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**A Finding Aid to the  
Leonard A. Greenberg Papers  
Manuscript Collection No. 646**



## Collection Summary

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| <b>Title</b>                    | Leonard A. Greenberg Papers                                   |
| <b>Dates</b>                    | 1879-1957 (bulk 1942-1957)                                    |
| <b>Collection Number</b>        | MS-646  |
| <b>Repository</b>               | The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives |
| <b>Creator</b>                  | Greenberg, Leonard A. (Leonard Alfred), 1919-2007             |
| <b>Extent</b>                   | 0.8 linear feet (2 Hollinger boxes)                           |
| <b>Language of the Material</b> | English   |

## Administrative Information

**Biographical Sketch** Leonard A. Greenberg was born in New York City in 1919. He was ordained from Hebrew Union College in 1943 and temporarily took over the pulpit at Temple Israel in New Rochelle, New York for Jacob Shankman, who was serving as a chaplain. Greenberg later served as both the Hillel Foundation director in Boston, Massachusetts, in 1946-47, with congregations at both Tufts University and Simmons College. He later moved to California and served in several congregations.

Greenberg has a strong interest in American Jewish history as both a writer and a teacher of outreach classes.

Leonard married Blanche Gootkin in April 1946. She passed away in 1987.

**Scope and Content** These papers describe the activities, research interests and publications of Rabbi Leonard A. Greenberg between 1939-1957. The collection contains correspondence re: organizations, the HUC Monthly, research about Charles Coughlin and antisemitism, and manuscripts about Jewish history.

**Arrangement** Organized into two (2) series: A. Correspondence/Research Files; B. Writings.

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

**Preferred Citation** Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Leonard A. Greenberg Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:

[Description], [Date], Box #, Folder #. MS-646. Leonard A. Greenberg Papers. American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio.

**Provenance** Received from Leonard A. Greenberg, Aptos, Calif., September 1989.

**Processing Information** Processed by Melinda K. McMartin, June 2000.

## Index Terms

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| <b>Subjects</b>        | Antisemitism / Coughlin, Charles E. (Charles Edward), 1891-1979 / Jews -- California -- Los Angeles / Jews -- Massachusetts -- Boston / Rabbis |
| <b>Personal Names</b>  | Greenberg, Leonard A. (Leonard Alfred), 1919-2007  |
| <b>Corporate Names</b> | B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation (Harvard University) / Hebrew Union College   |

### Series A. Correspondence and Project Files, 1879-1955

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

**Scope and Content Note** Of particular interest is correspondence relating to the HUC Monthly and nearprint relating to Father Charles Coughlin.

**Arrangement** The series is arranged alphabetically.

### **Box and Folder Listing**

- Box 1. Folder 1. Antisemitism article, 1879
- Box 1. Folder 2. Coughlin, Charles. Nearprint, 1939
- Box 1. Folder 3. Hebrew Union College. History course materials, 1942
- Box 1. Folder 4. Hebrew Union College Monthly, 1942-1943, 1947
- Box 1. Folder 5. Hillel Foundation (Boston, Mass.), 1945-1946
- Box 1. Folder 6. Jewish history course (Adams School, Boston, Mass.), 1946
- Box 1. Folder 7. National Jewish Welfare Board (USO). Idaho-Utah, 1945
- Box 1. Folder 8. New York Jewish Conference, 1946
- Box 1. Folder 9. Organizational correspondence, 1948-1954
- Box 1. Folder 10. Universal Jewish Encyclopedia, 1942

### **Series B. Writings, 1939-1957**

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

**Scope and Content Note** Writings vary from papers submitted to Hebrew Union College and Columbia University to a television Passover script.

**Arrangement** The series is arranged chronologically.

### **Box and Folder Listing**

- Box 2. Folder 1. Antisemitism. Translation, 1939
- Box 2. Folder 2. History of the Eastern European Jew 1890-1900 [HUC], 1939
- Box 2. Folder 3. Anti-Jewish Prejudice in the American Jewish Colonies in the United States, 1654-1881 [HUC], 1939
- Box 2. Folder 4. Edward Channing and Heinrich Graetz [Columbia University], 1944
- Box 2. Folder 5. HUC, 1879-1894, 1944
- Box 2. Folder 6. Liberal Judaism, 1944
- Box 2. Folder 7. Let's Pull Together, 1946
- Box 2. Folder 8. HUC Monthly article, 1947
- Box 2. Folder 9. KFI TV Passover script, 1949
- Box 2. Folder 10. An American Antisemite in the 19th Century. Salo Baron Memorial Volume, 1957