1989 marks the seventh year of the activities of the Archive of Australian Judaica. At this stage the Archive houses nearly forty collections of papers from individuals, and over twenty collections of archives from Australian Jewish organisations including the Executive Council of Australian Judaica, the Zionist Federation of Australia, and the Australasian Union of Jewish Students. The archives of seven Jewish communities are also held. The collection of photographs is being built up gradually as well as the collection of monographs by Australian Yiddish writers. We now hold nearly two hundred subject files. The ephemera collection covers fifty eight organisations. Current periodicals and annual reports continue to be received from most of the Jewish communities and organisations in Australia and New Zealand. It is also our practice to order relevant theses on Australian Jewry for the library, and to film every Australian Jewish newspaper as far as possible, in cooperative ventures with State Libraries or the Australian Jewish Historical Society. Among newspapers filmed to date are The Australasian Hebrew, 1895 – 1896, the Australian Jewish Chronicle, 1922 – 1931, and The Jewish Herald, 1879 – 1919, and the Westralian Juen. Other invaluable archival material is also being filmed, and includes the papers of the former Wollongong Synagogue.

FILMED RECORDS IN STATE LIBRARIES

The John Oxley Library (State Library of Queensland) is arranging for permission for us to copy records from the Brisbane Hebrew Congregation, including the minutes of the Brisbane Synagogue Building Committee for 1884 – 1886. At present, records from the Perth Hebrew Congregation are being filmed by the Battye Library. Copies of the synagogue minutes and registers (1841 – 1922) from the Hobart Hebrew Congregation have been obtained with the kind permission of the community and the State Archives of Tasmania. In July, a visit is planned for Adelaide where filmed records of minutes of the Adelaide Hebrew Congregation are held by the State Library. The Victorian State Library holds extensive unfilmed records of Australian Jewry, as does the Mitchell Library in New South Wales. Recently the Archive acquired film copies of The Dialectic, Jewish Monthly, 1875, The Australian Hebrew Times, 1894, and The Australian Zionist Pioneer, 1927 from the Mitchell collection.

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Nancy Keesing, for material on the Maccabean Hall.
Dr. Immerman, for papers from Shalom College and the archives of the Australasian Union of Jewish Students.

REFERENCE EXCHANGE CLEARING HOUSE

Researchers are invited to share reference sources to Australian Jewry through our Casual Bulletin which is willing to operate as a clearing house in this regard. To start this process we offer the following data which may be the key to new resources for some scholars.

FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE BOARD OF DEPUTIES OF BRITISH JEWS

C 10/4/6
Australia
Corresp Executive Council of Australian Jewry; representation at conference.

D 3/1
Adelaide Hebrew Congregation. Correspondence. 1939 - 1940

D 3/6
Sydney Australia Congregation. Correspondence. 1949 - 1963

B 4/B21
Brisbane Congregation. Correspondence 1931 - 1936

B 4/M022
Mosley M.F. Correspondence, especially Sydney. 1928 - 1937

E 1/14
Australia

E 1/15
Australia Executive Council of Australian Jewry. Corresp. 1950 - 1965 (officers), immigrants; general activities; foreign affairs including war claims; commonwealth conference.

E 2/24

AMERICAN JEWISH ARCHIVES: references to Australia are in Vols. VI,52:64; XIII,94; XIX,21.

ASIA and Australasia, statistics on Jewish population of, 49:734,737,741;
attitude toward Jewish Immigration, 10:204; 40:179; 39:303; 48:288; 49:114,313-315,545-546;
Jews participate in World War I, 20:132; 21:236;
Jews Zionist in sympathy, 23:151; 33:69; 44:178; 49:315 - 316;
Nazi Party organized in, 38:380;
refugee problem in, 42:328; 44:130,177-178; 45:224-225; 48:287; 50:312-313;
efforts to combat anti-Semitism in, 45:225;
relief activities, 49:316 -317;
War effort in, 49:317 -319; and UNCSOP, 49:488;
public opinion favors recognition of Israel, 50:311;
anti-Semitic manifestation in, 50:315;
post-war Jewish immigration, 50:758, 759; See also Kimberley
AUSTRALIA and New Zealand, Jews of, 22:199; 48:287 - 288;

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Australia

Various states of Australia adopting policy of appointing native born Australians as provincial governors. (Sept. 23, 1925).

Australia. Conference of Australian Ministers decide to restrict migration; Great Britain to advance 30,000,000 pounds for British colonisation in Australia. (Feb. 6, 1925).

South European immigrants limited to 100 monthly, except Italians; must have 40 pounds to be admitted. (March 9, 1925).

Summary of regulations for limiting numbers of East European and other non-British immigrants. (March 16, 1925).

Relief organisation's report concerning relief and labour needs of incoming Jewish immigrants: Jewish population half % population; should be 1%. (April 7, 1925).

Relief organisations state immigrants often unskilled and consequently unable to get work; require financial assistance; closing of America to large number of immigrants has attracted young men without capital to Australia; numbers likely to increase; influx will eventually have to be taken care of by Jews, as Jews will number large part. (April 7, 1925).

Ban against immigration from Germany, Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey raised. (Dec. 7, 1925).

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AUSTRALIA, X 150.160 seq., XIV 17.

THE JOY RUTH YOUNG FUND

Mrs. Joy Ruth Young died in March 1989. She was the secretary and an active member of the Friends of the Archive of Australian Judaica and made an outstanding contribution to Australian Jewish scholarship by her editing of Serge Liberman's Bibliography of Australian Judaica.

The Archive of Australian Judaica intends to establish the Joy Ruth Young Fund in her memory. The purpose of the Fund will be to assist the publication, by the Archive and by other organisations and individuals, of significant bibliographies, monographs, serials or other materials relating to Judaism in Australia. All publications assisted by the Fund will carry a statement to that effect.

Those who knew Joy, and those who share her understanding of the importance of scholarly publications in Australian Judaism, are invited to help in establishing this Fund as a living and useful memorial to her. Donations, made out to the University of Sydney, are fully tax deductible and may be sent to:

The Joy Ruth Young Fund,
Archive of Australian Judaica,
Fisher Library.
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This year 1990 is the start of the eighth year of the activities of the Archive of Australian Judaica. The purpose of the Archive, as outlined in Casual Bulletin No. 1, August 1983, remains the same: "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 also seeks to microfilm material, such as back runs of newspapers, in order to preserve it." In fact, the sphere of influence of the Archive has broadened to also include the collection of photographs, Australian Yiddish literature, audio-visual material and location of theses on Australian Jewish topics. In addition, subject files continue to be compiled, and importance is attached to bibliographical research.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY OF AUSTRALIAN JUDAICA**

Work on the second edition of the Liberman and Young Bibliography of Australian Judaica is well advanced. It will be published with financial support from the Joy Ruth Young Fund and the Mandelbaum Trust, and a generous donation from Nancy Keesing in memory of her parents Margery and Gordon Keesing.

**VISIT TO ADELAIDE**

In July 1989 Marianne Dacy visited Adelaide and listed the archives of the Adelaide Hebrew Congregation. The oldest records here have already been filmed by the Mortlock Library, but there are other important records including early Jewish women's groups in Adelaide which we hope to have filmed, especially as the synagogue is moving to a more suitable site. The Adelaide State Library also arranged to make a careful photographic record of the synagogue, one of the oldest in Australia still standing.

**MELBOURNE**

Fieldwork was also carried out in Melbourne with the purpose of listing Australian Jewish archival material. Visits were paid to the Victorian Branch of the Australian Jewish Historical Society, the Jewish Council of Victoria, the Jewish Museum and the State Library of Victoria.

**MICROFILMS**

During the year, filming of the records of the Jewish Council to Combat Fascism and Anti-Semitism was completed, costs being shared by the State Library of Victoria and the