
THE NEWS LEADER
RICHMOND VA.

Carol

IF IT CAN BE ARRANGED FOR ME TO LEAVE RICHMOND
EIGHT TWENTY FRIDAY EVENING SO THAT I CAN BE HOME BY
SATURDAY AFTERNOON I SHALL BE VERY HAPPY TO ACCEPT YOUR
INVITATION TO ADDRESS COMMUNITY FUND CAMPAIGN.

A. H. SILVER



THE NEWS LEADER
RICHMOND, VA.

JOHN STEWART BRYAN
PRESIDENT AND PUBLISHER

October 2, 1929.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I am delighted to have your wire, and to know that you will be with us at 6 p.m., Friday, November 8th. We will arrange the meeting so that you can leave on the 8:20 that evening.

Will you be good enough to let me know at your convenience when you expect to arrive in Richmond, and if you can change your mind and stay longer, it would be most gratifying to us to be able to show you some of our great city.

It is very good of you to come, and I thank you for myself and for the good citizens of this community.

Believe me, with kind regards,

Faithfully yours,

John Stewart Bryan

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East 105th Street at Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Mr. Guild has asked me to write you requesting that you send us a picture to be used in the newspapers with a story prior to your coming to Richmond to make the opening speech for the Community Fund Drive.

If you will be good enough to send this photograph immediately, I shall be very grateful.

Very truly yours,

Mary Weston Tucker -

Publicity Secretary.

Oct. 8th, 1929.

Mary Weston Tucker, Publicity Sec'y.,
Richmond Community Fund,
Richmond, Virginia.

My dear Miss Tucker:-

Complying with your request in your
letter of October 4th, I am enclosing herewith a photo-
graph of Rabbi Silver to be used in your publicity.

May I ask that after same has served
your purpose that you return it to us.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

RICHMOND COMMUNITY FUND
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RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

ARTHUR ALDEN GUILD
DIRECTOR

November 1, 1929.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

We are very happy to
learn that you are to be the
principal speaker at the
opening meeting of our Community
Fund campaign, Friday evening,
November 8th.

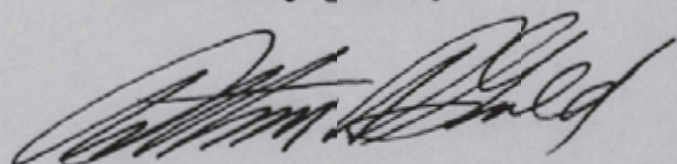
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We appreciate very much
your kindness in coming to us
at this time.

If you will be so kind
as to let us know the time you
expect to arrive, we shall meet
you at your train.

With best personal wishes,
I am

Cordially yours,



NOV. 4th, 1929.

Mr. Arthur Alden Guild,
Richmond Community Fund,
Allison Bldg.,
Richmond, Va.

My dear Mr. Guild:-

Permit me to thank you for your letter
of November first.

I am looking forward with pleasure to
my visit to Richmond. I plan to arrive in Richmond
Friday afternoon at 12:37.

Please make reservations for me on
the B. & O. leaving Richmond at 8:20 p. m. Friday for
Pittsburgh.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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RABBI SILVER

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November 12, 1929.

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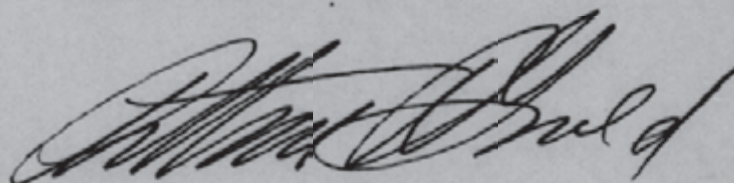
Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your speech at our opening dinner last Friday night has made a tremendous impression for good in our city. I am told by all who heard your talk that it was the best they ever heard on social work. We deeply appreciate your kindness in helping us as you have. Please accept our sincere thanks.

If you will let us have a statement of your expenses, we shall send you a check immediately.

With best personal wishes, I am

Cordially yours,



Nov. 15th, 1929.

Mr. Arthur A. Guild,
Richmond Community Fund,
Allison Bldg.,
Richmond, Va.

My dear Mr. Guild:-

Permit me to thank you for your note of
November 12th and for the clippings which you sent me.

I need not tell you that I enjoyed my
visit to Richmond tremendously. I hope that you will more
than reach your quota.

We are getting ready for our Community
Fund Drive which begins next Monday. The recent slump in
the stock market is an unfortunate prelude to the campaign
but we shall make every effort to surmount this difficulty.

My traveling expenses amounted to \$40.

With kindest regards and best wishes,
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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VIRGINIA-NORTH CAROLINA-SOUTH CAROLINA-FLORIDA

November 15, 1929

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

THE TEMPLE

Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver: In this busy world perhaps it is a good thing for men and women to go about doing their bit, little expecting the applause of men. Perhaps so. It certainly is fine that men can be big and generous even without the commendation of their fellows, and yet I think we are still human enough to appreciate the approval of our efforts even from strangers.

I was one of the inconspicuous group who heard your very remarkable address at the opening of our Community Fund campaign in Richmond and I have not heard a more inspiring message on this theme. You certainly brought conviction with your earnest and sincere eloquence, and I want to thank you for what you did for me. Rabbi Calisch made a very forceful address to day.

Maybe it is because I am working in that very difficult field of human relations, but I honestly think we are making some progress in building bridges over these ugly chasms caused by class and racial prejudice. Your visit made a real contribution. You have my sincere thanks,

Yours faithfully,

L. R. Reynolds

Nov. 19th, 1929.

Mr. L. R. Reynolds,
Commission on
Interracial Cooperation,
Richmond, Va.

My dear Mr. Reynolds:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind
letter of November 15th.

I need not tell you that I appreciate
your thoughtfulness in writing to me. I enjoyed my
visit to Richmond tremendously and I hope that it was in
some small measure helpful in your community reaching
its goal.

The field in which you are working is
of course very difficult, but I know of nothing more vital
or more important in the life of the American people than
the fostering of better understanding and opportunities
for cooperation between the various racial groups which
make up our composite national life.

With kindest regards, permit me
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Enclosed is our check for \$40.00 to cover expenses incurred by you in coming to Richmond.

I regret to say that the break in the stock market coming in the midst of our campaign caused us to fail in securing the amount needed by our social agencies. The rank and file of the city, who were solicited by the workers who attended the meeting addressed by yourself, gave their quota. The big gifts committee fell short in reaching its quota by \$62,000. We all feel sure that Cleveland will, as usual, overcome all difficulties and reach its goal.

Please permit me again to express our deep appreciation for your kindness in coming to us and giving us a valuable inspiration. The people who heard you are still talking about the wonderful effect your speech had on your audience.

With best personal wishes, I am

Cordially yours,


Director.

3408 Park Avenue, Apt. 9,
Richmond, Virginia,
December 19th, 1936.

Dr. Aber Hiller Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Richmond Chapter of Senior Hadassah cordially invites you to be its guest speaker at its annual "Donors' Luncheon" to be held the second week in March, 1937.

If you find it convenient to be with us on this occasion, kindly advise me the subject of your address, and all necessary information relative to incidentals.

We desire to arrange our program at the earliest practicable date in order to give the same due publicity.

Trusting to receive your prompt reply, and with assurances of our deep personal esteem, I am,

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Evelyn A. Watts

(MRS.) EVELYN A. WATTS.
Chairman, Donors' Luncheon.

December 22, 1936

Mrs. Evelyn A. Watts,
3408 Park Avenue,
Richmond, Va.

My dear Mrs. Watts:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of December 12 and for the invitation which you extend to me to be guest speaker at the annual "Donors' Luncheon" of the Richmond Chapter of Senior Hadassah sometime in March, 1937. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately, my schedule for the remainder of the season is so crowded with lecture engagements, both local and out-of-town, that I cannot take on any more obligations. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

DR. GERALD A. EZEKIEL, Commander
1652 West Grace Street

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JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES

Richmond Post No. 155



Richmond, Va.

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER

April 18, 1939.

Rabbi Hillel Silver,

Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi:-

The Richmond Post of the J.W.V. have been working on a benefit dance for the past month. This dance will be held Wednesday April 26th, the night you will be in Richmond. As dances always start late, we do not think there will be any conflict. However, the purpose of this letter is to invite you to our dance, and on behalf of the Richmond Post, I wish to say that we sincerely hope you will be able to be with us a while that evening.

Very sincerely,

Gerald A. Ezekiel
Commander.

April 20, 1939

Dr. Gerald A. Ezekiel, Commander
Richmond Post No. 155
Jewish War Veterans of the United States
1652 West Grace Street
Richmond, Va.

My dear Dr. Ezekiel:

Let me thank you for your kindness in inviting me to attend the dance arranged by the Jewish War Veterans on April 26. Inasmuch as I am scheduled to speak at the opening of the Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign in Richmond that night, it will be quite impossible for me to attend your function.

I am also wondering whether it is quite the thing to do to hold another Jewish function in the city at the time when the community has arranged an important meeting in connection with the United Jewish Appeal. While it is, of course, true that your dance will start late, your action may subject your Post to considerable criticism. The major thought of Jewish communities today should be concentrated on the causes included in the United Jewish Appeal, and in my humble judgment, no other functions should be held in a community at the time when the Campaign is opening.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER

April 22, 1939.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
National Chaplain J.W.V.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi,

I am fully in accord with what you say relative to two affairs the same night. We carefully checked before selecting the night for our dance, and the Secretary of the Richmond Jewish Community Council was present at this meeting at which we decided to go ahead on that night. The date did not register with him, and about three weeks later, by telegraphic messages and in a great hurry without looking into things, the Council decided upon our night. We had gone too far to call it off. Tickets had been sold all around town, music and a hall engaged, so after communicating with the President of the Council, and explaining to him, we were advised that this was the only date they could get you, and it was just unavoidable, so under these circumstances, our association has let things stand, and while we know it will hurt our affair considerably, it is just one of those things that could not be helped. We have been advised they hope to get well under way by 8:20, and I judge your address will hardly take over an hour, so that by 9:30 to 10:00, the meeting will be over, and thus the conflict minimized.

J.W.V. is having an uphill pull here in Richmond, and for this reason also we regret the dance and meeting being the same night.

Most sincerely,

Gerald A. Ezekiel

Congregation Beth Ahabah

- ORGANIZED 1841 -

1117 West Franklin Street

Richmond 20, Virginia

RABBI

ARIEL L. GOLDBURG, D. D.

November 7, 1952

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

Dear Abba:

I have been very anxious to have you come to Richmond for a long time, and at last I can offer you the opportunity if you will be available.

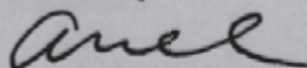
Our Sisterhood and Brotherhood sponsor each year a joint dinner, which is a combined social and spiritual affair. They try to invite some outstanding speaker who gives the lecture. Can I prevail upon you to honor us with your presence this year?

I can give you the following dates: Tuesday January 6, 20 or 27. These three are our first preferences. Secondly, Wednesday the 14th or 28th; this is our second preference. Third, we can give you any Monday. The program starts at approximately 6:30 so that it would be possible for you to come by plane on the same day that you would be here.

I am authorized to offer you an honorarium of \$200.00 plus your expenses. It is my hope, of course, that you would bring your good wife with you. I realize that the amount we have to spend is not a large one, but I am hoping that you will make an effort to be with us. I would appreciate it deeply if you would write at once, giving me your choice of dates.

My family and I speak often of our trip back on the "Ile de France", and above all, we enjoyed the opportunity it gave us of knowing you better. With fondest regards to you and your dear ones, I am

Sincerely,



ARIEL L. GOLDBURG
Rabbi

ALG/cs

November 20, 1952

Rabbi Ariel L. Goldberg
Congregation Beth Ahavah
1117 West Franklin Street
Richmond 20, Virginia

My dear Ariel:

Thank you so much for your gracious invitation contained in your letter of November 7th asking me to address your Sisterhood and Brotherhood meeting some time in January. I wish I were free to come. However, I am not in position to accept any out-of-town engagements during the month of January. My congregation has arranged a few functions in honor of my 35th anniversary here as well as my 60th birthday, and in February Mrs. Silver and I will probably go away for a few weeks' rest. I hope that I may be of service to you at some future time.

Please remember me to your dear wife and your charming daughters. We were so happy to meet them and to get to know them on our trip home.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

Congregation Beth Ahabah

— ORGANIZED 1841 —

1117 West Franklin Street
Richmond 20, Virginia

RABBI

ARIEL L. GOLDBURG, D. H. L., D. D.

January 11, 1957

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

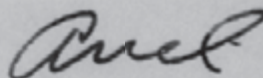
Dear Dr. Silver:

I am writing this letter reluctantly for I know how busy you are. The Richmond Jewish Community Council has asked me to contact you about speaking before a large community gathering on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal. We could hold our affair the latter part of February or the first part of March.

If there is any possibility for you to make it and you can select a suitable date, I would be happy to go into this matter a little further.

In the meantime may I send you and your dear wife our fondest regards and greetings.

Sincerely yours,



ARIEL L. GOLDBURG,
Rabbi

ALG:ra

Richmond Jew etc

January 17, 1957

Dr. Ariel L. Goldberg
Congregation Beth Ahabah
1117 West Franklin Street
Richmond 20, Virginia

My dear Ariel:

Let me thank you for your letter of January 11th.

I deeply appreciate the gracious invitation of the Richmond Jewish Community Council to address a meeting in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal the latter part of February or the first part of March.

I wish I were free to accept. Unfortunately I am so heavily booked with engagements for the rest of the season that I cannot, in justice to myself, take on any further responsibilities.

I trust that you are well and with kindest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:sl

Congregation Beth Ahabah

— ORGANIZED 1841 —

1117 West Franklin Street

Richmond 20, Virginia

RABBI

ARIEL L. GOLDBURG, D. H. L., D. D.

ASSISTANT RABBI

DONALD HESKINS

December 24, 1958

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

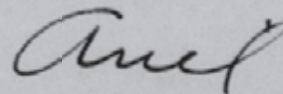
Dear Abba:

I know how busy you are and I therefore feel a sense of reluctance in writing you this letter. Unfortunately, though in America we only have one Abba Hillel Silver, and my community has asked me to impose on your good graces.

We expect to have combined services of all Congregations, Orthodox, Conservative and Reform at our Temple on Friday night, March 13 to inaugurate the Jewish Welfare Fund Drive. Is it at all possible for you to accept that date and be our speaker of the evening? If you can possibly make it, I will appreciate it and if you can't I will certainly understand.

My wife and daughters join me in greetings and good wishes to you, your dear wife and your sons.

Sincerely yours,



ARIEL L. GOLDBURG,
Rabbi

ALG:ra

December 26, 1958

Rabbi Ariel L. Goldberg
Congregation Beth Ahabah
1117 West Franklin Street
Richmond 20, Virginia

Dear Rabbi Goldberg:

Dr. Silver is currently on a world tour from which he will not return until towards the end of February. He has asked me to hold all invitations until his return, as he does not want to make any commitments while abroad.

If you desire for me to hold your request until then I shall be happy to do so. I am sure Dr. Silver will understand, however, if you need to complete your program as soon as possible.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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