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Winnetka, Illinois, 1921, 1930.

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February 12, 1921.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

We are preparing the program for the Lake Shore Division of the Illinois State Teachers' Association which meets April 22nd in Evanston. There will be about 1200 teachers, principals, supervisors and superintendents in the meeting. Our program is still in the formative state, but we are hoping that we may be able to have you on it. Will you please let me know whether you will be free on that date, what your charges would be for a lecture, and on what topics you usually speak? I shall appreciate a prompt reply, as we shall have to make our decision shortly.

Sincerely yours,

C. W. Washburne
(RA)

February 18th, 1921

Mr. Carleton W. Washburn,
Superintendent of Public Schools,
Winnetka, Illinois

My dear Mr. Washburn,

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the twelfth. I would be pleased to accept your invitation to address the Lake Shore Division of the Illinois State Teachers Association, on April 22nd, but unfortunately, I cannot leave Cleveland on April 22nd, as it is the beginning of one of our principal Holidays.

I could come on the 21st of April, if that date be convenient for you. Please let me know and I will send you further details.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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March 18, 1921.

Rabbi Alla Hillel Silver,
55th Street and Central,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I am sorry that you are unable
to come for the 22nd. That is the date of our meeting and
we will not be able to change it to April 21st.

Regretting that we cannot have
you with us, I am

Sincerely yours,



C. W. Washburn

PARENT-TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION
OF WINNETKA
~~SKOKIE SCHOOL~~
WINNETKA, ILLINOIS

1111 Cherry Street.

June 8th, 1930.

Rabbi A.H. Silver,

105th Street,

Cleveland, Ohio.

My Dear Rabbi Silver:—

Here in Winnetka we plan next fall to have two dinner meetings on education. One will be on October 13th, the other on November 3rd. Both will emphasize "Education for What." It is the wish of our organization that I write and ask you what the chances might be of your speaking to us at one of these meetings. We would like to know, please.

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- 1st. What your charge is for such an address.
- 2nd. If there is a chance of your being here for either meeting.
- 3rd. What travelling expenses might be
- 4th. If there is any organization that might share them with us.
- 5th. What you would choose as the subject of a talk.
- 6th. Whether you would prefer to talk to the parents of older or younger children

May we please hear from you soon.
Thanking you for an early reply and
for your consideration

I am yours sincerely
Dorothy H. Cole .
(Mrs. Lawrence)

PARENT-TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION
OF WINNETKA
SKOKIE SCHOOL
WINNETKA, ILLINOIS

1111 Cherry Street.
June 10th, 1930.

My Dear Dr. Silver: -

Many thanks for your prompt reply to my letter. Someday I hope we will be able to hear you here in Winnetka. Now our plans have changed somewhat and we have decided to have our October 12th meeting a symposium on education using our local school people as speakers. So we thank you just the same and wish to remain

yours sincerely
Dorothy H. Cole.

Carol

June 11th, 1930

Mrs. Lawrence Cole,
1111 Cherry St.,
Winnetka, Ill.

My dear Mrs. Cole:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind
letter of June 8th.

It may be possible for me to come to
your organization Monday evening, October 13th. My
customary honorarium is \$250.

I am scheduled to be at the University
of Chicago on Sunday, Nov. 9th. I could give you a lecture
on Monday, Nov. 10th. The honorarium then would be \$150.

Upon hearing from you I shall indicate
one or two subjects for the address.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I met you with Dr. Artman at the
Religious Education Association at Cleveland.

I am asking you if you will come to
Winnetka for the evening of February eighteenth or
twenty-fifth and give an address which would be the
second in a series of three addresses we are planning.

The first lecture is on "The Spirit
of Village Life." We are asking Dr. Chase of the
University of Illinois to give this. We want him to
deal with all the elements that should be guarded and
also if possible to look to the future.

The second, the one we wish you to give,
is "Organizing the Community Around the Child." There
has been no outstanding pronouncement on this theme as
far as I know. The state was once the center around
which life was organized but now we are more and more
thinking of the child as this center.

The third evening will be a glance back
at early ideals and traditions of our village life and
a look into the future. Three local men will approach
this from the social, educational and religious aspects.

We are a suburb on the north shore of
Chicago, organized as a village. Some of us are anxious
that the life of this village which has been unique in
many ways should not be overwhelmed by the ever approaching
city. We do want to look ahead and if possible give
direction to the development of our community life. We
want to keep what is best and discard the things which
ought to be discarded. We are not satisfied just to drift
into what we may become.

The Board of Governors of Community House
feel that this is a service which we ought to render to
our community. So we, believing you can interpret the
meaning of community life organized around the child, want
you for this very significant piece of service.

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If this experiment is successful and something worth while grows out of it, it will certainly go farther than our own borders.

The Board of Governors recognize that they as a civic and social body are not in a position to pay adequately for such service but offer an honorarium of one hundred dollars and expenses.

I would appreciate an early reply and would consider it a pleasure to have the opportunity of hearing you so soon again.

Very sincerely yours,



J. W. F. Davies

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland
Ohio

card

Dec. 12th, 1930

Dr. J. W. F. Davies,
Community House,
Winnetka, Ill.

My dear Dr. Davies:-

Please pardon the long delay in answering your letter. I have been away from Cleveland most of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I wish that I could see my way clear to accept your invitation. Both the opportunity to visit your community and the subject which you designate tempt me.

Unfortunately I am so heavily booked up with out-of-town lecture engagements this season that I simply can not in justice to myself accept any more.

I have pledged a good deal of my time to various campaigns, foreign relief, Palestine, etc. and I find that I must from now on forego many other invitations which I would gladly have accepted.

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

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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