

### Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region [textual record] – 1973-1974.



ACCESSION NUMBER	2015-9-12
MATERIAL FORMAT	textual record
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 folder of textual material
DATE	1973-1974
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Accession file consists of letters, posters, press releases, minutes of meeting and policy statements regarding Israeli prisoners of War in Syria. The documents are from many organizations such as the Labor Zionist Alliance, National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council, Toronto Jewish Youth Council and the Canada Israel Committee.
CUSTODIAL HISTORY	There is no information on the acquisition of this material.
SUBJECTS	Demonstrations Israel--Armed Forces
NAME ACCESS	Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region (Toronto, Ont.)
PLACES	Toronto, Ont.
SOURCE	Archival Accessions

### Julius A. Cohen [textual record] – [194-].



ACCESSION NUMBER	2015-9-23
MATERIAL FORMAT	textual record
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 folder of textual records
DATE	[194-]
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Accession consists of a bound document entitled 'This Is Our Faith'. The subtitle is 'The Religion of the Jews' and it appears to have been presented at a seminar of religions, under the auspices of Community Programs Branch, Department of Education, Province of Ontario.
CUSTODIAL HISTORY	There is no information on the acquisition of this material.
SUBJECTS	Religion Politics and government
NAME ACCESS	Cohen, Julius
PLACES	Toronto, Ont.
SOURCE	Archival Accessions

### Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region [sound recording] – 1968.



ACCESSION NUMBER	2015-9-30
MATERIAL FORMAT	sound recording
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	2 audiotapes
DATE	1968
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Accession consists of two reel-to-reel audiotapes recording John Beattie at Allan Gardens on June 30, 1968.
CUSTODIAL HISTORY	There is no information on the acquisition of this material

SUBJECTS	Antisemitism Demonstrations Human rights
NAME ACCESS	Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region (Toronto, Ont.) Beattie, John
PLACES	Toronto, Ont.
SOURCE	Archival Accessions

**Debby Solomon-Natan Sharansky [graphic material, textual record] – 1976-[ca. 1990].**



ACCESSION NUMBER	2016-6-12
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material textual record
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	ca. 60 cm of textual records 11 photographs (3 negatives) : b&w ; 20 x 25 cm or smaller
DATE	1976-[ca. 1990]
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Accession consists of textual and graphic records that trace Natan Sharansky's history as a prisoner of political conscience; the broader Refusenik issue; and the community advocacy efforts of Debby and Stan Solomon from 1976 and into the late 1980s at the local, national and international scales. Included are memos and newsletters from the Committee for Soviet Jewry (Ontario Region and national-level); background information as well as petition templates, speeches and planning documentation produced by the Committee to Release Anatoly Sharansky and the Beth Tikvah Synagogue in conjunction with community organizations, including the CJC and its Soviet Jewry social action committees, to support on-going advocacy efforts; correspondence with Canadian and American political representatives at the provincial/state and national levels; white papers/grey literature from non-governmental organizations about the persecution of the Soviet Jewry; planning documentation from the First Annual Sharansky Lectureship on Human Rights in 1980; correspondence, articles and ephemera associated with the granting of Sharansky's honorary law doctorate from York University in 1982; 1985 Freedom Rally/Weekend in Ottawa planning documentation and correspondence; 1987 National Conference on the Soviet Jewry and Mobilization for Freedom planning documentation; 1987 Community Rally at Massey Hall promotional materials; and promotional materials from Sharansky's autobiographical "Fear No Evil" 1988 book launch. Graphic material includes photographs of Sharansky's release during the February 11, 1986 American-Soviet prisoner exchange on the Glienicke Bridge in Berlin. Identified in the photographs are: Debby Solomon; Alan Solomon; Natan Sharansky; Avital Sharansky; U.S. Ambassador Richard Burt;
CUSTODIAL HISTORY	Material was collected and/or created by Debby Solomon, Natan Sharansky's cousin. Debby donated it to the OJA.

ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY

Debby Solomon is the cousin of Anatoly (Natan) Sharansky, the Soviet born Israeli politician, human activist and author who spent nine years in Soviet prisons. Debby's father Boris Landis (born 1900) and Sharansky's father were first cousins. Their grandfathers were brothers. Debby's father immigrated 1929 to Toronto from Russia as his older brothers were already in Toronto. Debby and her husband Stan Solomon got involved in the community's activism efforts to free Sharansky and other Refuseniks. They were worked for many years on these efforts by planning programs through their synagogue Beth Tikvah and with Sam Filer, a lawyer and volunteer at the CJC who was also a member of Beth Tikvah.

SUBJECTS

Antisemitism  
Politics and government  
Human rights  
Demonstrations  
Synagogues  
Committees

SOURCE

Archival Accessions

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**Steele and Walsh family [multiple media] – 1937-2004.**



ACCESSION NUMBER

2017-2-12

MATERIAL FORMAT

multiple media

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

45 cm of textual records and other material  
230 photographs : sepia and b&w ; 23 x 30 cm and smaller  
8 sound recordings (50 wav files; 1 microcassette)  
1 artifact

DATE

1937-2004

Accession consists of textual records, photographs and audio recordings documenting the lives of Dick Steele, his wife Esther and friend Bill Walsh. The materials are mostly correspondences between Dick and Esther during his internment at the Don Jail and Ontario Reformatory in Guelph, and from Dick and Bill's military service overseas during the Second World War. They also include correspondences between Esther and Bill, Bill and Anne Walsh, "Jack" and Esther, and other family and friends. Some of the letters show evidence of being censored. There are news clippings in English and Yiddish about the family from various newspapers including the Canadian Tribune (a Communist Party paper). There is a letter Esther wrote to campaign for Dick's release from internment, part of women's activism in this period. There is also a photocopy of a memoir written by Moses Kosowatsky and Moses Wolofsky "From the Land of Despair to the Land of Promise" ca. 1930s. The photographs include Dick and Bill in the army during the Second World War, a signed picture of Tim Buck addressed to Esther and the twins and a photo of Dick delivering a speech related to the Steel Workers. Also included is a recording of edited sound clips of Bill and Esther talking about Dick, Esther speaking about the letters, (how she received letters and flowers from Dick after he had already been killed), Bill reading a letter Dick wrote to Esther that he left with friends in England to send her in the case that he was killed (which he was), recordings of "Bill Walsh Oral history" Vols.1 and 2 compiled by Leib Wolofsky's (Bill's nephew), and 5 audio recordings by Adrianna Steele-Card with her grandparents Bill and Esther. There is also a microcassette labelled "Joe Levitt." The accession also includes the stripe of a German corporal that Bill captured as a prisoner, peace stamps and an early copy of Cy Gonick's *A Very Red Life: The Story of Bill Walsh*, edited by Bill.

Richard (Dick) Kennilworth Steele is the name adopted by Moses Kosowatsky. He was born in 1909 in Montreal to Samuel Kosowatsky and Fanny Held. He lived in a laneway off Clark Street below Sherbrooke where his father collected and recycled bottles. He grew up with his siblings Joseph, Mortimer, Matthew, Gertrude and Edward. Bill Walsh (Moi she Wolofsky) was born in 1910, to Sarah and Herschel Wolofsky, the Editor of the *Keneder Adler* (Montreal's prominent Yiddish newspaper). He attended Baron Byng and then Commercial High School where he met Dick Steele. Bill recalled that Dick denounced militarism in the school when a teacher tried to recruit students to be cadets. Bill moved to New York City in 1927. His brother, who was living there, helped him get a job as a messenger on Wall Street. He also worked in the drug department at Macy's while attending courses at Columbia University in the evening. Dick worked on a ship for a year and then joined Bill in New York City in 1928. Dick worked at a chemical plant called Linde Air Products while also studying in the evenings at Columbia University. In 1931 Dick and Bill boarded a ship together in New York bound for Copenhagen. Together they travelled across Europe, witnessed a Nazi demonstration in Breslau, Germany and found work in Minsk and Moscow, Russia. This trip inspired them to become Communists. In 1933 Bill's father was on a Canadian trade mission to Poland, which he left to "rescue" his son from the Bolsheviks. Bill agreed to return to Canada after being advised to do so by the Comintern. He then changed his name to Bill Walsh to protect his family. In 1934 Bill moved to Toronto. He worked as the Educational Director for the Industrial Union of Needle Trade Workers and the Communist Party where he met Esther Slominsky/Silver, the organization's office manager. Dick joined Bill in Toronto soon after. Bill introduced Dick and Esther who then married. In 1940, Esther gave birth to twin sons Michael and John Steele. Esther was born in Toronto in 1914 to Joseph Slominsky and Fanny (Blackersany?). Her siblings were Bella, Eileen, Morris and step-sister Eva. Her father Joseph was a cloak maker and Esther also worked in the garment industry. Her mother

Fanny passed away in 1920 at the age of 26 from tuberculosis. Dick was a metal worker and became a union organizer in the east end of Toronto. He was the head organizer of the Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO) and the Steel Workers Organizing Committee of Canada (SWOC) until 1940 when he was dismissed for being a Communist. Bill helped organize Kitchener's rubber workers into an industrial union and was also an organizer for the United Auto Workers of Windsor, Ontario. Jack Steele, an alias for Dick's brother Mortimer, fought with the Mackenzie-Papineau Brigade in the Spanish Civil War. Jack Steele was recalled to Canada in October 1937 to rally support for the efforts in Spain, returned to the front in June 1938 and was killed in action in August. Some of Dick's letters to his wife Esther are signed "Salud, Jack" and were likely written in 1940 when the Communist Party (CP) was banned by the Canadian Government under the War Measures Act. In November 1941, after Mackenzie King's call for enlistment, Dick wrote to the Department of Justice to ask permission to join the army. He never received a reply. On 1 April 1942 Dick's home was raided and he was interned at the Don Jail until September 1942 when he was moved to the Ontario Reformatory in Guelph. Esther wrote a letter to Louis St. Laurent, Minister of Justice to appeal on his behalf. Major public campaigning by communists and the wartime alliance with the USSR after 1941 shifted public opinion toward the CP and the Canadian Government slowly began releasing internees in January 1942. Dick was released in October 1942 and enlisted at the end of the month. Dick died on August 17, 1944 in Normandy, France. He was a tank driver in the Canadian Army. Bill was similarly arrested in 1941, spending time in jail and then an internment camp with other members of the CP. He joined the Canadian army in 1943 and fought in Holland and Belgium. Bill was first married to Anne Weir who died of a brain hemorrhage in 1943 just before he enlisted. The family believes this may have been due to drinking unpasteurized milk. Encouraged by Dick Steele to take care of his family should he pass in the war, Bill married Esther Steele in 1946. They had a daughter named Sheri and were members of the United Jewish People's Order. For 20 years Walsh worked for the Hamilton region of the United Electrical Workers (UE). Bill remained a member of the CP until 1967 when he was expelled for criticizing another union leader. He died in 2004. Esther passed away in 2010 at age 96.

USE CONDITIONS

Partially closed. Researchers must receive permission from the OJA Director prior to accessing some of the records.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES

RELATED MATERIAL NOTE: Library and Archives Canada has the William Walsh fonds and MG 28, ser. I 268, USWA, vol.4, SWOC Correspondence, has various letters from Dick Steele ca. 1938. Museum of Jewish Montreal has an oral history with Leila Mustachi (daughter of Max Wolofsky, Bill's brother) where she speaks about Bill, Dick and Esther. USE CONDITION NOTES: For "Bill Walsh Oral history" Vols.1 and 2, some contributors stipulate that recordings are restricted to personal use only and must not be used for any commercial purpose.

SUBJECTS

World War, 1939-1945  
Politics and government  
Labour and unions

NAME ACCESS

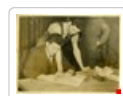
Steele, Michael  
Steele, Dick  
Walsh, Bill  
Walsh, Esther Steele

PLACES

- Guelph, Ont.
- Toronto, Ont.
- Hamilton, Ont.
- Oshawa, Ont.
- Ottawa, Ont.
- Montreal, Que.
- Fort William/Thunder Bay, Ont.
- Germany
- England
- Holland

SOURCE

Archival Accessions





**J.B. Salsberg - Sept. 1985**



NAME	J.B. Salsberg
NUMBER	AC 071
SUBJECT	Labor movement Labor unions Women Demonstrations
INTERVIEW DATE	Sept. 1985
QUANTITY	1
TOTAL RUNNING TIME	071A: 44:50 minuets 071B: 35:55 minuets
CONSERVATION	Copied August 2003
USE RESTRICTIONS	Copyright is held by the Ontario Jewish Archives. Please contact the Archives to obtain permission prior to use.

## BIOGRAPHY

Joseph Baruch Salsberg (1902-1998) was a labour leader, political activist, politician, newspaper columnist and a man who dedicated his life to Yiddishkeit and the advancement of social justice. He was active in various Jewish organizations, including; the Canadian Jewish Congress (CJC), the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, and the New Fraternal Jewish Association. In 1938 he was elected as Alderman on Toronto's City Council and elected to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario in 1943. He is well remembered by contemporaries, such as Sam Lipshitz, as a "champion of the people", committed to social justice, the plight of the working-class, and the preservation of Jewish culture. This oral history includes Salsberg's personal reminiscences on the Toronto Jewish community, the Polish Jewish community and issues related to women's labour and the unions in the garment industry.

## MATERIAL FORMAT

sound recording

## NAME ACCESS

International Ladies' Garment Workers Union  
Salsberg, J. B. (Joseph B.), 1902-1998

## GEOGRAPHIC ACCESS

Toronto

## ORIGINAL FORMAT

Audio cassette

## COPY FORMAT

Audio cassette  
Digital file

## TRANSCRIPT

Side 1:

0.0-6.30: Joseph Baruch Salsberg was born in Poland in 1902 to Abraham and Sara Salsberg. Abraham migrated to Toronto in 1910 and Joseph followed with his mother and two younger sisters in 1913.

6.30-18.39: Prior to 1913 Poland was primarily a peasant and agricultural society with the majority of the Jewish population living and working as tradesmen in the villages. Salsberg discusses the difficult relationship between the Poles and Jews under the power of the Czar.

18:40-24.14: Salsberg discusses the Canadian government's collaboration with the CP Railroad to launch advertising campaigns attracting potential immigrants to come and live in Canada.

24.22-33.24: Salsberg discusses the experiences of his mother as a young Jewish immigrant and her adjustment to life in Toronto.

33.25-37.30: Salsberg discusses the Ward, an area between University and Yonge as being the heartland of early Jewish settlement. He describes the area as being the natural choice for Jews to live, the rents were cheap, Synagogues and community centers were nearby as were and their places of employment. The center for Jewish shopping was Kensington Market with shops along McCaul and Baldwin Streets, shopping at Eatons was reserved for "special occasions".

37.32-39.50: Salsberg discusses the hardships faced by Polish immigrant Jews arriving in Toronto after World War One.

39.52-44.45: Salsberg discusses his father an Orthodox man who eventually went into the junk business and became one of the founders of the first Talmud Torah, his mother was active in the Ladies Auxillary of the School and remained it's President for 50 years.

End

Side 2:

0.03-5.37: Salsberg discusses the religious and cultural divisions that dominated social and communal living in Poland under Czarist rule and the resulting division between Jews and non- Jewish Polish immigrants in Toronto

5.39-8.28: Salsberg discusses the example set by his mother on matters of religious



5.30-6.20: Salsberg discusses the example set by his mother on matters of religious observance and importance of the woman's role in the family.

8.29-11.08: Salsberg discusses his mother's activities outside the home. Sarah Salsberg was the first woman to challenge the burial custom of not allowing husband and wife to be buried side by side. Sarah won her challenge and was buried alongside her husband.

11.10-12.28: Salsberg discusses his orientation towards labor Zionism and his parent's reaction to his political views. Sarah Salsberg was a "broad-minded" woman and friendly with those active in the movement, while his father clung to his own group.

12.29-13.53: Salsberg discusses the garment trade and the organizers who become members of the Ladies Garment Workers Union. Salsberg goes on to speak of his mother's approval and secret admiration of the women in the Ladies Garment Union.

13.54-14.44: Salsberg discusses the role of Jewish immigrant women using the example of the Eatons strike in 1911 led by Jewish tailors, both men and women.

14.45-15.00: Salsberg discusses the Triangle Fire in New York as the impetus that led to the birth of the ILGWU in America and the ILGWU's influence on the Canadian Garment industry.

15.03-15.40: Salsberg discusses the New York Yiddish Dailies the "Forward" and Tagblat delivered and read daily by Toronto's Jewish community as another factor in the establishment of the Ladies Garment Workers Union in Canada.

15.41-20.39: Salsberg discusses the introduction by Eatons to changes in production methods that would have tailors, mostly men, taking on the job of women finishers. The refusal by the tailors to take away the jobs of women would lead to the first sit down strike by tailors in Canada.

20.40-21.20: Salsberg discusses the recognition of women's rights in the early garment workers unions. The Dressmakers section of the ILGWU in Toronto was predominantly women who led strikes and fought on picket lines.

21.21-23.44: Salsberg discusses Union sentiment within the Jewish community and the enforcement by some of the more militant women on community shopkeepers to use Union labels on their products.

23.45-24.39: Salsberg discusses single Jewish women who confronted with financial hardship worked in predominately Jewish factories.

24.40-26.07: Salsberg discusses the economic nature of the garment industry, the competition and undercutting in the industry factories and the continuous strikes and stoppages by employees opposed to wage cuts.

26.08-31.15: Salsberg discusses the important contributions in the areas of the labor force, education and social responsibility made to Ontario by Jewish immigrant women. Women worked alongside men in order to improve their economic position and establish themselves within the community. Jewish women placed a great emphasis on education and as a result a high percentage of their children would graduate from institutions such as Harbord Collegiate and Jarvis Collegiate with scholarships. Salsberg speaks of his late wife Dora Wilensky who graduated from Jarvis Collegiate with the highest mark of any girl student in Ontario earning a five-year scholarship to McMaster University and becoming a prominent Social Worker within the Jewish community.

31.16-33.09: Salsberg discusses the differences in opportunity for young Jewish men and young Jewish women. As the only boy in the family he was expected to set the path by going to a theological school in NY but to the dismay of his parents he became radicalized in leftist politics.

33.10-35.55: Although Salsberg's parents were never involved in the labour movement and disagreed with his leftist philosophy, they were pleased by his election in 1938 as Alderman on Toronto's City Council and his election to the Legislative Assembly of

Ontario in 1943.

End

Oral Histories

SOURCE

In this clip, Joseph Salsberg discusses the events that led to the birth of the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union (ILGWU) in America and the ILGWU's influence on the Canadian Garment Industry.

In this clip, Joseph Salsberg discusses Canada



**B'nai Brith Chanukkah candle lighting ceremony for Soviet Refuseniks, Nathan Phillips Square, Toronto [graphic material] – 1985.**



LEVEL	Item
ITEM	4408
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	1985
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph : b&w
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of Wally Reinstein, the National Hillel co-ordinator lighting a candle for Soviet refuseniks at Nathan Phillips Square. A Jewish Student's Union B'nai Brith Hillel banner can be seen in the background.
NOTES	Original photos by Graphic Artists, Toronto.
SUBJECTS	Demonstrations Hanukkah Refuseniks
PLACES	Nathan Phillips Square (Toronto, Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1986-12-3
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions

**B'nai Brith Chanukkah candle lighting ceremony for Soviet Refuseniks, Nathan Phillips Square, Toronto [graphic material] – 1985.**



LEVEL	Item
ITEM	4407
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	1985
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Wally Reinstein, National Hillel Co-ordinator.
NOTES	Original photos by Graphic Artists, Toronto.
SUBJECTS	Demonstrations Hanukkah Refuseniks
PLACES	Nathan Phillips Square (Toronto, Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1986-12-3
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions

**Jewish Student Federation, York University [textual record] – 1975.**



ACCESSION NUMBER	1979-9-16
MATERIAL FORMAT	textual record
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 folder of textual records
DATE	1975

SCOPE AND CONTENT	Accession consists of textual records relating to a "Teach-In on Israel" held at the university on 22 January 1975. There is also an announcement of a meeting of the Revolutionary Marxist Group at York.
MG_RG	MG2 P1d
SUBJECTS	Education Children Politics and government
NAME ACCESS	Jewish Student Federation (York University)
SOURCE	Archival Accessions

### Rally in Nathan Phillips Square [graphic material] – Oct. 1971.



PART OF	<a href="#">Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region fonds</a> <a href="#">Committee for Soviet Jewry series</a> <a href="#">Protest activities sub-series</a> <a href="#">Kosygin demonstration file</a>
LEVEL	Item
FONDS	17
SERIES	3-5
FILE	7
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	Oct. 1971
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph : b&w ; 19 x 24 cm
NOTES	Photograph is by Gadi Hoz.
SUBJECTS	Demonstrations
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is not held by the Ontario Jewish Archives. It is the responsibility of the researcher to obtain permission prior to use.
PLACES	Nathan Phillips Square (Toronto, Ont.)
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions

### Arab protest [graphic material] – 1966.



PART OF	<a href="#">Zionist Organization of Canada fonds</a> <a href="#">Central Region sous-fonds</a> <a href="#">Subject files series</a>
LEVEL	File
FONDS	28-1
SERIES	7
FILE	13
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	1966
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	7 photographs : b&w and col. ; 21 x 26 cm and 10 x 14 cm

SCOPE AND CONTENT	The file consists of photographs taken of an Arab protest against Israel.
SUBJECTS	Demonstrations Israel
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions

**International Left Opposition demonstration [graphic material] – [1933?].** 

PART OF	<a href="#">Harry Clairmont fonds</a>
LEVEL	Item
FONDS	32
ITEM	6
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	[1933?]
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	3 photographs : b&w ; 13 x 18 cm
ADMIN HISTORY/BIO	On July 11, 1933 over 15,000 people (mostly Jewish and working class) walked off the job to protest Nazism, fascism, and other human rights issues. Reported in the Globe and Mail as the largest protest of its kind in Canada since the 1919 Winnipeg general strike, a united front of all the needle trade unions and over fifty Jewish organizations took part.
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of an International Left Opposition (I.L.O.) demonstration depicting a large group of protestors walking carrying banners. This is likely the large anti-fascist protest, which took place in Toronto on July 11, 1933.
NOTES	One copy is a close-up photograph.
NAME ACCESS	International Left Opposition
SUBJECTS	Anti-fascist movements Banners Demonstrations
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
RELATED MATERIAL	See also accession #1988-4/8 for a broadside notice for this strike and demonstration. For additional images of this protest see Fonds 32, items 8, 9, 11, 13, and 15.
PLACES	Toronto (Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1979-11-18
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions



**Workers' Party of Canada, Toronto Branches [graphic material] – [193-?].** 

PART OF	<a href="#">Harry Clairmont fonds</a>
LEVEL	Item

FONDS	32
ITEM	7
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	[193-?]
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph : b&w ; 12 x 7 cm
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of a demonstration, likely organized by the International Left Opposition. Several people are walking together displaying banners, one of which reads the Workers' Party of Canada, Toronto Branches.
NAME ACCESS	International Left Opposition Workers' Party of Canada
SUBJECTS	Banners Communism Demonstrations
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
PLACES	Toronto (Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1979-11-18
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions



### Woman holding banner at International Left Opposition demonstration [graphic material] – [1933?].



PART OF	<a href="#">Harry Clairmont fonds</a>
LEVEL	Item
FONDS	32
ITEM	8
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	[1933?]
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph : b&w ; 7 x 12 cm
ADMIN HISTORY/BIO	On July 11, 1933 over 15,000 people (mostly Jewish and working class) walked off the job to protest Nazism, fascism, and other human rights issues. Reported in the Globe and Mail as the largest protest of its kind in Canada since the 1919 Winnipeg general strike, a united front of all the needle trade unions and over fifty Jewish organizations took part.
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of a woman holding a banner at an International Left Opposition demonstration. There are others holding banners behind her and people sitting along the side watching the demonstration. This image was likely taken during the large anti-fascist demonstration, which took place in Toronto on July 11, 1933.
NAME ACCESS	International Left Opposition

SUBJECTS	Anti-fascist movements Banners Demonstrations
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
RELATED MATERIAL	See also accession #1988-4/8 for a broadside notice for this strike and demonstration. For additional images of this protest see Fonds 32, items 6, 9, 11, 13, and 15.
PLACES	Toronto (Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1979-11-18
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions



### Protestors holding banners [graphic material] – [1933?].



PART OF	<a href="#">Harry Clairmont fonds</a>
LEVEL	Item
FONDS	32
ITEM	9
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	[1933?]
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph : b&w ; 7 x 12 cm
ADMIN HISTORY/BIO	On July 11, 1933 over 15,000 people (mostly Jewish and working class) walked off the job to protest Nazism, fascism, and other human rights issues. Reported in the Globe and Mail as the largest protest of its kind in Canada since the 1919 Winnipeg general strike, a united front of all the needle trade unions and over fifty Jewish organizations took part.
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of a group of male and female demonstrators holding banners at an International Left Opposition demonstration. This photo was likely taken during the large anti-fascist demonstration in Toronto on July 11, 1933.
NAME ACCESS	International Left Opposition
SUBJECTS	Anti-fascist movements Banners Demonstrations
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
RELATED MATERIAL	See also accession #1988-4/8 for a broadside notice for this strike and demonstration. For additional images of this protest see Fonds 32, items 6, 8, 11, 13, and 15.
PLACES	Toronto (Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1979-11-18
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions



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## International Left Opposition demonstrators with banners [graphic material] – [1933?].



PART OF	<a href="#">Harry Clairmont fonds</a>
LEVEL	Item
FONDS	32
ITEM	11
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	[1933?]
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph : b&w ; 7 x 12 cm
ADMIN HISTORY/BIO	On July 11, 1933 over 15,000 people (mostly Jewish and working class) walked off the job to protest Nazism, fascism, and other human rights issues. Reported in the Globe and Mail as the largest protest of its kind in Canada since the 1919 Winnipeg general strike, a united front of all the needle trade unions and over fifty Jewish organizations took part.
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of a group of International Left Opposition demonstrators standing together with their banners. This photo was likely taken during the large anti-fascist demonstration, which took place in Toronto on July 11, 1933.
NAME ACCESS	International Left Opposition
SUBJECTS	Anti-fascist movements Banners Demonstrations
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
RELATED MATERIAL	See also accession #1988-4/8 for a broadside notice for this strike and demonstration. For additional images of this protest see Fonds 32, items 6, 8, 9, 13, and 15.
PLACES	Toronto (Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1979-11-18
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions



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## International Left Opposition demonstrators marching along Bathurst Street [graphic material] – [193-?].



PART OF	<a href="#">Harry Clairmont fonds</a>
LEVEL	Item
FONDS	32
ITEM	12
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	[193-?]
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph : b&w ; 7 x 12 cm



SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of an International Left Opposition demonstration held in Toronto. The demonstrators are walking down Bathurst Street at Ulster and are carrying banners saying "Fight Wage Cuts", "Workers Organize or Starve", and "For the Revolutionary Defense of the Soviet Union".
NAME ACCESS	International Left Opposition
SUBJECTS	Banners Demonstrations Socialism
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
PLACES	Bathurst Street (Toronto, Ont.) Ulster Street (Toronto, Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1979-11-18
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions



**Demonstrators holding banner at International Left Opposition demonstration [graphic material] – [1933?].**



PART OF	<a href="#">Harry Clairmont fonds</a>
LEVEL	Item
FONDS	32
ITEM	13
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	[1933?]
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph : b&w ; 7 x 12 cm
ADMIN HISTORY/BIO	On July 11, 1933 over 15,000 people (mostly Jewish and working class) walked off the job to protest Nazism, fascism, and other human rights issues. Reported in the Globe and Mail as the largest protest of its kind in Canada since the 1919 Winnipeg general strike, a united front of all the needle trade unions and over fifty Jewish organizations took part.
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of two men holding a banner with a slogan which reads "To Victory! Under the Banner of Lenin and Trotsky" at an International Left Opposition demonstration in Toronto. This photo was likely taken during the large anti-fascist demonstration that took place in Toronto on July 11, 1933.
NAME ACCESS	International Left Opposition
SUBJECTS	Banners Communism Demonstrations
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
RELATED MATERIAL	See also accession #1988-4/8 for a broadside notice for this strike and demonstration. For additional images of this protest see Fonds 32, items 6, 8, 9, 11, and 15.

PLACES Toronto (Ont.)  
ACCESSION NUMBER 1979-11-18  
SOURCE Archival Descriptions



**International Left Opposition demonstrators marching [graphic material] – [193-?].**



PART OF [Harry Clairmont fonds](#)  
LEVEL Item  
FONDS 32  
ITEM 14  
MATERIAL FORMAT graphic material  
DATE [193-?]  
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION 1 photograph : b&w ; 7 x 12 cm  
SCOPE AND CONTENT Item is a photograph of an International Left Opposition demonstration in Toronto. Demonstrators are carrying banners in support of socialist and communist organizations and their tenets.  
NOTES Image is slightly blurred.  
NAME ACCESS International Left Opposition  
SUBJECTS Banners  
Demonstrations  
REPRO RESTRICTION Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.  
PLACES Toronto (Ont.)  
ACCESSION NUMBER 1979-11-18  
SOURCE Archival Descriptions



**Participants holding banners at International Left Opposition demonstration [graphic material] – [1933?].**



PART OF [Harry Clairmont fonds](#)  
LEVEL Item  
FONDS 32  
ITEM 15  
MATERIAL FORMAT graphic material  
DATE [1933?]  
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION 1 photograph : b&w ; 7 x 12 cm

ADMIN HISTORY/BIO	On July 11, 1933 over 15,000 people (mostly Jewish and working class) walked off the job to protest Nazism, fascism, and other human rights issues. Reported in the Globe and Mail as the largest protest of its kind in Canada since the 1919 Winnipeg general strike, a united front of all the needle trade unions and over fifty Jewish organizations took part.
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of participants holding various banners at an International Left Opposition demonstration in Toronto. This photo was likely taken during the large anti-fascist demonstration which took place in Toronto on July 11, 1933.
NAME ACCESS	International Left Opposition
SUBJECTS	Anti-fascist movements Banners Demonstrations
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
RELATED MATERIAL	See also accession #1988-4/8 for a broadside notice for this strike and demonstration. For additional images of this protest see Fonds 32, items 6, 8, 9, 11, and 13.
PLACES	Toronto (Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1979-11-18
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions



### International Left Opposition demonstration [graphic material] – [193-?].



PART OF	<a href="#">Harry Clairmont fonds</a>
LEVEL	Item
FONDS	32
ITEM	16
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	[193-?]
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph : b&w ; 7 x 12 cm
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of an International Left Opposition demonstration depicting participants carrying banners for the Workers Party of Canada, Toronto Branches and banners containing slogans against fascism.
NAME ACCESS	International Left Opposition Workers' Party of Canada
SUBJECTS	Banners Communism Demonstrations
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
PLACES	Toronto (Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1979-11-18



### International Left Opposition demonstrators in park [graphic material] – [193-?].



PART OF	<a href="#">Harry Clairmont fonds</a>
LEVEL	Item
FONDS	32
ITEM	17
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	[193-?]
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph : b&w; 7 x 12 cm
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of International Left Opposition demonstrators standing in a park holding banners for the Workers Party of Canada, Toronto Branches and others with slogans such as "To Victory Under the Banner of Lenin and Trotsky", and "Forward to the New 4th International".
NAME ACCESS	International Left Opposition
SUBJECTS	Banners Communism Demonstrations
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
PLACES	Toronto (Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1979-11-18
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions



### International Left Opposition demonstrators marching down Bathurst Street [graphic material] – [193-?].



PART OF	<a href="#">Harry Clairmont fonds</a>
LEVEL	Item
FONDS	32
ITEM	10
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	[193-?]
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph : b&w; 7 x 12 cm
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of International Left Opposition demonstrators walking down Bathurst Street in Toronto carrying banners with socialist slogans.

NAME ACCESS	International Left Opposition
SUBJECTS	Banners Demonstrations
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
PLACES	Bathurst Street (Toronto, Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1979-11-18
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions



**B'nai Brith Chanukkah candle lighting ceremony for Soviet Refuseniks, Nathan Phillips Square, Toronto [graphic material] – 1985.**



LEVEL	Item
ITEM	4406
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	1985
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Wally Reinstein, National Hillel Co-ordinator.
NOTES	Original photos by Graphic Artists, Toronto.
SUBJECTS	Demonstrations Hanukkah Refuseniks
PLACES	Nathan Phillips Square (Toronto, Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1986-12-3
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions



**Neo-Nazis Ernst Zundel and others taunt demonstrators at an anti-Nazi rally, Carlton St., Toronto [graphic material] – 31 May 1981.**



LEVEL	Item
ITEM	3078
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	31 May 1981
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	2 photographs : b&w (1 negative) ; 21 x 26 cm and 10 x 12 cm
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph of Ernst Zundel (pictured centre in a hard hat) with his supporters on the front lawn of his home in Cabbagetown. They are holding signs with various slogans denying the Holocaust.

NOTES	Photo by Ben Lechtman.
NAME ACCESS	Zundel, Ernst, 1939-2017
SUBJECTS	Antisemitism Demonstrations Holocaust denial
PLACES	Carlton Street (Toronto, Ont.)
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions

**Chaim Weizmann at rally at Varsity Stadium, Toronto [graphic material] – [ca. 1937].**



LEVEL	Item
ITEM	6703
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	[ca. 1937]
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 photograph : b&w ; 21 x 26 cm
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Item is a photograph depicting Chaim Weizmann speaking at a rally in Toronto at Varsity Stadium on Bloor Street. The photo was taken by Mel Hundert, the donor, who was present at the rally. Pictured from left to right are: Rabbi Samuel Sachs; J. J. Glass; Chaim Weizman; David Dunkelman.
NAME ACCESS	Weizmann, Chaim, 1874-1952 Glass, J.J Dunkelman, David Sachs, Samuel, Rabbi
SUBJECTS	Demonstrations Presidents--Israel
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
ACCESSION NUMBER	2004-9-1
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions



**Protest activities [textual record, graphic material] – 1967-1988.**



PART OF	<a href="#">Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region fonds</a> <a href="#">Committee for Soviet Jewry series</a> <a href="#">Protest activities sub-series</a>
LEVEL	Sub-series
FONDS	17
SERIES	3-5

MATERIAL FORMAT	textual record graphic material
DATE	1967-1988
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	70 cm of textual records 1238 photographs : b&w ; 20 x 25 cm or smaller
ADMIN HISTORY/BIO	Activities undertaken by the Committee for Soviet Jewry in Ontario and its affiliated partner organizations included political lobbying, telephone and letter-writing campaigns, product boycotting, symposiums, public rallies, petitions, marches and demonstrations. Among the highest profile activities were the annual Simcha Torah rallies in October and the annual commemorations of the execution of twenty-four Soviet Jewish writers and intellectuals, which had occurred on August 12, 1952 at Moscow's Liubianka prison. As well as organizing public protest activities, the Committee for Soviet Jewry established, in the 1980s, the Ida Nudel Humanitarian Award which emphasized the humanitarian work of a number of prominent Canadian women. Other non-protest activities included bar/ bat mitzvah twinning, family and prisoner sponsorships, and holiday greetings, all programmes that tied the daily lives of Soviet Jews to their Canadian counterparts.
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Sub-series consists of records documenting the wide range of above-listed protest activities in which the CJC and various affiliated organizations participated. The files include numerous photographs of mass rallies and group demonstrations, planning notes, correspondence, event notices and other promotional materials.
SUBJECTS	Demonstrations
ARRANGEMENT	Records of protest activities in this sub-series have been organized chronologically and by event. Indicated date ranges at the file level are of the documents themselves and are not necessarily indicative of the dates of specific events, such as rallies or marches, though such dates are noted in the file description where known.
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions

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### Allan Gardens Incident [textual record] – 1965-1966.



PART OF	<a href="#">Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region fonds</a> <a href="#">Community Relations Committee series</a> <a href="#">Anti-Semitism Cases sub-series</a>
LEVEL	File
FONDS	17
SERIES	5-3
FILE	1
MATERIAL FORMAT	textual record
DATE	1965-1966
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 folder of textual records

SCOPE AND CONTENT	File consists of detailed documentation about the public meeting and demonstration by the Canadian Nazi Party at Allan Gardens, May 30, 1965. This event provoked a a much larger same-day counter-demonstration at the park by members of Toronto's Jewish community, actions sometimes referred to as the Allan Gardens riot. Documentation of these events and the reactions of Toronto's Jewish community and the general populace are also contained within this file.
NOTES	Previously processed and cited as part of MG8 S.
SUBJECTS	Demonstrations Riots
PLACES	Allan Gardens (Toronto, Ont.)
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions

### Beattie, John [textual record] – 1970.



PART OF	<a href="#">Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region fonds</a> <a href="#">Community Relations Committee series</a> <a href="#">Anti-Semitism Cases sub-series</a>
LEVEL	File
FONDS	17
SERIES	5-3
FILE	16
MATERIAL FORMAT	textual record
DATE	1970
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	1 folder of textual records
SCOPE AND CONTENT	File consists of one news clipping documenting a rally held by John Beattie (leader of the Canadian National Socialist Party or Nazi Party of Canada) and one letter written by Beattie to apply for a salesclerk job.
NOTES	Previously processed and cited as part of MG8 S.
SUBJECTS	Demonstrations
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions

### Western Guard [graphic material] – 1966.



PART OF	<a href="#">Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region fonds</a> <a href="#">Community Relations Committee series</a> <a href="#">Anti-Semitism Cases sub-series</a>
LEVEL	File
FONDS	17
SERIES	5-3
FILE	260
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	1966



PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	15 photographs : b&w ; 9 x 13 cm
SCOPE AND CONTENT	File consists of photographs of members of the Western Guard white supremacist group at a mass demonstration in Toronto.
NOTES	Previously processed and cited as part of MG8 S.
NAME ACCESS	Western Guard Party
SUBJECTS	Demonstrations White supremacy movements
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions

### Anti-war demonstration, Workmen's Circle Camp Yungvelt (Pickering, ON) [graphic material] – 1937.

LEVEL	Item
ITEM	2444
MATERIAL FORMAT	graphic material
DATE	1937
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	2 photographs : b&w (1 negative)
SCOPE AND CONTENT	Photo is a group shot of campers and staff at Camp Yungvelt with posters which read: "War is murder, the promoters - murderers" and "We want our fathers with us and not in war."
NAME ACCESS	Workmen's Circle Camp Yungvelt Arbeter Ring Arbeiter Ring
SUBJECTS	Demonstrations
REPRO RESTRICTION	Copyright is in the public domain and permission for use is not required. Please credit the Ontario Jewish Archives as the source of the photograph.
PLACES	Pickering (Ont.)
ACCESSION NUMBER	1979-4-4
SOURCE	Archival Descriptions



### Mendel Granatstein's home, 1919-1999

ADDRESS	42 St George Street
TIME PERIOD	1919-1999
SCOPE NOTE	In 1919, Mr. Mendel Granatstein commissioned Benjamin Brown and Robert McConnell to design a three storey Classical Georgian style house located at 42 St. George Street. The house contained a unique feature -- a retractable roof used on Sukkoth. In 1947, the house was acquired by the University of Toronto and was used for a variety of purposes until it was demolished in 1999. The Bahen Centre for Information Technology now stands in its place.

HISTORY

Mr. Mendel Granatstein was a member of one of the early Jewish families of Toronto. In 1895, he founded M. Granatstein and Sons, Ltd., a junk dealing company, and by the early 20th century, he had become one of the most prosperous Jews in Toronto. Mr. Granatstein was also a community leader, having a hand in the foundation of Beth Jacob Synagogue.

CATEGORY

Architecture

Residences

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