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# **TEMPLE PLANNIN** TRIBUTE TO SILVER

## Babbi's Friends in All Denominations to Offer Congratulations.

Preparations are going forward at the Temple, Ansel road N. E. and D. 105th street, for the celebration next Wednesday of the tenth anniversary of the ministry of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

It's a celebration in which the whole city will join. There are a few ministers in Cleveland who belong to the whole city, not to any one sect. Rabbi Silver is one. The Temple congregation pays his salary. city feels his ministry. The entire

City feels his ministry. He has put his shoulder to the wheel in every movement for the public during his pastorate. from preaching for the Community Fund to arbitrating labor strikes. There will be many Protestants, Catholics, labor leaders, office holders, and "prominent citizens" in the Temple Wednesday night to do him honor.

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their bright young men for the lines istry. Five generations of Silvers have had their representative in the pulpit, and in the fifth generation the election fell on a boy born to the concrous, name of Abba Hillel. He was born in Neinstadt-Schir-windt, Lithuania, Jan. 28, 1893, and he has attained national recognition at the age of 34. His father was Moses Silver, a rabbi celebrated for his Old Testament studies. The father is now studying in Palestine, where his son proposes to join him this summer.

Abba Hillel was brought up among the sights and smells of New York's fower East Side, where the odor of boiling cabbage is in the air and Ho attended public school and en-tered the University of Cincinnati, from which he was graduated in 1215.

He must have been a precoclous coungster, for in that same year he was graduated from Hebrew Union college. Cincinnati, having completed a nine-year course in four years. He began his first ministry to L'Shem Shamayim congregation in Wheeling. Va., at 22.

W. Va., at 22. He came to Cleveland two years later to succeed the late Rabbi Moses J. Gries. His congregation at the Old Temple, E. 55th street and Sco-vill avenue S. E., saw him first as a tall, rather boyish figure with an impressive shock of jet-black heir, a delicate and somewhat spiritualized face, and with a world of self-assur-spee. ance.

There may have been some skep-ics among he graybeards as that bey rose to address them for the irst time. But he had eloquence and he true ring of prophecy in his voice, as though some modern Isaiah had walked into the synagog; and there was something about his eyes that suggested that maybe they could see a little behind the eternal hystery of things that is so opaque to the gaze of most mortals.

Sliver did seem to make a differ-ence. The congregation took on a hew life. Some of the backsliders turned. Strangest of all, people began to flock from every corner of the city to hear him preach, and the number included (and still does) Protestants and men and women no church affiliations. of

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liturgy a waning of interest in litur, ritualism are ironing out the and differences between Jew and Gentile. And Silver has been among the leaders who have helped both to see that there may be many valid roads to Kingdom Come.

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"The church, freighted down with organization, must constantly war against itself to save its soul. against itself to save its soul. The church triumphant often spells the faith defeated. It is not so diffi-cult, after all, to be a voice crying in the wilderness. It is far more difficult to be a voice—clear and courageous-crying for justice amid

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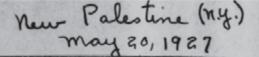
Rabbi Silver was married in 1924 to Miss Virginia Horkheimer of Wheeling. The following year he was made a doctor of divinity by the Hebrew Union college. He has re-cently completed a book, "Messianic Speculations in Israel," soon to be issued by the Macmillan Co. Naturally, his studies have gone deepest into Old Testamant and rabbinical literature, but he has been a voracious reader of secular books and magazines. He has greatly admired Sandburg's life of Lincoln.

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"Mencken is a prophet without a ission," he said. "Once a cathartic mission, influence, he has become a fault finder."

Rather recently he has taken golf which he plays about as well as he used to run and swim during his collego days-pretty well, but it's up nothing to write home about.



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Public Officials and Civic Leaders Will Assemble at Anniversary of His Pastorate.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver's decade of service to Cleveland will be commemorated Wednesday night at a banquet in the ballroom of Hotel Cleveland at which will be assembled public officials, civic leaders and persons from every walk of life.

The banquet is held as a celebration of Rabbi Silver's tenth anniversary as minister of The Temple, E. 105th st. and Ansel rd., yet its scope is wider because Rabbi Silver has not devoted his time solely to his congregation, but has become an important part of the spiritual and cultural life of Cleveland-and the city joins with his church in celebrating the anniversary.

The speakers of the evening include a Jewish rabbi, a Protestant minister, a public official and a college president. They are Rabbi Solomon Goldman of the Jewish center, Rey. Louis C. Wright, pastor of the Epworth-Euclid Memorial church: City Manager Hopkins and Dr. Julian Moganstein, president ci the Hebrew Union college, Cincinnati, from which Rabbi Silver was graduated.

### Choir to Give Numbers.

In addition to the speaking program, there will be musical numbers by the Temple choir and the Johnston-Rosenthal orchestra.

Coming to Cleveland ten years ago, Rabbi Silver joined in every movement directed at civic improvement and won a place in the hearts of gentiles as well as Jews. He spoke for the Community Fund, acted as arbitrator in labor troubles and served the city in many ways.

He is only 34 years old, yet is one of the leading rabbis of the country. His ancestors of five generations have been connected with the ministry and it was only natural that this calling should claim Silver's energies.

Silver was raised on New York's East Side and later attended the University of Cincinnati, from which he was graduated in 1915. He then attended the Hebrew Union college there and received his degree.

#### Congregation Is Doubled.

For two years after leaving the seminary he served as rabbi of a Wheeling, W. Va., church then came to Cleveland to take the pastorate of the Temple, then located at E. 55th st. and Scovill ave.

It was under the direction of Rabbi Silver that the new edifice of The Temple, one of the most beautiful buildings of its kind in the world, was erected at a cost of \$1,350,000. The last remaining indebtedness of the edifice, \$150,000. will be paid off as a part of the anniversary celebration.

The congregation of The Temple has doubled under Silver's ministry

and now consists of 1,475 families, comprising the largest Reformed Jewish congregation in the city.

Rabbi Silver married Miss Virginia Horkheimer of Wheeling in He is an omnivorous reader, 1924. He is an omnivorous reader, his literary tastes ranging from theological treatises to A. Conan Doyle's detective stories.

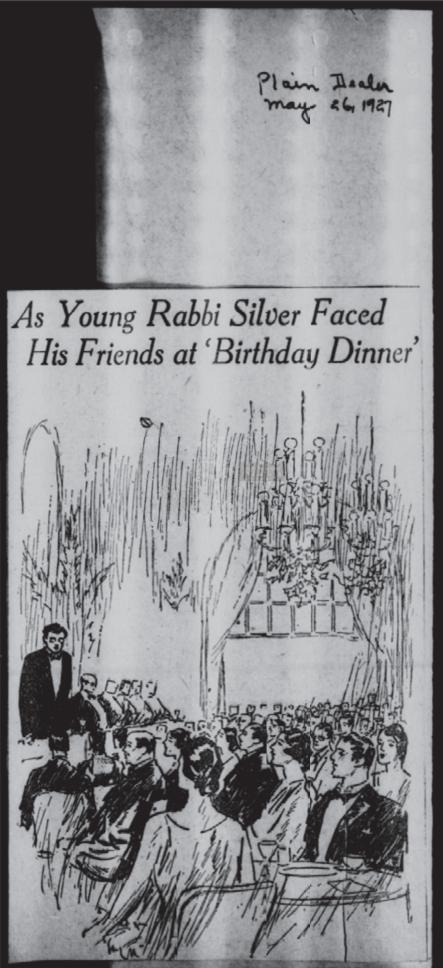
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## BANQUET SILVER TONIGHT

Thousand Guests Expected at Rabbi's Testimonial Dinner.

thousand members of the One Temple and other friends of Rabbi A. H. Silver are expected to attend the testimonial banquet in honor of the tenth anniversary of his Cleve-land pastorate at the Hotel Cleveland tonight at 6.

and tonight at 6. The banquet is expected to be one of the largest affairs ever given in honor of a Cleveland clergyman. Addresses will be made by Rabbl Solomon Goldman of the Jewish Cen-ter; Rev. L. C. Wright, pastor of Epworth-Euclid Methodist church. and City Manager William R. Hop-kins. There will be greetings from representatives of various Temple organizations and a musical program by the Temple choir and an or-chestra.



# RABBI SILVER Is saluted as prophet at 34

Metropolitan Throng Stands to Hear Pastor, Embarrassed, Try to Dis-

avow Tributes.

HE'S A REAL GREAT MAN, SAY JEWS AND GENTILES

Young? So is Lindbergh! is Suggested; Hopkins Adds His Praise.

BY FRED CHARLES.

Ten years dropped away from Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver last night and left him on a rostum in Hotel Cleveland ball room the same slightly embarrassed boy who came to the Temple at the age of 24 to begin a ministry that has lifted him to national eminence.

For the first time, his elequence left him. He could only stand there and thank that generous portion of Cleveland that had poured out to jam the room so tightly that it was not possible to turn around in comfort to honor him on his tenth anniversary.

He had sat through four speeches laudatory of his ministry with wilting courage and got up to speak with his hair awry and his voice a little husky. "You've all been talking about the wrong man," he said, drawing a deep breath. "Either that, or J don't know myself.

"I am not taking much that has been said literally. Much has been prompted by generosity and not critical appraisal. But it will sustain and inspire me for many years to come."

Prayer His Last Word.

His final word was an old Jewish prayer: "God, send thou thy light and thy truth, and may they lead us."

The tributes came from his colleague and friend, Rabbi Solomon Goldman of the Jewish Center; from Rev. Louis C. Wright, pastor of Epworth Euclid Memorial Methodist church; from City Manager W. R. Hopkins, and from the president of his alma mater, Dr. Julian Morgenstern of Hebrew Union college, Cincinnati.

Over the festivities Benjamin Lowenstein, for twelve years president of the Temple congregation, now retiring from that office, presided. In the great crowd that overflowed the ball room and left many standing stranded at the doors, were men and women of every denomination, educators, politicians, labor leaders.

They gave the rabbi an ovation that few ministers ever receive—an ovation, as Lowenstein phrased it, "not of the rabbi of the Temple alone, but of the priestly leader of a city."

Of those who spoke perhaps Rabbi Goldman had the keenest appreciation of his colleague, one gained by grappling with the same sort of problems. He praised Silver as a minister who has risen above mere pastoring—the mere daily chores of calling on the sick and consoling the afflicted and rejoicing with the fortunate. As important as those things are, they cannot take the place of scholarship and prophecy, he said.

Found Their Traditions. Rabbi Goldman quoted the poet, Heine, who, in his youth, found in Palestine but a crumbled wall, and by it old men muttering prayers, and who considered that the Jews never could have been a great race if so

# PROPHET AT 34 Rabbi Silver Embarrassed at Wave of Praise at "Birthday Dinner."

CALLED MODERN

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little was left of their civilization.

But in his old age Heine made the discovery that Jewish civilization re-sides not in buildings or walls of of temples, but in its traditions and its literature.

"You are fortunate that your rabbi saw in his youth what Heine saw only in his old age," he concluded. Well, this seems to be the age of youth. And one of the speakers made youth. a point of it in mentioning the avi-ator, Lindbergh, who has flown to Paris. Rabbi Silver, with the ten years of his busy ministry added, is

years of his busy ministry added, is only 34. Rev. Mr. Wright spoke as an old neighbor and as one who is to be a neighbor again. Epworth church is on E. 55th street not far from the Temple to which Rabbi Silver came in 1917, and a new Epworth church is rising off E. 107th street. Among his Jewish friends there are four that the Methodist clergy-man holds especially dear, Mr. Wright said Abraham Elliah Morea

man holds especially dear, Mr. Wright said-Abraham, Elijah, Moses

Wright said—Abraham, Elijah, Moses and Silver. "And I am bound to believe," he went on, "that, if he keeps on. Rabbi Silver will be as great a patriarch as any of them. I am not sure but that it was easier to be the father of a nation than to keep a nation brotherly in the world today.

Cites Modern "Pagan Altars."

"I am not sure but that it was casier to destroy the altars of Baal than fo destroy some of the pagan idols of the present age; to write the law than to keep it today in Cleveland. As between these four Jews, I prefer the man clothed in the flesh of life and the spirit of democracy."

the flesh of life and the spirit of democracy." He reviewed thirty years of neigh-borliness on E. 55th street. "What will the next thirty years of neighborliness bring?" he pon-dered. "Is it not a strange thing that we older people should impose upon our youth—who breathe the same air, eat the same food, live under the same laws—several different kinds of God, and not see enough in our God to take us all up into unity and fel-lowahin?

lowship? "The next thirty years must cer-tainly mean that we will be really united, as we bow and worship to the same God. For I claim my God

at your God. "Tolerance is not anough. To enter into appreciation of the other man's viewpoint is the thin, that we need in this time of conflict.

"It has been a great satisfaction to have the comradeship of your leader and of my brother in the effort to lift man to his better nature."

Mr. Wright couldn't resist a pun. "I hope," he said, "that we can all be here for the silver anniversary."

### "Best in City's Ideals."

Manager Hopkins dealt with the rabbi's contribution to civic life, and the most outstanding contribution, as he saw it, was that Silver had given the city "a personality that every member of the community can look up to, and be proud to find in him a representative of the best in the ideals of the city."

"He has given the whole community a new faith in ideas and ideals worthy of the time and attention of a man of the greatest capacities," Hopkins concluded.

A tribute that involved a genuine sacrifice was that of Dr. Morganstern, who ran away from commencement week festivities at the Hebrew Union college to pat one of his older "boys" once more affectionately on the shoulder. Well, Dr. Morgenstern knew the

Well, Dr. Morgenstern knew the boy Silver when it was a genuine problem where the next meal was coming from. For his student days, glimpsed through the college president's now jesting words, were certainly lean ones.

He intimated he might tell an interesting story or two, but he passed on to a discussion of Rabbi Silver's contribution to American Jewry. And that contribution was nothing short of giving to men and women of today a new-old Judaism, embodying the best of tradition and rabbinical scholarship, forged into a vital religion adequate to the needs of modern life.

"For the world is crying for a new interpretation that will make religion square with the facts of modern life, a Judaism for seven days of the week, and not merely for two hours of formal worship on the Sabbath," he added. And then came Rabbi Silver's

And then came Rabbi Silver's somewhat dazed expression of thanks. He must have thought of a dozen speeches in response as he sat through these tributes.

He said the real victories of the

ministry are not in things visible, not in things that can be measured and counted, not even in million-dollar temples.

"Success is in the lives we may inkindle, in the guidance we may supply." he said. "This demonstration makes me feel that I've not altogether failed.

"If my work has meant anything, it was because you made it possible.

"You gave me a free pulpit. You had genuine daring to call anyone so young as I.

"There were many times when I said things that did not meet with the full assent of your best judgment. Yet, at no time, by the slightest word or gesture, did you try to deter me.

"I've heard it said that the church is shackled, that no free spirit can long remain in it, but the Temple refutes the charge.

"Cleveland has been a marvelous city in which to work, and some day it will be a model for all other cities. It has been a joy to labor in a city where the government is in the hands of a man of character like City Manager Hopkins--where the schools are controlled by vision-where the ministry is not grooved." It was announced that Rabbi Leon Feuer is to become assistant minister of the Temple in charge of religious education and pastoral work beginning Saturday.

The celebration was combined with the annual meetings of the Temple, the Temple Men's Club and the Temple Women's Association.

Messages of congratulation were received from hundreds of organizations and individuals throughout the country. Among these were letters from Federal Judge Julian Mack, New York; Rabbi Leo M. Franklin, Detroit; thte Baltimore Hebrew Congregation: the Zionist Organization of America, Nathan Straus, New York; Rabbi Edward N. Kalish, Richmond, Va.; Joshua Bloch, New York Public library; Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods: Rabbi Nathan Krass, New York, and the National Committee of the United Palestine Appeal. A number of Cleveland churches of all denominations sent congratulations.



# RABBI SILVER **IS RECIPIENT OF** HIGHEST PRAISE

Civic Leaders, Ministers, Members of Congregation Join in Observing His Tenth Anniversary in City.

### By I. L. Kenen.

Honors heaped upon him with re-Rabbi ligious reverence crowned Abba Hillel Silver's tenth anniversary of service to the Tifereth Israel congregation.

In Hotel Cleveland Monday night, 500 members of his flock gathered seventy at the congregation's seventh annual meeting.

But the meeting was forgotten in the celebration of the more impor-tant event, Rabbi Silver's anniver-sary, a celebration in which leaders in theology, education and civic af-fairs inned fairs joined.

### Many Praised Work.

Speaker after speaker eulogized the young rabbi and passed in re-view the years of his ministry. And, deeply moved, in a simple little speach, Rabbi Silver turned

little speach, Rabbi Silver turned aside all the compliments, and gave the credit to others. "You've all been talking about the wrong man," he said. "Either that or I don't know myself." During the eulogies he heard City Manager Hopkins tell of his contribution to civic life, he heard Dr. Louis C. Wright of Epworth-Euclid Memorial church, tell of his contribution to the city's moral wel-fare, he listened to Rabbi Solomon Goldman of the Jewish center and Dr. Julian Morgenstern of Hebrew Dr. Julian Morgenstern of Hebrew Union college, Cincinnati, describe his work for the Jew, locally and nationally.

And, while he appreciated these panegyrics, because, as he said, they And, while he appreciated inspired him with faith to carry on, his greatest moment came as they read one of the scores of congratulatory telegrams-that one which came from the children of the religious school. Then, his face beamed with delight.

Use of Talent Commended.

"Rabbi Silver's name stands among the twelve that mean the most to Cleveland," Hopkins declared.

"He has combined his magnificent intelligence, his attractive youth, his dramatic art, his mastery of the word to purposes which must be respected, because purposes with such an exponent must be worth while.

"All public spirited civic enterprises take on new dignity with his support, a support that he has given to all. His life, because of its enlargement through influence on others, will continue long after his actions. And this congregation, in supporting him, did a great thing for the city of Cleveland."

### Dr. Wright Speaks.

"Today, we impose on young people several kinds of God, instead of one God great enough to embrace all," said Dr. Wright. "We must be really united before that same God that we all worship.

"We must be really united before that same God that we all worship. I claim that your God is mine, and mine is yours. The best in my religion will not offend yours, and the best in yours will not offend mine. We all need more of God at the present time, but when we claim a monopoly on Him, we become bigots and fanatics.

"We must not bend religion to suit ourselves, we must bend ourselves to suit religion, the religion which bends civilization to brotherhood and righteousness. Rabbi Silver is playing an outstanding part in building that future civilization."

#### Made Most of Work.

Rabbi Goldman told how Rabbi Silver had strived toward learning and education, how he had avoided "that lesser function of the ministry," pastoral work, how he had never stooped to sensationalism in his pulpit, how his personality was affecting the character of the rabbinate in America.

He recalled his work for the Bureau of Jewish Education, his work for Palestine, and his optimism as a Jewish teacher and leader.

Dr. Morgenstern described the task that lay before the Jewish ministry—that of fusing the old and the new in an attempt to square religion with the world.

ligion with the world. "Through dignified teaching and learning, your rabbi is helping to teach Judaism so that the world will realize its contribution to the salvation of the human race."

And Benjamin Lowenstein, retiring this year after twelve years as president of the congregation, said of Rabbi Silver: "He has one of the finest of minds. He is a priestly leader in the city."

### Pick Officers,

Officers in the various temple organizations were named for the year, as well as seven new trustees. The trustees are:

Emanuel Einstein, Joseph A. Guggenheim, Samuel Hartman, Eugene E. Wolf, Isador Grossman, Maurice Gusman, and Benjamin F. Klein. Sidney N. Weitz was elected president of the Men's club, and Flora Rohrheimer, president of the Women's association.

Rabbi Leo Feuer will be associated with Rabbi Silver at the Temple, it was announced.

# **RABBI SILVER EXPRESSES HIS** PRIDE IN CITY

Recounts Efforts He Has Made in Ten Years Here: Commends Work Done by His Congregation.

### By Rabbi A. H. Silver.

(Tenth Anniversary Banquet Address)

This is one occasion when I cannot and should not like to speak. You have ovehwhelmed me. Had I suspected that I would be subjected to all this praise, I might have re-quested that this meeting be called off. I am not taking much of this literally. A great deal has been prompted by generous appreciation rather than critical appraisal, but there is enough in what has been said to sustain me for many years to come.

The ministry is the most difficult of all professions in which to take stock. A physician can point to cures and to scientific discoveries, a lawyer to cases won, a scientist to new formulae and things concrete. But the things to which a minister must point are intangible and invisible.

Spirit or Religion.

I'm proud that we have built our new temple and that we have built our new temple and that our congrega-tion has grown. However, size and quantity do not represent the soul in religion. A minister deals in impalpable things and he must have impalpable things and he must have faith to carry on. But an outpour-ing such as this is perhaps, an in-dication that I may not have alto-gether failed, that I may have suc-ceeded in some way in carrying out the purpose of the ministry. Yet, if my work has meant any-thing, you made it possible. I am not speaking in mock modesty. If

thing, you made it possible. I am not speaking in mock modesty. If you had not done the things you did, I should have failed. You gave me a free pulpit. Zeal-ously, you sa'eguarded the freedom and sanctity of the pulpit. You did a daring thing when you chose a young man, because you didn't know the chance you were taking. I was unequipped with experience and knowledge of life. You had the courage to invite me to guide a con-gregation that had been magnifi-cently led by my sainted predeces-sor, Rabbi Moses Gries.

#### Had No Shackles.

Many times statements I made did not fully meet with your approval, and irked and irritated a goodly number. Yet at no time did anyone try to deviate me from my course.

You assumed it better to err in pursuit of truth than to shackle truth. It has often been said that the church is shackled and that its spirit is not free. This congregation is a living rebuttal of that claim, and for that I can never express enough gratitude.

You made me free to engage in civic, national and even international work. You realized that this is not a local congregation, that it could become a significant voice, and you wanted to count in American Judaism.

#### **Chose Broadest Field.**

I realize fully that some of my work -my pastoral tasks-may have been neglected as a result, but I couldn't do all things, and I chose that that meant most.

Besides, the function of the rabbi was never to carry on pastoral work, but primarily to learn and then to teach, and there is enough in the storehouse of Jewish thought to absorb the energies of any human being:

I have tried to learn, and then to impart, through education and inspiration. To that function, I have sought to remain faithful, and I pray to God that I may never fail.

#### Praises City.

The past ten years have been rich, happy, glorious, because, among other things, Cleveland is a remarkable community in which to work. The city is destined to become a model for the rest of the world. It is large enough, its culture is variegated enough, to make it a great cosmopolitan center. It will not be so huge that it will become amorphous. It is a city with a conscience, a soul, a mind, a purpose.

Heading its government, there is the sterling character, comprehending mind and steady hand of City Manager Hopkins, and because of him Cleveland is extelled and magnified.

Some cities must apologize for their civic leaders, but I remember with pride how he greeted the nation's rabbis when they came here for their convention last year.

It is gratifying to work in a city whose educational life is directed by such men as Dr. Robert Vinson and Superintendent of Schools Jones, a city whose great heart expresses itself in institutions like the Community Fund, a city that has men like Mather, Adams, Ramsey, the late lamented Jackson, his successor Ryan, the late lamented Eisman, his successor Baker, clergymen like Dr. L. C. Wright, men who are not grooved in any denomination, men with understanding. I am grateful that my lot was cast in such a city.

And, in this congregation, I want to pay tribute to Benjamin Lowenstein, who resigns as president this year, friend and advisor, through whose persistent labor the great new temple was made possible.

And I am appreciative of the efforts of the teachers of the religious school, their leaders, Ida Schott and Cora Lederer, Franciz Jones, my secretary, and H. A. Levy, who manages the congregation and the rabbi as well.

#### Hopeful of Future.

I look forward to the next ten years hopefully and prayerfully. I hope that added experience will lend force and strength to our work. I pray that the congregation will continue to do what it has carried on for seventy-seven years.

I closed my inaugural sermon ten years ago, and tonight I will close once again with the words, "God send Thy light and Thy truth, and may they lead me."



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## **Celebrate Dr. Silver's Tenth Anniversary**

The Temple of Cleveland celebrated on May 25 the tenth anniversary of Dr. Hillel Abba Silver's ministry in that congregation. The celebration took on the character of civic demonstration, as Dr. Silver has been active in the



Dr. Abba Hille! Silver leadership of many movements within the community.

Dr. Silver succeeded the late Rabbi Moses J. Gries in 1917. During his ten years' occupancy of The Temple pulpit, the membership of the congregation has doubled. It now numbers 1475 families and is perhaps the largest Jewish Reform Congregation in America. The Religious School of The Temple and its High School number more than 1400 children, and the Temple Women's Association has 1650 on its membership roster. During the ministry of Dr. Silver and under his leadership, the beautiful new Temple at Ansel Road and East 105th Street was built, at a cost of \$1,350,000 and dedicated in 1924. The new Temple is acknowledged to be one of the finest examples of religious architecture in the country, and it is credited with having given a new direction to Synagogue architecture in America.

Dr. Silver led in the organization of the Cleveland Bureau of Jewish Education in 1924, which fosters a community-wide program of Jewish Education for Orthodox and Reform Jews alike. The bureau supports all the existing Talmud Torahs as well as the free Sabbath Schools of the College, member of the Educational city. of the bureau since its inception.

fied with the social service interests Society.

of Cleveland. He is a member of the Board of the Associated Charities, the Jewish Welfare Federation and the Council Educational Alliance. He is homorary vice-president of the Consumers League of Ohio. In 1921 he was chosen one of the arbitrators in the great builders' strike of that year and he has also arbitrated in numerous other industrial disputes. At the forthcoming National Conference of Social Workers in Des Moines in May, Dr. Silver will be the speaker at the joint rally of delegates and citizens, his subject being "The Church and Social Justice.'

Dr. Silver has been a leader in Zionist Activities in America. He is vice-president of the Zionist Organization of America, member of the Actions Committee of the World Zionist Organization, and American Governor of the Jewish National Fund. He was among those who founded the Palestine Economic Council and was president of the Palestine Economic Leagues. He has participated actively in the many campaigns for Palestine, as well as for Jewish Foreign Relief.

During the war Dr. Silver went abroad for the American Committee on Public Information and at the request of the French High Commission to the United States. He was decorated by the French government for conspicuous service.

Dr. Silver graduated from the Hebrew Union College in 1915 and served as Rabbi in Wheeling for two years before being called to Cleveland. In 1925 the Hebrew Union College conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity for his postgraduate studies.

Dr. Silver is a member of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union Dr. Silver has been president Commission of the Union of Amerthe bureau since its inception. ican Hebrew Congregations, and of Dr. Silver has been actively identi- the Board of The Jewish Publication

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# רכי אכא הילל סילוו פון גרויסען נ

איבער טויזענד מענער און פרויען, מיטגליעדער פון דער תפארת ישראל קאָגנרעניישאן (איסט 105טע סטריט טעמפעל), האָבען זיך נעכטען אָווענד פארזאמעלט צו א באנקעט אין גרויסען באָלדרום פון האָטעל קליוולאנד כדי צו באָלדרום פון האָטעל קליוולאנד כדי צו באָלדרום או אבא הילל סילווער, וועלכער שייערט איצט זיין צעהן יעהריגען יובי לעאום אין דעם ראָזיגען טעמפעל, וועל כער איז איינער פון די גרעסטע און השוב׳סטע רעפאָרם טעמפעל׳ם אין לאנד.

דער באנקעט איז געווען פארבונרען מיט דעם 77טען יעהרליכען מיטינג פון דער דאזינעד קאנגרעגיישאן, אויף וועל כען עס זיינען ערוועהלט נעווארען די נייע באאמטע. בענדושאמין לאוועני שטיין, וועלכער איז געווען פרעזידענט שטיין, וועלכער איז געווען פרעזידענט פון טעמפעל פאר די לעצטע צוועלף יאהר האָט נעכטען רעזינגירט פון דעם דאזי נען אמט און אויף זיין אָדט איז ערי וועהלט נעווארען סידני נ. ווייץ.

אפנעבענדיג א באריכט פון דעם פאר נאננענעם האהר האט מר. לאווענשטיין זיך באזונרגרס אפנעשמעלם אויף רער צעהן יעהרינער טהעטינקייט פון רבי סילווער או האט אין ווערטער, וועללע האבען אויסנעדריקט די העכסטע בא גייסטערונג בעראנקט דעם רבי פאר זיינע נרויסע לייסטוננען פאר דעם טעמפעל. דער הויפט רערנער פון דעם אווענר איז נעווען רבי שלמה נאלדמאן, וועלכער איז אן איבערגעבענער פערזענליכער פריינר פון רבי סילווער. רבי גאלרמאן האט נעהאלטען א נייסטרייכע און איי בערצייגענדע רעדע, אין וועלכער ער האמ זיך אפגעשמעלמ אויף דעם נעראנ-קען־נאנג פין רבי סילווער און ווענען די נייע מעטהאָרען, וועלכע ער האָט איינ־ געשיהרט אין זיין טעמפעל.

ניט דער רבי איז א לעהרער, וועלכער שטודירט די קאלוטס פון די ענגליש־אי־ דישע צייטוננען – האט רבי נאלרסאן געזאנט – כרי פון דארטען צו דערנעהן וועלכע פון זיינע מיטנליערער עס זיינען פארלאבט געווארען אדער וואו עס נע־ פארלאבט געווארען אדער וואו עס נע־ זייערע הייזער ווינשען מזל טוב. דאָס זייערע הייזער ווינשען מזל טוב. דאָס איז ניט די ארבייט פון א נייסטינען ער־ ציהער און אזא רבי מאכט זיך נאר בי־ ליג אין די אויגען פון די, וועלכע דאר־ פען צו איהם ארויפקוקען.

רבי סילווער, האט רבי גאלדמאן פארטנעזעצם, האלט ניט פון אזעלכע זא־ כען. ער געהט ניט אהיים צו אנדערע. ער האט פארשטאנען איינצופלאנצען דרך ארז צו דעם רבי און דערמיט אליין האט ער זיך שוין אויפגעהויבען איפער רעם ער זיך שוין אויפגעהויבען איפער רעם נעוועהנליכען נייסטינען פארשטעהער אין די אמעריקאנער שטעדט. איצט געהען פיעלע רבי'ם אין זיינע וועגען און רבי סילווער וועט דערמיט שאפען א נייעם וועג אין דעם לעבען פון די אמעריקא־ נער רבי'ם.

רבי נאָלרמאן האָט זיך אָפַנעשמעלמ אויף רבי סילוושר׳ם ממשמינסיים אין קליוויאנד, וועלכע ער האָט נעלויבט או פארגליכען מיט משלים, וואס האבע ארויסגערופען די גרעסטע באנייסטע רונג. ווען ער האָט געענדיגט האָט איהכ דער טויזענד קעפינער עולם נעמאכט א לאננ־אַנהאלטענדע אַוואציע.

נאָך רפי גאָלדמאן האָט רעוורענד לר אים ס. וורייטה, געהאלטען א טיעפזי ניגע רערע איפער רפי סילווער'ס פיי טראג צו דער מאָראלישער וואוילטעטיני קייט אין לליוולאנד. ער האָט ארומגע רעדט אלע געביעטען, אויף וועלכע רבי סילווער האָט זיך באטהייליגט זייט ער סילווער האָט זיך באטהייליגט זייט ער איז געקומען קיין קליוולאנר און האָט איהם געוואונשען ערפאָלג אין אלע זיי גע ווייטערע אונטערגעהמונגען

א נאָר הארצינע רערע האָם נעהאלסען דער סיטי מענערזשער וויליאם ר. האפר קינס, וועלכער האָם זיך אָפּגעשטעלט אויף דעם נרויסען איינפלוס, וועלכען רבי סילווער האָט אויף דער נאנצער באי פעלקערונג אין קליוולאנר, אָהן אונטער שיער צי קריסטען אָדער אידען. האפּ קינס האָט נעלויבט דעם יוננען רבי׳ם סהעטינקיימען און האָט איהם באזונ רערס אוימנערריסט אנערקענונג פאר נעם טעמפעל אויף דער איסט 105טע נעם טעמפעל אויף דער איסט 105טע סטריט ,וועלכער איז איינער פון רי דר. דושוליאן מאָרגענשטערן פון סיני סינעטי האָט גערעדט איבער רבי סילי ווער׳ס בייטראג צום אמעריקאנער איי דענטהום. די אויפנאבען פון די היינטי־ גע רבי׳ם – האָט דר. מאָרגענשטערן געזאגט – זיינען צו פאראייניגען דאָס אלטע פון רעם אידענטהום מיט דעם אלטע פון רבי סילווער באלאננט צו יענע נייעם. רבי סילווער באלאננט צו יענע אלט־נייע רבי׳ם, וועלכע האלטען פון דער פאראיינינונג פון די ביידע אידעאי לען.

צום שלום האס רבי סילווער אין ריה: רעגרע ווערטער געדאנקט פאר די בא: גריסונגען און פאר דעם כבור, וועלכער איז איהם באוויעזען געווארען.

ראָס אלעס וואָס ער האָט געקאנט אויפטהאָן און האָט אויפגעטהאָן, האָט רבי סילווער געזאגט, איז געווען א דאנק דעם וואָס זיין קאָנגרעניישאן האָט איהם קיינטאל ניט באשרענקט און האָט איהם געגעבען די פרייהייט פון דעם קאנצעל, אז ער זאָל קענען רערען וואס ער האָט געפונען פאר נויטיג און פרעדיגען זיינע אידעאלען. קליוולאנד איז א שטאָרט פון אירעאלען און דאָ קאָן פיעל אויפ־ געטהאָן ווערען ווען מען האָט דערצו א פרייע האנט. ער האָט אָנגעוויזען אויף סיטי מענעדושער האפקינס, וועלכער איז א מענש פון אירעאלען.

דער רבי, וואס וויל זיין א לעהרער, מוז קודם כל אליין לערנען, האס ער גער זאנט. דער לעהרער מוז וויסען, אז ללמוד וללמד", איז דער ערשטער פרינד ציפ. רבי סילווער האט נערעדם קורץ אבער זעהר גייסטיריך און דער עולם האָט איהם לאנג און הארציג אפלאָדירט.

The Temple (Congregation Tifereth Israel) of Cleveland. Ohio, on the 25th of this month will celebrate the tenth analyersary of the spiritual lendership of its Rabbi, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. An extended account of the occasion will be found in another column of this issue. Dr. Silver is regarded as one of the most eloquent and forceful speakers among the ministers in the entire country and his activities have won for him world-wide recognition and commendation. As an alunnus of the Hebrew Union College at Cincinnati Dr. silver refutes in his career the charge that the College teaches a special kind of Judaism, usually designated as Reform or American. The truth is, that while the instruction in general has a modern or liberal tinge the fundamentals are the same. In addition to the set branches of Jewish learning there are certain courses in modern practice connected with the religious duties of the rabbi that are essential in this day,

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### A Decade of Service.

For ten years Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver has been a forceful and influential leader of this community. His voice has been strong on the side of what he has considered the right, and it is more than rhetorical compliment to record that he has not espoused any vagary throughout his active service at the Temple. At the same time he has not been a self-advertiser or a seeker for popular plaudits. He has been a useful and indefatigable promoter of all the large endeavors which have made for the betterment of Cleveland as well as for the advancement of his own congregation.

As Rabbi Silver said in his anniversary sermon his decade of service in Cleveland has been one of the greatest and most interesting and most picturesque decades in human history. Out of the cruel fires of war have come new enlightenment and amazing progress along all paths of human knowledge. It has indeed been a privilege to live and work through such significant and well-filled years. To a man like Silver this privilege has been greater than to the mere specator. For Abba Hillel Silver is one who is not pleased with the spectator's role. He has participated largely and ably in the work of making the decade notable. Ileveland hopes that he will have many more years of ervice in the broad field of progressive leadership.



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### Rabbi Silver's Anniversary

IN Cleveland, the members of Congregation Tifereth Israel are celebrating the tenth anniversary of the sojourn in their midst of RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER. We have always regarded RABBI SILVER as one of the outstanding rabbis in the United States. In addition to possessing many other native gifts and talents, RABBI SILVER is a courageous leader as well as an eloquent preacher. He not only expounds Judaism in the pulpit and on the platform, but also exemplifies it in many communal and civic activities. We congratu'ate Pleas RABBI SILVER on attaining this anniversary. But with is we congratulate Tifereth Israel even more. 75.

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זעחען העם ציעל, און פארליערען קרינמאל נים זייער גלייכגעוויכם. סיב דאם די צעהן יאהרען. האכען איפערמראפען אלע ערווארמונגען. איז ראופעריג צו זאגען. רבי אפא הלל סולווער, שמעהמ היינם אויף דער העכם-זימער שמופע פון אירישער פיהרערשאפם. דא אין אמעריקא. אין דארמ, אמון דער פיהרערשאפם פון דעם ציוניום אין אמעריקא און פון דעם אלי שחעלמליכען ציוניום; ער שמעהם אין די ערשמע רייהען פון דער הולפם שארביים פון זיין פאלק איבעראל וואו הילף נוימהונט זיך ; זיינע לייסטוני יגען פאר זיין פאלק און לאנד, זיינען אנערקענט, נעשעצט און פאוואונדערט זאין אלע וועלם מהוולען. ער שמעהט אין די סאטע פאדערשמע רויהע

לאדיער שמצרמ, א מעכמינ שאפענדע און בויענדע קראפט, וועמעס איינ שפלוס וועמ זיך אויסשפריימען נימ נאר איבער די גרעניצען פון אונוער אמצרט, נאר אייך איבער די גרעניצען פון אונוער לאנדן קליוולאנדער אמום איהר הערצליכער גראטולאציע. איז שוין ביי זיין אנקוסען אין קליוולאנד מים 10 יאהר צוריק האפען קליוולאנדער אידען דערפיהלט או מיט רבי מילווער, איז אנגעקומען אין אורען, וואס האכען זיך מיט איהם נעהענטער באקענט, האכען דערפיהלט, איאז דער יונגער רב איז גענאסען פין יענעם שטאף, וואס מאכען גרויסע ישותרער און פאראנמווארמליכע פיהרער. פיהרער וואס קענען דעם צוועק

ירפי סילווער פייערונג פאר ירפי סילווער פייערונג פאר אינט רבי אבא הלל סילווער איז געווארען דער צעהן יעהרוגען יובילעאוס. אינט רבי אבא הלל סילווער איז געווארען דער גייסטיגער פיהרער פון דער שמעמפעל געמיינדע, תפארת ישראל, שליסט זיך די "אידישע וועלט" אן.

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ואנוערע תומוד תורה'ם פון אונמערגאנג. זאניישל יווא דשרום וומ זווי אובטרמרוט אם וועם דארום ניט זיין איפערשרועפען קיין ווארם, ווען מיר ויעלען אונען או קרוויאגרער אידען, אהן אונשערשיעד פון פארטיי און קראס, ארן אונמערשיעד פון אנשויאנגען און אנויכטען, שליסען זיך אן אין דער לחונטינער צעהן יעהרליכע פייערליכקיים פון דער גייסטינער פיהרער. שאפט פין רבי אבא הלל סיליוער אין קליוולאנד, מיט הארציגע ברכית, אז ער, דער בעל היוכל, זאל פארמועצען זיין נאבעלע ארביים פאר לאנגע אנגע יאהרען פאר זיין שטארט, פאר זיין געמיינדע, פאר זיין פאלק, פאר איין לאנר, פאר זיין גאם און פאר זיין רגורה.

ציים פאר דעם וואוילויין פון ויינע מים־בריעדער אין מים־בירגער. א פאזינדערען עהרען פלצין, האם זיך רבי סילווער ערווארבען אין 141. און דלשואיש עדווקוישאן, עם איז רבי סילווער לואס איז גיוסט פון דער ביורא אוו דושואיש עדינקוישאן, פיז דעס אענטהום. די תינקות של צית רבן. -- דערמים האט ער פשוט גערעטעט דער געשיכטע פון דעם אידישען קליוולאנד. מיט זיין רעטונג פון אונזערע תלמוד הורה"ס. עם מעג מים רעכם געואנם ווערעף: אאלמלא הוא", ווען בים ער, ווער וויים וואם עם וואלש בעווארען פון אונוערע תינקות של ביח אין דערמים האם ער פאקטיש גערעטעט די קונדער פין קליוולאנדער עם איז געווען רבי אבא הלל סילווער וואם האם געגרינרעש די ביורא דער לייטענדער ביינטינטן מאני

"שארמאנט. ער איז א פיהרענדע קראפט אין דעם קאונטול עדיוקיישאנאל "אליינט. ער איז עהרען ווים פרעזידענט פון דער ..קאנטומערס ליעג און "אליינט", אין איז אן איינפדיסרייכע קראפט אין ארע באווענינגען און אוני "שערנעהמונגען אידישע אין בירגערליכע וואס טויכען אויף פון צייט צו רבי סילויער איז איינער פון די אנגעוערשטע פיהרער. אין דער פע ארער פון דעם קאמיוניפי פאנד, די שערונסטע צרקה גדולה וואם קליוולאנד SUNCATIONA, ALTERNEY

מיר וואלמען זיך אפשר געדארפט. אין דיעזען מאמענט. מעהר אפי שמעלען אייף די לייסמונגען מון רבי סירווער. אין די צעהן יאהר ציוט. מאר דער שמארם וואו ער ווירקט מאי אין אידישע, מאי אין בירגערליכען אלעבען. צו דעם אבער וואלט מען נעדארפט א נאנצען פרק. יא א גאנצע געשיכטע. דאָם וועט דארפען געטדאן ווערען אנאנדערש מאל. דערווייל יאנו גענוג צו ואַנען, או אין אלע אונטערנערמוננען אין אינוער שמאדט. אודרישע אדער בירגערליבע, אידעאלע אדער פילאנטראפישע, צייטוויילינע אארער פערמאנענמע, פארנעהממ רבי סילייער די ערשמע אין פאראנטי

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### Silver Nearer Pure Gold

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TEN years of constant service to a great congregation, to the ancient faith of a wonderful people and to the city in which Abba Hillel Silver lives have given him wider experience, riper wisdom, richer scholarship and deeper eloquence than he brought to Cleveland a decade ago.

Then Rabbi Silver was a flaming voice of youth, a man who crowded the passion of burning convictions and ardent longings for the welfare of his fellow-creatures into sonorous sentences and built perfect periods with the wealth of an opulent vocabulary and a fine sensitiveness to the most fitting word, the most flawless selection from among the synonyms of a language surcharged, it sometimes seems, with such material.

All that equipment for the work of a leader and teacher of men and women the 'onored and much loved head of The Temple retains. To it he has added a more comprehensive realization of the other side, the colder, less stirring facts of life which stand in the way of the swift realization of the dreams and longings of impatient youth. His fancy still soars. His spirit still flies on shining wings, but he does not make his hearers wonder, as he sometimes did, wight or ten years ago, whether he loses consciousness, now and then, of the hard, heavy earth to which he must come back from his most daring explorations in the realm of prophecy.

This grown, this rounding-out, this truer, surer balance, this more perfect preparation for all of the demands which life makes upon strong and gifted men, striving to do and give their best to their times and their communities, their countries and the world, have made Rabbi Silver the entirely fit center of the outpouring of admiration, affection and good will that made memorable the tenth anniversary dinner in his honor. It will never be forgotten by those who were privileged to hear and see that evidence of his conquest of hearts and minds alike. Gives Anniversary Sermon at Temple Tomorrow Morning. Plain

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SILVER HERE TEN YEARS

"My Ten Years of Ministry in Cleveland" will be the subject of Rabbi A. H. Silver's sermon at the Temple tomorrow morning.

Temple tomorrow morning. This service will mark the tenth anniversary of Rabbi Silver's Cleveland pastorate.

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# RABBI SILVER News REVIEWS ACTS May 23 19 27

## Discusses His Ten Years at the Temple in Anniversary Sermon to His Flock.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, starting his eleventh year Monday as spiritual director of the Temple, E. 105th st. and Ansel rd., is glad it has been his privilege to live and minister during the stirring and dramatic decade since the World war. He told his flock so Sunday in his tenth anniversary sermon in which he reviewed great world events since his installation at the Temple.

"The last ten years have been stirring and heroic and troubled years for mankind," he said. "They were years of war, of crumbling empires and of international turmoil. It was a colorful decade and a dramatic one. During those years I found myself with the sacred mission of a rabbi, charged to help my fellowmen find their way through the mazes and perplexities of a confused and harassed world.

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"I was not infrequently misunderstood," he said. "I was at times subjected to espionage and criticism, but I thank God I was privileged to live during those great years."

# Press 23,1927 may 23,1927 SILVER BLAMES WAR FOR WAVE **OF INTOLERANCE**

## Sketches Events of World Durin Past 10 Years in

#### Sermon

War was blamed for the present world-wide wave of intolerance by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver in a sermon Sunday at the Temple, E. 105th street and Ansel road, dealing with his 10 years' service in Cleveland.

"These years have been stirring, troubled and heroic ones for mankind," the speaker said. "They were years of war, of crumbling empires and of international turmoil. The world was in universal upheaval. Millions surged across the face of the earth and joined in mortal com-bat for victory which proved to be gall for the victors and wormwood for the vanquished.

"It was a colorful and dramatic decade. Life moved swiftly. New projects and programs of world em-bracing import were in the air, in-cluding the League of Nations, World Court, disarmament, bolshev-ism, fascism and class struggles."

Last 10 Years a Challenge At this point, Rabbi Silver launched into a graphic description of the situation in which he found himself as a result of world-wide turmoil.

"I found myself, not altogether as a spectator, charged with the sacred mission of a rabbi, to help my fellowmen find their way thru the maze of perplexities of a con-

"Surely, no one could have been challenged by more momentous and dysperate opportunities as these last 10 years challenged any lover of God and man.

Sought Peace of Justice "I tried at all times to keep the sancities of human life with which my profession is charged. During the war, while not a pacifist, I sought peace. In common with mil-lions of my fellow-citizens, I served my country eagerly and unstintgly.

"But in the midst of rampant and irresponsible war talk—war to the bitter end; war to the hilt—I raised my voice for the decencies of international relations, for a peace based on justice and not on revenge. I was not infrequently misunderstood. At times I was subjected to espionage and criticism."

"The 10 years witnessed many desperate economic struggles. Passions ran high. Men became extreme and intolerant in their views. Here again I strove in common with my fellow workers for the safeguarding of the sancitities of life.

**Praises Cleveland Pastors** 

"I raised my voice in defense of the inalienable rights of labor to organization and collective action. I made both friends and enemies and I am proud of the enemies which I made as of the friends.

"The war created hatred which peace failed to dissipate. Organizations sprang up to breach the gospel of enmity and distrust between the Jew and non-Jew, between the Catholic and Protestant, and between Nordic and non-Nordic races.

"Together with my fellow clergymen of other denominations—and Cleveland is fortunate in having a large number of Christian ministers who have remained true to the spirit of their Master—I labored for the creation of better understanding and good will between peoples and religion.

"I thank God I was privileged to live during these great years."

It seems as if the whole town is going to turn out to celebrate Rabbi Abba Silver's tenth anniversary as Rabbi of Congregation Tifereth Israel, in Cleveland, Well, he on the 25th of this month. deserves the tribute. It isn't often that a rabbi achieves such a remarkable posi-I consider tion in such a short time. Dr. Silver one of the half dozen outstanding religious leaders of the world. When I say that I am including the Christian pulpit as well. He is not alone one of the finest pulpit orators in the country, but he is a teacher, a leader, and a student. Did you notice that word "leader" that was casually introduced into the sentence? There is a wealth of meaning in that word. We have many splendid spiritual men in charge of congregations but they are not leaders. They do not understand how to apply their teachings to the practical issues of life. Rabbi Silver is a leader in the fullest meaning of the word.

Jewish Criteri PSh

Mit He doesn't believe that religious teachings are something that should be kept carefully in camphor and used on Saturdays and occasionally on Sundays. He thinks they have some application to our everyday conduct. Therefore he is one of our militant rabbis. One of those wbo will take an unpopular side on a civic question if he believes that there is an ethical principle involved. That doesn't make him popular with his conservative followers who usually want everything undisturbed for fear that some one may shout "Jew !" But the man who is courageous, who is earnest-minded, who is opportunist, but who takes a not an position because he thinks it is right in the end gains the respect of even his antagonists. So here we have Rabbi Silver, after ten years of an active, aggressive leadership in Cleveland, honored, esteemed, loved. I have a great regard for Dr. Silver as a personality and for his many worthwhile achievements. He is indeed one of the vital forces in world Jewry. Charles Ind en criterion May 13-27

Town and Country May 1927

## Rabbi Silver

TEN YEARS ago a young rabbi came to Cleveland to take the place of a man who had long held an honored place in the city. Rabbi Moses J. Gries is still remembered with affection and with a feeling of loss which our admiration of him does not allow us to forget, or our love for him cause us to wish that we might forget. He is dear to us in death.

Rabbi Silver did not, in a way, take the place of Rabbi Gries. He made another place in the city's religious and cultural life, for himself. The Temple of which he is head will honor him, and Cleveland will join in honoring him, this month, after a decade of useful labor in this city.

Two episodes always associate themselves in this writer's mind whenever he thinks of Rabbi Silver. The first has as its setting a court room in an Ohio city. Court was in recess. The judge was talking of other things than the routine of his court. "What this country needs is a voice," he said, "a voice that can call it to the right, and be obeyed because its owner can be trusted, his thinking can be respected and his utterances carry conviction." The other is the first time Rabbi Silver talked over the radio. He seemed that voice, or such a voice.

A very solemn responsibility rests upon a man who can convince as Rabbi Silver convinces. A rare gift of mind and heart and tongue is his. Only great character and an unshakable confidence in the race of men can adequately devote and direct that gift to its proper service, which is the helpful guidance of the multitude. Intellect and eloquence alone will not make a Rabbi Silver.

Because he has so successfully and unfailingly discharged the responsibility which nature, his calling, and his character placed upon him, Cleveland is pleased to regard him as one of its most valuable possessions, and to congratulate itself, as well as him, through the opportunity of his tenth anniversary as the voice of the Temple. May 26,1927. Riele Chrungen für den

# Jubilar

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Ein geiftiger Führer in Bemeinde und Etadt.

#### College-Brandent anwejenb.

Bu Ehren des Rabbi Abba Sillel Silver, der just zehn Jahre als Seelforger der Tempelgemeinde wirft, war genern abend im Hotel Cleveland eine Feier veranstaltet, worden, die zeigte, wie allgemein die Bedentung des judijdjen Geijtlichen in Cleveland und im Lande anerfannt wird. Der Balljaal des Potels war bis zum Erstiden gefüllt, und von den Umwejenden mar jeder bestrebt, dem jungen Jubilar er ift erit 34 Jahre alt - 311 jeigen, wie boch er in der Achtung, ber Gemeinde iteht. Giner feiner Kollegen nannte ihn einen Propheten, und der Borjigende, Benjamin Löwenstein, fein 12 Jahren Brafident der Tempel-Gemeinde, jagte, daß die dem Jubilar dargebrachten Ovationen nicht dem Rabbiner des Tempels allei gälten, fondern dem priefterlichen Führer des geiftigen Lebens der Stadt Cleveland. Politifer, Erzieher, Geiftlide aller Denominationen, Arbeiterführer waren anwejend und, was den Jubilar nicht wenig freute, der Prafident feiner Alma Mater, Dr. Julian Morgenstern vom Union College in Cincinnati, war erichienen, um in ichwungvoller Rede den Dann gu feiern, der noch vor furgem als Echüler ju jeinen Fügen jag. City Manager Hopfins war da und pries den jungen Geiftlichen, der durch jeine fruchtbare Beredjamfeit, durch den Freifinn feiner Anfchauungen und durch die Furd tlofigfeit feiner öffentlichen Mengerungen ein bedentender Guftor im, Leben der Stadt Elevelant geworden jei, ein Mann, beffen öffentliche Meugerungen mehr Gemicht hatten, als die von Leuten in wei bedeutenderer Stellung.

"Rabbi Silver ift eine Persönlichfelt geworden, ju der jeder aufichaut und auf die jeder stolz ist. Er ist die Personisistation hoher Ideale," ichloß Herr Hopkins seine Ansprache.

Beitere Redner maren Rabbi Salomo Goldman vom Sewijh Center und ber Rev. Louis C. Bright, Baftor ber Epworth-Gebächtn &-Dethodiftenfirdie. Der lettere iprach als alter Radbar, der im Begriffe itebe, wieder der Nachbar des Jubilars ju merten. Die Epmorth-Rirde ift nicht weit bom alten Tempel an Dit 55. Strafte, mo Rabbi Silver feine Tätigfeit begann. Best wird eine neue Epworth-Rirche an der Dit 107. Strafe in Der nacharichait des neuen Brachttempels an Unjel Avenue gebaut, Rabb: (Soldman, ber Rollege und intime Freund Rabbi Silvers, pries den Jubilar, der fich weit über die gewöhnlichen Gemeindehirten erhoben habe. "Die tägliche Secliorge in einer Gemeinde ift eine notwendige Sache, aber weit über bem Routinemenichen iteht der Gelehrte und Prophet Rabbi Silver," jagte er wörtlich. -Der Jubilar, der jonit jo beredt

Der Jubilar, der sonit so beredt ist und seinen tiefen Gedanken so wundervollen Ausdruck geben kann, war diesmal, vielleicht zum ersten Male, in Verlegenheit. Er rang nach Borten und sagte ichließlich: "Sie icheinen sich in der Person zu irren und meinen jedensalls semand anders. Ich nehme dies alles nicht wörtlich. Tas meiste ist durch Ihre Großmut diktiert und keine kritische Einschäung. Was Sie aber gesagt haben, soll mich sür die Jufunst

itarfen, mich aufrichtett und infpirieren in meiner Urbeit! Dieje Arbeit bat ihren berrliden John. Richt in fictbaren Dingen, fondern in ber Aufrichtung ringender Seelen, in der Entgündung glimmernder Talente, in der Begweijerichaft, Die wir üben tonnen. Und dieje Demonstration zeigt mir, daß ich nicht gang erfolalos geweien bin. Benn meine Arbeits etwas bedeutete, jo haben Gie mit die Gelegenheit dagu gegeben. Gie gaben mir Dieje Ranjel, die Freiheit des Gedanfens, pon ihr herab ju verfünden; Gie hatten den Mut, einen jo jungen Mann wie mich ju berufen. Dit habe ich Dinge gejagt, mit denen Gie nicht übereinftimmten. Olber in feiner Beije, weder in Wort oder Diene haben Gie mich einzuschuchtern verincht. Dan fagt, daß die Rirche gefeffelt fei und fein freier Geift in ihr walten tonne. Der Timpel lebnt dieje Anjduldigung emphatifch ab. Cleveland ift eine wunderbare Stadt, darin ju arbenten. Und eines Tages wird fie das Borbild aller Städte fein. Es ift eine große Frende für mich geweien, hier au arbeiten, mo bie Berwalt ang in ben Sänden eines Dannes von Charaf. ter wie 28m. R. Sopfins liegt, mo die Schulverwaltung eine Bifion hat, wo die Geijtlichteit nicht stetig im olten Geleife fährt!" Glüchwunfchdepeichen maren aus

allen Loiler des Landes gesommen. Es wurde ferner argefündigt, daß Rabbi Gilver in der Perion des Rabbi Leon Feuer einen Affifienten erhalten hat, der sein Amt am Samstag antritt. The Terrel Frandram.

3RD JUNE, 1927

### OUR AMERICAN LETTER.

FROM A CORRESPONDENT.

#### To Honour Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

T HE Congregation of the Temple of Cleveland is busily engaged in preparations to mark in a tangible form the tenth anniversary of Rabbi Silver's eminently successful ministry in that Community. American Jewry boasts many pulpit orators, but, with perhaps one exception, it is doubtful whether there is a Rabbi in the States who can hold a Congregation as this brilliant young preacher. Outside the Community he is fast gaining the reputation as one of America's great orators. English readers will probably remember his oration at the Balfour meeting in the Albert Hall. He is much in demand at every great Jewish gathering, for wherever he speaks he leaves a deep and lasting impression. In his own Synagogue he is wielding enormous influence. Since his arrival in 1917 the membership has more than doubled. Indeed, he has succeeded in making his probably the largest Reform Synagogue in America. There are 1,375 families connected with his Temple, whilst the number of children attending his religion classes is upwards of 1,400, and his Temple Women's Association has a membership of 1,650. He was in no small measure responsible for the collection of nearly one and a half million dollars for his new Temple, dedicated in 1924, which is one of the largest and handsomest religious edifices in America.

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It would not be easy to enumerate the institutions and societies with which this young Demosthenes is connected or the activities in which he is engaged. Outside his Synagogue and the affiliated organizations, it is the Jewish National Movement which claims his closest attention. He is a member of the Actions Committee of the World Zionist Organization, and is also the American Governor of the Jewish National Fund. During the War he was a member of the American Committee on Public Information, and was decorated by the French Government for conspicuous service. Though his interests are many and varied, and he is in demand by public bodies as few Rabbis are, he finds time to engage in literary pursuits, and is about to publish a book entitled ' Messianic Speculations in Israel.' Right well is his Community proud of him, and in the forthcoming celebrations he will receive tokens and messages of goodwill from his countless friends and admirers throughout the land.

A Bishon's Address at a Cumasama Dedication

"I tried at all times to keep the sanctities of human life which my profession is charged with safeguarding constantly before me.

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# SILVER PROCLAIMS JUSTICE HIS CREED Voices Gratitude for Having Lived in Stirring Days

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of Last Decade.

A creed which has carried Rith A. H. Silver through the stirring of dramatic decade since his installe tion at the Temple, E. 105th steel and Ansel road N. E., was set for in his tenth anniversary sermon yes terday.

"I thank God that I was priviled to live during these great year" Rabbi Silver proclaimed, out of gratitude for the accomplishments the decade just ended.

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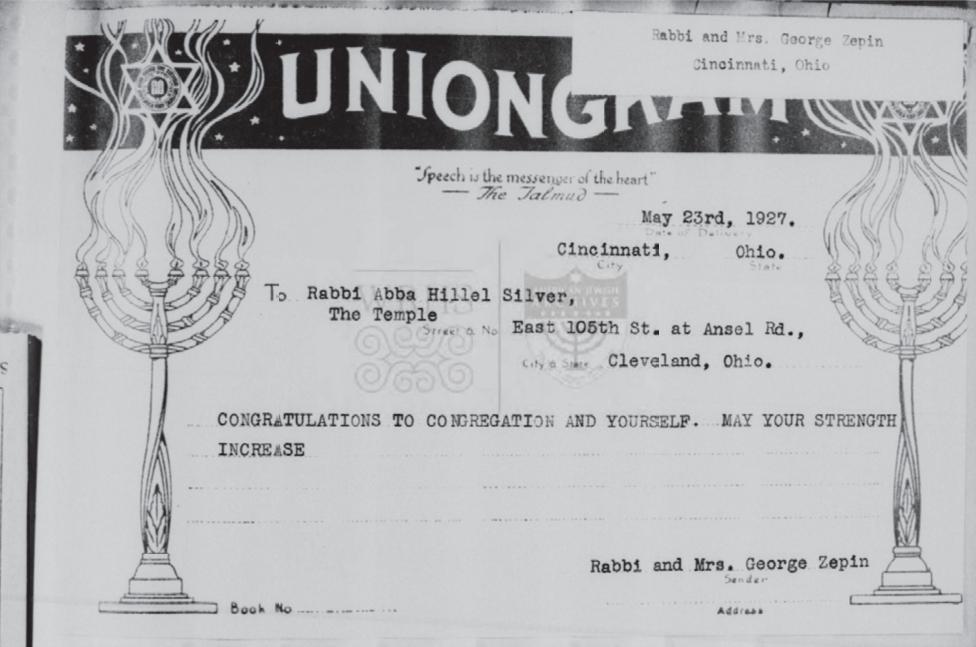
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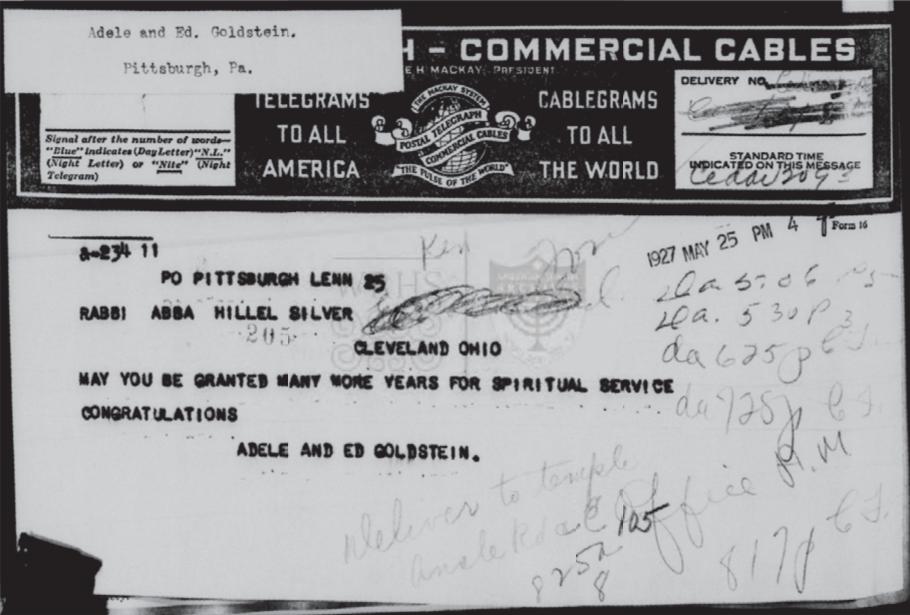
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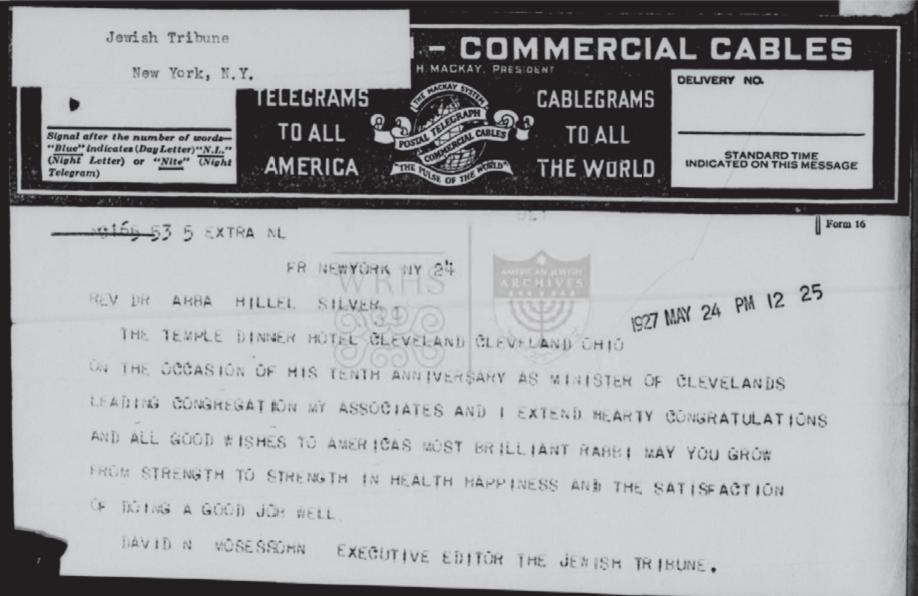
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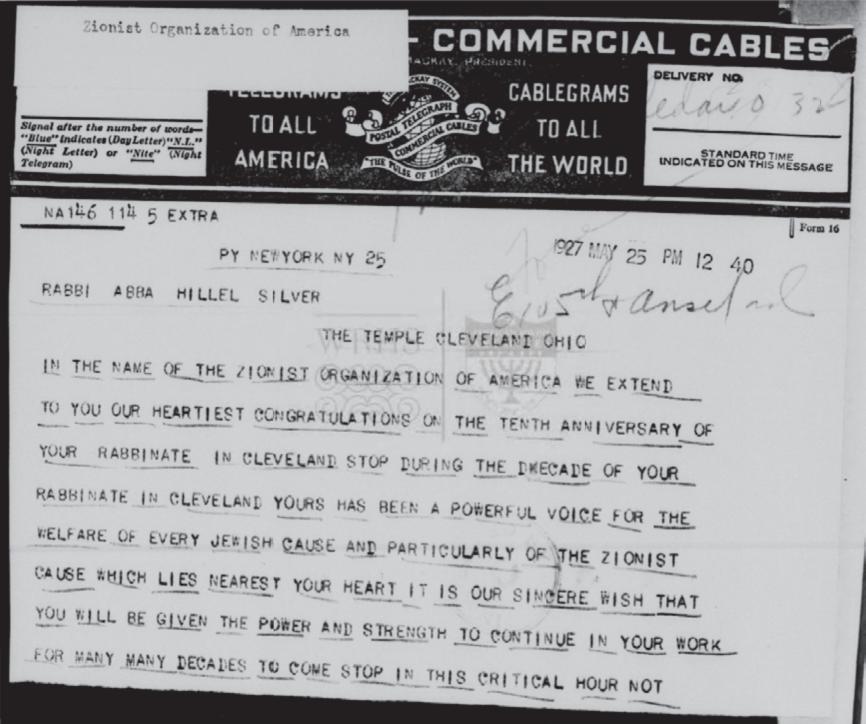
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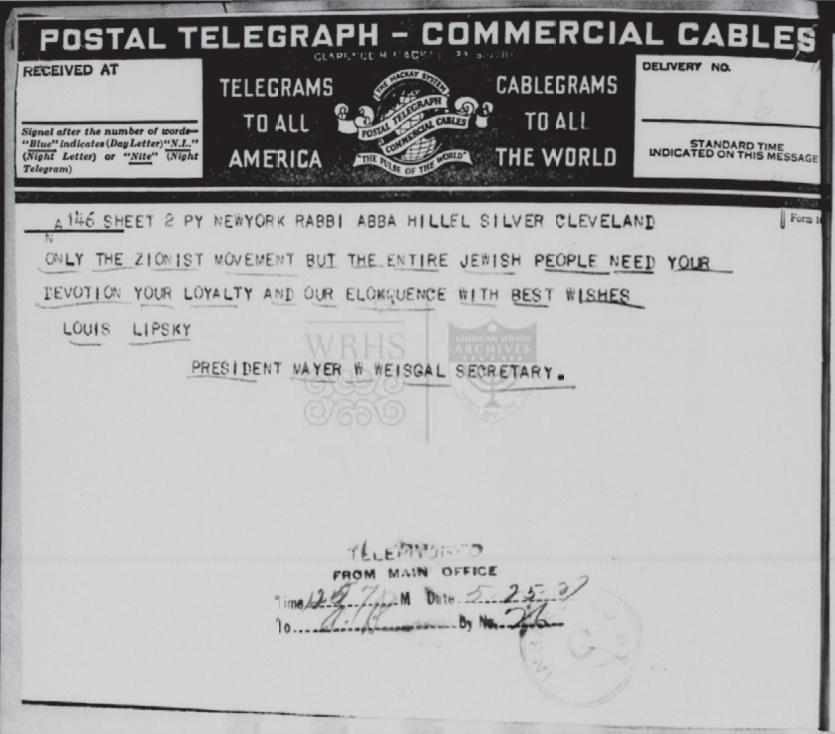
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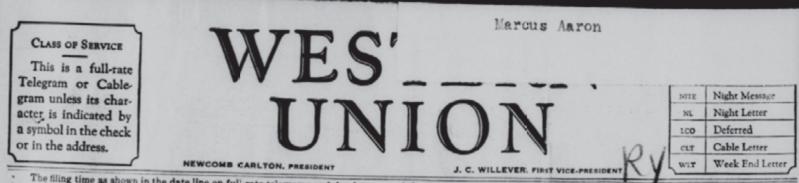












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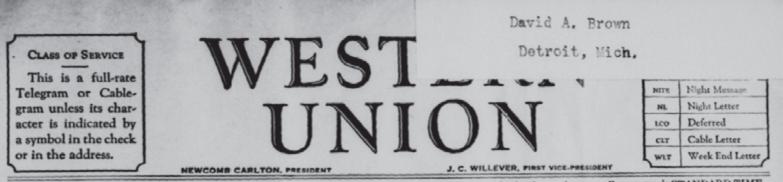
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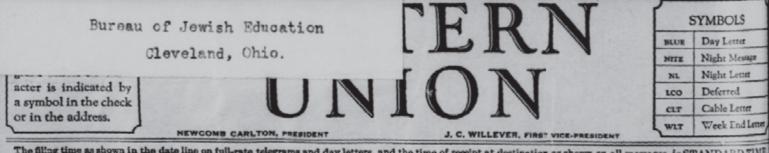
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NOT BEING ABLE TO ACCEPT YOUR KINE INVITATION TO ATTEND THE TESTIMONIAL DINNER TENDERED MY GOOD FRIENL RABBI SILVER YET WISH TO EXTEND MY CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TEMPLE TO THE CITY OF CLEVELAND AND TO RABBI SILVER STOP HIS SERVICE HAS NOT BEEN LIMITED TO YOUR CITY FOR MANY FARTS OF THE COUNTRY KNOW OF HIS GREAT WORK.

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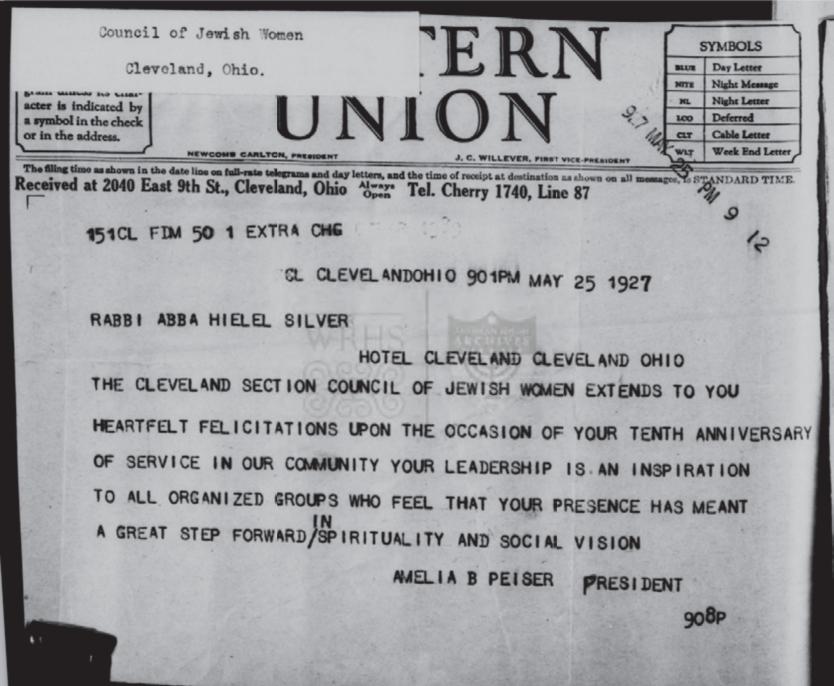
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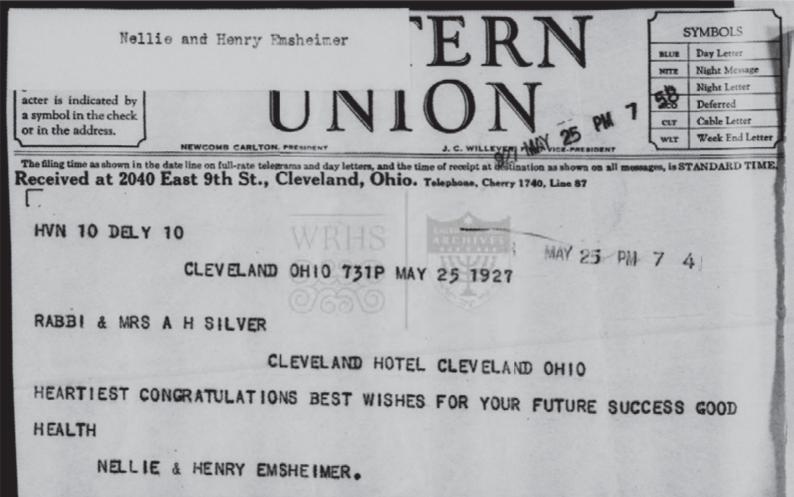
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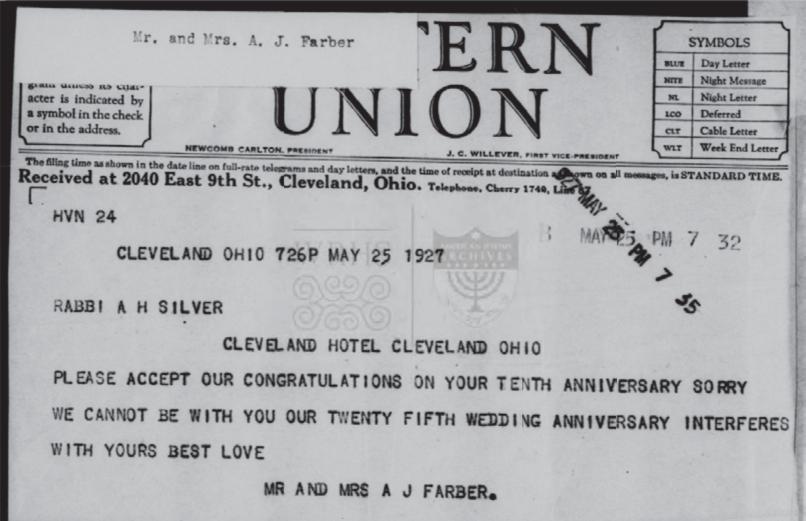
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ALFRED H SACHS



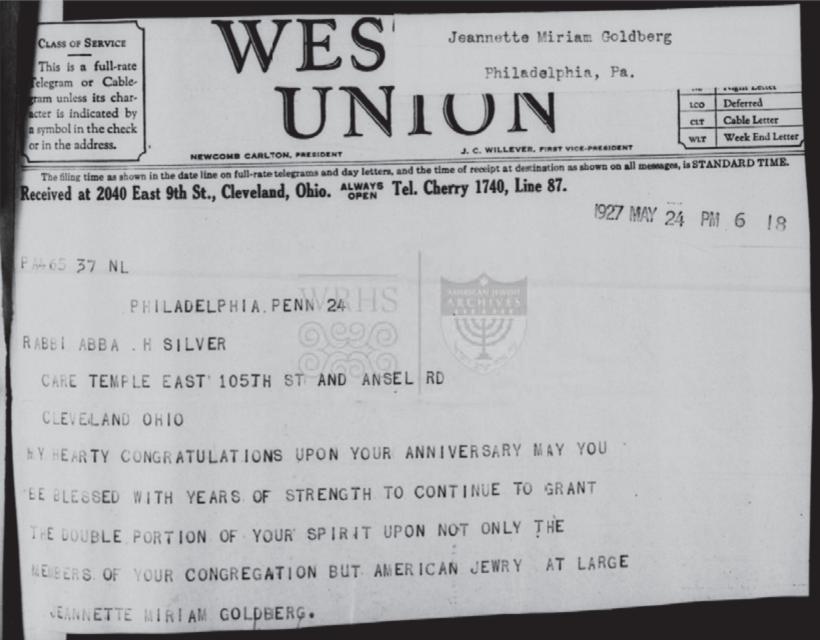


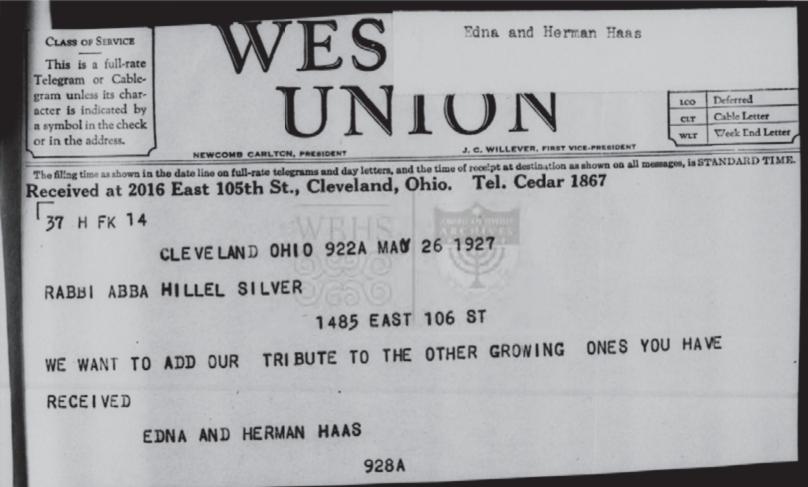
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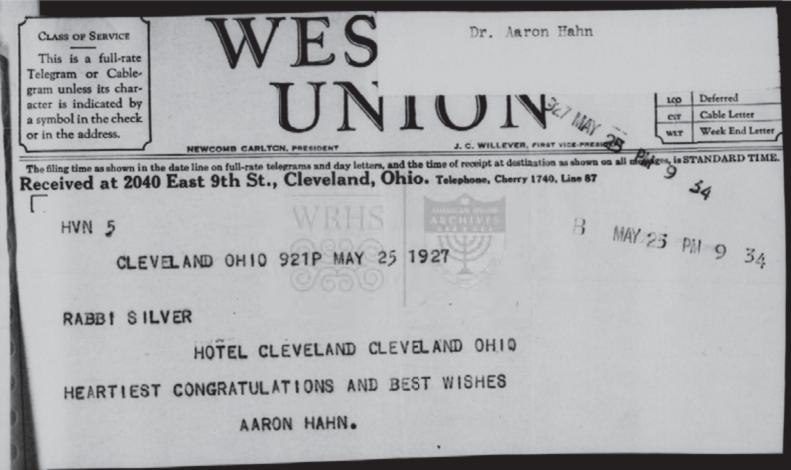
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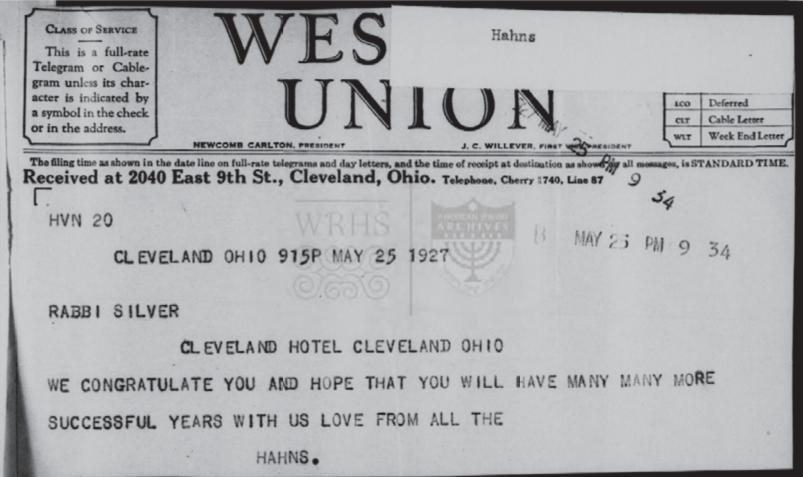
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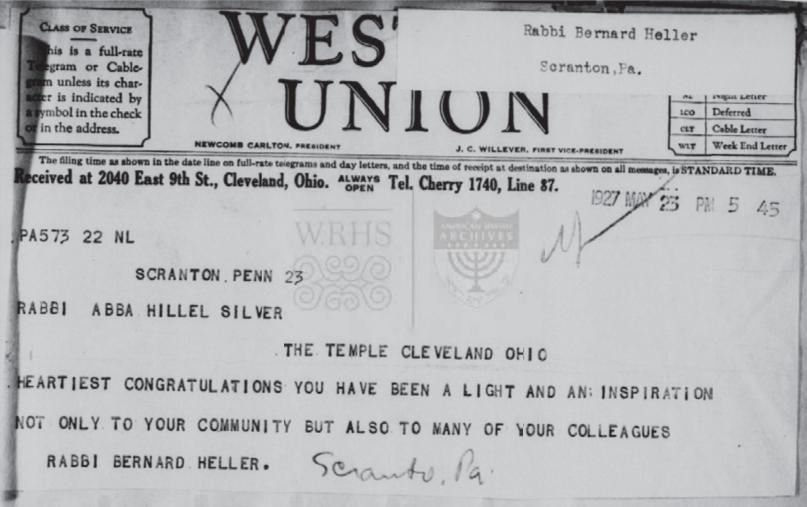


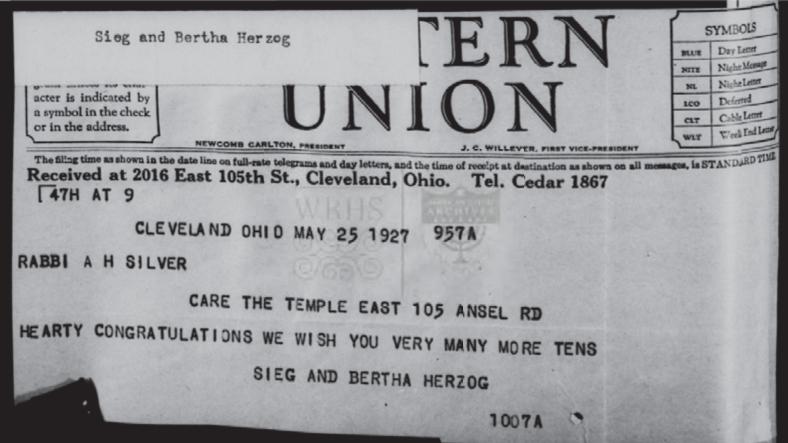


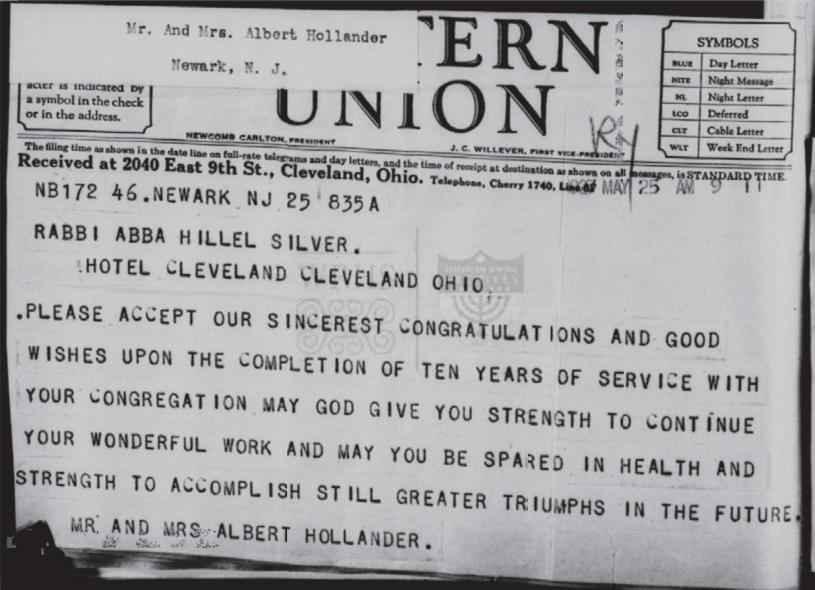
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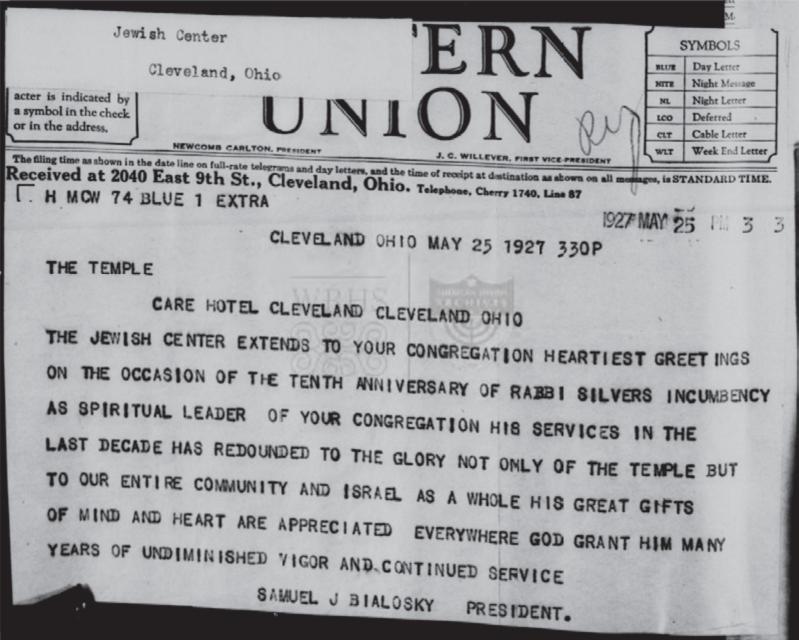






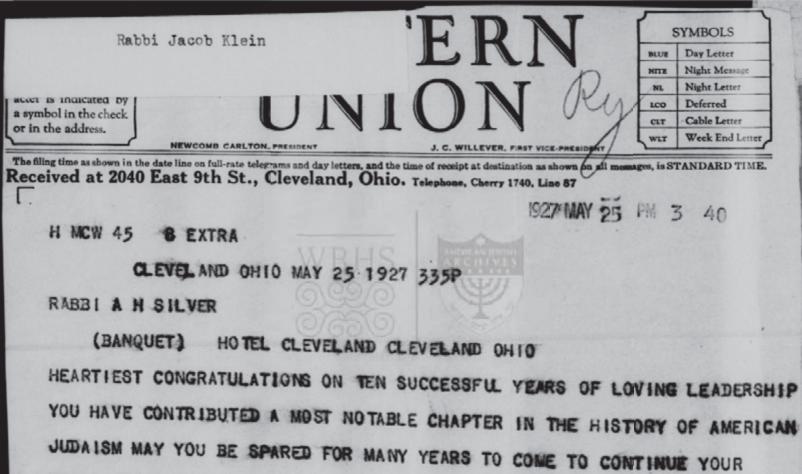






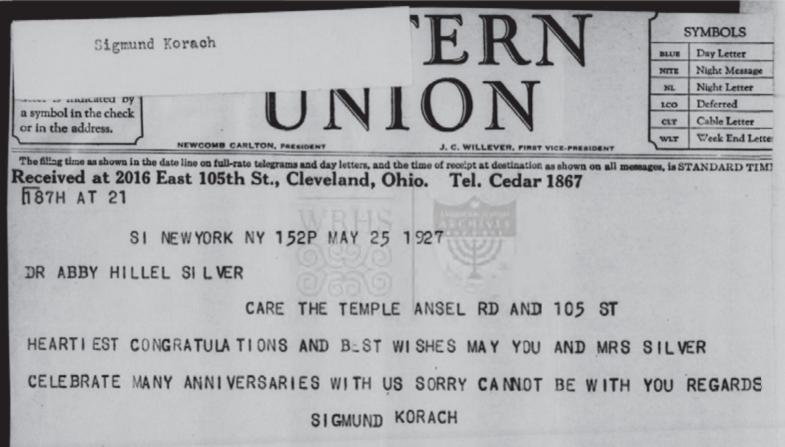
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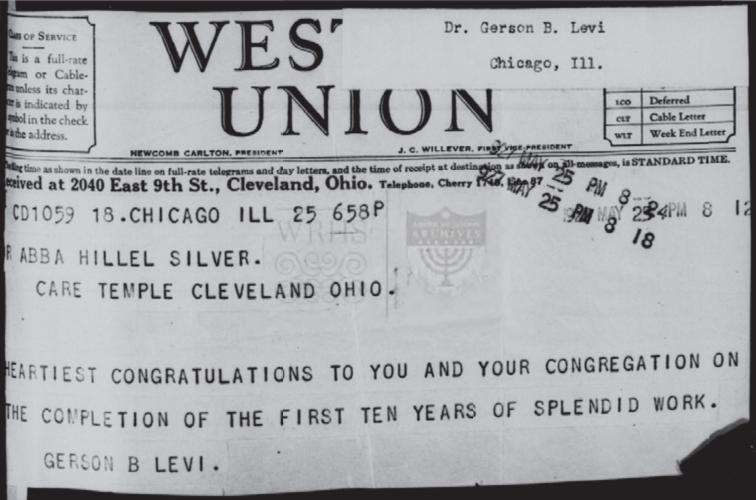
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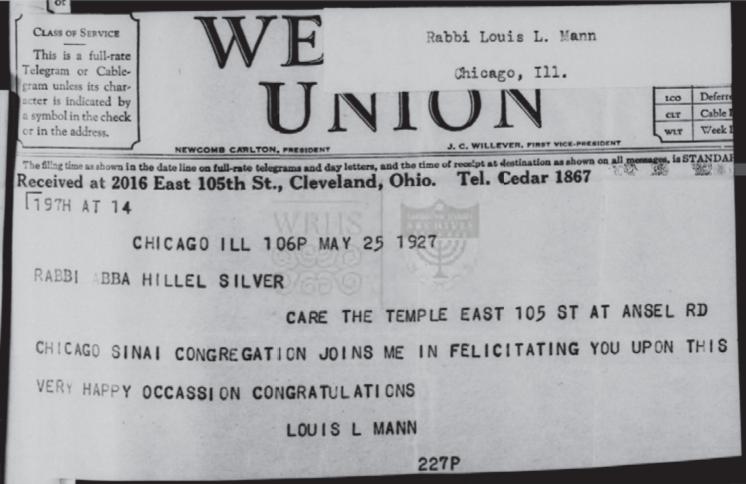
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THE RABBI AND MEMBERS OF THE BALTIMORE HEBREW CONGREGATION REJOICE WITH YOUR RABBI HIS BELOVED LADY AND YOUR ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP IN THE CELEBRATION OF RABBI SILVERS TENTH ANNIVERSARY UNDER HIS MINISTRATIONS STIRRING THINGS HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED WHICH HAVE MADE FOR HUMAN GOOD HAPPY IS HE IN THE LOYALTY AND LOVE AND CONFIDENCE OF HIS PEOPLE HAPPY ARE YOU IN THE PRIVILEGE OF HIS LEADERSHIP/MAY GOD SEAL YOUR COVENANT OF CONSECRATION AND BLESS YOU ALL WITH THE JOY OF INCREASING SERVICE IN HIS NAME

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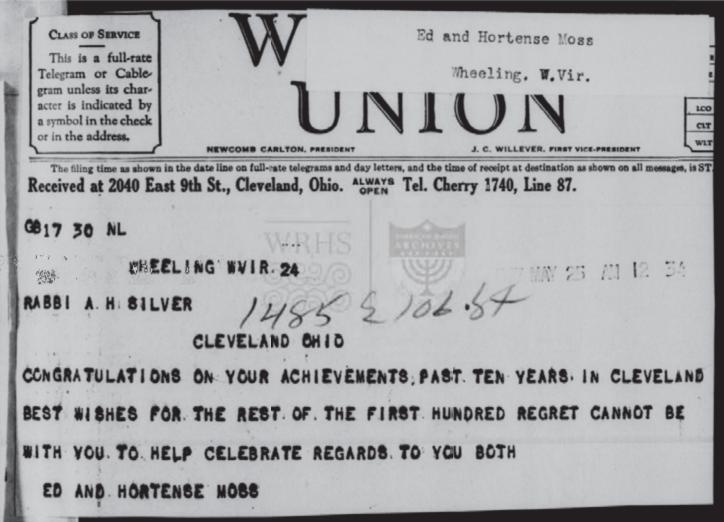
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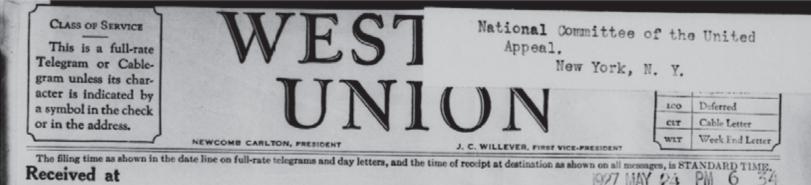
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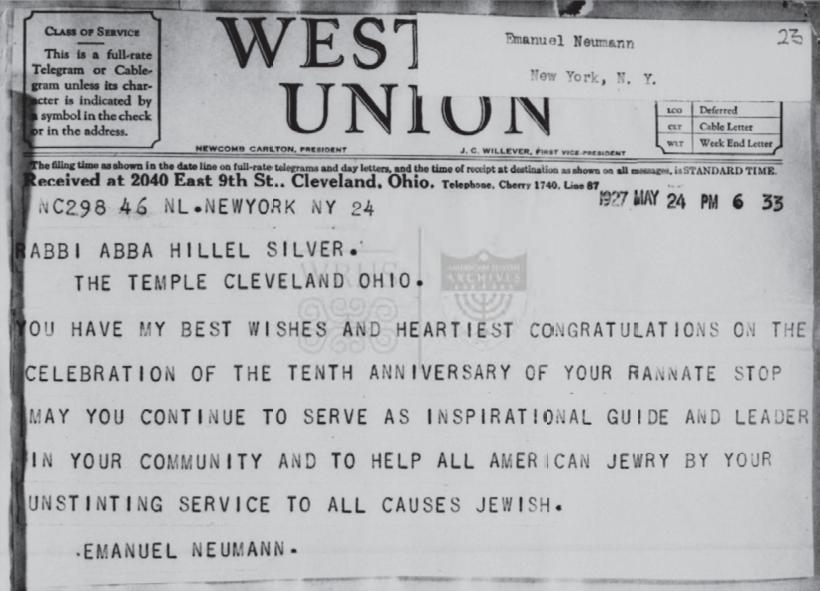


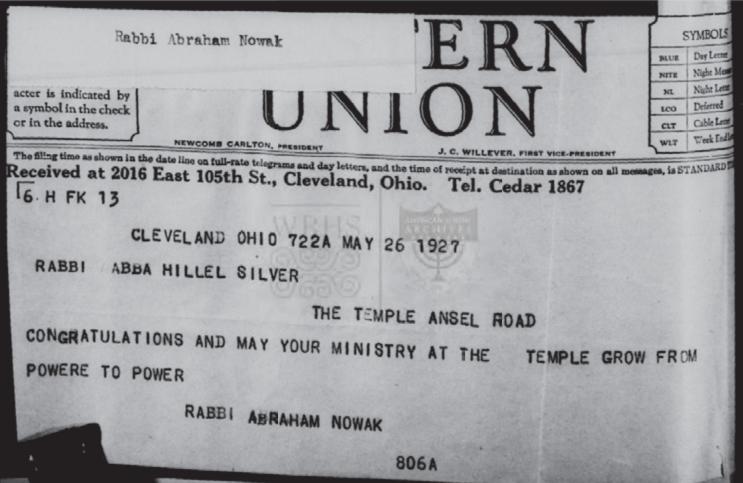
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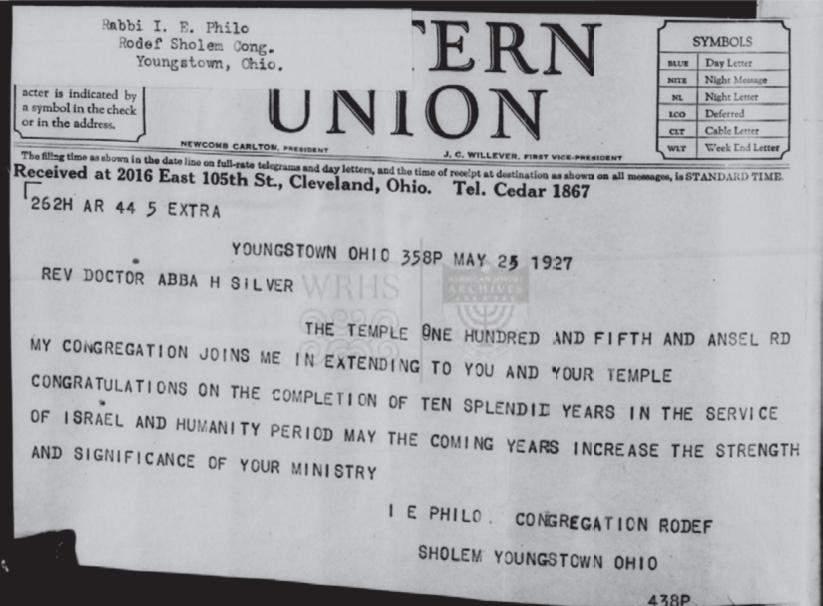
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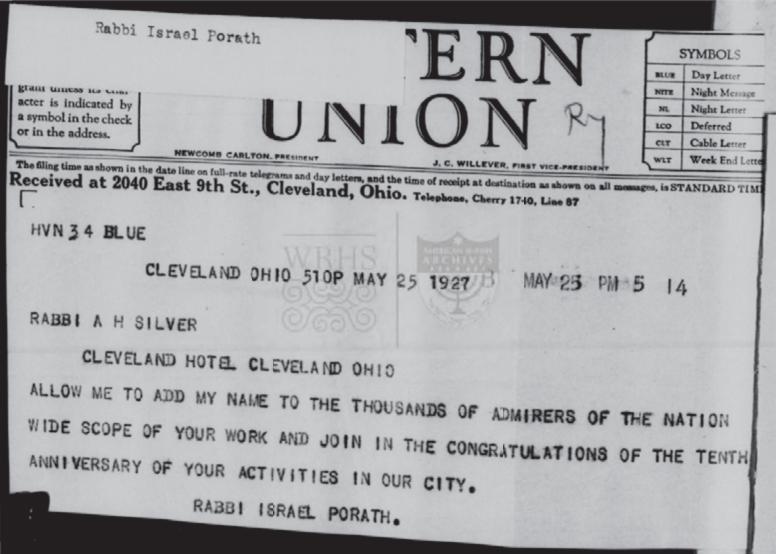
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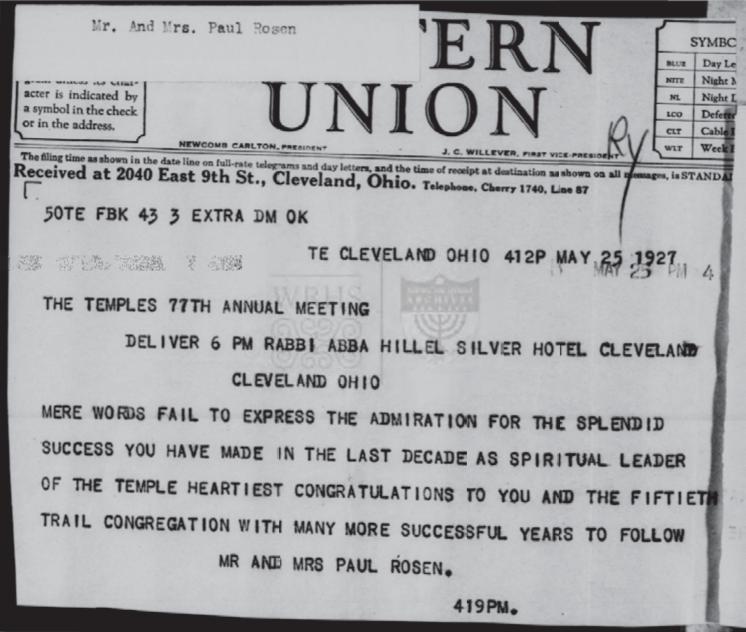
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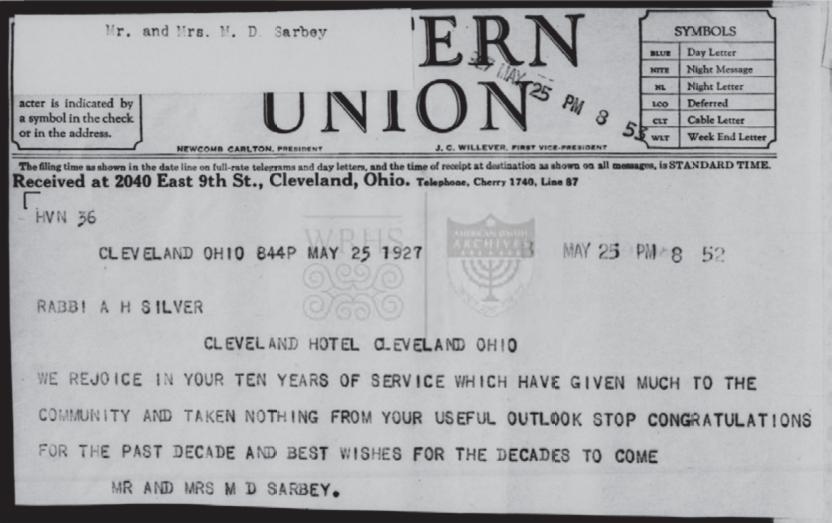


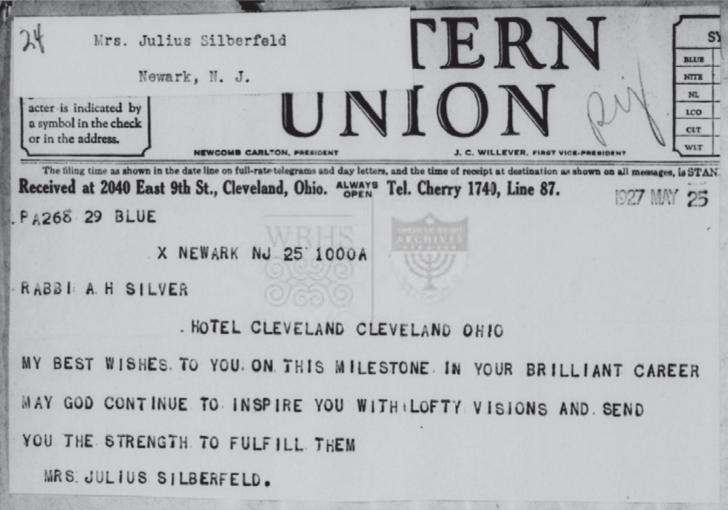














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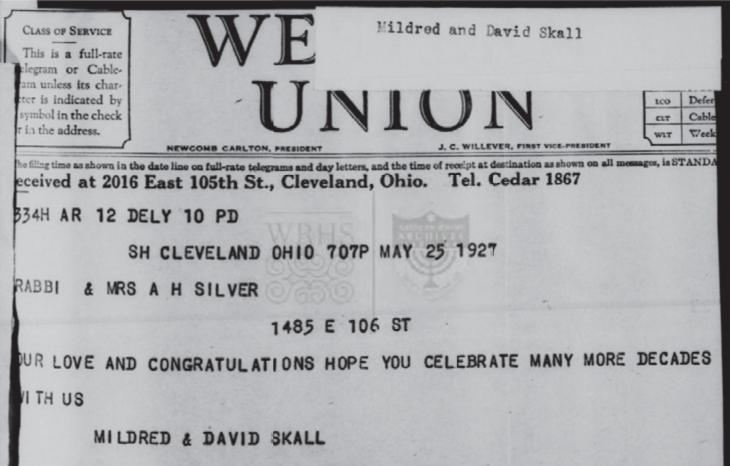
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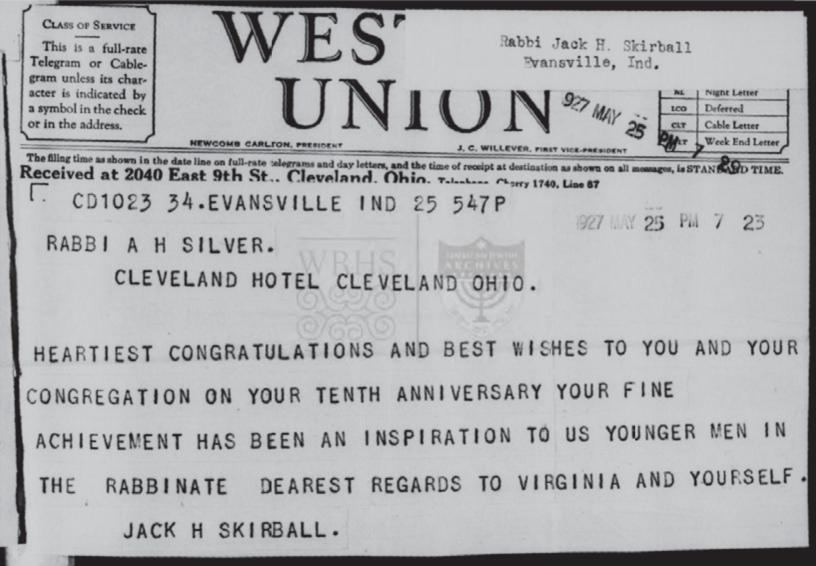
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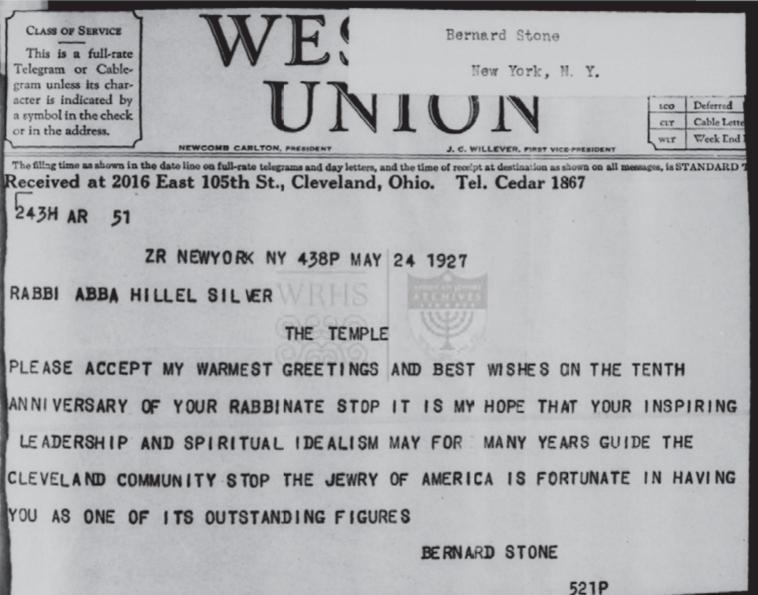
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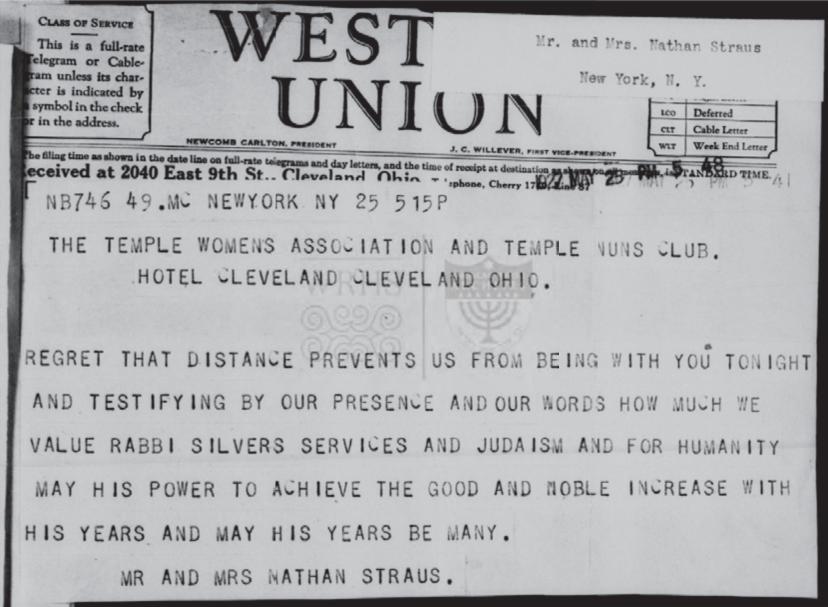
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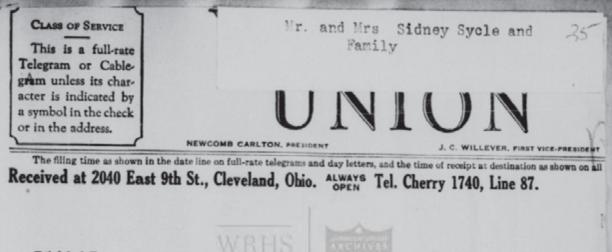


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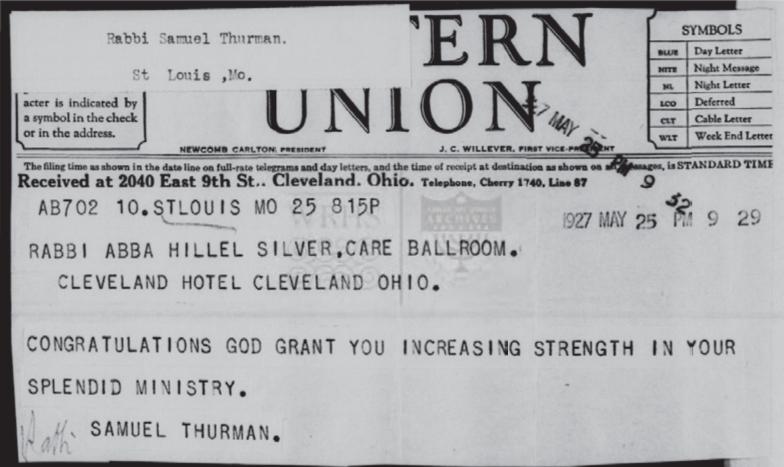
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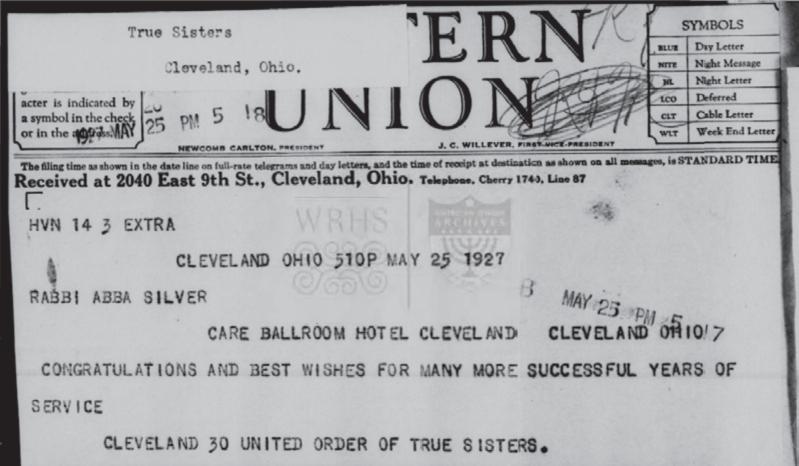
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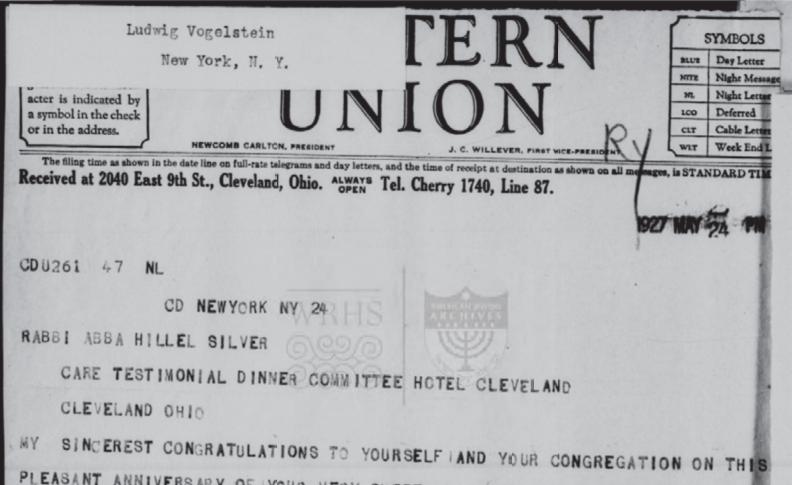
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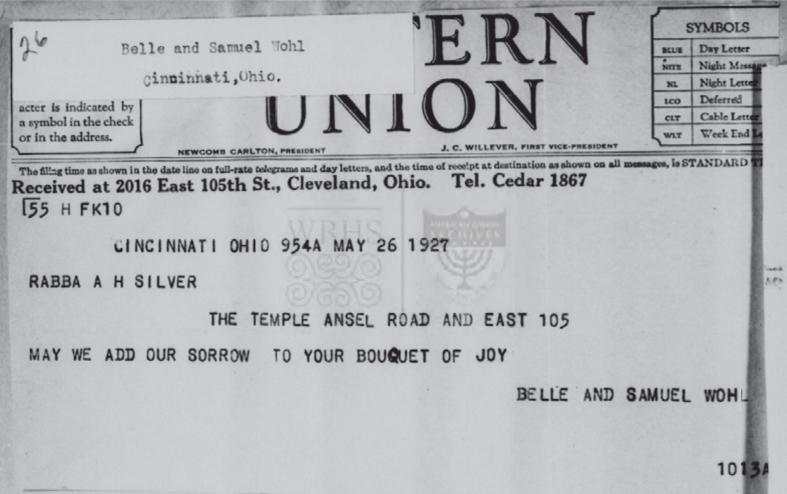


PLEASANT ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR VERY SUCCESSFUL AND USEFUL CAREER

MAY THE TEN YEARS OF YOUR DEVOTION TO THE RABBINATE BE THE FORERUNNER OF LA VERY MUCH LONGER PERIOD OF LEVEN GREATER

ACHIEVEMENT FOR THE CAUSE OF JUDAISM

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To Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

A Sonnet

On his tenth Anniversary in

Cleveland, May 1927.





Mr Benjamin Lowenstein

President

The Temple.

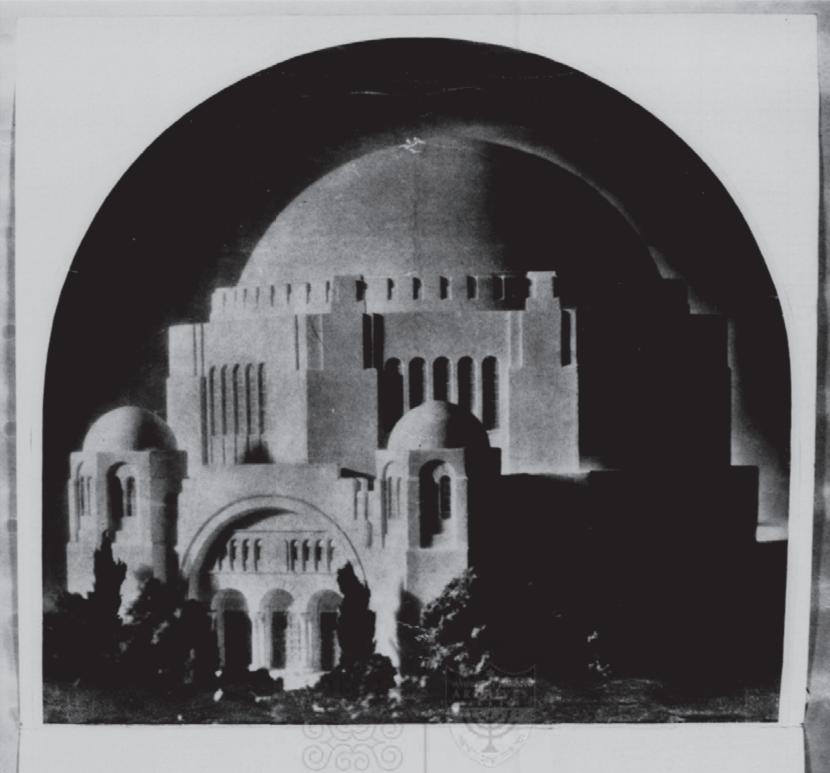
Dear Sir:

I hope I am not presuming too much on your kindness by my request, asking you to use enclosed verses either in your address at the Dinner given in Honor of Dr.Silver's anniversary or else read Them, - or just hand them to him at the table, as

a token of the highest regards of a sincere

Member of the Congregation.

Emest altschiel



As Hillel, who two thousand years agone The Golden Rule has made a primal creed, When Pharisees and Saducees agreed To melt their seperate credos into one --So shall <u>our</u> Abba Hillel, who begun Where Hillel I.left off, again take lead; And may he, with our help and hope, succeed To join us into a vast union.

May his achievments, unnumbered, untold, Be such as those of Hillel were, of old, -And may his popularity and fame increase.-May God keep and preserve him, that he steers Our Ark for us another forty years To Happiness, and tolerance, and peace.- RABBI HENRY J. BERKOWITZ THE TEMPLE LINWOOD BOULEVARD AND FLORA AVE. KANSAS CITY, MO.

5-11-1927

Dr. A. H. Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Abba:

As a regular reader of The Israelite and as a devote officiend of yours I was delighted to read the fine review of your curser contained in the current issue. I was wondering how long a certain individual in your city was going to conficate bis pitiful forts to convince American Jewry of that a great man he is, without having your congregation five concrete expression before the country of its indebtedness to you for your unchallenged leadership in the American rabbinate.

I know you understand my meaning in this letter, so after reading it please tear it up.

I hope to see you at the Conference in Cape May but meanwhile my sincere congratulations to you and your wife, in which Claire joins.

Faithfully yours,

JACOB BILLIKOPF

### THE FEDERATION OF JEWISH CHARITIES OF PHILADELPHIA 330 SOUTH NINTH STREET PHILADELPHIA. PA.

May 6, 1927.

Dear Silver:

Have you heard anything about your visa. 1 have a letter from Dr. Rosen in which he says: "1 am afraid 1 can do nothing for nabbi Silver, etc." You should have no trouble setting one through Judge Mack's friend, a Mr. Charles Recht

why don't you have your tenth anniversary celebration on a day when I can be with your Mind you, I have not been invited yet, but I would come out anyhow if on that lay I did not have another engagement.

All sorts of congratulations!

Cordially yours,

Billikoff

Rabbi A. H. Silver.

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476 FIFTH AVENUE

New York, May 16, 1927.

The Temple E. 105 St. at Ansel Rd. Cleveland, Ohio

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I was very glad to neceive your invitation to attend the Testimonial Dinner which you are giving to your distinguished rabbi, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, in recognition of his ministry to your community.

Rabbi Silver and ryself have known one another for a period of nearly two decades. So have been fellowstudents both at the Hebrew Union College and at the University of Cinninnati, and in a sense I feel as if I an honored myself by the recognition of his achievements. It is hard to so one's influence in life unless one sees it from a distance and experiences it from contact with those who are influenced. This privilege I enjoy. I can say that I almost daily meet with evidence testifying to the good hich your rabbi's work is doing in American Jewish life. The influence he wields and the example he serves cannot be overestimated. Judaism in America and Jewis' life at large have greatly benefitted since the ascension dn its horizon of your distinguishing spiritual leader.

May you and he be worthy to visualize the realization of your fondest ideals.

Joshua Block

Chief. Jewish Division.

The Pastor CLEVELAND, OHIO may 20 DAN FREEMAN BRADLEY, PASTOR WALTER H. STARK, Associate Pastor The Vemple-Umeris Association And meris Chil, Dear prinds, mis. madley & Ineget quality that me shall both he in Maha in attendance upen an national Couril on may 25th when your celebrate the Ven shining years of Rubbi Schneis service & gue and & all of us who share mith gra his illustrian qualities of apinitual leader ship. Recan accept for an conjugation and from us personally an compatulation upon the completing there gears I great propinity for the Ormple, and great une pulsers for gun Rablin- and may This decade just passing he but an of many in which he and go many with together for hilding more heartifully the Cample of human life in this our helened city. (Tuth our upart & thank for the Tachet which develow and adially Daw F. Madley

RABBI EDWARD N. CALIECH, PH. D. RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

May 19th, 1927.

Chairman of the Testimonial Dinner To Rabbi Abba H. Silver, Hotel Cleveland, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:-

I have received the invitation to attend the joint meeting of the Men and Women's Club held in conjunction with the testimonial dinner to be given to Rabbi Silver on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of his ministry in the I desire to add my feeble note to Temple. the chorus of praise and appreciation that will be so justly sounded in behalf of your sifted and beloved Rabbi. Rabbi Silver occupies a unique place in the American Jewish pulpit. He has been endowed by high Heaven with the choicest gifts of mind and heart and body, and he has made beautiful use of them in behalf of his people and his faith. I consider him to be the most gifted man in the Jewish pulpit, and one whom any congregation should feel at once proud and humble to have him lead them.

May it be the sovereign will of our God to continue to him the blessings of health and strength whereby he may continue the magnificent ministry, which is a source of joy to you and to all Israel.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Stward & Calisch

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#### CLEVELAND

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

May 18th, 1927.

The Temple Groups, Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Friends:

The Right Reverend Bishop directs me to say that owing to appointments that he cannot postpone, it will be impossible for him to attend your annual meeting and testimonial dinner to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

He wishes me to express to you his sincere appreciation of the very splendid labors of the Rabbi during his ten years here in Cleveland.

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Chancellor.

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220 E. 32d. St. New York, May 24,1927

Rabbi A. H. Silver % The Temple Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I write you this letter in order to congratulate you upon the occasion of the lenth analyersary of your Hebbinate.

I should like to bay that you ought to become more orthodox, but I am satisfied with the way you are at present. The Jewish people may well be proud of you. You have caused us no shame, with your national work and with your activities in general.

I wanted to send you a telegram , but I just came back from the hospital and really must say the truth that I had no money for a telegram and therefore must be satisfied with this letter.

I wish you "Mazel Tow" to you and your wife and you should live to speak in our own Temple in Palestine.

With gion's Greetings,

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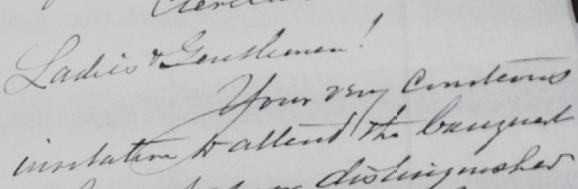
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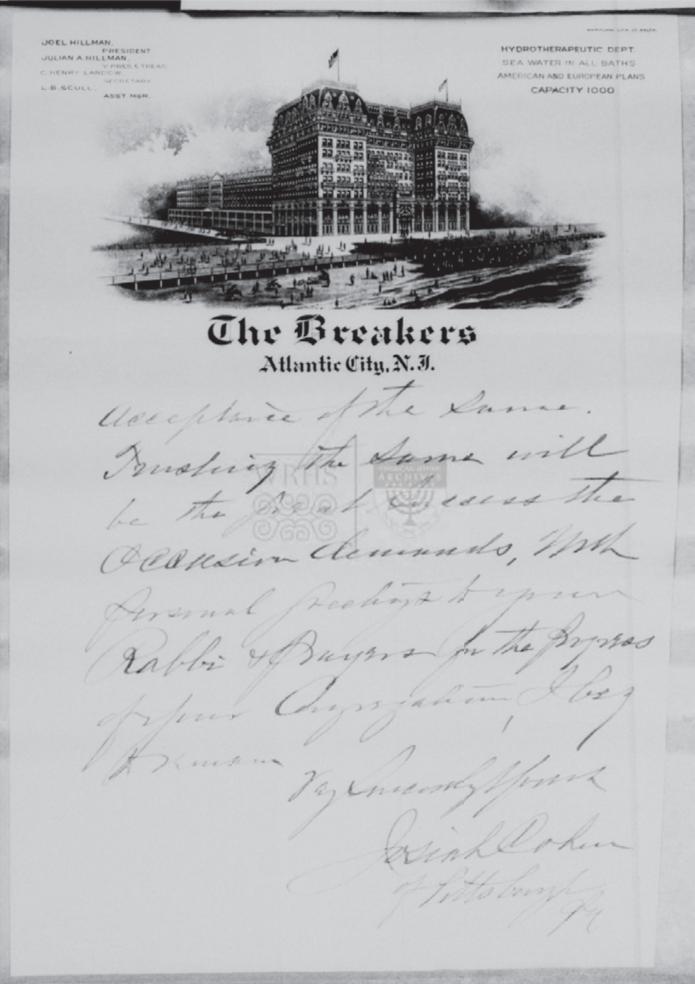
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ALFRED M.COHEN NINE WEST FOURTH STREET CINCINNATI,O.

May 24, 1927.

#### My dear Rabbi Silver:

I wish to convey to you, and through you to The Temple and the auxiliary bodies thereof, my hearty congratulations on the rounding out of ten years of mutually happy association.

Your high place in the Rabbinate is

secure.

The encouragement which The Temple has given you is deserving of evalation by sister congregations.

Utmost good will on both sides has strengthened the influence of both the Rabbi and congregation.

My prayer is, that this beautiful relation may continue for very many years, yielding you, if possible, greater happiness, and bringing the congregation, if possible, to a position of increased usefulness.

Very spicerely yours, To - Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver. The Temple, Tres & Brai Brith -Cleveland, Ohio.

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May 12th, 1927.

#### The Temple. Cleveland. O.

Dear Sirs: -

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May I extend to you my sincere congratulations on the achievements of the past decennium and express a prayer that you and your learned and eloquent rappi may continue in mutual understanding and appreciation for many years your highly important work for Judaism?

Very sincerely yours.

Max C. Currick

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May 26, 1927.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Doctor:

A friend of the Horkheimers a dozen years ago in Wheeling, I heard your trial sermon there and met you the morning after. I could almost vision there and then your glorious future.

I'd like to join in the paens of praise.

I regret I have been so busy since my coming to Cleveland I have been unable as yet to attend your services, but if a minor voice raised in behalf of you is heard by the Lord, then you will know that I and many others among the absentees are with you just the same.

With best wishes to you and your wife, whom I remember chiefly as "the young sister of Pauline's",

I am. Yours sincerely,

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple, Ansei Rd. & E. 105th St. C I T I.

My dear Rabbi:

I was so pleased and thrilled at the Testimonial Dinner last evening at the Hotel Cleveland which was given in recognition of your ten years of service to our Temple, that I regretted that due to the late hour and the large crowd on hand that I could not get to see you personally to express my sincere and hearty congratulations to you on this occasion.

Few men are privileged to sense during their life time an evening such as you must have enjoyed last night. The expression of a true appreciation of your merits, ability and conscientiousness, but then few on earth deserve such a demonstration.

Although I know you were somewhat embarressed by the thickness in which the various compliments were spread, as a member of your congregation I really felt that there was no exaggeration. The evening was most enjoyable to all I am sure.

I extend to you the best wisnes for a long life of ever increasing usefullness.

Most sincoroty yours, Kiet

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BARNETT R. BRICKNER RABBI

May Fourth 1927

Mr. Benjamin Lowenstein, President The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Lowenstein:

"On behalf of the Euclid Avenue Temple and Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner, we, the Board of Trustees, beg to extend hearty felicitations to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of his ministry in Cleveland. We rejoice with his congregation that his leadership in this community has been of a most noteworthy character, and sheds lustre on the fair name of the Jew. May God's blessings ever remain on him.

We wish also to extend our hearty congratulations to our sister congregation, Tifereth Israel -- The Temple -- on attaining its seventy-seventh birthday.

May the goodwill that has always existed between our two congregations be deepened in the years to come, for the service of Israel."

This motion was unanimously adopted at the May meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Euclid Avenue Temple, and I have been requested to transmit it to you.

Cordially yours

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President

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May 26, 1927

Rabbi A. H. Silver The Temple E. 105th St. & Ansel Rd. City

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I read with the greatest of interest the report of the wonderful meeting in the Cleveland Hotel last night when your people expressed their great appreciation of the service you have rendered this community during the past ten years.

I cannot let the occasion go by without sending you greetings from the members of the Executive Committee of the Federated Churches and my own sincere congratulations. Yours has been a great achievement. I have been long enough in this work to understand in some small way what warm appreciation and congratulation really mean. They go a long way toward stiffening a man's backbone as he tackles his daily job.

I hope it will be our good fortune to work together for many years to come and I personally would like to see some kind of Federation or Confederation that would bring all of our churches much closer to-

With all best wishes.

Most cordially,

Executive Secretary

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friends in extending to you congratulations upon this bleased anniversary and the hope that G 1's goodness may be with you and that strength and power continue yours for and, many years.

With sincere regards to your vife, in which holon sinterely joind me, I am, as ever,

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RABBI WILLIAM H. FINESHRIBER TEMPLE: 1717 N. BROAD STREET RESIDENCE: 1916 RITTENHOUSE SQUARE PHILADELPHIA

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Silver:

Will you please convey my regrets to the organizations that are sponsoring the Testimonial Dinner to you, on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of your ministry in Cleveland. I wish it were possible to be with you, and to express my very heartiest congratulations to you personally, and to the congregation, for so successful a ministry as you have had. I wish you continued success, good health and happiness.

Cordially yours,

W. T. fivesturber

May seventeenth, 1 9 2 7. DETROIT, MICH.

May 23, 1927

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Friend:

May I join with your hosts of friends in every part of the country in expressing to you my hearty felicitations upon the occasion of the celebration of the completion of 10 years as leader of the Temple at Cleveland.

There are few men in the ministry of any denomination whose work has been as truly effective as yours has been during this dedication of service. Nor has your influence by any means been limited to the people of your own city or of our own faith. I do not mean to flatter you when I say that you have written your name large in the annals of our time and country. May God give you strength to continue your splendid work for Judaism and humanity through many many years to come.

With greetings and regards from house to house, believe me to be

Faithfully yours, LeomFranklin

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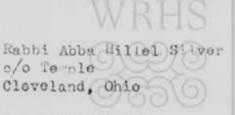
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DearRabbi Silver:

was very happy to read that you are about to celebrate your 10th anniversary in the Cleveland Rabbinate. I extend to you my heartiest congratulations, and pray that God grant you and your wife many, many years of health and happiness so that you may continue in the splendid service and leadership you are now giving.

With kindest personal regards to both you and Mrs. Silver, I am

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Most cordially and sincer Aleccoping George Greenspun

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#### Dear Abe:

My heartiest congratulations on your completion of ten years of service in Cleveland! All of your colleagues know the quality of the service you have given, and pray that you may be granted strength to continue for many years.

Yours cordially,

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, E. 105th at Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio

521 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK Dear Silver, Sjust read in the Cleveland paper that you are going to celebrate you think, annunusary as Rabbi of Toputh Gerad. Please accept my hearty filectation you are already at the top so all Scan wich you is good healt Continued succes x 7 m > 2 4 " not mot covial greating Sincer yours Nathau Krasp may 1sth.

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## IHE ASSOCIATED CHARITIES 614 Electric Building CLEVELAND

May 26, 1927

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Last night I enjoyed the privilege of attending your anniversary dinner and received a real thrill in listening to the well-merited tributes accorded to you.

While you may be inclined from natural modesty, to discount the praises which were showered upon you, there is no one else who does not consider them one hundred percent merited. In fact, they sometimes fell short of being adequate. For example, it was, I believe, the Rabbi from Baltimore who wrote that he considered you the most gifted speaker in the Reformed Jewish Church. May I add that I believe you are the most gifted speaker whom I have ever heard, although when in New York I heard Rabbi Wise several times, also Felix Adler, Doctors Jowitt, Coffin, and Jefferson, and nearly every minister of note in the city, also Wishart in Grand Rapids ( a very elocuent speaker, as you perhaps know). Betts in Syracuse, etc., and others such as Hugh Black on one or two occasions.

But I compliment you not on a gift such as this, which might be misused but on what, from my view-point, seems your perfect utilization of this gift for the most worth-while causes. Before attending the meeting last might I had thought chiefly of your interest in social work. Now I see that you are as active a proponent for many other worthy causes. But were your service to be measured only by the contribution which you made to social work up to date, you might feel well content with your ministry up to this time. And in thus expressing my appreciation for your contribution to social work. I know, as you must know, that I am speaking the thought of several thousand social workers and people interested in social work with whom you have eloquently shared your thinking on various occasions here in Cleveland, in Des Moines, and in other places.

Very sincerely yours,

### Anited States Courts, Boston.

May 12, 1927

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I deeply regret that judicial work here as well as the graduation exercises of the Jewish Institute of Religion prevent me from participating in the testimonial dinner tendered to you in recognition of your ten years of service in Cleveland.

My heartiest congratulations, in which Mrs. Mack would join, oes to you, to your congregation and to the community to whom you have given yourself so completely, with all that this means.

Your friends know that this is but the mere beginning of what we are certain will be a life time of glorious service, as an American, to your city and country and as a Jewish leader not merely to the people of your Temple or even to American Jewiry, but to the Jews and the Jewish people everywhere.

With kindest regards to you and Mrs. Silver,

in which Mrs. Mack would join, I am as ever

Cordially yours,

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The Temple Men's Club, (Rabbi A. H. Silver) Cleveland, Chio

Dear Sirs:

I thank you for your kind invitation to be present at the testimonial dinner to your esteemed rabbi, Abba Hillel Silver. Please add my felicitations to your own on this completion of ten years of successful harmonious cooperation.

Our editorial force are quite astonished that a man of his years could find time and strength in conjunction with the care of a large congregation to do such a work of sound scholarship and close thinking as his MESSIANIC SPECULATIONS IN ISRAEL which we now have in press.

Yours very truly,

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I note the entropy of a debie sion of the tenth anniversar of the congretations interest. Hence accept a sincere congretalations upon your fine achievement during these ten years.

In a modern industrial city where issues are necessarily blurred, you seem to have kept your vision clear. I believe that the great influence and leadership which you have gained are due in large part not only to an ability to see the right way clearly, but to a refusal to compromise that vision when it has been opened.

You have been an example of courage to many of us. I am glad that that courage has been made effective by brilliant achievements as a teacher and prophet. I wish you and your congregation many years more of leadership together in the community.

Cordially yours,

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June 26, 1927

Rabbi Abba H. Silver 1485 East 106th Street Cleveland

My dear Rabbi Silver:

It is a great pleasure to join with the many others in congratulating you upon the Tenth Anniversary of your ministry in the city of Cleveland. When we consider the contribution to social welfare that you have made as well as the inspiration which you have given to so many young men and women facing the critical problems of their life work and when we further consider your spirit of tolerance and good will which you have always displayed, all the Protestant ministers feel greatly indebted to you.

May you have many more years of service in the city of Cleveland.

Very cordially yours, lyen

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F · W · RAMSEY 7609 PLATT AVENUE CLEVELAND

May 24, 1927.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

It is a matter of great regret to Mrs. Remsey and me that we cannot attend the testimonial dinner to be given tomorrow night in recognition of your ten years of service in Cleveland.

I telieve sincerely that no one has ever brought, in the space of ten years, greater spiritual enrichment to our city than have you and I am glad to number myself among those who hold you in highest admiration, affection and esteem.

Yours sincerely,

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

#### RABBI JULIUS SILBERFELD 32 INGRAHAM PLACE NEWARK, N. J.

May 13, 1927.

Rabbi A.H.Silver, The Temple, Cléveland,O. My dear Rabbi Silver:-

It is a source of real pleasure to me to accept the kind invitation extended to me to attend the Testimonial Dinner on May 25 in honor of your Tenth Anniversary, and to testify by my presence to my esteem towards you as a man and a great leader and teacher in Israel.I am especially gratified to be able to show in this humble way my appreciation and gratitude for your many kindnesses towards me.

Hoping that this anniversary will but be the inaugural for still greater glories in the future, I remain, with kindest regards to Mrs. Silver from Mrs. Silberfeld and myself.

Sincerely yours,

Julius Litherfeld

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CHARLES P. THWING WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY CLEVELAND

13 May 1927

#### My dear Friends:

I beg to acknowledge, with gratitude, the invitation, for Mrs. Thwing and myself, to come as guests at the Silver testimonial dinner of Wednesday evening, May twenty-fifth.

I am obliged to say, however, that at that time Mrs. Thwing and I are to be in the Northwest.

But my limitations shall not prevent me from sending to you, and, through you, if you please, heartiest greetings, to Rabbi Silver.

In this decade of service, he has become a great power for light and for righteousness. His voice is heard speaking in behalf of the noble forces of the community. To the present decade, may he add yet longer periods of greatest and richest service.

> Believe me Ever yours,

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The Temple Women's Association and The Temple Men's Club, Cleveland.

#### TRINITY CATHEDRAL CLEVELAND

13th. May, 1927

To The Temple Groups:

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your cordial and generous invitation to attend an Annual Meeting and the Testimonial Dinner to your distinguished leader and Pabbi liss before me. For remembering me in your happy and proof horr, I am indeed grateful.

Because an important personal and official duty finds me engaged on the evening of May twentyfifth, I am forced to return the quest did of you so generously enclosed. That though I shall be absent in the flesh, from your formal gathering on the twenty-fifth, I do not wish to be considered absent in the Spirit. My personal admiration for the intellectual accumen, wide human sympathics, and deep spiritual vision of Rabbi Silver move me to desire strongly, to be included in your groups which are tendering him this testimonial dinner in recognition of his ten years' ministry at the Temple.

It is written in your ancient Scripture "If thou be made Master lift not thyself up, but be among them as one of the rest." Does any other noted man in Cleveland heed so well this injunction as does the object of your applause and mine? Is he not in very deed "one of the rest of us": and for that gracious humility of spirit which he manifests do we not cleave to him with true affection?

Sincerely yours, Trancis Atite Dean