

# A Finding Aid to the Adolf and Gertrude Philippsborn Papers

## **Manuscript Collection No. 10**



### **Collection Summary**

**Title** Adolf and Gertrude Philippsborn Papers

**Dates** 1875-1980 **Collection Number** MS-10

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Philippsborn, Adolf, 1898-1967 Creator Philippsborn, Gertrude, 1891-

**Extent** 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)

Language of the Material English

### **Administrative Information**

### **Biographical Sketch**

Adolf Philippsborn was born in Potsdam, Germany. Philippsborn's interests included Semitic languages, history and philosophy. He was a graduate of both the Jewish Teacher Seminary in Muenster and the Lehernstalt für die Wissenschaft in Berlin. Philippsborn served for several years in various German congregations until emigration to the United States in 1939.

Once arriving in the United States, the ordained Rabbi Adolf Philippsborn chose to take additional coursework at the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, Ohio. His commitment to Reform Judaism institutions remained strong. Philippsborn joined the Central Conference of American Rabbis and was a committee member on Family, Marriage, and the Home. Philippsborn was also an executive board member for the southeastern region of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and active in the Texas Kallah of Rabbis.

Philippsborn served in several congregations, and was also a part-time chaplain. His pulpits ranged all over the south including: Shreveport, Louisiana, Marshall, Texas, Harlingen, Texas, Lubbock, Texas, Gadsen, Alabama, Muncie, Indiana, Colorado Springs, Colorado and Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Adolf Philippsborn died in 1967. He was survived by his wife Gertrude and three children.

### **Scope and Content**

The Adolf and Gertrude Philippsborn Papers include a history of the Jewish community of Marshall, Texas and a 1969 history —with a 1970 supplement— of the Jewish community of Vicksburg, Mississippi. Also in the collection are newspaper clippings, publications and photographs relating to other Mississippi Jewish communities. Nearprint material and maps in the collection detail the further history of Vicksburg.

There are no personal papers or correspondence or other documents within this collection. It contains only the two community histories together with the notes and documentation to support Gertrude Philippsborn's study of Vicksburg, Mississippi.

**Arrangement** The collection is arranged in one (1) series: A. General.

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### **Index Terms**

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### Series A. General, 1875-1980

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### **Box and Folder Listing**

Box 1. Folder 1. Marshall, Texas. History of the Marshall Jewish Community. Philippsborn, Adolf, 1943 January

Box 1. Folder 2. Vicksburg, Mississippi. History of the Jewish Community of Vicksburg, 1820-1968. Philippsborn, Gertrude, 1969-1980

Box 1. Folder 3. Vicksburg, Mississippi. Notes on history of community, undated

Box 1. Folder 4. Vicksburg, Mississippi. Publications; maps, undated

Box 1. Folder 5. Vicksburg, Mississippi. Nearprint, undated

Box 1. Folder 6. Vicksburg, Mississippi. Miscellaneous, undated