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**A Finding Aid to the  
Bernard Semel Papers**

**Manuscript Collection No. 240**



## Collection Summary

<b>Title</b>	Bernard Semel Papers
<b>Dates</b>	1929-1952
<b>Collection Number</b>	MS-240
<b>Repository</b>	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
<b>Creator</b>	Semel, Bernard, 1878-1959
<b>Extent</b>	0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)
<b>Language of the Material</b>	English and Yiddish

## Administrative Information

<b>Biographical Sketch</b>	Bernard Semel was born in Galicia in 1878. A Zionist, Semel was active in the Zionist Organization of America and many other Jewish organizations. In 1914 he co-founded (with Judah L. Magnes) the Yiddish newspaper, Der Tog. Semel's main interest was in Jewish education. He was one of the organizers of the Jewish Education Association as well as a board member and secretary of the Jewish Education Committee. Bernard Semel died in 1959.
<b>Scope and Content</b>	Collection consisting of correspondence, speeches, newspaper clippings, and miscellaneous items pertaining to Semel's work in Jewish education, his interest in Palestine, and other matters.
<b>Terms of Access</b>	The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply.
<b>Preferred Citation</b>	Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Bernard Semel Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:  [Description], [Date], Box #, Folder #. MS-240. Bernard Semel Papers. American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<b>Provenance</b>	Received from Herbert Semel, New York, N.Y., 1959.

## Index Terms

<b>Subjects</b>	Emigration and immigration / Jewish religious education / Jews -- Education / Palestine / Zionism
<b>Personal Names</b>	Semel, Bernard, 1878-1959
<b>Corporate Names</b>	Jewish Education Association / Jewish Education Committee / Zionist Organization of America
<b>Media</b>	Sermons

## Series A. General

### Box and Folder Listing

- Box 1. Folder 1. A-E, General.
- Box 1. Folder 2. F-K, General.
- Box 1. Folder 3. Jewish Education Committee of New York, 1929-1955
- Box 1. Folder 4. L-R, General.
- Box 1. Folder 5. Magnes, Judah L., 1943-1949
- Box 1. Folder 6. S-Z, General.
- Box 1. Folder 7. Unidentified correspondence.
- Box 1. Folder 8. Sermons and writings, A-Y, untitled.
- Box 1. Folder 9. Financial records, 1928-1940

Box 1. Folder 10. Clippings and miscellaneous.