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Jacob Kabakoff Collection**

Manuscript Collection No. 659



Collection Summary

Title	Jacob Kabakoff Collection
Dates	1877-1993
Collection Number	MS-659
Repository	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
Creator	Kabakoff, Jacob, 1918
Extent	2 linear feet (5 Hollinger boxes)
Language of the Material	Hebrew

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch Jacob Kabakoff, noted rabbi and Jewish educator, was born in New York City on March 20, 1918. He earned a diploma from the Teachers Institute of Yeshiva University in 1935, and a B.A. from the same institution in 1938. He was ordained a rabbi, and awarded a M.H.L. from the Jewish Theological Seminary in 1944. He earned a D.H.L. there in 1958.

From 1944-1948, Kabakoff served as a Conservative rabbi in Philadelphia. From 1952-1968, he was the dean of the Cleveland College of Jewish Studies. Upon completing his tenure there, Kabakoff was appointed Professor of Hebrew at Lehman College/City University of New York.

A specialist in Hebrew literature in America, Kabakoff has written extensively on Hebrew literature for English and Hebrew publications in Israel, as well as in America. His published works include: *Master of Hope: Selected Writings of Naphtali Herz Imber*, and the Hebrew volumes *Stalwarts and Seekers: Essays on American Hebrew Literature and Culture*, *Pioneers of American Hebrew Literature*, and *Naphtali Herz Imber: Baal Hatikvah*. Kabakoff served as the Chairman of the Editorial Board of *Hadoar*, the noted Hebrew weekly newspaper of America. He was also the editor of the *Jewish Book Annual* from 1977 to 1996.

Kabakoff was a member of the following organizations: the Rabbinical Assembly, the American Association of Jewish Studies, the World Congress of Jewish Studies, and the American Association of Professors of Hebrew. Kabakoff received honorary degrees from the Jewish Theological Seminary (1972) and Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (1988). He was also acknowledged in 1988 by the Habermann Institute for Literary Research, when the Institute published a Hebrew festschrift in his honor entitled *Migvan: Studies Related to Hebrew Literature in America*.

Scope and Content The Jacob Kabakoff collection consists of Kabakoff's collection of secondary sources associated with late-19th and 20th century Hebrew literature. Most, but not all, of the literature was published in American periodicals between 1877 and 1993.

The history of the Hebrew language in America can be divided into three eras:

1654-1870: The period of sporadic publication and literary curiosities

1870-1918: The early modern period

1918-present: The modern period

Kabakoff's interest lies within the third category, and is concentrated specifically on literature published before 1948 (the founding of the State of Israel). After the 1940's, there is a significant decrease in the amount of Hebrew literature that was published in the United States.

Arrangement This collection is organized into two (2) series: A. Individual Files; B. Subject Files.

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

Preferred Citation Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Jacob Kabakoff Collection and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:

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Index Terms

Subjects Hebrew literature, Modern
Personal Names Kabakoff, Jacob, 1918-
Media Photographs

Series A. Individual Files, circa 1877-1993

Extent 1.6 linear feet (4 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Material includes New York Times obituaries, critiques from Hebrew/Yiddish and Jewish periodicals, articles about the writers that are written by Kabakoff, photographs of selected writers, and portions of correspondence from the selected writer.

Arrangement Materials are arranged alphabetically by writer.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 1. Arieli, L. A.
Box 1. Folder 2. Avinoam-Grossman, Reuven.
Box 1. Folder 3. Bavli, Hillel.
Box 1. Folder 4. Bavli, Hillel.
Box 1. Folder 5. Ben Yehuda, Eliezer.
Box 1. Folder 6. Ben Yosef, A.
Box 1. Folder 7. Berdichevsky, Micha Yosef.
Box 1. Folder 8. Bernstein, Simon.
Box 1. Folder 9. Berkowitz, Isaac Dov.
Box 1. Folder 10. Bialik, Hayim Nachman.
Box 1. Folder 11. Blank, Samuel Leib.
Box 1. Folder 12. Bluestone, Joseph.
Box 1. Folder 13. Brainin, Reuven, -1939
Box 1. Folder 14. Brainin, Reuven, 1940-
Box 1. Folder 15. Brind, Moshe.
Box 1. Folder 16. Carmi, T.
Box 1. Folder 17. Chomsky, Zev.
Box 1. Folder 18. Davidson, Israel.
Box 1. Folder 19. Deinard, Ephraim.
Box 1. Folder 20. Deutsch, Gotthard.
Box 1. Folder 21. Diesendruck, Zvi.
Box 1. Folder 22. Dolitzky, Menahem Mendel.
Box 1. Folder 23. Domnitz, Aaron.
Box 1. Folder 24. Efros, Israel.
Box 1. Folder 25. Ehrlich, Arnold B.
Box 2. Folder 1. Eisenstein, Judah David.

Box 2. Folder 2. Feigin, Samuel.

Box 2. Folder 3. Feinstein, Moshe.

Box 2. Folder 4. Friedland, Abraham Hayim.

Box 2. Folder 5. Friedlander, Israel.

Box 2. Folder 6. Gersoni, Henry (Zvi).

Box 2. Folder 7. Gintzburg, Shimon.

Box 2. Folder 8. Goldman, Moshe.

Box 2. Folder 9. Goldstein, Isaac.

Box 2. Folder 10. Gordon, Hirsch Leib.

Box 2. Folder 11. Ha'am, Ahad.

Box 2. Folder 12. Halevi, A.Z.

Box 2. Folder 13. Halevi, Moshe.

Box 2. Folder 14. Halkin, Simon.

Box 2. Folder 15. Ibn-Zahav, Ari.

Box 2. Folder 16. Imber, Naphtali Herz.

Box 2. Folder 17. Indelman, Elhanan.

Box 2. Folder 18. Isaacs, Bernard (Dov).

Box 2. Folder 19. Kabakoff, Jacob.

Box 2. Folder 20. Konowitz, Israel.

Box 2. Folder 21. Leaf, Hayim.

Box 2. Folder 22. Lisitzky, Ephraim.

Box 2. Folder 23. Malachi, Eliezer Raphael.

Box 2. Folder 24. Malachi, Eliezer Raphael.

Box 2. Folder 25. Malachowsky, Hillel.

Box 2. Folder 26. Markson, Aaron David.

Box 2. Folder 27. Marx, Alexander.

Box 3. Folder 1. Masliansky, Zvi Hirsch.

Box 3. Folder 2. Maximon, S.V.

Box 3. Folder 3. Miller, Samuel.

Box 3. Folder 4. Mirsky, Samuel.

Box 3. Folder 5. Naamani, Israel.

Box 3. Folder 6. Neumark, David.

Box 3. Folder 7. Orlans, A.S.

Box 3. Folder 8. Pelli, Moshe.

Box 3. Folder 9. Persky, Daniel.

Box 3. Folder 10. Persky, Daniel.

Box 3. Folder 11. Preil, Gabriel.

Box 3. Folder 12. Rabinowitz, Isaac.

Box 3. Folder 13. Rabinowitz, Isiah.

Box 3. Folder 14. Raisin, Mordechai Zev (Max).
Box 3. Folder 15. Rawitdowicz, Simon.
Box 3. Folder 16. Regelson, Abraham.
Box 3. Folder 17. Revel, Bernard (David).
Box 3. Folder 18. Ribalow, Menaham.
Box 3. Folder 19. Rivkind, Isaac.
Box 4. Folder 1. Rodkinson, Michael Levi.
Box 4. Folder 2. Rosenberg, Adam.
Box 4. Folder 3. Rosenfeld, Samuel.
Box 4. Folder 4. Rosenzweig, Gershon.
Box 4. Folder 5. Sackler, Harry (Zvi Hirsch).
Box 4. Folder 6. Sawyer, Abraham.
Box 4. Folder 7. Scharfstein, Zvi.
Box 4. Folder 8. Schwartz, Abraham.
Box 4. Folder 9. Schwartz, I.J.
Box 4. Folder 10. Schwartzberg, Samuel.
Box 4. Folder 11. Setzer, S.H.
Box 4. Folder 12. Tchernowitz, Chaim.
Box 4. Folder 13. Touroff, Nisan.
Box 4. Folder 14. Turberg, Pinhas.
Box 4. Folder 15. Twersky, Yohanan.
Box 4. Folder 16. Wallenrod, Reuven.
Box 4. Folder 17. Waxman, Meyer.
Box 4. Folder 18. Wohl, J. J.
Box 4. Folder 19. Wolf, Schur.
Box 4. Folder 20. Yehoash.
Box 4. Folder 21. Zausmer, Jacob.
Box 4. Folder 22. Zeitlin, Aaron.
Box 4. Folder 23. Zilbershlag, Isaac.
Box 4. Folder 24. Zinder, Reuven.
Box 4. Folder 25. Zlikobitz, Getzl.

Series B. Subject Files, 1877-1993

Extent 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)

Scope and Content Note Material includes essays from Hebrew, Yiddish and Jewish periodicals.

Arrangement Material is arranged alphabetically by subject.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 5. Folder 1. American Hebrew literature.

Box 5. Folder 2. Ha-Doar.

Box 5. Folder 3. Ha-Doar and American Judaism.

Box 5. Folder 4. Hebrew/Yiddish Press in America.

Box 5. Folder 5-7. Histadrut Ivrit of America.

Box 5. Folder 8. Role of Hebrew In America.