A Finding Aid to the
Miriam S. Mann Papers

Manuscript Collection No. 627
Miriam Sivitz Mann was born on October 20, 1910, in Cincinnati, Ohio. She graduated from Walnut Hills High School in 1928. She also graduated as a registered nurse from the Jewish Hospital School of Nursing in 1931.

Mann worked as the assistant editor of the Anglo-Jewish Weekly from 1937-1941, and as managing editor from 1956-1960. In 1964 she served as a caseworker for the Hamilton County Welfare Department.

For most of Mann's life she served Jewish volunteer organizations on the national and local level. She was a Board member of the National Body of Pioneer Women, serving as its national Seminar Chairman from 1952-1958. She was a board member of the American Zionist Federation, and was a delegate to the 27th World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem. In 1967 she served as a member of the National Executive Committee of the Labor Zionist Alliance. She was National vice-president of the Labor Zionist Organization of America from 1969-1971. In 1973 she traveled to South Africa and served as a special campaign speaker for the Union of Jewish Women of South Africa.

On the local level Mann helped recreate the Cincinnati Zionist Council and served as its President from 1966-1968. She was President of the Cincinnati Council of Pioneer Women and was active in the Hamilton County Council for Retarded Children. She was also a board member of the Jewish Community Relations Council and the Citizens' Committee on Justice and Corrections.

Mann traveled widely in the United States, Europe and Israel. She was well known in the Cincinnati area as a speaker on current Jewish issues and as a reviewer of books. Miriam Sivitz married Albert Mann on December 10, 1936.

Miriam Sivitz Mann died in 1997.

Papers include correspondence, research notes on the Middle East, writings, book reviews, biographical materials, and photographs. Also included are materials from several Jewish organizations Mann was active in: Community Relations Council of Cincinnati (Ohio), the Labor Zionist Alliance, Pioneer Women, and the Union of Jewish Women of South Africa.

The collection is divided into four (4) series: A: Writings and Addresses; B: Correspondence; C: Personal; D: Photographs.

The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply.

Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Miriam S. Mann Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:

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Series A. Writings and Addresses, 1947-1992

Extent 2.6 linear feet (6.5 Hollinger boxes)

Arrangement

Series A is divided into three (3) subseries: 1. Addresses; 2. Book Reviews; 3. Research.

Subseries 1. Addresses, 1967-1983

Extent 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)

Scope and Content Note Consists of speeches pertaining to Jewish issues given by Mann. Most of the folders list the topic and the place where the talk was presented.

Arrangement The folders in this series are arranged chronologically

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 1. Schmidt, Esther, undated
Box 1. Folder 3. Federation of Jewish Women, "The Family Israel.", 1969 November 13
Box 1. Folder 5. Pioneer Women, "Israel.", 1970 September 8
Box 1. Folder 7. Jewish World Council, "Israel.", 1971 March 31
Box 1. Folder 8. Meir, Golda, 1979
Box 1. Folder 10. "Jerusalem" [Walnut Hills Christian Church], 1981 May 12
Box 1. Folder 11. "Lebanon Invasion" [Temple Shalom], 1982 November 13
Box 1. Folder 12. Patterson, David. Vita, undated


Extent 0.8 linear feet (2 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Consists of book reviews presented by Mann at meetings and conventions. She reviewed books by both Jewish and non-Jewish authors.

Extent 1.4 linear feet (3.5 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Consists of research materials collected by Mann including articles, publications and maps. The most prominent subject matter deals with issues in the Middle East.

Arrangement The folders are arranged alphabetically.

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 4. Folder 4. Ariel (Quarterly Review of the Arts and Sciences in Israel), 1969
- Box 4. Folder 5. Binyan (Six-Day War), 1967
- Box 4. Folder 8. Cincinnati 200 years, 1988
- Box 4. Folder 9. Dual citizenship, 1970
- Box 4. Folder 15. Israel, 1985-1989
- Box 4. Folder 17. Israel. Middle East, 1970
- Box 4. Folder 20. Israel, 1989
- Box 4. Folder 21. Israel, undated
- Box 5. Folder 1. Israel. Miscellaneous, 1981-1988
- Box 5. Folder 3. Jerusalem, 1971
- Box 5. Folder 7. The Jews of Silence by Elie Wiesel, 1966
- Box 6. Folder 1. Lebanon, 1982-1988
- Box 6. Folder 2. Lebanon/Jordan, 1982
- Box 6. Folder 3. Map of Middle East, 1947
Box 6. Folder 4. Maps of Middle East, undated
Box 6. Folder 9. Oil and the Middle East energy crisis, 1973
Box 7. Folder 2. Supreme Court decision on citizenship, 1967
Box 7. Folder 3. Timmerman, Jacob [articles], 1981
Box 7. Folder 4. Travel notes and notes for addresses, 1983, undated

Series B. Correspondence, 1941-1993

Extent 0.6 linear feet (1.5 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Consists of correspondence, articles, minutes, publications and miscellaneous material. The bulk of the material pertains to Jewish organizations in which Mann was active including: the Jewish Community Relations Council of Cincinnati, the Labor Zionist Alliance, Pioneer Women and the Union of Jewish Women of South Africa.

Arrangement The folders are arranged alphabetically.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 7. Folder 7. Hardy, Mary, 1969
Box 7. Folder 8. Israel. Letter to editor, "The Tragedy of Israel.", 1973
Box 8. Folder 1. Labor Zionist Alliance, 1974 June-1982 February
Box 8. Folder 2. Labor Zionist Alliance, 1982-1986
Box 8. Folder 4. Labor Zionist Alliance convention, 1988
Box 8. Folder 7. Labor Zionist Alliance Committee, 1992
Box 8. Folder 8. Pioneer Women, 1941-1943

Extent 0.2 linear feet (0.5 Hollinger box)

Scope and Content Note Consists of biographical sketches and articles concerning Miriam and Albert Mann.

Arrangement The folders in this series are arranged alphabetically.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 9. Folder 5. Travel book and planner, undated

Series D. Photographs, 1930-1986

Extent 0.2 linear feet (0.5 Hollinger box)

Scope and Content Note Consists of photographs of Miriam and Albert Mann, as well as their family and friends.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 9. Folder 6. Family and friends, 1940s-1980s
Box 9. Folder 7. Family, 1940s-1950s