Dr. Iwan J. Gruen, 419 North Union St. Decatur 24, Ill.

Dear Rabbi:-

I am very happy to inform you that after the unamiamous vote of the Board for the recommendation to the Congregation for your election.

Wednesday Evening, the 24th of October, a special meeting of the Congregation, was held and you were duly elected on the terms in which we have agreed upon when we last met, in the Temple Library with the Committee in which Mr. J.F. Perelman was chairman, which took place right after services, the same evening.

You can now make your nexessary arrangements and let me know as soon as passible as to what you have decided to do.

Hoping to hear from you soon I remain,

Yours truly,

A.H. Gonick

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Dr. Iwan J. Gruen 419 North Union Street Decatur 34, Illinois

Dear Sir:

I am happy to inform you that you have been elected by the Congregation of Temple Israel on Wednesday, October 24 on the following terms which have been recommended by the committee to the Board of Directors, and accepted by the Congregation.

Up to August 31, 1947, you are to occupy the pulpit and take care of our religious and Hebrew School at a salary of \$3800. per year. This is how it was read in our minutes when it was presented to the Congregation. It was also agreed by the Board of Directors, that we will pay the expense of moving your furniture from Decatur to New Castle.

I hope this letter will cover everything you required by conversation over the telephone.

Please acknowledge this immediately with sincere wishes and kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

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A.H. Gonick

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DR. IWAN J. GRUEN
RABBI
419 North Union Street
Decatur 34, Illinios

October 29, 1945

Mr. A.H.Gonick 20-22 E. Lawrence Street New Castle, Pa.

My dear Mr. Gonick;

Let me confirm your telegram of October 25th as well as your two letters of October 25th and 27th.

I wish to thank you and the members of your congregation very much for having called me to the pulpit of your Temple.

I have taken the matter up with the President of my congregation who will call a special meeting in the next few days and ask the Temple Board to accept my resignation.

Right after the meeting I will let you know when I shall assume my duties as Rabbi of your congregation.

I trust that it will not become too difficult to secure a suitable place for us. We should like to have a five or six room house.

I should appreciate it very much if you would take care of my expenses which have amounted to \$55.00

With my best wishes and kindest personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yoursm

Dr. Iwan J. Gruen Rabbi