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CANADA

January 23rd, 1925

Rabbi Aba Hilel Silver,
1485 East 106th St.,
Cleaveland, Ohio.

Reverend Sir:-

For a number of years a number of us young men associated with the Zionist movement have followed with great interest your career as one of the leaders of the Jewish Nationalist movement. We have heard of your great ability as the outstanding Jewish orator of America today and have also read your stirring articles in a number of Jewish newspapers. We were indeed glad to learn that you were honored with the position as head of the Young Judaea movement and appreciate to the full that you are sacrificing so much to inculcate in the minds of the Jewish youth of America a love for our National ideals.

I am therefore, taking the liberty of writing you and requesting your kind assistance in behalf of the Jewish youth of Winnipeg. The Jewish population of Winnipeg consists of 20,000 souls. About thirteen years ago the Jews of Winnipeg erected a Talmud Torah which is even today considered one of the finest buildings on the American Continent. We are operating at present five branches scattered throughout the various parts of this City with an enrollment of over eight hundred children and with a staff of twenty-two teachers.

We are teaching today the same system of education which was adopted thirteen years ago and which is the system of Hivrath Bhivrath. Our object is to give the Jewish youth of this City a National, Hebrew and religious education. You can therefore, readily understand that the young Judaea movement of this City is comprised of the pupils of the Winnipeg Talmud Torahs.

The Winnipeg Talmud Torahs have today over four hundred children who are receiving education gratis and on this account our last year's deficit is \$12,000.00 which will have to be made up by the Jews of Winnipeg.

We are planning to hold a large campaign in the month of March next to raise this amount and for the past few weeks we have waged an extensive publicity campaign and we are mailing a special bulletin to all the Jews of Winnipeg and I am enclosing herewith a copy of last month's

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Rabbi Aba Hilel Silver,

bulletin. The exact date when the campaign will commence has as yet not been set, but will most likely be during the middle of the month of March next.

The majority of the Board of Directors are young men and we have organized a special committee of one hundred young men to take over the budget campaign next March. This committee of one hundred young men met the other day and it was decided that I, as President of the Winnipeg Talmud Torahs communicate with you and ascertain whether you will be able to come to Winnipeg next March and address a banquet and a mass meeting of the Jews of Winnipeg. We feel that with your presence in Winnipeg we will not only be able to succeed in our campaign, but the young Judaea movement of this City will be given an added stimulus to work in the cause of the Jewish Nationalist movement and the Jews of Winnipeg will also be given the first opportunity of hearing our people's golden tongued orator.

Our Community has had the privilege and the good fortune of a personal visit of a number of noted Jewish leaders including Dr. Chaim Weitzman, Dr. Shamarya Levine, Dr. Mossenson of Palestine, Reuben Brainin, Judge Poms and other Jewish leaders of the United States and you will find that the Jews of Winnipeg know how to appreciate our leaders.

I can assure you that if you decide to come to Winnipeg we will give you a splendid time and on behalf of the Winnipeg Talmud Torahs and the young Jewish men of Winnipeg I therefore extend to you a cordial invitation to visit our City and fire the first shot of our campaign next March.

I might state that Mr. F. M. Sures the Chairman of the budget campaign left last week for New York and intends to remain there for about three weeks and if you intend to be in New York within the next three weeks I would appreciate it if you would advise me or communicate direct with Mr. Sures at the Commodore Hotel where he intends to stop, as I would like our Chairman to meet you and

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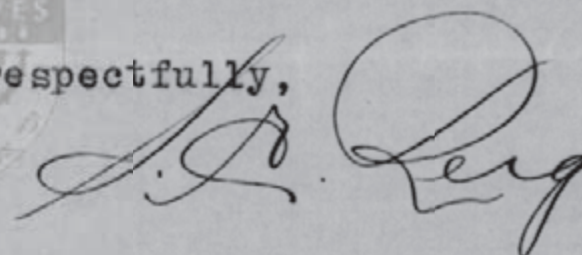
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Rabbi Aba Hilel Silver,

personally discuss with you the various details relating
to this campaign.

Trusting that you will be able to
accept our invitation and thanking you in anticipation of
an early reply, I beg to remain,

Yours respectfully,



President

Winnipeg Talmud Torahs

February 1st, 1925.

Mr. S.A. Berg,
645 Main Street,
Winnipeg, Canada.

My dear Mr. Berg,

Permit me to thank you for your kind invitation to address a meeting of the Winnipeg community in behalf of a Talmud Torah campaign. I wish I were in a position to come but unfortunately my program for the next few months is more than crowded and I cannot in justice to myself accept any more engagements. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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WINNIPEG, Feb. 2nd, 1925.

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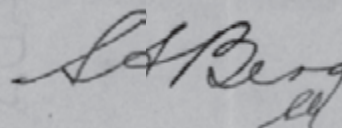
Dear Rabbi Silver,

I would appreciate it if
you would favor us with an early reply to our
communication of the 23rd ult.

Thanking you in anticipation,

I beg to remain

Yours respectfully,



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WINNIPEG, Feb. 11 1925.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
East 105th, St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

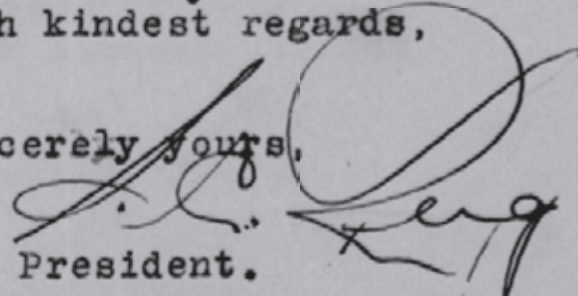
My dear Rabbi Silver,

I thank you for your favor of the 1st inst., and I regret very much that you were unable to accept our invitation. Since we cannot have you here in person, we would appreciate it however if we received a written word from you in connection with our work on behalf of Jewish Education.

I would therefore be greatly obliged to you if you would forward me an article on the importance of Jewish Education, and also a call to the Jewish Youth, to help maintain our Talmud Torahs. We shall use this article in the next issue of the Talmud Torah bulletin.

Thanking you in anticipation of your courtesy and assistance, and with kindest regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,


President.

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Canadian Jewish Congress

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460 Main Street,
Winnipeg,
Canada

December 4th, 1933.

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Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio,
U. S. A.

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of a letter from Mr. Rosenfelt, Director of Greater New York Campaign Committee advising to write to you and request you to address a meeting in our City, on the general Jewish situation, and particularly on the boycott aspect.

We are holding an election here on the 31st of this month for Delegates for the Canadian Jewish Congress, which will be held in Toronto on January 27, 28 and 29th. The Jewish Community here is greatly interested in this movement, and it would be of particular importance that a meeting on this question be addressed during this month. If it is at all possible, we will be very pleased to arrange such a meeting for you on a date preferably on a Sunday, which will be suitable to you.

Please therefore advise me at your earliest convenience whether you can spare your time to come here, and if so, on what conditions.

Yours truly,

J. A. Cherniack
Vice-President,
Manitoba Division.

JAC*MG

December 7, 1933.

Mr. J. A. Cherniack,
Canadian Jewish Congress,
460 Main Street,
Winnipeg, Canada.

My dear Mr. Cherniack:

Permit me to acknowledge receipt
of your kind letter of December 4th and to
express my deep regret that it will be impossible
for me to come to Winnipeg to address your
meeting.

With all good wishes, permit
me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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460 MAIN ST.

WINNIPEG, MAN.

Feb. 19th, 1934.

IN YOUR REPLY
PLEASE REFER TO NO.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
c/o The Temple,
East 105th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.
U. S. A.

Dear Sir,

Sometime ago, you wrote to Mr. Harris of
our Committee that you might be able to arrange to
visit Winnipeg.

As we are contemplating to launch a
Campaign for the Relief of German Jews about the
middle of March, it would be desirable if you could
come for that occasion. If this is possible, let us
have your reply by wire collect, stating also the time
you will be able to spend here and conditions.

Yours truly,

J. A. Cherniack

JAC*MG

HADASSAH
ORGANIZATION OF CANADA

WESTERN HEADQUARTERS
AT WINNIPEG

WINNIPEG

June 16, 1936.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Temple Cleveland,
Cleveland, Ohio.

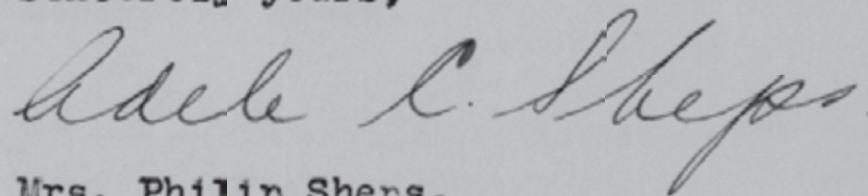
Dear Rabbi Silver:-

It is my pleasure as Chairman of Education and Propaganda for Winnipeg Hadassah Council, to communicate with you regarding a possible visit from you to our community.

We appreciate that your time is taken up, and for that reason I am writing so far in advance to reserve a day with you any time between October 28th and November 3rd. to suit your convenience.

Would you be so kind as to inform us as to what your honorarium and expenses may be should you decide to accept our invitation. Hoping to hear from you very soon

Sincerely yours,



Mrs. Philip Sheps,
Propaganda-Education Chairman.

*Please
decline -
schedule too crowded -*

June 22, 1936

Mrs. Philip Sheps,
Hadassah Organization of Canada,
Winnipeg,
Canada.

My dear Mrs. Sheps:

In reply to your letter of June 16,
permit me to state that Rabbi Silver has left
for his vacation abroad and will be gone until
the early part of September. I shall be pleased
to refer your letter to him upon his return.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

Hadassah
Oct 28 - Nov. 3

July 16, 1936

Mrs. Philip Sheps,
Hadassah Organization of Canada,
Winnipeg,
Canada.

My dear Mrs. Sheps:

Rabbi Silver thanks you for your kind invitation to him to come to Winnipeg this coming season. He regrets, however, that it will not be possible for him to accept it as his schedule is already far too crowded with out of town lecture engagements. Perhaps at some future time he may be of service to you.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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WINNIPEG, MAN.

Feb. 28, 1937.

Rabbi Aba Hillel Silver,
The Euclid Avenue Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

I have been instructed by the Board of Directors of the Winnipeg Talmud Torah to extend to you an invitation on behalf of Winnipeg Jewry and especially on behalf of the Talmud Torah of this city, to pay us a visit for one or two lectures.

The reason for this invitation is:

The Winnipeg Talmud Torah is about to celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary, and notwithstanding the fact that the Talmud Torah was for a number of years a model institution of Canada, and the only institution of learning in the city of Winnipeg and has already over two thousand graduates and an enrollment of over six hundred students at present, this institution is now in great danger of total collapse unless some miracle occurs and brings to the attention of Winnipeg Jewry their obligation to the institution.

The Board of Directors has been discussing this matter for weeks. Several methods have been tried to bring together the people of means and make them realize their responsibility to the institution, but there is no force in our midst big enough to attract them to our meetings; and so, after long deliberations, it was decided that Rabbi Aba Hillel Silver would be the only man who could perform that miracle and bring together the so-called elite of Winnipeg Jewry, and thus rescue the Talmud Torah from the Sheriff's Sale.

"Talmud Torah Above All"

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We realize how daring and impudent it is on our part to make such a request on your valuable time, but we also realize that you are about the only man to whom we could turn to come to our aid; and if it is at all possible for you to meet our request, the entire Jewish community and an entire Jewish future generation will know how to appreciate your services.

Needless to say, we are ready to meet any expense that you will name.

We would greatly appreciate a telegraphic reply at our expense, giving us dates available.

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Respectfully yours, .

A. Osofsky
Gen. Secretary.
[Signature]

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

March 4, 1937

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To A. Ossovsky, General Secretary

Street and No. Winnipeg Talmud Torah

Place Charles St. and Flora Ave. Winnipeg, Manitoba

I WISH I WERE FREE TO COME TO YOUR CELEBRATION UNFORTUNATELY MY WORK HERE AND
ALREADY
 THE NUMEROUS OTHER ENGAGEMENTS TO WHICH I AM/COMMITTED MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME
 TO ACCEPT YOUR INVITATION I WISH YOU EVERY SUCCESS

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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January 9, 1942

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Further to the brief conversation we had in Chicago at the conference of Welfare Funds, I am writing to ask whether you will be available as the guest speaker of our Welfare Fund campaign which opens Monday, March 16th with a fund-raising rally for women. If it is not possible for you to come on the 16th, the opening could be held on a later day of the same week.

The campaign goal will probably approximate \$100,000.00 and I am enclosing a 1941 booklet which will give you a picture of the Welfare Fund program.

Will you be kind enough to let us know whether you will be able to come, at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Stubbins
Henry Stubbins,
Executive Secretary.

HS*RL
Enc.

February 11, 1942

Mr. Henry Stubbins, Executive Secretary
Jewish Welfare Fund of Winnipeg
212 Confederation Life Building
Winnipeg, Manitoba

My dear Mr. Stubbins:

I appreciate very much your kind invitation to come to Winnipeg in March. I wish I were free to avail myself of the opportunity. Unfortunately I am already very heavily dated up for the month of March with engagements for the United Jewish Appeal and I can not take on any additional ones.

I wish your campaign every success and I hope that I may be of service to you at some future time. With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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October 13th, 1949.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have noted in the press recently that you were once again undertaking lecture tours throughout the United States. If this information is correct I wondered whether in the course of your itineraries you might possibly consider a lecture visit to Winnipeg, Canada.

We have a large Jewish community which is warmly Zionist in its interests. I know that it would mean a great deal to us and give considerable impetus to our Zionist work if you were able to grace our community with your presence at some time in the future.

Thank you very kindly for whatever consideration you may be able to offer us,

Sincerely yours,

Arthur Chiel
Rabbi Arthur Chiel.

AC:bb

October 16, 1949

Rabbi Arthur Chiel
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
University of Manitoba
67 Edmonton Street
Winnipeg, Canada

My dear Rabbi Chiel:

Permit me to acknowledge your kind letter of October 13th and your gracious invitation to address your community some time during the coming season. However, because I have been away so much during the past few years and because this is the centennial year of my congregation, I am devoting most of my time this year to congregational activities and I am accepting very few out-of-town engagements. I hope that some time in the future I may have the pleasure of addressing your community.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

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November 11th, 1949.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Our Congregation, which recently celebrated its 60th anniversary just completed the erection of a new Synagogue building. With the many added facilities which this building provides, we now are enabled to carry out a full programme of social, cultural as well as religious activities which, we hope, will integrate the Congregation more closely with the Synagogue.

Although the Jewish community of Winnipeg numbers approximately 18,000, and there are at least 20 other Synagogues, Shaarey Zedek Congregation is the only one which is not conducted according to strict orthodox dogma. At present it is unaffiliated and its services would probably be considered as conservative. The membership is 550 and is growing rapidly. It is attracting the younger elements in the community, by reason of its liberal approach to form of service.

We are now organizing a Brotherhood which, as one of its objects, will sponsor lectures having a specific Jewish content and providing a distinct contribution to the membership and the community in keeping with sponsorship by a Synagogue.

We would be very happy and privileged if you could arrange to visit Winnipeg at any time convenient to you during the next four or five months to deliver a lecture under the auspices of the Brotherhood. The inspiration which will flow from your presence here will stimulate the Congregation to a fuller appreciation of the role a Synagogue should play in the everyday lives of each member. As the community is almost wholly composed of Jews who have immigrated to Canada and first generation Canadians, your guidance at this time would doubtless set our path in the right direction.

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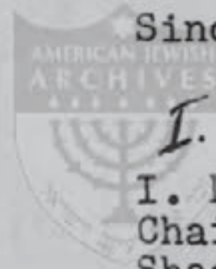
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Winnipeg is approximately 450 miles North of Minneapolis, and is an overnight trip by train from the Twin Cities. If you travel by plane, of course, you will find that you can accept the invitation with a minimum loss of time. It goes without saying that we are prepared to pay all expenses and such fee as you may desire.

I trust that I may hear from you very shortly.



Sincerely yours,

I. Dorfman

I. Dorfman,
Chairman, Organizing Committee,
Shaarey Zedek Brotherhood.

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November 21, 1949

Mr. I. Dorfman
Congregation Shaarey Zedek
129 Dagmar Street
Winnipeg, Man.
Canada

My dear Mr. Dorfman:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of November 11th and your gracious invitation to address the Brotherhood of your Congregation. I wish I were free to do so. It would give me great pleasure indeed. Unfortunately, my schedule of out-of-town engagement is already overcrowded and I cannot accept any additional ones. This is the Centennial year of my congregation and many important events have been scheduled throughout the entire year which necessitate my presence in Cleveland.

I hope that at some future time I may be able to serve you.

With all good wishes for a successful program, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

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JOSEPH WOLCH



PHONE 42 371

September 25th, 1950.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio,
U. S. A.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Pursuant to my telephone conversation with you today, I wish formally to invite you to address our Jewish community under the auspices of the Brotherhood of Shaarey Zedek Congregation at such time as is convenient for you during the next few months.

For your information the Jewish community of Winnipeg numbers some 20,000 souls out of a general community of 350,000. Our Synagogue, Shaarey Zedek, is generally recognized as the premier Congregation in Western Canada. You will appreciate this statement more when I mention the fact that there is no Congregation in Western Canada affiliated with Liberal Judaism, and that while we ~~to~~are non-affiliated, it is to us that Jewry in Western Canada looks for leadership in progressive Judaism. On the beginning of this next month we are dedicating our new Synagogue building which has already been acclaimed as the finest in Canada.

I convey this information to you, obviously not because of any desire to impress you with our localized importance. I do, however, want to indicate why we are now undertaking something beyond what was ever attempted here before. We have had lecture forums in the past in Winnipeg and they are ~~still~~ being continued. They have included, and do include more or less outstanding personalities such as Dr. A. L. Sachar, Maurice Samuel, the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg and Cecil Roth. However, we have never undertaken to bring here those select few who are not only part of the world Jewish scene but who actually mould current Jewish history. It is this that we undertake now.

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Unfortunately, such plans as we had intended to make last May and June were shelved because of the flood which inundated and disorganized our community and about which I am sure you have heard. We are now in the process of making up for lost time and we are in contact with such men as Dr. Ralph Bunche, Reinhold Niebuhr, James S. MacDonald, and to give our cultural series appropriate diversification, Moshe Koussivitsky. We are most anxious to have you, Dr. Silver, inaugurate our series of four or five evenings this winter.

We are of course, willing to have you come at any time during the winter that suits your convenience. However, if it does not crowd your calendar too much we would very much like to have you with us in early November.

I trust that you will be able to return a favourable reply and hope that you will also indicate the appropriate honorarium.

Cordially yours,

IRWIN DORFMAN,
President, Shaarey Zedek Brotherhood.

OCTOBER 2, 1950

IRWIN DORFMAN
CONGREGATION SHAAREY ZEDEK
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Mr. Irwin Dorfman
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Dear Mr. Dorfman:

Thank you for your telegram. In accordance with your request, I am enclosing herewith some publicity material and two glossies of Dr. Silver. Will you please return the photographs to us when you have finished with them.

According to present plans, Dr. Silver will arrive in Winnipeg on October 24th at 1:50 p.m. via Trans-Canada Air Lines, Flight #1. He will leave for Cleveland the following morning at 8:20 via Northwest Air Lines. Will you please advise me where you are making a hotel reservation for him.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver

Encs.

October 4, 1950

Mr. Irwin Dorfman
Congregation Shaarey Zedek
Wellington Crescent at Academy Rd.
Winnipeg, Manitoba
Canada

Dear Mr. Dorfman:

I spoke with Rabbi Silver about his coming to Winnipeg some time during the winter and while he is not able at this time to give you a definite date, he did promise to come to you some time before next spring. It would be helpful if you could suggest the possibility of several dates during December, January or February.

I understand thoroughly why October 24th would not be convenient, but since a trip to Winnipeg involves two days' traveling time, I am sure you must understand the difficulty of arranging a date. As soon as I hear from you, I shall try to get Rabbi Silver to set a definite date for you.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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October 7, 1950.

Miss Elizabeth Rice,
The Temple,
E. 105th St. at Ansel Road,
Cleveland, 6, Ohio.

Dear Miss Rice:

Thank you very much for your courtesy in writing to me with respect to another date for the visit of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

I am especially grateful that you appreciated the difficult position in which I was placed by reason of the special function planned for October 24th by the National Council of Jewish Women, arising out of their 25th Annual National Convention.

Since those actively affiliated with the synagogue are expected to exhibit a higher morality than the average person, I could not resist the pressure which was brought upon me by the members of the Council who greatly feared, and properly so, that Dr. Silver's lecture would seriously affect the success of their own function.

My disappointment, however, was tempered by the kind understanding of Rabbi Silver and yourself, and particularly by reason of his assurance that he would visit Winnipeg in the months of December, January or February.

In order to avoid the possibility of interference with other special events planned during the ensuing months, I have made inquiries and ascertained that the following dates would not be available:- November 23, December 4, December 10, January 10, January 15, and January 21. Any other time from the end of November to the end of January would be open. I would suggest, therefore, that the following dates be considered, leaving it, however, to Rabbi Silver to choose any one of these, or any other date in December or January other than those above indicated: November 26, December 3, January 7, January 28.

So that I may commence publicizing the impending visit of Rabbi Silver, would you mind, at this time, forwarding to me a photograph, and any other publicity material that may be available.

I need not add that the news of Rabbi Silver's visit has evoked widespread enthusiasm.

Sincerely yours,

Irwin Dorfman

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Jan 8

October 9, 1950

Mr. Irwin Dorfman
Paris Building
259 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, Canada

Dear Mr. Dorfman:

Thank you for your letter of October 7th. All of the dates which you suggest are on Sundays. Our principal service is held on Sunday morning, and therefore, Rabbi Silver is not available for out-of-town speaking engagements on that day. However, I have consulted with him and if it is agreeable to you, he will come to Winnipeg on Monday, January 9th.

Because of the travel time involved, Rabbi Silver will, of course, have to fly to Winnipeg, and if weather conditions should be bad, I am sure you will understand. However, I shall hope with you that such will not be the case.

In accordance with your request, I am enclosing a photograph and publicity material. Will you be good enough to return the photograph to me when you have finished with it.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

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October 11th, 1950.

Miss Elizabeth Rice,
The Temple,
East 105th St. at Ansel Road,
Cleveland 6, Ohio.,
U.S.A.

Dear Miss Rice:

Thank you for your eagerly awaited letter of October 9th, advising that Rabbi Silver will come to Winnipeg on Monday, January 8, 1951. This date is agreeable and we are immediately commencing to publicize Rabbi Silver's visit.

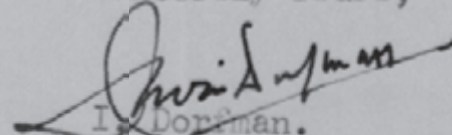
If Rabbi Silver can, at this time, let us have his topic, it would be helpful. If he would however, prefer to wait until later to select his topic, we can leave the selection until later.

The plane service from Toronto to Winnipeg via Trans Canada Airlines is excellent. This service has four-motor North Star planes which travel from Toronto to Winnipeg in little over four hours. Rabbi Silver can, of course come by way of Minneapolis and St. Paul, via the North-West Airlines. With respect to weather conditions, one can only trust that the good Lord will shine his divine countenance northward when His eminent emissary will be winging his way to bring truth and light to this outpost of darkness.

I am deeply grateful to you for everything that you have done.

Regards,

Sincerely Yours,


Irwin Dorfman.

ID/SJ

THE *Shaarey Zedek* SYNAGOGUE

WELLINGTON CRESCENT AT ACADEMY ROAD
WINNIPEG, CANADA

MILTON ARON, RABBI

December 7th, 1950.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th St. at Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I do not know whether my name means anything to you, but if not, you may recall the Jewish Chaplain who introduced you at the U.J.A. dinner in Atlantic City in 1943 and with whom you whiled away an hour over a corned beef sandwich later that evening. We are one and the same.

I had meant to write you earlier and tell you how delighted I am that you have consented to grace our synagogue with your presence next month. The entire community is looking forward to the evening of January 8th.

My main purpose in writing now is to obtain the title of your lecture for publicity reasons. However, it occurred to me that it might not be amiss for me to bring the following to your attention.

In February, Ambassador James J. MacDonald will follow you on our lecture forum and his address will naturally be directed to the subject of Israel. In light of this, the thought occurred to me that you might prefer to address yourself to the theme of, 'The Affirmation of Jewish Life in the Galut', a subject on which I heard you speak about a year ago, to my inspiration and edification, and which, in view of the spiritual identification of your name with the Jewish State -- will come to many as a revelation.

I know that you will not misinterpret this suggestion and that you will not consider this impertinence.

Hoping to hear from you as to the topic of your choice,
I am,

Sincerely yours,

Milton Aron

Milton Aron

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December 12, 1950

Rabbi Milton Aron
Shaarey Zedek Synagogue
Wellington Crescent at Academy
Winnipeg, Canada

Dear Rabbi Aron:

According to present plans, Rabbi Silver will leave for Winnipeg on Sunday afternoon, January 7th, via Northwestern Air Lines Flight #307, arriving in Winnipeg at 10:30 p.m. He will leave for Cleveland on Tuesday morning at 8:20 a.m. via Flight #408. Should any congregational matters arise which would prevent his leaving on Sunday afternoon, he would go by way of Toronto and arrive in Winnipeg on Monday afternoon. In that case, you will hear from me. Of course, these plans are contingent upon good flying weather.

Will you please advise me of the hotel at which you will be making a reservation for Rabbi Silver.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

December 12, 1950

Rabbi Milton Aron
Shaarey Zedek Synagogue
Wellington Crescent at Academy
Winnipeg, Canada

My dear Rabbi Aron:

Thank you so much for your kind letter of December 7th. Of course, I recall you and I shall look forward with pleasure to seeing you again in your home city.

I appreciate your suggestion as to the subject of my address before your Forum. Frankly, I do not like the use of the term "Galut" since the establishment of the State. Galut means "enforced exile". Inasmuch as Jews are free to return to Israel, certainly to Jews living in free countries, the term Galut is something of a misnomer. Perhaps the subject, "Jewish Life in the Diaspora and Israel", would be more appropriate, or "The Jewish People and the State of Israel".

With all good wishes and looking forward with pleasure to seeing you soon, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er

January 10, 1951

Rabbi Milton Aron
Shaarey Zedek Synagogue
Wellington Crescent at Academy Road
Winnipeg, Canada

Dear Rabbi Aron:

Rabbi Silver's expenses in connection with his visit to
Winnipeg amounted to \$160.00.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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February 12th, 1951.

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

Dear Sr. Silver:

I delayed writing you previously as I was attempting to obtain your photograph which your most efficient secretary Miss Rice requested me to return to you.

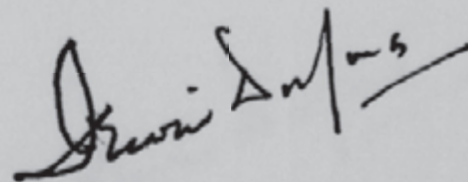
Unfortunately the photograph has either been lost or destroyed by the printer who made your cut.

I want you to know how much your visit in Winnipeg was appreciated. The long trip to this northern outpost of civilization in itself is worthy of commendation, but when a busy and distinguished personage as you takes the time and expends the effort to enlighten our community it is doubly appreciated.

Your address was a momentous occasion in our lives which will long be remembered.

Sincerely yours,

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August 13, 1954

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We wrote to you sometime ago about your availability for an appearance in Winnipeg, Canada for the Canadian Jewish Congress and learned at that time that you were not available. We have heard from them again and they are willing to accept any date suitable to you. I hope we may hear from you by return mail as they are most anxious to present you to their group.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel D. Freeman
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August 18, 1954

Mr. Samuel D. Freeman
Jewish Center Lecture Bureau
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New York 16, New York

My dear Mr. Freeman:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of August thirteenth. I regret
that my schedule for the coming season is
already so overcrowded that I will be unable
to accept the invitation to address the
Canadian Jewish Congress in Winnipeg.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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July 30, 1963

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have been unsuccessful in contacting you by phone in the past few days and I am thus reverting to a letter.

Our community is in the process of initiating preparations for the celebration of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Welfare Fund. We would like to extend an invitation to you to grace our simcha, and would appreciate an early reply as to your acceptance.

Tentatively, the major function is scheduled for Sunday December first. We would appreciate it very much if you could arrange to spend the Shabbat weekend with us, so as to be present, also, at a reception planned for Saturday evening.

In addition to the celebration of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Welfare Fund, we hope, at the same time, to launch a Foundation Plan which is currently being proceeded with, as well as a Senior Citizens Housing Project.

Trusting to hear from you favorably, I am

Cordially yours

S. L. Morantz

S. L. MORANTZ
President

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August 2, 1963

My dear Mr. Morantz:

I received your letter of July 30th and your gracious invitation to attend the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Welfare Fund of your city on December first. I am profoundly appreciative of your thoughtfulness in inviting me and I wish I were free to accept your invitation. Unfortunately, my program for next season is all too indefinite. In all likelihood, I shall be out of the country during the winter months. I am, therefore, constrained to decline your invitation.

I hope I may be of service to you at some future time. With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:bfm

Mr. S. L. Moranz
President
Jewish Welfare Fund
370 Hargrave Street
Winnipeg, Canada

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