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TO THE 2074 CONFIRMANTS OF RABBI SILVER

1918 - 1937



Dear Friend:

Rabbi Silver is, this year, completing his twentieth year with The Temple.

During his twenty years as the beloved spiritual leader of The Temple, Rabbi Silver has confirmed two thousand and seventy-four young men and women.

You are one of them.

We know of no finer way to celebrate his distinguished ministry at The Temple than through a great religious rally of all his confirmants — the first of its kind ever held at The Temple.

We have accordingly arranged for a Service to be held on Sunday morning, April 18 at The Temple. We are extending a personal invitation to you to attend this service and to join with all the former confirmants of Rabbi Silver in this great and unusual Service of Tribute and Rededication.

We are enclosing an admission card for you. If you are married, this card will also admit your wife or husband. Seats will be especially reserved for you.

Very cordially yours,

EUGENE E. WOLF,

President, The Temple.



Queries and Answers

This department is designed to assist in the location of complete versions of poems and their sources, the names of authors, etc., which cannot be found through the usual channels of anthologies and books of reference. THE TIMES receives a great many more queries than it can publish. It endeavors, therefore, to select those of the greatest general interest. Queries should be addressed to the Editor of Queries and Answers, NEW YORK TIMES. They should be written on one side of the paper only and must contain the name and address of the writer as evidence of good faith. Requests for poems that appear in these columns must be accompanied by postage.

QUERIES

"The Blue Vase"

L. M. desires the author's name and title of a book which has as its plot the delivery of a blue vase. It concerns the testing of a man's caliber by sending him after the blue vase and putting all sorts of obstacles in his path. The man, by his tenacity of purpose, overcomes these obstacles and delivers the vase.

"The Mysteries of Providence"

P. F. B. wants the name of the author and the poem of which this is part:

The mysteries of Providence
Are not given man to know:
Why some are blessed with plenty
And some must toil and sow.
Yet peace on earth prevails
With them that of their substance give
And humbly labor patiently
That all mankind may live.

"The Left-Handed Bear"

J. J. O. requests a copy of the poem "The Bear of the Strong Left Hand." It is the story of a soldier of Irish birth who jabbed a captive Indian prisoner with a firebrand. The wounded man died, and papers on his person indicated that he was not an Indian but an Irishman and the brother of Jack O'Hare, the man who applied the firebrand.

"I Am the Desert"

G. S. T. desires the name of the author and the poem from which this verse is taken:

I am the desert, bare since time began,
Yet do I dream of motherhood,
When man
Some day shall look upon my charms
And give me towns, like children,
To my arms.

"Some Pray in Special Places"

G. G. T. desires the poem written by Elsie Janis with the thought expressed that "some folks only can pray in special places and times, but I can stop at any time, along the way and talk to God."

"Poverty Is Good for the Soul"

D. F. R. wants the name of the author and the poem whose theme is something like this: "Wrong it is to say that poverty is good for the soul * * * the man dies face downward in the dust."

"An Editor's Predicament"

A. H. requests a copy of The Chicago Tribune or the date in which appeared an item by C. W. Taylor (W. T.) which purported to be an editorial written by the proprietor of a country newspaper who complained that some miscreant had broken into the composing room and stolen all the "f's" and the "s's" and he apologized to his readers for the queer appearance of the paper due to the fact that he had to use "ph" for "f" and "th" for "s." The Chicago Tribune is unable to locate it.

"If for Boys"

G. H. wishes a copy of the poem titled above.

"The Sitting Habit"

R. F. D. desires a complete copy of a humorous poem read to an English class by its professor, part

of which ran: "Beware, my son, the sitting habit or if you sit be like the rabbit with springs concealed beneath his rump."

"Passed With Your Passing"

R. E. wants the name of the author and the poem that includes this verse:

Oh, there has passed with your great passing
Little of beauty, not your own,
Only the light on common water,
Only the grace of simple stone.

"If I Could Live Without You"

E. G. requests the name of the author and the poem part of which reads: "If I could live without you, I'd die; if I could laugh without you, I'd cry."

"His Genealogic Tree"

O. R. W. wishes the identity of this passage: "Some ages hence his genealogic tree may bear as green a bough for him as me."

"I Used to Talk With God"

R. W. desires the name of the author and the poem that appeared in a magazine about 1920 that contained these lines: "And on my hilltop, Mona, I used to talk with God."

"The Eels and the Pikes"

D. S. wants the identity of this quotation: "The eels kept on eeling and the pikes kept on stealing."

"In Cloistered Solitude"

"A Wrinkled Hag"

L. B. B. requests the identity and original source of this couplet, quoted in a diary dated 1807: "In cloistered solitude who sits and sighs while from each shrine still small responses rise." From the same journal this passage is also found which he wants identified: "A wrinkled hag with age grown double, picking dry sticks and mumbling to herself."

"I Might Forget That I Am I"

P. J. wishes the name of the author and the identity of this line: "I would I might forget that I am I."

ANSWERS

"I've Had a Good Time"

MRS. FREDERICK W. GRAVES, Harrisburg, Pa.: Here is the poem wanted by W. D. in your issue of Nov. 19, taken from Harper's Magazine for August, 1908:

A GOOD TIME

By Mounce Byrd

I've had a good time.
Life came with rosy cheeks and tender song
Across the morning fields to play with me,
And, oh, how glad we were, and romped along
And laughed and kissed each other by the sea.

I've had a good time.
Love came and met me half way down the road:
Love went away, but there remained with me
A little dream to help me bear my load,
A something more to watch for by the sea.

I've had a good time.
Death came and took a rosebud from my yard;
But after that, I think there walked with me,
To prove me how the thing was not so hard,
An angel here of evenings by the sea.

I've had a good time.
* * * A good, good time.
Nobody knows how good a time but me,
With nights and days of revel and of rhyme,
And tears and love and longing by the sea.

L. H. Wagner, Allentown, Pa.; Mary E. Sheehan, New York City; F. A. Ladd, Rochester, N. Y., sent copies.

"The Battle of Flodden Field"

JOHN BARRINGTON, Old Bridge, N. J.: The poem desired by L. V. A. in your issue of Nov.

5 is "Edinburgh After Flodden," by William Edmonstoune Aytoun (1813-65), Scottish poet and novelist. The lines quoted by your correspondent are the last part of the first stanza:

All last night we watched the beacons
Blazing on the hills afar,
Each one bearing, as it kindled,
Messages of the opened war;
All night long the northern streamers
Shot across the trembling sky!
Tearful lights that never beacon
Save when Kings or heroes die.

It begins: "News of battle! news of battle! Hark! 'Tis ringing down the street." This poem may be found in Coates' "Fireside Encyclopedia of Poetry." Mr. Barrington, Miss Louella D. Everett, Boston, Mass., and Mrs. C. A. Malone, Hudson, N. Y., sent complete copies of this lengthy poem, the latter one handwritten. Clifford B. Hastings, Dorchester, Mass., supplied a clipping from The Boston Sunday Globe of Nov. 5 which gives it only in part.

E. N. Brown, Montreal, Canada; Edwin M. Burr, Forestville, Conn.; John D. Power, Rahway, N. J., identified this request.

"A Revolutionary War Poem"

ANONYMOUS: Replying to N. M. R. in your issue of Nov. 12 concerning a poem written by a British officer who was condemned to death during the Revolutionary War and who speaks about his "hiding place" and "Major André" frequently in it: He no doubt refers to what follows below, copied from one of Professor William Lyon Phelps's Daily Talks About Books and Authors, that appeared in the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin of Sept. 30, 1935:

Some weeks ago I wrote an article for this column on Major André and Captain Hale—the former hanged as a British spy and the latter meeting the same fate as an American spy in the war of the American Revolution. My readers will share my gratitude to Miss May Laughrey of Jamestown, Pa., who sends me the following poem, written by André a few days before his execution. She says her father had read it about the year 1850 and had never seen it again. Miss Laughrey found the poem in an article in Success Magazine during the year 1901:

The first of the nine stanzas follows:

Hail, sovereign love, which first began
The scheme to rescue fallen man!
Hail, matchless, free, eternal grace,
Which gave my soul a hiding place.

Mrs. Mary Darby Fitzhugh, New York, and William Mann, Bayonne, N. J., identified this request.

"We Call It America"

Mrs. JENNIE W. HESS, Binghamton, N. Y.: In answer to M. G. (Nov. 5), the poem from which he quoted is the following. It was written to commemorate a pageant held in New York about 1922 or 1923.

AMERICA'S MAKING

By Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

He studded it with sweet flowing fountains and traced it with long winding streams,
He carpeted it with soft rolling prairies and columned it with thundering mountains;
He graced it with deep shadowed forests and filled them with song,
Then he called unto a thousand peoples and summoned the bravest among them.
They came from the ends of the earth, each bearing a gift and a hope,
The glow of adventure was in their eyes, and in their hearts the glory of hope,
And out of the bounty of earth and the labor of men;
Out of the longing of hearts and prayer of souls;
Out of the memory of ages and the hopes of the world;
God fashioned a nation in love, blessed it with purpose sublime and called it America.

Dr. Silver was born in Lithuania in 1893. He has been rabbi of the temple in Cleveland, Ohio, since 1917. William C. Smith,

Albany, N. Y.; Vida S. Adkins, Columbus, Ohio; M. N. Markowitz, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, and Rev. Dr. James M. Potter, Wheeling, W. Va., also sent the poem.

"Daniel Drew"

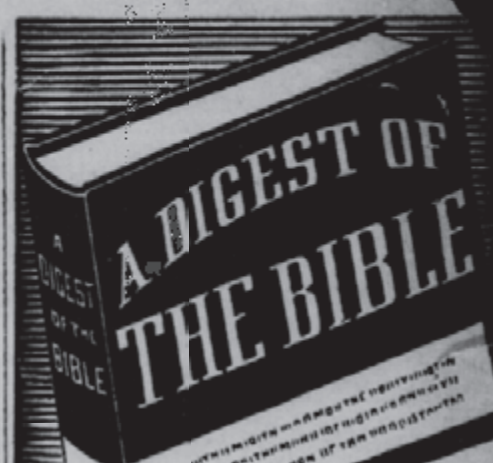
FRANCES P. NADEAU, Marblehead, Mass.: The poem requested by F. W. N. in your issue of Nov. 12 is "Daniel Drew," by Rosemary and Stephen Vincent Benét, beginning "O Daniel Drew, O Daniel Drew, I shiver when I think of you!" It is in their volume, "A Book of Americans," published by Farrar & Rinehart, New York, 1933 (Page 95).

J. M. Kennady, Washington, D. C., writes the poem is too long to quote.

"They Want Salt"

MABEL A. MURPHY, White Plains, N. Y.: Between fifty and sixty years ago Albion W. Tourgée published a magazine, The Continent. In it was the poem asked for by M. M. G. in your issue of Nov. 12, a copy of which I send. It is titled "The King's Three Little Daughters," author unknown, and consists of thirteen stanzas of six lines each. The poem tells about a king's three daughters in earnest talk underneath the palace windows estimat-

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Rabbi Silver Prays for U. S. and U.N. in G.O.P. Invocation

Plain Dealer Convention Bureau
CONVENTION HALL, Chicago,
July 8—Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
of the Temple, Cleveland, deliv-
ered the invocation tonight at the
Republican national convention and
asked a blessing upon "the United
Nations and all those who seek
peace and pursue it."

The Cleveland rabbi said:

"Our kind Father in Heaven, we
invoke Thy blessing upon the men
and women who are gathered here
who have been delegated to voice
the hopes and needs of millions of

their fellow citizens whom they
represent and to take counsel to-
gether in behalf of our beloved
country, its democratic institu-
tions and concerning the many
grave problems which beset our
people and our world.

"May Thy spirit rest upon them
in their deliberations, the spirit of
wisdom and understanding. Con-
scious of their great responsibili-
ties, may they perform their tasks
faithfully, in truth, in courage and
in loyalty. In the heat and turmoil
of the hour may the vision of the
larger issues and the paramount
national purposes not fail them;
for without vision a people per-
ishes.

Blessings Without Number

"Our God and God of our fa-
thers out of thine open hand
bountiful favors have come to us,
material and spiritual blessings
without number and the manifold
gifts of civil, political and re-
ligious liberty. We are not so self-
righteous as to assume that these
bounties have been bestowed upon
us because of our exceptional
merit and virtues and not because
of thine overflowing grace. All
that we have we owe to Thee and
unto Thee alone shall our hearts
bow in humility and thanksgiving.

"We pray that thy loving hand
may never be withdrawn from us
and that we may prove ourselves
worthy of thine abundant good-
ness. Help us zealously to guard
and reverently to pass on to our
children the spiritual and political
heritage of their forebears unin-
paired and undefiled. Help us, oh
God, to keep our hearts free from
fear and hate, from intolerance
and bigotry and from loss of faith
in human equality and brother-
hood. Help us to keep our minds
unshackled in the quest of truth,
our speech free and responsible,
our institutions strong and uncor-
rupted and our cherished way of
life inviolate.

"Age Dark With Confusion"

"Father of nations, the genera-
tions of men come and go before
Thee. Unto each dost thou assign
its special task and mission. In
thine unfathomable plan thou hast
summoned this nation to world
leadership in an age dark with
confusion, beset with dangers and
yet alive and tense with the stir-
rings of great new beginnings.
Make us worthy and willing in-
struments of thy divine purposes.
Use us for the healing of the na-
tions, oh, thou ruler of all nations.
Use us for justice, for freedom, for
unity and for peace. Help us to
move resolutely and unafraid into
the searching days which lie
ahead, relying upon Thee, and
upon the unseen power behind all
visible might and drawing our in-
spiration from our own prophetic
task, from the imperishable move-
ments in our history when we
were tried as a people, tried and
tested in crisis and battle and
were not found wanting.

Bless Peace Seekers

"Guide us into a glad accept-
ance of our growing responsibili-

ties as we assume leadership in
the fellowship of the nations of
the world, accepting no perma-
nent divisions among them and
giving no credence to any irre-
pressible conflicts.

Bless the United Nations, and
all those who seek peace and pur-
sue it. Gird us with that faith
which will inspire us to seek op-
portunities for unity with other
peoples in the building of the good
society, the gracious common-
wealth of humanity when each
man shall dwell under his vine
and under his fig tree and none
shall make him afraid.

"Bless the government of the
United States of America and all
those into whose hands are en-
trusted the safety of our institu-

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Prayers Mark UN Day Observance

Prayers were said today in churches of all faiths for nations of the world as the religious groups observed United Nations Day, designated in 1950 by President Truman.

At that time he called upon the American people to mark the day "with solemn awareness of the responsibility of each individual for strengthening the devotion

of the peoples of the world to the aims of the United Nations."

While the declaration of the United Nations was originally signed by 26 nations in Washington, Jan. 1, 1942, the organization came officially into existence seven years ago, on Oct. 24, 1945.

Prayers offered by Cleveland clergymen of three faiths:

Catholic

Almighty and Eternal God who didst in Thy creation implant law and order in the physical universe, so, too in Thine infinite mercy bless the deliberations of the United Nations' Assemblies so that they may help to produce this same law and order in the universe of intelligence and



free will, Amen.

Rev. Fr. Frederick E. Welfle, S. J.
President, John Carroll University

Protestant

Almighty God, as our physical horizons shrink, may our spiritual horizons widen. We do not thank Thee that we are not as other men, but that we are like them despite all differences of race and culture. Unite us as nations and as individuals, as brothers and friends with a common destiny



either of destruction or of salvation.

Grant unto us the courage to have faith; the stubbornness not to give up; the sincerity that alone can convince other nations that we seek their good as well as our own.

We pray for the United Nations not only as a world organization but as a world spirit, bringing together men and nations into a world of lasting peace.

Dr. John Bruere
Calvary Presbyterian Church

Jewish

Our Heavenly Father, Thou who art the Father of all men, make us mindful in these days of strife and dark confusion, of our common origin and our common destiny. Enlighten our eyes that we may see the truth which Thy seers and prophets of old have sought to teach mankind, that



we are all brothers who are dependent upon one another for all that we have and all that we aspire to be. Guide us in the ways of reconciliation and cooperation so that the dread danger of war may pass away from our world.

Bless Thou the United Nations which labors in behalf of better understanding between all the nations of the earth, and for a world of peace and good will

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple



Dr. and Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver look over a treasure of pictures from their 30-year memory album. This picture was taken in the rabbi's home.

SAFEGUARD LOVE

Silver Offers Key To Married Bliss

If you would remain happily married, learn to give and take, safeguard the love that led you to accept a life partner and determine to hold it to the end.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of The Temple offered this advice to young people today as he and Mrs. Silver prepared to celebrate the 30th anniversary of their marriage.

All 1,500 couples, who have been married by Dr. Silver during his 35 years as spiritual leader of the congregation, have been invited to a reverent observance of the event at Sunday morning's service at 10:30 in The Temple, E. 105th St. and Ansel Rd.

Distribute Altar Flowers

Known as a service of reconsecration, it will close with the distribution of altar flowers to all the couples present.

Dr. Silver gave his formula for married happiness while sitting in the sunroom of his home at 19810 Shaker Blvd., Shaker Heights.

The early morning sunshine had wiped away most of the night mist from the windows. The noise of passing traffic seemed to come from a distance.

"You have asked how a young couple may insure married happiness," the rabbi began, settling back in his easy chair. "It can't be answered in a word. But I believe all young couples, consciously or unconsciously, must enter into their union with respect for the institution of marriage and realize they are sharing their lives."

Marriage Is Holy Pact

Then, as if musing aloud, he added:

"If people would only think of marriage as a holy thing, as the most important commitment of their lives, there would be fewer divorces and far greater happiness in the world."

Dr. Silver said divorce was almost unknown among the couples he married early in his career. But lately a few have joined the "feverish run" to the courts.

"Where the marriages failed,

I'd say it was because the couples were lacking in understanding," he observed. "You must bring common sense to the union. You must learn to give and take, to transcend the little irritations that come to every life.

"Also—and this is important—there must be respect for the other's rights and freedom: a respect that's based on mutual trust."

Children Cement Union

Asked about the importance of children to a lasting union, Dr. Silver cupped his hands before him and said:

"You can't over estimate their importance. In most cases they form the foundation of the home. Parents lose sight of themselves in service to their children. They come to know a selflessness that is an outgrowth of love."

The rabbi then went on to point out that many young people falsely believe that if you start with love it's enough.

"Nothing could be further from the truth," he emphasized. "Love isn't static. You have to build upon it, safeguard it and hold it to the end. If young couples would only keep adding to the love that led them to the altar, there would be no thought of divorce."

Dr. Silver met his wife, Virginia, while he was serving a temple in Wheeling, W. Va. He married her five years after he accepted a call to The Temple pulpit here.

The couple has two children: Daniel, 24, a chaplain at the San Diego (Cal.) Naval base, and Raphael, 22, a student in the School of Business Administration at Harvard University.



CONGRATULATE RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER. Tributes were paid to Dr. Silver yesterday at a commemorative service in the Temple honoring his 35th year there and his 60th birthday by Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof (left) of Pittsburgh and Dr. Silver's son, Rabbi Daniel J. Silver, a naval chaplain.

City, Church, State Pay Tribute to Rabbi Silver

Civic leaders and statesmen hailed his accomplishments, a grateful congregation named him rabbi for life and friends established a \$40,000 charitable fund in his honor.

Then, with humility, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver arose and addressed more than 1,000 persons gathered in the ballroom of Hotel Statler to pay him a civic tribute on his 60th birthday.

"God has fostered our success," Dr. Silver said, "and we glory in Him."

Minimizes Own Achievements

Dr. Silver minimized his achievements in 35 years as spiritual leader of the Temple, largest reform congregation in the United States, and his leadership in the Zionist movement which fought in the United Nations for establishment of the state of Israel.

"The people of Israel owe Rabbi Silver a great debt of gratitude," said Senator Robert A. Taft, principal speaker at the testimonial dinner and a close friend of Dr. Silver.

Tributes also came from the Rev. Oscar T. Olson, pastor of Epworth-Euclid Methodist Church, representing Greater Cleveland's Christian clergy; Governor Frank J. Lausche and Mayor Thomas A. Burke.

Foundation Is Announced

Establishment of the Abba Hillel Silver Charitable and Educational Foundation to be administered by Dr. Silver and two other trustees, was announced by S. M. Friedman. The Foundation begins its life with a fund of \$40,000.

At the rabbi's right at the speaker's table sat his wife. They cele-



A. M. Luntz and Governor Frank J. Lausche



Rabbi Silver and Senator Taft



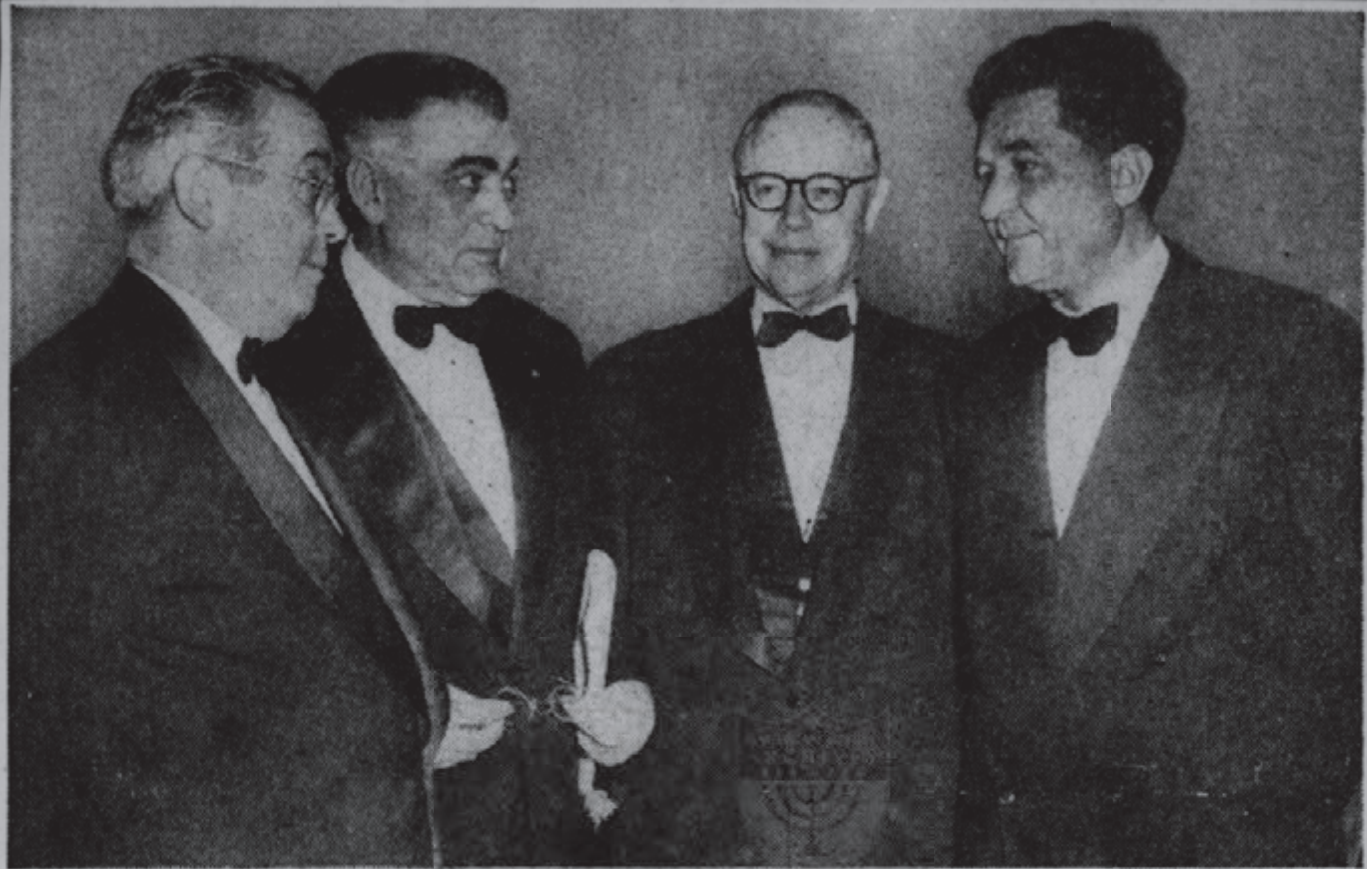
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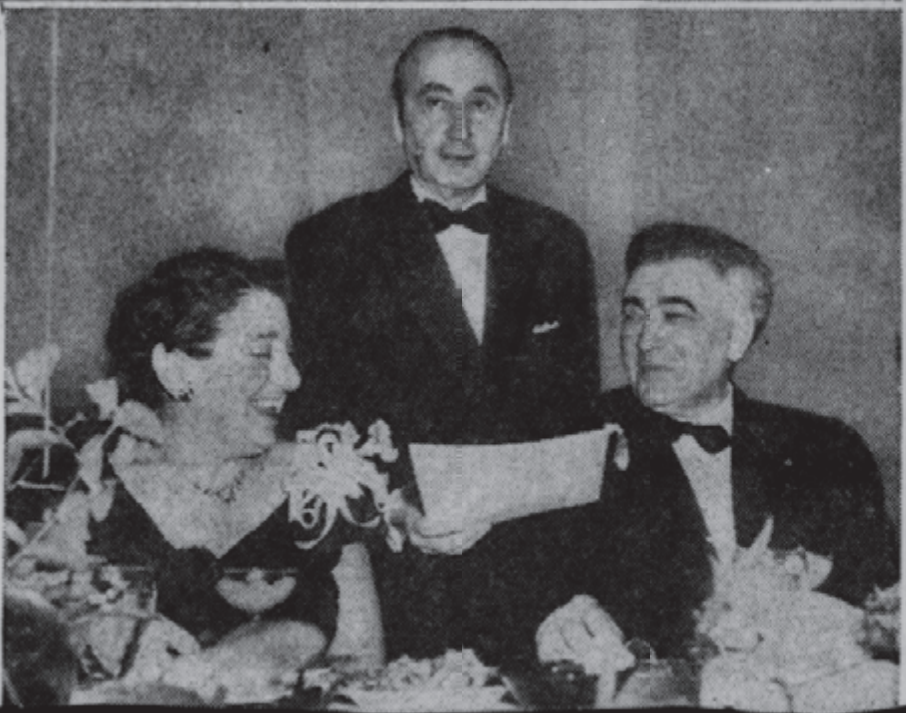
Mrs. Sydney L. Galvin and Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver

brated their 30th wedding anniversary earlier this month. Mrs. Silver was presented a wrist watch by Mrs. Sydney N. Galvin, president of the Temple Sisterhood. The invocation was given by

News



MORE THAN 1,000 CLEVELANDERS honored Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver at a testimonial dinner in Hotel Statler last night on his 60th birthday and his 35th year as spiritual leader of the Temple. Top (left to right): Mayor Thomas A. Burke, Rabbi Silver, Senator Robert A. Taft, who was the featured speaker, and Gov. Frank J. Lausche. Below: Mrs. Silver and the rabbi are shown with A. M. Luntz, president of the Temple congregation, who was toastmaster.



MEMBERS OF THE TEMPLE filled the ballroom of Hotel Statler to overflowing last night to pay tribute to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver on his 60th birthday, his 35th anniversary as a spiritual leader and his 30th wedding anniversary.

Fund Set Up by Temple in Rabbi Silver's Honor

By **FRANK STEWART**, *Religion Editor*

The Abba Hillel Silver Charitable and Educational Foundation is Cleveland's newest organization to promote a community program for religious, civic and social projects.

It came into being last night as the surprise event at a testimonial dinner in Hotel Statler honoring Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of the Temple in connection with his 60th birthday and his 35th anniversary as spiritual leader of the congregation.

The announcement, made by S. M. Friedman in behalf of the Temple, was accompanied with a check for \$40,000 for establishment of the foundation in the rabbi's name. Coincidentally, it

was announced Dr. Silver had been appointed "rabbi for life" at the Temple.

The gift and formation of the Silver Foundation was an expression of the affection of the membership of the Temple for Rabbi Silver's long service.

A crowd of more than 1000 attended the testimonial. Principal speaker was Sen. Robert A. Taft, a friend of Rabbi Silver for many years.

In part Taft said:

"I have come to Cleveland to express my friendship for Dr. Silver and to join in the happy returns of this day. He is a great civic leader and it is an honor to be associated with him."

Present at Dinner

Among those who expressed greetings in brief speeches were: Governor Lausche, Mayor Burke, Dr. Oscar Thomas Olson, representing the Christian clergy of the city, and Rabbi Leon I. Feuer of Toledo, who was a former assistant rabbi at the Temple.

Representing the Temple Sisterhood, Mrs. Sydney N. Galvin gave Mrs. Silver a wrist watch in commemoration of the 30th wedding anniversary of Rabbi Silver and his wife.

Temple president A. M. Luntz presided.

\$40,000 Scholarship Fund Honors Dr. Silver

(Photos on Picture Page)

BY RICHARD WAGER

Church Editor

Hailed as "moral and spiritual leader of Cleveland, champion of the Zionist cause and citizen of the world," Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of the Temple was heaped with tributes at a civic testimonial banquet in Hotel Statler last night.

Amid the words of praise and affection, the world-renowned Jewish leader was presented a check for \$40,000 as a scholarship fund in his honor, the gift of members and friends of the Temple, which he has served for 35 years.

In addition, it was announced that Dr. Silver has been named "rabbi for life" of the congregation.

More than 1,000 Clevelanders, many of them members of the

Temple congregation and civic leaders, feted the spiritual leader on his 60th birthday.

Featured speaker was United States Senator Robert A. Taft, a lifelong friend of the rabbi, who hailed Dr. Silver for his leadership in the Zionist cause.

"The people of Israel owe Rabbi Silver a great debt of gratitude," the senator said.

Calling America "the apostle of freedom throughout the world,"

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HONOR DR. SILVER BY \$40,000 FUND

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he held that we in our own government must make a "constant effort to reconcile the freedom and maintain that freedom."

Heavy taxation is necessary to meet the threat of Russia and big government is also necessary, but both the big taxation and the big government are threats to our liberty, he held, adding that regulation is the very essence of freedom.

"If we can maintain this freedom we can go on to greater heights than we have ever known as a nation," he asserted.

The surprise gift of the scholarship fund was presented by S. M. Friedman, who said it was anticipated the amount would be increased by other gifts.

To be known as the "Abba Hillel Silver Charitable and Educational Foundation," the fund is to be administered by three trustees, one of whom will be Rabbi Silver, Friedman announced.

The rabbi's wife was presented

a wrist watch by Mrs. Sydney N. Galvin, representing the Temple Sisterhood. (Rabbi and Mrs. Silver celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary earlier this month.)

In his response Rabbi Silver spoke his appreciation and said, "God has fostered our success and we glory in Him."

Speaking of the future, he said: "Let us keep our beloved Temple, which is far more important than any one of us, keep it the center of our lives."

"In this struggle to maintain that which we love," he went on, "it is my conviction that mankind will have need of its churches and synagogues far more than its armies. Democracy and free society will emerge triumphant, I am quite confident, if we keep our religious principles."

Gov. Frank J. Lausche and Mayor Thomas A. Burke spoke greetings, as did Dr. Oscar Thomas Olson of Epworth-Euclid Methodist Church, who represented the Christian clergy of the city.

Also participating were Eli Goldston and L. W. Neumark of the Temple and Rabbi Leon I. Feuer of Toledo, former assistant to Dr. Silver here.

A. M. Luntz, president of the Temple, was toastmaster and chairman.

Came Here in 1917

Rabbi Armond E. Cohen of Park Synagogue pronounced the invocation, and Rabbi Alan S. Green of Temple Emanu El gave the benediction.

Rabbi Silver came to Cleveland in 1917, when the Temple was at E. 55th Street and Scovill Avenue S. E. Under his leadership, the present temple at E. 105th Street and Ansel Road N. E. was erected in 1922. Membership has grown from 700 to 2,250, and today it is the largest Reform Jewish congregation in the United States.

Rabbi Silver planned the strategy and led the struggle in the United Nations which preceded establishment of the state of Israel in November, 1949.

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DR. SILVER INVITES THOSE HE MARRIED

Service Tomorrow Marks
His 30th Anniversary

"Together We Stood at the Altar" will be the subject of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver's sermon at the 10:30 a. m. service tomorrow at the Temple as he and Mrs. Silver observe their 30th wedding anniversary.

The 1,500-odd couples whom the rabbi has married during his 35 years' ministry here have been invited as special guests at the service. The altar flowers will be distributed to the couples.

Plans are underway for a civic testimonial banquet for Rabbi Silver at Hotel Statler Jan. 28, his 60th birthday, hailing him for his 35 years' leadership. A commemorative service will be held at the Temple on Sunday morning, Jan. 25.



MARRIED 30 YEARS. Rabbi and Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver are shown reading from a rare book from the rabbi's study at the Temple, where the service tomorrow morning will commemorate their 30th wedding anniversary.

Prayer for TODAY

O God of love and King of peace, do Thou make wars to cease through all the earth. More and more may Thy spirit of good will govern the dealings of nation with nation, and even their thoughts of one another. May Thy love through Thy church bring many into union with Thy Son, and through Him, with their brethren the wide world over. Amen.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

Toast of the Town

By RICHARD WAGER

A STAR that has shone brightly on Cleveland's spiritual and civic life for 35 years, and still rising, is to be hailed Wednesday night when more than 1,000 Clevelanders pay tribute to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of the Temple at a testimonial dinner at Hotel Statler on his 60th birthday.

Generally regarded as a foremost Jewish leader in the world today, Rabbi Silver is still very much the beloved spiritual leader for the 2,200 members of the Temple. His associations with President Eisenhower (the rabbi was one of three clergymen who took official part in the inauguration last week) promise even greater things in Dr. Silver's career.

Born in Lithuania, Rabbi Silver was brought to New York at the age of eight. He was graduated with honors from both the University of Cincinnati and Hebrew Union College after having

completed a nine-year rabbinical course in four years. He was made rabbi of a Wheeling (W. Va.) congregation at the age of 22, and came here in 1917, when the Temple, with a membership of 725, was at E. 55th Street and Central Ave-



The Temple

nue S. E. The present Temple was built in 1924 at a cost of \$1,300,000.

Rabbi Silver helped to found here the first Community Fund in America and he fathered Ohio's unemployment insurance law. With the voice and hair of a prophet, he has long been known as an intense intellect far in the front of public opinion on welfare, social legislation and world affairs.

He rose to world prominence in the Jewish crisis of the Hitler and post-war years and in the establishment of Israel as a state.

The Rabbi and Mrs. Silver, the former Virginia Horkheimer of Wheeling, live at 19810 Shaker Boulevard, Shaker Heights, and earlier this month celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary. They have two sons, Rabbi Daniel J., who is a navy chaplain stationed in California, and Raphael D., a student in the graduate business school of Harvard University.



Smiling with Senator Robert A. Taft. Rabbi Silver is shown here as he was feted at a testimonial dinner in New York in 1948, after his speeches before the United Nations Assembly had resulted in partition of the State of Israel. Senator Taft is to be the featured speaker at the dinner for Rabbi Silver at Hotel Statler Wednesday night. Shaking hands with him here is Rabbi Leon Feuer, former assistant rabbi of the Temple, now of Toledo.

← **The genial rabbi** snapped in a candid shot with Dr. Chaim Weizmar, the late president of Israel, in Basle, Switzerland, a few years ago.



At a United Nations session at Lake Success, N. Y., in May, 1947, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver in conference with (left to right) Emanuel Neumann of New York, former president of the Zionists Organization of America, Rabbi Wolf Gold of New York and Moshe Sharrett, now Israel's foreign minister.



Youthful looking Rabbi Silver breaking ground Dec. 4, 1922, for the present Temple building, E. 105th Street at Ansel Road N. E., which was completed in 1924 at a cost of \$1,300,000.

CALLS DR. SILVER SOURCE OF HOPE

Pittsburgh Rabbi Guest at
Anniversary Fete

(Photo on Picture Page)

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver yesterday was described as a rejuvenating force for needed courage in today's trying times by Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof of Pittsburgh, a lifelong friend and former classmate.

Rabbi Freehof was guest speaker at the Temple at a commemorative service honoring Dr. Silver's 35th year as rabbi there and his 60th birthday.

Other participants in the service were four rabbis who, as youngsters, were confirmed in the Temple.

"Dr. Silver has just those abilities which the world needs at this moment," Dr. Freehof said, adding that there were always regenerative forces at work in history that required a constant rebirth.

Man Without Fear

He described the noted Cleveland rabbi as a man without fear who had refused to be shouted down no matter how unpopular his views might seem at the moment.

This, he said, has brought the light of courage to a whole generation in the Temple congregation.

Describing Rabbi Silver as a realist about the present and an optimist about the future, Dr. Freehof said: "He believes in the deep roots of human nature. His sermons begin with solemn description then shift to human strength, then surge upward to confidence and hope."

Dr. Freehof concluded that the rabbi's main work was that of rejuvenation and added that he was an important source of social conscience and religious conviction.

The opening prayer was by Rabbi Earl S. Stone, assistant at the Temple. The ritual service was conducted by Rabbi Jay Kaufman of New York and Rabbi Robert J. Marx of Buffalo. The reading of scriptures was led by Rabbi Nathan Kaber of Altoona, Pa. All were confirmed at the Temple.

The adoration was made by Rabbi Daniel J. Silver, chaplain at

Picture Show of Rabbi Silver

AT THE DISTINGUISHED dinner given the other night by The Temple and friends to Rabbi Silver on his 60th birthday, an unconscious tribute was paid to one of the most popular of our customs — that of recording our families' years by photographs in an album. Not the least event on the program was a screening of Dr. Silver and his family down through the years, with help from the Silver family album, given with genial and witty commentary by Eli Goldston, president of the Mr. and Mrs. Club of The Temple congregation.



Rabbi Silver

THERE WAS young Abba Hillel Silver lounging nonchalantly on the university campus . . . Mrs. Silver as a young girl in Wheeling . . . The Rabbi on the first and only occasion (in knickers) when he attempted golf . . . Rabbi Silver equipped with two tiny sons and a perambulator . . . at a camp-out with the two boys . . . at the cornerstone ceremony for the new Temple . . . on plane, on ship-

board, at work in his booklined study . . . smiling proudly at his Rabbi son's commencement . . . speaking to an American Legion convention, with various national statesmen, at various national rallies . . . a dramatic series of his appearance on behalf of Israel before the UN . . . on tour in Israel . . . on tour of the western front of World War I with a French general . . . relaxed with his family in fireside converse . . . with Mrs. Silver in a pleasantly idle moment.

AS WELL AS they know him, the long-time friends present had forgotten how young their Rabbi appeared when he came to Tilfereth Israel congregation. Time passes too inexorably for our memories. Could he have been that boyish, that tall, dark, arch-browed youth in these pictures; not exactly a stripling, but—was it from this young prophet that those sermons and lectures had come which in the early 1920's arrested the whole city's attention to a new "liberal" voice on faith and works, on capital and labor, on the ferment of national political issues? Yes; nearly every one of the 1,000 guests must have forgotten just what the Rabbi resembled in those days.

A MAN FROM MARS, had he seen only the picture collection, would have had a pretty good notion of Dr. Silver as a person and certainly of his place in his city, state and world. Not all the pictures flattered him (naturally, some news photos had been interpolated to cover this many-sided career) but nearly every one characterized him with personal fidelity.

Those which did so most were those which reported his smile, which is somewhat singular in that, when Rabbi Silver smiles, his eyebrows rise and his eyelids droop, in an expression which seems half joy, half embarrassment.

AND THE PICTURES of him on the rostrum or pulpit denoted the long, flashing arm, the admonitory forefinger, the compelling gaze, and the effectiveness of his height.

The man from Mars would know this was a statesman, no man for compromise, an orator who felt the ammunition of moral and ethical centuries at his back as he spoke.

As a picture show, it was the best thing the undersigned will see this year.

—N. R. HOWARD

the United States naval station in San Diego, Cal., and a son of Dr. Silver. Dr. Silver himself gave the benediction after a brief thanks for the accolades given him.



ANOTHER HONOR was accorded Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver (left) when he was presented the Gottheil award of Zeta Beta Tau fraternity. Holding the medal is William C. Treuhaff, who made the presentation. Looking on are Jay Feder (between the two), president of the local graduates' unit of the organization, and Edwin W. Arsham, vice-president.

Rabbi Silver Gets Fraternity Medal

The Richard Gottheil medal, an annual award of Zeta Beta Tau fraternity, was presented last night to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver at a Jewish dinner of the national Jewish group's local graduate members at Hotel Hollenden.

William C. Treuhaff made the award to the spiritual leader of the Temple, referring to Dr. Silver's many activities in behalf of the Zionist movement and his position of honor in the community.

The Gottheil award goes to the individual who makes the greatest contribution to world Jewry in the year for which it is given.

Following the presentation Dr. Alfred J. Hotz, head of the political science department at Western Reserve University, discussed the latest Russian "peace offensive." He told the 100 men present that the new amiability could be regarded as merely a tactical shift—not a change of heart.

Dr. William V. Gross, jr., was master of ceremonies.

Rabbi Silver to Be Visited by Murrow on TV Tonight

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HOME to Edward R. Murrow and to television visitors tonight will be Rabbi Hillel Silver and Mrs. Silver.

Edward R. Murrow will come calling in the home of one of Cleveland's most eminent citizens tonight, but only via the micro-wave airways.

Hosts to Murrow—or rather to the cameras of his television program, "Person to Person"—will be Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and Mrs. Silver in their comfortable Shaker Heights home at 19810 Shaker Blvd.

Television viewers in 67 cities around the country will get the same intimate view that Murrow does of the way the Silvers live.

The famous commentator will actually be sitting in his studio in New York, although a "split-screen" image will give viewers the impression that he is carrying on a conversation with his hosts through a picture window of their house.

On WEWS at 10:30

Clevelanders will be able to watch "Person to Person" on WEWS at 10:30. The Illuminating Co., sponsor of "I Led Three Lives," has relinquished the time to the program.

The tone of Murrow's visit will be quite formal. Rabbi Silver will greet him on the front stairs, take him on a tour of the nine-room house and introduce him to Mrs. Silver.

The house is filled with mementoes of the Zionist movement, of which the rabbi has long been a leader, and of Israel, the country which he helped to found.

A basement area which, in another home, might be devoted to a recreation room is, at the Silvers', the "Israeli Room." Murrow and thousands of television viewers will visit it and see the large photo-murals of Jerusalem and the Sea of Galilee, the 18th Century map of Palestine, and the rabbi's collection of religious objects.

Since this is Friday, the dining room table will be arranged with the traditional setting of the Sabbath eve ceremony.

Hours of Preparation

Although viewers will get the impression that the visit is informal and casual, it has taken hours of careful preparation this week to pave the way.

Ohio Bell and WEWS technicians put the finishing touches today on the system of cameras and cables that will pick up the program and on

the 100-foot tower in a neighboring vacant lot that will transmit the sound and the pictures to downtown Cleveland and on to New York.

From Murrow's staff in New York, John Horn and former Clevelanders Robert Sammon have been here since Wednesday to work out the details of the 11-minute visit.

On "Person to Person," Murrow each week visits the homes of two prominent American families. Sharing the program with the Silvers tonight will be movie stars Tony Curtis and Janet Leigh in their home set deep in Coldwater Canyon in Beverly Hills.

Murrow has visited Clevelanders once before, last February, when he called on Louis B. Seltzer, editor of The Press, and his wife in their Lakewood home.



MYSTERIES OF THE WIRELESS MICROPHONE were explained by Robert Sammon (left), New York, of the Columbia Broadcasting System, to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver just before he strapped on the device that enabled the Ed Murrow program to be presented last night from the rabbi's home.

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Purim



Greetings

Sunday Morning Service

10:30 o'clock

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver

will speak on

There is a Time to Speak

Participating in the musical program of the service
will be guest soloist

Dr. Jerome Gross, Violinist

Friday Evening Services
5:30 to 6:10

Saturday Morning Services
11:15 to 12:00

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SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

This Sunday morning Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver will discuss the importance of the Purim message in our daily lives. The title of his subject will be, "There is a Time to Speak".

Special Purim music will be offered at the regular worship service. Dr. Jerome Gross, violinist, will play.

MUSIC FOR SUNDAY

Organ		
Overture Triomphale	Ferrata	
Offertoire	Dubois	
Contemplation	Castelnovo-Tedesco	
(Mah Tov)		
Opening Psalm—Tov l'hodos	Rogers	
Bor'chu (Congregational)	Sulzer	
Sh'ma - Boruch (Congregational)	Traditional	
Michomocho (Congregational)	Sulzer	
Kedusha	Federlein	
Silent Devotion—May the Words	Rogers	
The Quartette		
Before the Address		
Symphonie Espagnole	Lalo	
III—Andante		
Dr. Jerome Gross, violinist		
After the Address		
Shoshanas Yaakov	Traditional	
Mrs. Strasser and Choir		
Oleni—Vaanachnu	Goldstein	

NOTICE

Because Mahler Hall will be decorated for the Carnival all children will be dismissed from their classrooms. Parents are asked to meet their children at the close of Religious School, in the School Building instead of in Mahler Hall.

THE TEMPLE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CARNIVAL

On Sunday, March 17, from 2:30 P.M. to 5:00 P.M., Mahler Hall will be the scene of the Annual Purim Carnival of The Temple Religious School. There will be a special gift for each child coming in costume.

Among the new features this year, will be a Cup Cake Roll for pre-school children. In addition there will be a magician, movies, balloons, and many other attractions.

Checking facilities will be available in Rooms 11, 12, 13, and 14 on the first floor.

The Religious School Committee under the Co-chairmanship of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Weiskopf, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Gilman, Mrs. Miriam Copperman, and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Kravitz are organizing and planning the construction, decoration and servicing of the various booths.

Co-chairmen of hospitality, Mrs. Richard Adler and Mrs. Paul Meldon, and their committee, Mrs. Irwin Duchon, Mrs. Thomas Felber, Mrs. Stanley Goldberg, Mrs. Leonard Himmel, Mrs. Harris NeCamken, Mrs. Ernest Siegler, Mrs. Robert Smith, and Mrs. David Vactor, are planning a variety of refreshments as well as the usual "free treat".

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SPECIAL PROGRAMS TO HONOR DR. SILVER

Students of the various departments of our Temple School have planned special programs in honor of the 40th Anniversary of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver as Rabbi of The Temple.

The Junior High will devote a special Sabbath morning service on March 30th. A drama program written and produced by Mr. Jonas Deutsch will be presented at that time. Students of the Temple High School and of the Junior High Department will participate. Members of the High School Choir will sing under the direction of Mr. Willard.

The Sunday morning children will have an Assembly the next morning, March 31st at 10:00 A.M. Mrs. Joan Sugarman has written a script which will be produced under her direction by the young scholars of our Elementary School. Mr. Saul Henkin and Mrs. Jessie Weiskopf will assist with the music.

Plan to attend the
MR. and MRS. CLUB

"PURIM CARNIVAL"

Wednesday, March 20
8:30 P. M. Mahler Hall

Temple members
are cordially invited

Games

Prizes

Entertainment

Refreshments

ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW SPONSORED BY MR. and MRS. CLUB

The Mr. and Mrs. Club of The Temple wishes to invite all members of our congregation who enjoy creative hobbies to display their handiwork in an "April Show" which they are sponsoring.

Exhibits will include the following fields—painting, print making, photography, sculpture, enameling, textile, mobiles, jewelry, woodwork, needlework, drawing and original model construction. Awards will be made in both amateur and professional categories.

The exhibit will open on Sunday afternoon, April 21. Presentation of awards will take place at the Mr. and Mrs. Club Talent Show, later that week. All exhibits will be displayed in The Temple Museum.

Members of The Temple who wish to take part are invited to contact Al and Helen Borowitz at LONGacre 1-8260.

The Megillah, or Scroll of Esther, reproduced on the front page of this week's Temple Bulletin is from our own Temple Museum. It is a rare filigree gilded silver Megillah, illuminated, set with coral, from the Levant. It was made in the eighteenth century and is the gift to The Temple Museum of Mr. Abe Kane in memory of his wife, Anne Kane.

1917

40th ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

1957

Sunday, March 24th, 1957

10:30 o'clock



In 40 years of ministry, Dr. Silver has influenced large numbers of men and women. These friends and co-workers, past confirmands and men and women whom Dr. Silver married, will join to honor him.

Dr. Silver will preach at this Service.

During the Anniversary Service, special music will be played. An augmented Temple Choir will sing the Service of the eminent Jewish Composer, Isadore Freed.

Mr. Richard Tucker, Tenor of the Metropolitan Opera Company, will be soloist.

Mr. Ernst Silberstein, principal Cellist of the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra will play the Prelude.



Cards of admission have been mailed.

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In memory of Anna Rich, by The Temple Religious School Staff.

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TO THE FLOWER FUND:

In memory of father, Louis Neuman, by Mr. and Mrs. Louis M. Greene; in memory of Mrs. Meyer Rosen, by Dr. and Mrs. Henry Steuer; in memory of the birthday of mother, Mrs. Fanny Goodman, by Mrs. Sidney Gordon.

**TO THE SOPHIE AUERBACH
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In memory of Jerome Fishel, by the Fairview Rebekah Lodge; in memory of Rabbi Stephen Sherman, by The Temple Alumni Association; in memory of daughter, Miriam, by Mrs. H. Kaber.

TO THE PRAYER BOOK FUND:

In memory of mother, Mrs. Mathilda D. Goodman, by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Miller; in memory of aunt, Mrs. Alex Kopf, by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Miller; in memory of Mr. Casper Rosenberg, by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Miller; in memory of Mr. Arthur Bedford, by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Miller; in memory of Mrs. Bertha Selman, by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Miller.

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In memory of Mrs. Regina Schlesinger, by Mrs. J. A. Rosenberg, Mrs. Ben Stone and Mrs. Sam Gordon.

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MEMORIAL LIBRARY FUND:**

In honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Boris Liff, by Mr. and Mrs. Murray A. Newburgh.

**JOINT
MEETING**

TEMPLE MEN'S CLUBS

Members of the combined Men's Clubs of The Temple and the Fairmount Temple will meet on Wednesday evening, March 27th at the Fairmount Temple Social Hall for their second annual "Joint Meeting Fellowship Dinner".

The program will feature Mr. Alfred A. Benesch, Vice-President of the Cleveland Board of Education and honored member of The Temple for many years; and Henny Youngman, popular humorist.

The affair, open to members of both Men's Clubs, will be for men only. Dinner at 7:30 P.M. will be preceded by a Champagne Hour at 6:30 P.M. Reservations are limited strictly to 500 and reservations at \$3.00 per person may be made at The Temple office.

In charge of this event for The Temple Men's Club are, Chairman, Dr. Harris NeCamken, Co-chairman, Dr. Leon Newman; Committee members Jerry Friedman, Harry Gellin, David Immerman, Lawrence Lurie, Sidney Meadow, Jerry Newman, Jerry Silberman and Sanford Sugarman.

For the Fairmount Temple, Chairmen, Stanley Simon, Leonard Wininger; Committee members, Sam Desatnik, Howard Freed, David Gold, Herbert Merlin, Joseph Payner, Mel Schwartz, Theodore Spilka, Ed Spizel and Milton Stern.

The Men's Club President's, Dr. Joseph Gould and Theodore Spilka of The Temple and The Fairmount Temple, respectively, will participate.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The flowers which will grace the altar on Sunday morning March 17th, are contributed in memory of mother, Minnie Cohen, by Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Slavin.

In Memoriam

The Temple notes with deep sorrow the passing of

ALBERT GELFAND

and extends heartfelt sympathy to the members of his bereaved family.

**AN EVENING WITH
RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER**

sponsored by

The Temple Alumni Association

Friday, March 22nd at 8:00 P.M.

at the home of

Robert Kates

14808 Shaker Blvd.

Social hour following

Silver Talks Freely of Retiring

By RICHARD WAGER
Church Editor

Voicing gratitude for the past and confidence in the future, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver talked freely yesterday of his coming retirement.

The date? He would not say. "Whether it will be next year or the year after, I don't know," he said. "But after 40 years a man's entitled to slow down a bit."

Interviewed on the threshold of his 40th anniversary as spiritual leader of the Temple, the largest Jewish congregation in America, the genial rabbi insisted, regarding his retirement,

"There'll be no announcement at this time."

Service of Thanks Set

A service of thanksgiving is planned at the Temple at 10:30 a.m. Sunday in humble celebration of the anniversary.

"It will not be a testimonial, with people telling me I'm a nice fellow," said the rabbi, who has probably received more honors and has been feted at more testimonial affairs than any other American clergyman.

Rather, he said, the service will be in gratitude "for the privilege of having been able to serve the Temple and the community for these years. That's why I'll be preaching."

An old personal friend, Richard Tucker of the Metropolitan Opera Co., New York, will be guest soloist.

Son Now Preaching

Dr. Silver's son, Rabbi Daniel Emy Silver, who became his father's associate last summer, is being groomed to take his

illustrious father's place, a fact that is a great personal delight to the father.

Rabbi Daniel is now preaching regularly on alternate Sundays.

"More and more I want him to take over much of the routine work, such as weddings," the father said. "After all, how many people can one marry?"

When the younger rabbi is ready to assume the helm the father will become rabbi emeritus, an arrangement the Temple officers voted sometime ago, the senior rabbi explained.

"I don't want to retire because I'm tired," he said. "I look on retirement as retiring from routine to do other work that I want to do."

That would mean writing, he answered unhesitatingly. The Macmillan Co., publishers, want him to write a new book, as his latest volume, "Where Judaism Differed," published last year, is in its third printing.

Reprint Is Due

Beacon Press is coming out soon with a paper-back reprint of his first book, "Messianic Speculation in Israel," published in 1927.

"There will be a new introduction to write; so I have a job cut out for me this summer," Rabbi Silver said.

(Two other volumes have come from the Silver pen, "Religion in a Changing World," a best-seller in 1930, and "The World Crisis and Jewish Survival" in 1941.)

Contemplating his writing further, Dr. Silver said he planned to edit several volumes of his own sermons. These have been taken down and transcribed, first by court stenographer, in more recent years by use of tape recordings. At the

rate of 4) a year these would total 1,600 sermons.

"I'd like to leave a few sermons" to posterity, the rabbi mused quietly.

He is enthusiastic about his son's pulpit delivery, an ability for which the father has gained a measure of his fame. He is equally enthusiastic over the son's plans for the soon-to-be expanded Temple building. Ground is to be broken in the next month for the educational addition, expected to cost between \$800,000 and \$900,000.

"I hope Rabbi Daniel will not set too fast a pace for me," the father said, laughing.

The son's presence made it possible this winter for Dr. and Mrs. Silver to take a brief vacation in Florida for the first time. The parents are planning

a summer vacation trip to Europe, as they have done in numerous years past. The Temple is traditionally closed for the summer.

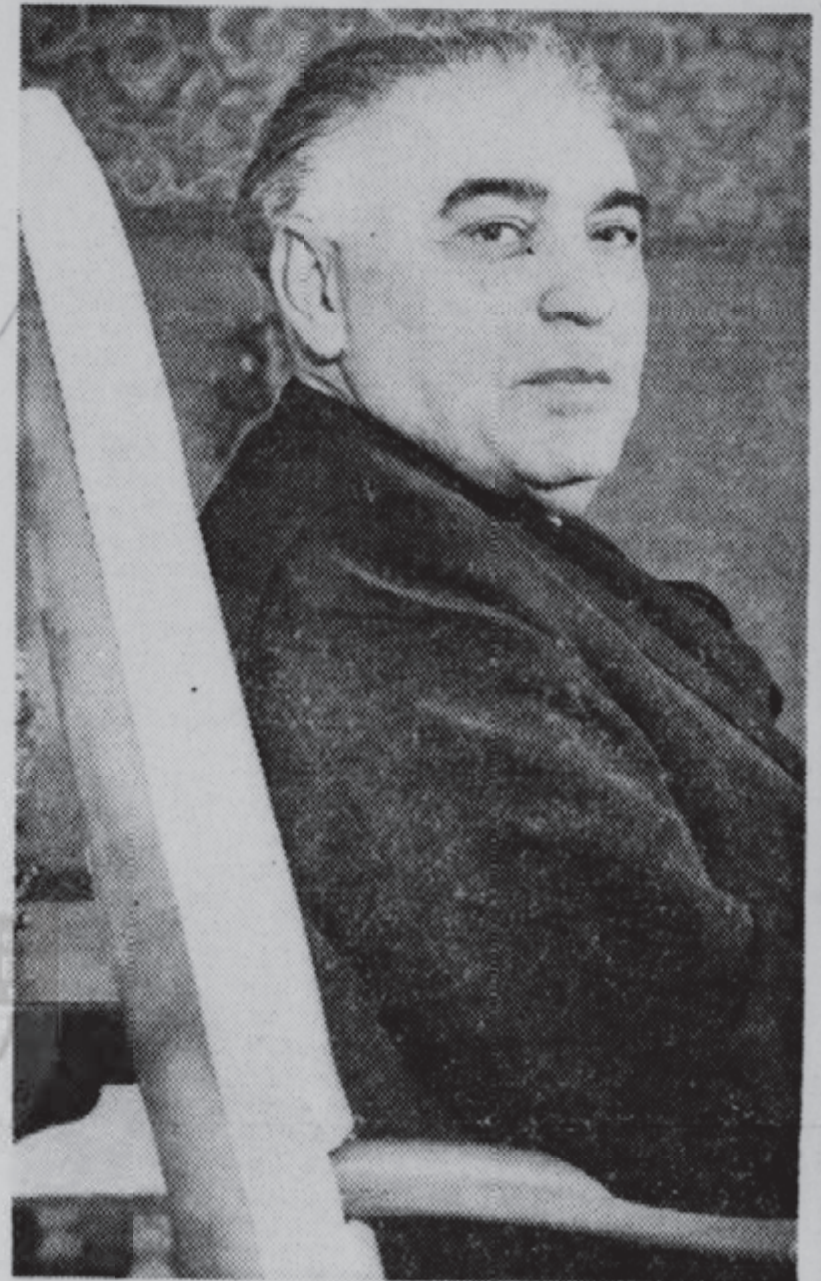
Enjoys Teaching

The elder rabbi sees the importance of a synagogue in its offering worship and preaching and moral instruction. Currently he and his son are each teaching five groups of confirmation and pre-confirmation classes, totaling 225 youngsters.

Of his teaching Rabbi Silver said: "This is the last thing I want to give up."

Of his preaching he said: "I'm an old-fashioned preacher with some modern ideas, a radical who derives inspiration from the traditional."

Meditating on the world of tomorrow, he said: "I look confidently to the future because



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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER, shown in a pensive mood in the newly decorated parlor of the Temple, of which he has been spiritual leader for 40 years. The anniversary is to be celebrated Sunday.



FAMILY PHOTO taken 18 years ago shows Rabbi Silver with Daniel (left), now associate rabbi at the Temple, Raphael and Mrs. Silver.

Rabbi Silver's 40 Years Is Like History Review

By FRANK STEWART
Religion Editor

When one sits down to review the last 40 years of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of the Temple, it is like reviewing the pages of history for four decades in the world, the nation and the city of Cleveland. Few men have left their imprint on such a wide area.

On Sunday morning at 10.30 a special commemorative service will be held in the Temple, E. 105th St. and Ansel Rd., marking the completion of 40 years' service by Rabbi Silver as spiritual leader of the largest Reform Jewish congregation in the country.

The picture was quite different when a young man of 24 made his first appearance on Apr. 18, 1917, before the congregation in the old Temple, then located at E. 55th St. and Central Ave.

Under the leadership of Rabbi Silver, the present Temple was erected in 1924 with an expenditure of \$1,300,000.

This man, who in the decades ahead was to become one of the spiritual fathers of the State of Israel and a great interpreter of liberal religious thought, on that spring morning in 1917 showed few of those possibilities.

Ordained at 22

Instead, he was a timid young clergyman who had come here from Wheeling, W. Va., where he had been ordained as a rabbi at the age of 22. He had arrived in the



BEFORE THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL in 1948, Rabbi Silver was spokesman for the Jewish Agency for Palestine. Left to right are UN Delegate Andrei Gromyko of Russia and Karel Lisicky of Czechoslovakia, chairman of the UN Palestine Commission.

city just a short time after the United States had entered World War I.

The world was different then, and the young rabbi was caught up in the ground swell of war. In the summer of 1918 he first entered the international scene when he was sent overseas at the invitation of the Committee on Public Information and the French High Commission in the United States.

Commenting on that trip to Europe 20 years later, Rabbi Silver wrote: "I knew much less about the consequence of war then I know now." Perhaps, it is fitting to add on the eve of this 40th anniversary that he knows much more about this old globe than he did 20 years ago.

Main Interest Here

But as dramatic and glamorous as the rabbi's achievements on a world scale have been, his interest in the Temple and his home community has been his primary concern.

Only last December he was presented with the Charles Eisenman Award in recognition of his contributions toward the welfare of Cleveland.

An engraved testimonial spoke of him as "spiritual leader, eloquent spokesman for the centuries-old aspirations of the Jewish people, profound student of Jewish lore, religion and history; author, advocate of progressive social movements without restrictive regard of race, creed or nationality."

Rabbi Silver was chosen president of the Zionist Organization of America in November of 1943 to the accompaniment of one of the greatest demonstrations in the history of the organization. He had become interested in Zionism as a boy.

The anniversary service Sunday morning will center around Rabbi Silver's accomplishments at the Temple, and the occasion will be augmented by the appearance in the musical program of Richard Tucker, Metropolitan Opera Co. star.

Membership Triples

When the youthful leader from Wheeling first became rabbi here, the Temple had 725 members. Today it has three times that many.

One of the powerful sources of its growth is the Sunday morning lectures given by Rabbi Silver. In them he analyzes religious, political, civic and international affairs with the same fervor of his earlier years.

Even in the administration of the Temple, Rabbi Silver is not disturbed by introduction of new ideas. Not a few of these have come from his son, Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver, who became his associate several months ago.

Under the elder Rabbi Silver's direction, a Jewish museum of unusual merit has been established at the Temple, where rare and valuable displays of Jewish art and culture are on view. The Temple library of 12,000 volumes is outstanding in its field.

Another factor in the growth and expansion of the Temple has been the emphasis placed upon the religious school. It has been described by impartial observers as a model. Trained professional instructors offer courses from kindergarten to college.

A strict but understanding schoolmaster, Rabbi Silver has confirmed thousands of boys and girls who now are among the city's leaders in education, business and civic affairs.

As evidence of his long-range vision, Rabbi Silver interested his congregation in the purchase of a nearby block of homes to provide adequate parking facilities.

As a result, the parking lot was built and one of the problems of the neighborhood was solved. And largely through the rabbi's efforts, an annex to the religious school will be built with funds from a campaign under way.

Through the years the leader of the Temple has been in

the thick of the fight for liberal legislation. One gauge of the man is the fact that while he championed the cause of organized labor—and often refereed labor disputes—he was a friend and supporter of the late Sen. Robert Taft, co-author of the Taft-Hartley Act.

Today Rabbi Silver is in the midst of the discussion for the rights of Israel and a just and equitable peace in the Middle East. Although a White House guest on more than one occasion, he has been candid in his criticism of President Eisenhower's moves in the Middle East.

Rabbi Silver was born in Lithuania but came to the United States when he was 3 years old. He received his education at the University of Cincinnati and Hebrew Union College, where he

finished a nine-year rabbinical course in four years.

Rabbi and Mrs. Silver live at 19810 Shaker Blvd., Shaker Heights. Besides Rabbi Daniel Jeremy, they have another son, Raphael D.

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MUSIC FOR SUNDAY



The Temple is very proud and happy to welcome the famous Tenor of The Metropolitan Opera Company, Mr. Richard Tucker, a friend of many years of Rabbi Silver, who will sing during the Service this Sunday morning.

For the Choral music of this tribute to Dr. Silver, we have again drawn upon another fine modern service, the "Sacred Service", by Isadore Freed.

Mr. Freed not only is one of the outstanding figures in Jewish Music of this day, but in the current renaissance of Jewish Sacred music he is also one of the leaders. He was for 14 years organist and music director at Temple Keneseth in Philadelphia, and for the past 9 years has held a similar post at Temple Israel in Lawrence, Long Island.

The Cantorial work in this Service will be sung by Mr. Melvin Hakola, Baritone of The Temple Choir.

The following members will comprise the Choir for this Service:

Sopranos: Joan Wischmeyer, soloist; Margaret Crays, Kathreen Britton, Gladys Fine, Kay Curtis*, Margaret Mazzolini*.

Altos: Ilona Strasser, soloist; Janet Koch, Gertrude Kaufman, Charlotte Bossinger*, Betty Kaufman*.

Tenors: Jon Humphrey, soloist; John Wrable, Clifton Williams, Charles Cammock*, Robert M. Bossinger*.

Basses: Melvin Hakola, soloist; David Berger, Willard DeLara, Sidney Kaufman, Edward Hilberg*.

* Assisting

SPECIAL SEATING ARRANGEMENT FOR MARCH 24th

Because of the large attendance which is anticipated for Sunday morning, March 24th, and in order to take care, in the most expeditious manner, of our members who will attend the Service, no seats can be reserved for pew owners or renters. Those who wish to occupy their own seats that morning should come *before 10:15* and the ushers will make an effort to seat them in their own pews.

Admission cards, which have been mailed to all Temple members, should be presented at the door.

Arrangements have been made to take care of non-members who may wish to attend the Service, in Mahler Hall where the Service will be carried through our public address system.

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Lied Ohne Worte Mendelssohn

Opening Prayer.....Rabbi Armond E. Cohen
Park Synagogue, Cleveland, Ohio

Ritual Service.....Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver
Union Prayer Book, Pages 312-322

Solo.....Mr. Richard Tucker
Tenor, Metropolitan Opera Company
Elohai Ad Shelo Notzarti Rosenblatt

Service, Hymn and Reading of Scriptures.....Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver
Pages 324-326

Solo.....Mr. Richard Tucker
If With All Your Hearts
From "Elijah" Mendelssohn

Address.....Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

Solo.....Mr. Richard Tucker
Elu D'Vorim Jacob Rappaport

Adoration and Kaddish.....Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver

Benediction.....Rabbi Leon I. Feuer
Temple Shomer Emunim, Toledo, Ohio

The musical setting for the Service is by Isadore Freed, eminent Jewish Composer, and is directed by Mr. A. R. Willard, Organist and Choir Director of The Temple

Mr. Tucker is accompanied by his regular accompanist, Mr. Erwin Jospe, Organist of Temple Anshe Emeth, Chicago, Illinois.

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The Temple notes with deep sorrow
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By RICHARD WAGER

There is a singular fascination in visiting the studio of a master artist, to peer at his tools, see how he works and lives, the schedule he keeps—these scenes that precede the finished product that the whole world, while awed, takes for granted.

We visited Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver in his study at the Temple last week, though in reality this is only one of his "studios."



RICHARD WAGER

He does much of his work, particularly writing his Sunday morning sermons, in his study at home in Shaker Heights. While he collects data for each sermon often far in advance of the week it is given, he follows a set pattern in giving it life.

The writing he begins immediately on arriving home from Sabbath morning services each Saturday. Dr. Silver writes all his sermons, word for word, in long hand, using a valued gold pen that was given him several years ago. Most sermons are completed in five or six hours. Some require him to be at his desk until as late as 9 or 10 on a Saturday night.

Stopped Memorizing

On Sunday the rabbi arises "around 7 or 8," arrives at the Temple around 9:30, giving him ample time to go over his sermon before the 10:30 service.

"I used to memorize my sermons," he said. "But in the last several years I've become lazy. Now I take the manuscript with me in the pulpit."

"I never speak extemporaneously; I never permit that in the pulpit," he affirmed, adding that this rule is being followed by his son-associate, Rabbi Daniel J. Silver.

The senior Rabbi Silver, one of America's most famous clergymen, today is celebrating his 40th anniversary as spiritual leader of the Temple.

What does he do for relaxation?

Plans Europe Tour

Dr. Silver reads a great amount daily. He and Mrs. Silver go to plays, movies occasionally.

"We listen to the radio and watch television," he related, "and often have friends in for a relaxing evening of conversation."

"I have no hobbies," he smiled.

One of the couple's special delights is ocean travel. This summer, as in many years past, they plan to tour Europe. On some previous trips, the rabbi recounted, he and Mrs. Silver rented an automobile to travel more freely.

"Do you find driving relaxing?" we asked Dr. Silver.

"No," he said. "Mrs. Silver does that. I drive when I have to. But she's the one who enjoys it."

Silver Lauds Well-Wishers for His Happy 40 Years

Before a great crowd that overflowed the Temple, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver yesterday turned a testimonial to him into a testimonial for the congregation he has served 40 years.

"Great changes in history have occurred during these 40 years, and I have often expressed views many of you did not agree with," said the 64-year-old religious leader. "But not once have you ever asked me to go easy, to

temper my opinions. What minister could ask for more?" Scores of community leaders were in the crowd of 2200 worshipers who filled the Temple's main sanctuary.

Three hundred listened via loudspeaker in Mahler Hall downstairs.

Rabbi Silver said his 40 years in the Temple pulpit had taught him to be optimistic of the future. He as-

serted he had no immediate plans to retire.

"But sooner or later younger hands must take over," he

commented.

His son and associate, Rabbi David Jeremy Silver, wished his father good fortune in his "second 40 years at the Temple."

Open House . . . Held At Temple Sunday For Public Inspection Of New Million-Dollar Educational And Cultural Annex

Public open house at the new million-dollar addition to the Temple, E. 105th Street, at Ansel Road, will take place, Sunday, Oct. 19 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Dedication of the new structure with its thirteen class rooms, new library, rebuilt social hall, children's auditorium, arts and crafts center for children and landscaped patio, took place, Sunday. Speakers at the dedication in the Temple, were Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver, associate rabbi of the Temple, Aba M. Luntz, president of the Temple, Ernest H. Siegler of the building committee; Wilmont Vickrey, representing Perkins & Will of Chicago, the architects and Leo W. Neumark, Temple vice president.

At the conclusion of the services, the congregation toured the addition.

At the dedication services, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver declared that the new Temple addition was dedicated to aid mankind to escape "the darkness of cruelty, bigotry, segregation and dictatorship." After quoting opening passages of the Book of Genesis, Rabbi Silver declared that the temple, the religious school, Judaism and all religions must "seek to give man the good light and teach him to divide it from the darkness." Concluding a review of the more than century old history of Tifereth Israel Congregation, Rabbi Silver said: "May Tifereth Israel under God go from strength to strength and be a blessing to Israel and humanity."

The congregation was asked by Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver in his address to regard the new addition with pride and loyalty to the principles of Judaism, to the bur-

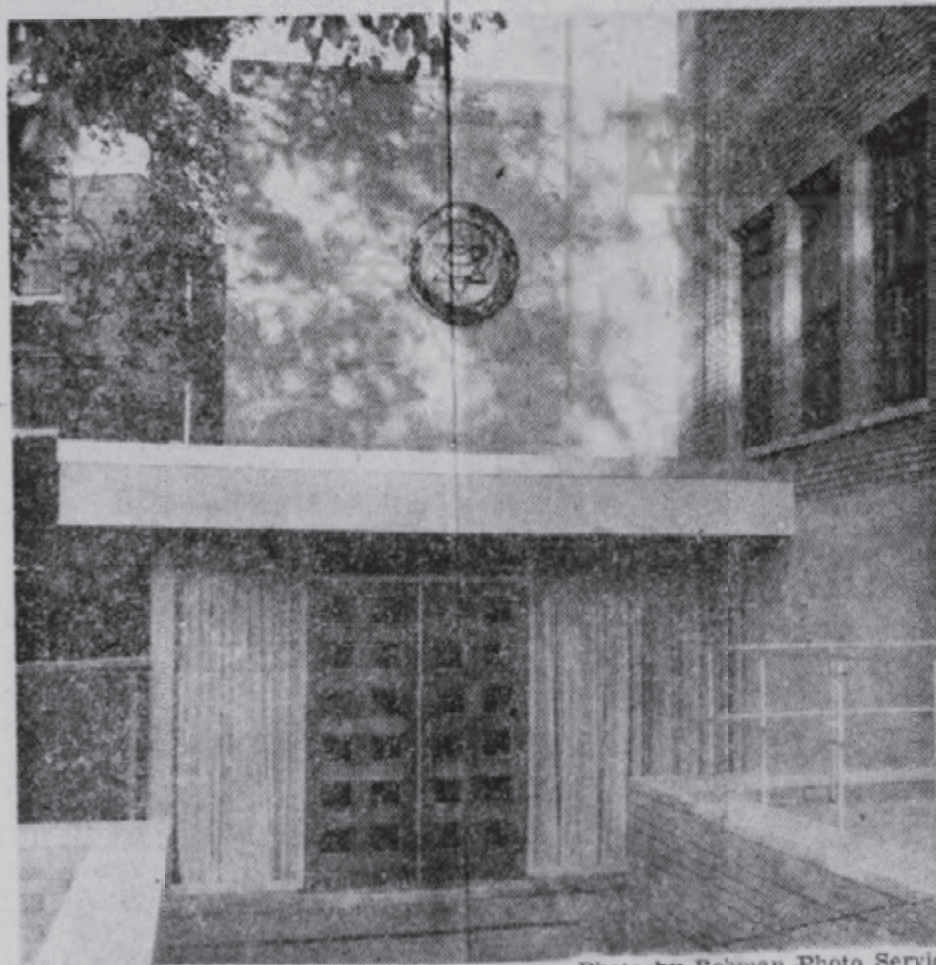


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Entrance to New Temple Annex Facing Silver Park.

ing lights of faith and learning.

The dedication ritual was conducted by Rabbi Herbert H. Rose.

The new Temple addition extends northward from the original Temple building to Mount Sinai Hospital. Its classrooms will be for 1400 children. Architects of the new structure were, Perkins and Will of Chicago, Ill., and White Plains, N. Y. Partner in charge was Wilmont Vickrey, equipment consultant, Charles Lind of Perkins and Will and associated architect, Michael K. Cleveland.

A statement on the initial planning, building and completion

the new addition, issued by the Temple says in part:

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...they were, seriously short of parking and shadowed by blight, to follow its congregation mov-



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ing to the suburbs, the Temple discussed and debated, then decided to remain, become a strong western arc of the University Circle development, and begin an ambitious building and rebuilding program of its own.

"It began with the Temple acquiring thirty parcels of blighted property to their west, their most vulnerable side. To their north was Mount Sinai Hospital which remained when they did and began its own building program. To their east was Wade Park and all of the culture and promise of the University Circle. South the Temple dome could be seen rising surely. With the cooperation of the city, public traffic was diverted from the street paralleling the Temple's west side. The old buildings on the property they had acquired were torn down, and the area began to be developed into both needed parking for their congregation and a pleasant park, to be called Silver Park after their rabbi for forty-one years, Abba Hillel Silver. Paralleling this was the planning and building for an increasing program of educational and social activities.

"Challenging considerations were met in their Temple's building program. There was available a relatively small amount of ground the Temple had not built on, adjoining the existing building to the north.

"The existing building site itself, generally triangular in shape, opened to streets on two of its adjoining sides that were at appreciably different levels. Because of this the existing building was built on various levels, was entered on one side (Ansel Road), into its educational departments, a full level higher than on its other side (105th Street) off which doors opened directly from the large social hall. At the crossing of the two side streets, at the site's triangular corner, was the main entrance to the sanctuary. Any new construction then had to relate to these different street levels, as well as to the levels in the buildings, and particularly to the levels of the existing educational and social activity facilities.

"Other considerations were that the exterior of any new construction be compatible with the dignity of the existing Temple. Its interiors were to be warm, friendly, and functional, with materials and finishes reflecting the enduring qualities of the Temple as a continuing institution.

"Plans and discussions later, the final scheme was set. Basically it

is a new building block of four stories, three above ground level, nearly filling the limited available Temple property to the north, and intricately interlocking with the northern end of the existing building, in which are located the educational and social activity facilities.

"Best seen from Wade Park, the new construction faces north toward Mt. Sinai Hospital an elegantly tailored facade of glass, with delicate draperies behind them, and limestone coursed to match the limestone of the original building. Its east face is a sheer, plain wall of limestone led into by the quiet rhythm of the arcade arches that existed in front of the Temple's original educational, social building elements. Joining the new construction on its west side is a single-story glass-transparent entrance unit, nestling into pleasantly paved and planted terracing that steps gently up to join the new Silver Park. Location of the major entrance to the new construction on the west side coupled with the Temple's west side development of the park, parking, and private drive as its major approach, are among the improvements.

"Inside of the exterior's tailored-plain rectangles, a three dimensional interplay of levels and puzzle of planes were brought to a logical, well-working plan, room by room, even wall by wall, by drawings, and on the spot decisions, once construction had begun and unfolded improvements, refinements. Work was carried into the old building where old joined new, and in other areas meant to serve new or expanded needs, or in need of refurbishing. The Temple was growing, and reaching all around.

"The Temple had grown, had not, and could not simply be added to. All spaces included in the new construction related to spaces in the existing building, and on different levels. Existing rooms and facilities remained where they were, with the exception of the library which was given new and larger space.

"Of the four levels of new construction, there are fundamentally two major levels, they being the level on which the auditorium is located, and the topmost level on which the skylighted new library and thirteen new classrooms are located. The lowest level, below ground, has rooms and facilities associated with the auditorium's use, while the level between the auditorium and classroom levels, has, ringing around in a ring of space encircling what is the upper part of the auditorium, the major west entrance lobby, meeting rooms, nursery, art and music rooms, and miscellaneous service rooms.

"The new construction and the existing building necessarily and symbolically are almost like a pair of praying hands, interlocking, working together.

"The new level of library and classrooms meet the existing classroom wing of the Temple a half level up from its first floor of school offices and classrooms. The connection between the new and existing elements occurs directly opposite the major entrance to the Temple's educational wing off the new Silver Park. An existing stairway adjoining the connection interconnects all levels, including the existing classrooms above, making especially the library work well with the entire school.

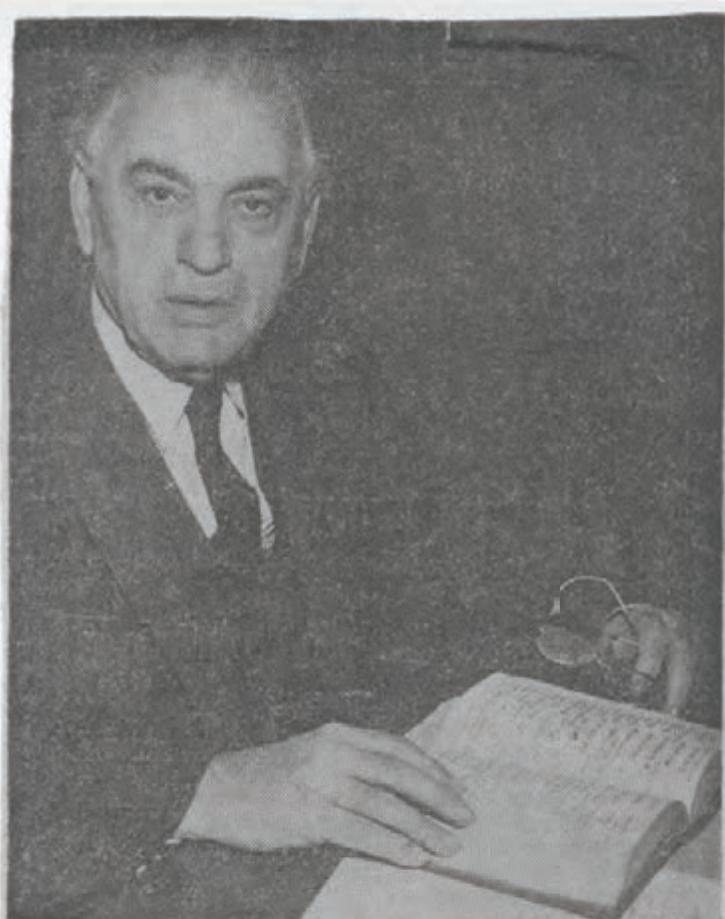
"The new topmost level of library and thirteen classrooms is a top-lighted, bright, cheerful place of glass, sunny yellows, warm walnut, crisp tile. One continuous ceiling sweeps by the glass separating the upper parts of the rooms, and one tot's classroom becomes one open-room, further open by big square skylights, plastic squares of fluorescent lights, and side walls of floor to ceiling glass opening outside, to the north, and to a sunny south looking on a calm-green roof garden.

"Six of the classrooms line rectangularly along a floor-to-ceiling north glass wall. The others are six sides, hexagonal shaped rooms, for the primary grades, set in a seven center-cluster with corridor on both sides. The hexagons recall the sanctuary's mood of unity, embrace the tot students in space shaped to the way they'd group around of their own accord to hear stories told, or play ring games. The hexagonal classroom cluster also opens side aisle inlets, relieves the straight-shot corridor.

"Some of the walls between the rooms and aisles are all glass, but most are solid up to five-plus feet, then there's clear glass to the ceiling. Tots in one room are unseen from any other, but ceiling staring can bring him into all the others and let him be no real stranger to the whole community of his friends. Just as in his religion, he is himself, but never alone. This is his wide open world, just as the Temple sanctuary, its dome seen beyond the roof garden court, is his world of meditation.

"Placed for purposes of what and where was needed, the other rooms work into the complex that was built new now, or was, at one time.

"This now is the Temple grown and growing as an institution."



This portrait study of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver was made Tuesday at The Temple by Sun Photographer Perry Cragg as Rabbi Silver granted an interview to a reporter from the Sun Papers.

Good Years Ahead For Free World, Says Rabbi Silver as He Nears 70

By MARION KELLY

"The element of fear is gone and the next few years should be good years for the free world."

That is the opinion of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, world citizen, Zionist leader, and for the past 45 years spiritual leader of The Temple, E. 105th St. and Silver Park, the largest reform congregation in the world.

Rabbi Silver, whose 70th birthday will be celebrated in a special service Sunday at The Temple, and who will be honored at a civic banquet Sunday evening at the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel, reviewed the world situation Tuesday in his paneled study at The Temple. He will be 70 on Jan. 28.

Cuba Called Turning Point

He feels that the Cuban crisis, with the firm stand taken by President Kennedy and backed by the American people, was a turning point in East-West relations.

"We faced up to the problem and took a strong stand, and when we did, fear left," he said.

"Fear, like hate, is a poor counselor. Without fear we can have a sounder approach to international problems."

He believes that tensions between the East and West will continue indefinitely, due to a difference in world outlook, but he does not believe that there will be nuclear war.

"Recognizing that there will be these tensions we must try for as normal an international life as possible," Dr. Silver believes.

Pleased With Israeli Growth

The steady growth of Israel is highly gratifying to Dr. Silver.

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who has been called one of the architects of the state.

"There is steady progress in all areas in Israel," he says. "It is gradually moving toward economic stability, its population is growing, cities stand where there was desert not more than 10 years ago."

Probably the greatest strength of Israel is that it is the one free country in that part of the world, and as such serves as an example to the struggling countries around it, Dr. Silver believes.

He and Mrs. Silver will make a trip there in March. It has been their practice for a number of years to make an annual visit to Israel but they passed it up last year in favor of a trip to Russia and to other Iron Curtain countries.

Cites Needs In U.S.

Asked if he would like to make his home in Israel when he retires, Rabbi Silver smiled.

"I love the country and it is a good place to go when there is a specific problem to be worked out," he said. "However, the Jewish community in this country needs leadership, too. I would not want to give up my place here to move permanently to Israel."

Asked what he considered the greatest accomplishments in his long, busy life, Rabbi Silver hesitated.

"In my private life it was winning the good lady who is my wife," he answered. "In my public life it is the part I had in establishing the State of Israel."

Rabbi Silver was born in Lithuania and came to the United States when he was nine years old. He was graduated from the University of Cincinnati and Hebrew Union College and received his doctorate from Western Reserve University.

He married Virginia Horkheimer while he was spiritual leader at Eoff Street Temple in Wheeling, W. Va. They are the parents of two sons, Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver, associate rabbi with his father at The Temple, and Rafael D. Silver, a Cleveland businessman. There are five grandchildren.

Contributions Numerous

In addition to the guidance of his congregation, Rabbi Silver has been one of the outstanding figures in the American Zionist movement. He is a former president of the Zionist Organization of America and is its honorary president.

He has taken part in countless activities. He has been a leader in the American Civil Liberties Union, the Ohio Race Betterment Association, the Ohio Commission of the Unemployment Problems of the Negro, and sponsored the first unemployment insurance law in Ohio.

Dr. Silver is the author of a number of books and articles on religious subjects. A noted speaker, he has been described as having "an unrivalled gift of oratory."

Shifts Some Responsibilities

He is as acutely interested in all of the many facets of his varied life as he ever was but he

admits that as he reaches the Biblical three score years and ten he is gradually shifting some of his responsibilities from his shoulders to the shoulders around him.

He is looking forward to the events of this weekend, the celebration service at The Temple Sunday morning and the banquet.

"The rabbis who have served with me here at The Temple will be back with us, and many of my friends from other parts of the country. It will be good to see them again," he says.



Temple Plans Dedication of Annex and Silver Park

By BILL TANNER

"... and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose."

Isaiah, chapter 35

In an area that was becoming a desert of dilapidation and decay, the Temple has burgeoned and blossomed like the Biblical rose.

On Sunday, little more than a year from the day ground was broken, the noted Jewish institution on E. 105th St. will dedicate its million-dollar annex and the beautiful Abba Hillel Silver Park.

The decision to launch these improvements—to buy land, tear down old homes, re-route a roadway—was made by Temple leaders in the face of an exodus to the suburbs by most of the congregation members.

The original synagogue, built in 1922, was far too inadequate in size to serve the needs of its members. Other congregations aban-

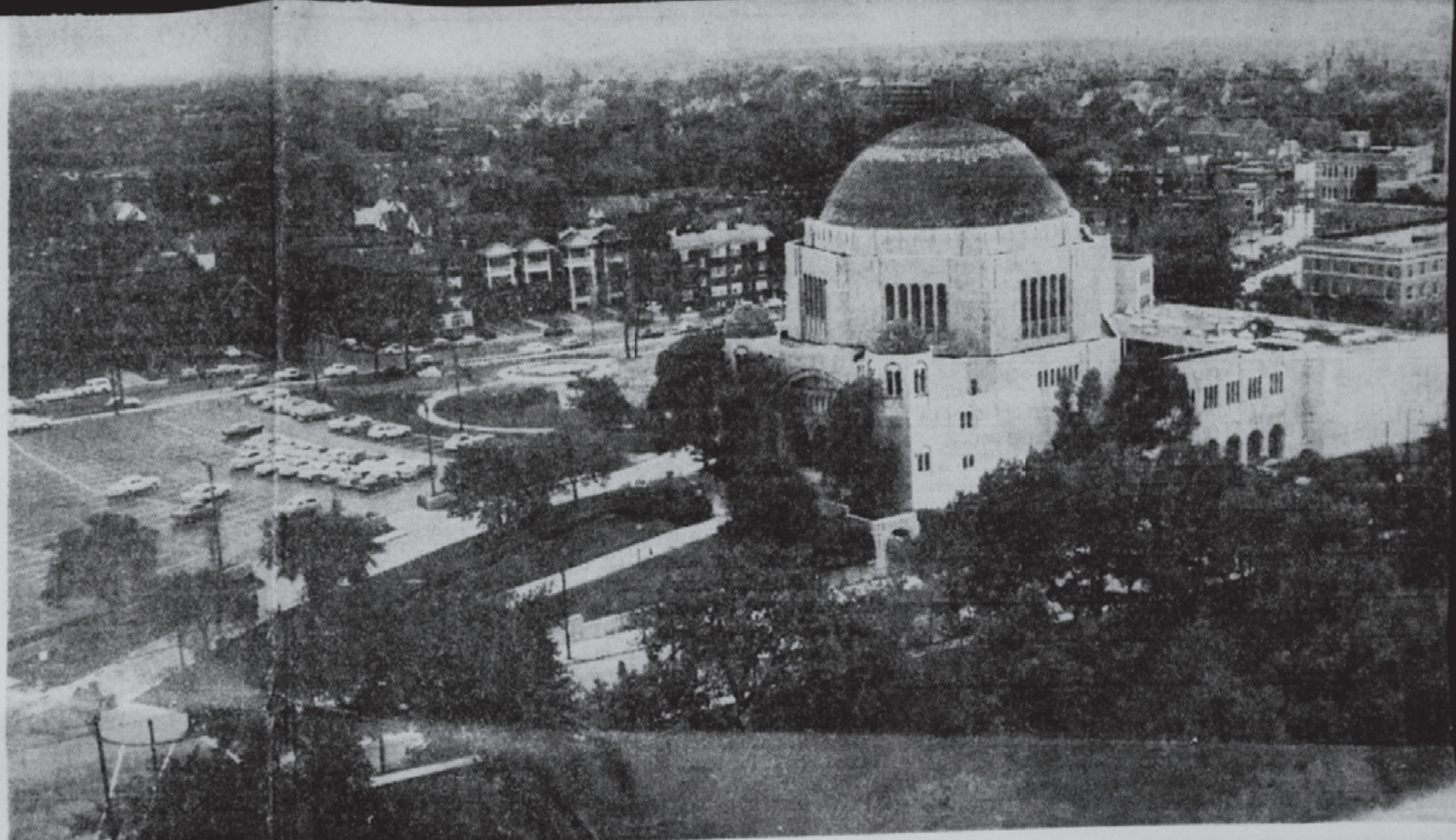
doned their temples for new construction in outlying areas. But the Temple decided to stay in what is described as the "western arc of the University Circle."

Despite its decidedly modern tone, the annex blends in well with the older building. The exterior fronting on Wade Park retains the same limestone structure familiar in the original building.

The additions include a roof garden, a new library, schoolrooms, the Luntz auditorium named after the president of the congregation, new board room, arts and crafts room, music room, nursery and kitchen.

Speaking at the dedication ceremonies Sunday will be Rabbi Silver; his son, Rabbi Daniel Silver; A. M. Luntz, temple president; Leo W. Neumark, vice president; Ernest Siegler, of the building committee, and Wilmont Vickrey, the architect.

An open house will be held the following Sunday 3 to 6 p. m.



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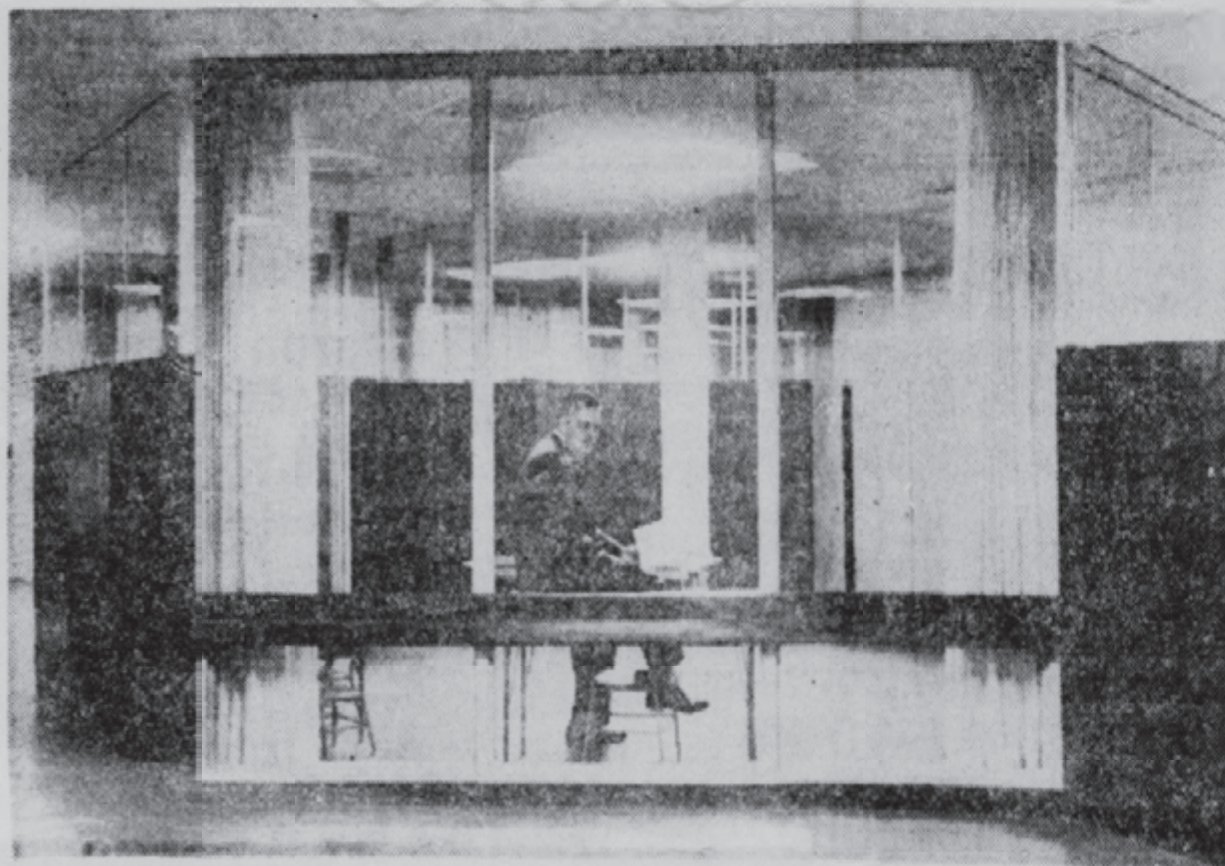


TEMPLE GROUNDS now cover the block from E. 105th St. to E. 101st St. Former Ansel Rd. (lower left), is private drive. Annex is at the right of the old building. Silver Park, with fountain in the center, is adjacent to the parking lot.

CURVING STAIRCASE leads from the lower level of the new annex. Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, shown here, has been spiritual leader of the Temple for 42 years.



CONGREGATION PRESIDENT A. M. Luntz stands in the new auditorium named after him. Side walls, of soft tan brick, are curved to form an ellipse. The fully-equipped hall seats 600.

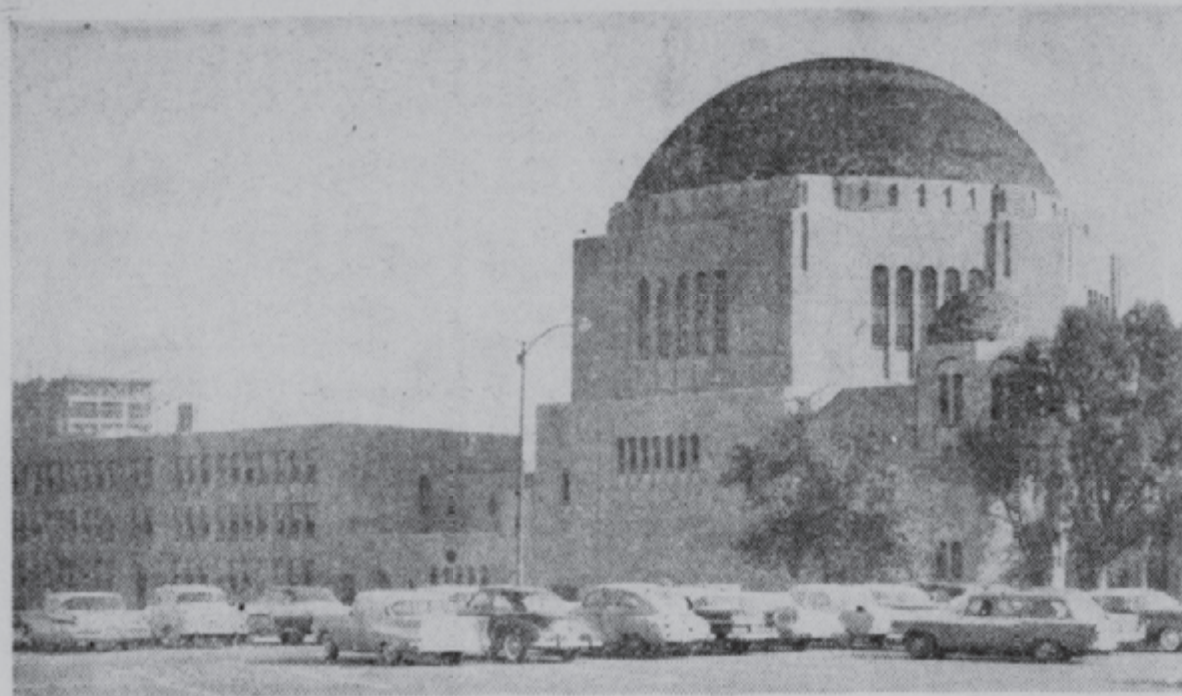


NEW CLASSROOMS are hexagonal shaped, saving space and allowing more informality in school. Design was suggested by Rabbi Daniel Silver, shown here, who is director of the Temple school system.



16,000 BOOKS are shelved in the Temple library, which overlooks the grounds of neighboring Mt. Sinai Hospital through a wall of glass. Furniture is natural finish. Other walls are paneled in walnut.

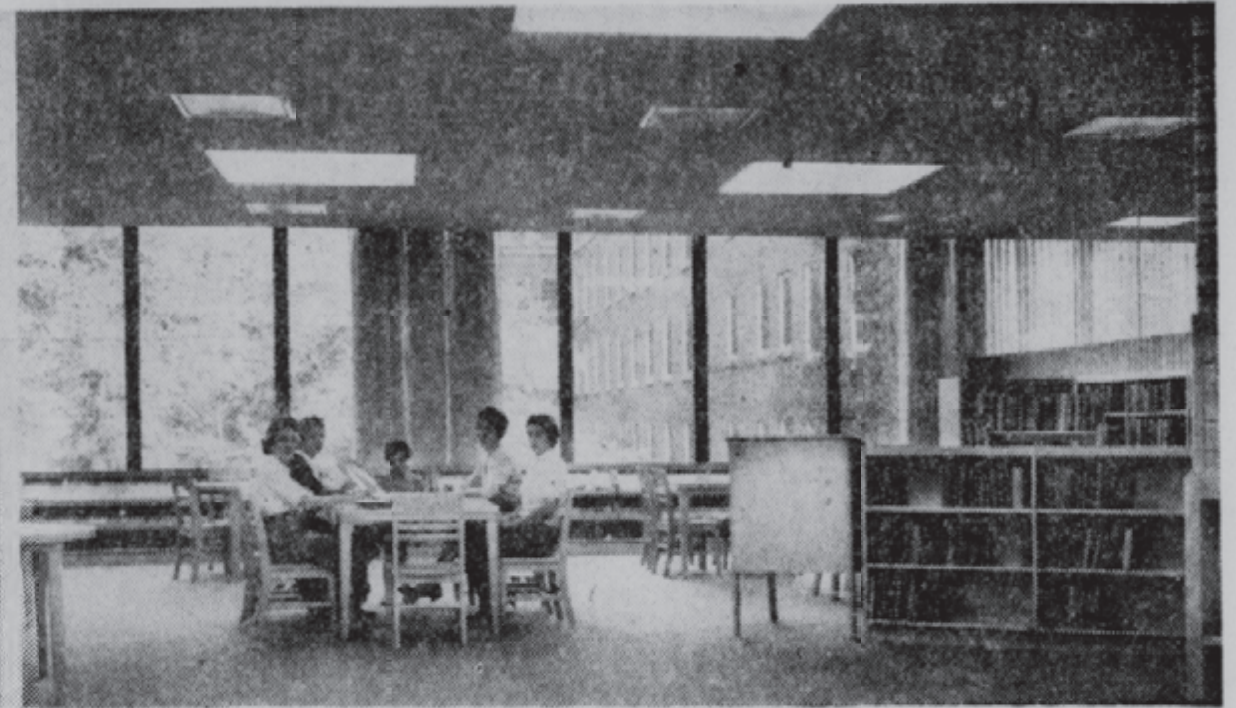
The Temple to Dedicate New Annex Sunday



The Temple, long a landmark on the west side of University Circle, the cultural heart of Cleveland, takes on a new look, with the completion of the annex, a wing to the rear of the main building. To be dedicated Sunday morning, the new building provides new and renewed accommodations for the big congregation. A large parking lot has been built at the west of the temple, with a park, to be known as Silver Park, to the north of the parking lot.



From this hallway in the new building, classrooms for the small children, and a bright new library open. The walls are solid only part way up, with glass continuing to the ceiling, giving the feeling of openness, yet providing each class complete privacy. Bright tiles add color to the simple lines of the walls. Large skylights, flush with the ceiling, admit the maximum of daylight. Furniture in the classrooms has been scaled to fit the little boys and girls who will be using it.



In the spacious new library Miss Miriam Leikind, for many years Temple librarian, meets with a committee planning for the junior high book contest being conducted in connection with Jewish Book Month. Shown in the picture are, left to right, Mrs. Austin Klein, Miss Leikind, Terry Klein, Mrs. Morton Golder and Mrs. Morton Reese. The library contains one of the largest collections of texts and reference books in the country.

(Photos by Tony Landon)

The Temple Will Dedicate \$1 Million Anex Sunday

The Temple dedicates its new Annex Sunday at 10:30 a.m. with a Service of Thanksgiving.

Built at a cost of approximately \$1,000,000 the Annex has been built in stages on a pay-as-you-go basis. The building has been planned, not only to take care of present needs, but to provide for the future as well.

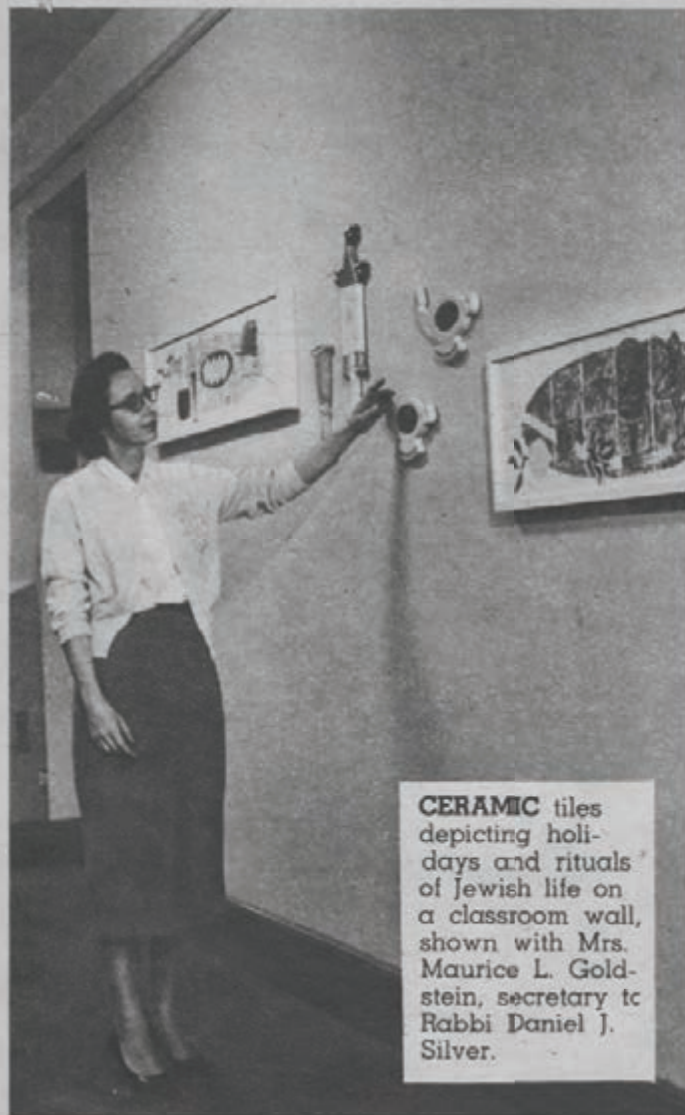
At the services Sunday there will be a special musical service provided by an augmented Temple Choir. The principal soloist will be Georgio Ciompi, head of the violin department of the Cleveland Institute of Music.

Conducting the service will be Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, and Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver. Also taking part in the dedication will be A. M. Luntz, president of the Temple, Leo Neumark, vice president, and Ernest Siegler, representing the building committee. Following the service the new building will be open for the inspection of the public.

ized, along with its adjoining kitchen. The space formerly occupied by the library has been transformed into administrative offices and a rabbi's study.

The corridor-lobby space has been converted into a President's Gallery, in which portraits of the past presidents of The Temple will be placed.

Architects for the additions and alterations were Perkins and Will of Chicago, with Michael Kane, A.I.A., of Cleveland, as associate architect.



CERAMIC tiles depicting holidays and rituals of Jewish life on a classroom wall, shown with Mrs. Maurice L. Goldstein, secretary to Rabbi Daniel J. Silver.



NEW TEMPLE LIBRARY has room for future expansion from its present 16,000 volumes. Junior-size chairs and tables are included for children.

The Growing Temple

Million-Dollar Addition Dedicated Today

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By RICHARD WAGER
Plain Dealer Church Editor

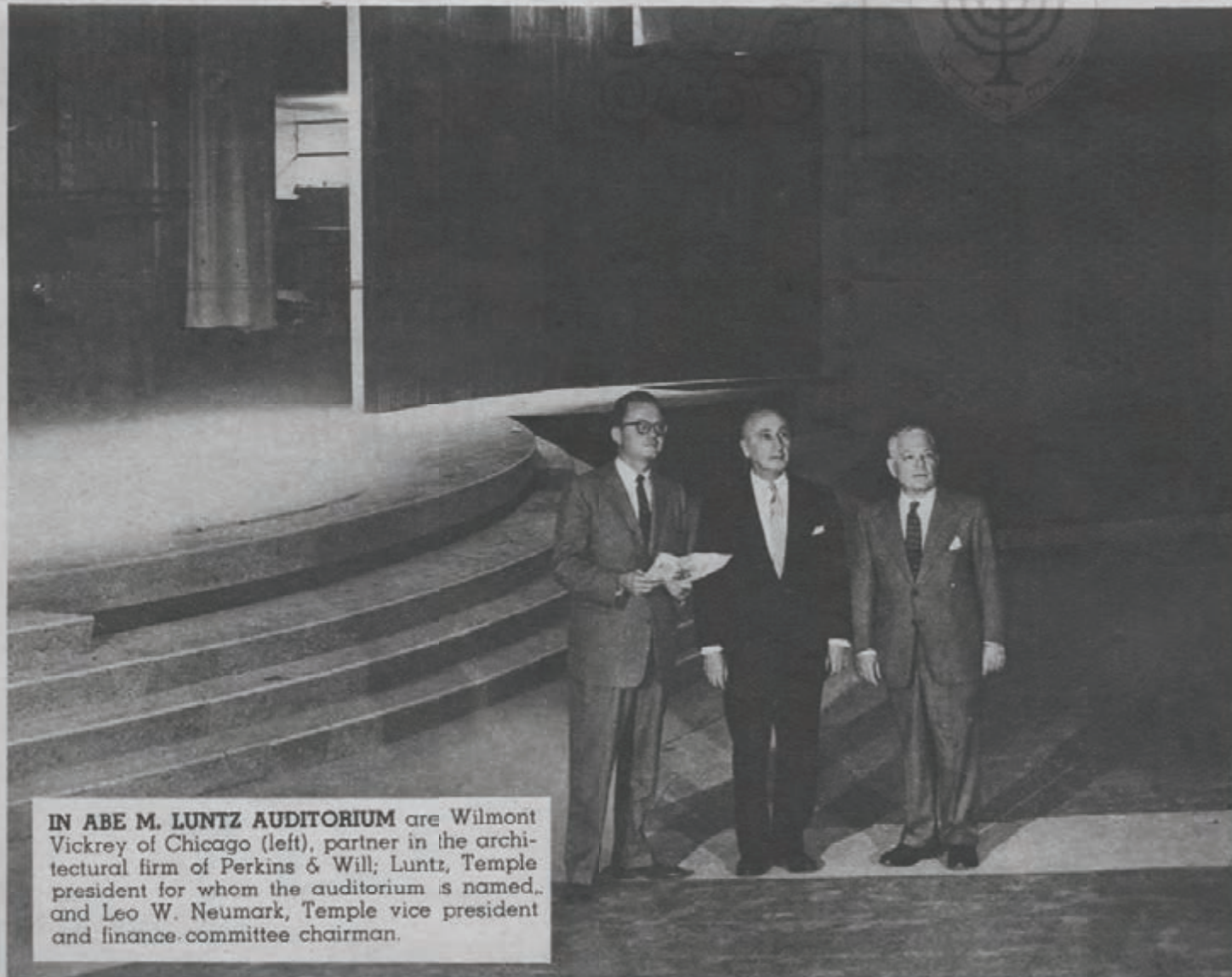
FOR 34 YEARS The Temple, at E. 105th Street and Ansel Road N. E., has been regarded as one of the outstanding houses of worship in the United States.

Now that distinction is further enhanced by a million-dollar building addition extending northward from the original structure to Mount Sinai Hospital, and the creation of Abba Hillel Silver Park, itself costing \$750,000, westward from The Temple to E. 101st Street.

The new facilities, which comprise a major addition to the cultural heart of Cleveland in the University Circle development, will be dedicated at 10:30 a.m. today at a religious service for members of the congregation. An open house for the public will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. next Sunday, Oct. 19.

Temple members, faced with the need for larger week-day facilities, particularly for the religious school which was growing at the rate of 100 youngsters a year, determined on keeping The Temple at its old location, rather than move to a suburb. This, despite the fact that 90% of the 2,500-member families live from six to eight miles distant in the southeastern suburbs.

The architects, Perkins & Will of Chicago and Michael Kane of Cleveland Heights, were bent on creating a functional building, not just of glass and concrete block, but of a design complementary to the rich Byzantine architecture of the original building. They were desirous also that the building



IN ABE M. LUNTZ AUDITORIUM are Wilmont Vickrey of Chicago (left), partner in the architectural firm of Perkins & Will; Luntz, Temple president for whom the auditorium is named, and Leo W. Neumark, Temple vice president and finance-committee chairman.

Celebrates 40 Years at Temple

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ON HIS 40TH ANNIVERSARY as spiritual leader of the Temple yesterday, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver (facing camera) was greeted by Common Pleas Judge Arthur H. Day. Mrs. Day (with back at camera) is greeting Mrs. Silver. The Days were among hundreds who attended the service.

2,200 Pay Tribute to Rabbi Silver

Holding the principles that have guided the Temple in the past as its dedication for the future, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver yesterday celebrated the 40th anniversary of his coming to the Temple's pulpit.

A crowd of 2,200 worshippers—300 of whom were in Mahler Hall, where they heard the service over loudspeakers—paid tribute to their spiritual leader.

Rabbi Silver emphasized that "through the years we have endeavored to teach love of God: love of all our fellow men—white or black, the disabled, the handicapped; year-around devotion, the development of a democratic Jewish community."

He said he hoped that in years to come these same dedications would continue to guide the Temple leaders and that they "will preach a Judaism that is rich and tempting, not starved by tradition."

Dr. Silver said he was grateful that his associate (his son, Rabbi Daniel J. Silver) shared these fundamental principles.

Not Retiring Now

The young rabbi officiated at the service. Richard Tucker, tenor of the Metropolitan Opera Company, long a friend of Dr. Silver, was guest soloist.

Appearing as vigorous as ever and in firm voice, Dr. Silver announced: I'm not thinking of any immediate retirement. But sooner or later younger hands should take over."

Whether he be active rabbi or rabbi emeritus, he continued, "my remaining years will be inseparably linked with our beloved Temple. There will be no separation, only change of pace."

"I should like to remain active as long as I can," he said. "But years do move on."

Dr. Silver recounted that his ministry here had spanned the years of two world wars and the annihilation of six million Jews, which he called the greatest single tragedy in human history.

These events, plus others, "were enough to shake one's faith in man's capacity to get out of the jungle," the rabbi commented. "Through the darkness I believe we can dimly discern the outlines of God's larger purpose unfolding. We are moving in the right direction."

He lauded efforts at work in

the world today to abolish war, eradicate poverty, help minority groups. More is being done for the common man than in any time past, he continued.

Rabbi Silver noted that imperialism and colonialism are on their way out, that efforts are being exerted to strengthen the United Nations.

Today there is not social disintegration, but a radically new integration, he added, saying: "In all this I find great hope."

"At 64 I'm an unreconstructed optimist," he said, "never to despair of the future."

He began his sermon by expressing gratitude "to a Kind Providence for life and labor in your midst."

The rabbi paid tribute to the lay leadership of the congregation during his 40 years, mentioning the four successive presidents—Benjamin Lowenstein, Eugene Wolf, Sidney M. Weitz and A. M. Luntz—and Alfred A. Benesch.

Hails Cleveland

He thanked the congregation for giving him a free pulpit, which, he said, is the greatest blessing that can come to a minister.

He thanked the Temple members for affording him time to participate in efforts beyond the confines of the Temple, "that which I felt had to be done." He obviously meant particularly his efforts in helping to establish the State of Israel.

Rabbi Silver called Cleveland a "good progressive, cosmopolitan, tolerant city." He expressed gratitude for his associations with Cleveland's Christian clergymen, whom he described as broadminded and liberal.

Since the Temple has reached sufficient membership, he said, its goal now should be quality. He pointed to culture, the mission of religion and "the application of Judaism in our personal lives." (The Temple, largest Jewish congregation in America, has 2,450 families in its membership.)

Rabbi Silver concluded his sermon by calling his hearers to "rededication to our faith . . . for this great institution, now 107 years old . . . for the years to come." Then, in voice muffled by emotion, he said: "Thanks to God. Thanks to God."

Prayers were given by Rabbi

Armond E. Cohen of Park Synagogue and Rabbi Leon I. Feuer of Toledo, who was Rabbi Silver's first assistant, from 1927 to 1935. Luntz, Temple president, spoke for the congregation, saying of Rabbi Silver, "No man in our time has been a greater force in the fight for justice and good."

Sunday Morning Service Of Celebration At Temple, Jan. 20 To Honor Rabbi A. H. Silver On 70th Birthday

The Temple will mark the 70th birthday anniversary of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver with a Sunday



RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Morning Service of Celebration on Jan. 20, in the Temple sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. The service will also herald the 45th anniversary of

Rabbi Silver as spiritual leader of the Temple. Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof of Pittsburgh, a lifelong friend of Rabbi Silver, will deliver the main address. Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld of Fairmount Temple will participate in the religious service with the opening prayer, and Rabbi Alan S. Green of Temple Emanuel El will read the Scriptures.

Former rabbis of the Temple will also take part in the Celebration Service. They are: Rabbi Melbourne Harris, of Toledo; Rabbi Julius J. Nodel, of Portland, Oregon, and Rabbi Earl S. Stone, of Denver.

Greetings will be heard from Rabbi Leon I. Feuer, of Toledo, representing the Central Committee of American Rabbis, and Rabbi

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Re-scheduled Meeting Of TO HONOR RABBI A. SILVER

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Nelson Glueck, president of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

A special musical setting of the Ernest Bloch Avodat Hakodesh, opening psalm and both hymns has been arranged by David Gooding, choir director and organist for the Temple Choir. The choir will be assisted by a string ensemble.

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver and Rabbi Milton Matz of the Temple will conduct the religious service.

A Civic Dinner honoring Rabbi Silver will be held later that evening at the Sheraton-Cleveland Ballroom. The Civic sponsoring Committee consists of A. M. Luntz, chairman; Harold T. Clark, John A. Greene, Edgar A. Hahn, Bertam J. Krohngold, Louis B. Seltzer, and Thomas V. H. Vail.

Participating in the Civic Dinner will be Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Anthony J. Celebrezze, Senator Frank J. Lausche, Senator Stephen M. Young, Governor James Rhodes, Mayor Ralph S. Locher, Louis B. Seltzer and Edgar A. Hahn.

Map Civic Function for Dr. Silver

A civic testimonial dinner in honor of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of the Temple, E. 105th St. and Ansel Rd., will be held at Hotel Statler Jan. 28 in connection with his 60th birthday.

On Jan. 25 a commemorative service will be held in the temple marking Rabbi Silver's 35 years ministry to the congregation.

A. M. Luntz, president of the Temple, said a committee had been appointed to plan the double anniversary program.

Rabbi Silver came to the Temple in 1917 when the congre-

gation occupied a building at E. 55th St. and Central Ave. Within a few years the beautiful edifice at Ansel Rd. and E. 105th St. was erected. The membership of the congregation grew from 700 members to 2250, and is now the largest Reform congregation in the United States, Luntz said.

RABBI SILVER SAYS FAMILY IS FIRST

Tells Couples He Married of Importance of Home

The highest mission of marriage is the creation of a home and family and this mission must be founded on wisdom and reverence, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver told his congregation yesterday at a special service of reconsecration for the men and women he has married in his 35 years of ministry in the congregation.

Dr. Silver conducted the service as he and Mrs. Silver approached their 30th wedding anniversary.

"I have observed that those who take with them to the altar the order of reverence for themselves, for home and for family, walk more joyously and confidently into the future," he said.

Love alone is often not enough to cement a marriage, the rabbi continued, but must be bolstered constantly by intelligence and common sense.

"Perfect wedded life is not without its clouds, but if it is a fruitful life, wherein a home—stable and secure—was built and wherein difficulties were surmounted, then this marriage has been a perfect one," he said.

The rabbi described true love as a compound of dream and reality that must be always nurtured and replenished by both man and woman.

All the couples—about 1,500—at whose weddings Dr. Silver officiated were invited to the service as special guests. Following his sermon the congregation joined him in reading a prayer of reconsecration.

At the close of the service the red roses that had been the altar flowers were distributed to the couples.

The Temple Gives City a New Anchor

The Temple, Cleveland's largest and most famed Jewish reform congregation, has (without most of Cleveland realizing it) achieved a physical transformation of infinite importance to the East Side of Cleveland. At the cost of something more than a million dollars, it has constructed a marvelous addition to its building in the form of a community center, school building, art and history museum, music hall, and allied operations, all of it now flanked by Rabbi Abba H. Silver Park on the west and Mount Sinai Hospital on the north.

For Cleveland, the great result of this decision will be to give the west end of the University Area a new cultural center, properly parked and protected, which has some of the educational features of the area's colleges and universities and, in the case of its new splendid inner court, a rival for the beauty of the new Museum of Art courtyard.

An auditorium, named for Abe M. Luntz, president of the congregation, has given The Temple (for its 28 and other civic-social organizations) an acoustic shrine like nothing else in Cleveland. A social hall created out of the old Mahler Hall, for beauty, rivals any assembly in the community.

With the University area transformation-development less than a year old, this contribution should come as a prodigious benefit. The Temple has shown how the cultural sites of Cleveland can be stabilized and anchored to bind to them the culture-

seeking of this entire metropolitan center. Mayor Celebrezze already has said thanks for the city government. The whole city should go see this marvel and extend its gratefulness.

Rabbi Silver to Receive Tribute From 2,000 at Banquet on Sunday

More than 2,000 persons from all parts of the country will honor Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver at a testimonial banquet at 6:15 p.m. Sunday at Hotel Sheraton-Cleveland.

The affair marks the 70th birthday of Rabbi Silver, and his 45th anniversary as spiritual leader of The Temple, E. 105th St. and Silver Park, the largest reform congregation in the United States.

Principal speaker will be Anthony J. Celebrezze, secretary of health, education and welfare, and former mayor of Cleveland.

Others On Program

Others who will appear on the program are Sens. Frank J.

Lausche and Stephen M. Young Gov. James A. Rhodes, Mayor Ralph S. Locher, Cleveland Press Editor Louis B. Seltzer Bishop John F. Whealon of the Cleveland Catholic Diocese, Rabbi Armond Cohen of Park Synagogue and the Rev. Harry B. Taylor of the Church of the Covenant.

In Cleveland for the dinner will be former Gov. Theodore McKeldin of Maryland, Rabbi Nelson Glueck of the Hebrew Union College; Dr. Lewis Webster Jones, president of the National Conference of Christians and Jews; Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof of Pittsburgh, a lifelong friend of Rabbi Silver;

Rabbi Melbourne Harris and Rabbi Leon I. Feuer of Toledo; Rabbi Julius J. Nodel of Portland, Ore.; and Rabbi Earl S. Stone of Denver.

Station WEWS will telecast the program. Local and network radio stations will carry highlights of the proceedings.

Heading the committee planning the banquet is A. M. Luntz. He is being assisted by Seltzer, Thomas Vail, Harold T. Clark, John A. Greene, Edgar A. Hahn and Bertram J. Krohngold.

Special Service Set

The Congregation of The Temple will mark the birthday of Rabbi Silver with a service of celebration on Sunday at

10:30 a.m.

Rabbi Freehof will give the main address. Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld of Fairmount Temple will give the opening prayer. Rabbi Alan S. Green will read the Scriptures.

Three rabbis formerly as-

sociated with The Temple will take part. They are Rabbi Harris, Rabbi Nodel, and Rabbi Stone, all of whom also are speaking at the banquet. Also taking part in the service will be Rabbi Feuer, who is representing the Central Commit-

tee of American Rabbis, and Rabbi Glueck.

A special musical arrangement of the opening psalm and hymns of the avodat Hakodesh by Ernest Block has been prepared for the service by David Gooding, choir director and organist of

The Temple. The choir will be assisted by a string ensemble.

Conducting the service will be Rabbi Silver's son, Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver, and Rabbi Milton Matz, both of the staff at The Temple.

A birthday dinner honoring Dr. Silver will also be given on Sunday, March 3, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York by the Zionist Organization of America.



Rabbi Silver Praised as "Giant" of Times

Anthony J. Celebrezze, secretary of health, education and welfare, left, is shown here congratulating Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver on his 70th birthday, while Mrs. Silver beams. Celebrezze gave the keynote address at a testimonial dinner in Rabbi Silver's honor Sunday night at the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel.

Eighteen hundred friends attended the affair. Personal messages to the Rabbi came from President Kennedy, former President Dwight D. Eisenhower, Prime Minister Ben-Gurion of Israel, former U. S. Ambassador to the U. N. Henry Cabot Lodge and Ohio Sens. Frank J. Lausche and Stephen M. Young.

Dignitaries at the banquet lauded Rabbi Silver as a "giant of our times" for his humanitarian role in international, national and community affairs.

He was praised as the father of the Ohio unemployment act during the depression years, as a wise counselor to local and national officials,

and for his life-long work as a Zionist and particularly for his decisive role in the formation of the State of Israel.

A book, "In Time of Harvest," containing speeches by the Rabbi and tributes to his work by world figures, was presented to him on behalf of his congregation by Edgar H. Hahn. The book goes on sale today.

Service at Temple

Half an hour before the start of the service of celebration at The Temple Sunday morning, all of the 2,000 seats in the Sanctuary were filled as members of the congregation and friends gathered to pay tribute to Dr. Silver.

The main address was given by Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof of Pittsburgh, a classmate of Dr. Silver at the Hebrew Union College and a friend of many years.

Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld of Fairmount Temple and Rabbi Alan S. Green of Temple Emanu El represented the rabbinate of Cleveland at the

service.

Rabbi Nelson Glueck, president of Hebrew Union College, told the audience that the college looked with pride at its distinguished graduate, and his son, Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver, now associate rabbi at The Temple.

Four former members of the staff at The Temple who took part were Rabbi Leon I. Feuer of Toledo, who will take office as president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis this spring; Rabbi Melbourne Harris, Rabbi Julius J. Nodel, and Rabbi Earl S. Stone.

Rabbi Milton Matz, currently on the staff, took part in conducting the worship service.

Rabbi A. H. Silver Honored by UJA



In recognition of his sustained leadership of the work of the United Jewish Appeal and other humanitarian agencies, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver (left) received a silver medallion presented by Isadore Breslau, UJA national chairman. The presentation was made at the National Conference in New York City this month that introduced the UJA Silver Anniversary Campaign.

Solomon's Prayer To Dedicate Wing

By HAROLD SIMMONDS

An ancient prayer first voiced by King Solomon 3,000 years ago will echo again Sunday at the dedication of the Temple's new \$1,000,000 education wing here.

"Oh Lord, Thy God of Israel; there is no God like Thee in Heaven above or earth below . . ." King Solomon cried at the dedication of the first Jewish temple in Jerusalem. "Thy name is called upon this house which I have built."

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver will repeat these same words to some 1,500 Cleveland Jews at 10:30 a.m. Sunday in a solemn ceremony.

Year in Construction

The new annex on four levels nestles between the Temple and Mt. Sinai Hospital along E. 105th Street. It has been under construction a year.

Workmen today were laboring around the clock in a last-minute rush to have the in-

terior finished in time for the dedication.

New facilities include 13 classrooms with 25 students in each; a 16,000-volume library; an auditorium with a stage capable of seating 600 persons; a nursery; arts and crafts room; music room; a lounge with an adjoining kitchen, and a roof garden and patio.

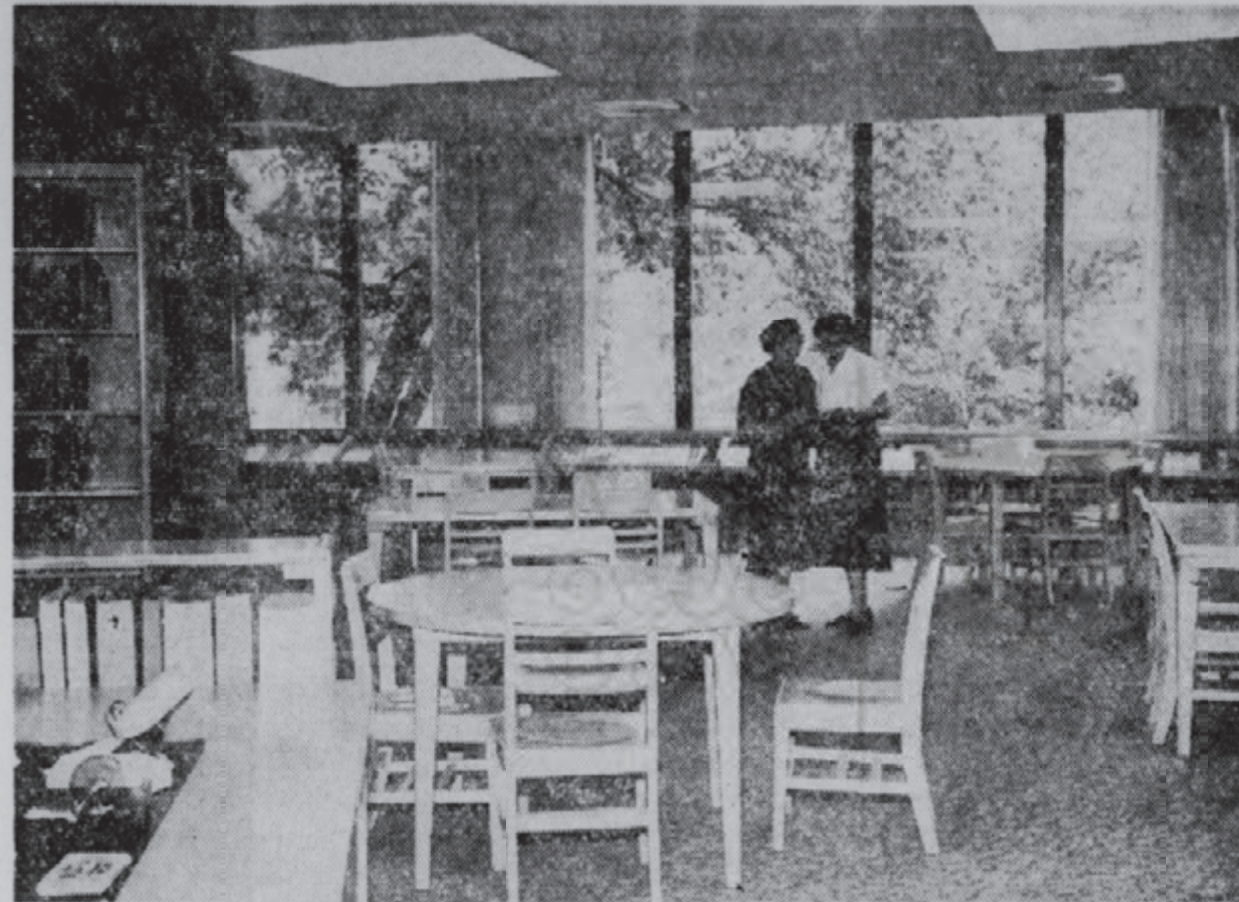
The auditorium is named for A. M. Luntz, Temple president.

A Functional Plan

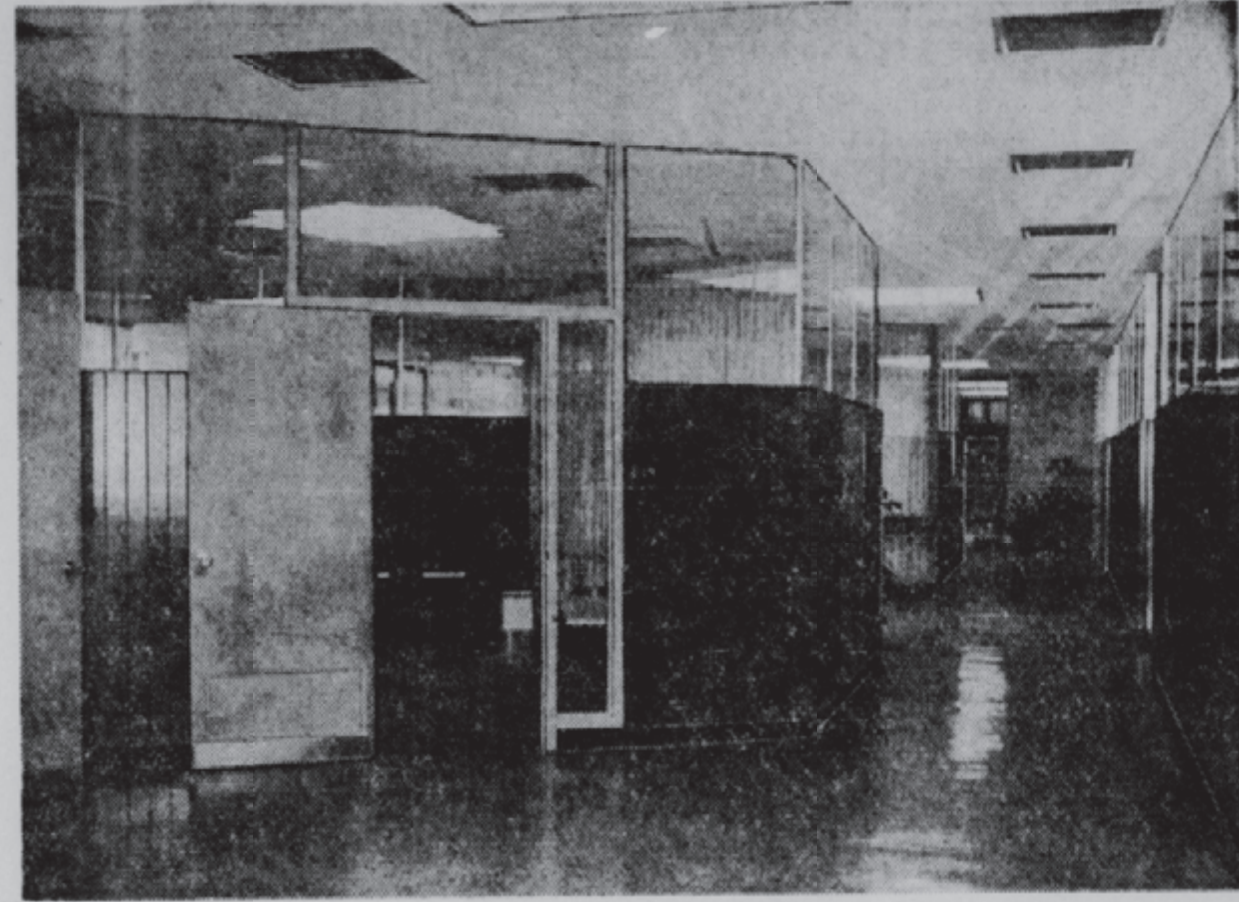
The older section of the Temple has been remodeled to include a large social hall which can be used for dances or banquets; adjacent kitchen facilities; a gallery honoring past presidents and additional office space.

A park to be named after Dr. Silver will be dedicated at the same time. It is located next to the temple.

The annex represents a modern trend in architecture but still is compatible with the



Scanning one of the Temple's 16,000 books on Judaism in the new library are Miss Miriam Leikind, librarian, and Mrs. Maurice L. Goldstein, Rabbi Daniel Silver's secretary.



Bright, airy classrooms in the Temple annex will meet the educational needs of approximately 325 children.

older building, according to Wilmont Vickrey, architect with Perkins & Will of Chicago. Speakers Sunday will include Dr. Silver; Rabbi Daniel Silver, his son; Mr. Luntz; Mr. Vick-

ler; Leo W. Neumark, Temple vice president, and Ernest Siegler, of the building committee. The new wing will be open to the public Oct. 19 from 3 to 6 p.m., Dr. Silver said today.

New Temple Building Nearing Completion

Facilities Attracting National Attention

The newest segment of the new look planned for University Circle is rapidly coming to fruition.

That would be the new million-dollar building addition to the Temple at E. 105th Street and Ansel Road N. E. and the development of Abba Hillel Silver Park.

Actually, Ansel Road, from E. 101st to E. 105th Streets, is no more. The thoroughfare has been officially vacated by City Council. In a few days the pavement is to be torn up and most of it replaced by grass that will be part of the spacious Abba Hillel Silver Park stretching westward from the Temple to E. 101st Street.

Traded 101st Frontage

In exchange for that part of Ansel Road, the Temple traded the city some of its frontage on E. 101st Street, which has been widened and repaved.

And actually, the Temple is getting far more than just a new look. Its new building, with 43 classrooms, children's auditorium and rebuilt social hall, will provide vast new facilities that already are attracting nationwide attention.

Most of the exterior walls and many of the interior partitions are of glass, which, with abundant use of sky lights, gives the new building an unusual amount of natural lighting.

The building will have a number of unique features:

A ROOF-GARDEN landscaped patio, which may be used for outdoor weddings.

Hi-Fi and Piano

AN ARTS AND CRAFTS center for children, with kiln and multiple sinks.

MUSIC ROOM, with record library, hi-fi system and piano, artfully appointed and overlooking the lawn of Mount Sinai Hospital.

NURSERY on the floor level near outdoor play area.

A MODERNISTIC board meeting room, with away-from-the-wall fireplace and adjoining kitchen.

PRESIDENTS' gallery, a corridor connecting the new building with the old, with portraits of the numerous presidents of the congregation in its 108-year history.

The congregation, with 2,500 families, is one of the largest in the United States, a distinction it shares with Fairmount Temple, whose membership is approximately the same.

Rooms Hexagonal

One of the striking features of the building is the hexagonal shape of many of the classrooms. The idea for this unusual design came from Rabbi Daniel J. Silver, associate spiritual leader of the Temple, and the architects. Thirteen of these rooms take no more space than 10 classrooms of conventional design.

The children's auditorium is elliptical. It seats 600 persons, yet no seat will be more than 14 rows from the main stage and two side stages. There is a sliding orchestra pit, also.

The addition will have new quarters for the Temple's 13,000-volume library, several new offices and a self-operating elevator.

Abba Hillel Silver Park will be replete with grass and trees, a fountain and walks. A winding drive will connect E. 101st Street, the Temple entrance, the Temple parking lot and E. 105th Street.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, famed senior rabbi of the congregation, will soon begin his 42d year here. He has the joy of a grandfather in seeing the new building go up. As a younger man, he led his congregation in the construction of the main Temple building in 1924. It cost \$1,500,000.

Instead of taking his usual summer visit to Europe or Israel, he is at the Temple daily overseeing the new construction.

School Ready Sept. 6

The educational facilities are to be completed by the opening of the Temple school Sept. 6. The school serves 1,400 children in classes held Saturday and Sunday mornings and weekday afternoons.

Dedication of the new building is set for Sunday, Oct. 12. The building will be open for viewing by persons from the community on the following Sunday.

Perkins and Will of Chicago and Michael Kane of Cleveland Heights are the architects; Dunlop & Johnston, Inc., the builder.



Model of Abba Hillel Silver Park, adjacent to the Temple, which is to be finished in September.