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Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library,  
correspondence, articles of incorporation, and legal agreements,  
1963-1992.

August 23, 1972

Mr. Norman A. Sugarman  
Baker, Hostetler & Patterson  
Union Commerce Building  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Norm:

The Articles of Incorporation of Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library are perfectly satisfactory. I presume your office will prepare the necessary forms or are we to sign the ones that you mailed? Who is to sign?

Again, I cannot say how deeply grateful I am for your help and courtesies in this matter.

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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*Endowment*

*F.Y.I.*

Mr. Ray Champa  
Morton Soss & Associates  
636 Terminal Tower Building  
Cleveland, Ohio 44113

Re: The Temple --  
A. H. Silver Charitable & Educational Fund

Dear Ray:

In connection with the returns you are to prepare for the above charitable and educational fund, I enclose herewith copies of the agreement between the Fund and The Temple for the transfer of the assets of the Fund and the action of the Executive Committee of The Temple approving the acceptance of the Fund by The Temple.

Very truly yours,

*Norman A. Sugarman*  
Norman A. Sugarman

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Enclosures

cc: Leo S. Bamberger

The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Gentlemen:

The undersigned are all of the Trustees of The Abba Hillel Silver Charitable and Educational Fund, a Trust established under date of December 26, 1952 (hereinafter referred to as the "Trust"). The Trustees have determined that the purposes of the Trust will be better served by transferring all of the assets thereof to The Temple to be held and administered as a Fund of The Temple in accordance with the terms of transfer as set forth in this letter. Accordingly, there is hereby transferred and delivered to The Temple (Tifereth Israel Congregation) all of the assets of the Trust as listed in Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof upon acceptance by The Temple of said transfer and of the following terms and conditions:

1. A fund shall be established on the book of The Temple which shall be known as The Abba Hillel Silver Charitable and Educational Fund ("the Fund").
2. The Fund shall include the property this day received from said Trustees, such property as may from time to time be transferred to The Temple by the donors for inclusion in the Fund, such property as may from time to time be received by The Temple from any other source and accepted by it for inclusion in the Fund, and all income from the foregoing property.
3. The Fund shall be the property of The Temple held by it in its normal corporate capacity; it shall not be deemed a trust fund held by it in a trustee capacity. The Temple in its normal corporate capacity shall have the ultimate authority and control over all property in the Fund, and the income derived therefrom, for the charitable, educational and religious purposes of The Temple.
4. The Fund shall be used only for charitable, educational or religious purposes (or any combination of such purpose) within the purposes of The Temple, either directly or by contributions to other organizations for such purpose or purposes.

5. Subject to the limitations otherwise provided herein, the income or principal or both of the Fund shall be distributed at such time, in such amounts, in such ways, and for such charitable, educational or religious purposes (or any combination of such purposes) as the Rabbi of The Temple shall determine in his capacity as a spiritual leader of The Temple. It is intended that the Fund shall remain as a permanent memorial to the late Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and shall be available for use by the Rabbi of The Temple in furthering the purposes of The Temple including the support of programs and projects which are not provided for in funds otherwise normally available to The Temple.
6. It is further intended that the Fund shall be a component part of The Temple and not a separate trust, and that nothing in this Agreement shall affect the status of The Temple as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and as an organization which is not a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the Code. This Agreement shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with the foregoing intention and so as to conform to the requirements of the foregoing provisions of the federal tax laws and any regulations issued pursuant thereto. The Temple is authorized to amend this Agreement to conform to the provisions of any applicable law or government regulation in order to carry out the foregoing intention. References herein to provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 shall be deemed references to the corresponding provisions of any future Internal Revenue Code.

Kindly indicate below your acceptance of the property described in Schedule A and of the foregoing terms and conditions.

Very truly yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER CHARITABLE AND  
EDUCATIONAL FUND

By S. Y. Friedman Trustee  
S. Y. Friedman

By Bertram J. Krohngold Trustee  
Bertram J. Krohngold

By Daniel Jeremy Silver Trustee  
Daniel Jeremy Silver

Accepted this 18th day of February, 1973. Receipt of the above described property on this date is acknowledged.

THE TEMPLE

By Max J. Eisner  
Max J. Eisner, President



UNANIMOUS ACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TEMPLE

The undersigned, being all of the members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of The Temple, do hereby adopt by unanimous consent the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, The Abba Hillel Silver Charitable And Educational Fund (hereinafter "Trust") was established through contributions from various members of The Temple in 1952 to honor the late Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and to provide a fund which could be used for charitable, educational and religious purposes as the Trustees of the Trust, including the Rabbi of The Temple, may determine; and

WHEREAS, the current Trustees of the Trust have advised the officers of The Temple that, by reason of changes in the Federal tax laws, the operation of the Trust as a separate trust has become unduly burdensome and that they, the Trustees, have determined that the purposes of the Trust will be better served by transferring all of the assets thereof to The Temple to be held and administered as a Fund of The Temple; and

WHEREAS, there has been presented to the Executive Committee a proposed letter of transfer from the Trustees of the Trust providing for the transfer of the assets of the Trust to The Temple and the establishment of The Abba Hillel Silver Charitable And Educational Fund as a fund of The Temple; and

WHEREAS, establishment of such a Fund is consistent with the purposes of The Temple and the terms and conditions for transfer of the assets of the Trust to The Temple for the establishment of such Fund are within the purposes and authority of The Temple;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- (1) On behalf of The Temple, the assets of the Trust are hereby accepted in accordance with the terms and conditions of the aforesaid letter of transfer from the Trustees of the Trust.
- (2) The President of The Temple is authorized to execute said letter of transfer to The Temple.



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May 24, 1974

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle and Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Re: Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library

Dear Rabbi:

As you know, I have been considering for some time the posture of The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library from the standpoint of its legal and tax status. The matter is confused because it appears that at one time Articles of a not-for-profit corporation were filed but there has been little or no activities giving substance to the corporation. In particular, it appears there was never any attempt to qualify the corporation as a tax exempt organization under the federal tax laws. It is my understanding that the financial reports of The Temple treat the funds contributed to The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library as part of the funds of The Temple. It is my recommendation that the record in this matter be clarified so that it is clear that such funds do not belong to a separate entity. At the same time, certain interests of your family in the properties which were contributed and which constitute the physical portions of the Archives and Library should be protected.

With this in mind I prepared two documents, one clarifying the status of the gifts which were made to the Archives and Library and the other protecting and releasing the persons who apparently constituted the Board of Trustees of the corporation for which Articles were filed.

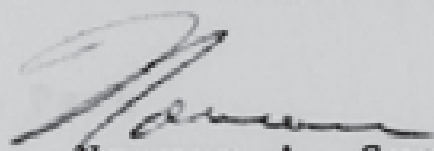
I am sending the enclosed papers to you, Bud Eisner and Frank Joseph, Jr. with the view that we should all get together and discuss this matter and determine whether the approach indicated by the attached papers is acceptable. There may be other aspects of this matter of which I am not aware and which will require additional action; but at least I believe the enclosed papers are a proper start and I shall be glad to discuss them farther with you.

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Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
May 24, 1974

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If agreeable with you, may I suggest that you or Bud Eisner arrange a meeting at a convenient time at which this can be discussed. I shall be glad to meet at someone's home during an evening or invite all of you to be my guests at lunch at The Mid-Day Club.

Very truly yours,



Norman A. Sugarman

42:10D  
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Max J. Eisner  
Frank Joseph, Jr.



Very truly yours,



Norman A. Sugarman

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cc: Mr. J. Eisner  
Frank Joseph, Jr.



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July 23, 1974

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle and Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

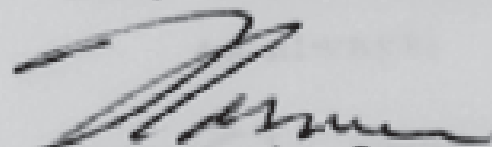
Re: Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library

Dear Rabbi:

When we last met and reviewed the papers I had prepared regarding the Archives and Library, you indicated that the documents were satisfactory except that you would like to have it made clear that the funds received and to be received for The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library shall be kept and used solely for the purposes of the Archives and Library and not for other purposes. In accordance with this suggestion, I have revised section 4 of the proposed agreement between the members of your family and The Temple. I have also changed the last paragraph of the other agreement, with Bert Krohngold et al, so that the Committee for the Archives and Fund can be shrunk to a manageable size for this purpose and changes can be made as needed. You, of course, would continue on the Committee. I trust this is now satisfactory.

I have also made a few other mechanical changes in the enclosed proposed agreements. I am sending copies also to Bud Eisner and Frank Joseph, Jr. for their review so that we will be in a position to act on this matter if the papers meet with the approval of the three of you.

Very truly yours,

  
Norman A. Sugarman

42:jk  
Encls.

cc: Max J. Eisner  
Frank Joseph, Jr.



# The Temple

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER - RABBI

MAX ROTH  
STUART GELLER  
Associate Rabbis

LEO S. BAMBERGER  
Executive Secretary

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August 14, 1974

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*Mail back to Dan*

Mr. Raphael Silver  
Midwestern Land Development Co.  
540 Madison Ave. - 33rd Floor  
New York, N. Y. 10022

Dear Ray:

I am delighted that you are home. Mother tells me your trip was a great success. I look forward to hearing about it.

Due to various changes in the laws governing foundations - particularly laws governing the contributions of foundations - it has become necessary to readjust the Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library to represent the library as part of the Temple for bookkeeping purposes. This will not affect the control of the Foundation or the treatment of the Archives by its own managing Board - which will be the present Board. I would like you to look over the enclosed and if you see fit to sign them. If not, please return them to me with any suggestions or commendations you might wish to have made.

We are all well. Sarah is in Colorado at camp. Michael is in Birmingham visiting his grandparents. Jonathan leaves tomorrow morning for a canoe trip in Canada and a High School camping program. We will have a week to ourselves before the clan begins to gather again.

As always,

  
Daniel Jeremy Silver

DJS:mp

Encl.

Our 125th Anniversary Year

August 29, 1974

Mr. Norman A. Sugarman  
Baker, Hostetler & Patterson  
Union Commerce Building  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Norm:

I checked out the material with Raphael and it is agreeable with him. In fact, I have his signature. Do you want me to proceed and get the signature of all the people on our Board individually or do we have to have a meeting?

Are the documents in my hand appropriate or do we have to type up new ones?

What additional documents are necessary and should they be written now?

With all good wishes and many thanks I remain

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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October 2, 1974

Mr. Morton Soss  
Morton Soss & Associates  
636 Terminal Tower Building  
Public Square  
Cleveland, Ohio 44113

Re: The Temple

Dear Mort:

Enclosed are copies of documents which I prepared and which have been fully executed making clear that The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library is a part of The Temple. I am sending these papers to you so that in connection with your accounting and auditing work for The Temple, you can see that the accounts are properly set up and maintained so that the assets and funds involved are properly reflected as those of The Temple.

The enclosed documents were approved by the Board at its meeting on September 10, 1974. Leo Bamberger, of course, can furnish you with further information with regard to these matters.

Very truly yours,

  
Norman A. Sugarman

42:10D  
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Max J. Eisner  
Rabbi Silver  
Mr. Leo Bamberger

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October 2, 1974

*Endowment Fund*

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cc: Mr. Max J. Eisner  
Rabbi Silver  
Mr. Leo Bamberger



A G R E E M E N T

THIS AGREEMENT is made this 10th day of September, 1974 by VIRGINIA H. SILVER, DANIEL JEREMY SILVER AND RAPHAEL D. SILVER (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Grantors"), TIFFERETH ISRAEL SOCIETY, a not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio (hereinafter referred to as "The Temple"), and "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library", as more fully described below:

WHEREAS, The Temple has established The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library Fund to which contributions have been received from Grantors and from other persons for the purpose of maintaining an Archives and Library in honor of the late Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Rabbi of The Temple;

WHEREAS, there has been constructed at the main premises of The Temple at East 105th Street and Silver Park, Cleveland, Ohio, and maintained by The Temple, facilities designed as The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library which facilities house various materials of and items commemorating the late Dr. Abba Hillel Silver;

WHEREAS, Grantors under date of June 26, 1966 took action relating to the conveyance of certain personal property, to-wit:

All of the lectures, addresses, scrapbooks, correspondence, manuscripts and other written or printed memoranda and material of the late Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, all of which personal property is now in the possession of the Grantee,

to be held by "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Library and Archives", which was described in the instrument of grant as "an Ohio corporation not-for-profit", although in fact a corporation with that name was not created;

WHEREAS, the form of such instrument does not correctly set forth the intention and understanding of the parties;

WHEREAS, the parties desire to correct such instrument and to set forth the true intent and understanding of the parties as to the said conveyance; and

WHEREAS, "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library" was the name given to a not-for-profit corporation which was incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio as a nominee for The Temple and which was not activated as an entity separate from and independent of The Temple;

NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF the premises and for other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. The instrument of June 26, 1966 is hereby corrected, restated and ratified, in the following respect: All personal property conveyed by the instrument of transfer dated June 26, 1965 by the Grantors has been, is and shall be recognized as a conveyance to and for the benefit of The Temple to have and to hold for the purposes and uses of The Temple.

2. "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library" and "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Library and Archives" have since inception been, and are, the same as The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library and as such have been, and are a part of The Temple, and actions, if any, by and under the name thereof in corporate form have been, are and will be for and on behalf of The Temple. The Temple has assumed and does hereby confirm the assumption by it of the responsibility for "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library" and recognizes that any action purporting to have been exercised by "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library" in corporation form is for or on behalf of The Temple and The Temple will continue to undertake to carry out any contractual or other responsibilities of "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library."

3. The Temple hereby agrees that, if The Temple or its successors should ever sell, abandon or destroy the premises at East 105th Street and Silver Park or remove or cause to remove therefrom the contents of the facilities in said premises known as The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library, any disposition or relocation of said personal property will be solely to another location or locations so as to preserve said personal property for library and archival use and as a memorial to the late Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and prior to any agreement or action involving a commitment so to remove said personal property, the proper officers of The Temple will confer with the Grantors and obtain the approval of them, or of such of them as survive, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

4. The Temple further agrees that all sums contributed to The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library or to The Temple for the support or maintenance of said Archives and Library shall be maintained by The Temple as "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library Fund", which shall be a separate Fund to be administered and used solely for the purpose of maintaining said Archives and Library as long as the same shall continue to be part of the facilities, property or assets of The Temple and thereafter as a suitable memorial for the late Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver under the auspices of The Temple. The foregoing limitation is not intended to create a separate trust but rather a restricted fund of The Temple.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed this Agreement at Cleveland, Ohio this 10th day of September, 1974.

Signed in the presence of:

Harman A. Silverman

GRANTORS

Virginia H. Silver  
Virginia H. Silver

Daniel Jeremy Silver  
Daniel Jeremy Silver

Raphael D. Silver  
Raphael D. Silver

THE TEMPLE

By Chas. J. Egan  
By Edw. H. Hyde

THE ABBA HILLEL SILVER MEMORIAL  
LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES

By Bertalan Krahingrad  
By Leo S. Bamberger



A G R E E M E N T

THIS AGREEMENT is made this 10th day of September 1974 by DANIEL JEREMY SILVER, RAPHAEL D. SILVER, BERTRAM J. KROHNGOLD, LEO W. NEUMARK, ABE M. LUNTZ and SAM M. FRIEDMAN, hereinafter referred to collectively as "Individuals", and TIFFERETH ISRAEL SOCIETY, a not-for-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Ohio, hereinafter referred to as "The Temple";

WHEREAS, the Individuals were designated as Trustees of "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library", as a not-for-profit corporation;

WHEREAS, The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library has been established in and as part of The Temple at East 105th Street and Silver Park, Cleveland, Ohio;

WHEREAS, said Individuals were acting for or on behalf of and for the benefit of The Temple in accepting appointment as said "Trustees"; and in fact "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library" was not operated as a separate entity, but has been since its inception, and is, The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library and as such was and continues to be part of The Temple;

NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF the premises and for other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. The acts of the Trustees of "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library" were for and on behalf of The Temple and The Temple assumes responsibility for any such acts, including

contracts made by said Trustees on behalf of "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library."

2. All assets of said Archives and Library are beneficially owned by The Temple, and said Individuals and The Temple will execute such additional documents as may be necessary or appropriate to properly reflect said ownership.

3. Said Individuals or such of them and others as shall be appointed with the approval of the Board of Trustees of The Temple shall serve as a Managing Committee for The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library and The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library Fund of the Temple, and shall adopt all needful rules for such purposes, subject to the ultimate authority of the Board of Trustees of The Temple.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed this Agreement this 10th day of September, 1974 at Cleveland, Ohio.

Daniel Jeremy Silver  
Daniel Jeremy Silver

Raphael D. Silver  
Raphael D. Silver

Bertram J. Krohngold  
Bertram J. Krohngold

Leo Neumark  
Leo Neumark

Abe M. Luntz  
Abe M. Luntz

Sam M. Friedman  
Sam M. Friedman

THE TEMPLE

By [Signature]  
By [Signature]

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October 2, 1974

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle & Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Re: The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library

Dear Rabbi:

I am enclosing herewith a fully executed copy of the Agreement between you and your mother and brother and The Temple relating to the above matter. This is for your personal records. I am also enclosing a xerox copy of the same document should you care to share one with the other members of your family.

By carbon copy of this letter I am sending to Leo Bamberger for the records of The Temple a fully executed copy of the same document and a xerox copy of the same. These documents are all dated September 10, 1974.

I am also enclosing for your information a xerox copy of the Agreement of the same date between the former Trustees of "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library" corporation and The Temple. By copy of this letter I am transmitting duplicate originals of this same document to Leo Bamberger for the records of The Temple.

It is important, of course, that the financial and accounting records of The Temple properly reflect that the assets and funds involved are a part of The Temple and do not belong to a separate entity. Accordingly, I am sending copies of the documents to the accountant for The Temple so that he is fully informed for this purpose.

I believe that this winds up this matter. However, I still have some papers that were furnished to me by way of background, which I shall turn over to Leo in due course to keep in the records of The Temple.

Very truly yours,

Norman A. Sugarman

42:10D

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Max J. Eisner  
Mr. Leo Bamberger

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Herman A. Silverman

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THE TEMPLE

By Max J. Eisen  
By John H. Lyle

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William A. Ferguson

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THE TEMPLE

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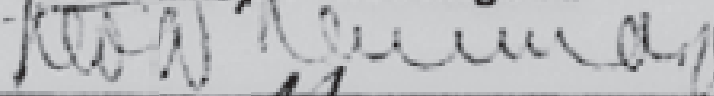
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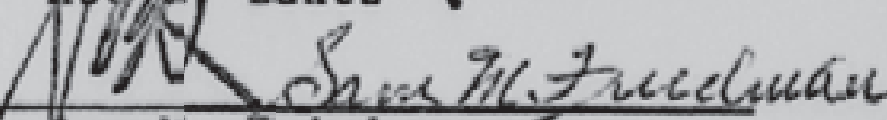
  
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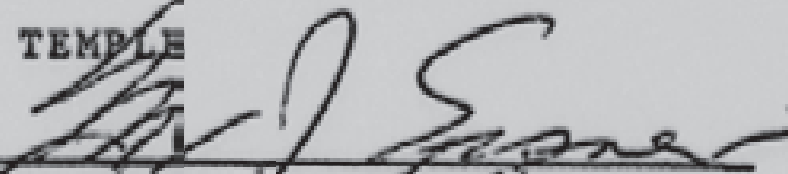
  
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Abe M. Lantz

  
Sam M. Friedman

THE TEMPLE

By 

By 

October 4, 1974

Mr. Norman A. Sugarman  
Baker, Hostetler & Patterson  
Union Commerce Bldg.  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Norman:

I am deeply grateful to you for the patient care with which you handled the matter of the Archives and Library. I know this was a labor of love and I appreciate your keeping us abreast of all the changes and reshapings that needed to be done. With all good wishes and many thanks I remain

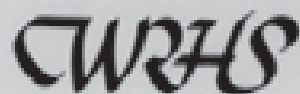
Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

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*[Signature]*  
Scott Cline  
Archivist  
Cleveland Jewish Archives



THE WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

10825 EAST BOULEVARD / CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106 / (216) 721-5722

August 9, 1984

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
26000 Shaker Blvd.  
Beachwood, Ohio 44122

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Not long ago I had the great pleasure of visiting the Abba Hillel Silver Archives. I was impressed by the scope and apparent completeness of the collection. I obviously need not tell you as a rabbi and historian how important your father's papers are.

I am compelled, however, to comment upon the general condition of the Silver Archives. Although the arrangement of the papers is certainly adequate, the present storage leaves me concerned for their safety. In particular, the correspondence which is really the heart of the collection is located in an area where it could suffer disastrous water damage. More to the point, the papers need to be properly preserved including their arrangement in acid free folders and boxes and storage in an environmentally controlled space. Additionally, their importance calls for microfilming.

Obviously, undertaking a project like that stated above is not to be considered lightly, particularly while Marc Raphael is working on the Silver biography. I am writing this letter only to provide a professional archivist's opinion concerning a valuable collection. Clearly, I would be ecstatic if you decided to house the papers in the Cleveland Jewish Archives, where I am convinced it would receive the best of care. However, this letter is not meant to be self-serving. My concern is the preservation of the papers and I would welcome the news of their donation to a recognized and reputable archival institution whether it is the Historical Society, Harvard, the Zionist Archives or any one of the body of archives that would accept the papers.

I hope you will accept this letter in the spirit of our mutual love for Jewish history and desire for its continual preservation. I would be pleased to discuss this matter further at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Scott Cline

Archivist

Cleveland Jewish Archives

August 16, 1994

Mr. Scott Cline, Archivist  
Cleveland Jewish Archives  
The Western Reserve Historical Society  
10325 East Boulevard  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Mr. Cline:

I appreciate the thoughtfulness of your letter of August 9. Many of the issues that you raise are issues that have been of concern to me and others.

If and when we get to the point when we are prepared to take some action I hope you will be agreeable to sitting with us and providing some guidance.

Again, many many thanks.

Sincerely,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

DJS:mp

~~Scott Cline~~



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TO: HONORABLE  
JUDITH S. LEVINE  
ATTORNEY GENERAL  
NEW YORK STATE  
ALBANY, N.Y.

October 3, 1974

*Chas. M. Evans*

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: RABBI DANIEL J. SILVER

FROM: CHAS. M. EVANS

DATE: AUGUST 15, 1984

SUBJECT: ABBA HILLEL SILVER MEMORIAL ARCHIVES FUND

During our recent meeting you asked for copies of correspondence on the Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library.

I am enclosing information which I had in my Temple Audit file.



Very truly yours,

*Chas. M. Evans*

CME:mmk  
encl.

cc: Mr. Max J. Silver  
Rabbi Silver  
Mr. Leo Richberger

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October 2, 1974

*Endowment Fund*

Mr. Morton Soss  
Morton Soss & Associates  
636 Terminal Tower Building  
Public Square  
Cleveland, Ohio 44113

Re: The Temple

Dear Mort:

Enclosed are copies of documents which I prepared and which have been fully executed making clear that The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library is a part of The Temple. I am sending these papers to you so that in connection with your accounting and auditing work for The Temple, you can see that the accounts are properly set up and maintained so that the assets and funds involved are properly reflected as those of The Temple.

The enclosed documents were approved by the Board at its meeting on September 10, 1974. Leo Bamberger, of course, can furnish you with further information with regard to these matters.

Very truly yours,

*[Signature]*  
Norman A. Sugarman

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. Max J. Eisner  
Rabbi Silver  
Mr. Leo Bamberger

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Leo Neumark  
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Abbe M. Luntz  
Abbe M. Luntz

Sam H. Friedman  
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By [Signature]



FREDERICK C. LEHTZ  
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OHIO  
SECRETARY OF STATE



JAMES R. MARSH  
Asst. Secretary of State

LEE E. WURSTER  
Elections Counsel

TED W. BROWN  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
COLUMBUS, OHIO 43216

May 13, 1976

Daniel Jeremy Silver  
2841 Weybridge Road  
Cleveland, Ohio 44120

Re: THE ABBA HILLEL SILVER MEMORIAL ARCHIVES  
AND LIBRARY

Gentlemen:

Ohio law requires each non-profit corporation to file a Statement of Continued Existence with the Secretary of State "within each five years after the date of incorporation or of the last corporate filing." The filing fee is \$1.00. If the corporation fails to file the statement, the law requires that the Secretary of State "shall cancel the articles of such corporation."

Our records indicate that the above named corporation has not filed its Statement within the required time. Notice is hereby given that unless the Statement is filed within 21 days from the date of this notice, the corporate charter will be cancelled. The appropriate form has been enclosed for your convenience.

Very truly yours,

JAMES R. MARSH  
Assistant Secretary of State

JRM/rb

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May 28, 1976

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
26000 Shaker Blvd.  
Beachwood, Ohio 44122

Re: The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library

Dear Rabbi:

This is in response to your request that I review the letter of May 13, 1976 addressed to you from the Assistant Secretary of State.

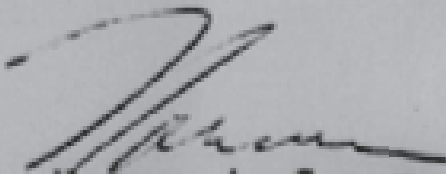
The letter indicates that unless The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library files a Statement of Continued Existence with the Secretary of State, its articles of incorporation will be canceled.

You will recall that we reviewed the status of the Silver Memorial Archives and Library in 1974 and reached the conclusion that the formation of the Silver Memorial Archives and Library as a separate corporation was a mistake, which had never been implemented and that the Archives and Library should be a part of The Temple and not a separate corporation. All of this was reflected in several documents, including an Agreement with The Temple, giving your family certain privileges with regard to consultation in the event there should be any action which might lead to a removal of the Archives and Library.

Under the circumstances, I recommend you do nothing in response to the letter of May 13, 1976. Our basic position is that the corporation has never been used and, therefore, the articles may as well be canceled.

I am returning the papers that you sent to me.

Very truly yours,

  
Norman A. Sugarman

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Daniel Jeremy Silver  
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June 14, 1976

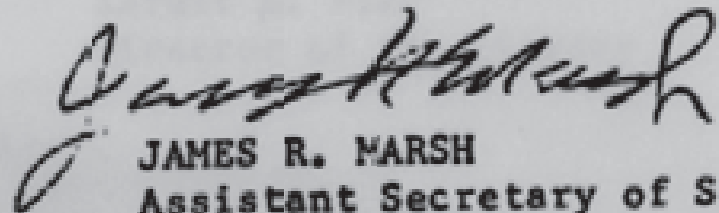
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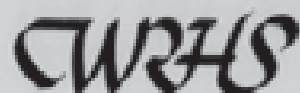
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 1702.59 of the Ohio Revised Code that the articles of the above named corporation have been cancelled for failure to file a Statement of Continued Existence as required by law.

A non-profit corporation whose articles have been cancelled may be reinstated by filing an application for reinstatement and a fee of \$10.00. Forms may be obtained from this office upon request.

Very truly yours,

  
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JRM/kh



THE WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

10825 EAST BOULEVARD/CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106/(216) 721-5722

December 2, 1989

Mrs. Daniel J. Silver  
2841 Weybridge Road  
Cleveland, OH 44120

Dear Adele:

I've recently been in conversation with staff at the Jewish Community Federation concerning the Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver papers. They asked me to bring them up to date on this matter, which, as you may recall, I have been interested in for many years.

Enclosed is a copy of our memorandum of understanding with the Temple as well as a budget for this project that we have developed. Our next step is to raise the funds that are needed to implement this program. The development staff at federation as well as the people at our society are really quite excited about this project and think it will be a tremendous contribution to scholarship and an excellent way of assuring the permanent preservation of and accessibility to the Silver papers.

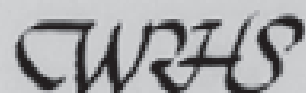
I'd be happy to answer any questions you may have and to entertain any comments or suggestions you might care to make.

Sincerely,

Kermit J. Pike  
Director of the Library

KJP/jlm





# THE WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

10825 EAST BOULEVARD / CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106 / (216) 721-5722

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
THE WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
AND  
THE TEMPLE  
CONCERNING THE PREPARATION OF THE MICROFILM EDITION  
OF THE RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER PAPERS

The Western Reserve Historical Society (hereinafter the Society) and The Temple being mutually interested in the preservation of the Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Papers (hereinafter the Silver Papers) agree that this collection should be microfilmed. Therefore, the Society and the Temple agree to the following arrangements; contingent upon the issuing of adequate funds as specified in paragraph 5 below:

1. The microfilming of the Silver Papers and all preparations for microfilming will be undertaken in the library of the Society under the supervision of the library personnel.
2. The transportation of the Silver Papers from the Temple to the Society and back to the Temple shall be the responsibility of the Society, but will be undertaken with the cooperation of the Temple librarian.
3. The microfilming of the Silver Papers will include the following specific procedures:
  - a. Reprocessing of the collection to insure a logical and systematic order of the papers before microfilming and placement of the papers in archival quality folders.
  - b. Targeting of the papers to meet currently accepted standards for archival microfilm.
  - c. Preparation of a 35mm roll microfilm master negative of the Silver Papers that will meet current national standards for resolution, density, and residual chemistry on the negative.
  - d. Preparation of two positive copies of the master negative: one for the Society's library and one for the Temple.
  - e. Preparation of a guide to the microfilm edition of the Silver Papers. This guide is to include a folder by folder description of the collection and such appendices as deemed appropriate to convey the research potential of the collection.

4. The Society will make copies of the microfilm edition of the Silver Papers available to other research libraries and interested agencies. In the event that these sales generate any income, the latter will be credited to the accounts of the Cleveland Jewish Archives.
5. The Society will be responsible for raising the funds required to accomplish microfilming the Silver Papers. No financial contribution is required from the Temple. The Society will coordinate its fund raising with the Jewish Community Federation. These funds will be administered by the Society and used as follows:
  - a. For labor costs involved in processing and microfilming the Silver Papers.
  - b. For microfilm purchase and processing.
  - c. For archival supplies to rehouse the original collection.
  - d. For printing the guide to the collection.
  - e. For the purchase of a microfilm reader-printer for the Temple library.

David J. L. L. 1/10/59  
for the Temple Date

Maurice M. Badal 9/7/89  
for the Temple Date



Therese B. J. J. 12-18-89  
for WRHS Date

[Signature] Sept. 12, 1989  
for WRHS Date

PROJECT BUDGET -- Microfilming of the Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Papers

	<u>WRHS</u>	<u>Grant Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>I. General Administrative Costs</b>			
Project Director			
Library Director (5%)	\$ 3,000.00		\$ 3,000.00
Sub Total	\$ 3,000.00		\$ 3,000.00
<b>II. Collection Preparation Costs</b> (see attachment for details)			
Processor		\$ 9,180.00	\$ 9,180.00
Processing Supervision -- Jewish History Archivist (20%)	\$ 4,320.00		\$ 4,320.00
Curator of Manuscripts (10%)	\$ 3,120.00		\$ 3,120.00
Reprographer (15%)	\$ 2,520.00		\$ 2,520.00
Supplies		\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Sub Total	\$ 9,960.00	\$ 9,980.00	\$19,940.00
<b>III. Microfilming Costs</b> (see attachment for details)			
Camera Operator		\$ 9,709.00	\$ 9,709.00
Microfilming Supervision Reprographer (25%)	\$ 4,200.00		\$ 4,200.00
Curator of Manuscripts (5%)	\$ 1,560.00		\$ 1,560.00
Supplies		\$11,775.63	\$11,775.63
Sub Total	\$ 5,760.00	\$21,484.63	\$27,244.63
<b>IV. Publication of Microfilm Edition Guide</b>			
Editing & Design WRHS Editor (5%)	\$ 1,500.00		\$ 1,500.00
Printing		\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Sub Total	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,500.00
<b>V. Ancillary Equipment Costs</b>			
Microfilm Reader Printer (for Temple library)		\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
Sub Total		\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
TOTAL	\$20,220.00	\$43,464.63	\$63,684.63
IV. Indirect Costs (17.3% of total project costs)	\$11,017.44		\$11,017.44
GRAND TOTAL	\$31,237.44	\$43,464.63	\$74,702.07

## DETAILED COST/PROCEDURE BREAKDOWN FOR THE SILVER PAPERS PROJECT

### I. General Collection Statistics for Cost Calculation Basis

Series: Sunday Lectures/Sermons	8.5 linear feet	15,250 exposures
Personal Correspondence	14.6 linear feet	44,755 exposures
Manson File	4.3 linear feet	10,921 exposures
Speaking Engagements	10.2 linear feet	29,922 exposures
Subject File	46.0 linear feet	115,725 exposures
Book Manuscripts	.6 linear feet	2,720 exposures
TOTALS	84.2 linear feet	219,293 exposures

Total microfilm reels @ 1,000 exposures per = 219

### II. Collection Preparation Details

1. Reprocessing (Checking integrity of materials in folders, removing paper clips, staples, adjusting chronological order where necessary and final placement into new acid-free folders).

Rate of 1 linear foot per day = 85 working days

2. Targeting for Microfilm (insertion of camera operator instructions and information for readers of the microfilm).

Rate of 4 linear feet per day = 21 working days

#### Labor Costs for Collection Preparation

106 working days of 7.25 hours @ \$10.00 per hour = \$ 7,650.00

20% fringe benefits = 1,530.00

Total Labor for Preparation = \$ 9,180.00

#### Materials Cost for Preparation

5,000 acid free folders \$ 800.00

### III. Microfilming Details

1. Camera Time & Quality Checking

Initial filming at a rate of 2.5 rolls per day = 88 working days

Quality checking at a rate of 2.5 rolls per day = 88 working days

Retakes and corrections 10 working days

#### Labor Costs for Microfilming

186 working days of 7.25 hours @ \$ 6.00 per hour = \$ 8,091.00

20% fringe benefits = 1,618.00

Total Labor for Microfilming = \$9,709.00

2. Materials for Microfilming

Negative film and negative developing

219 rolls @ \$ 18.43 per roll = \$ 4036.17

Production of positive use copies -- based on two sets

438 rolls @ \$ 17.67 per roll = \$ 7739.46

#### Material Costs for Microfilming

One negative & two positive sets..... = \$11,775.63



Archives based on conference call w. Jeff W. & Elton R. 11/14/89

Best for me to give Daniel's papers - which belong to me at his death - to archives (or any other repository), because I can best use any tax deduction. I can send a letter of intent, but it's not legally binding and there is nothing to be gained by it. I should stipulate, whenever I make the gift, that I (or a member of the family) may in the future wish to withdraw certain items for the use of other institutions.

My gift can be outright, or I can give the archives custody of the papers, reserving <sup>the</sup> right to them / their use.

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An appraisal of the papers will / can be made at the date of death.

Date: November 17, 1989

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Virginia Krumholz  
**FROM:** Adele Z. Silver  
**SUBJECT:** Archives material from Daniel's office

I'm pleased to know that you will welcome Daniel's papers from the two long-range planning committees he chaired for the Museum. There are many other such files--that is, of tasks he undertook for organizations other than The Temple--in his Temple office, and I would welcome your advice and guidance on the proper repository for such materials, on the method of transfer, and any other information that would be helpful. It's likely that a professional archivist will be needed, eventually, on a short-term basis. It would also be a help if you could estimate the cost of such a task.

I'll appreciate the opportunity to talk this over with you when you return from your vacation.

cc: Marie Pluth, The Temple  
Claudia Fechter, The Temple

11/22 Delay giving these until they can be a gift from me.

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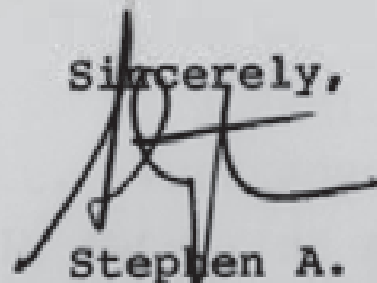
Mrs. Adele Silver  
2841 Weybridge Road  
Shaker Heights, Ohio 44120

Dear Adele:

I am herewith returning to you the documents relative to the Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library. I have made copies of them for my file and I am available to discuss this matter with you at your convenience.

Best regards.

Sincerely,



Stephen A. Markus

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Enclosures

VIA BONNIE SPEED

DECEMBER 5, 1989

MR. KERMIT J. PIKE  
DIRECTOR OF THE LIBRARY  
THE WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
10825 EAST BOULEVARD  
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106

DEAR KERMIT:

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR SENDING ME A COPY OF THE MEMORANDUM AND THE BUDGET FOR THE PROPOSED WORK ON THE RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER PAPERS. I KNOW YOU WILL APPRECIATE HOW DIFFICULT IT IS AT THIS TIME OF DANIEL'S ILLNESS FOR THE FAMILY TO FOCUS ON MATTERS SUCH AS THIS--THAT IS, MATTERS THAT ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO US AS A FAMILY BUT THAT DO NOT NOW TAKE PRECEDENCE. THEREFORE, I HOPE YOU WILL BEAR WITH US UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE FAMILY DEEMS IT APPROPRIATE TO RESUME DISCUSSION ABOUT THE PROJECT. AT THAT FUTURE TIME, I WOULD WELCOME THE CHANCE TO TALK WITH YOU.

SINCERELY,

ADELE Z. SILVER

AZS:MP

CC: RAPHAEL SILVER, JONATHAN SILVER,  
MICHAEL SILVER, SARAH SILVER



DECEMBER 13, 1989

MR. HOWARD BERGER  
JEWISH COMMUNITY FEDERATION  
1750 EUCLID AVE.  
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115

DEAR HOWARD:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR VISIT AND FOR HELPING SARAH AND ME TO UNDERSTAND SOME OF THE BACKGROUND OF THE ABBA HILLEL SILVER CHAIR AT CWRU. AT YOUR SUGGESTION, I CALLED HENRY AND STEVE, WHO WERE AS GENEROUS AS YOU AND CAME TO TALK WITH JONATHAN AND MICHAEL AND ME. THE RESULT OF THESE CONVERSATIONS IS THAT THE FAMILY NOW FEELS MUCH MORE COMFORTABLE AS THE SEARCH TO FILL THE CHAIR RESUMES. DANIEL'S BROTHER RAPHAEL IS GOING TO SERVE ON THE SEARCH COMMITTEE, AS THE FEDERATION IS AUTHORIZED TO APPOINT HALF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE; OUR SON MICHAEL WILL BE HIS FAMILY BACKUP.

DURING YOUR VISIT WITH SARAH AND ME YOU MENTIONED THE ARCHIVES PROJECT THAT THE TEMPLE AND THE WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY HAD ASKED FEDERATION TO SUPPORT. THANKS TO ELAINE TICKTIN, WHO ASKED THE SOCIETY TO INFORM THE FAMILY OF THE PROJECT, KERMIT PIKE SENT ME A COPY OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND THE PROJECT BUDGET. I'VE NOW ALSO READ THROUGH DANIEL'S FILES ON THE ARCHIVES AND HAVE DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF THIS NEW PROJECT WITH

RAPHAEL AND WITH OUR CHILDREN. THE CONSENSUS, AS REFLECTED IN MY LETTER TO KERMIT, IS THAT WE'D VERY MUCH PREFER TO PUT THIS ON HOLD UNTIL WE ARE READY TO DISCUSS IT WITH THE SOCIETY AND THE TEMPLE. RAPHAEL, DANIEL, AND THEIR MOTHER WERE THE GRANTORS OF THE PAPERS, AND WE BELIEVE RAPHAEL OUGHT TO ASSUME SOME OF DANIEL'S RESPONSIBILITIES HERE, TOO, AS HE IS DOING WITH THE CHAIR.

I HOPE THIS LETTER SUMS UP FOR YOU THE FAMILY'S RESPONSE TO YOUR SOUND ADVICE. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THAT ADVICE, AND FOR YOUR HELP AND KINDNESS.

WITH WARM REGARDS,



The meeting was called to order by the chair, Jim Herman at 7:45 P.M.  
Present: Elaine Gross, Dieter Myers, Ruth Dancyger, Sefcy Goodfriend,  
Lois Rothschild, Mimi Price, Nancy Whitman, Susan Broder-

The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives is dedicated to the leadership of the man who guided the religious destiny of The Temple for almost half a century. The Archives provides a permanent home for the personal files and correspondence of Dr. Silver, for the literally hundreds of addresses and sermons in which he defined the spiritual dimensions of modern life, and for such special material as relates to his life and to his many civic and national interests, especially his central role in the establishment of the State of Israel.

The Archives has catalogued and indexed this material, and it is available for research and study. The outer room of the Archives is designed as a work area. It includes the main catalogue and a collection of the records and tapes of Dr. Silver's lectures and sermons. There are tape recorders and record players available for those who wish to listen to the speech of one of the truly supreme orators. Application should be made to The Temple Librarian.

The inner room is a replica of Dr. Silver's study at his home. It contains his desk, many of the books which were part of his life, and a fine portrait. These volumes are available as part of The Temple Library collection.

The Archives will publish a number of volumes of Dr. Silver's lectures and speeches. The living truth of his thought will reach out to the coming generations. Funds for this project were made available by a number of life long friends of the Rabbi.

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MINUTES OF THE MUSEUM COMMITTEE MEETING

January 25, 1990

The meeting was called to order by the chair: Jim Herman at 7:45 P.M.  
Present: Elaine Gross, Dieter Myers, Ruth Dancyger, Betsy Goodfriend,  
Lois Rothschild, Mimi Price, Nancy Whitman, Susan Braham-  
Koletsky, Ellen Bishko, Jim Herman, Claudia Fechter.

All present viewed the new exhibition "Isador Kaufmann: Ghetto Impressionist" and expressed appreciation and congratulations to Nancy Whitman and Sally Ross for their hard work and beautiful results in curating the show.

The Abba Hillel Silver Archival Project: It was announced that the agreement with the Western Reserve Historical Society, concerning the putting of the documents on microfilm has been held in abeyance for a number of reasons:

1. We are fortunate not to be locked into old technology as most archival institutions are at this time
2. We wish time to explore the new technical possibilities that will more closely serve The Temple's needs.
3. According to the terms of this contract The Temple is to receive no financial benefits from any sale of copies
4. We are only to get a second copy not the first negative
5. It was agreed that we are to have all the legal and technical aspects of this project looked at carefully keeping in mind that our primary concern is to preserve the original documents

Betsy Goodfriend volunteered to look into the obtaining of a quantity of acid free folders

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Eta Soclof and Pearl Hachen have begun a long term project of cataloging our permanent collection. As questions arise we will send photographs to experts for information. All data will be put on our new computer. We have already purchased the computer and printer and are now shopping for a scanner and some soft ware. This will enable us to produce a museum brochure and go into collections control. We have a budget item of \$1000 to print a brochure.

Beverly Kendis is in charge of registering our Torah scrolls so they can always be identified. It involves a braille process of marking that is registered internationally. The cost of this is \$190. The Temple is taking the lead in telling about this process to other local synagogues.

A special small show will be presented in the foyer of Main's auditorium area in honor of Sisterhood's hosting the Region Conference in March. Pearl Hachen is looking for suitable display.

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The secondary theme of the conference was education and how best to use museum resource for many different people in the community. One idea immediately applicable to our museum programming involves the new Russian families and their hosts in our community. (We have already been in touch with the Resettlement Office with ideas for joint programming). Many ideas were presented with application for shows for us. Among the ones I'd like to consider are:

Black-Jewish American History a show put together by the HUC in Cincinnati and made available to us through the American Jewish Committee (Martin Plax) The cost would be \$140 in shipping charges plus security and publicity.

It was wisely suggested that we preview the show before we commit to it and that we include experts in the handling of this socially sensitive and possibly controversial subject.

All shows should have accompanying programs of many types. It is hoped that First Friday speaks will be part of museum planning and library planning.

Artist's Invitational exhibition, possibly of Purim Masks  
An exhibition of Judaic artifacts owned by the families of our congregation and community at large

It was announced that the next loggia exhibition will be "Thou Shalt Teach Thy Children" a show mounted by Dr. and Mrs. Oscar Stadtler and Dr. A. Friedberg in commemoration of Yom HaShoah. It will feature stamps from the Holocaust period. Meetings of the Israel Philatelist Society and the Holocaust Group will be held at The Branch in conjunction with this show. Temple members are welcome to attend.

Ellen Bishko will be the creator of this year's Model Seder Table.

The core collection of paper holdings are in need of expert evaluation as to storage and conservation. We have requested help from the Oberlin Center. Just as soon as they have a staff member available they will work with us under a grant that we will apply for from the Ohio Arts Council.

Jim Herman, Architect, presented the problems and plans for enclosing the Branch library. There is a concern to retain the openness of the area and to keep the cost down.

Many of our committee's concerns directly involve the advice, understanding, and consent of The Board of Trustees. We ask that a Board Member serve as a liaison. (We have just been advised that Naomi Singer has been appointed to serve in this capacity).

The issue of additional open hours for the museum was discussed at length. The consensus is that we should charge for tours that involve expense. Because Sunday openings will require more than one guard we will continue to restrict our openings to appointments.

The next meeting will be scheduled just after the new show is mounted.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Goodfriend  
Claudia Z. Fechter

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1988

The

The New York Times

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By DOUGLAS C. MCGILL

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John D. Macomber, a former chief executive officer of the Celanese Corporation, is the interim director.

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 18, 1990

TO: Adele Silver

FROM: Virginia Krumholz V.K.

SUBJECT: Rabbi Silver's papers

This truly tragic story told in the appended clipping is why I believe so strongly in institutions assuming responsibility for their recorded history and information. To cut the material adrift is to risk its destruction based on the monies available. An archive is integral to the institution and the information is safe so long as the institution survives.

I spoke to Paula and she will await your call when you return. Adele, I know your journey will be a refreshment and tonic for the spirit.

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John D. Macomber, a former chief executive officer of the Celanese Corporation, is the chairman of the advisory committee, which also includes Ellen Futter, the president of Barnard College; Richard Ravitch, the chairman of the New York City Charter Revision Commission; Dr. Vartan Gregorian, the president of the New York Public Library; and Eugene Keilin, an investment banker with Lazard Frères and a director of the Municipal Assistance Corporation.

A former vice chairman of Chemical Bank, Charles W. Carson Jr., has been named the society's interim deputy director of finance, and has begun to guide the institution in financial and administrative matters and to work with the advisory committee.

Last February, the trustees of the society determined that the institution would be bankrupt in 18 months if expenses were not cut and new funds were not raised. For years, its officials say, the society paid for growing yearly deficits with money from the society's endowment, a practice that drained away much of the institution's essential financial resources but that for the moment will have to continue, Mr. Key said.

"It's a calculated risk, how you being this around," Mr. Key said. Barbara Knowles Debs, the interim director of the society and a former president of Manhattanville College, said she had "solid indications" that substantial amounts of money could be raised shortly, and also emphasized that the library would not close.

"We are open for business," she said. "You can't take an institution like this and turn it around by closing it up and making it unavailable."

Yet the problems facing the library, the largest department of the museum, remain formidable. Chief among them, its staff members and outside experts say, is the huge expense of properly storing and conserving aging books, manuscripts and papers.

It would cost more than a million dollars, for instance, to restore the Cass Gilbert collection and to replace





5DAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1988

## A Neglected but Priceless Library

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brary contains six million books and manuscripts, maps, photographs, prints and posters, continuous runs of 18th- and 19th-century newspapers, and architectural and real-estate records that cover practically every acre of Manhattan for nearly 200 years.

The library's rich collection of early-American manuscripts and documents, especially from the Colonial period, make it an extraordinary storehouse of the nation's patrimony. In the bookshelves of its building at Central Park West and 76th Street, the society keeps collections of handwritten letters and documents of George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, Ulysses S. Grant, Robert E. Lee and hundreds of other historical figures.

Besides the collected papers of Cass Gilbert, whose designs include those for the United States Supreme Court building in Washington and the Woolworth Building in Manhattan, the society owns the architectural papers of George B. Post and of the firm of McKim, Mead & White.

Scholars and others who are familiar with the library say that many improvements have been made in the last year under its new director, James Mooney, who joined the staff in 1987.

But many say the library, despite its virtually priceless holdings, still has far to go to meet the highest standards of library storage. Some materials at the library, these experts say, suffer from poor storage conditions and are largely ignored.

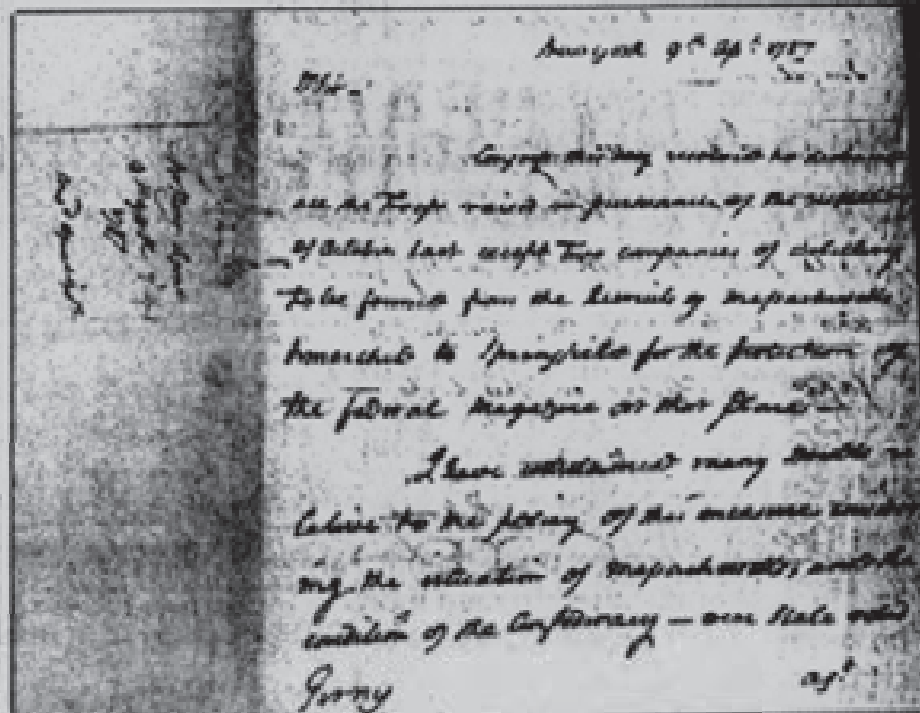
"They don't realize the seriousness of the neglect," said Mindell Dubinsky, the chief library conservator at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, who is familiar with the society's library. "It's out of sight, out of mind. And there are other areas of the collection that are unattended, lying there the way they were when they came in. It happens in every research library in the country. It's a mammoth problem."

### In Poor Shape When Received

Officials of the society say the Cass Gilbert collection was received in a severe state of deterioration in 1947. The disorganized storage of the materials, they say, and the lack of upkeep of the storage area are the result of a chronic lack of funds.

James Hudson, the chief of the manuscript division at the Library of Congress, said that he had not seen the Cass Gilbert collection, but that many portions of the library's collections, especially the manuscripts, like those relating to early American history, were well-tended.

He added, however, that many libraries, in haste to accept important historical collections, underestimate the huge cost of storing, cataloging and preserving the documents. The collections may thus lie unprocessed



A letter from Rufus King to Elbridge Gerry, dated April 9, 1787, when they were delegates to the Constitutional Convention. The letter is in the collection of the library of the New-York Historical Society.

## 'You can't take an institution like this and turn it around by closing it up.'

for years, he said, adding to problems of deterioration the works may have had when they were donated.

Under Mr. Mooney, the library has begun an aggressive effort to raise funds and to take control of its storage and other problems. The Pew Charitable Trusts donated \$200,000 toward cataloging the library's collection, and a book conservation studio has been established with funds from the Annie Laurie Aiken Trust. A Friends of the Library group has been started, and efforts have been accelerated to remove posters and prints from folders whose acidic paper hastens decay of the contents. A paper conservation studio is now under construction, and the library has also hired a specialist whose only job is to care for stored works.

Besides its problems with storage, the library is greatly hindered by not knowing exactly what it owns. Nearly two million of its six million books, manuscripts, prints, photographs and other objects are uncatalogued, said Robert Thompson, who heads the library's cataloging department. To complete the process of cataloging, however, will be very costly. Mr. Thompson's 10-member staff, 9 of whom work full time, can catalogue only 6,000 works a year, he said.

The physical condition of the society's building, especially the roof and wall of its book stacks, has also become a focus of attention in the current crisis.

On a recent tour of the building, on the top floor of the 15 stories of bookshelves, a visitor could see where several large patches of plaster had fallen from the ceiling, a result, society officials said, of a rainstorm some years ago. The library's rare manuscripts, old newspapers, broadsides, letters, maps and other material are stored in the stacks.

Plastic sheets had been placed over portions of the top shelves of some of the stacks, but several books were evidently stained and warped from water damage.

A private building inspector's report, written in 1984 by Welton Becket Associates, a New York architectural firm (now Eilerbe Becket), reported an "advanced state of deterioration" in the masonry walls of the book stacks, "due to water penetration."

The society's main library bookshelves were erected in 1939. After the one large leak during the rainstorm, Mr. Mooney said, the ceiling has never leaked again.

Just one weekend evening last January, a waterpipe burst in a lecture room of the society, damaging several dozen commemorative handkerchiefs, antique quilts, lace, costumes, according to Patsy Orlovsky, a textile conservator whom the society hired to repair some of the damaged works. Officials insist that it was an accident of the sort that could strike anywhere and was not due to poor storage facilities or to the building's deteriorating condition.



**MIDDEX**  
Development Corp.

June 28, 1990

Mr. James M. Reich  
2619 Courtland Oval  
Shaker Heights, Ohio 44118

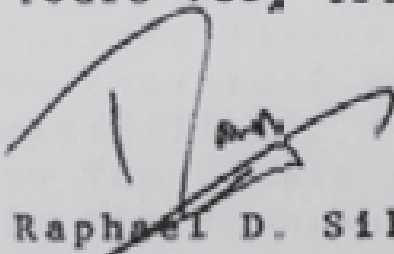
Dear Jim:

I am writing as a follow-up to our correspondence and conversations relating to the Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives.

Following my letter to you of March 26, 1990 (copy attached) we had a further phone conversation and you indicated that you would be forwarding to me the Temple's responses with regard to the questions raised in my letter.

I have not heard anything further from you and would appreciate your advising me of where things stand.

Yours very truly,



Raphael D. Silver

**MIDDEX**  
*Development Corp.*

March 26, 1990

Mr. James M. Reich  
2619 Courtland Oval  
Shaker Heights, Ohio 44118

Dear Jim:

I appreciate you sending me information on the Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives.

My major area of concern in relation to the removal of materials to the Western Reserve Historical Society relates to paragraph 3 of the September 10, 1974 agreement between The Temple and members of the family as "Grantors". When one reads this paragraph it seems sufficiently broad in its application so that our providing consent to the proposed transfer to the Historical Society for the purpose of microfilming could be construed to be a "disposition or relocation of said personal property... to another location or locations so as to preserve said personal property for library and archival use...".

We certainly do not wish to have the present physical archives abandoned as the place for the housing of Dad's papers. I can see a situation arising either now, or at a later date, where the family's consent to the removal of the papers to the Western Reserve Historical Society for the purposes contemplated could be construed so that, following our consent, the papers would be microfilmed, a copy of the microfilm records would be provided to The Temple along with a machine for display (as contemplated in the Memorandum of Understanding between the Western Reserve Historical Society and The Temple) and then the papers themselves might simply be "stored away" in some other place, - not in a formal archival setting.

It may be appropriate, at this time, to have an agreement clarifying that the removal to the Historical Society will not trigger such an event as well as some language clarifying that the Abba Hillel Silver Archives will be maintained in an appropriate physical setting in the event that The Temple elects at some later date, to sell, abandon or destroy the

premises at East 105th Street and Silver Park or to remove or cause to be removed therefrom the contents of the facilities known as the Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library.

I don't know whether The Temple has given any thought to this matter but it would be helpful for us as a family to understand what the intentions of The Temple would be with regard to the Abba Hillel Silver Archives in the event of such a change as well as to be certain that the currently contemplated removal of the papers for microfilming will not under any circumstances cause the abandonment of the current physical archives at the Ansel Road Temple..

Finally, we would like to explore with you, the possibility of contributing Dan's sermons and papers to The Temple and to The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library for purposes of preservation as part of the heritage of The Temple and having these papers microfilmed along with Dad's for purposes of long term preservation.

The Temple is unique among Jewish religious institutions in having had a continuity of rabbinical leadership going from father to son and covering a period of over seventy years. We feel that it would be appropriate to provide the historical evidence of such continuity through the preservation of Dan's sermons and papers along with Dad's in the Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives.

I will look forward to your comments and will be pleased to talk further and/or meet with you and others on this matter at any time.

Yours very truly,



Raphael D. Silver

cc: Adele Silver

I. MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR THE LIBRARY - SEPTEMBER 1990

Administrative: Mr. Pike delivered a paper on "Administering Your Archives in the 21st Century" before the Lake Erie Archivists Conference in Windsor, Canada, on September 14; spoke about the library to new members of the Women's Advisory Council on September 18; addressed the Ohio Society of Colonial Dames XVII Century, Henry Brooks Chapter, on September 20; met with Elizabeth Flory Kelly about processing the early records of the Cleveland Play House; and explored, with Bob Cahen of the Jewish Community Federation, ways to increase funding for the Cleveland Jewish Archives. He also met with Marian Henderson about the possibility of publishing a booklet describing her late husband's National Air Races collection; and met with Adele Silver concerning the microfilming of the Silver papers.

The Genealogical Committee met on September 8 and installed its new officers: Jane Pfahl, president; Martha Whitehouse, vice president; Sallie Chisholm, secretary; and Jeannette Grosvenor, treasurer. An excellent workshop on New York State sources held on September 29 in the Napoleon Room drew ninety-eight registrants.

The recent program on the Civil War broadcast on WVIZ-TV25 featured photos from the library's collection.

The FOUNDERS exhibit, which had been on display at Beachwood Place, was returned to the library on September 28.

Income: Income for the month totaled \$4,919.64.

Admission fees:	\$1,164.50
Photocopies:	868.00
Reader/printer copies:	296.50
Publications (31 sold):	78.84
Forms:	45.00
Library Research Service:	951.80
Microfilm work:	500.00
Photographic work:	1,015.00

Reference Division: Attendance averaged sixty-eight (68) patrons per day. Twenty-four letters, twenty-nine Library Research Service contracts, and twenty-one photograph orders were processed. Thirty-five new members were signed up at the library registration desk.

Groups visiting the library included twenty-five members of the Ashtabula County Genealogical Society and ten members of the Erie County, Pennsylvania, Genealogical Society.

Manuscripts Division: Richard Hite rejoined the division staff as a part-time processor to work on papers of Kenyon Bolton. A corps of volunteers is handling the processing of a number of Jewish collections and Patricia Stahley continues to process smaller bodies of material from the backlog.

Nancy Schwartz, along with volunteer Lou Rosenblum, prepared a general collection solicitation to be published in the Russian-language newsletter directed to Soviet Jewish immigrants in Cleveland. Among the collections:



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received were additional files of Rabbi Rudolph Rosenthal and Libbie and Sigmund Braverman.

Microfilming work on the CWRU student newspapers was completed and attention focused on completing filming of Trumbull County newspapers.

Darkroom and studio activity resulted in:

147	black and white prints
2	color prints
55	4" x 5" black and white negatives

Storage of the library's picture groups was reorganized and the database updated.

Work was begun on the preparation of a grant proposal to support the reprocessing and microfilming of the library's Civil War manuscript collections.

Michael McCormick attended the Lake Erie Archivists Conference in Windsor, Canada.

Technical Services Division:

Printed items cataloged:

History	47
Local history	60
Pamphlets	3
Added volumes	3
Analytics	2
Vertical file	3
	<u>118</u>

Manuscripts cataloged:

Catalog cards produced:	790
Miscellaneous typing:	300
Books ordered:	55
Books received:	40
Gifts received:	35
Newspapers and periodicals checked in:	256
Books prepared for bindery:	54

Manuscripts cataloging project:

Records entered on-line:	143
Records in save:	20

Kermit J. Pike  
Library Director

RAPHAEL D. SILVER  
600 MADISON AVENUE - 18TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10022  
(212) 355-0200

October 9, 1990

Marilyn M. Bedol  
President  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Re: Abba Hillel Silver  
Memorial Archives and Library

Dear Marilyn:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 24, 1990.

On behalf of the Silver family we consent to the proposed microfilming of the Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library by the Western Reserve Historical Society.

This consent is provided solely for the purpose of carrying forward the microfilming of the Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and is not intended to provide any continuing consent to any future relocation or removal of the Silver Archives. These would, of course, continue to be handled in the context of The Agreement entered into on September 10, 1974 between The Temple and members of the Silver family.

We do very much appreciate the generous comments contained in your letter of July 24, 1990 and look forward to the completion of the proposed microfilming as an effective means of preserving Dad's papers.

With best regards,

  
Raphael D. Silver

## RESOLUTIONS

(Adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Temple at a meeting thereof on December 10, 1963)

*Jim Leis*

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees desires to initiate a fitting memorial to the late Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, whose death occurred on November 28, 1963,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President of the Temple be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to appoint a committee to take the necessary steps for the creation of an Institute to have such structural form as the committee may deem proper, the purpose of which Institute will be to establish and maintain a library to be known as "The Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library". The primary functions of said Institute will be the collection, preservation and publication of the religious and educational writings of Dr. Silver, which shall be made available to rabbis, teachers, scholars and students; such Institute to have such other religious and educational activities as the trustees may deem appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the establishment of said Institute the Temple shall pay over to the trustees of said Institute, all monies that have heretofore and may hereafter be received by the Temple earmarked for such memorial project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Temple by appropriate agreement make available to the Institute without charge, suitable space within the Temple structure for the accommodation of such Library, and the activities of said Institute, in such manner as the committee shall determine.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers of the Temple be and they are hereby directed to take such other and further steps as they may deem necessary, proper or expedient to the implementation of the foregoing resolutions.



UNANIMOUS ACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TEMPLE

The undersigned, being all of the members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of The Temple, do hereby adopt by unanimous consent the following resolutions:

WIE REAS, The Abba Hillel Silver Charitable And Educational Fund (hereinafter "Trust") was established through contributions from various members of The Temple in 1952 to honor the late Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and to provide a fund which could be used for charitable, educational and religious purposes as the Trustees of the Trust, including the Rabbi of The Temple, may determine; and

WHEREAS, the current Trustees of the Trust have advised the officers of The Temple that, by reason of changes in the Federal tax laws, the operation of the Trust as a separate trust has become unduly burdensome and that they, the Trustees, have determined that the purposes of the Trust will be better served by transferring all of the assets thereof to The Temple to be held and administered as a Fund of The Temple; and

WHEREAS, there has been presented to the Executive Committee a proposed letter of transfer from the Trustees of the Trust providing for the transfer of the assets of the Trust to The Temple and the establishment of The Abba Hillel Silver Charitable And Educational Fund as a fund of The Temple; and

WHEREAS, establishment of such a Fund is consistent with the purposes of The Temple and the terms and conditions for transfer of the assets of the Trust to The Temple for the establishment of such Fund are within the purposes and authority of The Temple;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- (1) On behalf of The Temple, the assets of the Trust are hereby accepted in accordance with the terms and conditions of the aforesaid letter of transfer from the Trustees of the Trust.
- (2) The President of The Temple is authorized to execute said letter of transfer to The Temple.



- (3) The President of The Temple is authorized to take, or cause to be taken, such other action as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of the transfer and the establishment of the Fund as a fund of The Temple.
- (4) The President of The Temple is authorized and directed to report this Action by the Executive Committee to the Board of Trustees of The Temple at its next meeting.

*[Handwritten signatures and initials on lined paper]*

*[Faint circular stamp with the text "WRHS" and decorative patterns]*

*[Handwritten signatures: "Frank E. [unclear]", "N. A. [unclear]"]*

February 18, 1973

The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Gentlemen:

The undersigned are all of the Trustees of The Abba Hillel Silver Charitable and Educational Fund, a Trust established under date of December 26, 1952 (hereinafter referred to as the "Trust"). The Trustees have determined that the purposes of the Trust will be better served by transferring all of the assets thereof to The Temple to be held and administered as a Fund of The Temple in accordance with the terms of transfer as set forth in this letter. Accordingly, there is hereby transferred and delivered to The Temple (Tifereth Israel Congregation) all of the assets of the Trust as listed in Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof upon acceptance by The Temple of said transfer and of the following terms and conditions:

1. A fund shall be established on the book of The Temple which shall be known as The Abba Hillel Silver Charitable and Educational Fund ("the Fund").
2. The Fund shall include the property this day received from said Trustees, such property as may from time to time be transferred to The Temple by the donors for inclusion in the Fund, such property as may from time to time be received by The Temple from any other source and accepted by it for inclusion in the Fund, and all income from the foregoing property.
3. The Fund shall be the property of The Temple held by it in its normal corporate capacity; it shall not be deemed a trust fund held by it in a trustee capacity. The Temple in its normal corporate capacity shall have the ultimate authority and control over all property in the Fund, and the income derived therefrom, for the charitable, educational and religious purposes of The Temple.
4. The Fund shall be used only for charitable, educational or religious purposes (or any combination of such purpose) within the purposes of The Temple, either directly or by contributions to other organizations for such purpose or purposes.

5. Subject to the limitations otherwise provided herein, the income or principal or both of the Fund shall be distributed at such time, in such amounts, in such ways, and for such charitable, educational or religious purposes (or any combination of such purposes) as the Rabbi of The Temple shall determine in his capacity as a spiritual leader of The Temple. It is intended that the Fund shall remain as a permanent memorial to the late Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and shall be available for use by the Rabbi of The Temple in furthering the purposes of The Temple including the support of programs and projects which are not provided for in funds otherwise normally available to The Temple.
6. It is further intended that the Fund shall be a component part of The Temple and not a separate trust, and that nothing in this Agreement shall affect the status of The Temple as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and as an organization which is not a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the Code. This Agreement shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with the foregoing intention and so as to conform to the requirements of the foregoing provisions of the federal tax laws and any regulations issued pursuant thereto. The Temple is authorized to amend this Agreement to conform to the provisions of any applicable law or government regulation in order to carry out the foregoing intention. References herein to provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 shall be deemed references to the corresponding provisions of any future Internal Revenue Code.

Kindly indicate below your acceptance of the property described in Schedule A and of the foregoing terms and conditions.

Very truly yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER CHARITABLE AND  
EDUCATIONAL FUND

By S. M. Friedman Trustee  
S. M. Friedman

By Bertram J. Krohngold Trustee  
Bertram J. Krohngold

By Daniel Jeremy Silver Trustee  
Daniel Jeremy Silver

Accepted this 18th day of February, 1973. Receipt of the above described property on this date is acknowledged.

THE TEMPLE

By Max J. Eisner  
Max J. Eisner, President



## Uncover Your Company's HIDDEN ASSETS

Your company's past may be a guide to its future. Your corporate history and noncurrent records can be invaluable assets — assets that can aid in:

- planning,
- decision-making,
- training, orientation,
- employee and public relations.

Often, however, historically valuable records are hidden away in file boxes, difficult to retrieve, not available to help manage the business. Now...or later.

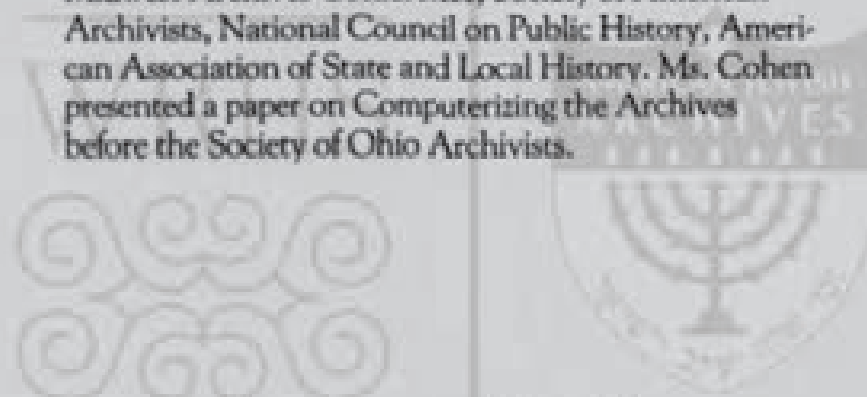
We can help you take full advantage of these hidden assets, using the latest technology, in several ways:

- Design a state-of-the-art, computer-accessible corporate archives system;
- Research and write your corporate history;
- Capture key decisions and events through oral histories;
- Provide a historical perspective for decision-making and managing your business in today's environment.

*Paula Cohen holds a Masters degree in Archives Administration and graduate and undergraduate degrees in history from Case Western Reserve University.*

Since 1980, Ms. Cohen has been involved with all phases of corporate archival/history activity for a number of Cleveland-based corporations and institutions. Ms. Cohen has organized comprehensive archives and records management systems, conducted oral history interviews, initiated computerized retrieval systems, assisted in developing a company museum, assembled materials for exhibits and authored corporate histories.

Ms. Cohen regularly attends meetings and workshops offered by the local, regional and national archives and history professional organizations of which she is a member. These include the Society of Ohio Archivists, Midwest Archives Conference, Society of American Archivists, National Council on Public History, American Association of State and Local History. Ms. Cohen presented a paper on Computerizing the Archives before the Society of Ohio Archivists.



If your company takes pride in its accomplishments and wishes to preserve the foundation of its heritage, your business needs a company archives.

## PAULA • COHEN

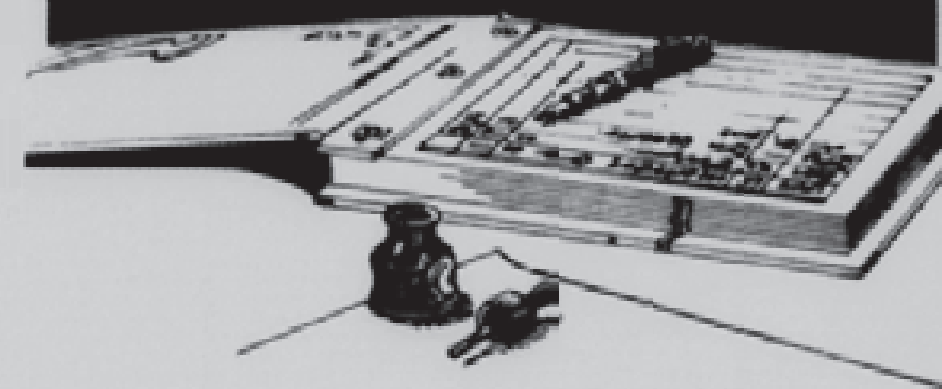
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## Corporate History and Archives

*A Valuable Tool for  
Analyzing the Past,  
Managing the Present,  
Planning the Future*





## Access vital information CORPORATE ARCHIVES

A corporate archives system establishes a central location, with easy access to inactive records, photographs and memorabilia of enduring historical value – capturing the life and history of a company, its founders, key personnel, products and achievements.

It permanently preserves, organizes and maintains the most vital records so they are readily accessible to all departments through state-of-the-art computerization.

This saves valuable time otherwise spent searching for information – and it saves costly space, since only the most vital information – 1½ to 3 percent of your company's total records – is kept.

Included is key information on your company's:

- business, corporate culture, traditions, identity;
- products and services;
- relationship to your community, industry and employees;
- trademarks, copyrights and legal documents;
- strategies and decision-making process.

A corporate archives is an invaluable resource to the entire company.

## Document the evolution of your business CORPORATE HISTORY

Your corporate history isn't just a thing of the past. It's a useful management tool for the present ... and the future.

The lessons of previous years can illuminate current issues, inspire renewed achievement and reinforce the company's image in the industry and in the community.

It allows you to trace the growth and change in your business and in your industry. A corporate history can be useful in:

- Celebrating a milestone anniversary through publications, exhibits, audio-visual presentations and publicity;
- Training and orienting employees and managers;
- Assessing responses to changing times and issues;
- Examining industry trends, technologies and markets.

It can be any length or format from an insert in an annual report to a detailed text, soft or hard bound, with photographs or not.

A corporate history is more than a chronicle of past events. It is a lasting document you will turn to again and again.

## Keep living records ORAL HISTORIES

Major decisions and events come alive through oral histories – taped interviews with the decision-makers in your company.

An oral history fills gaps in information – expanding on the material included in written records ... and offering in-depth information and fresh insights into:

- why and how decisions are made;
- the background behind events and issues;
- motivations of the people involved;
- perspectives on the times and on the industry.

Transcripts are carefully edited to offer lively, personal narratives which can be excerpted for slide and video presentations, exhibits and publications.

# PAULA COHEN

Consultant in Corporate  
♦ History and Archives ♦

April 29, 1990

Mrs. Adele Silver  
Manager of Public Information  
Cleveland Museum of Art  
11150 East Boulevard  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106-1797

Dear Mrs. Silver:

A colleague of mine and your coworker, Virginia Krumholz, suggested that you are interested in looking into having your late husband's papers arranged and preserved.

Virginia advised me that you are now away. However, when you return to Cleveland I would be pleased to talk with you about this project.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

*Paula Cohen*  
Paula Cohen

Let me hear from you when it's  
convenient. My office phone is  
421-7340; my home phone is  
921-2842 — either will do, and  
you can leave a message at  
either number.

Cordially,

Adelle J. Silver

May 29

Dear Paula Cohen,

Thank you for your warm  
note — I'm grateful for your  
interest in the project concerning  
my husband's papers. Virginia  
has been very helpful, and I'm  
confident that her advice that  
we meet is sound. Can we do so  
toward the end of June? I'll be  
out of town twice this month, and  
I believe that after I return  
from the second trip — about the  
27th of June — would be an ideal  
time, at least for me. Please

Paula Cohen 6/16/90 the con:

1. Develop a set of questions — e.g., would other sources duplicate some material here — ex: C&E contributions noted in both thank-you letters and Bulletin records
2. Develop a set of procedures —
3. Possible path — work-study student (\$7.50 per hr) do do this collection ~~as~~ as a practicum, under WATTS supervision and Paula's. Paula would be most comfortable working as a "consultant."
- \* 4. I should call Mexican desk if Paula may call her
5. Theoretically, an archive should be arranged as it used — I think says she did that.

Next mtg — Sat. June 30 — 9:30  
Paula Cohen 752-8374



PAULA COHEN

19917 Malvern Road  
Shaker Heights, Ohio 44122  
215-752-8374

GRADUATE EDUCATION

Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio  
M.S./M.L.S. Degree, School of Library Science, June 1980  
M.A. Degree, Department of American Studies, June 1980

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio  
B.A. Degree, June 1975  
Major: History

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The East Ohio Gas Company, Cleveland, Ohio  
Position: Corporate Archives/History Consultant  
Duties: Conducted oral history interviews with twelve top executives as part of a 90th Anniversary celebration.  
Established a corporate archives: policies and procedures manual, space design, classification system.  
Supervised an archives contest.  
Assisted with preparation of the EOG museum.  
November 1986 - October 1988

The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, Cleveland, Ohio  
Position: Corporate History Consultant  
Duties: Conducted oral history interviews with fifteen top CEI executives.  
Assisted company personnel with historical information.  
Researched and wrote a draft of the history of CEI.  
April 1986 - June 1989

Cleveland Commission on Higher Education, Cleveland, Ohio  
Position: Historian  
Duties: Conducted oral history interviews.  
Wrote the history of the organization.  
January 1985 - 1987

Premier Industrial Corporation, Cleveland, Ohio  
Position: Corporate Archives Consultant  
Duties: Established and implemented a corporate records management program and archives: record's center design and renovation, record's schedule, classification system, automated retrieval system.  
Conducted fifteen oral history interviews with top executives.  
Consulted on the 50th anniversary celebration.  
October 1984 - 1989

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE cont.

Tecmar, Inc., Solon, Ohio

Position: Corporate Archives Consultant

Duties: Established a corporate archives: surveyed, appraised and processed archival materials.  
Consulted on record's management requirements.  
January 1984 - January 1985

SIFCO Industries, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio

Position: Corporate Archives/History Consultant

Duties: Established and implemented a company-wide archives and record's management program: surveyed, appraised, processed and classified archival records, and automated the finding aid.  
Prepared archival material for a 75th Anniversary exhibit and audio-visual presentation for a Newcomen Society dinner presentation.  
Conducted oral history interviews with top SIFCO executives.  
November 1980 - 1985

Encyclopedia of Cleveland History

Wrote history entries on local companies.  
Spring 1984

Hitchcock House for Recovering Alcoholic Women

Wrote the history of the organization as a fundraising and membership tool.  
Spring 1982

CWRU Archives; Western Reserve Historical Society Library

Processed collections of personal papers and institutional records for permanent archives/manuscript collections.  
Developed skills for manuscript collecting, preservation, microfilming and reference.  
Summer and Fall, 1979

## CONSULTING ASSIGNMENTS

TRW, Inc., Summer 1989

Glidden Industries, Spring 1988

Gestalt Institute of Cleveland, 1986

## VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Junior League of Cleveland, 1982 - present

Carol Nursery School, Board of Trustees, 1981-82

Cleveland Modern Dance Association (DanceCleveland)  
Board of Trustees, 1972 - 1978

## PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Society of American Archivists  
American Association of State and Local History  
Midwest Archives Conference  
Society of Ohio Archivists  
Oral History in Ohio

I regularly attend meetings and workshops sponsored by these organizations

## REFERENCES

References will be furnished upon request



# PAULA COHEN

Consultant in Corporate  
• History and Archives •

June 29, 1990

Mrs. Adele Silver  
2841 Weybridge Road  
Shaker Heights, Ohio 44120

Dear Mrs. Silver:

Attached are the guidelines to begin organizing your husband's papers. This should provide you with a preliminary road map to determine what all the collection contains and what should be included in the permanent archive.

I view my role in this project as an overseer and consultant to guide you and Marie and provide any information or assistance along the way.

It has certainly been a pleasure meeting you, and being involved with such an interesting and important collection.

Sincerely,

*Paula Cohen*  
Paula Cohen



## PRELIMINARY PROCESSING GUIDELINES

### Rabbi Daniel J. Silver Archive

#### Part I

A cursory inventory of the A.H. Silver Archive housed at The Temple revealed that the material is arranged according to the following categories. It is my recommendation that this arrangement be retained for D.J. Silver's papers as much as possible. The material is arranged alphabetically and chronologically within each series.

Correspondence

Speaking Engagements

Sunday Sermons

Sermons-Series

Holiday Sermons

Manuscripts and Transcripts

Scrapbooks and Albums

Recordings: A. H. Silver, 1956-1961

Daniel Silver, 1960-1962

Recordings: Title and Subject

Film

Files of Organizational Activities, arranged alphabetically, and multiple copies of publications are housed in the archive storage/work room.

There are apparently many items stored in wall cabinets in the Archive Room adjacent to the library that are not in proper containers and have gotten quite dusty. I would strongly recommend that this material (newspaper articles among other things) be removed, cleaned and placed in acid-free containers.

#### Part II

Purchase archival supplies:

Record storage boxes

Document Cases

Folders, Acid-Free bond paper

Sleeves for Photographs

Labels for folders and boxes

### Part III

#### Physical Processing Checklist

Clean items heavily soiled

Flatten folded papers, particularly those tied in bundles

Remove fasteners: paper clips, rubber bands, rusty staples.

Rebox material in standard cartons; provide acid-free storage

Separate materials requiring special care or housing due to size or conditions.

Separate bound volumes, photographs, newsprint, alternate media (film, tape)

Prepare a container and folder list

Complete Archives Inventory Worksheet

### Part IV

#### Guidelines for Preparing the Inventory Worksheet

Check for duplicate copies, duplication of information contained in other records publications, and ephemeral materials that need to be weeded.

The series title is assigned by using the title given by the creator

Dates-provide beginning and ending dates for each series, mention significant gaps, missing items.

The Descriptive Paragraph: The purpose of the descriptive paragraph is to describe the series in such a way that a potential researcher can determine whether or not the series contains pertinent information.

Ingredients of the descriptive paragraph are self-evident.

If questions arise about whether to include materials or exclude materials in the collection permanently, consider the Evidential and Informational value as appraisal criteria. The evidential value are records which evidence activities of the organization, and the informational value are those records which contribute to research and scholarship in any field of knowledge.

### Part V

You may consider a simple fold-over piece (see sample) to announce the existence of the collection which also includes a brief description and basic listing of contents. This could be distributed to colleges and universities, historical societies, and Jewish institutions, collections and libraries. It is common practice for researchers to be charged for the use of the collection and any services rendered by the library/archive staff. This is a customary procedure, and may help defray the cost of maintaining the collection.

Marie,

Please see this note to the archivist and decide how to begin a file about this. I think that the DJS estate will pay for her services, but we will have to find out for sure. Also, I don't even know where we have put the Archives file --is it downstairs?

A.

Archives -

5/8/92 Flo + Phil - Shabbos dinner - Phil's advice

After Patricia Beaumont tells Ray about condition of  
AHS Archives, and I try to channel his response to a  
willingness to move them, then call Malcolm Stern  
(212/861-5452, 300 E 71, NYC) to call him & see how  
mulling over his suggestion that the AHS Archives  
be moved to HVC. Ask him: 1) How could he help ascertain  
whether HVC wants them and, if they do, how much &  
they could commit to transfer and maintenance?  
2) who would take Marvin's books and archive materials  
and of ~~Book~~ Am. Jewish Archives at HVC, and what  
are ~~the~~ character, size, future of AJA?

Goal: to have HVC make a formal request to the  
Temple - not the Rabbi - for the transfer of the  
AHS Archives. Phil is nervous: such an invitation  
alerts Temple leadership to historic importance of  
Archives and "challenge" their sense of importance  
in being asked to give/transfer/store Archives with



Miriam Likier 321-7296

Available to talk w. Paula Cohen -  
except Tuesdays & Wednesdays -

(she says there are copies of some of Daniel's sermons  
among her's, and tapes are all there, too)  
She's available to go to Archives M/Th/Fri w. P.C.)

- ② HVC / scholarly audience, with full credit (Phil received a plaque <sup>at HVC</sup> declaring Temple's generosity).

### Questions:

- 1) Would such a request have effect. Rich imagine or the opposite? Could it make Temple believe they possess a treasure that makes them a "prince" which, in fact, they no longer are?
- 2) How many, and who, of Temple's donors have to be "prepared" for this request and to make a favorable reply? (Phil believed such preparation is essential, and goal unachievable without it)
- 3) Might Temple / family / friends be asked to come up with money for transfer to, and establishment at, HVC / SS 4? If so, how much?
- 4) Would HVC / ASA make some offer to Temple that WRHS made - i.e., microfilm of entire archive, plus machines to read them with: [See error]

\* [Private goal: to retrieve that original deed, library table for Michael and Sarah, giving copies to Temple]

Hermit Pike 721-5722

9/21/93

re AHS's autobiography -  
not in a binder (2nd copy)

MISSING

One existing copy typescript,  
not in a binder - found in a  
black binder, at the Bank, in a desk  
where Raphael remembered having been  
at the Main Temple -

AHS ARCHIVES

we've decided not to do this, I think  
Should we nonetheless keep Paula's  
recommendations--downstairs with the  
archival stuff, so we'll know where it  
is!!!

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446-0200  
I called Office Max and Paula Cohen. Record storage boxes can be purchased at Office Max at a cost of \$12.59 for a package of 4. They are 8-1/2 x 12 x 25 inches deep. We can also purchase labels there. 1 x 3 labels will cost \$1.69 for a package of 100; 2 x 4 labels will cost \$2.21. Which size do you think we should get? The larger?

I spoke with Paula in re the sleeves for the photographs and the document cases. She tells me that she will drop off a couple of catalogs and that these will have to be purchased through the catalog, no place in Cleveland to purchase. She also had on her list "Folders, acid free bond paper." She tells me that as we start to clean out we can use the regular folders we have. The only material you would use folders made out of acid free paper would be for newspaper clippings and she didn't think this was necessary now.

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about DIS

Original  
Document - copy of draft  
gft to KP

It is also the wish of the family that  
the Maxine Juergelmeier papers be  
included in the microfilming project  
proposed by the WRHS. Carl Juergelmeier  
wishes to ~~retain title~~ make these  
papers available to the WRHS  
when they are ready to begin processing them.

~~The DIS Board of the Juergelmeier family~~

and  
Carl Juergelmeier wishes to retain literary <sup>such</sup> and  
copyrights that she may own in the  
rights, ~~to the DIS papers, until such~~

~~later date, to the~~  
~~at a most Amicable~~

~~AS a WRHS, Time as the WRHS~~

~~is a~~ ~~beginning of processing.~~ After processing  
must be placed in the DIS be deposited in The Juergelmeier  
papers

Allyant - WPA - first national  
of mass

Aspects of sample



## My wishes

1. That David's papers (correspondence, sermons, taped sermons, University files and lectures, civic and religious activities, etc — not including family papers) be included in AHS Archives and in WPHS Archives project — EVENTUALLY. (fill drawers plus)  
(I make the

2. That I have the right to use or draw on for publication first — I retain title —  
(I do

still  
applicable

3. How do I evaluate or receive valuation, and from whom?

4. How long will microfilming process take? When do they need it?  
a year

5. Must I keep them in my hands in order to work on them before giving them to The Temple Archives —

6. Is the microfilm being used silver?



Card

File boxes

Daniel's <sup>chronologically</sup> ~~series~~ <sup>indexed</sup> - 1956 - April 16, 1989 - where are the rest?

Cards indicate type / tape / record -

Daniel's series are ordered by subject - title



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January 28, 1990

The Cleveland

Museum of Art

11150 East Boulevard

Cleveland, Ohio 44106

216/421-7340

# Cervin Robinson

## Cleveland, Ohio

*Card*  
*Title drawers - (examples)*

1. Alphabetical correspondence

A - names / people / cause / agency  
American Zionist

Prejudice - example / name (with subheads as word)

Child Labor Amendment - example / cause

Cleveland - many cards for civic enterprises, activities, controversies

2. Correspondence and speaking engagements

3. Sunday Sermons 1915 - Dec. 1, 1963 (to have been delivered)

4. Holiday Sermons

5. Sermons

6. Sermons by subject and title

7. Manuscripts and Typewritten 1909-1963 and photostatic

8. Scrapbooks, albums (which, tested, seems to be a subject index - where is record of scrapbooks and albums?)

9. Recordings - AHS/DLS



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3. Photograph files

History Department

2. Bureau 1924-1963

1. Typewritten and manuscript materials (also includes clippings, articles, booklets, program, materials printed materials)  
(see copy of these materials at the Temple 537 Street? Bureau Sign May 4, 1924)  
Bureau folder - 32.2 is High School Graduation,  
and I can find no other with and for Typewritten and  
manuscripts that refer to it - of course with Temple High  
School, High School, Graduation. The only way I could  
find it - which seems only representative - as to look in file  
and Bureau of Typewritten dated 1909-1939 - but the last two  
no reference to the (typewritten) list of the last (typed) names  
which probably refers to the building in 1957? must be correct file.

1909-1924/1963

The Bureau and Bureau Study Area  
By (Bureau & Bureau)

ADELE SILVER.

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November 10, 1992

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Dear Alan:

I'm pleased that things seem to be moving along with plans to celebrate Dad's 100th birthday.

I want to discuss a matter that has been of deep concern to me and other members of our family for some time. It is the condition of Dad's Archives at The Temple.

The Archives were established at The Temple shortly after Dad's death as a means of appropriately preserving and caring for and making available for scholarly use the many items related to Dad's life and work. Dad's study was faithfully restored at The Temple and furnishings from his study were donated. Virtually all of his important papers, many of his books and a wealth of other items were contributed to the Archives. Miriam Leikind, the then librarian at The Temple, became the de-facto "curator" of the Archives.

When The Temple moved to its new home, budgetary constraints, the reduced use of The "old" Temple, the establishment of a new library at the new sanctuary, - all complicated the continued appropriate preservation and use of the Archives.



Dearest Ray,

I've had several long and provocative talks with the two ~~main~~ archivists in town ~~that~~ I know best: Virginia Krumholz, <sup>now</sup> archivist at the Museum ~~and~~ and ~~the~~ former ~~archivist~~ <sup>archivist</sup> for the Catholic Diocese, and Kermit Pike, ~~the~~ head of the library and archives at the Western Reserve Historical Society.

~~On the basis of those talks, I want to tell you a few of my concerns.~~

I want to tell you of their concerns, which I consider sufficiently ~~important~~ important that we might <sup>try</sup> ~~want~~ to ~~incorporate them in the conversations with Jim Reich and other Temple leaders.~~ <sup>and any new agreement we make with them.</sup>

1. Yes, Kermit Pike ~~responded~~ <sup>AL 50</sup> responded to Jim's inquiry about Daniel's papers in April (he showed me the letter), <sup>says</sup> ~~saying~~ that the Society would be very happy to include Daniel's papers in the ~~microfilming process~~ <sup>and in the</sup> ~~proposed project, and to process them and microfilm them.~~ <sup>after Daniel's papers are complete</sup> No question about that <sup>so</sup> ~~and~~ I've <sup>enclosed</sup> ~~appended to this letter~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~a paragraph~~ the paragraph you asked me to provide <sup>you</sup> ~~to~~ The Temple leadership ~~through you.~~

2. Kermit assures me that I can retain literary rights and copyrights that I own in Daniel's papers until they are microfilmed. Once microfilmed, they become, <sup>in</sup> in effect, published materials available to everybody. I want to retain these rights ~~at least~~ for the time being because I ~~don't~~ believe I ~~can~~ want to try to draw one book from <sup>the papers</sup> ~~them~~ myself, and ~~that I might~~ want to talk with a publisher about a book of selected sermons--much as Daniel arranged for <sup>Rabbi</sup> Herbert Wiener to edit the <sup>two</sup> volume titled In Time of Harvest, <sup>before microfilming</sup> So the paragraph includes my ~~own~~ desire to retain literary rights and first publication rights after microfilming.

3. The ~~immediate~~ <sup>immediate</sup> concern weighing <sup>on</sup> on me--getting Daniel's papers ready for ~~the~~ the archives at The Temple--is <sup>one</sup> Kermit has reassured me about, and I feel great relief. ~~He~~ <sup>I am best advised to</sup> keep Daniel's papers at:

When Jim relayed to him your inquiries in the 3/26 letter.

home, go through them only for my own purposes, not for archival purposes, and under no deadline. Kermit says that the archivist of the Jewish archives at the Society, Nancy Schwartz, will come out to the house whenever I want her to, will go through the papers and sermons that Marie and I ~~have~~ are trying to put in order there, and that the other professionals at the Society will ~~be~~ "process" <sup>everything</sup> ~~the papers~~ <sup>until</sup> they're ready for microfilming, <sup>then all the</sup> ~~then all the~~ <sup>microfilm</sup> ~~papers will be taken to the Society for microfilming, and~~ After ~~that~~, the originals can ~~either be brought back to the house or~~ <sup>be</sup> taken to the Abba Hillel Silver Archives at The Temple.

probably  
at least  
a year  
from  
now

4. This ~~is~~ last point is ~~one~~ of considerable <sup>anxiety</sup> ~~concern~~ to Kermit. He understands that we want Dad's and Daniel's papers together, ~~and~~ that The Temple now owns Dad's papers, and that The Temple will own Daniel's papers as part of the Archive ~~once~~ once I have given them. He believes that ~~the~~ Dad's papers have been used far less widely in these last 25 years than they should have been, and that they--and now Daniel's--will have ~~more~~ wider scholarly use ~~once~~ once they are available through microfilming. That's clearly one of the reasons the Society embarked on this project. (He tells me ~~that~~ there's been ~~considerable~~ concern in the historical community in town--whatever that is--that the Silver papers would eventually leave town, to go to <sup>Harvard or</sup> Brandeis <sup>or</sup> American Jewish Archives, or whatever.) What worries him--and <sup>will</sup> ~~will~~ worry you, too, I think, <sup>when</sup> ~~you~~ <sup>see</sup> the present condition of the Archives--is that the originals ~~will~~ may not be properly cared for in the years to come. ~~Therefore~~ I believe he would be very happy to have the entire Abba Hillel Silver Archives--<sup>which will constitute</sup> ~~the~~ the original papers of both Dad and Daniel--come to rest in the Society.

Now, I ~~understand~~ understand that ~~his~~ his desire is a reasonable thing for him to want--part of his job is to build up the resources of the Society. And I equally understand that The Temple would not now be agreeable, for any number of reasons, to any suggestion that the Archives be moved to the Society. But you can readily understand my anxiety about the future welfare of the papers

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In recent years the Archives have been inadequately maintained and under-utilized. People who visit the Archives are distressed by their condition. Over the years, the Archives have become primarily a storage depository - not much more.

That's not what the Archives were intended to be. When the Archives were established it was contemplated that "the primary functions of the Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Archives and Library would be a collection, preservation and publication of the religious and educational writing of Dr. Silver which shall be made available to Rabbis, teachers, scholars and students". This has unfortunately not been its history at all.

Even on the basic issue of preservation there has been confusion. In March, 1990, I was contacted by Jim Reich (copy of letter attached) asking for the family's consent to the microfilming of all of Dad's papers by the Western Reserve Historical Society. This would, at least, have provided a duplicate set of microfilmed records of what is in the Archives as a protection against the possibility of damage or destruction. I was given to understand in that letter that the funding would be raised by the Historical Society and the Jewish Community Federation.

After some calls and correspondence I sent Marilyn Bedol a letter on October 9, 1990, copy attached, consenting to the proposed microfilming. To my knowledge nothing further has happened. So the Archives remains at risk with no appropriate back up anywhere. If there were a fire or other kind of serious damage, Dad's life work would be lost.

My belief is that something significant should be planned for the Archives related to the celebration of Dad's 100th anniversary. The possibilities could include one or more of the following:

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1. That the previously proposed microfilming of the Archival papers be completed. If this proposal can be reactivated and funded that would be an important first step in reactivating the Archives.
2. Provision should be made for the future care of the Archives in their present home. Perhaps the funds remaining in the Abba Hillel Silver Memorial Fund could be earmarked for this purpose.
3. There may be other ideas related to reviving the Archives that would appropriately celebrate Dad's 100th birthday in a way that would honor Dad's memory.

We should put our heads together and figure out an appropriate way to cap a celebration of the 100th anniversary by bringing the Archives back to life, properly protecting them for the future and insuring that they play a significant and lasting role in preserving Dad's legacy for future Temple generations.

With best regards,



Raphael D. Silver



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March 9, 1990

Mr. Raphael Silver  
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Dear Ray,

I enclose a copy of a Memorandum of Understanding between The Temple and The Western Reserve Historical Society. This was drawn up last year, and you will note that the purpose of the project is to produce a microfilm edition of the Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Papers, which now reside in the Abba Hillel Silver Archives at The Temple.

Dan was fully involved in the planning of this project, and you will note that he approved it by signing it on September 10, 1989, along with Marilyn Bedol. Even though Dan had signed the document, The Western Reserve Historical Society is reluctant to proceed with the project following Dan's death unless they have the approval of the Silver family. I have discussed this with Adele and Jonathan. Adele has indicated to me that she is reluctant to involve herself in this matter, and she suggested that I take it up with you, which I am glad to do.

~~You will note that the estimated cost of the project is \$74,702. This amount would be raised by the Historical Society and the Jewish Community Federation. There would be no obligation for any of the funding from The Temple or the Silver family.~~

I believe this represents an unparalleled opportunity to classify, preserve and microfilm the Archives in a highly professional manner, thus extending its life for the indefinite future. I hope you will agree. If you do, I would appreciate it if you would write a letter to me verifying your agreement. We can then proceed to start the fund raising and get the project underway.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this, please call me at 216-321-9376. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

