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The House met at 12 o'clock noon.
The Chaplain, Rev. Bernard Braskamp, D.D., offered the following prayer:
Psalms 84: 11: *No good thing will the Lord withhold from them that walk uprightly.*

O Thou who art the source of every needed blessing, we beseech Thee to clarify our minds and cleanse our hearts as we face the duties and responsibilities of this day.

Show us how we may strengthen and safeguard the freedom and integrity of our Republic and make her truly great.

May we be assured that Thy continued favor toward us is to be found in obeying Thy will and in following Thy leading.

Fill us with a longing to hasten the dawning of that glorious day when all nations shall be united in the bonds of brotherhood.

Grant that in times of peril and danger we may sustain one another and in times of suffering and sorrow may we minister to one another's needs.

Hear us in Christ's name. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was read and approved.

SENDING TO CONFERENCE INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATION BILL

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 8747) making appropriations for sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, corporations, agencies, and offices, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964, and for other purposes, with amendments of the Senate thereto, disagree to the amendments of the Senate, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas? The Chair hears none, and appoints the following conferees: Messrs. THOMAS, EVINS, CANNON, OSTERTAG, and JONAS.

CALL OF THE HOUSE

Mr. ARENDS. Mr. Speaker, I make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER. Evidently a quorum is not present.

Mr. ALBERT. Mr. Speaker, I move a call of the House.

A call of the House was ordered.

The Clerk called the roll, and the following Members failed to answer to their names:

(Roll No. 214)

Abele	Gibbons	Pepper
Ashbrook	Gill	Powell
Ashley	Glenn	Rivers, Alaska
Barry	Hall	Robinson
Becker	Hartke	Rosenvelt
Bennett, Mich.	Hoever	Roush
Bolling	Jennings	St. Onge
Bolton	Johansen	Selden
Oliver P.	Kelly	Senner
Brooks	Keogh	Shelley
Byrnes, Wis.	Kilburn	Shoppard
Cameron	Landau	Siler
Celler	Long, La.	Teague, Tex.
Chelf	McLoskey	Thompson, N.J.
Colmer	Mailhard	Thompson, Tex.
Curtis	Matsunaga	Trimble
Dawson	Milliken	Tupper
Diggs	Monagan	Van Pelt
Dowdy	Moss	Whalley
Dulski	Murphy, N.Y.	White
Evins	O'Brien, Ill.	Widnall
Fraser	Passman	Winstead

The SPEAKER. On this rollcall 367 Members have answered to their names, a quorum.

By unanimous consent, further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFEREES ON H.R. 6518, AN ACT TO IMPROVE, STRENGTHEN AND ACCELERATE PROGRAMS FOR THE PREVENTION AND ABATEMENT OF AIR POLLUTION

Mr. ROBERTS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 6518) entitled "an act to improve, strengthen, and accelerate programs for the prevention and abatement of air pollution," with Senate amendments thereto, disagree to the Senate amendments, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Alabama? The Chair hears none, and appoints the following conferees: Messrs. HARRIS, ROBERTS of Alabama, RHODES of Pennsylvania, O'BRIEN of New York, ROGERS of Texas, BENNETT of Michigan, SCHENCK, NELSEN, and BROTZMAN.

AGREEING TO SENATE AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 134, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT SEAT BELTS SOLD OR SHIPPED IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE FOR USE IN MOTOR VEHICLES SHALL MEET CERTAIN SAFETY STANDARDS

Mr. ROBERTS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's desk the bill (H.R. 134), an act to provide that seat belts sold or shipped in interstate commerce for use in motor vehicles shall meet certain safety standards, with Senate amendments thereto, and concur in the Senate amendments.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Clerk read the Senate amendments, as follows:

Page 1, line 8, strike out "vehicles" and insert "vehicles other than those of carriers subject to safety regulations under part II of the Interstate Commerce Act".

Page 2, line 11, after "Whoever" insert "knowingly and willfully".

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Alabama?

Mr. ARENDS. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, and I shall not object, will the gentleman from Alabama kindly explain if there are any fundamental changes or just what is involved in the Senate amendments?

Mr. ROBERTS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. ARENDS. I yield to the gentleman from Alabama.

Mr. ROBERTS of Alabama. I would say to the distinguished gentleman from Illinois that in my opinion these amendments improve the bill. They take from the operation of the bill those carriers who have to qualify with the ICC and

on governmental powers set by our Constitution.

This is an ennobling concept, yet like many things noble and beautiful, it has certain frailties and we seem quick now to crush it. We crush out the individuality of our political beliefs and, by this process of high-speed sorting and classifying of Americans, automate our choice of courses and sterilize our explorations of the reasons why.

REBELLION NOT PROVINCIAL

Some might suggest that my rebellion against this process is a show of the provincial Texan in me. I would disagree. Texans are independent and individual, but not the monopolists of these virtues that we sometimes suppose ourselves to be. The traits are American in origin and, fortunately for the Republic, are deposited quite widely, not part of certain regional hoards. Thus, I believe it is the American in me—even more than the Texan—that now reacts so strongly against the merging of the individual American into the mass in the name of dogma.

I realize, as I say this, that others might point to the Senate where I serve—and where I am, in fact, a designated leader of the majority party—and suggest that the example there of a two-party, two-philosophy system contradicts or is in conflict with this thesis. The opposite is so. Had I not been privileged to serve in Congress, I might never have come to hold the respect for individuality of philosophy that I do.

The very purpose of Congress, in our governmental form, is to arrive at national decisions by bringing together some 531 individuals, representing 170 million individuals, to achieve a consent on the way the Nation should go. Were we bound by rigid dogmas, whatever their name, there would be no more cause for assembling Congress than for bringing the Soviet Presidium together. We are not so bound, and it is part—a great part—of my own philosophy that the Congress reaches a very dubious decision when its choices are made solely by head counts of the partisan division.

TENETS OF BELIEFS

This leads to a listing of the tenets of my own beliefs, the specific tenets of my own philosophy. I would set them down this way:

First, I believe every American has something to say and, under our system, a right to an audience.

Second, I believe there is always a national answer to each national problem, and, believing this, I do not believe that there are necessarily two sides to every question.

Third, I regard achievement of the full potential of our resources—physical, human, and otherwise—to be the highest purpose of governmental policies next to the protection of those rights we regard as inalienable.

Fourth, I regard waste as the continuing enemy of our society and the prevention of waste—waste of resources, waste of lives, or waste of opportunity—to be the most dynamic of the responsibilities of our Government.

These tenets, I concede, are simple. They are certainly personal. For these are not tenets I have embraced or adopted but rather, beliefs I have—over 50 years—developed and come to follow from my own experience.

MAY SEEM IDEALISTIC

In the instance of the first listed, I realize that—in these times—the notion that each American has something to say and the right to an audience may seem excessively idealistic. I do not believe that is so, either in principle or in practice.

I am reminded always in my work at Washington of my own origins. I was born to the hill country of Texas, a remote region then, still remote today, although less so. My neighbors, friends, and relatives there live independently, self-contained if not self-sufficient.

They are distant from many national is-

suess, yet neither their distance nor their limited information on any given subject makes them any less a party to the national decisions we reach in the Halls of Congress. Knowing the folks at Johnson City and Blanco and Stonewall and Hye as I do, I know that it would be much more difficult for me to secure a unanimous agreement among them than among the Senators in Washington. Yet, in this individuality, my neighbors—or the constituency of all of Texas—are not different from Americans everywhere. There is likely to be merit in the views of the minority, quite as much as there is wisdom in the views of the majority. We have, as I see it, an obligation to seek out that merit, if it is there, and not merely to content ourselves with obliging the majority; for the majority's wisdom—however wise—is never the sum of all wisdom.

What we do, too often now, is oblige our patience with expedients. To grant audiences to 170 million Americans would be exhausting. So we make our divisions, our classifications, and our cross-classifications which permit us to forgo the listening and the searching we ought to do. Trouble compounds when, having made our divisions on one basis, we extend the application to other issues and other decisions. Here we adopt in our American political philosophy the pattern not of philosophy but of cults devoted to dogma, and we construct false equations which produce false answers.

This equation process is much a part of our party systems, and contributes to the myth of the concept that "there are two sides to every question." True, there are two parties. That is not the same as two sides. But, by maintaining the two-side concept, we satisfy our consciences—again as a matter of convenience—that when a partisan majority has prevailed there is no need to examine either the majority's side or the minority's side again. Our reasoning is that, since there are two sides, either side would have been acceptable, and hence the answer decided by political strength does not require closer scrutiny.

I think otherwise. This popular view is, I feel, very much counter to our American philosophy based on the thinking of men like Jefferson and Madison. I do not believe we have arrived at an answer until we have found the national answer, the answer all reasonable men can agree upon, and our work is not done until that answer is found—even if the process requires years of our lives.

ALLOWED FOR GROWTH

Here fits the third tenet of my philosophy—and the fourth. Had America been bound by the Constitutional Convention to the philosophies of the 18th century—and by the limits of the wisdom and vision of those times—we would not have the Nation that is ours today. Our rising greatness through more than 180 years has come from our freedom to apply our accumulating knowledge to the processes of our self-government. Or, to state it another way, this has come because America's course has been left to the living. Thus, the 18th-century philosophy of our Constitution has allowed for growth so that it is still strong, still good for our 20th century.

Our Nation, like all nations, is possessed of certain resources—resources of nature, resources of position, and resources of the human mind. Without conquest or aggrandizement, we cannot add to these basics. Thus whatever we are to be we must build from those things at our disposal, and to content ourselves with less than the ultimate potential is to deny our heritage and our duty.

Obviously, having come from a land like Texas, I feel this strongly. Of all endeavors on which I have worked in public life, I am proudest of the accomplishments in developing the Lower Colorado River during the 1930's and 1940's. It is not the damming of

the stream or the harnessing of the floods in which I take pride, but, rather, in the ending of the waste of the region.

CELEBRATION ON GOVERNMENT

The region—so unproductive and insignificant in capacity in my youth—is now a vital part of the national economy and potential. More important, the wastage of human resources in the whole region has been reduced. New horizons have been opened for the fulfillment of young minds, if by nothing more than the advent of electricity into rural homes. Men and women have been released from the waste of drudgery and toil against the unyielding rock of the Texas hills. This is fulfillment of the true responsibility of Government.

Conversely, the elimination of waste of this sort carries with it a continuing obligation for Government—at all levels—not to create waste itself by extracting from the people the fruits of their new opportunities through improvident excesses in spending and taxing. This is an increasingly critical area for American Government, but one to which we sometimes apply false standards.

Government can waste the people's resources by inertia, quite as much as by vigor. Government can, for example, fall into a state of complacency over the relative positions of strength between nations in the world. An international stalemate with communism would, I believe, be the greatest waste of American resources and the resources of freedom, even though stalemate produced no war. A vital government cannot accept stalemate in any area—foreign or domestic. It must seek the national interest solution, vigorously and courageously and confidently.

These tenets are the tenets of my political philosophy.

POSITIONS ON ISSUES

Some who equate personal philosophies with popular dogmas might inquire, endlessly, as to my position on this issue or that issue or some other. Philosophies, as I conceive them at least, are not made of answers to issues, but of approaches more enduring and encompassing than that. By these approaches I have set down, I can seek and, I believe, find answers to the issues of 1958 or 1978, as they arise.

By personal choice, I am a Democrat, for I can in that party best apply and express my beliefs.

As for being anything else, the definitions of what I am will have to be applied by others as they see fit for I make no such distinctions myself.

I am, as I said in the beginning, a free man, an American, a U.S. Senator, and a Democrat, in that order, and there, for me, the classifying stops.

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Mr. YOUNG of Ohio. Mr. President, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, a great and revered humanitarian, author, teacher, and internationally respected statesman, passed away on Friday, November 29. Rabbi Silver was for 45 years spiritual leader of Cleveland's The Temple, the largest Reformed Jewish congregation in the United States.

The loss of this wise and good man is mourned by people of all faiths, not only in Cleveland where we were privileged to count him among our outstanding citizens, but throughout the country and around the world. Abba Hillel Silver belonged not only to The Temple and to Cleveland, he belonged to the world—and particularly to world Jewry—a world whose tragic dimensions are still incomprehensible two decades after the

Nazi genocide. Rabbi Silver was a man of ideals and action, possessing a strong and burning social conscience which lit the hearts and minds of all men.

The descendant of three generations of rabbis, Rabbi Silver was born on January 28, 1893, in Lithuania, and came to New York with his family in 1901. Upon receiving his doctor of divinity degree in 1915—having completed a 9-year course in 4 years—he took up his first ministry in Wheeling, W. Va. He came to the temple in Cleveland 3 days after the close of World War I, at age 24.

During his almost half a century of service in Cleveland, he gave unceasingly of his wisdom, his vision, his conscience and his heart to all people. His interests were legion and his good works were felt on both the national and international scene.

Rabbi Silver was one of the leaders in founding the State of Israel. As a fervent spokesman for the Zionist cause, he took his case to the leaders of the world. On May 8, 1948, Rabbi Silver pleaded the case for Jewish rights in Palestine before the United Nations General Assembly. One week later the State of Israel was proclaimed. Having seen his dream of a Jewish homeland fulfilled, Rabbi Silver turned quickly to other problems on the international scene. More recently, he devoted much of his efforts toward strengthening the United Nations and firmly chastized those neutralist nations who would seek temporary gain at the expense of the world organization.

The high ideals of this outstanding American also helped produce needed social action in America. Rabbi Silver made the cause of the working men and women his own. Back in 1931 he was appointed chairman of the Ohio Commission on Unemployment Insurance. I was privileged to serve with him on that commission. Under his leadership we wrote the first State unemployment insurance law in the Nation. This served as a model for other States. In addition, Rabbi Silver helped to defeat the open-shop policy in the 1920's and the more recent proposed right-to-work legislation. He was a tower of strength in the drive for social justice.

The recipient of many awards including the 1958 human relations award of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, Rabbi Silver was honored by his many friends including our late great President John Kennedy only last year.

Abba Hillel Silver will be missed by all of us. I, personally, was honored to count him as a friend. The day before his death, Rabbi Silver worked on a memorial sermon on the death of our late great President John F. Kennedy. The sermon was never delivered. It was printed, however, in the Cleveland Press on Friday, November 29, 1963. In this, his last message to us, the warmth, the wisdom, and the keen insight of Rabbi Silver are everywhere apparent. I commend this sermon, "The Legacy of a President," to my colleagues and ask unanimous consent that it be printed in the Record at this point as a part of my remarks.

There being no objection, the sermon was ordered to be printed in the Record, as follows:

THE LEGACY OF A PRESIDENT—RABBI SILVER'S SERMON

I have reflected much these last few days on the nature of the universal sorrow which the whole world manifested at the tragic death of President Kennedy.

It was clearly neither formal nor perfunctory. At home and in faraway lands men mourned for him as for a lost brother, as if he were part of their own personal lives, who shared their innermost hopes, and felt their deepest needs.

People of all ages grieved for him, but especially the young. The personality of President Kennedy appealed especially to the youth of the world.

He was a young President and he spoke to the heart of young America and to all who had the hopeful heart of youth everywhere in the world. He was like a young eagle soaring high.

He did not belong to the category of the "tired old statesmen" who were caught and held fast in their weary routines, dreaming of worlds forever gone, the helpless agents of recurrent world disasters.

He was different. There was dawn in his outlook and spring in his call. His was the torch of a new vision.

TOO MANY OF US HAVE LOST OUR WAY

In his acceptance speech as the Democratic nominee for the Presidency, he declared: "Too many Americans have lost their way, their will, and their sense of historic purposes. It is time for a new generation of leadership—new men to cope with new problems and new opportunities."

And in his inaugural address, less than 3 years ago, he sounded a clarion call:

"Let the world go forth from this time and place to friend and foe alike, that the torch has been passed to a new generation of Americans."

The new generation responded to his summons and challenge. Here, at last, was their true leader, their eloquent spokesman young in years and young in heart, ready to lead them in a new crusade and by the fire of a new faith build a new Jerusalem.

Where did President Kennedy find the torch which he declared would now be passed to a new generation of Americans, "a generation born in this century, tempered by war, disciplined by a hard and bitter peace, proud of our ancient heritage?"

What was this ancient heritage? It was the heritage of the Founding Fathers and the torch was first kindled by them. To use the words of another martyred President, Abraham Lincoln, President Kennedy "returned to the fountain whose waters spring close by the blood of the Revolution."

He invoked the spirit which grows in the Declaration of Independence and in the Bill of Rights of the Constitution of the United States. He called upon his generation time and again as did Lincoln, whose loving and faithful disciple he proved to be, "to come back to the great landmarks of the Declaration of Independence."

APPLIED OLD IDEALS TO OUR NEW AGE

He applied the old ideals of our country to the grave problems and the menacing conditions of our new age, and they became even more luminous and more urgently relevant than when they were first promulgated.

An unbroken chain of fervent human aspirations binds the age of Washington, the age of Lincoln, and the age of Kennedy—the unremitting struggles of men for larger freedom, for their basic human rights, for the dignity of man—"the self-evident truths"—"the unalienable rights."

If you lift up your eyes from the fresh

grave where President Kennedy now lies at rest, you will see not far away the stately Lincoln Memorial and beyond that the towering Washington Monument. More than mere optical vision embraces these oldest and newest of our national shrines.

A chord of sacred memory, of bounden faith and promise binds them indissolubly together. They represent our Nation's unbroken covenant which time and again is renewed for us by the blood of our martyrs.

I said a moment ago, that President Kennedy was young and that he appealed to the heart of young America, but he was also wise with the wisdom which men, not altogether wisely, associate with age. He had the ardor and enthusiasm of youth but not its inexperience.

HE HAD VISION AND FACED REALITY

He had vision but he was not a visionary. He was an urbane, thoughtful, cultured, well-informed human being, forceful in action but tactful and moderate in speech and manner.

He faced reality. He understood his world—its dangers, its knotted domestic and international problems, some often almost too difficult to unravel. He understood full well the limitations of his high office and his own personal powers to set all things aright.

He realized too that the powers and resources of our country, great as they were, were not unlimited, and that we could neither dictate to the world nor go it alone.

Absolute sovereignty no longer assures us of absolute security. He understood also the limits of military power. The basic problems facing the world today are not susceptible of a final military solution.

But these inevitable limitations and their attendant frustrations did not cause him to seek refuge in inaction. The wisdom of our sages seems to have guided him. "Thine is not the duty to complete the task but neither art thou free to desist from it."

In a dangerously poised world and with an awesome responsibility resting upon his shoulders, he moved cautiously, but he moved, he acted with deliberateness and circumspection but he acted. He failed—but he tried again. He would not permit himself to be angered, or disheartened, or goaded into quick reprisals but neither was he ever deflected from his main purpose.

HE UNDERSTOOD ART OF COMPROMISE

He understood that the art of government was the art of compromise, but never on principles. He stood immovable as a rock when the basic principles of our Constitution or the basic rights of man were involved.

He was not doctrinaire. He knew how to bend as a tree bends before strong winds, but his roots always remained firmly set in the earth. He profited from his mistakes and those of his predecessors, as he did in the case of the Cuban fiasco early in his administration.

He saw clearly the five besetting dangers of our age. He had been summoned to lead our Nation in an hour of maximum danger, but with open eyes and a stout heart he confronted them.

"However close we sometimes seem to that dark and final abyss, let no man of peace and freedom despair. . . . If we can all persevere, if we can in every land . . . look beyond our own shores and ambitions, then surely the age will dawn in which the strong are just and the weak secure and the peace preserved."

He faced the danger of the nuclear age. He, more than any of us, understood, because all sources of information were available to him, what a nuclear war would mean to mankind.

He built up the military strength of our Nation so that it might act as a deterrent to aggression and war. But while so engaged,

he explored every avenue to discover some basis of agreement whereby the dangers of a nuclear war might be lessened.

NUCLEAR TEST BAN GREAT ACHIEVEMENT

After many repeated trials and failures, he succeeded in arriving at an agreement with the Soviet Union on a nuclear test ban which banned nuclear tests everywhere except underground. It was an important achievement even though it was not a guarantee against nuclear war.

The next step and the next and the final step still remained; but the first step "back from the shadow of war" had to be taken and he took it.

He was opposed to an arms race with the Soviet Union though in the few brief years in office, he unfortunately could make no headway.

"It is . . . our intention to challenge the Soviet Union, not to an arms race, but to a peace race; to advance step by step, stage by stage, until general and complete disarmament has actually been achieved." He ardently pursued peace. In the speech which he was to deliver in Dallas the day he was assassinated, he declared:

"Our strength will never be used in pursuit of aggressive ambitions—it will always be used in pursuit of peace. It will never be used to promote provocations—it will always be used to promote the peaceful settlement of disputes."

President Kennedy tried to mitigate the bitterness of the cold war. He did not hate. In this he was far ahead of most of our people in whose midst hate now stalks like a dark apparition, like "a pestilence that walketh in darkness, or a destruction that wasteth at noonday."

URGED BOTH SIDES TO SEEK PEACE

He summed up his attitude in his inaugural address:

"To those nations who would make themselves our adversary, we offer not a pledge but a request; that both sides begin anew the quest for peace, before the dark powers of destruction unleashed by science engulf all humanity in planned or accidental self-destruction."

"So let us begin anew—remembering on both sides that civility is not a sign of weakness, and sincerity is always subject to proof. Let us never negotiate out of fear. But let us never fear to negotiate."

But he would not be imposed upon. When he saw a clear and present danger to the security of America he acted with a firmness and dispatch which astounded the world—as when he forced the Soviet Union to dismantle the long-range missile bases in Cuba.

When he felt that an unfair advantage was being taken of the American people, he again acted with startling forcefulness, as when he compelled the powerful steel companies of the United States to rescind their price increases after he had persuaded American labor to accept lower wage terms in order to prevent national inflation.

He was not afraid to incur the temporary displeasure of his own people. He had courage and he admired courage. In his book, "Profiles in Courage," he showed how the courage of certain men in public life served America, even though at times it wrecked their own political careers.

LOOKED DEEPLY INTO HIS SOUL

"In whatever arena of life one may meet the challenge of courage, whatever may be the sacrifices he faces if he follows his conscience—the loss of his friends, his prestige, his contentment, even the esteem of his fellow men—each man must decide for himself the course he will follow."

"The stories of past courage can define the ingredient—they can teach, they can give hope, they can provide inspiration. But they cannot supply courage itself. For each man must look into his own soul."

John Fitzgerald Kennedy looked deeply into his own soul.

He saw the danger to the free world in the condition of misery, impoverishment, and backwardness of the underdeveloped countries of the world. Freedom, he knew, cannot thrive in an explosive resentful world which can find its relief from intolerable economic conditions only in revolution.

And so he developed an extensive program of aid to the depressed areas of the earth. He called into being the Alliance for Progress to help the peoples of Central and South America, to mobilize their own resources and energies to raise the standard of living of their people.

He created the Peace Corps, the most noble and beautiful act of his career. He inspired our youth to go to the far corners of the earth to serve without any expectation of monetary reward in order to bring help, guidance, and healing to the desperately needy of the world.

HE SAW DANGER IN BIGOTRY HERE

He saw the danger to our domestic peace and our free institutions in the inordinate, century-old discrimination to which the Negro citizens of our country were being subjected and he acted with energy and courage in the face of violent resistance, calumny and personal abuse.

He was compelled to resort to action which was very distasteful to him when bigotry-blinded State Governors in Mississippi and Alabama defied the authority of the Supreme Court of the United States and by their shameless defiance sparked riots and acts of bombing and murder which shamed America in the eyes of the world.

But he was determined that full justice shall be done to the Negro and that the dark ages of segregation, disfranchisement and discrimination in employment shall end for them. He recommended a comprehensive bill on civil rights to the Congress of the United States. He declared:

CIVIL RIGHTS BILL SEEN AS TRIBUTE

"A rising tide of discontent . . . threatens the public safety . . . the events in Birmingham and elsewhere have so increased the cries for equality that no city or State or legislative body can prudently choose to ignore them."

"The result of continued Federal legislative inaction will continue, if not increase, racial strife—causing the leadership of both sides to pass from the hands of reasonable and responsible men to the purveyors of hate and violence."

The sincerest tribute which the Congress of the United States can pay to the martyred President is to pass the civil rights bill now pending. It will be an everlasting memorial to him, even as the Emancipation Proclamation has been to Abraham Lincoln.

He saw the danger of inadequate education and training for the youth of our Nation for the new world into which they are moving. Our Nation needed more schools, colleges, and teachers. "Nearly half of our high school graduates," he declared, "lack either the funds or the facilities to attend college. The Nation cannot afford to maintain its Military Establishment and neglect its brain power."

He recommended bills to improve educational quality, and at the college level to provide Federal loans for the construction of academic facilities and federally financed scholarships.

One can readily point to many other notable programs and activities of his Presidency. In all of them, he was whole, entire, of one piece, a dedicated servant of justice, fairness, freedom, and peace. He was not always successful. Success is not always the measure of greatness. He was not always in the right. What leader of men ever is?

LIFE WAS FULL OF NOBLE PURPOSE

Most of his work remains uncompleted, even as his life was uncompleted. At the close of every worthy career, much unfinished business remains. He dealt in national and world issues of such wide dimensions that they could not be settled even in a lifetime much longer than was granted him.

But the value of a masterpiece is not the size of the canvas and the glory of a song is not the length of its stanzas. A small pool of clear water may often reflect all the glories of the heavens.

Here was a life replete with the beauty of noble purposes and aspirations, which set in motion great enterprises rich in promise for our Nation and for the world. Here was the American tradition of malice toward none and charity for all embodied in an intrepid young leader who was tragically brought down in the soaring midflight of his resplendent career.

Here is high sorrow for all of us—but also high hope, hope that his life will inspire other lives—that our people will look to his example, his message, and his mission, and, in a chastened spirit, will forego the hate which turns brother against brother, and people against people, hope that they will resolutely persevere in the ways of progress and peace.

"Jonathan upon thy high places is slain.
"I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan.

"How are the mighty fallen."

TRIBUTE TO JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY

Mr. RIBICOFF. Mr. President, in the last sad days many eulogies have been written and many people have spoken true and deeply deserved words about John Fitzgerald Kennedy. One of the most touching was a letter written by the assistant general manager of radio station WDRC in Hartford, Conn. When it was read over the air, the people of my State responded. Thousands of letters poured into the station, expressing agreement, and requesting a copy. These words are spoken from the heart—the heart of an American, who, as he puts it "will never be President—or even make local office." I ask unanimous consent that this letter be printed in the Record.

There being no objection, the letter was ordered to be printed in the Record, as follows:

AN OPEN LETTER

DEAR MR. KENNEDY: Please forgive me for not writing sooner. I guess we've both been pretty busy, me running my everyday life, and you being President of the United States. It really was up to me to write first because you've been a lot busier than I have.

What I've wanted to do, though, is to thank you. Thank you for being my idea of what a President of this country should be. Now—don't go getting any ideas that I've always gone along with everything you've said or done. Some things, yes. Some things, no. After all, none of us is perfect. I know I can say this to you because you never got real mad and held a grudge about things like that. I guess that's why people found it pretty hard to get mad at you. Like I tell my kids. It's not always just what you do, but the way you do things, the way you treat people, that counts.

Speaking of kids, Mr. President, they're going to miss you. I know mine are. Oh, they're a little young and they really don't know what some of the important things about being President are. My daughter al-

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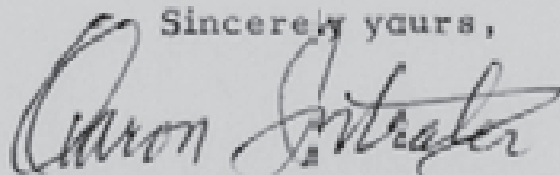
Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
2841 Weybridge Road
Cleveland 20, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Roseline and I wish to express our deepest sympathy to you on the passing of your great and beloved father. All of us who were privileged to know him recognize the greatness of his unique vision and the power of his dynamic personality which found expression through his sermons, writings, addresses and pronouncements on national and international issues. He personified the acme of commitment, devotion, and dedication. The impact of his life and work upon our community, our nation, and our world will never be forgotten by all who came in contact with him. His name is stamped indelibly in history as one of the truly great spiritual leaders of our time.

We know how little it avails to offer condolences at this time of your sorrow, but may you find solace in the fact that Rabbi Silver made this world a better one in which to live, for Jewry in particular and for mankind in general.

Sincerely yours,



Aaron Intrater
Director

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Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
2841 Weybridge Road
Cleveland 20, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Bureau of Jewish Education, we wish to express our deepest sympathy on the passing of your beloved father.

We in Cleveland have lost a great spiritual leader. World Jewry and mankind have lost a defender of those causes of democracy which the noblest spirits in history have championed through the ages. Rabbi Silver's leadership in world events has earned for him the respect and admiration of Jew and non-Jew alike. His contributions to the field of scholarship and the role he played in the establishment of Israel have won for him a special place in the annals of history.

As the first President of the Bureau of Jewish Education, he helped to establish a system of education which would enable our youth to become acquainted with the great ideals of our people. Rabbi Silver's courage, commitment, and dedication will long be remembered by all who were privileged to come in contact with him. His loss is deeply mourned. May his memory serve as an inspiration to us all.

Sincerely yours,

Aaron Intrater
Director

Myron Guren
President

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RABBI JONAH B. WISE, Founder
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35 East 62nd Street, New York 21, N. Y.
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December 3, 1963

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
The "Temple"
University Circle & Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Please accept my heartfelt condolences upon your recent bereavement. As you know, your father will always occupy a treasured niche in the memories of all, and particularly in the hearts of those who, like myself and my father, were privileged to know him and to have worked side by side with him in so many causes.

I know only too well from bitter personal experience how you must be feeling and can only say that I know that time eventually has a way of healing all wounds, however painful they may be, and surely the loss of a beloved one is the most painful of all.

Of course, I speak not only for myself and the entire Wise family, but also, I am sure, for all of us here at the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Cordially yours,


David J. Wise

DJW:sw

THE CLEVELAND INSTITUTE OF JEWISH STUDIES

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OFFICE OF THE DEAN

December 3, 1963

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
The Temple
Silver Park and E. 105th St.
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Va-yiddom Aharon...

"...The silver cord is snapped asunder,
and the golden bowl is shattered..."

On behalf of all of us at the Institute
and on my own behalf I want to express to you,
to your dear mother and the members of your
family, my profoundest sympathy on your irreparable
loss.

May the manifold blessings which your
father bequeathed to you ever strengthen you in your
work in behalf of God, Torah and Israel.

Most sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jacob", written in a cursive style.

Jacob Kabakoff

JK

W. T. McCULLOUGH
17205 LAKE AVENUE
LAKEWOOD 7, OHIO

December 3, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver
2841 Weybridge Road
Cleveland, Ohio 44120

Dear Dan:

Within a week's time, this country lost two of its greatest leaders - your father and President John F. Kennedy. Both were prophets of their time - one older and wiser, but with ideas perpetually fresh because he was concerned with the timeless problems of the relationships of man and God and of man-to-man as we seek to know and do the will of God in this changing world - the other, younger, imbued with the ideas and the spirit of the older man, a man dedicated to action to make prophecy come true.

It was in the natural order of things for Dr. Silver to eulogize the younger man at his untimely death. And, to do this among his own last acts was, in a way, a reminder of the inevitable necessity to link together noble human purposes with action for the fulfillment of purposes. Your father was a man of courageous thought and action.

I want to extend to you my deepest sympathy at this time of personal sorrow. I also want to express my appreciation for the benefits which have come to the life of this community, to the nation, and to the world because Dr. Silver lived and because of what he was and did.

You have a wonderful heritage directly from your father, as I know he had from his. Along with my sympathy, I want to extend to you my best wishes and encouragement in the high purposes you have set for yourself as you carry forward in the spirit and example of your father.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be the name "Tom" written in a cursive, slightly stylized script.

Capt. David D. Madorsky
3 December 1963

Dear Rabbi Silver,

This is a difficult letter for me to write. I actually began to write it last Friday. Shortly after I began to collect my thoughts, my clerk brought in the mail which included the Temple Bulletin announcing the memorial service for our late President. I was touched by this poignant coincidence and have been unable until now to write.

My family and I wish to convey to your mother, your brother, you, and your entire family our deepest sympathy in your loss. Words are insufficient to convey the personal loss we feel as well. It is as if a member of our family had passed on.

I am sure that words more eloquent than I command have been forthcoming to dwell upon the significance of the passing of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver. I am sure that the similarity of the influence of the life of your father on the lives of others as compared to President Kennedy has been noted. I must in my own way add to them. It was a rare experience to listen to your father, an unique experience to have been able to teach under his guidance and administration, and a singularly unforgettable experience to meet him in person and converse with him. His influence upon my personal life is immeasurable and yet so many people can say the same thing.

I am afraid I intrude upon your grief. Yet, I do want to add one further note. We told our five-year-old son of Rabbi Silver's passing. He struck a rather pensive pose and after a bit, Marvin said, "A lot of those we love are gone now." I need make no further comment.

Most sincerely yours,

David D. Madorsky
David D. Madorsky, M.D.
Captain, M.C., U.S.A.R.
United States Army Hospital
Fort Polk, Louisiana 71446

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
The Temple
University Circle
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 3, 1963.

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver,
c/o The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mrs. Silver:

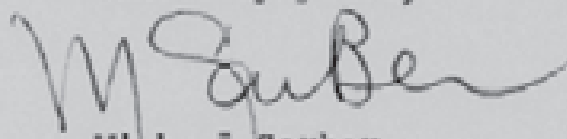
We want to add our voice to the general expression of deep sorrow which Jews all over the world experience over the death of your husband, the late Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

We pay tribute to the memory of this distinguished leader of world Jewry, who contributed so much to the revival of the national aspirations of the Jewish people and the establishment of the State of Israel.

On many occasions the late Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver has been to Canada. We all felt a close bond of affinity and affection for him and we shall always remember him in deep reverence.

We would like you to accept our expression of condolence and sympathy to you and your family which we are submitting to you on behalf of the Jewish community.

Sincerely yours,


Michael Garber,
President.



December 3rd

Dear Rabbi Daniel + Adele,

Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers during this sad time.

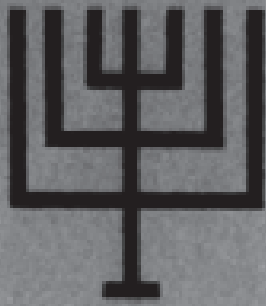
Somehow, the death of a parent is compounded grief, for our generation never really accepts the reality of itself until it must go it alone without the support, comfort and counsel of those who loved us first and always,

We are grateful that we
were permitted to know your
father - and that, among
all the other nobilities of
his remarkable life, he gave
us you.

Please accept our deepest
sympathy. May God grant
you comfort in your deep
sorrow.

Love, Jeanne Moore Furth

Mrs. George W. Furth, Jr.



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GREATER MIAMI JEWISH FEDERATION

December 3, 1963

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker Heights Boulevard
Shaker Heights, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Silver:

On behalf of the entire Jewish community of Miami we wish to extend our deepest sympathy to you and the members of your family on the passing of your beloved husband.

Rabbi Silver was a great American and a great Jew who symbolized for all of American Jewry the epitome of finest of Jewish characteristics.

To all of us he was a part of our own family, and many of us recall vividly the tremendous stimulation that he gave us when he came to Miami over the years, to help us understand the problems of world Jewry.

We mourn his loss, but his memory will be a lasting one for all of us.

Very sincerely yours,

Sidney Lefcourt
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President

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December 3, 1963

Dear Rabbi Men and Adele,

Although words are inadequate
at a time like this Leonard and I
want you to know how saddened
we are by your father's sudden
death. We share in your grief
and know you will not only
cherish, but gain strength from
Rabbi Silver's beloved memory. Our
thoughts are with you at this
time.

Sincerely,
Leonard and Nancy Rose



Dr. and Mrs. Leonard Peter Rome

EMBASSY OF ISRAEL
WASHINGTON, D. C.


שגרירות ישראל
ושינגטון

December 3 1963

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I thought you would be interested in seeing the enclosed letter which I received from Judge Charles Fahy of the United States Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C. Judge Fahy was at one time a member of the United States Mission to the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Sincerely,


Avraham Harman

Rabbi Daniel Silver
19810 Shaker Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio.

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT
WASHINGTON 1, D. C.

CHARLES FAHY
CIRCUIT JUDGE

November 29, 1963.

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I am very sorry to learn of
the death of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.
He was a great American and a
stalwart friend of Israel. I deem
it a privilege to have known
him and for a while to have worked
with him. His death is indeed an
added sorrow to the sorrow per-
vading these recent days.

Sincerely yours,

Charles Fahy.

Hon. Abraham Harman -
Washington.

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DECEMBER 3, 1963

RABBI DANIEL J. SILVER
c/o THE TEMPLE
EAST 105TH STREET & SILVER PARK
CLEVELAND 6, OHIO

DEAR RABBI SILVER:

IT WAS WITH GREAT SORROW THAT WE LEARNED OF THE DEATH
OF YOUR BELOVED FATHER. PLEASE ACCEPT THE SYMPATHIES OF ALL
THE MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION AS WELL AS MYSELF AT THIS TIME
OF YOUR LOSS.

YOUR FATHER WAS A TRULY GREAT LEADER WHO CONTRIBUTED
SIGNALLY TO THE ADVANCE OF JUDAISM AND TO THE SECURITY OF THE
STATE OF ISRAEL. ALL OF US ARE INDEBTED TO HIM FOR HIS SPLENDID
CONTRIBUTION BOTH TO OUR FAITH AND OUR PEOPLE.

YOURS IN SYMPATHY,

Milton Rosenbaum

RABBI MILTON ROSENBAUM

MR/HR

THE MACMILLAN COMPANY • 60 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK 11

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December 3, 1963

Dr. Daniel Jeremy Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street & Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

My colleagues here join with me in wanting to tell you of our sympathy in your loss in the death of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver. We were proud of the company's association with him, and I immensely enjoyed his visits here.

Very truly yours,


Clement Alexandre

CA:lm





Jacob J. Weinstein, d. d.

RABBI K.A.M. TEMPLE

RABBI'S STUDY, 930 E. 50th ST. - CHICAGO 15, ILLINOIS

December 3, 1963

Dear Daniel:

Janet joins me in sending you and mother and brother our sincere sympathies on the death of your father. The news of his death coming on the heels of our country's tragedy only deepened our sense of gloom. We hope that Ambassador Harman, who left our meeting on Saturday night to attend the funeral, conveyed our message of condolence.

I am comforted in recalling a meeting with Abba Hillel in Tel Aviv last July. He was mellow and reminiscent and you could feel the proprietary interest he had in every foot of Eretz. It was in no small measure his handiwork.

What he meant to all of us in the rabbinate was apparent vividly last June in Philadelphia, when he shared precious insights with us. He was a giant among us. We shall probably not know his like again. Even if nature conspires to join such a voice to such a brain and so intransigent a will - I fear we have lost the echo chambers in our hearts to really appreciate the timbre of his message.

How comforting it must have been for him to realize that his mantle was beginning to feel comfortable on your shoulders. May God grant you a double portion of his spirit - which enclaves, I am certain, the fierce imperative to be loyal to your own -

Yours,

Jacob

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
The Temple
University Circle and Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

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Study:

300 Hammond Pond Parkway
Chestnut Hill 67, Massachusetts
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December 3, 1963

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
University Circle
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Silver:

I want to express my deepest sympathy to you and your family upon the passing of your beloved husband. All of us who know of his labors on behalf of our people recognize all too sadly what a loss his passing represents. It was granted to very few men in modern times to have been blessed with the gifts of leadership which your beloved husband possessed. His achievements in so many areas and his contributions to so many causes have placed our generation and the generations to come in his debt. He has won an enduring place of honor in the history of our people.

I pray that God will grant you the strength and fortitude to bear your great loss with courage and that He will spare you and your family from any further sorrow.

Sincerely yours,

Israel Kazis

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December 3, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Silver
The Temple
University Circle and Silver Park
Cleveland 5, Ohio

Dear Friend Rabbi Dan:

Soon after I recovered from the shock of reading the headline of your father's death, I jotted down my own evaluation of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver's life and ministry as follows:

A twentieth century prophet of God combining the best qualities of Isaiah, Amos, Hosea, and Jeremiah; a powerful preacher dealing with the most important issues facing all mankind; a stalwart spiritual leader; a world statesman; an intellectual giant; a warm friend; truly one of the modern world's great men.

A leader of Israel has fallen, yet he lives through his labors and in our hearts. Blessed be the Lord God of Israel and blessed be His holy name forever.

Mrs. Wiest, Paul and I extend to you and through you to the entire Silver family and to the Temple family our sympathy and prayers.

We visited The Temple on Saturday evening in honor of the great Rabbi, but were unable to accept your thoughtful invitation to attend memorial services on Sunday morning.

Sincerely yours,

Elam G. Wiest

EGW:as

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RABBI DAVID JACOBSON
211 BELKNAP PLACE
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December 3, 1963

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
University Circle and Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dan:

All of us who knew your father feel a personal loss which we share with you.

All Jewry has suffered a loss too, and those who did not have the opportunity of meeting him have heard of him. The generations to come will still hold your father in high esteem.

My wife joins me in this expression, and adds her greetings with mine.

Sincerely,



DJ/ee

THE JEWISH COMMUNITY FEDERATION OF CLEVELAND

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Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
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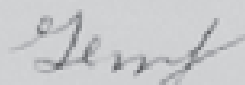
Dear Dan:

I want to take this opportunity to express to you and your family my condolences with respect to the passing of your father.

It has been a privilege for me these past several years to have had the opportunity of associating, even though in a small way, with an individual like Abba Hillel Silver.

There is not much one can say at a time like this, but I did want you to know that we are thinking of you.

Sincerely,



Gerald S. Soroker

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December 3, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road & Silver Park
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dan:


What can I say at a time like this that hundreds
won't have said more eloquently.

I do, however, want to get this note to you so that
you will be certain that my thoughts have been with
you and your family since last Thursday.

Many people have spoken of your father's loss as a
great loss to the City, the Nation and the Jewish
World. I am not being parochial when I add Uni-
versity Circle. It is great people that make the
Circle great and your father was certainly one of
the greatest. I know I speak for the whole Circle
Community in expressing a profound feeling of loss.

Again - my sympathy is with you, Ray and your
mother and your families.

Most sincerely,



Neil J. Carothers

NJC:b

BOSTON COLLEGE LAW SCHOOL
Brighton 35 Mass.

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

December 3, 1963

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
The Temple
University Circle
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I cannot tell you how sorry I was to read of
the death of your good father.

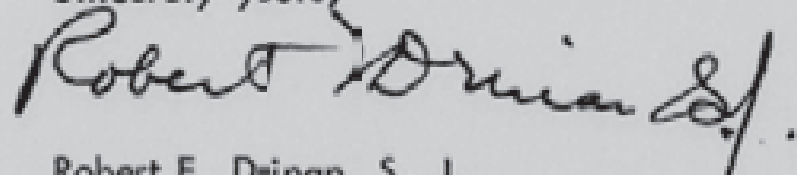
I add my tribute to the tributes of the entire
world.

I remember with the keenest delight my evening
with your father and mother on February 8, 1963.

I was not surprised to learn during a week after
my address in Cleveland that your distinguished father
was considered in Israel as almost a modern patriarch.

Please convey my deepest condolences to
your mother, and my warm regards to your wife.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Robert F. Dainan S.J.", written in a cursive style.

Robert F. Dainan, S. J.
Dean

RFD:b

RABBI MAX A. SHAPIRO
TEMPLE ISRAEL

Study of the Rabbi
2324 Emerson Avenue South
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55405

December 3, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Silver,
Tifereth Israel
University Circle & Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

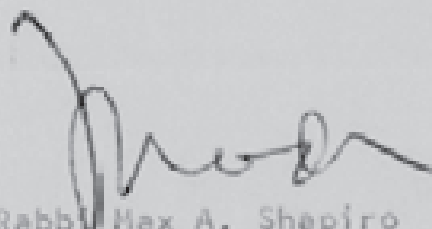
Dear Dan:

Our entire congregation joins
Bernice and me in sending you and your
family our deepest sympathies.

One of my most vivid memories
is from some twenty years ago - long before
I even thought of the rabbinate - when I
heard your Dad speak at the Boston Garden at
a Zionist Rally. And then of course last
year at the Conference was another most
memorable experience.

Your Dad's memory will be an
inspiration to all of us even as I am sure
it will be to you.

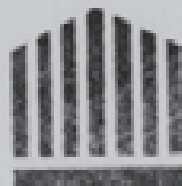
As ever,



Rabbi Max A. Shapiro

MAS/e

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DR. WILLIAM B. SILVERMAN, Rabbi

December 4, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver, Rabbi
Tifereth Israel (The Temple)
University Circle & Silver Park
Cleveland, Ohio 45206

Dear Daniel:

It was with sorrow that we learned of the passing of your beloved father. On Friday evening and Saturday morning, November 29 and 30, while we did not repeat the Kaddish prayer, we did express prayers of gratitude thanking God for the contributions of his life and the sacred work of his rabbinate. We will say Kaddish for him Friday and Saturday, December 6 and 7.

Your father, together with Barnett Brickner, sent me to the Hebrew Union College. While it was not my privilege to be with him and to know him intimately, I did have the coveted privilege of meeting with him, of talking with him and of profiting from his wisdom and guidance. I shall always be grateful to him, not only as a rabbi but as a Jew, whose faith he has ennobled by the grandeur of his spirit.

Pearl joins me in expressing sincere sympathy to you, your mother, your wife, your brother and all your dear ones. May his memory be sanctified with the years and may his name ever be a loving benediction on our lips.

Most sincerely,

Rabbi William B. Silverman

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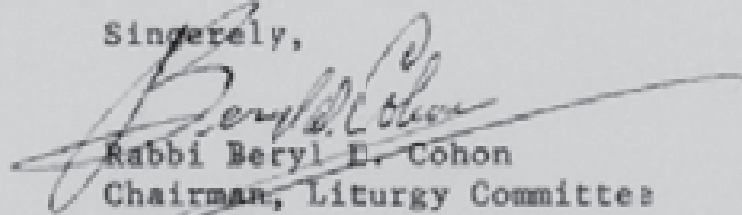
Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver
University Circle and Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Liturgy Committee of the CCAR, now in session, expresses to you the grief of your colleagues and friends over the passing of your father. Not only you and your family are deeply bereaved; all Jewry mourns the loss of a dedicated Rabbi and scholar, zealous and eloquent champion of Judaism and Jewry's rights the world over.

Please accept for yourself and extend to your mother and the rest of the family our sense of bereavement. We pray the Holy One give you strength and healing.

Sincerely,


Rabbi Beryl D. Cohen
Chairman, Liturgy Committee

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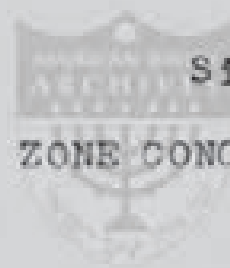
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Rabbi Dan Silver,
c/o The Temple
E. 105th & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dan:

Please accept my deepest condolence and sympathy
in the loss of your Dad.



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December 4, 1963

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Silver:

There is so little that anyone can say in this hectic hour. However, the Board of Directors of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Dallas felt that it might be of some comfort to you to know that we have a deep sense of loss in the passing of your great and wonderful husband.

All Jews looked to him as our leader just as in many ways we looked to the great John F. Kennedy, our President.

With deepest sympathies.

Cordially,

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Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o Tifereth Israel
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Dear Mrs. Silver:

Although you and I have never met I did know your husband and profited from his knowledge and his rabbinical leadership. I want to extend to you my heartfelt sympathy and that of my wife and children.

Your husband will never be forgotten in the annals of the American Rabbinate as well as the world scene. His contributions have been manifold and his legacy to us has been a spirit of drive, determination and dedication.

We all share in your grief.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "Howard A. Simon".

HOWARD A. SIMON
Rabbi

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The Temple-Tifereth Israel
University Circle & Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

December 4, 1963

On behalf of the Officers and members of Congregation Adath Israel we extend our deepest sympathy to you in the tragic loss which you and all of Judaism have suffered in the death of your great leader, Abba Hillel Silver.

Will you please convey our heartfelt sympathy to all members of his family in the sorrow of this hour.

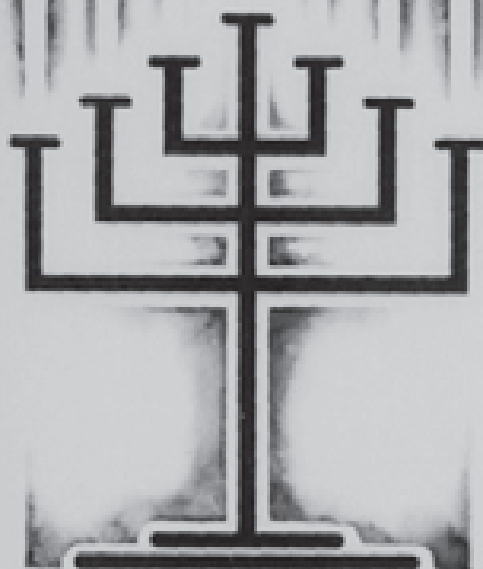
Sincerely,

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Harold Rosen, President

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Herbert S. Waller".

Herbert S. Waller, Rabbi



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LT MRS ABBA HILLEL SILVER

THE TEMPLE CLEVE

IT WAS A SEVERE SHOCK TO LEARN OF THE DEATH OF YOUR HUSBAND
DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER A GIANT IN THE ANNALS OF JUDAISM AND
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US TO ISRAEL STOP WE AMERICANS AND CANADIANS LIVING IN ISRAEL
EXTEND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN AT THIS
MOMENT OF GRIEF STOP HIS WORDS AND SPIRIT WILL FOREVER LIVE
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RABBI MORRIS N. KERTZER
LARCHMONT TEMPLE
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December 4, 1963

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker Blvd.
Shaker Heights, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Silver:

May I add my own expression of grief at the passing of your dearly beloved husband. Daniel told me in Chicago that he was well, and, therefore, the news was even more of a shock to us.

What can I add to the outpouring of tributes to Dr. Silver except how much his friendship and guidance meant to me.

Sincerely,

Morris Kertzer

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

December 4, 1963

Dear Danny,

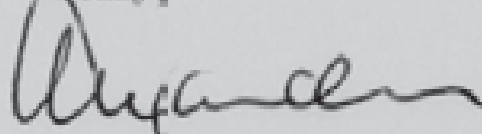
Allow me to add my expressions of sorrow to the many, many letters of condolence you are receiving at this time. Surely your grief is not diminished by the knowledge that others share it; still, this knowledge must be some source of comfort to you and to those you love.

One feels almost presumptuous to extoll your father's worth. His stature is so very great, his ideals and their fulfillment so lofty that words in their description seem only to diminish rather to exalt.

Time will ease the burden of your heart. It will not lessen our appreciation of your father and his work, for that which you and we all cherished most in him was not bound to his bodily being; it came from a spirit within him and beyond him, and this spirit will live on for everlasting blessing.

בשרך אהב, אלהים

Fondly,



Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio



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December 4, 1963

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
East 105th Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Silver:

On behalf of Girl Scouts of the United States of America, may I express our sadness at the loss of your husband, the spiritual leader and great scholar, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, who was known throughout the nation and world as a ~~united~~ ^{united} battler for brotherhood."

The life of Rabbi Silver and his writings, his deep and active interest in public affairs effect everyone; one can never tell where his influence stops. His enduring monument is the state of Israel for which he was one of the major factors in influencing the United Nations to authorize its creation. Through his works for all people and Judaism, his memory will live forever.

We join the entire nation, who will miss this great man, in extending our deepest sympathy and condolences.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Margaret H. Price'.

Mrs. Holton R. Price, Jr.
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Dear Dan,

I was very saddened at the news of the passing of your Dad - Someone very precious has been taken from all of us and an era ends with his passing. He leaves a vacancy and a void which will not be filled and many of us find our grief and empathy toward you mixed with no small amount of self-pity that we shall hear him and see him no more.

Naturally he has gained immortality and we can still consult him through his books. Also though you, his line of rabbis is preserved. I am sure he was very proud of you and I know you can derive some comfort in the knowledge of how happy you made him. Your friends mourn with you.

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Please convey my condolences to
your mother and Ray.

Your friend,
Frank



חבר הכנסת מ.
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*The Knesset
Jerusalem, Israel*



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Jerusalem, 4. December, 1963.

Mrs. A.H. Silver,
East 105 At Ansel Road,
Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Dear Mrs. Silver,

Enclosed please find a copy of the speech of M.K. Joseph Serlin in the Knesset, on monday, 2. December 1963, in the memory of your husband, Rabbi Hillel Silver.

Permit me to add the condolence of the members of our fraction in the Knesset to this great loss of yours and the Jewish People.

The memory of Dr. Silver will remain with us for many years.

Sincerely yours,

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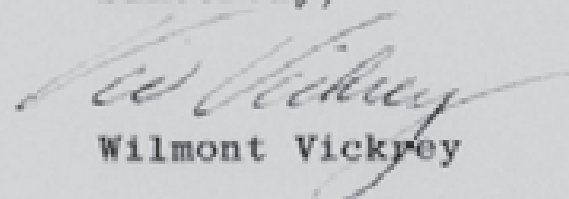
Dear Rabbi Dan:

Working with your father on the expansion of The Temple was an experience I shall always cherish. He possessed an artist's awareness of the arts and architecture and their contribution to environment for worship and living.

His concern for people -- his warmth and understanding touched the minds and hearts of all who had contact with him. I know that it must be comforting to know that his many accomplishments will provide a living testimonial to his spiritual and intellectual leadership for generations to come.

My condolences to you, Ray, and the family.

Sincerely,


Wilmont Vickrey

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Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
The Temple
University Circle and Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dan:

I know that I cannot put into words my expression of sympathy to you and the family on the death of your beloved father.

I can only say that world Jewry has lost a vibrant and dedicated leader. We shall all miss him.

Sincerely,


Rabbi Murray Blackman

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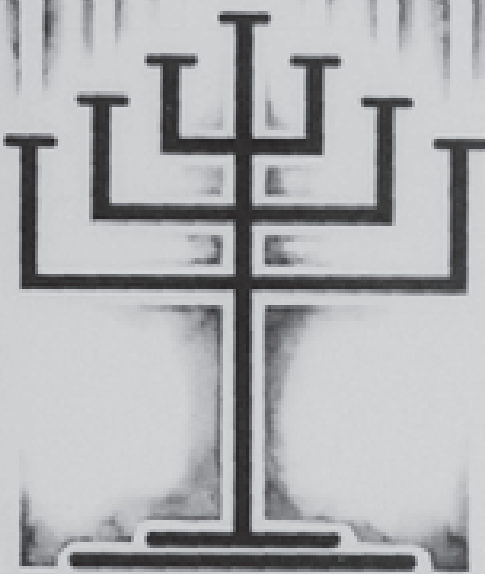


Dec. 7, 1963

Dear Mrs. Shew,

The officers and members of Rodef Shalom Sisterhood
are very sorry to learn of the death of your beloved husband.

We remember him with much respect and deep
affection. Please accept our heartfelt sympathy to
you and yours.



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Mrs. Fran G. Horick
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Sincerely,
(Mrs. Lotab) Rena E. Selzer
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December 4, 1963

Dear Danny,

I have just heard the sad news of the passing of your father, ^{z"l}, a great leader and scholar in Israel, a champion of human rights and dignity. Though I had not have frequent contacts with him, I felt a close bond through knowing you.

Please accept my deep sympathy.

המקום יגדל אתכם בתוך פאר אבן חן וירושלים

Alexander Gutzwiller



STATE OF NEW YORK
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NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER
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December 4, 1963

Dear Mrs. Silver:

The bereavement you have suffered in the passing of your beloved and revered husband is a loss not only to yourself and your sons but also to all Jewish people in our country and the world over. It is a loss to all of us regardless of the rites and creeds by which we worship the God and Father of us all.

The awards given Dr. Abba Hillel Silver by many institutions of higher learning and governments were richly earned as were also the profound respect and the abiding affection of millions in all civilized countries. He combined, in remarkable measure, erudition and a capacity for organization. A man of action as well as thought, the list of his practical accomplishments was long and of lasting value. By word and deed, he showed his love for his own people but that love extended to all mankind. It will be a long time before we look upon his like again.

Please accept my heartfelt sympathy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Nelson A. Rockefeller", written in a cursive style.

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
19810 Shaker Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

12/4/63

Dear Mrs Silver Family.

It seems impossible that the deaths of Rabbi Silver and President Kennedy happened. Two giants of liberalism, justice and understanding of our modern world, both taken together. What a calamitous blow.

Please accept my deepest condolences on your terrible loss and the terrific loss to all men of good will in this world.

Samuel K Weinberg
4000 Washington Ave
New Orleans 25
La.

4878 Jean Brilliant
Montreal 26, P.Q., Canada
Dec. 4th, 1963

Dear Mrs. Silver,

I was shocked and deeply grieved to learn of the sudden death of your dear husband. I received a warm, comforting letter from Rabbi Silver when my husband, Rabbi Jesse Schwartz passed away a little more than three months ago.

Theirs was a close association dating back to the Herzl Zion Club and even though they did not see each other frequently the friendship endured.

I know how stunned with grief you must be and my heart goes out to you and your dear family. The fact that Rabbi Silver did not suffer, or was not forced to endure a protracted illness should comfort you to some extent.

Rabbi Silver was a world renowned figure. His hosts of friends, associates and admirers will extol his leadership, his great oratorical power, his impact on the Zionist Movement and on World Jewry. I want to stress his loyalty to an old friend and to voice my profound gratitude for that loyalty.

God give you the strength to endure your great loss.

Sincerely,

Mme. Rebecca Schwartz



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Dear Friends:

It is needless to tell you how shocked we were to learn of your loss. I knew your dear one for many years and valued his friendship.

It is my hope and prayer that God will send you His healing and comfort.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver and Family
Tifereth Israel (The Temple)
University Circle and Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Haverford, Penna.
December 4, 1963

Dear Sam:

I regret that, in the confusion of rushing East to be with my Mother over the week-end, & then of coming down here to the N.C.C. Assembly, I have not extended a personal word of sympathy to you before this. I just hope you took my wire to the Congregation personally as well.

The relationship between father & son are more fully appreciated by an outsider. I always was impressed with your gracious regard and concern for Rabbi Abba. He has meant more to you than you can ever say, I know.

All of us in Atlanta loved & revered him.

What more can I say - I too, know the emptiness - for I lost my Father 14 years ago.

...
Our love & sympathy to you
and yours, Dan. Please let
us know if there is any way
in which we can help in
the weeks ahead.

Yours devotedly,

Joe Matteson



Dear Dan,

I have never known a world in which your life has not been among the 2195 '138, so that these days since his passing have brought changed perspectives - some for his abiding influence.

Ruth joins me in prayers for comfort & consolation in behalf of your dear ones and yourself.

Warmly,
Stanley

Dec. 4, 1963.

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December 4, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Daniel:

In this hour of your deep personal grief, long and affectionate regard for your illustrious father, prompts me, far from home, to send you and your family this message of condolence.

Among the countless unpublicized acts of kindness that your father did in his heroic life, one that lives ever with me was his defense of Professor Jacob Mann, of our College, at a time when evil political pressures placed Professor Mann's position in jeopardy. I knew that inside story because Dr. Mann asked me to draw up a list of Jacob Mann's scholarly publications, which your father needed in defending Jacob Mann. This single act of appreciation for a shy and defenseless scholar I will never forget.

Mrs. Reichert adds her love to mine in fond remembrance to you and your dear mother. Ever,

RABBI: DR. MYRON M. MEYER
2671 Fairleigh Terrace
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Tel. AD 4-3179

Temple Adath Joseph
17th and Felix Streets
St. Joseph, Mo.

December 4, 1963

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver and Family
The Temple
East 150 Street and Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Friends:

The officers, directors and members of Temple Adath Joseph of St. Joseph, Missouri join me in expressing sincerest sympathy to all of you in the passing of my good friend and colleague and our great leader in American and world Jewry.


Having known Abba for so many years, in fact, he was my teacher at the Hebrew Union College, I cannot give you enough praise for his Herculean work which he had accomplished during his life.

He was a man of great character and many various talents. As a consequence he will be missed by the Cleveland community and both Jews and non-Jews of the United States and like-wise of the world. I recall vividly hearing him at the World Brotherhood Convention in Brussels in the year 1955. The praise he received for that magnificent address would fill volumes. We have lost indeed a great leader and thinker.

May G-d send His comfort and strength to all of you in your great personal loss.

With warmest regards and best wishes, I remain

Faithfully,


Rabbi Myron M. Meyer, D.D.
and
The Officers, Directors and
Members of Temple Adath Joseph

MMM:ff

TEMPLE BETH JACOB

Gidney and Fullerton Avenues
Newburgh, New York

FROM THE STUDY OF
RABBI NORMAN KAHAN

December 4, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Silver
The Temple
University Circle and Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Denny:

Shirley and I were shocked and grieved to hear of the unfortunate passing of your beloved father and the mentor of so many men now serving in the rabbinate. I was the beneficiary of a year's study in Israel through your father's gracious assistance. He was one of America's greatest Rabbis and indeed one of America's outstanding citizens.

We know that you and your family will derive a great measure of comfort in the knowledge that your father was a man loved, admired and respected by all those who knew him.

Sincerely,



Rabbi Norman Kahan

RNK/jg

Family Service Association

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Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
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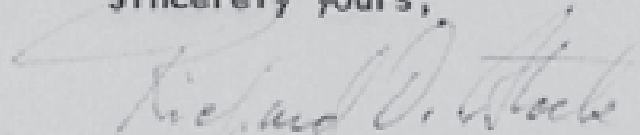
Dear Mrs. Silver:

For nearly a half century the Family Service Association had the great privilege of the advice and counsel of Rabbi Silver, many of them in the days when the agency was known as the Associated Charities.

His concern for the needs of others was always manifest, as was his genius for organization, his courage, his ability to find ways and means of solving problems that seemed insoluble to others. His generous sharing of his talents with our agency indirectly helped many thousands of his fellow Clevelanders.

May the memory of his richly useful life and of your life together be of comfort to you at this time. Please accept our sympathy in the knowledge that we share both your grief and your loss.

Sincerely yours,



Richard O. Stock
Executive Director

ROS:b

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10424 W. McNICHOLS ROAD
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DIAMOND 1-0533

December 4, 1963

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver and Family
19810 Shaker Blvd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Silver:

In behalf of the Michigan Region of the Zionist Organization of America, I wish to express to you and your family our heartfelt sympathy in your hour of grief.

Dr. Silver meant a great deal to us. He represented the highest attainments in Judaism, as he devoted his life to the fulfillment of a dream cherished by Jews throughout the world for the last two thousand years.

His name will be linked forever with the greatest miracle of our age, the establishment of a Jewish Homeland.

Dr. Silver inspired all of us for many decades to dedicated and fruitful efforts on behalf of a Jewish State. He has given us the strength and the will to carry on amidst difficulty and despair.

May you find comfort in the lasting and ennobling memories you have of your beloved husband and father.

Very sincerely yours,

Moses Lehrman
Rabbi Moses Lehrman, President
Michigan Zionist Region

ML:cc

19101, Van Aken Blvd.

Cleveland, 42, Ohio

Aug. 4, 1963

Dear friends,

The loss of Rabbi Silver was a painful blow to us, as it must have been to all, who, particularly at this moment in history, witness with apprehension the forces of evil striking without reason or mercy. The powerful source of wisdom and goodness, which was your father, is no longer here to stand fast in the face of forces bent on destruction. We are mourning with hosts of others in all corners of the world. May God rest his soul.

With deep sympathy and sorrow,

Vitya and Victor Dabin

With Sympathy



"a rose, the most perfect
autograph of God."

To your Mother and
dear family —

I know your sorrow
is a sacred thing. You
are not alone.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

May the understanding sympathy

This message brings your way

Help somehow to encourage

And to comfort you today

Mrs. L.C. Missal

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
2841 Weybridge
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dec. 4, 1963

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Last Sunday I was on my way to pay my respects to your father, Rabbi Abba Silver and happened to go into the Epworth - Euclid Methodist Church by mistake. On entering the Church I knew I was not in the Temple but instead of leaving, I followed the usher who lead me to my seat. I prayed and said my rosary for your father.

Mr. Lomas's sermon was very good. "It didn't touch me." Text Psalm 25:3 I will fear no evil for thou art with me. It reminded me of your father's beautiful sermon when Mr. Feldman passed away and how beautifully he read the Twenty-third Psalm. His body was not there but his spirit lives.

Your father was one leader of three faiths to believe that God wanted Eisenhower for President several years ago. He saw God and God loved him. His greatness, wisdom and understanding will be remembered by many. He did not leave you without showing you and giving you his love.

Being a Catholic and attending a service in the Temple a few months ago for the first time, the unexpected visit in the Methodist Church last Sunday, I find all three faiths lead to one pathway - to God.

Enclosed you will find \$20.00, will you please see that a tree is planted in Israel in memory of your father, President Kennedy and my father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John Getzy.

May God guide you in His steps.

Very truly yours,
Mrs. S. E. Missal

MRS. L. A. BLOOMFIELD / 2540 North Moreland Boulevard, Shaker Heights, Ohio

Dec. 5th

Dear Rabbi Daniel:

I am not a "Tary" woman
but I was moved to tears today in
reading your "Meditation" in the
Bulletin — under all the circum-
stances. Any man who can bring
forth from himself such beauty
and profundity must walk far,
not only in his great Father's
steps — but farth from there. I
know you will —

I think of you all in your
time of mourning, your fine
Mother, you and Rafael, and
your lovely wives. May all
the words of comfort you speak
to others at such times turn

back to you in comfort far
yourselves!

Sincerely and warmly,
Kitty Plamperle



315 King St.
Port Chester, N.Y.
December 5, 1963

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio



Dear Mrs. Silver:

The members of the
Port Chester - Rye Zionist District
are saddened by the sudden
and untimely passing of your

beloved husband; outstanding
and distinguished spiritual and
Zionist leader.

In their behalf, I want to
extend to you and all members
of your family very deep and
heartfelt sympathy and say
that we join with the whole
country and the State of
Israel in mourning his death.

We share your sorrow.

Very sincerely,

(Mrs.) Julia J. Worob,
Secretary

RABBI AVRAHAM SOLTES

TEMPLE SHAREY TEFILO

57 Prospect Street
East Orange, New Jersey

5 December 1963

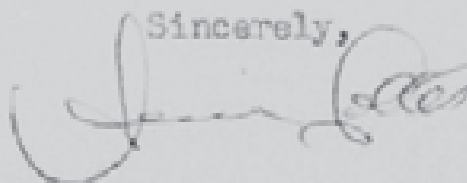
Dear Dan,

I share with all of world Jewry our shock and regret at the untimely passing of your beloved father. It was my pleasure to have met him on many occasions, and to have spent an entire day in his company when I was the Jewish Chaplain at Cornell University in 1944-45, when he preached at the University Chapel and discussed the questions of Zionism at a community forum. He was my guest at home, and we discussed many aspects of Judaism and Jewish lore and music, as well as relaxing at a local movie house, where all the burdens that he carried could be momentarily put aside.

I know that you will not be lacking for letters of condolence and appreciation these days, but no one person is ever fully aware of the many ramifications of his life, and I add this little note to the full sheaf of remembrances which your father's personality harvested over these threescore years and ten.

Please convey my deepest sympathies to your mother and to your brother, Raphael.

Sincerely,



Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver
19810 Shaker Boulevard
Shaker Heights, Ohio

RABBI DAVID POLISH, D.H.L., D.D.
BETH EMET THE FREE SYNAGOGUE

1200 LEE STREET
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

December 5, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Silver
Tilfereth Israel (The Temple)
University Circle and Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Daniel:

Please accept my condolences on your father's passing. Together with your colleagues everywhere I join you and your loved ones in your bereavement. I feel particularly the influence which he exerted upon vast numbers, because I was among those whom he helped to enter the Hebrew Union College. His work and achievement are now an enduring part of Jewish history.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "David Polish", written in a cursive style.

RABBI DAVID POLISH



EMBASSY OF ISRAEL

שגרירות ישראל

CANBERRA - A.C.T.

5th December, 1963.

Mrs. A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
CLEVELAND,
Ohio,
U. S. A.

Dear Mrs. Silver:

I am deeply grieved and saddened by the untimely passing away of the great Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, ¹³ I first met him at the Zionist Congress in Lucerne in 1935. His fighting spirit, his incisive analysis and his powerful orations at that gathering belong to the most inspiring manifestations of Zionist leadership which I was privileged to encounter in my life. It was my pleasant duty to accompany your late husband on an extensive tour of the Galilee. Later on in the years of my service as Israel's Consul General in Chicago I enjoyed the late Rabbi's confidence and most effective cooperation in many important matters. I shall cherish his memory as long as I live.

Please accept my and Mrs. Teshar's heartfelt sympathy in your bereavement.

Very sincerely yours,

David S. Teshar

David S. Teshar
Ambassador.

RABBI JOSEPH TOPEL, B.H.L., M.H.L.
TEMPLE EMANUEL OF CANARSIE
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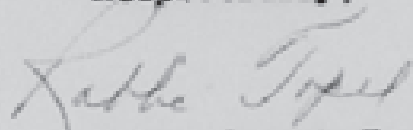
Dear Rabbi Silver:

It is with deep regret that I have learned of the death of your dear Father, and of a great man.

On behalf of myself and my family, please accept our heartfelt condolences to you and the rest of your family.

May you never know of such sorrow again.

Respectfully,



Rabbi Joseph Topel

Jt/pw



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Director: DR. HENRI E. FRONT, RABBI
405 Archimedes Bldg., 117 S. 17th Street
Philadelphia, Pa., 19103 Locust 3-8183

December 5, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Silver
19810 Shaker Boulevard
Shaker Heights, Ohio

Dear Danny:

Words cannot express our sorrow at the tragic loss of your revered father. Reggie joins me in sending you these simple thoughts which we hope will convey to you an expression of our deep loss. Having been the richer for having your father for seventy years, we are all the poorer with his passing.

Cordially,


Dr. Henri E. Front, Rabbi



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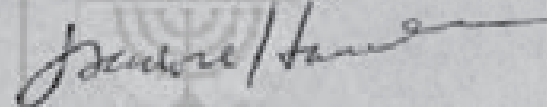
December 5, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Enclosed herewith, you will find text of
cable we received from the Zionist Federation of Australia
conveying condolences on the passing of your revered father
Abba Hillel Silver.

Sincerely yours,



Isadore Hanlin
Executive Director

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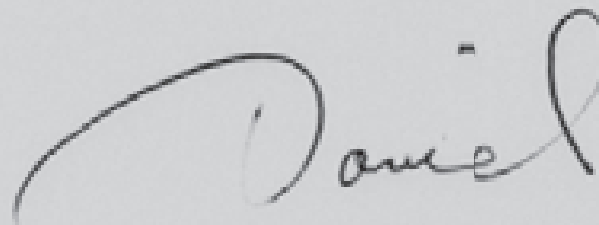
Dear Mrs. Silver,

Bertha and I were deeply grieved to hear of your sad loss, and want to extend to you and your family our heartfelt condolences.

We are arranging a memorial service here in Cape Town where our people still have a very vivid recollection of your visit with us and the tremendous impression which Dr. Silver made on the entire community.

Our thoughts go out to you at this time in the hope that the knowledge that so many others through-out the world share your grief may in some way assuage your pain.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "David", with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left.

Rabbi David Sherman.

Louis H. Gerowin

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Sally and I heard of
your father's passing with much sorrow.
We know how hard it is to lose one's
father, but we know you appreciated
your father for the many years God
gave him to you.

With all our deepest
sympathy and friendship.

Sincerely,
Louis H. Gerowin

December 5, 1963

4050 Hinsdale 21



AMERICAN RED CROSS

GREATER CLEVELAND CHAPTER

1827 PROSPECT AVENUE

CLEVELAND 18, OHIO

Dear Rabbi Silver,

It was with great sadness that we learned of the sudden loss of your beloved father.

This is the most grievous loss not only to all the family but to the community & the whole world.

The entire staff & corps of volunteers of the Greater Cleveland Chapter of the American Red Cross join in most sincere and heartfelt sympathy to you, your mother and brother and your families in your great loss. We will always cherish the blessed memories of him that are left to us.

Most Sincerely Yours

Mrs. Louis B. Fisher

Volunteer Services. A.R.C.

September 5, 1963

R A B B I M O R R I S L I E B E R M A N

BALTIMORE HEBREW CONGREGATION

7401 PARK HEIGHTS AVENUE

BALTIMORE 8, MARYLAND

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University Circle and Silver Park
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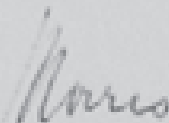
Dear Daniel:

The news of your father's passing came as a great shock. He was so vital and strong; he seemed to be above any of the ordinary weaknesses of the flesh. Your loss is a great one, but I need not tell you how blessed you were in the privilege of intimate association with him. He was a source of inspiration to all the men of the Conference, and it will never be possible to measure the extent of his beneficent influence. He set a pattern in so many different areas and his career can be seen only as a multiplicity of ministries, any one of which would have been more than adequate fulfillment for an ordinary person.

I felt greatly privileged in the opportunity to be with him that came in the course of our Chaplaincy program. He always evidenced wisdom and broad vision, and his advice was always sound.

Please express my profoundest sympathy to your mother and brother. I think they know how much the whole world shares in your grief.

Sincerely,



Morris Lieberman

ISRAEL HERBERT LEVINTHAL

Rabbi of the
BROOKLYN JEWISH CENTER

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607-601 EASTERN PARKWAY
PHONE BRACENTH 3-8800

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576 EASTERN PARKWAY
PHONE PRESIDENT 4-4030

December 5, 1963

My dear Mrs. Silver:

Words fail me to express the shock and grief both Mrs. Levinthal and I felt when we heard the tragic news over the radio of the death of your beloved husband. It is an irreparable loss not only to you and to your beloved children, but to world Jewry and to all mankind. He was blessed with many gifts and used these gifts for the service of his people and humanity. These thoughts should help to give comfort to you and to your dear ones in these hours of great sorrow.

We hope and pray that you and yours may be spared from all further sorrow for many, many years to come and that our Heavenly Father may grant you the strength and the consolation that you so sorely need in these trying days.

With all good wishes in which Mrs. Levinthal joins, I am

Sincerely yours,

Israel H. Levinthal
ISRAEL H. LEVINTHAL

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio



MORTON HOFFMAN, RABBI

CONGREGATION RODEF SHOLOM

170 NORTH SAN PEDRO ROAD
SAN RAFAEL, CALIFORNIA

479-3441

December 5, 1963

Dear Dan,

Please accept my personal condolences on the passing of your father. I share in the feeling of loss which the entire American Jewish community must feel. I pray that you and the remainder of your family may be comforted in your personal bereavement.

Sincerely,
Mort

Leonard I. Abrams

9515 WOODLAND AVENUE
CLEVELAND, OHIO

December 5, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Silver
The Temple
East 105th and Ansel
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dan:

Words cannot express the great loss that the world,
American and Cleveland Jewry, has suffered with the loss
of your father.

Madge joins me in extending to you and your family
our heartfelt sympathy.

Sincerely,



Leonard I. Abrams

WOLFGANG HAMBURGER
632 SOUTH 17TH STREET
LINCOLN 8, NEBRASKA

December 5, 1963

Dear Daniel,

It was with deepest sorrow that I heard of your Father's passing last week, and I want to extend to you and your my sincere sympathy. Words of others are meaningless at a time of personal grief. When a place in our own small world becomes vacant, we must seek consolation within ourselves. The silent respect of friends can be the only worthy sign or expression of their sympathy. And that is the purpose of these lines to let you know that others are thinking of you and in some measure share your loss. The place your Father occupied in the public, what he did and wrote, belongs to the memory of the public and to Jewish history. But you have memories of your own, shared only with the members of your family; they are your most personal possessions and therefore sacred. They will give you consolation and inspiration, and what visibly you lost you will always invisibly possess — the memory that is love, gratitude, and blessing.

With friendly greetings and kindly thoughts,

Cordially, Wolfgang.

Rabbi Louis J. Sigel

Temple Emeth
Teaneck, New Jersey

5 December 1963

Dear Sonny -

Mimi and I are very sorry for you and for ourselves.

You & your brother have lost a magnificent father,
and a yet unmaturing American Jewry has been bereft
of its guidance and its light.

For us younger colleagues who knew him not in his
lifetime days, Abba Hillel Silver served already as
an inspiring legend. On my adolescence, at my
orthodox father's table, I was regaled with
stories of Abba Hillel's oratory, admiringly, and, probably,
apocryphally, told by my father. Later, my own
limited contact with him and his writings amplified
these attitudes.

Accept our prayer that your mother, your brother and you
find comfort in the knowledge that such excellence
as your father, is, indeed, permanent.

Sincerely,
Lou

RABBI STEPHEN A. SCHAFER
CONGREGATION KENESETH ISRAEL
2227 CHEW STREET
ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

December 5, 1963

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. & Silver Park
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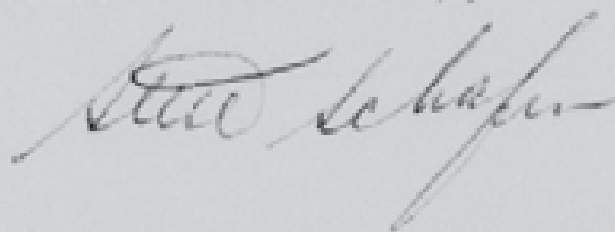
Dear Dan:

Bella and I wish you to know that we are thinking of you, and that we send you our sincerest and heartfelt sympathies. The death of your father is a great loss to the country, and especially to the Jewish community. All of us who knew him revered him and feel his loss deeply.

Of course we cannot know how you and your family feel in your grief. However, we do remember how we felt in ours so in some measure we do understand.

We pray that you will have the strength and will to continue the great dedication and work of your magnificent family.

Yours in friendship,



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Congregation Beth Shalom

One Dogwood
Park Forest, Ill.

The Rabbi's Study

December 5, 1963

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
The Temple
University Circle and Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

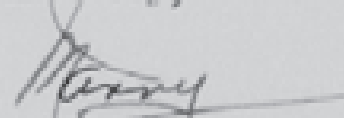
Dear Dan:

The passing of your beloved and esteemed father has immeasurably saddened me, as it has so many thousands upon thousands of others. Please accept my heartfelt sympathy in your great personal loss. Words of condolence are most inadequate here because no one knows better than you the extraordinary role he played in the leadership of World, American, and Reform Judaism. We who had the privilege of knowing him and calling him colleague realized that his unique gifts of heart and mind had already bestowed immortality upon him long before his going to the *. וְיָשָׁם לְעוֹלָם*

I want you to know that our Religious School children composed and offered a beautiful prayer in his memory last Sunday. Such knowledge, I truly hope, will bring you, your dear mother, and brother a certain measure of comfort in this time of your grief.

May God's blessings of solace be with you.

Sincerely,



Rabbi Minard Klein

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Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
The Temple
University Circle and Silver Park
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dan:

Please accept my hand of sympathy on the loss of your father and with it my heartfelt gratitude for the greatness of his name.

When I was a child, no more than six or seven, my father, Orthodox, Zionist and a proletarian, once took me to hear your father speak on 14th Street in New York. I remember being held up and told, "Listen to the great Rabbi Silver". Through the years this was echoed in my own heart and mind as I read him, studied his Temple for my Rabbinic thesis and heard him, especially at our Ordination, yours and mine in 1952.

May God who touched him with greatness look to us as we bow in reverence to His will.

In comradely affection,

Milton Richman

Milton Richman

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Dec. 5, 1963.

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio;

Dear Rabbi Dan;

Both Marcella and I felt that
in view of the hundreds of people
that we know have called on
you and your family during this
past week, it might be kinder
not to call.

We do however want to express
our sympathy to you, your mother
and your brother.

Sincerely
Al Fuchsberg

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December 5, 1963
19 Kislev, 5724

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Silver:

We take the liberty of enclosing a Resolution of the Board of Rabbis of Greater Philadelphia, which comprises more than 100 spiritual leaders who serve the religious needs of some 350,000 Jews. With it go our deep sympathy and a prayer that the Divine Comforter will give you and your family the consolation He grants all mourners in Zion and Jerusalem.

Sincerely yours,

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Resolution Adopted by the Board of Rabbis
of Greater Philadelphia at its meeting,
December 2, 1963, on the passing of
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

We mourn the death of one of Jewry's giant spiritual figures, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver. Master of eloquence, one of the builders of Medinat Yisrael, scholar, lover in equal measure of Zion and America, Rabbi Silver was, above all, a spiritual leader of his people and his generation. Whether in the pulpit of his congregation or on the stage of the world, he bestrode both platforms with genius as he played his creative and spiritual role. Wherever and whenever he spoke or taught or wrote, whether to his own people or to the representatives of the nations, the spiritual quality of his Jewish commitment was unmistakable. His Zionism was not a political creed only. It was the impulse of a Messianic ideal. His Judaism was not just a formal allegiance to theology or observance. It was a life to be lived in the tradition of prophetic demand. His Americanism did not consist in loyalty to a chance collection of human beings. It embodied a faith that this land could evoke man's potentiality as a child of God. This is the Jew who has now entered life eternal. We shall not see his like again.

May the memory of the righteous be a blessing.

[no copy enclosed]

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12/5/63

Dear Virginia -

Enclosed is copy of
our bulletin. And I thought you would
be interested -



Love
W. H. Loveman

Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion

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December 5, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver
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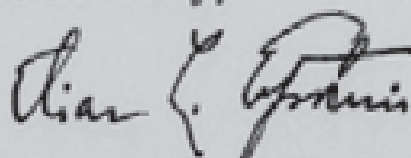
Dear Danny:

I was profoundly shocked and grieved at the sad news of the untimely passing of your beloved and illustrious father. At such an occasion, words are hardly adequate to express one's feelings, emotions, and affections. Your beloved father was a tower of strength not only to his own congregation, not only to the Jewish community of the United States and, by the same token, not only to the Jewish community of Israel, the state which was in large measure established by the work of his hands.

Needless to say that your father's voice touched many a heart and soul, and made deep and lasting impressions upon those who were privileged to hear him, yea, especially to see him and to talk with him.

My heartfelt sympathy goes to you who is following his footsteps, to your dear mother, and your brother. May you personally find solace in your rabbinic work which you are pursuing directly in the path of your father, and may all be comforted in the memory of the illustrious teacher and man who showered us with insight, inspiration, dedication, and loyalty to everything Jewish.

Affectionately,



Elias L. Epstein, Professor of
Hebrew Language and Literature

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RABBI ROLAND B. GITTELSON, D.D., Sc.D.
TEMPLE ISRAEL
BOSTON 15, MASSACHUSETTS

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Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
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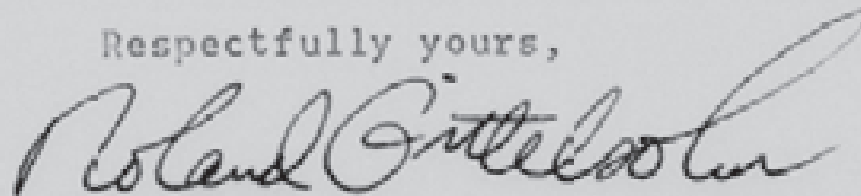
Dear Mrs. Silver:

It is with heavy hearts that Ruth and I send you this note of condolence on the sudden tragic death of your beloved husband.

Surely you need no word from us to remind you that Dr. Silver was one of the outstanding Jewish leaders of our century in more ways than one. Our grief is therefore shared by multitudes of people throughout this country and the world. All of us will miss your husband, perhaps even more than we ourselves are aware of at this immediate moment of grief.

I would appreciate your sharing this letter with Dan so that he too will know of our deep grief of Dr. Silver's death.

Respectfully yours,



Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn

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Dear Friends,

We at Karamu House join with multitudes of others in mourning the loss of a good friend and fellow worker in the field of human understanding. We are grateful for the life and work of Rabbi Silver.

Our prayerful thoughts are with you at this time.

Sincerely,



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Rabbi Daniel J. Silver
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Dear Dan,

We were certainly saddened to hear that your Father passed away last week.

I remember all too clearly listening to your Dad's lectures on Sunday mornings...there was nobody that could compare with him.

I even remember his plucking me out of a Saturday morning service for not paying proper attention to him while he was speaking.

I know these are small incidents in a life that was crowded with international ones...but this is how I remember him.

Sukie joins me in sending our condolences to Ray and your Mother as well as your respective wives and family.

Kindest personal regards,

Robert J. Kaynes

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P. S. Please let us know when you are going to be in Columbus again so that you can spend some time with us.



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הרה"ג מוה"ר ד"ר אבא הלל סילבר זצ"ל חי"ו
ק ל י ו ו ל א נ ד,

א.מ.ס.נ.

נצחו אראלים את מצוקים ונשכה ארון אלקים, דברים אלו נאמרו לגבי
קדושים וטהורים, לגבי גדולים וענקים, ודברים אלו מחאימים לענק שבענקים
לגדול שבגדולים, לשגיב שבשגיבים, לעומד בפרץ עמו, למציל צמו למקים עמו
למיסד ומזנך את מדינת ישראל - לרבי אבא הלל זצ"ל.

ידענו את אבא זצ"ל, הסתור והחמים, היקר והשגיא, אשר סהרתו המימותו
צדקתו היו כבירים מהשגתנו, את רבי משה זצוק"ל, אישיותו הכבירה והשגיכה
אשר מדותיו היו מעל למידות אנוש באנשים.

גבאי ונשיא היה למוסדנו, אב ואבא, פסדנו ומורה דרך היה למאות ישישנו
לזקני ציון וירושלם, בכוחו הדל והרב, בענווהו וחרב, בחמיכותו, באהבתו, בגדלו -
קיימנו והיקימנו, הושיענו וישענו, חסה לנו והחסנו. ינון זכרו ושמו לעולמי
עד, וכדרכו, בהמימותו, בצניעותו, בגדלו וכשגיכותו הלך בנו זצ"ל, רבי אבא הלל
סילבר, הקדוש, אין אנו יכולים, מורשים ומחאימים לתאר את גדלו כלפי עם -
ישראל, כהיה צנועים וחמימים ונחאר את גאונותו כלפי מוסדנו כשהיה מוסל
לעברי פי שחת, לעת מצוקה וכשלון, לעת צלמות ומדוכה, שחש לעזרתנו, הצילנו
והציל עם המוסד את שם ישראל וחיי שלש מאות ישישנו.

ברוך יהיה שם אבא הלל לעדי עדי!!!

אפשרי לאדם להביא תנחומים וקשה מאד לאיש לוותר על חלק מלבן, על חלק
מיעודו, ממנה חלקו, מזכרונו, אבא הלל נעקר מלבנו, מישותנו, מהויתנו, שכלנו
את אמונתנו את אצילותנו, את האצילות שהקים גדול בן גדולים, אציל בן אצילים
ענק בן ענקים, גדול שכרנו מנשוא.

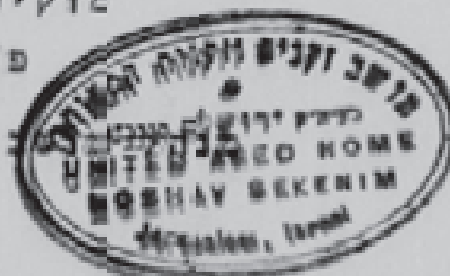
אין אנו יודעים אם בניו ישיבו את רגש האהבה, אבל לא פסו יקירי מבי
רבי משה סילבר זצ"ל, ואנו בטוחים שימצא מי שהיא שיחרום, שיבטא, שיוכל
להרגיש את רגשותינו, ובוה ננוחם.

הת"מ שהיה ידי"ן למשפחת סילבר, שחגג חגים ושכל אכלם משתתף באכל
העם שקרה למשפחתם, רק המקום יכול לנחמם.

זקיריכם ומכבדיכם,

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Dear Mrs. Silver:

Please accept my deepest sympathies on this sorrowful occasion.

Rabbi Silver was a good friend and an exceptionally faithful and inspiring representative of his people. His death comes as a great shock to all who admired his dedicated efforts on behalf of the State of Israel and his leadership in world Jewish affairs. Israel will stand as an eternal monument to his courageous pioneering and leadership. We shall greatly miss having the benefit of his wisdom and guidance.

With warm personal regards,

Very sincerely yours,



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Mrs. Abba H. Silver
19810 Shaker Street
Cleveland, Ohio



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December 5, 1963

THE RABBI'S STUDY

Dear Virginia:

What can I add to the chorus of sorrowful and appreciative tributes? Perhaps under the circumstances the best way is to let you see this review I wrote recently of THE TIME OF HARVEST.

This was a great, strong and wonderful man. I shall never forget the scene on the stage of the great hall in Basle at the Congress in December, 1946. Dr. Weizmann walked across the platform to shake the hand and to transmit the leadership of the Jewish people to Abba. That leadership, as all of us who knew Abba were aware, would be in strong hands.

Most of us who knew the two of you also realized the large role which you played in his life. He couldn't have been what he was nor done what he did without you.

May the Great Healer give you and your sons and their dear ones of His consolation and strength.

As ever

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December 5, 1963

Mrs. Abba Hillel Silver and Family
19810 Shaker Blvd.
Shaker Heights 22, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Silver,

The Cleveland Zionist Council offers you, your sons and their families whatever solace loyal followers can tender at the passing of the great leader. More than most of his fellow men, we feel keenly his loss, since we are constantly engaged in carrying on the battles whose strategy he outlined.

Even as Rabbi Silver received his national inspiration and aspirations at the knees of his father and grandfather, even so has he passed them on to his own son in the coming generation.

We pray that his dream will be neither watered down nor shattered by the disinterest of the multitude. We will do everything within our power to insure the continuity and strengthening of the labors of his heart and mind and golden tongue, even though its ring and cadences can only be echoed by others.

Sorrowfully yours,

Janet O. Marlin
(Mrs. Joseph R.)

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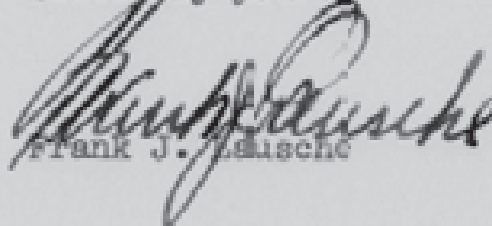
Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am deeply grateful for your letter of December 3rd.

Your father was a great inspiration and influence upon my life. He gave me courage, the strength to be fearless and honest, and the conviction that for the attainment of comfort it was necessary for me to subordinate my individual ambitions in favor of the general good of the citizenry as a whole. He was a great citizen and leader of mankind. I mourn deeply the loss of a friend and a great citizen of the United States and of the world.

Please express again my condolences to your mother, and my wishes that she will find comfort in the great contributions that the Rabbi made for the betterment of the lives of people everywhere.

Sincerely yours,


Frank J. Lausche

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Dear Mrs Silver:

Our warm sympathy (my wife's and mine) to you and yours in full measure across the distance. We feel with you and for you in your great loss, is a loss shared not only by The American Rabbinate and World Jewry but by untold numbers in the public at large.

When the sad news came of dear Abba Hillel's unexpected passing, there spontaneously came to my mind, as no doubt to the minds of many, many others of his colleagues, the noble words of the Bible: Know ye not that a Prince and a great man has fallen this day in Israel?

What a truly noble man and notable personage your dear departed was! Brilliant of intellect, most eloquent of tongue and fluent of pen, dynamic in personality, endowed with rare talent for leadership, he used all his rich gifts and abilities with absolute devotion and dedication to the service of our great Faith and historic people and to all good causes and humanitarian movements. Rightly will his name be enshrined among the good and the great of mankind.

I recall the various occasions when it was my privilege as one of a spell-bound audience to hear him deliver a most inspiring and challenging message. I recall in a more intimate and personal way and

in most grateful spirit that he came down to Memphis
to speak at the 100th Anniversary dinner of the Engle-
gation and the demonstration in my honor, despite the trouble
shown which they had with all our flight and train
schedules and which ministered for him great discomfort and
hardship. He bravely made it, but he was all grace and
and uncomplaining and he delivered a magnificent address,
as if he had undergone what could not have been a most
trying experience.

It is not my thought to intrude on the sweet-
ness and intimacy of your relationship with any of the
outstanding leaders of confidence: you, as the person of fine
caliber that you are and sharing as you ^{have} your husband's
maturity of comfort and feeling to his manner, have within your
self, I am sure, the needed spiritual resources on which
to draw for strength and solace. May these avail you
in full measure, making you to bear up, not only
bravely but beautifully as you must for the time being
thru the Valley of the Dark Shadow.

With kindest sympathy to you, your
sons and the others of the family in which my wife joins
Sincerely, Harry H. Hadden

THE JEWISH COMMUNITY FEDERATION OF CLEVELAND

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December 5, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Silver
The Temple
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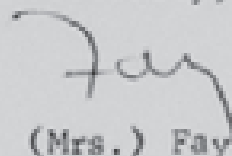
Dear Rabbi Dan:

I too want to express my sincere sorrow on the passing
of your illustrious father.

He was a beacon of light to a darkened world, and those
of us who lived during his sojourn on this earth, were
privileged to share in his many accomplishments.

May his memory serve as a consolation to you, your family
and all Israel.

Cordially,



(Mrs.) Fay Fire

RABBI GEORGE B. LIEBERMAN, D. D., Litt. D.

Central Synagogue of Nassau County

Rockville Centre, Long Island, New York

December 5, 1963

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I have just written to your mother. I now draw to you in kinship of spirit and wish for you healing and consolation.

I can well understand how much courage one needs to face the reality of such a loss. Each one kindles his own light in the darkened corners of existence. Please be of good courage.

To many of us your Father's passing was as grievous as the national calamity that befell us a week earlier. Your Father was very kind to me. He guided me into the Rabbinate during my student days in Cleveland. My contacts with your parents were more frequent during my ministry in Wheeling. Your grandfather was still living then.

You should write a book about your Dad. You have the material, the skill, the sensitivity to do it. There is a need for such a book. He now belongs to history.

In my own way, I paid him tribute on several occasions. I recall devoting a sermon to him after attending the magnificent celebration of his 70th birthday in Cleveland. I did so once more last Friday night. I am sure others have done it too. Perhaps all these spoken and written tributes should be collected some day into more permanent form.

It was a privilege to have known your Father. His life was for a Blessing, and so also will be the memory of him.

With devoted best wishes for comfort and strength,
I remain

Faithfully yours,

George B. Lieberman

Temple Israel

601 N. MONTGOMERY STREET
GARY, INDIANA

December 6, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver
The Temple
Ansell Road at East 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dan:

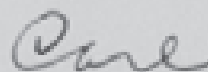
Will you please convey to your family the heartfelt sympathy of my congregation, my family and myself on the death of your father.

All of us shared ^{in revering him} the great esteem in which he was held during his lifetime and were grateful to him for his many contributions to the State of Israel, to Jewish life in America, to Reform Judaism and to Jewish scholarship.

We share with so many Jews and non Jews in this country and abroad a deep sense of loss and the feeling that there has been removed from life a great mind and a great spirit.

However, we share with so many both here and abroad the gratitude that Abba Hillel Silver was granted three score and ten years in which he wrought so greatly.

As ever,



Carl I. Miller, Rabbi

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