The Archive of Australian Judaica will, from time to time, issue a casual bulletin describing acquisitions of significance which may be useful sources of research programmes in history, sociology and political science.

The project is described below in an abstract from *LIB* 21, No.7, August 1983:

'In July this year, with the appointment to the staff of Marianne Dacy, work commenced formally in the Library on the Archive of Australian Judaica. The Archive is funded by an ARGS Grant awarded to Dr Alan Crown of the Department of Semitic Studies. Dr Crown is director of the project with Dr Radford and myself (Jennifer Alison) as associates. It is expected that funding for the Archive will be forthcoming for a three year period.

'The purpose of the Archive is to collect and preserve, and then catalogue, a record of Jewish life in Australia since 1788. The type of material sought is wide-ranging, from journals and newspapers issued by the Jewish Community to records and minute books of Jewish societies, firms, institutions and individuals, to books, pamphlets, memorabilia and ephemera associated with the Jewish experience of life in this century. The Archive will also seek to microfilm material, such as back runs of newspapers, in order to preserve it.

'At present the Archive has a home in Rare Books while material is being collected and sorted and contact is being made with individual and societies. Much of the material collected will remain in the Rare Book and Special Collections Library but items such as books and journals will be housed in the Research Library. However, a listing of all the Archive material will be kept and perhaps issued in published form as a Bicentennial project in 1988.

'Marianne Dacy, who is at present engaged in the preliminary gathering and sorting of material and making visits amongst the Jewish Community in Sydney, is a graduate of Melbourne University and has a library qualification from the North London Polytechnic. She is a member of the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Sion and lived in Israel for nine years before her return to Australia in 1982. She is a candidate for the Masters Degree in Jewish philosophy at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.'
Apart from casual papers and books the Archive has now acquired or will receive within a few days the following materials which look like promising collections for postgraduate researchers in political science, Australian history and sociology:

1. The minutes and records of the New Settlers Association, with associated records showing the settling in of Jewish immigrants in the 1940s.

2. The clippings from Australian newspapers relating to Australian Jewry, 1946-1980. Current press notices can be regarded as indexed in the section 'From the Australian Press' in the Australia-Israel Review, which is also in the Archive.

3. Copies of the Jewish Youth organisations' minutes, papers and journals in the 1940s.

Since each collection has its own conditions for use, researchers should contact Marianne Dacy (ext. 2992) for arrangements to use the material.
February, 1984

General

The ARGC has made funds available to continue the Archive into its second year and, happily, Sister Marianne Dacy was again available to us to serve as the archivist.

The first year of the project was rather successful, not only in what was achieved materially but in the ease with which all levels of the work was conducted: there was a fruitful cooperative effort by all concerned in the project which may lie behind the success of the project to date.

Enquiries for material are now coming in from researchers at the University of Sydney and N.S.W., the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the Yad Vashem Institute. The first thesis for which material was consulted in the Archive has now been lodged with us.

Coordinating Committee and Computer Registers

As a result of representations from the Jewish Historical Society, a coordinating group sponsored by Leslie Caplan, O.A., President of the Jewish Board of Deputies, met in the Fisher Library to discuss relationships between the Historical Society and the Archive. As a result of that meeting the Jewish Board of Deputies has sought State Government funding to provide for computerised listing of the holdings of both ventures in a central computer register. If the grant is forthcoming it is anticipated that the programming will be done in the Archive.

Zionist Federation Archives

Arising from the meeting of the coordinating committee, arrangements were made with the School of Librarianship at the University of New South Wales for two trainee archivists, under the guidance of Peter Orlovich, senior lecturer in the School, to sort, arrange and list the archives of the Zionist Federation of Australia, which would then be housed in our Archive for study by researchers. Since the Federation (founded in 1927) was the senior representative Jewish organisation during the most lively period of Australian Jewish life, and since the material has been virtually inaccessible to researchers, we consider that we are gaining valuable primary research material for future scholars.
Zionist Federation Minute Books

The early minute books, so far as they are available, are being microfiched for the Archive. Sister Dacy was fortunate enough to locate, in Melbourne, some of the books which have long eluded researchers, and it is hoped that these can be included in the fiching run, so that a near complete record will be available for the first time.

Jewish Board of Deputies

The cooperative relationship developed with the Board of Deputies continues in that the Archive of the Board is now being transferred to our Archive for listing and sorting. This material should also be a most valuable primary source for historians of contemporary Australia.

Y.M.H.A.

Thanks to a private donor, Mr. Sam Karpin, and his confidence in the Fisher Library, the surviving minute books and papers of the Young Mens' Hebrew Association, from 1945 to its demise ten years later, have been made available to us. It should be noted that in the comprehensive collection donated by Mr. Karpin were papers of the Wolper Jewish Hospital.

Private Donations

The Archive was fortunate in acquiring an extensive collection of Jewish Youth magazines - virtually a unique collection - through the generosity of Mr. George Feher. We were also fortunate in being able to accession many of the papers of the late Maurice Isaacs, Q.C. Mr. Isaacs was happy to make his material, mostly relating to the B' nai B'rith organisation, available to us. It was sad to record his death so soon after his gift. Among the papers of the late Dr. Max Joseph (see Bulletin 1) is a comprehensive record of the life of a German Jewish refugee in Australia. The Department of German (Holocaust Studies) at the University of New South Wales has expressed interest in this material.

Oral History and Photography

A project has now begun of asking selected individuals who were involved in specific controversies, developments and activities, to amplify or comment on published material and papers. Our first focus is the Canberra Jewish community. Likewise photography of wall-plaques, memorial stones and similar items has begun on an occasional basis. A core for developing a collection of photographs lies in the generous work and gift of Mr. Edward Lane who has sent us a comprehensive photographic record of the Montefiore Home.

Ephemera Collection

One most fruitful source of research data, and the most difficult to collect, is ephemera - invitations, circulars, posters, et al, which reflect the day-to-day execution of policy initiatives. The Archive is establishing a weekly monitoring programme to try and build up a full collection of relevant ephemera.

Future

The Archive is aware of the incomplete holdings in New South Wales of many journals and newspapers relating to the Jewish community, and the urgent need to establish a comprehensive photographic holding (film or fiche) so that complete sets are available. The Archive feels that it could play a special role in making good this deficiency. However, a planned programme of acquisition will be an expensive proposition, and special funding will have to be sought.
General

The Archive has continued its steady growth and development in the 6 months since the last Bulletin was issued. Some of the tasks set then are now completed and others are still in train. The value of the project has been brought home to the project staff on a sad occasion during the period. After a great deal of effort to locate missing Zionist records, Sister Dacy was able to track them down to the collection of Mr. Ben-Zion Patkin in Melbourne. After numerous letters, phone calls and an expedition to Melbourne, she had finally persuaded Mr. Patkin to interrupt work on his book to allow us to photograph the missing material. Unfortunately he died before this work could be completed, and these records may no longer be available to us.

Access to Materials in the Archive

Arrangements have now been formalised regarding access to the major collections lodged with us by public bodies, viz., the Zionist Organisation and the Jewish Board of Deputies. Researchers, on an individual basis, are given authority to consult the papers by the organisation concerned on a standard form.

Microfiching

Thanks to the cooperation of the Zionist Federation, the State Zionist Council and the Australian Jewish Historical Society, and the State Zionist Council of Victoria, arrangements have been made to fiche all the minute books of these organisations with the exception of some which were in the hands of Mr. Patkin (see General, above), and some minutes of the plenary sessions of the Zionist Federation, i.e., no.1, 1927, nos.3-5 (1931-1935?), 7, 8, 9, 10 (1939-1941?). If any reader of this Bulletin is able to direct us to a copy of any of those minutes we would be most grateful. We are most grateful to the organisations concerned and, in particular, to Mrs. Helen Bersten of the Australian Jewish Historical Society for her cooperation in ficheing minute books held by that Society, and in making the A.J.H.S. periodical lists available to us.

University of Melbourne Library

The University of Melbourne Library has expressed interest in the Archive, and its librarian has explored with Dr. Radford, Fisher Librarian and a co-director of the Archive, the possibility of purchasing photographic copies of materials in the Archive. Permission has been granted by some donors for copies of their material to be photographed in this way.
University of New South Wales, Archival Training Course

Peter Orlovich's team of trainee archivists completed the sorting, arranging and listing of the Zionist Federation papers in the first term, and these papers have now been transferred to the Archive in toto. The team of trainees volunteered to work on the papers of the Jewish Board of Deputies, and thanks to Peter Orlovich, the mammoth task of indexing these papers is now under way. We are most grateful to him, his students and to the coordinating committee which made this very fruitful cooperation possible.

Ethnic Radio

Mr. S. Pejsachowitch has now lodged with us the first part of his collection of tapes of the Jewish hour on the Ethnic radio programme. This will provide an invaluable aural register of the concerns and interests of the Jewish community in the years of existence of this programme, which made its first broadcast in 1974.

Oral History Project

The first tapes in the Oral History Project have been made recording the reminiscences of Mrs. Ruby Rich-Schalit and her work in the early years of the WIZO movement. Mrs. Schalit's multifaceted involvement in feminist activities should make her tapes interesting to a wide audience.

Jewish Australiana - Overseas

Holdings of Jewish Australiana in overseas libraries are being investigated. The first fruits of this were copies of papers from the Rhodes Library, Oxford, relating to a proposed Jewish settlement on Melville Island.

Duneera Papers

The Archive has been promised papers relating to the Duneera affair. We look forward to their arrival.

Attached is a list of Journals which are not held in a complete form in any Australian library. The Archive is anxious to locate copies for filming and would be happy to hear from any informant as to locations. Even single copies would be useful.
Australian Israelite
Australian Jewish Outlook (Perth)
Australian Jewish Review
Australier Leben
The Central (Strathfield & District Hebrew Congregation)
The Chronicle (Cremorne Hebrew Congregation)
The Council Bulletin (NCJW)
The Dialectic (Melbourne Jewish Literary & Debating Society)
Haboker (Brighton - Melbourne - Hebrew Congregation)
Hadibbur (Sydney - Yeshiva)
Hamerkaz (A.C.T. Jewish Community)
Ivriah (1935-64)
The Jewish Herald (1879-1919)
Der Landsman (East St. Kilda, Melbourne) 1964-70
Liberal Jewish Digest
The Maccabean (Perth)
Masada Herald (Masada College)
Melbourne Chronicle (Kadimah)
Menorah (Doncaster, Melbourne)
New South Wales Association of Sephardim Bulletin, Sydney (pre 1976 copies)
South Head and District Synagogue War Memorial Journal, (Rose Bay, Sydney)
Temple Emanuel Gazette (Woollahra, Sydney)
The Vazao Life (Melbourne)
Venture (Melbourne) (National Union of Jewish Students)
The Westralian Judean (Perth)
Since the last Bulletin was circulated in July 1984, the funding of the Archive was renewed by the ARGS for a further twelve months. In a particularly difficult year for the ARGS our funding increased only marginally, so that again our archivist, Sister M Dacy, can only work on a part-time basis. However, since the Archive catalogue is tolerably up to date, material is available to users on a 9-to-5 basis via the Rare Books and Special Collections Library of the University Library. Readers who have special requests should contact Sister Dacy, Mondays through Wednesdays, at the Archive. Fortunately, the Archive School of the University of New South Wales has again generously placed the services of trainee archivists at our disposal.

It is pleasing to note that the collection has some regular users - post graduate researchers working for higher degrees, academics and some interstate and overseas users who have included scholars and journalists.

ACQUISITIONS

Microforms: The microfilming of the minutes of the Zionist Federation of Australia and New Zealand, as well as those of the Victorian and New South Wales State Zionist Councils has now been completed.

Linton Diaries: The diaries of the late Joseph Linton, Israel Ambassador to Australia in the late 40s, were offered to the Archive in microform by his widow. These are in the process of acquisition and should be a valuable source of information for researchers interested in Australian relationships with Israel shortly after the independence of that country was gained.

Theses: While researchers using the Archive are encouraged to deposit copies of previous work therein, regular scanning of the subject literature has drawn attention to a number of higher degree theses which remain unpublished, but which would be invaluable source material. The Archive has begun a programme of acquiring copies of relevant theses to develop a specialised holding of Theses on Australian Judaica.
DUNERA Affair, and the HAY and TATURA camps
Several generous individuals have donated original materials or allowed copies to be made of documents, ephemera and memorabilia relating to the Dunera Affair. Cyril Pearl has lodged with us the materials used in the writing of his book, Henry James has donated papers on the same subject. Kurt Lewinski has kindly made available for researchers his handwritten diary of his experiences of the Dunera and both internment camps. Theo Berger allowed us to copy his hand-written material from Hay.

Matsdorf Papers
The Matsdorf collection, which was taken to Jerusalem on the retirement of Wolf Matsdorf, including papers relating to relief and rescue work for European Jews and refugees in Australia, has been promised to the Archive, and the first batch has arrived via the good offices of the Hebrew University which is despatching and packing the papers for us. The collection will provide a useful source for researchers into the development of Australian social services for refugees and migrants.

Muller Papers
A large archival and printed collection almost all relating to Bnai Brith and the Jewish Board of Deputies was donated by Sydney Muller. This collection is currently being sorted and shelved by the trainee archivists. This collection gives valuable insights into the role of the Bnai Brith in the Jewish community.

Other private collections
A number of smaller, but significant, contributions have been received, through the agency of and directly from, Maurice De Berg. These include papers and memorabilia of the Union of Sydney Zionists, personal papers and memorabilia of Rabbi L A Falk (from his grandson, Michael Falk).

There is also memorabilia of the late Harold Kresner, papers relating to the setting-up of a flock of sheep in Israel by the late Dr Solomon Goldberg, who exported the sheep from his Australian farm, the papers of the Shalom organisation donated by Henry Pearl and a newspaper cutting and photograph collection of Israel from Dr W Wise.

Organisational archives
The Cataloguing and indexing of the deposited archives of the Executive Council of Australian Jewry and the NSW Jewish Board of Deputies was completed by students working in the Archive Training programme run by Dr Peter Orlovich in the Archive Diploma Course at the University of New South Wales. Readers are reminded that access to the Archive requires a signed User-authorisation from the Board, 140 Darlinghurst Road, Darlinghurst NSW 2010.

United Hebrew Friendly Society
The minute books of this now defunct Society have been deposited with the Archive, thanks to Julius Karpin, former Secretary of the Society.
SUBJECT INDEXING

Because of the policy of dispersing to the research collection, printed matter acquired by the Archive, subject files have been opened in which notes of biographical items relevant to the Archive's work are kept. Sometimes, off-prints or photocopies are added to these files for ease of reference. These files should be a useful bibliographical resource for workers approaching a topic de novo. Names of files are available on request.

FRIENDS OF THE ARCHIVE

Several cooperative colleagues have indicated that they would like to have a more formal association with the Archive. It is proposed to establish a body of Friends of the Archive, which would help to develop the collection either by collecting materials for us, or helping to collect the funds necessary for a planned expansion of microfilm and microfiche holdings of Australian Jewish journals.

The inaugural meeting of the Friends is planned for Wednesday, 5 June, in the Macdonald Room of the Fisher Library at the University. This date marks the centenary of the first Zionist fund-raising effort (Hoveve Zion Organisation) in Sydney. The speaker will be Mrs Susan Bures, BA, Editor of the Jewish Times. The topic will be: "Funds and the Jewish Future".
CASUAL BULLETIN No 5

General

1986 marks the fourth year of the Archive of Australian Judaica Project made possible by the renewal of the A.R.G.S. Grant. An additional Research Grant of $3,000 will enable us to continue the important work of microfilming Australian Jewish journals and minute books. At present we are making plans to film The Australian Israelite (1871-1874), the Australian Hebrew (November 22, 1895 - November 13, 1896), the Australian Jewish Chronicle (1922-1931) and several other journals which exist in only one or two copies. Permission has been given by the Executive Council of Australian Jewry and the Illawarra synagogue to film their minute books (20/1/1931-4/8/82). This work will continue throughout the year. Considerable time was also spent in 1985 in copying material from the Archive for overseas researchers.

In 1985, Peter Orlovich again offered us the services of three archive students from the University of New South Wales. The Sidney Muller papers and those of Sam Karpin have now been fully indexed and catalogued.

Acquisitions

Microforms: The microfilming of the Australian Jewish Herald has now been completed, and that of The Westralian Judean is in progress. The Perth-based Jewish Observer was also copied from a unique copy owned by Mrs Doris Haimson before she left to take up residence in Israel.

Ethnic Radio: Mr S Pejsachowitch will bring us another instalment of tapes from the Jewish Radio Hour. We already have the tapes from the first six years of broadcasting (1974-1979).

Theses: The Archive is continuing its programme of acquiring copies of relevant theses on Australian Jewish topics. Several of these on Jewish education in Australia and refugees have been purchased for the library. See Appendix A for list.

Private donations: Eva Helfgott donated to the Archive her papers relating to her social work and teaching of English to Russian immigrants. In 1981, she was one of the co-founders of the Shalom Organisation, a group set up to help Russian immigrants integrate into Australia. She also donated memorabilia, papers and photographs of her late husband, Samuel Helfgott, who had been a violinist with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra. Photographs and press cuttings were received from Arie Even in Tel Aviv. These relate to the Australian involvement in the celebration of Israel's
Thirtieth Anniversary. Werner Baer donated papers on his musical career in Australia, and in a taped interview related his experiences in Singapore and at the Internment Camp at Tatura. Two aural history interviews were given by Edward Dahl, who told of his experiences during the Holocaust and on the Dunera, and at the Internment Camps at Hay and Tatura.

N.S.W. Fellowship of Jewish Doctors: The archives of the N.S.W. Fellowship of Jewish Doctors were lodged with the Archive in 1985. It should be emphasised that restricted material may only be consulted when the researcher presents a written authority from the organisation concerned.

Jewish Book Fair: In July the Archive took part in the biennial Jewish Book Fair held under the auspices of the N.S.W. Jewish Board of Deputies. An attractive display of photographs, ephemera and documents relating to the Dunera affair was prepared by Mrs Shirley Cohen, who worked in the Archive on a voluntary basis for a number of weeks. Much of this material was donated by Cyril Pearl and Theo Berger.

Subject files: The building up of subject files on Australian Jewry is continuing. Relevant clippings and articles are being added for easy reference, as well as subject bibliographies. See Appendix B.

Ephemera: The collection of ephemera, which includes invitation cards, circulars, and posters, is continuing. However, this is the weakest area in our collection, despite its importance to archives. In some instances, ephemera provide the only historical clues to events. Unfortunately, collection of ephemera is a most labour-intensive activity and needs constant reminders to well wishers. We again ask communities and organisations to send us this kind of material as it is produced, and appeal to individuals who would be willing to donate such material to the Archive.

Friends of the Archive: The inaugural meeting of the Friends of the Archive of Australian Judaica was held on 5 June, and was well attended. Mrs Susan Bures, Editor of the Australian Jewish Times spoke on "Funds and the Jewish Future" During the meeting, printed catalogues of the Archives holdings were distributed. A Committee has been formed and future support activities for the Archive are being planned. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 19 March at 6pm in the Friends' Room of the Rare Book Library, Floor 2, Fisher Library.

During 1985, a good deal of time was spent in preparing an annotated bibliography of Australian Jewish serials. This will be printed with an historical introduction, as a small monograph. The journal bibliography will also be added to the larger, more comprehensive "Bibliography of Australian Judaica", compiled by Serge Liberman and edited by Joy Young. The latter publication will be issued as the second monograph in the Mandelbaum Trust series of the University of Sydney.

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APPENDIX A: Theses


LEE, Godfrey. Australian Jewish community reactions to destruction of European Jewry, 1939-1947. Submitted to the School of History in the Faculty of Arts, University of New South Wales towards a BA (Hons) degree. December 1983.


APPENDIX B : SUBJECT FILES

AUSTRALIAN JEWRY (general)

Communities in New South Wales

A.C.T. Jewish Community
Bankstown
Broken Hill
Central Synagogue (Sydney)
Cremorne
Great Synagogue (Sydney)
Illawarra
Kingsford Maroubra Hebrew Congregation
N.S.W. Association of Sephardim
Newcastle Hebrew Congregation
North Shore Temple Emanuel
Temple Emanuel
Western Suburbs Synagogue
Yeshiva
York Street

Community in Queensland

Brisbane Hebrew Congregation

Community in South Australia

Adelaide Hebrew Congregation

Community in Tasmania

Communities in Victoria

Ballarat
Kew Hebrew Congregation
Melbourne Hebrew Congregation
St Kilda Hebrew Congregation
Temple Beth Israel

Community in Western Australia

Perth Hebrew Congregation

Organisations in New South Wales

Archive of Australian Judaica
Australasian Union of Jewish Students
Australian Association of Holocaust Survivors
Australian Friends of Bar Ilan
Australian Jewish Historical Society
Australian Jewish Medical Federation
Australian Jewish Theatre
Australian Jewish Welfare Society
Australian Maccabee Foundation
B’nai B’rith
Consulate General of Israel
Executive Council of Australian Jewry
Jewish National Fund
Joint Committee for Tertiary Studies
Kashruth Information Bureau
King David School
Masada College
Moriah College
N.S.W. Jewish Board of Deputies
N.S.W. Board of Jewish Education
N.S.W. Friends of the Hebrew University
N.S.W. Jewish War Memorial
N.S.W. Joint Communal Appeal
N.S.W. State Zionist Council
National Council of Jewish Women
Sir Moses Montefiore Jewish Home
Shalom Organisation
Wolper Jewish Hospital
Yeshiva, Zionist Federation
Youth Aliya

Organisations in Queensland

Jewish National Fund (see fiche)
Queensland Daughters of Zion Society (see fiche)
State Zionist Council (see fiche)
United Israel Appeal

Organisations in Victoria

Australia/Israel Review
Jewish Holocaust Centre
Mount Scopus College

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Specific subjects

Anti-Semitism
Australia and the Middle East Crisis
Australian Jewry - History
Australian Jewry - Bibliographies

Anti-semitism
biographical
education
history
immigration

Dunera Affair
Education
Holocaust - Diary
Anti-Semitism Seminar,
Melbourne 9-11 June, 1984
The German Jewish Experience,
Sydney, 27-29 July 1984
International Gathering of
Holocaust Survivors.
Sydney, 9-12 May 1985.

Immigration
International Jewry (What Australians have said. Ethiopian Jewry)
Jewish press of Australia
The Jewish World, London. 1870s-1930 (Australia)
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General
1986 has been an active year for the Archive of Australian Judaica, our fourth year of activity. As in previous years the Archive has been located in the Rare Book Library of the University Library, and, though conditions for the Rare Book Library in general are not ideal as space is at a premium the Archive benefited from having extended hours of access through the Rare Book Library Staff. The activities of the Archive remain under the control of the project directors and are carried on through our able Archivist/Librarian, Sister Marianne Dacy. In 1986 the ARGS gave the Archive a grant earmarked specifically for the filming and assembling in one centre of Australian Jewish periodicals and newspapers. This task has been actively pursued throughout the year. However, the task of collecting and preserving the papers and archives of the Jewish community as a research tool for both junior and senior researchers has not been neglected and the year has seen some significant acquisitions to our collection. The first fruits of the work of the Friends of the Archive were seen in the sum of $1300 which enabled the Archive to continue the publication of its monograph series. (see below). The Archivist continued to receive enquiries for help from overseas institutions and individuals and was able to satisfy those requests. The Archive now sees a number of “regular” local users who are writing theses or articles which draw on its holdings.

Publications
The listing of the Archive's holdings was upgraded and published as Monograph 3 in the Archive's series. This Monograph was provided free to the Friends who contributed to its publication, but was sold at a nominal cost to others. It serves as both an index and a guide to the holdings of the Archive so that researchers can see very easily what materials are available in their field.

Monograph 2 has taken considerably longer to produce than expected, but, when it appears, (imminently) users will find a substantial (c.150pp) annotated bibliography and location guide to Australian Jewish periodicals - including newspapers, periodicals, in-house newsletters of community organisations, youth magazines and yearbooks. The listing is prefaced by a study of the Australian Jewish Press including a reprint of the classic work by P.J. Marks and a bibliographical guide, perforce short, to the literature on the Australian Jewish press. The Archivist and project directors who were responsible for originating what is hoped will prove to be a useful research tool recognise their debt to Mrs Joy Young who has given freely of her time to additional checking and editing of this material.

Acquisitions
Microform: The microfilming of periodicals has been the central task of the Archive this year. Fortunately, it was able to share the cost of this activity by joining with the Australian National Library, The State Library of N.S.Wales, and the Hebrew University and Jewish National Library, Jerusalem. Provision was made in these arrangements for other interested libraries overseas to join in sharing the cost. Cost sharing enables the original ARGS funding to be partially recouped enabling yet more work to be done with the money. Microfilming of the following is now complete: - The Australian Israelite, The Australasian Hebrew, The Australian Jewish Chronicle, The Voice of Jacob, (The third oldest English language, Jewish newspaper in the world), and The Westralian Judean. Filming of other titles continues.

During the year the Archive was able to film the complete minutes of the N.S.W. Board of Jewish Education and some of their correspondence. These minutes represent a century of activity and give insights into the concerns and development of the Jewish Community in the period covered and, apart from their educational significance should prove invaluable to demographers.

The filming of the minutes of the Illawarra synagogue was also completed during this year.
Linton Diaries: The diaries of the late Joseph Linton, Israeli plenipotentiary to Australia from 12/6/1950 - 5/9/1952 (his successor was the first to be designated Ambassador) were donated to the Archive by his widow. These diaries show both the personal concerns of Mr. Linton and reflect on Israel's developing political and economic relationships with Australia. They give a vivid personal insight into the workings of the Diplomatic Corps in Australia and are illuminating for their picture of the relationships between the young Israeli state and countries which later cut off relationships with Israel. Some personal impressions of Australian life and conditions would amuse the social historians and some observations on war criminals in Australia are of current interest.

Ethnic radio hour tapes: The second instalment of tapes of the Jewish radio hour has been lodged with the Archive by Mr. S. Pejsachowitch, A.M. This now gives the Archive a complete coverage of the Radio hour from its inception in 1940 to February 1956.

Sydney Jewish Centre on Aging: the papers of the seminar at the centre in May 1986 were acquired.

Private donations: Some of the private papers and publications of the late Professor Julius Stone were lodged in the Archive. These include copies of many of his articles and letters about Israel or the Australian Jewish community and Israel. A copy of the autobiography of Rev. William Katz, published on his ninetieth birthday, was presented by the author.

The Archive wishes to acknowledge the help and generosity of the following individuals who have donated papers, books and journals to its collection.

Mr. Aaron Aarons, for providing Seminar papers of the Jewish Centre on Aging.
Rabbi R. Apple, for supplying missing parts of the Great Synagogue Journal, books and valuable ephemera.
Rabbi A. Fabian for a collection of rare journal parts.
George (Yehuda) Feher, for his long standing and continued contribution to our collection of ephemera and for building up our specialised holding of Jewish youth magazines from the 1940's.
John Hammond for supplying books and ephemera.
David Marsden for his History of the Bankstown Synagogue and Hebrew Congregation.
Suzanne Rutland for her manuscript on Shanghai Jewry.
Alan Shilkin of Perth for transmitting journals and ephemera collected for the Archive by his late father, Roy Shilkin.
Mrs Valerie Stern for a collection of books.
Wolfgang Matsdorf, (Israel) for his help with the Linton Diaries and his personal contributions.

Future projects
Ephemera Collection: The collection of ephemera - souvenir programmes, invitations, broadsheets, official invitations and notices of community organisations is a fundamental source of detail to round out research in a variety of areas. The Archive has been able to put together a general working collection of ephemera but it is clear that the field needs a systematic approach to collecting. It is hoped that the ARG will provide funding in 1987 for this specific task.

Film and Video archive: As a result of a number of enquiries from commercial researchers on the Jewish community (film makers and the like) the project directors have begun to investigate the availability of resources for a collection of films and videos to supplement the existing collection of still pictures and photographs. Preliminary investigations have shown that there is a considerable amount of material available in scattered locations around Australia. Consideration of storage problems, format, deterioration etc., have indicated that though this is a project which must be undertaken at some stage in the near future as a valuable supplement to written and printed archival material it will be an expensive project that cannot be funded out of present resources. The Directors will be seeking funding for this development in the archival project at the first opportunity.
1987 is the fifth year of the Archive of Australian Judaica Project. Up to this time it has been funded by the Australian Research Grants' Scheme, but when funding was not renewed for 1987, the Mandelbaum Trust made available to the Library a substantial sum which enabled the Archive to continue. Special thanks are also due to the Friends of the Archive who have contributed financially, and especially to its Patron Stefan Einhorn, OAM, and its secretary Joy Young. The future functioning of the Archive is dependent on the fundraising activities of the Friends.

In 1986 the task of filming Australian Jewish periodicals and newspapers and assembling them in one centre was actively pursued, and this is continuing, as well as the task of actively collecting the papers and archives of the Australian Jewish community. Enquiries are continuing to come from overseas institutions, such as the Museum of the Diaspora in Tel Aviv, and from individuals in Australia and overseas.

Publications

Monograph No. 2 took longer than anticipated to prepare, but was published in late October. "Periodical Publications from the Australian Jewish Community" is a 174 page annotated bibliography and contains a location guide to the more than three hundred Australian Jewish newspapers and newsletters published since 1842, and includes more than one hundred annual reports and yearbooks. It is prefaced by a comprehensive survey of the Australian Jewish periodical press, and includes a reprint of P.J. Marks's classic article of 1913. Monograph No. 4, a catalogue of the holdings of the Archive of Australian Judaica is due to appear in June.

Acquisitions

MICROFORM: During 1986, the filming of three nineteenth century Australian Jewish newspapers was completed, as well as that of "The Australian Jewish Chronicle" and "The Westralian Judean". The minutes of the Illawarra Synagogue were also filmed, and the minutes and correspondence of the N.S.W. Board of Jewish Education. At present arrangements are being made to assemble and film the widely scattered journals and records of the Jewish Council to Combat Fascism and Anti-Semitism.
AUCHMUTY LIBRARY NEWSPAPER ARCHIVES

Thanks to Professor Lionel Fredman of the University of Newcastle, and the Librarian of that University, we were able to obtain a substantial collection of newspaper cuttings which were also carefully boxed and indexed, and had been the property of the N.S.W. Jewish Board of Deputies. They have already proved their value to researchers for it is much easier to work from an indexed collection than to have to search painstakingly through the daily papers of the 1940's in quest of material on the Jewish community.

SYDNEY JEWISH CENTRE ON AGING

Minutes from the inception of the Centre (25/1/1983 - 26/8/1986) have been given to the Archive.

UNITED ORTHODOX SYNAGOGUES OF NEW SOUTH WALES

The Archive was also fortunate to receive papers and minutes from 1962 - 1979 of the United Orthodox Synagogues of New South Wales for copying.

BRIT IVRIT OLAMIT

Recently Mrs Ben Zion Patkin gave to the Archive the minute books (14/7/1972 - 19/11/1982) of the Melbourne branch of Brit Ivrit Olamit, a society which promotes Hebrew language and culture.

ZIONIST FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIA

Material from 1928 - 1974 which included correspondence, newspaper cuttings and other material relating to the Zionist Federation was also donated by Mrs Ben Zion Patkin.

Private donations

Several new Yiddish titles were acquired by the Archive as well as Rabbi John Levi's Dictionary of Biography of the Jews of Australia 1788-1830.

The Archive wishes to acknowledge the generosity of the following individuals who have donated material to the Archive:

Mr. Aaron Aarons for the minutes of the Jewish Centre on Aging and the United Orthodox Synagogue papers.

Rabbi Raymond Apple for his donations of ephemera, and journals.

Mrs. Sophie Caplan for a large donation of ephemera from Moriah College and invitations and brochures collected during the year from different Jewish functions.

Dr. Wolf Matsdorf for several historic black and white photos of activities within the Australian Jewish Welfare Society, as well as additional papers.
Mrs Ben Zion Patkin who in addition to giving us much valuable Zionist material, and the minutes of Brit Ivrit Olamit, also donated a set of "The Zionist", numerous journal parts, papers on international Jewish meetings and material on Russian Jewry. She is gradually donating her husband's papers to the Archive.

EPHEMERA

Another task which the Archive has assumed is the difficult and exacting task of assembling ephemeral items which are often single letters, invitations, flyers, tickets, programmes and menus. It is difficult to convince some people that these items are often the only indications of what actually transpired at a particular public meeting in the past where there were no minutes or records of speeches. Not only are ephemera difficult to collect - they are also very difficult to index and store as they often take an independent file for each single item. Nevertheless, the Archive is continuing to develop this collection.

Another area into which the Archive has barely begun to penetrate is the proper collection of Yiddish items. It is true that the Archive has a substantial collection of the Yiddish books published in this country. However, the index of periodicals show that there has been an active history of publishing Yiddish periodicals in this country and these are not at all well-represented in our collection. Moreover, the effects of the Yiddish speaking element in the Jewish community on the history of the community has been substantial but is not well-documented from Yiddish materials. It is to be one of our tasks to locate these and record them.

The steady growth of the collection throughout 1986 and into 1987 (as shown in the new subject headings and entries in the listings) has been pleasing but should not obscure the point that the purpose of the Archive is to provide research material for both young and established scholars. It is pleasing to report that in this respect the Archive continues to play an important role as requests for materials, acknowledgements in books and by-lines on articles in the Jewish press continue to demonstrate.

The Archive played an active role in providing material for Liberman and Young's "Bibliography of Australian Judaica" which incorporated "Periodical Publications from the Australian Jewish Community". Thanks are due to The University of Sydney Library for hosting the Book Launch on March 17th, in the foyer of the Rare Books Library. The bibliography marks a milestone for research into Australian Jewish life, and is expected to provide the basic materials for a new research project that is being developed at the moment. The Project directors look forward to seeing another generation of theses and books written with the help of the Archive's collection, housed in The Library.

Finally, we would like to remind users of the Archive that we do not own the copyright of some of the materials housed therein. We are obliged to seek separate permission for users both to have access to and to publish items from the Archive for which we do not own the copyright. For this reason we have had to introduce a new acknowledgement form.
1987 has been another successful year for the Archive of Australian Judaica as regards acquisitions and the range of services being offered to users. A steady run of orders for Monograph No. 2 Periodical Publications from the Australian Jewish Community has continued to arrive from both Australian libraries and overseas. Information continues to be requested by librarians and researchers in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, from the Price Judaica Library in California as well as from Australia. Others writing theses or preparing lectures or books continue to frequent the Archive. We have also been asked to supply photographs to authors of books, and several libraries have ordered microfilm copies of newspapers we have filmed recently.

Exhibition

From June till the end of August a display showing the work of the Archive of Australian Judaica was featured in the entrance level of the University of Sydney Library. Its purpose was both informative and educational. Students, staff and visitors to the University expressed a not incon siderable interest. The display showed some aspects of the contribution of Australian Jewry to Australian culture and history. The works of Yiddish writers were displayed, as well as some monographs on Australian Jewish history, photographs and ephemera. Also in the display was the certificate of friendship between Sydney University and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Subject files

Subject files on different aspects of Australian Jewry are being updated on a regular basis. Some files are already quite detailed and could serve as an introduction to the topic being researched.

Newspaper cutting files

With the co-operation of the Auchmuty Library of the University of Newcastle, the Archive now houses sixty-two boxes of newspaper clipping collection dating back to 1940, originally compiled by the New South Wales Jewish Board of Deputies. The collection is fully indexed and clippings have been culled from a wide range of newspapers covering many aspects of Australian Jewry as well as international subjects of major Jewish import. Newspapers contain a vast amount of information about institutions, people, events and books which often does not find its way into reference works, or only at a very late date. A collection of this nature is an invaluable tool for researchers.
The tape collection has now received the tapes of the first national Conference of the Australian Association for Jewish Studies, which was held in Melbourne in August. At the Conference over forty papers were presented on a wide range of subjects including Australian Jewry, the Holocaust, Talmud, Bible and Jewish education. Next year the Conference will be held in Sydney.

Microfilms

The filming of all extant material in Australian libraries on the Jewish Council to Combat Fascism and Anti-Semitism has now been completed. Future projects include the filming of the minutes of this organisation which are held in private hands. At present the minutes of the South Coast Hebrew Congregation are being filmed.

The Oxford Centre for Hebrew Studies has recently filmed the Kressel Archive, a unique collection created over several decades in the course of the literary and scholarly work of Getzel Kressel of Holon, Israel. The Centre proposes to sell sections of the microfilmed collection to libraries and, following negotiations by Associate Professor Crown, the Archive of Australian Judaica will handle sales in return for a pro-rata payment in copies of selected films.

Recent acquisitions

Guy Bernell recently conveyed to the Archive the papers of the Sydney office of the Australasian Union of Jewish Students. In the near future he also intends to transfer their papers from the Melbourne office to the Archive. Aaron Aaron recently allowed the Archive to copy some personal papers as well as a comprehensive newspaper clipping collection on the Sephardi Synagogue. Mark Braham has given the Archive copies of articles he has written for Jewish newspapers, material on Jacob Israel de Haan, correspondence regarding Jews don't Hate and other material to do with his writing. We wish to thank Harry Stein for giving us a copy of his short story. Mrs Benzion Patkin continues to donate her husband’s papers, and recently gave us files of Magen David Adom in Australia and the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. Henry Pearl donated photos and papers of the Shalom Organisation. Toby Hammerman, a founding member of the Australian Jewish Quarterly Foundation, has given minutes and photos of the organisation that published The Bridge, a cultural journal that ran for almost ten years. Sophie Caplan continues to collect large instalments of ephemera for the Archive and also has donated material on the 1981 Holocaust Exhibition. Jehuda Feher also has donated more ephemera and some minutes of the Holocaust Remembrance Committee.

After five years of operation, the Archive has now built up a substantial collection of records of the Australian Jewish community. Application has been made again to the Australian Research Grants Scheme for funding for 1988. In 1987 the Archive is being supported by The Mandelbaum Trust and donations from the "Friends of the Archive of Australian Judaica". We rely on this support for the continuation of the work of the Archive.
The year 1988 marks the Bicentennial year of European settlement in Australia and also of Australian Jewry, and the sixth year of the activities of the Archive of Australian Judaica. After five years, which is a relatively short time, the Archive has built a substantial and varied collection of records of the Australian Jewish community. These records in turn complement and supplement those continually being gathered by the Australian Jewish Historical Society.

In 1987, after the failure of the application to the ARGS, the Mandelbaum Trust very generously supported the Archive with a grant of $10,000 to maintain essential services. Further donations from the Friends of the Archive of Australian Judaica enabled the Archive to function till the end of the year. In December 1987 a special appeal to the Friends of the Archive realized $3000. In March the Mandelbaum Trustees visited the Archive to inspect its work and to discuss its funding needs. Following this visit a grant of $12,500 was made, which will be sufficient to maintain core tasks in the Archive, but which will need to be supplemented if the Archive is to function until the end of the year. The Mandelbaum Trust has asked that a budget be submitted in September with a view to funding in 1989. The Project Directors wish to thank the Mandelbaum Trust and the Friends for their continuing help and encouragement.

The support of many individuals and Jewish organisations has enabled the Archive to expand its outreach. Special mention should be made of Susan Bures and the staff of The Australian Jewish Times, and also of the New South Wales Jewish Board of Deputies and the Zionist Federation of Australia and New Zealand. We also thank the many Australian Jewish communities and organisations who continue to send their periodicals and annual reports and yearbooks on a regular basis, thus enabling the Archive to maintain an up-to-date collection of current Australian Jewish periodicals.

**RECENT ACQUISITIONS**

**Journals and Ephemera**

Sophie Caplan continues to save large quantities of ephemera for the Archive as well as journal parts. Margaret Gutman should be thanked for back copies of the B’nai B’rith Bulletin and ephemera. During one of his visits to Perth Nat Zusman obtained for us and the A.J.H.S. a copy of the Communal Opinion (June 9, 1914) and the minutes of the Perth Hebrew Debating Society (1903 – 1908). The Battyre Library are also copying for us The Maccabean Bulletin lent to them by its former editor, Dr David Mossenson. Recently Yahuda Feher found some more ephemera for us and two sets of Aim and Voice.

**Archive Papers**

Lilly Solvay has given the Archive papers from her late husband’s collection on the Zionist Federation and Friends of the Israel Technion as well as some of his writings on Jewish topics.
Mrs Patkin continues to donate material from her husband's collection and recently gave more papers from Brit Ivrit Olmit, and correspondence relating to the Dunera internees, trade with Israel (Palestine in the '30s), and the manuscript of several articles by Benzion Patkin. Aaron Aaron contributed photos and papers and newspaper clippings on the Sephardi Synagogue and has promised more material. Guy Bernell also gave some more A.U.J.S. archives.

Theses
Nat Zusman obtained two theses for the Archive on the Jewish Council to Combat Fascism and Anti-Semitism. Theses on Australian Jewish subjects are continually being ordered by the Archive.

PLANS FOR FUTURE ACTIVITIES

In the future we hope to have copied on to microfiche the large collection of material from The Jewish Council to Combat Fascism and Anti-Semitism which has been preserved by Lou Jedwab. There are also plans to substantially build up the Archive's photo collection. Rabbi Porush, for example, has offered to lend some of his photos for copying. We also would like donations, and a form is being designed for this purpose, in view of a future research project it is planned that the Archive will support. In April there is an opportunity to visit the National Library in Canberra with Leonie Starr who has been asked to write a biography of Professor Julius Stone. His collection is kept in the manuscript section of the library, as well as other collections of Australian Jewish interest. At the Jewish Book Fair in June it is planned that the Archive will mount a display on the Australian Jewish Press with a focus on the Percy Marks collection, from the late 19th and early 20th century. There is a collection named after Percy Marks in the Jewish National Library in Jerusalem, as well as in the Mitchell Library, Sydney. Later in the year we will also participate in the second annual conference of the Australian Association of Jewish Studies which will be held from 24th - 27th July at Shalom College, University of New South Wales.

Several individuals such as the well-known Australian Jewish writer, Nancy Keesing, and Dr Joachim Schneeweiss have proposed to lodge their very substantial collections with the Archive. We may also house in the near future the archives of the New South Wales State Zionist Council. In addition, Selwyn Pejsachowitz has offered to give us more tapes from the Jewish Radio Hour 2UE.

It is significant that in 1988, an important landmark in the history of the Australian Jewish community, Suzanne Rutland's very substantial history, The Edge of the Diaspora, should have been published. Suzanne has drawn extensively from the records of both the Australian Jewish Historical Society and the Archive, not only for her book but also for her doctoral thesis which is nearing completion. In addition, a course on Australian Jewish history is being offered in 1988 by the Semitic Studies Department of the University of Sydney. The Archive supports the research of a number of people writing theses and books, including Assoc. Professor W.D. Rubinstein, Hilary Rubinstein and Gael Hammer. A continuous flow of orders is still arriving for Periodical Publications from the Australian Jewish Community and some material is being exchanged with the Price Library of Judaica in California.

1988 promises to be a significant year in terms of the expansion of the Archive's outreach and collection. Although the Mandelbaum Trust has undertaken to provide the core of our funds for this year, we are still dependent on fundraising and support from the Friends of the Archive of Australian Judaica. Activities are to a large extent modified by the amount of funds available. We know that your support will continue in the task of preserving the records of the Australian Jewish community, which are an intrinsic part of the heritage of all Australians.
1988 has been a significant year, both from the point of view of the bicentennial year of European settlement in Australia, and the activities of the Archive of Australian Judaica. In the course of the year several working visits were made to Melbourne, Canberra in April and Perth in November. This is the sixth year of the Archive's activities.

During the April visit to Canberra, the archivist listed important holdings held by the National Library which included the Julius Stone papers, dealing with the controversy over the establishment of the State of Israel, between Professor Julius Stone and Sir Isaac Isaacs. These latter papers were copied for the Archive, as well as the minutes of a Melbourne organisation of the 1880s for the support of Russian Jewry.

Fieldwork in Perth proved to be very fruitful, and was made possible through the hospitality of Mrs Louise Hoffman, who is jointly writing the history of the Jews of Western Australia with Dr David Mossenson, and the generosity of Ms Nancy Keesing, whose family papers the archivist catalogued earlier in the year. During a ten-day stay in Perth, the archivist met the committee members of the West Australian Historical Society, the Friends of the Hebrew University, the Perth Hebrew Congregation and Temple David. Both Perth synagogues have energetic rabbis with an interest in Australian Jewish history and in preserving the records of their congregations. The records of Temple David (minute books) go back to 1952, and there is also a newsletter which has been issued from that time. Of late three small monographs have been written on the history of the congregation. The synagogue also holds some historical photographs of the Kalgoorlie synagogue, and was presented with one of the Sifrei Torah from that congregation. The financial records of the Kalgoorlie community go up to the year 1954, and were among the archives of the Perth Hebrew Congregation, which were sorted and listed by the archivist. That listing is now available in the Archive and will save researchers much time in their search for data.

The Perth Hebrew Congregation has records going back to 1898, when Rabbi Freedman arrived to take charge of the Congregation. The first synagogue was established in Brisbane Street, but was demolished in the early '70s when the synagogue moved to its present site in Mount Lawley. Archives listed in the synagogue give the details of the move, the plans and the finances. Some material which we hope to have filmed was listed, including three minute books of the Perth Hebrew Congregation which were not previously filmed by the Battye Library last year. The Battye Library holds quite extensive records of the Perth Hebrew Congregation. In the synagogue are also some letter books which need to be filmed as the paper is deteriorating rapidly. The letters were copied by hand between 1900 and 1907. Early marriage registers bear the signature of Rabbi Freedman and the names of many of the forebears of the present members of the Perth Hebrew Congregation. There is also a letter book from the Fremantle Hebrew Congregation dated 18/6/1901 - 11/6/1903. Other records located by the archivist for eventual filming are kept by Mrs Luber-Smith, and include minute books and letter books of the Jewish Girls' Guild reaching back to the early 1900s and various annual reports of the Perth Philanthropic Society, the Perth Jewish Ladies' Benevolent Society, and the West Australian Jewish Education Association.
ACQUISITIONS

We are grateful to individual members of the community who have provided substantial new material. Mr Nat Zusman has been helpful with names of people holding records, and for copying two theses on the Jewish Council to Combat Fascism and Anti-Semitism, the minutes of the Perth Literary Debating Society (Mrs Luber-Smith) and for assisting in having the Battye copy The Maccabean. Mrs Ben Zion Patkin has given further material on Brit Ivrit Olamit. The family papers of Ms Nancy Kesing were given to the Archive as well as some material on the Maccabean Hall. Mrs Susan Bures copied a document on Charles Bliss (inventor of sign language for the deaf), which has been sent to her by Dr Wolf Metzdorf, and Leonie Star also donated material on Julius Stone. Agnes Schwartz donated the minutes of the Judean Scouts and some scrap books, and Yehuda Feher again contributed more Zionist minutes. Ilana Kaim saved some magazines and ephemera for the Archive, and Sophie Caplan regularly sends collections of ephemera - invitations, etc. Aaron Aaron has donated papers on the United Orthodox Synagogues and the Sephardi Synagogue, including newspaper clippings. The largest consignment of records came from the N.S.W. State Zionist Council (9 cartons). Dr David Cohen has given his papers on the Jewish Day School Movement and the founding of Masadah College. Another significant contribution came from Lou Jedwab who gave us the papers of the Jewish Council to Combat Fascism and Anti-Semitism. An autobiography by Inez Marks Lowdermilk, wife of an important Zionist, was donated by Eliehu Honig.

The catalogue of holdings to 1988 was printed and sent to many libraries. It shows that our growth rate has been solid and that we remain active in targeting and acquiring research holdings.

It is clear that follow-up work on the Perth materials will take most of the coming year, but this will go a long way towards our aim of providing a central research facility for scholars. Throughout the year we have maintained scholarly connections and exchange of materials with libraries overseas.

Ms Ilana Kaim will be the acting archivist on a voluntary basis during the months of November and December whilst Marianne Dacy is on leave.