



## Abba Hillel Silver Collection Digitization Project

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### **MS-4787: Abba Hillel Silver Papers, 1902-1989.**

Series VII: Personal Miscellaneous, 1908-1989, undated.

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An Appreciation to Our Friend and Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver:  
farewell booklet, 1917.

The  
Hebrew Union College  
Finishing School



LESHEM SHOMAYIM

June Twentieth

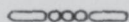
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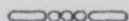
AN APPRECIATION  
WRHS TO  
OUR FRIEND AND RABBI A. H. SILVER



# The Calendar



IN THE YEAR OF OUR RABBI 1916-17



September	(5:20 A. M.) A. H. S. Arrives from Cincinnati
October	Passes Temple Entrance Examinations
November	General Thanksgiving
December	Two Emissaries Arrive from Cleveland
January	Birthday Party. "I Will Never Leave You"
February	Silver Shows Samples in Cleveland I. O. B. B.
March	People Suspect the Worst
April	Will Emsheimer Hears Gries is Going to Resign
May	Called Meeting of Board of Trustees
June	Two Year Course Completed
June 20th	Good Bye, Good Luck, God Bless You!



## ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

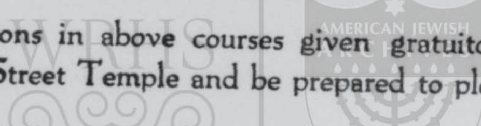
Levi's Staying Qualities

Brill's Domesticity

Lazaron's Charm

Silver's Eloquence

N. B. Examinations in above courses given gratuitously. Applicants must appear at Eoff Street Temple and be prepared to please every member of the Institution.



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## COLLEGE ATHLETICS

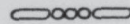
NEW RECORD MADE THIS YEAR BY

A. H. SILVER

## RABBINICAL HIGH JUMP

After a scant two year's run, this Rabbi sprang from Wheeling to Cleveland, thereby creating a new world record.

# Officers of Commiseration and Destruction



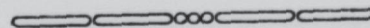
MOSE SONNEBORN, H. U. B.  
President Demeritus

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Confidential Advisor of all Incoming and Outgoing Rabbis

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Professor of Half Wit and Humor

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Professor of Rabbinical Food

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ROSE MOSS	.	.	.	.	.	Professor of Dutch
CHARLES WOLF	.	.	.	.	.	Professor of Unsocialology
GUILD GIRLS	.	.	.	.	.	Instructors in Romantic Languages
NETTIE F. STEINHAUSER	.	.	.	.	.	Professor of Si-cology



MOTTO: If I am not for myself, Cleveland will be for me—  
if not now, when? HILLEL III.



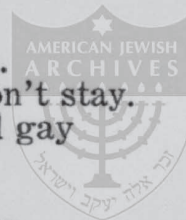
## Tune: "Oh Evelyn"

R. M.

Wheeling is a funny town,  
Rabbis always turn us down  
After they have been with us a year or more,  
But we're glad they come at all  
And their presence do not pall  
For the dear things leave before we know them well.  
"Leaving for a larger field"  
To that we must yield.

### CHORUS

O, Leshem Shomayim  
We'll have to start to buy 'em.  
There's no use talking they don't stay.  
They leave for cities large and gay  
O, Leshem Shomayim.  
It's enough to make us blue.  
There's Levi, Brill and Lazon,  
Now Silver, see what he's done;  
He's just like every other one—  
He's leaving too.



Silver promised he would stay  
On his 24th birthday  
But it seems it was a promise made in jest.  
So it goes from year to year,  
Always a new Rabbi dear—  
Each one says he loves Leshem Shomayim best,  
But—we're always on the hunt,  
Yearly farewell stunt. (Repeat Chorus)

Tune: "When God Gave Me You  
I Got More Than My Share"

L. B. S.

God gave a wise man his wisdom,  
Sent Wheeling a Rabbi with dreams,  
Both fathers and mothers love him like a brother,  
We all had a share so it seems.  
Now he is going to leave us,  
Our loss is a hard one to bear.  
He was here years just two,  
And altho' 'twas too few,  
We know we got more than our share.



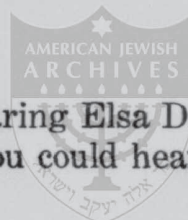
Some towns have Rabbis with wisdom,  
Men who can read and can preach;  
A Sunday School teacher, a Henry Ward Beecher,  
We wish we could get such a peach.  
Just now it seems we're forgotten,  
Our Temple's an empty affair  
And altho we've tried two,  
We don't think they will do—  
Just now we need more than our share.



Tune: "Yaaka Hula Hickey Dula"

I. K. S.

Down in Wheeling, two years ago  
Came a six foot fellow, we did not know  
Abba Hillel, Abba Hillel  
Abba Hillel, Abba Hill  
Now we all love him,  
And he's going away;  
How we will miss him  
Gee, we hate to say,  
Abba Hillel, Abba Hillel  
Abba Hillel, Abba Hill  
Oh I don't care, if you're hearing Elsa Duga sing,  
You'd forget about it all if you could hear  
Abba Hillel, Abba Hillel,  
Abba Hillel, Abba Hill.



CHORUS

He's coming back to us,  
Our dear Abba.  
But not to stay,  
Just to say  
I love you all.  
And once again he'll sway  
Our hearts his way.  
O, you Abba Hillel Silver, you're right here.

Tune: "Poor Butterfly"

CHORUS

Poor Shem Shamai—a fine congregation,  
Poor schul and I, for we loved him so.  
The moments pass into hours,  
New Rabbis come and try  
Our standard is much too high.  
Must Silver go?  
Poor Shem Shamai, we cannot replace him,  
Tho' other try, we just sigh, oh my,  
But tho' he's going away,  
We still love A— B— B— A—  
We just must cry,  
Poor Shem Shamai !





## Tune: "Marching Through Georgia"

We've a tale to tell you of our little town right here.  
I'm sure before we finish it you all will shed a tear.  
We're used as just a stepping-stone by rabbis far and near,  
By H. U. C. Alumni.

### CHORUS

Alas, alas, we lose them one and all.  
Alack aday, we're only a football.  
And when they reach the goal thru us, we come down with a fall,  
Theres Levy, Lazzie and Silver.

It hasn't been so many moons since Silver's birthday fete,  
And well we all remember yet the vow he there did state.  
He promised to remain with us 'till asked to abdicate,  
This H. U. C. Alumnus.

### CHORUS

The watch, the chair, and coat, were not enough,  
We see it now—he wanted better stuff  
And then he reckoned on us well, we wouldn't call his bluff  
So he goes onward to Cleveland.

But now, altho he leaves us in a lurch,  
We wish him luck in his new Cleveland church.  
We trust that we will have success in our rabbinic search  
While He goes onward to Cleveland.