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A bibliography of monographic and periodical literature published since 1975 and received in the Library of the American Jewish Historical Society.


Note to Readers: The "Judaica Americana" section of this journal first appeared in vol. 52:1 (September 1962) under the editorship of Dr. Nathan M. Kaganoff, who had then just been appointed as librarian of the American Jewish Historical Society. From that time onward, until his death on February 4, 1992, Dr. Kaganoff painstakingly compiled, annotated, and edited this section, which appeared regularly twice a year. All told, Dr. Kaganoff listed about ten thousand individual items dealing with American Jewish history and life during the three decades in which he produced "Judaica Americana"—many of which but for him might easily have been lost and left unrecorded.

The burgeoning growth of American Jewish historical scholarship during the past two decades has made the task of maintaining bibliographical control over the field ever more difficult. To identify, acquire, and list all of the many hundreds of books, periodicals, pamphlets, and articles published in the field every year has become an increasingly expensive and time-consuming task, one beyond the current resources of the American Jewish Historical Society. As a result, changes in the nature and format of this bibliography have become necessary.

Henceforward, this bibliography will serve as a listing of new acquisitions in the Society's library. Fewer annotations will be supplied, and some publications may be included as they are presented to the Society as gifts, because budgetary constraints limit the number of publications that the Society's library acquires through purchase. We ask all members of the Society to cooperate with us by sending complimentary copies of their books and articles to the Society's cataloger.

"Judaica Americana" will also now be produced in a new format, utilizing bibliographical computer software and an updated list of categories. Suggestions and comments on this new format are welcome;


Biography and Autobiography


A juvenile biography.


Autobiography of one of the pioneers of the computer industry.

The story of the infamous Jewish gangster.


Lederer immigrated to the United States from Austria about 1939.

One of the “men who made radio” was David Sarnoff.


A study of the life and work of the author and illustrator.


The author is a prominent zoologist with Wildlife Conservation International.


Includes articles about Rabbi Joseph Asher.


The bittersweet tale of a young boy's coming of age in New York.


Cultural Life


Attempts to define the goals of communal outreach programs and to evaluate specific efforts at reaching the unaffiliated.


A collection of dialogues and discussions with famous Jews on a wide range of subjects, such as religious observance, psychiatry, humor, the Holocaust, Israel, and the Jewish future. Participants include Mordecai Kaplan, Isaac Bashevis Singer, Elie Wiesel, Cecil Roth, and Henry Kissinger.


A famous Jewish humorist's advice for living in the 1990s.


Includes “The Newest Americans: Report of the American Jewish Committee’s task force on the acculturation of immigrants to American life” by George Szabad and Gary Rubin.
Includes an article by Riv-Ellen Prell on the Jewish Princess.


Includes history and general information about kosher restaurants.

A sociological study of the communal life and structure of Israelis living in Los Angeles.

A comparative study of Soviet Jewish and Vietnamese refugee communities.


A cookbook focusing on combining Jewish dietary laws and natural foodways.


Essays by well known Canadian Jews. Contributors include mystery writer Howard Engel and entrepreneur Ed Mirvish.

A collection of sociological studies concerning Jewish philanthropy in the United States.


A step-by-step guide to Bar or Bat Mitzvah.


**Economic Life**

Examines the rise and fall of Kohlberg, Kravis Roberts.

Interviews with the Jewish economist Edward Bernstein, focusing on his economic thought.


Biography of the Jewish Socialist labor leader.


Education


An overview and extension of Lawrence Kohlberg's approach to moral development.

Genealogy and Family History


Includes genealogical charts.


History


Includes family tree of Baumgartner family.


An overview of North American Jewish history focusing on the United States.


A history of the Metro Goldwyn-Mayer film company which was founded by Jewish immigrants to the United States.


Arthur Jacobson participated in the making of such films as “An American Tragedy,” “Miracle on 34th Street,” “I Was a Male War Bride,” and “The Bridges of Toko-Ri.”


Includes articles by Pamela S. Nadell, Kenneth Libo, Hannah Kliger, Zvi Gitelman, and Dan N. Jacobs covering the two waves of Russian Jewish immigration to the United States.
Prepared as an M.A. in history at the University of Massachusetts-Harbor Campus.


**Holocaust**

Memoir of Holocaust survivor from Hungary who settled in the United States.


A sociological study of the lives of Holocaust survivors who settled in America.


Legal and Political Life


A study of how Louis Brandeis and Felix Frankfurter responded to the demands of Jewish identity.


The Story of Allan Gotlieb, Canadian Ambassador to Washington.


The memoirs of the American Jewish diplomat Max Kampelman and his experiences negotiating between the United States and the Soviet Union.


Literature

Includes an analysis of the work of the noted American-Jewish playwright Arthur Miller.


Literary correspondence of the well known Canadian Jewish poet.


A look at ten Jewish writers.


Performing and Visual Arts


The folk art paintings of Harry Lieberman visually record the folklore, religious traditions, and rhythms of daily existence in East European Jewish communities destroyed in the Holocaust.

The life story of this well known American Jewish artist.


A critical look at Altman’s films.


**Philosophy and Thought**


Includes a discussion of the work of Herbert Marcuse.


A collection of essays most of which originally appeared in the *Pine Bluff Commercial*. 

Paul Rosenfels, a gay activist and theorist, was a member of a Sephardic family.


A collection of essays about a wide range of topics including Jewish life in America, the Holocaust, and Zionism.


Includes a chapter on Mordecai Kaplan.


**Regional and Local History**


Includes the Baumgartner family tree.


Includes information about the Detroit Jewish community.


A guide to Jewish living and services in the state of Washington.


History of this congregation in Seattle, WA.

A guide to federation organizations affiliated with the Philadelphia Jewish community.

Personal recollections of members of the Williamsburg Orthodox community.


The club was founded in Detroit by twelve Jewish high school students.


*Synagogues of Chicago: Compiled from Chicago Classified City Directories.* Chicago, IL: Chicago Jewish Historical Society, 1991. Parts I and II.

Relations with Non-Jews


Includes a chapter discussing relations between Jews and Ukrainians in Canada.


This historical-cultural analysis of the place of prophecy belief in America includes a discussion of how interpreters of prophecy viewed the Jews.


Includes the article “Antisemitism in Crisis Times in the United States: the 1920s and 1930s,” by Leonard Dinnerstein.


Includes information on prominent “U.S. writers and leaders from Reconstruction to the present,” as well as “Afro-American Reflections on the Jews.”

Handy, Robert T. *Undermined Establishment: Church-State Relations*


A comparative study of the Leo Frank case in America, the Alfred Dreyfus affair in France, and the Mendel Beilis blood libel in Russia.


Autobiographical essays occasioned by the course “Ethnic Identity and Intergroup Relations” at the University of Michigan.


Religion


Includes articles by Jules Harlow, A. Stanley Dreyfus, Samuel E. Karff, and John Gurrieri.


The report of the Reconstructionist commission on homosexuality.


Essays about Jewish life and faith written by the rabbi of the Hebrew Educational Alliance in Denver, Colorado.


A Reform Jewish guide.

Vandermeer, Philip R., and Robert P. Swierenga, eds. *Belief & Behav-
Includes Jonathan D. Sarna’s article “Seating and the American Synagogue.”

An insider’s irreverent (but loving) view of American Jewish life.


Social Sciences


Includes a chapter on “The transformation of a Middleman Minority: Jews in the United States.”

Special Studies

A critique of the linguistic theories of Noam Chomsky.

The story of the owner and general manager of the Los Angeles Raiders football team.


Haught, S. J. Censured for Curing Cancer: The American Experience


**Women**


Writing of a Jewish feminist thinker.


Includes an article by Betty Bergland that compares and contrasts the temporal and spatial subject positions in the autobiographies of Mary Antin, Hilda Polacheck, and Emma Goldman.


Biography of this famous feminist and American Jewish activist.


**Zionism and State of Israel**


Cockburn, Andrew, and Leslie Cockburn. *Dangerous Liaison: The In-


Collection of articles.

Includes two articles: "Religious Pluralism in Israel—American Jewish Perspectives and Policy Options," and "Israel-Diaspora Relations—The Case of American Orthodoxy. A True Partnership?"


