A Finding Aid to the
Memoirs of Holocaust Survivors in Canada Collection

Manuscript Collection No. 645
Collection Summary

Title
Memoirs of Holocaust Survivors in Canada

Dates
1985-2002

Collection Number
MS-645

Repository
The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives

Creator
Wewryk, Kalmen
Braitstein, Marcel
Halpern, Nahum
Gutman, Jacob
Lecker, Marcus
Svarc, Rose Ickovits Weiss
Kotkowsky, Charles
Charmatz, K.
Shtibel, Rachel
Schwartz-Somlo-Foti, Irene Romer
Romer, Pal
Simon, Agnes
Tiger, Dolly
Jacobs, David
Finkielman, Marian
Zylberberg, Perek
Smilovic, Sam
Kron, Meyer
Aspler, Minna
Gutman, Hyman
Gutman, Myra
Phillipson-Levy, Rachel
Reich, Miriam
Savin, Andrew
Schacter-Rogel, Koineh
Schwartz, Veronika
Wildutschinsky-Trepman, Babey
Zimmerman, Michael
Rodak-Izso, Helen
Gregus, Emery
Salamon, Andrew
Zilversmit, Guenther
Vertes, Leslie
Citrome, Alexandre
Kujawski, Benjamin
Rotbart, Nelli
Zylberberg, Abraham
Fink, Gerta
Shtibel, Adam
Fuchs, Adam
Miller, Gabriel
Frankel-Zaltzman, Paula
Bilich, Lev
Stenge, Margrit Rosenberg
Kovesi, Vera

Extent
0.8 linear feet (2 Hollinger boxes)

Language of the Material
English

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch
This project originated in the early 1990s when faculty members at the Canadian Jewish Studies Department of Concordia University of Montreal, Quebec, Canada set out to collect unpublished memoirs of Holocaust survivors living in Canada. The memoirs focus on the war period (1939-1945) but contain information about the survivor's post-war experience. Some memoirs were written in Yiddish but were later translated into English. With support from a grant from the Concordia University in Canadian Jewish Studies, limited numbers of published volumes were distributed to Canadian university libraries and Holocaust centers in other countries. These memoirs have also been distributed on the Internet <http://migs.concordia.ca/survivor.html>
Scope and Content
Memoirs of Canadian Holocaust survivors, gathered as part of the Series of Holocaust Survivor Memoirs in Canada sponsored by Concordia University. A publication of the Concordia University chair in Canadian Jewish Studies and the Montreal Institute for Genocide and Human Rights Studies.

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

Terms of Access
The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply.

Preferred Citation
Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Memoirs of Holocaust Survivors in Canada Collection and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:

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Provenance
Received from Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, 1999-2002.

Processing Information

Index Terms
Subjects
Holocaust survivors / Holocaust, Jewish (1939-1945) / Jews -- Canada

Media
Autobiographies / Oral histories

Series A. General, 1985-2002

Box and Folder Listing
Box 1. Folder 1. Volume 1. To Sobibor and Back: An Eyewitness Account [contains account of Kalmen Wewryk], 1999
Box 1. Folder 2. Volume 2. Five to Ten: Story of a Hidden Child [contains account of Marcel Braitsten], 1994 May
Box 1. Folder 3. Volume 3. From Slavery to Freedom[contains account of Nahum Halpern], 1999
Box 1. Folder 5. Volume 5. I Remember [contains account of Marcus Lecker], 1999
Box 1. Folder 7. Volume 7. Remnants [contains account of Charles Kotkowsky], 2000
Box 2. Folder 2. Volume 12. This I Remember [contains account of Perec Zylberberg], 2001
Box 2. Folder 7. Volume 17. The Last Chance to Remember [contains account of Helen Rodak-Izso], 2002
Box 2. Folder 8. Volume 18. Occupation and Liberation; Aftermath; Post- War Years Remembrances [contains account of Emery Gregus], 2002
Box 2. Folder 10. Volume 20. From Holland and Back [contains account of Guenther Zilversmit], 1985
Box 2. Folder 12. Volume 22. 50 ans de Ma Vie [contains account of Alexandre Citrome], 2002