
Guide to the Sara Glasgow Cogan -- Bibliography Research Collection, 1969-1980

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Sara Glasgow Cogan -- Bibliography Research Collection,

Date (inclusive): 1969-1980

Collection number: 80/11

Creator: Cogan, Sara Glasgow

Extent: 3 boxes, 1 cardfile box, 14 rolls of microfilm, 1 audio tape

Repository: The Western Jewish History Center.

Berkeley, California 94705

Language: English

Access

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Introduction

The Sara Cogan Bibliography Research Collection was donated by Sara G. Cogan after the completion of her third bibliography, published in 1980. This collection also contains project records from WJHC files. Processing was completed in 2000 by Julia Bazar.

Biographical Note

Sara Glasgow Cogan worked as a bibliographer for the Western Jewish History Center of the Magnes Museum from 1967 through the mid 1970s. She compiled three annotated bibliographies, published by the museum: *Pioneer Jews of the California Mother Lode, 1849-1880* (1968), *The Jews of San Francisco & The Greater Bay Area 1849-1919* (1973), and *The Jews of Los Angeles 1849-1945* (1980).

Born in Brooklyn, New York in 1939, Sara Cogan attended public schools in Portland, Oregon and received a B.A. from Mills College in Oakland in 1960. In 1966 she received an M.L.S. from UC Berkeley. She married Nathan F. Cogan and had three children. Much of her bibliographic work was done long distance -- first from Stockton, California where she also served as reference librarian at the University of the Pacific Library then, during the mid-1970s, from Portland, Oregon where she served on the Board of Directors of the Jewish Historical Society of Oregon (1975-).

Scope and Content

This collection contains correspondence, index cards, photocopies, microfilm and one roll of reel-to-reel audio tape. The materials in the collection primarily document Cogan's bibliographic research for the WJHC; some personal or family details may be gleaned from the correspondence. Research materials include samples of the index cards that Cogan used to draft, arrange and update the books, copies of documents reviewed for the books and correspondence concerning both research and publication issues.

The collection is arranged by publication and the bulk of the material pertains to her work on the Los Angeles book. Correspondence includes letters to and from Magnes staff, particularly Ruth Rafael, the WJHC Archivist, her assistant Suzanne (Suzy) Nemiroff, who typed the LA manuscript, Seymour Fromer, Museum Director, and Moses Rischin, WJHC Director, who also wrote the forwards for the three books. Other correspondence includes a sampling of Cogan's correspondence with several research assistants, and correspondence with a number of institutions and experts in her search for material to include in the bibliographies. Other materials include: a sample of the cards used in production of the Los Angeles book and the complete set of the cards documenting sources eventually rejected for inclusion in all three books, and photocopies, microfilm and one audio tape of documents Cogan reviewed for inclusion in the bibliographies.

Condition Report

The collection is in generally good condition. Some of the documents are photocopies which vary in quality.

- AJAAmerican Jewish Archives
- AJPCAmerican Jewish Periodical Center [Cincinnati]
- USCUniversity of Southern California
- WJHC Archives
- Magnes Museum Archives

Series I San Francisco And The Mother Lode, 1967-1973

Physical Description: 7 folders, 1/2 card box, 1 roll microfilm

Scope and Content Note

This series contains documents relating to Cogan's first two books. They are combined since some of the information was intermixed.

Series II Los Angeles, 1973-1980

Physical Description: 3 boxes, 1/2 card box, 13 rolls microfilm, 1 audio tape

Scope and Content Note

This series contains materials concerning Cogan's third book and makes up the bulk of the collection. It is divided roughly into Correspondence which includes correspondence with other staff and research assistants, and Research Correspondence which includes letters to outside agencies and sources requesting items or information for inclusion in the book. The rest of the series consists of microfilm and photocopies of materials from other libraries. The microfilm is primarily of Master's and Ph.D. theses from the University of Southern California (USC), though two collections from the American Jewish Archives (AJA) are also represented. The audio tape is also from the AJA.

Series III Seattle, Miscellaneous, 1944-1972, n.d.

Physical Description: 1 folder

Scope and Content Note

This series contains one folder of material collected by Cogan on the Bloom family of Seattle and Alaska, it may have been intended as the beginning of a bibliography on Jews of the Northwest.

San Francisco And The Mother Lode, 1967-1973

- Box-folder 1/1 **Mother Lode -- Correspondence 1967-1969**
- Box-folder 1/2 **Mother Lode -- Copyright 1968, n.d.**
- Box-folder 1/3 **San Francisco -- Correspondence 1969-1973**
- Box-folder 1/4 **San Francisco -- Correspondence -- Sourisseau Academy -- Grant 1971-1972**
- Box-folder 1/5 **San Francisco -- Correspondence -- Edward Carpenter 1973**
- Box-folder 1/6 **San Francisco and Mother Lode -- Documents -- 1 of 2 n.d.**
- Box-folder 1/7 **San Francisco and Mother Lode -- Documents -- 2 of 2 n.d.**
- Box-folder Cardbox
1/1 **Rejected Entries -- San Francisco n.d.**
- Box-folder Cardbox
1/2 **Rejected Entries -- Mother lode n.d.**
- Reel MF 1 **Meyer, Martin A. -- Collection -- Material Compiled by Meyer Dealing with the History of the Jews of California --
Copy of collection in AJHS 1850-1880**

Los Angeles, 1973-1980

Box-folder 1/8	Correspondence -- Ruth Rafael and Suzanne Nemiroff 1973-1977
Box-folder 1/9	Correspondence -- Seymour Fromer 1973-1977
Box-folder 2/1	Correspondence -- Moses Rischin 1974-1976
Box-folder 2/2	Correspondence -- Research Assistant Search 1973-1974
Box-folder 2/3	Correspondence -- Research Assistants -- Selected 1974-1976
Box-folder 2/4	Correspondence -- Ken Blady -- Yiddish Research 1975, n.d.
Box-folder 2/5	Correspondence -- Questions and Answers for Typist [Suzy Nemiroff] 1976-1977, n.d.
Box-folder 2/6	Correspondence -- Research -- General 1973-1976
Box-folder 2/7	Correspondence -- Research -- Robert E. Levinson 1974-1975
Box-folder 2/8	Correspondence -- Research -- Hava Ben Zvi 1974-1975
Box-folder 2/9	Correspondence -- Research -- Materials Requested/Received AJA, etc. -- 1 of 2 1974-1976
Box-folder 2/10	Correspondence -- Research -- Materials Requested/Received AJA, etc. -- 2 of 2 1974-1976
Box-folder 2/11	Sample Cards -- drafts and index n.d.
Box-folder Cardbox	Cards -- Rejected n.d.
Box-folder 2/12	Preface Notes [cards] c.1975-1976
Box-folder 2/13	Forward [Moses Rischin] and Preface [Sara Cogan] 1979-1980
Box-folder 2/14	Photographs for frontispiece 1980
Box-folder 2/15	Documents -- Jewish Welfare Federation -- photocopies c.1943
Box-folder 3/1	Documents -- N.B Stern -- Personal History Interviews, Lists 1967-1968
Box-folder 3/2	Documents -- N.B Stern -- Interviews, Miscellaneous - AJA, JCL 1931-1967
Box-folder 3/3	Documents -- Rapahel, Lions, Leidesdorff Families 1861-1970
Box-folder 3/4	Documents -- Newmark Family, Drachman Diary, Wilshire Blvd. Temple, Yiddish Periodicals, Washington Bartlett 1865-1967
Box-folder 3/5	Documents -- European Immigrants, Nussbaum, Frankfort, Cave, Hamburger, Paramount Films 1917-1974
Box-folder 3/6	Documents -- Yiddish and Hebrew n.d.
Box-folder 3/7	Documents -- Audiotape -- George Piness -- "The Great Tradition", an Address by Dr. Piness, President of the Jewish Welfare Organizations of Los Angeles, [n.d.] and Funeral Service for Dr. Piness, Los Angeles, 12/28/1970 1970, n.d.
Reel MF2/1	Blumberg, Murray T. -- Community Relations as Recognized and Practiced by the Jewish Centers Association of Los Angeles and Its Four Institutional Members -- Thesis (MA) -- USC -- [not used, date] 1952
Reel MF2/2	Cohen, Benjamin Louis -- Evaluation of the Jewish Youth Council of Los Angeles by Its Constituent Groups -- Thesis (MA) -- USC 1947
Reel MF2/3	Coopers, Marie T. -- A Follow-Up Study of Fifty-Two Cases Involving Financial Assistance Which Were Not Accepted by the Jewish Social Services Bureau of Los Angeles -- Thesis (MA) -- USC 1938
Reel MF2/4	Friedman, Frances -- Some Factors Involved in Re-Applications for Service at the Jewish Social Service Bureau of Los Angeles -- Thesis (MA) -- USC 1941
Reel MF2/5	Kaplan, Lillian P. -- The Use of the Child Guidance Clinic of Los Angeles by Vista Del Mar Child-Care Service, 1935-1940 -- Thesis (MA) -- USC 1941
Reel MF2/6	Lipman, Henry E. -- A Preliminary Study of the Economic and Social Adjustment of Jewish Displaced Persons Now Residing in Los Angeles -- Thesis (MA) -- USC? -- [not used, post 1945] 1958
Reel MF2/7	Bin-Nun, Dave -- Religious and Other Cultural Factors in Social Control Affecting the Assimilation of Jews in Los Angeles -- Thesis (PhD) -- USC -- [not used, post 1945] 1952
Reel MF3	Cohen, Benjamin L. -- Constancy and Change in the Jewish Family Agency of Los Angeles, 1854-1970 -- Thesis (DSW) -- USC 1972
Reel MF4	Congregation B'nai B'rith, Los Angeles, CA -- Minutes -- from AJA 1895-1929
Reel MF5	Findley, James C. -- The Economic Boom of The Twenties in Los Angeles -- Thesis (PhD) -- Claremont 1958
Reel MF6	Hecht, Rabbi S. -- Marriage Records Kept by Rabbi Hecht of Congregation B'nai B'rith, Los Angeles, CA -- AJA 1904-1919
Reel MF7/1	Levenson, Norma -- A Study of the Jewish Community Centers of Los Angeles, -- Thesis (MA) -- USC 1935
Reel MF7/2	Lourie, Anton -- Social Adjustment of German Jewish Refuges in Los Angeles -- Thesis (MA) -- USC 1953
Reel MF7/3	Cohen, Bernard -- Sociological Aspects in the Welfare Activities Among American Jews with Special Reference to Welfare Activities in Los Angeles -- Thesis (MA) -- USC 1949
Reel MF8	Newmark, Marco R. -- Four Scrapbooks -- 1 of 2 rolls 1892-1957
Reel MF9	Newmark, Marco R. -- Four Scrapbooks -- 2 of 2 rolls 1892-1957

- Reel MF10 **Piness, George -- Correspondence, Newspaper Clippings, Testimonials, and Miscellaneous Materials Relating to His Activities in Los Angeles -- AJPC 1913-1971**
- Reel MF11 **Sands, Pierre N. -- A Historical Study of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences (1927-1947) -- Thesis (PhD) -- USC -- [not relevant for me] 1966**
- Reel MF12/1 **Sauberli, Harvey A., Jr. -- Hollywood and World War II: A Survey of Hollywood Films About the War, 1940-1945 -- Thesis (MA) -- USC -- [not that relevant except chapter II] 1967**
- Reel MF12/2 **Sloate, Nathan A. -- A Study of Some Social Factors in the Background of One Hundred and Eighteen Jewish Defendants Appearing For Sentence in the Superior Courts of Los Angeles County from 1935-1937 -- Thesis (MA) -- USC 1939**
- Reel MF12/3 **Strimling, Hilda -- Incidental Services; Jewish Social Services Bureau of Los Angeles -- Thesis (MA) -- USC 1937**
- Reel MF13 **Tyler, Pamela -- The Los Angeles Theatre, 1850-1900 -- Thesis (MA) -- USC -- [not used, too general] 1942**
- Reel MF14 **Wright, Mabel L. -- The History of the Pacific Electric Railway -- Thesis (MA) -- USC -- [not used, mostly Huntington] 1930**

Seattle, Miscellaneous

Box-folder 3/8

Documents -- Alaska and Seattle -- Bloom Family 1944-1972, n.d.