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Emma Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Clubs Records

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Of Jewish Women's Clubs

Collection Summary

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Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch

In 1951 at the Third National Convention of the Emma Lazarus Division of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order-IWO (ELD-JPFO) members voted to split away from the parent organization (JPFO) they had outgrown. They named the new organization the EMMA LAZARUS FEDERATION OF JEWISH WOMEN'S CLUBS (ELF). ELD-JPFO had its beginnings in the United Council of Working Class Housewives which later became the Progressive Women's Council. The latter organization merged with the IWO to become its women's division. Many founding members of ELF had been active members of one or more of these organizations.

The ELF was founded in the aftermath of World War II. American Jews reacted to the tragedy of the Holocaust with a desire to search for their Jewish identity and prevent future anti-semitic acts and war by promoting Jewish culture and the country as a whole. Inspired by the American Jewish poet, Emma Lazarus, the stated purpose of ELF was to discourage prejudice and promote equality for all ethnic groups in the United States. The Emmas proposed to achieve this purpose by following their "5-Point-Program," which included: 1) Jewish culture and education, 2) child welfare and education, 3) anti-semitism and discrimination, 4) aid to Jews in other lands and 5) civic action in interests of home and family.

Cultural and educational programs were important activities for the Emmas during the 38 year existence of the organization. Popular projects included donations to libraries of books pertaining to Jewish and African-American subjects. Study groups in individual clubs employed discussion outlines produced by the national office on a variety of subjects. And cultural programs were often held to honor Jewish, African-American, and other American notables or events.

A number of projects to aid Jews (and non-Jews) in other countries were supported by ELF, beginning with the establishment of a day care center in Israel named for Emma Lazarus. Countries to which the organization sent aid included Israel, France, and Vietnam.

During the organization's existence members participated in demonstrations, rallies, letter-writing campaigns, petition drives and other civic activities to promote civil rights (for Jews and all Americans) and to protect the health and welfare of the home and the family.

ELF was a national organization with affiliated clubs in many cities, including New York, Los Angeles, Miami, and Chicago. Members included immigrants who actively participated in labor union and women's rights struggles during the first half of the 20th century, notably Clara Lemlich Shavelson, who inspired the Shirtwaist Makers Strike of 1909 in New York City.

When ELF was founded in 1951 its Executive Director, June Gordon, was 50 years old. She served in the same capacity until her death in 1967. By that time many other members, especially the leaders, of the organization were senior citizens. Rose Raynes (at age 64) was appointed as second Executive Director. Her title was later changed to President, but she continued as the executive officer of the organization until its demise in 1989. For several years ELF had been losing membership and club support; so, after 38 years of civic and cultural service, the remaining members decided to disband and send the organizational files to the American Jewish Archives.

Scope and Content

Consists of materials generated or collected by the organization during its existence from 1951 to 1989 and describes the activities and interests of its membership. The collection includes a small amount of material from the organization's predecessor, the ELD-JPFO, dated 1944 to 1951, and scattered articles concerning women's history from 1921 and 1940.

The collection includes material received from clubs in other parts of the country, notably Los Angeles, Miami, Chicago, and many New Jersey communities. However, unless the geographic origin is specified, the majority of items originated at the national office in New York City or one of the clubs in the New York metropolitan area (Bronx or Brooklyn).

Subjects dealt with in the collection include: child welfare, Jewish culture, education, American Jewish history, Emma Lazarus, the Statue of Liberty, immigration, Ernestine Rose, women's rights, civil rights, genocide, anti-Semitism, racism, Jewish-Black relations, legislation, consumer's rights, labor unions, rights of foreign-born Americans, and relief.

Arrangement Organized into seven (7) series: A. Correspondence and Internal Administration; B. Cultural

Committee; C. Civil Rights Committee; D. Women's Rights; E. Consumer Affairs, Israel, and Peace; F.

Miscellaneous; G. Photographs.

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Personal Names Lazarus, Emma, 1849-1887 / Rose, Ernestine L. (Ernestine Louise), 1810-1892

Corporate Names Emma Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Clubs

Media Photographs

Series A. Correspondence and Internal Administration, 1944-1989

Extent 3.2 linear feet (8 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Contains administrative papers such as minutes, correspondence, newsletters, financial

records and history of the organization. Included are papers of national leaders (June Gordon, Leah Nelson, and Rose Raynes); materials regarding affiliate clubs (correspondence, minutes, and miscellaneous); minutes of the National Board (originally named the National

Council) and National Staff meetings; and materials from national conferences.

Arrangement The series is divided into ten (10) subseries: 1. Constitution and Bylaws; 2.

President's/Executive Director's Papers; 3. History of Emma Lazarus Federation (ELF); 4. General Correspondence; 5. Emma Lazarus Clubs; 6. Minutes of National Board Meetings; 7. Conference Materials; 8. Membership and Publicity; 9. Bulletins; 10. Financial Bulletins and

Records.

Subseries 1. Constitution and Bylaws, 1947-1964

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder Emma Lazarus Division of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order-International Worker's Union (JPFO-IWO), 1947

Box 1. Folder Drafts and final copy, 1951

Box 1. Folder Revision of constitution and bylaws at 5th national convention, 1964

Subseries 2. President's/Executive Director's Papers, 1953-1984

Arrangement

The subseries is divided into three (3) sub-subseries: a. June C. Gordon; b. Leah Nelson; c. Rose Raynes.

Sub-subseries a. June C. Gordon, 1953-1979

Scope and Content Note Papers of June C. Gordon, founder and first Executive Director from 1951 to 1967.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 4. (And family) speeches, play and miscellaneous, 1953-1979

Box 1. Folder 5. Memorial meeting - correspondence and miscellaneous, 1967

Box 1. Folder 6. Monument unveiling - correspondence and miscellaneous, 1967

Box 1. Folder 7. Dedication to June Gordon by Miriam Silver for 4th edition of Emma Lazarus book, 1978

Sub-subseries b. Leah Nelson, 1961-1970

Scope and Content Note Papers of Leah Nelson, president during the 1960s.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 8. Draft articles, speeches and correspondence, 1961-1970

Sub-subseries c. Rose Raynes, 1963-1984

Scope and Content Note Papers of Rose Rayes who served as Executive Director, 1967-1976, and President, 1976-1989.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 9. Notes, remarks and speeches, 1963-1984

Box 1. Folder 10. Biographical tribute by Miriam Silver on Raynes' $80 \mathrm{th}$ birthday, 1983

Subseries 3. History of Emma Lazarus Federation (ELF), 1944-1989

Box 1. Folder 12. History of Emma Lazarus Division of JPFO-IWO - speech and miscellaneous [also see photos in Folder 22/1], 1944-1949

Subseries 4. General Correspondence, 1951-1989

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 13. American Jewish Archives, 1976-1989

Box 1. Folder 14. Miscellaneous correspondence, 1951-1987

Box 1. Folder 15. Action letters to clubs and National Board, 1952-1988

Subseries 5. Emma Lazarus Clubs, 1951-1988

Extent 1 linear foot (2.5 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Correspondence, minutes, and miscellaneous records.

Arrangement The series is arranged alphabetically by state.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 2. Folder 1. California, 1974

Box 2. Folder 2. California, 1982-1983

Box 2. Folder 3. California. San Francisco club, 1974

Box 2. Folder 4. Los Angeles City Committee. Correspondence, 1967-1974

Box 2. Folder 5. Los Angeles City Committee. Correspondence, 1974-1976

Box 2. Folder 6. Los Angeles City Committee. Correspondence, 1977-1979

Box 2. Folder 7. Los Angeles City Committee. Correspondence, 1980-1981

Box 2. Folder 8. Los Angeles City Committee. Correspondence, 1982-1983

Box 2. Folder 9. Los Angeles City Committee. Minutes, 1973-1974

Box 2. Folder 10. Los Angeles City Committee. Minutes, 1975-1983

Box 2. Folder 11. Los Angeles clubs - activities [also see photos in Folder 22/5], 1953-1980

Box 3. Folder 1. Florida, 1961-1974

Box 3. Folder 2. Florida. Miami club court case, 1960 November-1961 January

Box 3. Folder 3. Florida. Miami clubs [also see photos of Miami and Miami Beach clubs in Folder 22/6], 1982-1983

Box 3. Folder 4. Illinois. Illinois Council, 1982-1983

Box 3. Folder 5. Illinois. Chicago Council, 1973-1974

Box 3. Folder 6. Illinois. Chicago clubs activities [also see photos of Chicago club activities in Folder 22/7], 1951-1973

Box 3. Folder 7. Massachusetts, 1974

- Box 3. Folder 8. Massachusetts. Greater Boston Council, 1959-1960
- Box 3. Folder 9. Massachusetts. Activities, 1951-1963
- Box 3. Folder 10. Michigan. Detroit club, 1974
- Box 3. Folder 11. New Jersey, 1982-1983
- Box 3. Folder 12. New Jersey. Lakewood club, 1974
- Box 3. Folder 13. New Jersey. Newark club, 1974-1975
- Box 3. Folder 14. New Jersey. Paterson club, 1974
- Box 3. Folder 15. New Jersey. Toms River club, 1973-1974
- Box 3. Folder 16. New York. Bronx Council correspondence and activities [also see photos of Bronx and Brooklyn clubs in Folder 22/8], 1959-1983
- Box 3. Folder 17. New York. Brooklyn Council correspondence and miscellaneous,, 1965-1980
- Box 3. Folder 18. New York. Brooklyn Conference proposed resolutions, 1970 January 31 $\,$
- Box 3. Folder 19. New York. Brower Park club, 1958-1960
- Box 4. Folder 1. New York City Committee. Minutes, 1976-1978
- Box 4. Folder 2. New York City Committee. Minutes, 1979-1980
- Box 4. Folder 3. New York City Committee. Minutes, 1981-1982
- Box 4. Folder 4. New York City Committee. Minutes, 1983-1984
- Box 4. Folder 5. New York City Committee. Minutes, 1985-1988
- Box 4. Folder 6. New York City Committee. Executive minutes, 1976-1979
- Box 4. Folder 7. New York City Committee. Executive minutes, 1980-1983

Subseries 6. Minutes of National Board Meetings, 1951-1989

Extent 0.6 linear feet (1.5 Hollinger boxes)

- Box 4. Folder 8. National Council (National Board), 1951
- Box 4. Folder 9. Eastern Seaboard Meetings of Board, 1956-1960
- Box 4. Folder 10. National Executive Committee, 1967-1977
- Box 4. Folder 11. National Board minutes, 1964-1973
- Box 5. Folder 1. National Executive Board minutes, 1975-1977
- Box 5. Folder 2. National Executive Board minutes, 1978-1979
- Box 5. Folder 3. National Executive Board minutes, 1980-1981
- Box 5. Folder 4. National Executive Board minutes, 1982-1983
- Box 5. Folder 5. National Executive Board minutes, 1984-1985
- Box 5. Folder 6. National Executive Board minutes, 1986-1989
- Box 5. Folder 7. National Staff (Resident Board) notices of meetings, 1961
- Box 5. Folder 8. National Staff minutes, 1967-1970

- Box 5. Folder 9. National Staff minutes, 1971
- Box 5. Folder 10. National Staff minutes, 1972
- Box 5. Folder 11. National Staff minutes, 1973
- Box 5. Folder 12. National Staff minutes, 1974-1975

Subseries 7. Conference Materials, 1951-1980

Extent 0.8 linear feet (2 Hollinger boxes)

Arrangement The series is chronologically arranged.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 6. Folder 1. 3rd National Convention of Emma Lazarus Division of JPFO-IWO and 1st National Convention of ELF - minutes, 1951 January 20-21

Box 6. Folder 2. 2nd National Convention (held on O 22-23, 1955). Minutes, talks, reports, 1955 October 22-23

Box 6. Folder 3. 2nd National Convention (held on O 22-23, 1955). Resolutions, constitution and nominating committees, 1955 October

Box 6. Folder 4. 2nd National Convention (held on O 22-23, 1955). Preparations, 1955

Box 6. Folder 5. 3rd National Convention (held on N 6-8, 1959), 1958-1959

Box 6. Folder 6. 4th National Convention (held on N 3-5, 1961), 1960-1961

Box 6. Folder 7. 5th National Convention (held on Je 12-14, 1964), 1964

Box 6. Folder 8. 6th National Convention (held on S 15-17, 1967). Form letters and schedule, 1967

Box 6. Folder 9. 6th National Convention (held on S 15-17, 1967). Speeches, reports and resolutions, 1967

Box 6. Folder 10. 6th National Convention (held on S 15-17, 1967). Reservations and banquet, 1967

Box 6. Folder 11. 6th National Convention (held on S 15-17, 1967). Delegates, correspondence and miscellaneous, 1967

Box 6. Folder 12. 6th National Convention (held on S 15-17, 1967). Exhibit materials, 1965-1967

Box 7. Folder 1. National Leadership Conference, 1969 October 4-6

Box 7. Folder 2. National Leadership Conference, 1971 October 30

Box 7. Folder 3. National Leadership Conference - statement, 1972 October 18

Box 7. Folder 4. 7th National Convention (held on N 14-16, 1975). Correspondence and form letters, 1971, 1975

Box 7. Folder 5. 7th National Convention (held on N 14-16, 1975). Proceedings, schedules and resolutions, 1975

Box 7. Folder 6. 7th National Convention (held on N 14-16, 1975). Speeches and reports, 1975

Box 7. Folder 7. 7th National Convention (held on N 14-16, 1975). Citation for charter members, 1975

Box 7. Folder 8. 7th National Convention (held on N 14-16, 1975). Delegates, reservations and pre-convention discussions, 1975

Box 7. Folder 9. National Leadership Conference, 1980 November 21-22

Subseries 8. Membership and Publicity, 1951-1964

Box and Folder Listing

Box 8. Folder 1. Membership brochures, 1954 and undated

Box 8. Folder 2. Essay, "Why I Joined the Emma Lazarus Club," by Ida Good, Chicago, Ill. [won 1st prize in Chicago Essay Contest, see article in The Lamp, October 1958 in Folder 8/6], 1958

Box 8. Folder 3. Calendar of Events, 1951-1984

Box 8. Folder 4. Press releases, 1952-1970

Subseries 9. Bulletins, 1952-1983

Box and Folder Listing

Box 8. Folder 5. The Lamp. Bulletins, 1952-1955

Box 8. Folder 6. The Lamp. Bulletins, 1957-1960

Box 8. Folder 7. Federation Bulletin. Bulletins, 1970 March-1982 November

Box 8. Folder 8. Federation Bulletin. Correspondence, articles and form letters, 1971-1978

Box 8. Folder 9. Federation Bulletin. Correspondence and articles, 1982-1983

Subseries 10. Financial Bulletins and Records, 1951-1964

Box and Folder Listing

Box 8. Folder 10. Financial Secretary's bulletins [form letters], 1951-1956

Box 8. Folder 11. Financial report, 1962

Box 8. Folder 12. Correspondence re: excise tax on meeting at Cooper Union sponsored by Emma Lazarus New York Clubs on D 14, 1963,, 1963-1964

Series B. Cultural Committee, 1921, 1944-1989

Extent 2 linear feet (5 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Contains correspondence, articles, minutes, speeches, discussion outlines, plays, and miscellaneous related to the cultural and educational activities of the Emma Lazarus Federation. Included in this series are articles and speeches by Miriam Silver (National Cultural Director from the mid-1970s until 1989), discussion outlines written by the national staff for use by individual clubs, plays presented by various clubs and other materials regarding cultural programs and entertainment. Other subjects include Emma Lazarus, the Statue of Liberty, the American Museum of Immigration, and Ernestine Rose. Although the majority of material in the series dates from the mid-1950s to the mid-1980s, a few Emma Lazarus and Ernestine Rose articles pre-date 1951. (NOTE: Also see one cassette tape recording of the memorial meeting held in New York City on October 24, 1982 for Clara Lemlich Shavelson, trade union activist and founding member of the Emma Lazarus

Arrangement

The series is divided into ten (10) subseries: 1. Minutes and Mailings; 2. Miriam Silver; 3. Study Outlines and Speakers Guides; 4. Plays and Entertainment; 5. Publications, Books, and Libraries; 6. New Year's Cards; 7. Miscellaneous Anniversary Observances; 8. American Jewish Cultural Organizations; 9. Emma Lazarus and Statue of Liberty; 10. Ernestine Rose.

Subseries 1. Minutes and Mailings, 1961-1976

Box and Folder Listing

Box 9. Folder 1. Minutes, mailings and activities, 1961-1976

Subseries 2. Miriam Silver, 1968-1985

Scope and Content Note Papers of Miriam Silver, National Cultural Director, 1970s-1980s.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 9. Folder 2. Speeches and articles, 1968-1985

Subseries 3. Study Outlines and Speakers Guides, 1953-1985

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 9. Folder 3. Women American history, status, International Women's Day, and Mother's Day, 1953-1972
- Box 9. Folder 4. U.S. Bicentennial and Civil War Centennial, 1962, 1976
- Box 9. Folder 5. American Jewish Tercentenary, 1954-1955
- Box 9. Folder 6. Famous American Jewish women (Emma Lazarus, Ernestine Rose, Sophie Irene Loeb, Lillian Wald, Rebecca Gratz), 1959-1985
- Box 9. Folder 7. American Jewish artist, Ben Shahn, 1979
- Box 9. Folder 8. Yiddish writers (Sholem Aleichem, Itzhak Leib Peretz, David Edelshtat) and modern Yiddish literature, 1965-1982
- Box 9. Folder 9. Purim and Hanukkah, 1982-1983
- Box 9. Folder 10. Holocaust and Warsaw Ghetto, 1951-1982
- Box 9. Folder 11. Israel, 1952
- Box 9. Folder 12. Anti-semitism and Civil Rights, 1952-1975
- Box 9. Folder 13. Black History Month, 1980-1984
- Box 9. Folder 14. Child care centers, legislation and leadership in clubs, 1957-1984

Subseries 4. Plays and Entertainment, 1953-1986, undated

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 9. Folder 15. Play, "The Golden Lamp.", 1953 January 17
- Box 9. Folder 16. Plays and related correspondence re: American Jewish Tercentenary ("Road to Freedom," "300 Years," "Bread and Roses," "Bread and Roses, Too") [also see photos in Folder 22/9], 1954-1955
- Box 9. Folder 17. Three plays from Chicago club and one play from Los Angeles clubs, 1953-1972
- Box 9. Folder 18. Miscellaneous plays, undated
- Box 9. Folder 19. Entertainers and speakers, 1974-1986
- Box 9. Folder 20. Song sheets for group singing, undated
- Box 9. Folder 21. Penn Dutch Tour, 1974 May 11
- Box 9. Folder 22. Projected tour of Gracie Mansion, 1983

Subseries 5. Publications, Books, and Libraries, 1951-1988

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- Box 9. Folder 23. Jewish Book Month and gifts to libraries, 1951-1965
- Box 9. Folder 24. Books sponsored by the Emma Lazarus Federation [also see photos in Folder 22/10], 1955-1968
- Box 9. Folder 25. Yiddish publications, 1967-1969, undated
- Box 9. Folder 26. Treatment of minorities in textbooks and educational programs,, 1961-1977
- Box 9. Folder 27. Special libraries re: Jewry, women and presidents, 1974-1977
- Box 10. Folder 1. Jewish Currents correspondence and miscellaneous, 1967-1988

Subseries 6. New Year's Cards, 1974

Box and Folder Listing

Box 10. Folder 2. New Year's Cards (orders and miscellaneous), 1974

Subseries 7. Miscellaneous Anniversary Observances, 1951-1982

- Box 10. Folder 3. [ELF] 30th anniversary affair [also see photo in Folder 22/11], 1981 April 11
- Box 10. Folder 4. Civil War Centennial Commission, 1959-1961
- Box 10. Folder 5. Civil War Pictorial Panel [also see photo in folder 22/12], 1961-1976
- Box 10. Folder 6. Radio broadcast by Mollie Ilson in Miami, Florida, re: Civil War, 1962 February 11
- Box 10. Folder 7. Itzhak Leib Peretz 100th anniversary of birth, 1951

- Box 10. Folder 8. Franklin D. Roosevelt 10th anniversary of death, 1955
- Box 10. Folder 9. Morris Rosenfeld 100th anniversary of birth (YIVO Exhibition Catalogs), 1962
- Box 10. Folder 10. Clara Lemlich Shavelson memorial meeting [also see AJA Tape Recording No. C-1338 for oral record of the Clara Lemlich Shavelson memorial meeting held in New York City], 1982 October 24
- Box 10. Folder 11. Clara Lemlich Shavelson in painting by Philip Reisman [also see article in The Lamp, v. 3, no. 2, in Folder 8/5 and see photo in Folder 22/13 and AJA Slide Nos. 895-896], 1980-1982
- Box 10. Folder 12. Lillian Wald (Hall of Fame for Great Americans, New York University, New York, N.Y.), 1971 September 12

Subseries 8. American Jewish Cultural Organizations, 1958-1986

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 10. Folder 13. Survey, The Jewish Communities of the World, by Institute of Jewish Affairs, World Jewish Congress, New York, N.Y., 1958
- Box 10. Folder 14. American Jewish Organizations Directory, 1969
- Box 10. Folder 15. Bensonhurst Fraternal Society, undated
- Box 10. Folder 16. Jewish Cultural Clubs and Societies, 1975-1976
- Box 10. Folder 17. Camp Kinderland, 1984-1985
- Box 10. Folder 18. National Foundation for Jewish Culture bulletins, 1962-1964
- Box 10. Folder 19. YKUF (Yiddisher Kultur Farband), 1974-1982
- Box 10. Folder 20. The Chaim Zhitlowsky Foundation Inc. for Secular Jewish Education, 1975-1981
- Box 10. Folder 21. Miscellaneous Jewish Organizations, 1971-1986

Subseries 9. Emma Lazarus and Statue of Liberty, 1921, 1949-1989

- Box 11. Folder 1. Biographical sketches and speeches [also see photos in Folder 22/14], 1921, 1965-1981
- Box 11. Folder 2. Articles and illustrations, 1949-1986
- Box 11. Folder 3. National Essay Contest, 1950
- Box 11. Folder 4. Morris U. Schappes. Speeches and articles, 1949, 1967, undated
- Box 11. Folder 5. Book, The Letters of Emma Lazarus, 1868-1885, and Book, Emma Lazarus: Selections from her Poetry and Prose by Morris U. Schappes, 1949
- Box 11. Folder 6. Morris U. Schappes. Book orders and bills, 1967-1975
- Box 11. Folder 7. Morris U. Schappes. 1st edition, 1967
- Box 11. Folder 8. Morris U. Schappes. 5th edition (1983), 1981-1986
- Box 11. Folder 9. Morris U. Schappes. "Meet the Author" afternoon, 1983 October 29
- Box 11. Folder 10. Cultural programs and anniversary tributes to Emma Lazarus. Centennial of Emma Lazarus' birth (Emma Lazarus Division of JPFO-IWO), 1949
- Box 11. Folder 11. Cultural programs and anniversary tributes to Emma Lazarus. 70th anniversary of Emma

Lazarus' death, 1957

- Box 11. Folder 12. Cultural programs and anniversary tributes to Emma Lazarus. 75th and 83rd anniversaries of Emma Lazarus' death, 1962, 1970
- Box 11. Folder 13. Cultural programs and anniversary tributes to Emma Lazarus. Re: play, "Emma Lazarus Woman of Valor," correspondence, 1972 December
- Box 11. Folder 14. Cultural programs and anniversary tributes to Emma Lazarus. 125th anniversary of Emma Lazarus' birth, program with play, 1974 December 14
- Box 11. Folder 15. Commemorative Committee (memorials and postage stamp) [see photos in Folders 22/14-15], 1958-1988
- Box 11. Folder 16. Petition for Emma Lazarus commemorative postage stamp, 1959
- Box 11. Folder 17. Battery Park memorial (Federation of Jewish Women's Organizations), 1955
- Box 11. Folder 18. Battery Park memorial and Emma Lazarus Promenade, 1985-1989
- Box 12. Folder 1. Hall of Fame for Great Americans at New York University. Nominations for Emma Lazarus and Ernestine Rose correspondence and miscellaneous, 1960-1976
- Box 12. Folder 2. Hall of Fame for Great Americans at New York University. Addresses for campaign to nominate Emma Lazarus, 1972-1973
- Box 12. Folder 3. Hall of Fame for Great Americans at New York University. Replies to nomination campaign, 1973
- Box 12. Folder 4. Hall of Fame for Great Americans at New York University. Replies to nomination campaign, 1976
- Box 12. Folder 5. Statue of Liberty. History, 1965
- Box 12. Folder 6. Statue of Liberty. Correspondence and articles re: Channel 13 program aired 1985 October 27, 1985-1986
- Box 12. Folder 7. Liberty Island outings. Annual tributes to Emma Lazarus [also see photos in Folder 22/15], 1949-1977
- Box 12. Folder 8. Liberty Island outings. Annual tributes to Emma Lazarus [also see photos in Folder 22/15], 1978-1981
- Box 12. Folder 9. Liberty Island outings. Annual tributes to Emma Lazarus [also see photos in Folder 22/15], 1982-1984
- Box 12. Folder 10. Liberty Island outings. Annual tributes to Emma Lazarus [also see photos in Folder 22/15], 1985-1986
- Box 12. Folder 11. Jewish Historical Society of New York, Inc. (includes outing to Liberty Island, 1978 September 17), 1978-1980
- Box 13. Folder 1. American Museum of Immigration [also see photos in Folder 22/16], 1954-1981
- Box 13. Folder 2. Term papers re: American Museum of Immigration and Emma Lazarus [from history class taught by Morris U. Schappes?], 1973
- Box 13. Folder 3. Statue of Liberty restoration and centennial, 1982-1986

Subseries 10. Ernestine Rose, 1944-1981

- Box 13. Folder 4. [Biographical] research and quotes [also see photo in Folder 22/17], 1944-1959
- Box 13. Folder 5. Commemorative postage stamp [also see Folders 11/15-16], 1959-1960
- Box 13. Folder 6. Memorial resolution by Illinois House of Representatives, 1961 May 9

- Box 13. Folder 7. Nomination to Women's Hall of Fame, Inc., Seneca Falls, N.Y., 1970
- Box 13. Folder 8. Correspondence and miscellaneous re: biography, Ernestine Rose and the Battle for Human Rights, by Yuri Suhl (1959) [also see photo in Folder 22/17], 1953-1981
- Box 13. Folder 9. Play, "Ernestine Rose," by Anne Allan. Script and miscellaneous, 1972
- Box 13. Folder 10. Play, "Ernestine Rose," by Anne Allan. Ernestine Rose concert and play, 1973 March 25
- Box 13. Folder 11. Script for radio broadcast, "Ernestine Rose: Champion of Human Rights," by Virginia Mazer, 1975

Series C. Civil Rights Committee, 1951-1986

Extent 1.2 linear feet (3 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Contains correspondence, articles and miscellaneous regarding civil rights and human rights activities of the Emma Lazarus Federation. Subjects include genocide, McCarthyism, rights of foreign-born Americans, Ku Klux Klan, African-American history, desegregation, housing discrimination, and criminal

code reform.

Arrangement

The series is divided into six (6) subseries: 1. Human Rights and Genocide Convention; 2. Warsaw Ghetto Anniversaries and the Holocaust; 3. Anti-Semitism and Neo-Nazism; 4. Immigration and Deportation; 5. Racism and Discrimination; 6. Legislative Committee.

Subseries 1. Human Rights and Genocide Convention, 1951-1986

Extent 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 14. Folder 1. Brotherhood Month/Week speaker's guides and miscellaneous, 1951-1968
- Box 14. Folder 2. White House Conference, "To Fulfill These Rights.", 1966 June 1-2
- Box 14. Folder 3. Methodist Federation For Social Action, 1974-1977
- Box 14. Folder 4. United Nations Association, 1965-1969
- Box 14. Folder 5. Ad Hoc Committee on the Human Rights and Genocide Treaties, 1965-1973
- Box 14. Folder 6. Ratification of Genocide Treaty. Petitions, 1951-1969
- Box 14. Folder 7. Ratification of Genocide Treaty. National delegation with petitions, Washington D.C. [see photo in Folder 22/19 and AJA Slide Nos. 897-905], 1969 March 17
- Box 14. Folder 8. Ratification of Genocide Treaty. Correspondence with U.S. Senators, 1963-1977
- Box 14. Folder 9. Ratification of Genocide Treaty. Miscellaneous, 1962-1986

Subseries 2. Warsaw Ghetto Anniversaries and the Holocaust, 1954-1986

- Box 15. Folder 1. Outlines and reports by Mollie Goldstein, 1961-1979
- Box 15. Folder 2. Miscellaneous, 1954-1986

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Subseries 3. Anti-Semitism and Neo-Nazism, 1956-1984

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 15. Folder 5. Miscellaneous, 1956-1981
- Box 15. Folder 6. Committee Against Nazism and Anti-Semitism, 1962-1964
- Box 15. Folder 7. Morris Kominsky correspondence re: neo-nazism, 1970
- Box 15. Folder 8. Simon Wiesenthal Center, 1981-1984
- Box 15. Folder 9. Committee for Jews of Poland anti-semitism in Poland, 1968-1969

Subseries 4. Immigration and Deportation, 1952-1977

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 15. Folder 10. Walter-McCarran Immigration Act and statute of limitations on deportation [also see photo in Folder 22/20], 1952-1962
- Box 15. Folder 11. American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, 1967-1977

Subseries 5. Racism and Discrimination, 1952-1984

- Box 15. Folder 12. Housing discrimination (Sharkey-Brown-Isaacs bill), 1957
- Box 15. Folder 13. Desegregation of schools, 1955-1958, 1970
- Box 15. Folder 14. Community Control of schools (decentralization), 1969
- Box 15. Folder 15. Civil Rights organizations. Chile Solidarity Committee, 1974-1977
- Box 15. Folder 16. Civil Rights organizations. Committee for Puerto Rican Decolonization, 1974
- Box 15. Folder 17. Civil Rights organizations. Key Women, Incorporated 11th annual luncheon, honoring Mrs.
- Rosa L. Parks [also see photo in AJA Flat File under Emma Lazarus Federation], 1965 November 7
- Box 15. Folder 18. Civil Rights organizations. National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).
- Box 15. Folder 19. Civil Rights organizations. Sojourners for Truth and Justice [also see photos in Folder 22/22], 1952
- Box 15. Folder 20. Civil Rights organizations. Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and Martin Luther King, 1958-1981
- Box 15. Folder 21. Civil Rights organizations. Southern Conference Education Fund (SCEF), 1962-1974
- Box 15. Folder 22. Civil Rights organizations. Southern Poverty Law Center (Klanwatch Project), 1981-1984

Subseries 6. Legislative Committee, 1959-1984

Extent 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)

Box and Folder Listing

Box 16. Folder 1. Legislative correspondence, 1959-1977

Box 16. Folder 2. Legislative correspondence, 1978-1982

Box 16. Folder 3. Legislative miscellaneous, 1974-1978

Box 16. Folder 4. Senate Bill S.1 [and successors re: criminal code reform],, 1975-1978

Box 16. Folder 5. Congressional Record excerpts, 1969

Box 16. Folder 6. Senators and Congresswomen. Bella Abzug, U.S. Congresswoman, 1974-1976

Box 16. Folder 7. Senators and Congresswomen. Elizabeth Holtzman, U.S. Congresswoman, 1977-1979

Box 16. Folder 8. Senators and Congresswomen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, U.S. Senator, 1980-1981

Box 16. Folder 9. Legislative organizations and issues. Amnesty organizations, 1976-1977

Box 16. Folder 10. Legislative organizations and issues. Task Force on Prison Reform, 19,681,973

Box 16. Folder 11. Legislative organizations and issues. National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression, 1973-1984

Box 16. Folder 12. Legislative organizations and issues. Wilmington 10, 1976-1978

Box 16. Folder 13. Legislative organizations and issues. National Legal Defense Fund (formerly Angela Davis Legal Defense Fund), 1970, undated

Box 16. Folder 14. Legislative organizations and issues. San Quentin Six Defense Committee, 1974-1975

Box 16. Folder 15. Legislative organizations and issues. New York State Executive Department Office for the Aging, 1971-1976

Series D. Women's Rights, 1940-1988

Extent 0.8 linear feet (2 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Contains correspondence, articles and miscellaneous materials pertaining to women's rights activities of the Emma Lazarus Federation. Subjects include women's history (a few articles pre-date 1951) and the status of women. The majority of material pertains to International Women's Day/Year activities and various women's organizations.

Arrangement

The series is divided into three (3) subseries: 1. General; 2. International Women's Day/Year; 3. Women's Organizations.

Subseries 1. General, 1940-1985

Extent 0.2 linear feet (0.5 Hollinger box)

- Box 17. Folder 1. Research notes on women (historic and miscellaneous articles), 1940-1985, undated
- Box 17. Folder 2. 50th anniversary celebration of women's right to vote (19th Amendment), 1970 October 25
- Box 17. Folder 3. Status of women miscellaneous reports, 1960-1985
- Box 17. Folder 4. Equal Rights Amendment (ERA), 1970-1981

Subseries 2. International Women's Day/Year, 1963-1987

Extent 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 17. Folder 5. World Congress of Women, Moscow, 1963
- Box 17. Folder 6. IWD, 1967
- Box 17. Folder 7. IWY preparatory coalition, 1975
- Box 17. Folder 8. IWY/IWD, 1974-1975
- Box 17. Folder 9. World Conference of International Women's Year (United Nations), Mexico City, 1975
- Box 17. Folder 10. World Congress for Women, Berlin, 1975
- Box 17. Folder 11. IWD, 1976
- Box 17. Folder 12. IWD and June Gordon Memorial, 1977 March 19
- Box 17. Folder 13. New York State Women's Meeting re: IWY, 1977
- Box 17. Folder 14. International Women's Day observances, 1978
- Box 17. Folder 15. International Women's Day observances, 1980 March 15
- Box 17. Folder 16. International Women's Day observances, 1982 March 20
- Box 18. Folder 1. International Women's Day observances, 1983 March 27
- Box 18. Folder 2. International Women's Day observances, 1984 March 24
- Box 18. Folder 3. International Women's Day observances, 1985
- Box 18. Folder 4. International Women's Day observances, 1986
- Box 18. Folder 5. International Women's Day observances, 1987

Subseries 3. Women's Organizations, 1952-1988

Extent 0.2 linear feet (0.5 Hollinger box)

- Box 18. Folder 6. List of National Jewish Women's Organizations from American Jewish Yearbook, 1974-1975
- Box 18. Folder 7. American Jewish Congress National Women's Division correspondence and miscellaneous, 1955-1975
- Box 18. Folder 8. League of Women Voters, 1970-1987
- Box 18. Folder 9. National Council of Jewish Women, 1952-1969
- Box 18. Folder 10. National Council of Negro Women, 1969-1970

- Box 18. Folder 11. National Organization of Women (NOW), 1973-1982
- Box 18. Folder 12. New York City Council Committee on Women (Miriam Friedlander), 1983-1987
- Box 18. Folder 13. New York State Coalition of the Concerned for Older Americans (COCOA) Conference on Midlife and Older Women, 1983
- Box 18. Folder 14. Women for Racial and Economic Equality (WREE), 1977-1984
- Box 18. Folder 15. Women Strike for Peace, 1962-1979
- Box 18. Folder 16. Women United for Action, 1972-1980
- Box 18. Folder 17. Women United for New York, 1975
- Box 18. Folder 18. Women's International Democratic Federation's (WIDF) review, Women of the Whole World, 1971-1979
- Box 19. Folder 1. Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), 1966-1984
- Box 19. Folder 2. Women's National Loyal League and award to Daisy Bates, 1961, 1963
- Box 19. Folder 3. Miscellaneous women's organizations and publications, 1958-1988

Series E. Consumer Affairs, Israel, and Peace, 1951-1984

Extent 0.8 linear feet (2 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Contains correspondence, articles, publications, and miscellaneous relating to Emma Lazarus Federation activities for consumer rights, Israel, and world peace. Subjects include day care centers in New York and Israel, relief for Israel and Vietnam, Jewish war orphans in France, nuclear war protest, Vietnam war protest, Israel and the Mideast, German rearmament, health service, inflation and unemployment, senior citizens, and fair housing practices.

Arrangement

The series is divided into four (4) subseries: 1. Consumer Affairs - General and Organizations; 2. Child Welfare and Relief; 3. Environmental Organizations; 4. World Peace.

Subseries 1. Consumer Affairs - General and Organizations, 1951-1984

Extent 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)

- Box 19. Folder 4. Consumer Affairs general, 1951-1976
- Box 19. Folder 5. National Health Security Bill (Kennedy-Corman Bill, S3-HR21), 1978
- Box 19. Folder 6. National Health Service Act, 1983
- Box 19. Folder 7. J. P. Stevens boycott, 1977-1978
- Box 19. Folder 8. AFL-CIO Solidarity Day Demonstration, Washington, D.C., 1981 September 19
- Box 19. Folder 9. Coalition of Labor Union Women (CLUW), 1974
- Box 19. Folder 10. Congress of Senior Citizens of Greater New York, 1978-1984
- Box 19. Folder 11. District 65 (UAW AFL-CIO), 1983
- Box 19. Folder 12. Infant Formula Action Coalition (INFACT Nestle boycott),, 1984
- Box 19. Folder 13. National Council of Senior Citizens 17th Constitutional Convention, 1984 June 28-30
- Box 19. Folder 14. New York Coalition to Fight Inflation and Unemployment [renamed National Coalition for Economic Justice (NCEJ) in 1977], 1974-1980

Subseries 2. Child Welfare and Relief, 1952-1983

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 20. Folder 1. Children's Hospital, Washington, D.C., 1960
- Box 20. Folder 2. First Step Day Care Center, Brooklyn, N.Y. [also see photo in Folder 22/28], 1972-1973
- Box 20. Folder 3. Israel. Emma Lazarus Day Nursery, Tel Aviv, Israel. Outline and miscellaneous [also see photos in Folder 22/29], 1964-1983
- Box 20. Folder 4. Israel. Emma Lazarus Day Nursery, Tel Aviv, Israel. Correspondence, 1953-1960
- Box 20. Folder 5. Israel. Emma Lazarus Day Nursery, Tel Aviv, Israel. Correspondence re: contributions, 1967-1974
- Box 20. Folder 6. Israel. American Red Magen David for Israel correspondence and miscellaneous re: contributions, 1954-1976
- Box 20. Folder 7. Miscellaneous relief and child welfare, 1969-1978
- Box 20. Folder 8. Central Children's Committee, Paris, France correspondence re: Jewish war orphans [also see photos in Folder 22/30], 1952-1980
- Box 20. Folder 9. Vietnam. Friendshipment: People-to-People Aid to Vietnam, 1975-1978
- Box 20. Folder 10. Vietnam. Bach Mai Hospital Relief Fund (and other medical aid for Vietnam), 1973-1975

Subseries 3. Environmental Organizations, 1974, 1981

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 20. Folder 11. Magnolia Tree Earth Center of Bedford-Stuyvesant, Inc., New York, N.Y., 1981
- Box 20. Folder 12. Friends of the Earth, 1974

Subseries 4. World Peace, 1951-1984

- Box 20. Folder 13. Mother's Day discussion outlines and miscellaneous, 1953-1973
- Box 20. Folder 14. Mothers March for Freedom and Peace, 1960
- Box 20. Folder 15. Peace miscellaneous [also see photos in Folder 22/31], 1951-1980
- Box 20. Folder 16. Israel, 1965-1981
- Box 20. Folder 17. League of the German Democratic Republic for Friendship Among the Peoples, Berlin, 1962-1964
- Box 20. Folder 18. Japan Council Against A-H Bomb, 1961-1962

- Box 20. Folder 19. New Jewish Agenda, 1980-1984
- Box 20. Folder 20. New York Mobilization for Survival, 1983-1984
- Box 20. Folder 21. Peace Council of the German Democratic Republic newsletters, 1963-1964
- Box 20. Folder 22. Physicians for Social Responsibility, 1984
- Box 20. Folder 23. SANE, 1960-1984
- Box 21. Folder 1. Shorefront Peace Committee, 1983-1984
- Box 21. Folder 2. Sukkat Shalom/Shelter of Peace, 1984
- Box 21. Folder 3. Vietnam Peace Parade Committee and miscellaneous re: Vietnam, 1965-1980

Series F. Miscellaneous, 1966, undated

Extent 0.2 linear feet (0.5 Hollinger box)

Scope and Content Note Contains two wooden plaques and two decorative ceramic tiles pertaining to Emma Lazarus, the Statue of Liberty and Jewish-Black relations (NAACP membership certificate).

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 21. Folder 4. Wooden plaque Certificate of Life Membership for the Bronx Council of Emma Lazarus Jewish Women's Clubs in the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 1966
- Box 21. Folder 5. Wooden plaque inscribed with excerpt of Emma Lazarus' poem, "The Great Colossus" (the Statue of Liberty poem), undated
- Box 21. Folder 6. Two decorative ceramic tiles depicting the Statue of Liberty, undated

Series G. Photographs, 1945-1978, undated

Extent 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)

Scope and Content Note The majority of photographs are in black and white. Subjects include the Emma Lazarus Division of the JPFO-IWO; people and activities of the Emma Lazarus Federation in New York City, Los Angeles, Chicago and Miami; American Jewish history; labor history; Emma Lazarus; Ernestine Rose; genocide and denaturalization petitions; anti-Semitism; Jewish-Black relations; civil rights; protest marches; day care centers and French orphans; and German rearmament.

- Box 22. Folder 1. Emma Lazarus Division JPFO, 1945-1951 and undated.
- Box 22. Folder 2. Executive Directors of ELF. June Gordon, 1951, undated
- Box 22. Folder 3. Executive Directors of ELF. Newspaper cut of June Gordon (metal plate on wood), undated
- Box 22. Folder 4. Executive Directors of ELF. Rose Raynes, 1951, undated
- Box 22. Folder 5. Club Activities. California Los Angeles clubs, 1952-1955, undated
- Box 22. Folder 6. Club Activities. Florida Miami and Miami Beach clubs, 1959-1969
- Box 22. Folder 7. Club Activities. Illinois Chicago clubs, 1963, undated
- Box 22. Folder 8. Club Activities. New York Bronx and Brooklyn clubs, 1953-1960s, undated

- Box 22. Folder 9. National Cultural Activities. American Jewish Tercentenary program, "Road to Freedom," performed by Bronx, N.Y., clubs [also see Folder 9/16], 1954
- Box 22. Folder 10. National Cultural Activities. Presentations of books to libraries, 1951-1968
- Box 22. Folder 11. National Cultural Activities. 30th anniversary [of ELF] affair, 1981 April 11
- Box 22. Folder 12. National Cultural Activities. Civil War Pictorial Panel, 1962-1976
- Box 22. Folder 13. National Cultural Activities. Clara Lemlich Shavelson depicted in painting, "The Turning Point The Panorama of the Garment Industry, 1909-1911," by Philip Reisman [also see article in The Lamp, v. 3, no. 2 in Folder 9/5; Folder 10/11; and AJA Slide Nos. 895-896], 1954
- Box 22. Folder 14. Emma Lazarus and memorials to her memory [also see letter, Beverly Kolodny to Rose Raynes N-D, 1969, in Folder 11/15], 1967-1970 and undated
- Box 22. Folder 15. Statue of Liberty outings and Emma Lazarus memorial celebrations, 1955-1980
- Box 22. Folder 16. American Museum of Immigration, 1957
- Box 22. Folder 17. Ernestine Rose, 1857
- Box 22. Folder 18. Yuri Suhl author of Ernestine Rose and the Battle for Human Rights at author meets the people program [also see article in The Lamp, O, 1957, in Folder 9/6], 1927 May 15
- Box 22. Folder 19. Genocide petitions [also see Folder 14/6], 1963-1966
- Box 22. Folder 20. Petitions for statute of limitations on deportation and denaturalization (amendment to Walter-McCarran Immigration Act) [also see Folder 15/10], 1962 April
- Box 22. Folder 21. Picketing anti-semitic film, "Oliver Twist.", 1951
- Box 22. Folder 22. Unity luncheon with the Sojourners for Truth and Justice [also see Folder 15/19], 1952 March 23
- Box 22. Folder 23. Black History and the Civil War printed pictures of people and memorials, undated
- Box 22. Folder 24. NAACP Life Membership presentation at Convention Dinner [also see Folder 21/4], 1961 November 4
- Box 22. Folder 25. Daisy Bates award banquet (Negro Rights), 1961 May 7
- Box 22. Folder 26. Food collection project to aid Mississippi Civil Rights movement, Bronx, N.Y., 1956
- Box 22. Folder 27. Civil Rights activities, miscellaneous [also see Folder 15/23], 1954, undated
- Box 22. Folder 28. Protest marches for peace, jobs, and against racism, 1960, undated
- Box 22. Folder 29. First Step Day Care Center, Brooklyn, N.Y. dedication [also see Folder 20/2], 1973 January 26
- Box 22. Folder 30. Emma Lazarus Day Nursery, Tel Aviv, Israel, 1952-1978, undated
- Box 22. Folder 31. Central Children's Committee orphanage in Andresy, France, supported by ELF [also see Folder 31], early 1950s
- Box 22. Folder 32. World Jewish Conference Against German Rearmament, Paris, France [Leah Nelson, ELF delegate] [also see Folder 20/15], 1955 June 18-19