A Finding Aid to the
Don Canaan Papers

Manuscript Collection No. 708
Don Canaan was born in the Bronx, New York City in 1938. He first began working as a journalist in 1960. From 1961-1974, he worked for NBC News in New York. In 1974, Canaan moved to Israel where he lived for three years.

Upon his return to the US, Canaan studied at Ohio State University’s School of Journalism in Columbus, Ohio, while concurrently working as an assistant in the University's TV news workshop. Canaan earned his master’s degree and Ohio State.

Canaan joined the American Israelite and worked as a staff writer, copy editor, and photographer from 1986-1992. He received the first place award for best weekly journalism in Ohio from the State of Ohio bar Associations for authoring a four part series in 1988 entitled “Jews in Ohio's Prisons: Does Anybody Care?”

In 1993, Canaan started the Israel Faxx, a newsletter sent to interested readers in the local Cincinnati region and throughout the United States. As editor, Canaan compiles and edits the newsletter using news reports from Israel itself, allowing indigenous Israeli news to circulated in the United States.

This collection is arranged in two (2) series: A. Newsclippings; B. Israel News Faxx.

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Series A. Newsclippings, 1986-1993, undated

Contents of photocopied newspaper articles written by Canaan for the American Israelite in Cincinnati from the years 1986-1993. There are also articles from other Jewish newspapers, as well as an op-ed piece for the Cincinnati Enquirer written in 1989. The collection also includes copies of the Israel Faxx between the years of 1993 and 2018. Israel News Faxx is a fax publication that Canaan edits which makes news reports from Israeli periodicals available to US subscribers.

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**Arrangement**

The series is arranged chronologically.

**Box and Folder Listing**

Box 1. Folder 1. Newsclippings, 1986-1987
Box 1. Folder 2. Newsclippings, 1988
Box 1. Folder 3. Newsclippings, 1989
Box 1. Folder 4. Newsclippings, 1990
Box 1. Folder 5. Newsclippings, undated

**Series B. Israel News Faxx, 1993-2018**

**Extent** 4.8 linear feet (12 Hollinger boxes)

**Scope and Content Note** Contains copies of all the editions of the Israel News Faxx issued between February 19th, 1993 and 2018. Israel News Faxx is a daily fax newsletter distributed by Don Canaan from Sunday through Thursday.

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**Box and Folder Listing**

Box 2. Folder 1. Israel News Faxx, 1993 February-June
Box 2. Folder 2. Israel News Faxx, 1993 July-December
Box 2. Folder 3. Israel News Faxx, 1994 January-June
Box 2. Folder 4. Israel News Faxx, 1994 July-December
Box 3. Folder 1. Israel News Faxx, 1995 January-June
Box 3. Folder 2. Israel News Faxx, 1995 June-December
Box 3. Folder 3. Israel News Faxx, 1996 January-June
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Box 3. Folder 5. Israel News Faxx, 1997 January-June
Box 3. Folder 6. Israel News Faxx, 1997 July-December
Box 4. Folder 1. Israel News Faxx, 1998 January-June
Box 4. Folder 2. Israel News Faxx, 1998 July-December
Box 4. Folder 3. Israel News Faxx, 1999 January-June
Box 4. Folder 4. Israel News Faxx, 1999 July-December
Box 4. Folder 5. Israel News Faxx, 2000 January-June
Box 4. Folder 6. Israel News Faxx, 2000 July-December
Box 5. Folder 1. Israel News Faxx, 2001 January-June
Box 5. Folder 2. Israel News Faxx, 2001 July-December