

*=NEW IN JEWISH GENEALOGY

BIBLIOGRAPHY OF JEWISH GENEALOGY

Compiled and Annotated by Malcolm H. Stern

MANUALS AND SOURCEBOOKS

h Baxter, Angus. In Search of Your European Roots: A Complete Guide to Tracing Your Ancestors in Every Country in Europe. (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1985, 289 pp.) A country by country description of resources [now outdated for Eastern Europe]. Includes a chapter on Jewish sources in Europe and Israel.

h Cohen, Chester G. Shtetl Finder Gazetteer. [paperback] (Bowie, MD: Heritage Books, Inc., 1989, 145pp.) Locates with varied spelling many of the Jewish communities of Eastern Europe, indentifying by name some prominent citizens of each. [cf. Mokotoff - Sack, below; reprint of 1980 ed.]

h Eakle, Arlene, and Johni Cerny, eds. The Source: A Guidebook of American Genealogy. (Salt Lake City: Ancestry, Ltd., 1984, 786 pp.) Chapters indicate where to find every type of record in the U.S. Lists LDS microfilms of vital records for Jewish communities in Germany, Poland, and Hungary [updated in Avotaynu, see Periodicals, and in Kurzweil-Weiner, Encyclopedia... below].

Gedenkbuch, compiled by the Bundesarchiv, Koblenz, and the International Tracing Service, Arolsen, Germany, with the cooperation of Yad Vashem, Jerusalem. (Koblenz, 1987, 2v.) Lists Jewish victims of Nazis in Germany, 1933-45, citing last place of residence, birthdate, deathdate, and circumstances of death, where known.

h *Guzik, Estelle M., ed. ^{genealogical} Resources for Jewish Genealogy in the New York Metropolitan Area. (New York: Jewish Genealogical Society, Inc., 1989, 404 p.) Detailed guide to every agency between Albany, NY and Trenton, NJ that could provide data of use to Jewish genealogical research, including many specific records, hours of opening, public transportation, finding aids, fees, and restrictions. Appendices include: Bibliography and locations of yizkor books, vital record application forms, soundex codes; available foreign telephone directories, U.S. city directories, and newspapers; Jewish cemeteries. Indexes.

h Kurzweil, Arthur. From Generation to Generation: How to Trace Your Jewish Genealogy and Personal History. [paperback] (New York: Schocken Books, 1982, 353pp.) A very personal approach to each step.

o *Kurzweil, Arthur, and Miriam Weiner, eds. The Encyclopedia of Jewish Genealogy. (Northvale, NJ: Jason Aronson, Inc., 1991). vol. I: Sources in the United States and Canada. An up-to-date finding aid to sources of Jewish genealogical information.

oo *Mokotoff, Gary, and Sallyann A. Sack. Where Once We Walked. (Teaneck, NJ: Avotaynu, 1991). A gazetteer of 21,000 Eastern European localities, arranged alphabetically under the Daitch-Mokotoff Soundex Code, so that various spellings can readily be found.

h Rottenberg, Dan. Finding Our Fathers; A Guidebook to Jewish Genealogy. (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1986, xiv+401pp.) [paperback reprint of 1977 ed.] The pioneer "how-to" with a list of every Jewish surname appearing in a variety of sources.

h Sack, Sallyann Amdur. A Guide to Jewish Genealogical Research in Israel. (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1987. xv+110pp.) Detailed guide to the accessibility and holdings of each agency. Appendices include: Yizkor books and landsmanschaften listed at Yad Vashem Library; list of towns represented at 1981 World Gathering of Holocaust Survivors.

h Sack, Sallyann Amdur, and Suzan Wynne. Russian Consular Records Index and Guide. (New York: Garland Publishing Co., 1987). An index to names in the 250,000 case files from former Czarist Consular offices in the U.S., 1860-1924, on microfilm at the U.S. National Archives.

Zubatsky, David S., and Irwin M. Berent. Jewish Genealogy: A Sourcebook of Family Histories and Genealogies. (New York & London: Garland Publishing Co., 1984, 422pp.) Finding aid to published and manuscript genealogies in many Jewish archives and libraries. Arranged by surname.

*-----ibid. v.2, 1991. Additions to the above.

PERIODICALS

h Avotaynu: The International Review of Jewish Genealogy, 1985- . Sallyann A. Sack and Gary Mokotoff, eds.. Quarterly. (P.O. Box 1134, Teaneck, NJ 07666). Articles and data of general Jewish genealogical interest written by an international group of authors.

Family Finder, compiled by Gary Mokotoff. Updated quarterly and distributed to each society affiliated with the international Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies. A computerized print-out of ancestral surnames and place names being researched by members of Jewish Genealogical Societies. Arranged alphabetically by submitter, by surname, by town, and by country or major area.

Mitteilungen der Gesellschaft fuer juedische Familienforschung, 1924-1938. Arthur Czellitzer, ed. Fifty issues, published by a pre-Holocaust Berlin genealogical society. Contains lectures, vital records, and queries. Available at some reserch libraries and archives.

Search: The Quarterly Journal of the Jewish Genealogical Society of Illinois.
1980- . Alan M. Spencer, ed. (%Janette Woods, 4823 N. Lawndale, Chicago, IL
60625). Articles of varied interest, including resources for researching
Jewish genealogy in individual U. S. cities.

Toledot: The Journal of Jewish Genealogy, 1977-1980. Steven W. Siegel and
Arthur Kurzweil, eds. (some back issues available % P.O.Box 6398, New York,
NY 10128). Articles on methodology, vital records, queries, and book reviews.

RESEARCH ARCHIVES AND LIBRARIES

American Jewish Archives, 3101 Clifton Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45220-2488 [on
the campus of Hebrew Union College]. Specializes in data on Jews in the
Western Hemisphere. Many genealogies, vital records, biographies, organiza-
tional and congregational records, newspaper indexes.

Finding aids: Clasper, James W., and M. Carolyn Dellenbach. Guide to the
Holdings of the American Jewish Archives (Cincinnati, 1979, 211pp.). see also:
Zubatsky and Berent [above.]

American Jewish Historical Society, 2 Thornton Road, Waltham, MA 02154 (on
campus of Brandeis University). All areas of American Jewish history, inclu-
ding organizational and institutional records, as well as family documents.

Finding aids: Union Catalog of Manuscripts; handout on genealogical
holdings.

LDS Family History Library, 35 North West Temple, Salt Lake City, UT 84150.
The world's most complete and technologically current genealogical library;
open to all. Books and microfilms include Jewish records from many countries,
notably Poland, Germany, and Hungary. Microfilms may be obtained on interli-
brary loan at local Mormon libraries. Computerized and microfiche catalogs
available at branch libraries.

Finding aid: Cerni, Johni, and Wendy Elliott, eds. The Library: A Guide
to the LDS Family History Library. (Salt Lake City: Ancestry, LTD. c1988).
Separate chapters are devoted to records for each region of the U.S. and
countries abroad.

Leo Baeck Institute, 129 East 73rd Street, New York, NY 10021. Library and
archive of surviving records of Jews from German-speaking lands.

Finding aid: Union Catalog of Manuscripts.

Library of Congress. Jefferson (main) Building, housing Genealogy & Local
History, Independence Avenue between 1st & 2nd Streets, SW, Washington, DC;
connected underground with Adams and Madison Buildings. Contains every book
submitted for U.S. copyright, city directories, maps, gazetteers, Hebraic
Division.

Finding aid: Neagles, James C. The Library of Congress: A Guide to Genea-
logical and Historical Research. (Salt Lake City: Ancestry, 1990, xii+381pp.)

National Archives & Records Administration, 8th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20408. Research room has federal censuses 1790-1910 (1920 will be available in 1992), passenger arrival indexes, 18th & 19th century military records, some naturalizations, land records. Regional branches have microfilm copies and regional records.

Finding aids: Guide to Genealogical Research in the National Archives. (Washington, DC 1982, 304pp.; Szucs, Loretto Dennis, and Sandra Hargreaves Luebking, The Archives: A guide to the National Archives Field Branches. (Salt Lake City: Ancestry, Ltd., c1988, xvii+340pp.)

New York Public Library. Fifth Avenue & 42nd Street, New York, NY, 10018.

Jewish, Map. Microform, and Local History & Genealogy Divisions contain useful materials.

Finding aid: Guzik, Guide... [above]

Yivo Institute for Jewish Research, 1048 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10028.

Library and archive of data from Yiddish-speaking lands.

Finding aid: Guzik, Guide... [above]

[NOTE: These sources do not have staff to research for you, but will let you know if they have books or manuscripts on specific topics. In any genealogical query, always enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.]

COLLECTED GENEALOGIES

R *Rosenstein, Neil. The Unbroken Chain: Biographical Sketches and Genealogy of Illustrious Jewish Families from the 15th-20th Century, (The Computer Center for Jewish Genealogy, 654 Westfield Ave., Elizabeth, NJ 07208, 1990, 2v.) [An enlarged revision of the 1977 ed.] Includes descendants of the Katzenellenbogen Family - Hasidic and other rabbis, Mendelssohns, Martin Buber, Karl Marx, Helena Rubinstein. Index of surnames only.

*Sackheim, George I, Scattered Seeds. 2v. (r. Sackheim Publishing Co., 9151 Crawford Ave., Skokie, IL 60076). Chronicles more than 13,000 descendants of Rabbi Israel, one of two martyrs of Rozanoi (Ruzhany), Byelorussia, executed after a blood libel of 1659. Indexed.

*Stern, Malcolm H. First American Jewish Families, (Ottenheimer Publishers, Inc., 300 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore, MD 21208, 1991, 441pp.) [reprint of 1978 edition with added Update section.] Contains genealogies of all available Jewish families settled in America prior to 1840, traced where possible to the present. 50,000 name index.