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Conference on Technology and Community Vitality,  
correspondence, 1967.



WORTH LOOMIS  
Box 5668  
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44101

February 21, 1967

Dear Rabbi Silver,

My intent as I started to write this letter was to ask you to attend a conference Friday afternoon and Saturday, March 10 and 11, on "Technology and Community Vitality", a rough agenda for which is enclosed. It occurs to me, however, that this is the Sabbath. Rather than not write you at all, let me show that you were very much in our minds. Chuck Chapman, in particular, was also most anxious to have you attend.

I was pleased we could accommodate the Temple classes at Wiley; hope the details will be arranged to your satisfaction.

Sincerely,

*Worth Loomis*

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



February 27, 1967

Mr. Worth Loomis  
Box 5668  
Cleveland, Ohio 44101

Dear Mr. Loomis:

If I may, I should like to attend those parts of the Conference on Technology and Community Vitality which my schedule will permit. If you will take an in-and-out attendee it will be my pleasure to be with you for a good part of the session.

Sincerely yours,

DJS:mgm

Daniel Jeremy Silver





# MEDUSA PORTLAND CEMENT COMPANY

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WORTH LOOMIS  
VICE PRESIDENT - ADMINISTRATION  
AND SECRETARY

March 3, 1967

Rabbi Donald J. Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle & Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

We are delighted that you will attend the Conference on "Technology and Community Vitality", being held at the Hospitality Motor Inn from 6:00 P.M. Friday, March 10, until 4:00 P.M., Saturday, March 11. A reservation has been made in your name, although I must now confess the conference will be on a Dutch Treat basis.

Later we will send you Boulding and Clark's "Human Values on The Spaceship Earth" which is required reading for the 30 or so participants.

Sincerely,

WORTH LOOMIS

WL/m

*I'll call you about the "in and out" problem.*





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March 7, 1967

Rabbi Donald J. Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle & Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Enclosed is a memorandum that explains in further detail the Conference that we have planned for March 10 and 11. Also enclosed are background materials which describe the cultural setting out of which the theme of the Conference was derived. It is hoped that all participants will have read this material prior to the Conference.

The list of participants is developing as we had hoped. This gives us assurance of a very substantial and worthwhile Conference, which we feel will have a salutary effect on our community.

We of the committee appreciate your taking the time to participate with us and feel confident that we will all derive considerable benefit from it.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Chapman  
Chairman, Planning Committee

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Topic: Technology and Community Vitality.

Definition: By technology, we mean the effect of the new science that is increasingly available throughout society and economy. We will re-examine community goals, planning, and leadership in the light of this new technology.

The Issue: *The lack of community vitality in Cleveland.*

The Broad Question: How can we utilize the new technology in the goals, planning, and leadership necessary to make community vitality a fact?

Within this broad concept, we will focus on three key questions:

1. What is the nature and cause of the lack of community vitality in Cleveland?
2. What viable proposals can we make for generating community vitality?
3. How can we develop a coalition for action among Industry, Labor, and the Public?



Program Outline for Conference on "Technology and Community Vitality"  
March 10-11, 1967  
Hospitality Motor Inn, 6051 SCM Center Rd.

20-25 participants

Copy to Bob Little - 1/6  
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" " J.W. Reavis - 2/6  
" " W.W. Brown - 2/6  
Rochi Silver  
Paul Kogen  
Ralph Gibson

Friday, March 10

6:30 P.M. - Arrival, cocktails Chairman: Chuck Chapman - com. college  
7:00 P.M. - Dinner Moderator:  
7:45 P.M. - Speaker from National Committee L.R. Mogley IBM Director of Education, (firm)  
8:15 P.M. - Break  
8:30 P.M. - Session I

What is the nature and cause of the problem of planning in Cleveland?

- 1) Why is it a human value or ethical issue?
- 2) How is advancing technology a factor?
- 3) Where and what are some of its chief manifestations in the community?
- 4) How widely is the problem recognized and understood?  
How much is known about it?

Two talks on "The Situation and the Problem" by local speakers (15 min. each)

Speakers: 1 - Don Carmichael - (firm)  
2 - Elmer Lindseth, ?

Moderator:

9:00 P.M. - Discussion to involve the conference participants in the problem.  
10:15 P.M. - Summary of the problem.

Saturday, March 11

9:00 A.M. - Session II

What are some viable proposals for dealing with the problem?

- 1) To what extent can technology itself be an element in a solution?
- 2) What solutions are offered? Their advantages? Their disadvantages?
- 3) What solutions seem best? Why?

Panel of 3 or 4 members to dialogue on topic.

Panel Members: 1 - Robt Morse (firm)  
2 - Abe Silverstein (firm)  
3 -  
34 - Melvin Kranzberg (firm)

10:00 A.M. - Coffee Break

10:30 A.M. - Full Discussion by conference participants.

12:00 Noon - Lunch

12:30 P.M. - Address: "Social Change Agents: Factors and Forces in Social Change" Speaker: Dr. J. A. Morton (firm)



1:00 P.M. - Session III

What can be done and who should do it?

- 1) Where is more information needed? What areas need more exploration? What steps can be taken to get action?
- 2) What resources for dealing with the problem are available, both within and outside the community?
- 3) What should we plan to do together? What can we do in and through the groups and organizations of which we are members? Other suggestions?
- 4) Where and how shall we begin?

Three ten minute talks on "What this says to:

- a. those responsible for the expanding use of technology in this community;
- b. those in business, education, labor, or government;
- c. the churches."

Speakers: 1 - Carl Stokes?  
2 - Howard Klein (firm)  
3 - W. A. Lammie (firm)  
4 - Sam Pollock (firm)

1:30 P.M. - Full discussion, pointed toward clarification of what this conference could lead into.

3:30 P.M. - Closing summary.

4:00 P.M. - Adjourn



Participants in Conference on "Technology and Community Vitality"

1. Branch, The Rev. Emanuel, Jr.\*- Pastor Antioch Baptist Church and Vice President of the NAACP.
2. Briggs, Dr. Paul W. - Superintendent of Schools for the City of Cleveland.
3. Burt, The Rt. Rev. John H. - Bishop Coajutor of the Diocese of Ohio
4. Carmichael, Mr. Donald - Attorney
5. Chapman, Dr. Charles E.\*- President, Cuyahoga Community College
6. Clausen, Mr. Barton R. - Director of Community Development for City of Cleveland
7. Clement, Dr. Kenneth W. - Physician
8. Craggett, Mrs. Daisy - Acting Director of Community Action for Youth
9. Elwell, The Rev. Clarence E. - Auxiliary Bishop, Vicar General, School Superintendent of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland.
10. Gardner, Mr. Bertram E. - Director Community Relations Board City of Cleveland.
11. Gibbon, Mr. Ralph H. - Attorney, Squire, Sanders, & Dempsey
12. Gorman, Mr. Frank - Cuyahoga County Commissioner
13. Hall, Dr. Cameron P. - Special Project Director, Commission on the Church and Economic Life, National Council of Churches.
14. Herzog, Mr. George R.\*- Retired Chairman of the Board of Union Commerce Bank.
15. Jackson, Mr. Leo - Councilman from Ward 24 and Chairman of the Urban Renewal Committee of the City Council.
16. Klein, Mr. Howard - President of the Burrows Co., and Chairman of the City Planning Commission.
17. Kranzberg, Dr. Melvin\*- Prof. of History, Case Institute of Technology.
18. Little, Mr. Robert A. - Architect, Little & Dalton & Associates.
19. Loomis, Mr. Worth\*- Vice President - Administration and Secretary of the Medusa-Portland Cement Co.
20. McCullough, Mr. W. T. - Executive Director, The Welfare Federation of Cleveland.
21. Mobley, Mr. Louis R. - Manager of Education and Development, International Business Machines.
22. Morse, Dr. Robert W. - President, Case Institute of Technology.
23. Norton, Dr. James A. - President, Greater Cleveland Associated Foundation.
24. O'Malley, Mr. Patrick - President, Cleveland AFL-CIO.



25. Pennybacker, The Rev. Albert M. - Pastor, Heights Christian Church.
26. Pollock, Mr. Sam \* - President of Meat Cutters' District Union #427.
27. Princiotto, Mr. Ted - Night Managing Editor, The Plain Dealer.
28. Randall, Mrs. Everett H.\*- Director of Occupational Planning, The Welfare Federation of Cleveland.
29. Silver, Rabbi Daniel - The Temple
30. Silverstein, Dr. Abe - Director of NASA.
31. Spahr, Mr. Charles - Chairman of the Board of SOHIO.
32. Swan, Mr. Harold\*- Business Representative, District 54, International Association of Machinists.
33. Taft, Mr. Seth C. - Attorney, Jones-Day, Cockley & Reavis.
34. Tullis, Mr. Richard - President of Harris-Intertype Corp.
35. Unger, Mr. Paul A. - Chairman of the Cleveland Subcommittee of the Ohio State Advisory Com. to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.
36. Ufford, Mr. Charles W.\* - Director of Industrial Relations, Warner & Swasey Co.
37. Vincent, Mr. Sidney Z - Executive Director, The Jewish Community Federation.
38. Voelkel, The Rev. William R.\*- Director Commission on Ecumenical Education, Council of Churches of Greater Cleveland.

\* Members of the Planning Committee.



MEMORANDUM TO

Participants in Conference on  
*Technology and Community Vitality*

We have an unusual opportunity to examine the impact of technology on human values in the Cleveland community. Along with twenty other major urban centers in the country, Cleveland has been asked by the National Council of Churches to participate in a special project on "Human Values in a Society of Advancing Technology." In order to focus on the issue in our community, the Council of Churches of Greater Cleveland selected a lay committee, whose names appear below, to bring together thirty key leaders for dialogue and reflection upon the above subject.

The objectives of the Conference are threefold:

1. To promote among church and community leaders understanding, insights, and concern for human value issues resulting from advancing technology that will lead to continuing study and informed action.
2. To provide an occasion whereby key decision-makers of influence upon the community may dialogue with each other in a setting that is conducive to mutual understanding and continuing concern.
3. To provide an opportunity for the church to listen to the world of advancing technology in which its members are daily involved.

The Planning Committee has met for several months and presents the following agenda:

CONFERENCE  
THEME

*Technology and Community Vitality*

DEFINITION

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ISSUE

The lack of community vitality in Cleveland

THE  
BROAD  
QUESTION

How can we utilize the new technology in the goals, planning, and leadership necessary to make community vitality a fact?

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2. *What viable proposals can we make for generating community vitality?*
3. *How can we develop a coalition for action among INDUSTRY, LABOR, and the PUBLIC?*



The Conference begins at 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 10, with dinner being served at 7:00 p.m. It will conclude at 4:00 p.m. Saturday, March 11. We will be staying at the Hospitality Motor Inn, 6501 SOM Center Road, for the entire Conference.

Our keynote speaker is Mr. L. R. Mobley, manager of education and development for International Business Machines, who will kick off the Conference on Friday evening and remain as a resource person. Other speakers and panelists will include:

Mr. Donald Carmichael, attorney

Dr. Kenneth Clement, surgeon

Mr. Howard Klein, president, The Burrows Bros. Company, Inc.

Dr. Melvin Kranzberg, professor of history, Case Institute of Technology

Mr. Worth Loomis, secretary, Medusa Portland Cement Co.

Dr. Robert W. Morse, president, Case Institute of Technology

Dr. James A. Norton, president, Greater Cleveland Associated Foundation

Mr. Sam Pollock, president, Meat Cutters Union #427

Dr. Abe Silverstein, director, National Aeronautics and Space Administration

Mr. Richard Tullis, president, Harris-Intertype Corporation

Panels will be moderated by Mr. Charles Ufford, director, Industrial Relations, Warner & Swasey Company.

The cost of the Conference will be the room and board at the motel and will be "Dutch treat."

We will be looking forward to seeing you at the Conference.

The Planning Committee:

Dr. Charles Chapman, chairman

The Rev. Emanuel Branch

Mr. George Herzog

Dr. Melvin Kranzberg

Mr. Worth Loomis

Mr. Sam Pollock

Mrs. Helen Randall

Mr. Harold Swan

Mr. Charles Ufford

The Rev. William Voelkel

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