A Finding Aid to the
Joseph Barondess Papers

Manuscript Collection No. 507
Collection Summary

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Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch
Labor and communal leader, Barondess was born in the Ukraine on July 3, 1867. He immigrated to the U.S. in 1888 and worked in the garment industry in New York City where he became a labor organizer and joined the Socialist Labor Party. After starting a successful insurance business in the late 1890's, he turned his attention to civic and communal affairs, serving on the National Civic Foundation (1900) and the New York City Board of Education (1910). As a reaction to the Russian pogroms of 1903, he became active in the Zionist movement. Among the founders of the American Jewish Congress, Barondess was also a member of the American-Jewish delegation to the Versailles peace talks in 1919 where he worked to incorporate safeguards for Jewish minority rights in the Versailles Peace Treaty. He died in Brooklyn, New York, June 19, 1928.

Scope and Content
Papers consist of the personal letterbooks of Barondess which document his numerous involvements including communal activities, Zionism, the labor movement, minority rights for Jews, and his insurance business.

Copies
Also available in microfilm available in repository and via interlibrary loan AJA microfilm nos. 2004-2019.

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Provenance
Received from the New York campus of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion through Rabbi Julius Rosenthal, Hartsdale, N.Y., 1968.

Index Terms

Subjects
Insurance companies / Jewish businesspeople / Jews -- New York (State) -- New York / Labor movement / Zionism

Personal Names
Barondess, Joseph, 1867-1928

Corporate Names
American Jewish Congress / Paris Peace Conference (1919-1920)

Series A. General, 1912-1928

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 1. Letterbook, 1912 February 3-March 11
Box 1. Folder 2. Letterbook, 1912 August 1-September 10
Box 2. Folder 1. Letterbook, 1912 September 10-November 12
Box 2. Folder 2. Letterbook, 1912 December 26-1913 January 31
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Box 3. Folder 2. Letterbook, 1913 March 10-April 21
Box 4. Folder 1. Letterbook, 1913 April 21-June 5
Box 4. Folder 2. Letterbook, 1916 April 12-July 17
Box 5. Folder 1. Letterbook, 1916 July 19-October 24
Box 5. Folder 2. Letterbook, 1918 April 15-July 5
Box 6. Folder 1. Letterbook, 1918 July 17-October 11
Box 6. Folder 2. Letterbook, 1919 December 29-1920 August 3
Box 7. Folder 1. Letterbook, 1918 December 21-1919 December 27
Box 8. Folder 1. Letterbook, 1925 August 5-1926 March 25
Box 8. Folder 2. Letterbook, 1926 March 25-September 16
Box 9. Folder 1. Letterbook, 1926 September 21-1927 July 7
Box 9. Folder 2. Letterbook, 1927 July 11-1928 May 11