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South Bend, Indiana, 1927-1954.

Western Reserve Historical Society 10825 East Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio 44106 (216) 721-5722 wrhs.org American Jewish Archives 3101 Clifton Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45220 (513) 487-3000 AmericanJewishArchives.org Rabbi William M. Stern South Bend. Indiana

Nov. 3, 1927.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Men's Club of Temple Beth-El of South Bend is having a series of lectures to be open to the general public at a nominal charge and I am instructed to write you to see if we can have the pleasure of having you as one of our speakers.

Would it be possible for you to come to South Bend during the first or second week in December, excepting Tuesday the 13th? If you cannot come at this time, what about a date in February? If not then, either, please tell us what dates you have open and what expense will be involved.

I just recently organized this group and I am very anxious to make a success of this venture. I realize that it is rather late in the year to write you as no doubt your schedule is very heavy, but 'nothing ventured, nothing gained', and as I have indicated, it was not possible to communicate with you sconer. I would deeply appreciate if you will make a special effort to be with us. The members of the Club are very enthusiastic at the present time and I feel that your presence here will have a very salutary effect upon the future of our organization.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

miliamtulter

WMS:RS

November 23d, 1927.

Rabbi William M. Stern, South Bend, Ind.

My dear Rabbi :-

Permit me to thank you for your kind invitation to address the Men's Club of Temple Beth-El.

I wish I could see my way clear to accept, but unfortunately I am so crowded with lecture engagements this season, that I cannot in justice to myself accept any more.

Perhaps at some future time, I may be able to be of service to you.

With kindest regards permit me to

Very sincerely yours,

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June 27-1929

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, 10311 Lake Shore Bldv., Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver :-

We have an inquiry for your services at South Bend. The appearance to be sometime during the coming winter season.

Will you please let me know if you would go there and what the terms would be.

Sincerely yours, ette Secretary

REB:G

July 1st, 1929.

Mr. R. E. Barnette, The Alber Bureau, 3608 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Barnette:-

In reply to your letter of June 27th permit me to say that it may be possible for me to go to South Bend on some week night (other than Friday. Saturday or Sunday evening) during the winter season. My customary remuneration is \$250.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, 5. 105th & Ansel Rd.,

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Dear Mabbi Silver:-

Cleveland, Ohio.

I thank you for your letter regarding the engagement for South Bend.

The date, 1 think they want, is December 10th, but the maximum fee that they can pay is \$250. The engagement was booked through our representative. Would you be willing to take this engagement at \$250, paying us 20% of the fee?

You can leave Cleveland at noon on December 10th, and be back in Cleveland by morning on the 11th. 1 think you would find it a very nice engagement. It is a six o'clock dinner affair, and you would be able to leave on the night train.

I would appreciate it if you would let me know if these terms are acceptable.

Sincerely yours,

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REB:G

July 3d, 1929.

Mr. R. E. Barnette. The Alber Bureau, 3605 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Barnette:-

Thank you for your kind letter. It may be possible for me to accept an engagement at South Bend on December 10th. Before I definitely accept it however. I shall have to know the name of the organization.

I shall be pleased to pay you this time 20% of the honorarium. However I shall not pay any such commission in the future. I have refused to join a lecture Bureau because I have had no need for its services. I receive more lecture requests than I can possibly take care of. In the future if you care to submit any engagements to me, it must be on the basis of a 10% maximum commission.

With kindest regards, permit me

to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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July 10-1929

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

July 3rd.

Miss Barnette is away from the office on her vacation, but I feel very certain that we will want December 10th for South Bend. Will it be possible for you to hold this matter open for us for a couple of weeks? We will advise you definitely at that time.

Sincerely yours,

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July 26-1929

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

Dear Rabbi Silver :-

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Miss Barnette is away from the office, but we have word today from South Bend asking us to reserve November 19th for your services, with just a possibility that they might later wish to change to October 15th.

Will you kindly advise whether these two dates are still available?

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Sept. 4th, 1929.

Miss Marie E. Grosse, c/o The Alber Bureau, 3608 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Grosset-

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 26th addressed to Rabbi Silver.

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Kindly refer to our letter of July 3d to Mr. H. E. Barnette in which Rabbi Silver stated that before definitely accepting the South Bend invitation it would be necessary for him to know the name of the organisation. I am tentatively holding November 19th for South Bend and would appreciate it very much if you will kindly give us the information requested in our letter of July 3d.

With kindest regards, permit me

to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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Miss Irene Rothenberg, Secretary to Rabbi Silver, E. 105th & Ansel Rd., Cleveland, Ohio.

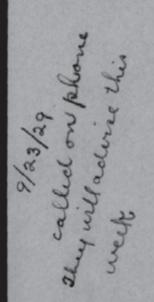
Dear Miss Mothenberg :-

I have your letter addressed to Miss Grosse, and 1 find that we did reply to Mabbi Silver's letter of July 3rd.

The auspices at South Bend are the Knife & Fork Club, one of the leading clubs in this country. The president of this club has been away on vacation, but I have written him that he must give us a definite answer immediately as to whether he is planning to use Rabbi Silver on November 19th or December 10th. I know they are having considerable difficulty in get their dates settled, but I hope to have a reply from him very soon.

Sincerely) yours cretary.

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Secretary to Rabbi A. H. Silver, 10311 Lake Shore Blvd.,

Dear Madam :-

Cleveland, Ohio.

I have finally received a letter from Judge Deahl of South Bend, Indiana, and he finds now that they will need to change their plans somewhat regarding speakers. He says they have the following three dates open: January 21, February 18 and April 15, and I would appreciate it if you would drop me a line letting me know if Rabbi Silver would be available for any one of these three dates.

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Sept. 30th, 1929.

Miss R. E. Barnette, The Alber Bureau, Cleveland, Ohio.

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My dear Miss Barnette:-

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Sept. 26th.

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The date of April 15th, 1930 is acceptable to Habbi Silver. If this date is also agreeable to the South Bend people, will you kindly confirm it?

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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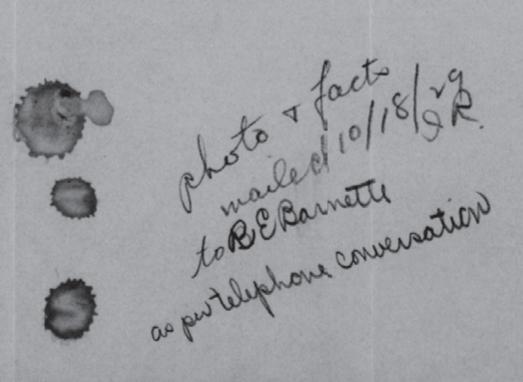
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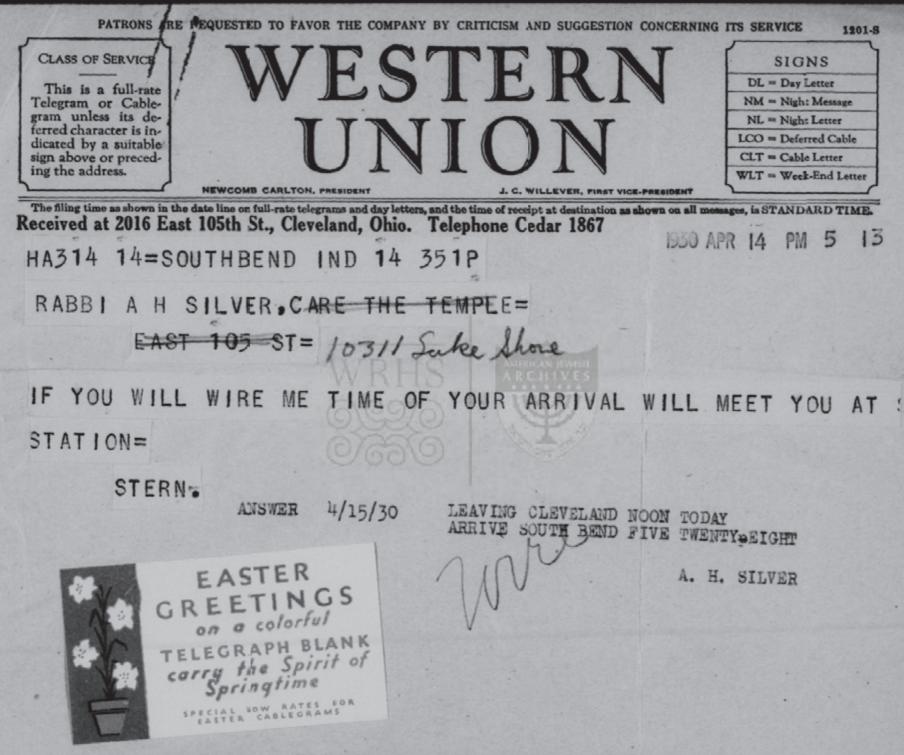
This is definite confirmation of April 15th for the Knife and Fork Club at South Bend, Indiana. The man in charge is Judge Orlo R. Deahl.

He will probably want a couple of good photographs and some press stories concerning Rabbi Silver, and 1 will appreciate it if you will send this material direct to him,

Since rely yours. tto cretary.







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May 15-1930

Rabbi Allah Silver, 10311 Lake Shore Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver :-

Enclosed you willfind check in the amount of \$200 covering the South Bend engagement.

Please pardon the delay in getting this check to you, but Miss Barnette had been ill and away from the office for the past four weeks. We trust the delay has not inconvenienced you.

Sincerely yours,

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Office of the Principal



SANDUSKY HIGH SCHOOL

Sandusky, Ohio

December 30, 1936

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

My good friend, Superintendent Bunn of Lorain, and I were discussing good Commencement speakers. He told me that he had secured you for his midyear graduation exercises. If you are going to give some dates to high schools, I want Sandusky to be among those that have the privilege of hearing you.

Our Commencement Exercises will be held Thursday, June 10, at 8:00 P.M. We expect about twenty-five hundred people to attend. If you can accept this date, what will your fee be for this service?

Yours very truly,

Karl E. Whinnery Principal

KEW:EB

December 31, 1936

Mr. Karl E. Whinnery, Principal, Sandusky High School, Sandusky, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Whinnery:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of December 30 and for the invitation which you extend to me to deliver the Commencement Address on Thursday, June 10. It may be possible for me to come to you on that evening. My honorarium would be \$100.

With all good wishes, permit me

to remain

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Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

KARL E. WHINNERY, PRINCIPAL

January 5, 1937

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The honorarium of \$100 for delivering our Commencement Address is satisfactory with us. We are delighted that you are able to accept the date and will consider the date closed.

I shall write you more in detail about our Commencement a few weeks before June 10.

Yours very truly,

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Karl E. Whinnery Principal

KEW: EB

North Central Indiana Teachers' Association

228 South St. Joseph Street South Bend, Indiana

January twenty-seventh 1937

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Executive Committee of the North Central Indiana Teachers' Association will meet on February 13, to plan the program for its annual meeting, which will be held \checkmark October 21 and 22, 1937.

We are writing to inquire whether you would be available on these days. If so, what would your rate be for one, two, and three lectures? We are anxious to know so that we may submit these figures to the Executive Committee.

As soon as the meeting is over, we shall notify you of the action taken.

NORTH CENTRAL INDIANA TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

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January 28, 1937

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Mr. Galen B. Sargent, North Central Indiana Teachers' Association, 228 South St. Joseph Street, South Bend, Indiana.

My dear Mr. Sargent:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of January 27. It would have given me great pleasure to address the teachers of your Association on October 21 and 22. I have, however, already accepted invit tions from the New York State Teachers Association for those two dates and I must therefore forego the pleasure of coming to you this season. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

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SANDUSKY HIGH SCHOOL

Sandusky, Ohio

May 12, 1937

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Very soon now we will want to make an announcement that you are to give our Commencement Address on June 10. You are well enough known that we don't need any particular explanation about who you are. However, we would like to be accurate in what we do say. If you have any material you would prefer to have us use, I would be glad to have it early next week. We could use some newspaper mats, if available.

Yours very truly,

arl E. Whinnery E.B.

Karl E. Whinnery Principal

KEW: EB

May 14, 1937

Karl E. Whinnery, Principal, Sandusky High School, Sandusky, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Whinnery:

As per your request of May 12, I am enclosing herewith a photograph of Rabbi Silver and a short biographic sketch which you may use in your publicity.

Very since ely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

Office of the Principal



SANDUSKY HIGH SCHOOL

Sandusky, Ohio

June 8, 1937

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple E. 105th Street at Ansel Rd. Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

This is to remind you that we are expecting you Thursday evening to deliver our Commencement Address. The Exercises will be held at the Junior High School which is near the downtown section. If you will let me know when you get to town, I will have someone call for you.

I neglected to tell you in previous letters that we count on a Commencement Address of about thirty-five to forty minutes in length. No doubt you have made enough of them to know what is expected along this line.

Sincerely yours,

Karl E. Whinnery E.B.

Karl E. Whinnery Principal

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INDIANA UNION OF JEWISH YOUTH

602 S. Michigan St.,

SOUTH BEND. INDIANA.

October 28, 1937

Rabbi Abbah Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Indiana Union of Jewish Youth, a state-wide council of Jewish Youth Agencies will inaugurate its second lecture series starting next month, and continuing for several months.

We are the only organization in this section to undertake a series of this type, and had a very successful series last winter and spring. Among the noted lecturers, we had Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, and Louis Untermeyer, and we would like to know if you would be interested in participating in this series, and at what honorarium.

The first Tuesday of every month is convenient for us, though any suggested date at your convenience would probably be acceptable.

May we hear from you shortly?

INDIANA UNION OF JEWISH YOUTH

Henry Feferman

Henry Feferman President

HF/m

Very truly yours,

November 1, 1957

Mr. Henry Feferman, President, Indiana Union of Jewish Youth, 602 S. Michigan Street, Bouth Bend, Indiana.

My dear Mr. Feferman:

I deeply appreciate your kind letter of October 28 and the invitation which you extend to me to address your organization sometime this season. I wish I were free to come. Unfortun tely, my schedule is so crowded with out-of-town lecture engagements, that I cannot accept any more.

Hoping that I may be of service at some future time and with best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Jan. 10, 1940

Frank E. Allan Superintendent Public Schools South Bend, Indiana

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ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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41 EAST 42nd STREET NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

March 7, 1949

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Ohio Valley Zionist Region is holding its Annual Regional Convention in South Bend on May 22. I believe you have never appeared before the Annual Convention of this Region, and they are most earnest in their request that you grace this gathering.

Mr. Shoolem Ettinger, President of the Region, would like to have you address the Evening Session and Mass Meeting on that date -- May 22. South Bend is not too far from Cleveland, and I hope you will find it possible to accept this invitation and enter the date on your calendar.

I have not pressed you for many such appearances this year, as you know, but I strongly urge you to accept this one.

Sincerely yours,

Carl Alpert Director Education Dept.

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41 EAST 42nd STREET NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

March 24, 1949

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

Dear Dr. Silver

Mr. Shoolem Ettinger, President of the Ohic Valley Region, is pressing us with respect to the invitation to you to address the evening session and mass meeting of the Region's Annual Convention in South Bend, Indiana, on Sunday May 22.

I hope you will find it possible to accept, and to advise us accordingly at your earliest opportunity.

Sincerely yours,

Carl Alpert / Director Education Dept.

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TELEPHONE

MU 2-3205

Mr. Carl Alpert Zionist Organization of America Ll East 42nd Street New York 17, New York

My dear Mr. Alpert:

I should very much like to come to the meeting of the Ohio Valley Region in South Bend on Sunday, May 22nd. Unfortunately, I cannot leave Cleveland on Sunday. I must be in my own pulpit. On this particular Sunday the Jewish War Veterans of Cleveland are having a special service at The Temple which I am addressing.

Please convey my regrets to Mr. Shoolem Ettinger, and convey to him, and through him to the Region, my good wishes.

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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Temple Beth-El

SOUTH BEND, INDIANA

LAFAYETTE AT MADISON STREETS

march 14, 1950

Dear Dr. Silver:

Our congregation is planning the dedication of its new Demple on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 19, 20 and 21.

We would be Righly Ronored if your would accept own invitation to give the Dedication Sermon on Friday evening. May 19⁴. Needless to say that I, personally, would be most grateful.

awaiting your early reply and with warm regards, I am

Sincerely albert N. Shulman

March 16, 1950

Rabbi Albert M. Shulman Temple Beth-El Lafayette at Madison Streets South Bend, Indiana

My dear Friends

I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to give the dedication sermon on the occasion of the celebration of your new temple on Friday evening, May 19th. I wish I were free to come, as I should regard it as a high honor indeed to dedicate a new place of worship. Unfortunately, I am not free to leave Cleveland that week. That is the week of our own Temple Centennial celebration with many activities scheduled, including an anniversary service and a banquet. It is also the week immediately preceding the Confirmation Service. Reluctantly, therefore, I must forego the pleasure of being with you. I wish you every success in your new temple, and I congratulate you and your fellowship.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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RABBI ALBERT M. SHULMAN TEMPLE BETH-EL SOUTH BEND, INDIANA

OCTOBER 12, 1954

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER THE TEMPLE CLEVELAND, OHIO.

DEAR RABBI SILVER:

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YOU WILL RECALL THAT ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS I ASKED YOU TO COME TO SOUTH BEND TO OCCUPY THE PULPIT OF TEMPLE BETH-EL. YOU DID NOT SAY NO, BUT DID SUG-GEST THAT I CONTACT YOU AGAIN AT SOME FUTURE TIME.

THIS YEAR OUR CONGREGATION IS OBSERVING ITS FIFTIETH JUBILEE YEAR AND IT WOULD BE THE HIGHLIGHT OF OUR GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION IF YOU WOULD BE OUR GUEST AT A FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE.

I KNOW OF THE MANY DEMANDS MADE UPON YOU, LOCALLY AND NATIONWIDE, YET IT WOULD MEAN VERY MUCH TO ME PERSONALLY AND TO OUR CONGREGATION IF YOU CAN ACCEPT THIS INVITATION EITHER FOR DECEMBER 10TH OR 24TH.

MY WARM PERSONAL REGARDS AND MAY THE NEW YEAR 5715 BE RICH WITH THE BLESSINGS OF HEALTH AND HAPPI-NESS FOR YOU AND ALL YOUR LOVED ONES.

MOST SINCERELY,

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October 27, 1954

Rabbi Albert M. Shulman Temple Beth-El South Bend, Indiana

My dear Albert:

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I appreciate very much your gracious invitation to come to South Bend for a Friday evening service in connection with your Fiftieth Jubilee. I really do wish I were free to come. Unfortunately, I have committed myself to so many tercentenary engagements all over the country for this coming season, that I cannot, in justice to myself, take on any additional out of town engagements. There is also the possibility of my being out of the country for a good part of the season. I trust that you will understand.

With all good wishes for a happy year, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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