Collection Summary

Title: Lessing J. Rosenwald Papers
Span Dates: 1891-1979
Bulk Dates: 1932-1979
ID No.: MSS59469
Creator: Rosenwald, Lessing J. (Lessing Julius), 1891-1979
Extent: 28,000 items
Extent: 81 containers plus 2 oversize
Extent: 32.6 linear feet
Language: Collection material in English
Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.
LC Catalog record: https://lccn.loc.gov/mm81059469
Summary: Bibliophile, businessman, and philanthropist. Correspondence, subject files, speeches and writings, printed matter, and miscellany relating to Rosenwald's career with Sears, Roebuck & Company; his activities on behalf of various Jewish causes and his opposition to Zionism; his public service work with the National Recovery Administration and the War Production Board; his various charitable, educational, and cultural philanthropies; and his work as a bibliographer and collector of books and prints.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People
Adler, Cyrus, 1863-1940--Correspondence.
Billikopf, Jacob, 1883-1950--Correspondence.
Bowen, Catherine Drinker, 1897-1973--Correspondence.
Boyd, Julian P. (Julian Parks), 1903-1980--Correspondence.
Clark, Joseph S.--Correspondence.
Dilworth, Richardson, 1898-1974--Correspondence.
Donovan, William J. (William Joseph), 1883-1959--Correspondence.
Eisenhower, Dwight D. (Dwight David), 1890-1969--Correspondence.
Endicott, H. Wendell (Henry Wendell), 1880-1954--Correspondence.
Flexner, Abraham, 1866-1959--Correspondence.
Frankfurter, Felix, 1882-1965--Correspondence.
Gimbel, Ellis A., 1865-1950--Correspondence.
Goff, Frederick Richmond, 1916-1982--Correspondence.
Greenaway, Emerson, 1906--Correspondence.
Kollek, Teddy, 1911-2007--Correspondence.
Lazaron, Morris S. (Morris Samuel), 1888-1979--Correspondence.
Lazarus, Fred, 1884-1973--Correspondence.
Lehman, Herbert H. (Herbert Henry), 1878-1963--Correspondence.
Loeb, Jacob M. (Jacob Moritz), 1875-1944--Correspondence.
Mellon, Paul--Correspondence.
Menninger, William Claire, 1899-1966--Correspondence.
Morgenstern, Julian, 1881-1976--Correspondence.
Niebuhr, Reinhold, 1892-1971--Correspondence.
Ormandy, Eugene, 1899-1985--Correspondence.
Pepper, George Wharton, 1867-1961--Correspondence.
Ravdin, Isidore S. (Isidore Schwaner), 1894-1972--Correspondence.
Rockefeller, David, 1915-2017--Correspondence.
Rockefeller, John D., Jr. (John Davison), 1874-1960--Correspondence.
Roosevelt, Eleanor, 1884-1962--Correspondence.
Rosenbach, Philip H. (Philip Hyman), 1863-1953--Correspondence.
Rosenwald, Edith Goodkind--Correspondence.
Rosenwald, William, 1903--Correspondence.
Solis-Cohen, D. Hays, -1978--Correspondence.
Stern, Horace, 1878-1969--Correspondence.
Stettinius, Edward R., Jr. (Edward Reilly), 1900-1949--Correspondence.
Strauss, Lewis L.--Correspondence.
Truman, Harry S., 1884-1972--Correspondence.
Weinberg, Sidney J. (Sidney James) 1891-1969--Correspondence.
Wolf, Edwin, 1911-1991--Correspondence.

Organizations
America First Committee.
American Council for Judaism.
Citizens Committee on Displaced Persons.
International Congress of Bibliophiles.
Julius Rosenwald Fund.
Library of Congress.
National Gallery of Art (U.S.)
Philip H. & A.S.W. Rosenbach Foundation.
Sears, Roebuck and Company.
United States. War Production Board.

Subjects
Art museums--Washington (D.C.)
Bibliography.
Book collecting.
Charities.
Education--United States.
Emigration and immigration.
Industrial policy--United States.
Isolationism.
Jews--Charities.
Jews--Societies, etc.
National libraries--United States.
Parks--Pennsylvania--Jenkintown.
Prints--Collectors and collecting.
Refugees.
World War, 1939-1945--Economic aspects--United States.
Zionism.

Occupations
Bibliophiles.
Businessmen.
Philanthropists.

Acquisition Information
The papers of Lessing J. Rosenwald, bibliophile, businessman, and philanthropist, were given to the Library of Congress by the Rosenwald estate between 1980 and 1983. The material was received by the Rare Book and Special Collections Division and subsequently transferred to the Manuscript Division.
Processing History

The papers of Lessing J. Rosenwald were arranged and described by Michael McElderry in 1983. The collection and finding aid were revised by Michael McElderry with the assistance of Thomas Bigley in 2005.

Transfers

Items have been transferred from the Manuscript Division to other custodial divisions of the Library. Photographs have been transferred to the Prints and Photographs Division. A recorded tape has been transferred to the Motion Picture, Broadcasting, and Recorded Sound Division. All transfers are identified in these divisions as part of the Rosenwald Papers.

Related Material

An archive of the collection of illustrated books acquired by Lessing J. Rosenwald and now held by the Library of Congress Rare Book and Special Collections Division is described in a finding aid at https://hdl.loc.gov/loc.rbc/eadrbc.rb010001.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Lessing J. Rosenwald is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Lessing J. Rosenwald are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Lessing J. Rosenwald Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

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Scope and Content Note

The papers of Lessing Julius Rosenwald (1891-1979) span the period 1819-1979, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the years after 1932. The collection documents Rosenwald's activities as a civic leader, influential member of the Jewish community, and well-known collector of prints, drawings, and rare books and is organized in the following series: Correspondence; Subject File; Sears, Roebuck and Company; Speeches and Writings File; Miscellany; and Oversize. The papers reflect Rosenwald's interest in the resettlement of refugees following World War II, the sponsorship of social causes and organizations by the Rosenwald family philanthropies, and the advancement of scholarship through his work as a bibliographer and bookman. Documents collected by Rosenwald from the records of Sears, Roebuck and Company are also included.

Rosenwald's father, Julius, was a philanthropist and president of Sears, Roebuck and Company from 1910 to 1925. Having established a fund in his name in 1917 to further "the well-being of mankind," Julius Rosenwald contributed to the improvement of the educational and living standards of African Americans and was instrumental in establishing more than five thousand rural public schools in the South. Lessing took a similar role and was chairman of the board of trustees of the Julius Rosenwald Fund from the time of his father's death in 1932 until 1948, when the fund was terminated. The Correspondence series contains a letter to Reinhold Niebuhr, June 4, 1958, outlining Rosenwald's thoughts on the forces that motivated his father's philanthropy as well as correspondence exchanged between Lessing Rosenwald and his father. A small amount of administrative correspondence for the Julius Rosenwald Fund is also in the Subject File.

Rosenwald began his career with Sears, Roebuck and Company in 1911 as a shipping clerk, assumed positions of increasing responsibility while working his way through various departments of the firm, and, in 1920, moved from Chicago to Philadelphia as general manager of the company's first Eastern plant. In 1932 he assumed control of the company upon his father's death and became chairman of the board, retiring from that position in 1939 in favor of the company president, Robert Elkington Wood. Records in the Sears, Roebuck and Company series reflect Rosenwald's personal interest in corporate issues such as labor relations and merchandising. Despite his retirement, Rosenwald actively followed the affairs of the company, and the Correspondence series contains letters exchanged with Wood and other company managers and officers, including Thomas B. McCabe and James M. Barker.

In September 1940 Rosenwald joined the isolationist America First Committee. He soon became disenchanted with the anti-Semitic bias he perceived in several of its members, however, and, while still in accord with its objectives, resigned from the committee the following December. The Subject File contains material concerning Rosenwald's participation in this organization, including correspondence with Robert Elkington Wood, the committee's chairman, as well as reaction to a speech delivered by Charles A. Lindbergh at Des Moines, Iowa, September 11, 1941, in which the American Jewish community was accused of urging the country toward war.

Before his retirement from Sears, Rosenwald had already contributed time to public service. In 1934 he was appointed industry representative to the Philadelphia Regional Labor Board of the National Recovery Administration, and in October 1940 he held a position on the local Selective Service Board of Appeals. In August 1941 Rosenwald accepted a government appointment to serve as director of the Conservation Division within the War Production Board, a position he held until his resignation in 1943. Both the Correspondence series and the Subject File contain information on Rosenwald's contribution to labor arbitration and government service.

Julius Rosenwald had set the political and moral examples which his son would follow throughout his life. Lessing became a prominent member of the Jewish community and, like his father, was opposed to the Zionist movement. In 1943 Rosenwald founded the American Council for Judaism, an organization based on the proposition that Judaism was a religion of universal values, not a nationality. The council rejected the nationalist pattern of Zionism and was therefore opposed to the creation in Palestine of a national Jewish state. The Correspondence series contains material relating to activities of the council, including letters exchanged with members such as D. Hays Solis-Cohen, Morris S. Lazarone, Isadore M. Scott, Harry Snellenburg, Jr., and I. Edward Tonkon. Also in the series is correspondence from 1945 with Julian
Morgenstern, president of Hebrew Union College, concerning progressive Judaism and an exchange in 1947 with Felix Frankfurter defining Jewish nationalism.

Simultaneous with his duties as chairman of the Julius Rosenwald Fund, Rosenwald extended the family's tradition of philanthropy with the establishment of his own charitable foundation. Through his fund, Rosenwald continued to support the institutions and social agencies that his father had funded, including the University of Chicago, the Museum of Science and Industry, and the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (formerly the American Jewish Relief Committee). The Lessing Rosenwald Foundation also donated to a wide variety of other organizations as well as funding individual research projects. The **Correspondence** series and **Subject File** contain information on Rosenwald's support of these and other institutions.

In addition to his philanthropy, Rosenwald's sense of civic responsibility led to his involvement on the national and local level as a member or officer of many charitable, educational, and cultural organizations. Material relating to Rosenwald's civic activities can be found in the **Correspondence** series and the **Subject File**.

Rosenwald was particularly active in support of refugee relief following World War II and was a leading member of the Citizens Committee on Displaced Persons, an organization whose goal was the liberalization of refugee and immigration legislation. The **Subject File** contains extensive records on the refugee problem and Rosenwald's participation on the committee. Rosenwald held membership on other committees that also supported refugee programs and immigration reform. Material relating to Rosenwald's involvement in these organizations can be found in the **Correspondence** series.

In 1958 Rosenwald donated a fifty-four acre tract of his Alverthorpe estate in Jenkintown, Pennsylvania, to the local community for use as a recreational park and cultural center. Through further gifts of land, the area was expanded to include over one-hundred acres. A large file detailing the development of Alverthorpe Park is located in the **Subject File**.

Lessing Rosenwald is perhaps best known as a collector of prints and rare books. In 1943 he donated his print and rare book collections to the National Gallery of Art and the Library of Congress in Washington D.C. Having built a repository, Alverthorpe Gallery, at his estate in Jenkintown, Rosenwald retained physical custody of the collections during his lifetime, periodically transferring selections to Washington for exhibition, and ultimately giving 2,600 rare books and 5,000 reference books to the Library, and 22,000 original prints and 500 drawings to the National Gallery. The **Subject File** contains folders on the Library of Congress and the National Gallery of Art and includes material relating to Rosenwald-sponsored exhibitions, as well as a series of architectural blueprints of the Alverthorpe Gallery. Information regarding Rosenwald's activities with the International Congress of Bibliophiles and the Philip H. & A. S. W. Rosenbach Foundation is also in the **Correspondence** series. Other collections of Rosenwald material relating to his activities as a collector are located in the National Gallery of Art, which houses a separate correspondence file, and the Rare Book and Special Collections Division of the Library of Congress, which has retained files documenting Rosenwald's rare book acquisitions.


**Organization of the Papers**

The collection is arranged in six series:

- **Correspondence, 1899-1979**
- **Subject File, 1895-1979**
- **Sears, Roebuck and Company, 1892-1979**
- **Speeches and Writings File, 1931-1976**
- **Miscellany, 1819-1979**
- **Oversize, 1959-1964**
Description of Series

**Container** | **Series** | **Description**
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BOX 1-28 | Correspondence, 1899-1979 | Letters received and copies of letters sent, correspondence between family members, telegrams, postcards, and miscellaneous enclosures. Arranged chronologically by year and therein alphabetically by name of correspondent.

BOX 29-59 | Subject File, 1895-1979 | Correspondence, memoranda, notes and working papers, reports, minutes of meetings, printed matter, architectural drafts, administrative papers, financial and legal documents, and miscellaneous enclosures. Arranged alphabetically by subject.

BOX 60-68 | Sears, Roebuck and Company, 1892-1979 | Records kept by Rosenwald relating to Sears, Roebuck and Co., including corporate and customer correspondence, memoranda, financial and legal documents, administrative papers, printed matter, and miscellany. Arranged alphabetically by subject.

BOX 68-74 | Speeches and Writings File, 1931-1976 | Handwritten and typewritten drafts, correspondence, printed copies, notes and working papers, proofs, and miscellany relating to articles, books, and speeches written by Rosenwald. Organized alphabetically by type of material. Articles and books are arranged alphabetically by title; speeches are arranged chronologically.

BOX 74-81 | Miscellany, 1819-1979 | Correspondence between others, address books, appointment calendars, printed matter, notes, cards and invitations, and speeches and writings by others. Arranged alphabetically by type of material.

BOX OV 1-OV 2 | Oversize, 1959-1964 | Blueprints, cue cards, and a commemorative scroll. Arranged and described according to the series, containers, and folders from which the items were removed.
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#### Subject File, 1895-1979

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Arranged alphabetically by subject.

**BOX 29**

*Alice in Wonderland* fund, 1946-1949

Alverthorpe Gallery, Jenkintown, Pa.

- Architectural blueprints, 1938
  - Nos. 41-58
    - (4 folders)
  - Nos. 59-185
    - (3 folders)

**BOX 30**

- Bills and receipts, 1959-1962, 1975
- Correspondence, 1959-1960
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- Blueprints and maps, 1959-1964, undated *See also Oversize*
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  - (2 folders)
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  - 1958, Mar.-1960, July
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    (8 folders) |
| BOX 39    | 1976 |
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    Donald F. Hyde Award, Princeton University, Princeton, N.J., 1967  
    Dropsie College for Hebrew and Cognate Learning, Philadelphia, Pa., 1944  
    Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation, 1964  
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- Activity reports, 1972-1974
- Annual reports, 1961-1963, 1976
- Appraisal reports, 1959-1963
- Property inspection report, 1970

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American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, 1927, 1944
American Philosophical Society
    1947

Birthday greetings
    1941-1960  
    (9 folders)  

Amigos de Calle del Cristo 255, 1961-1966

Committee for the Nation's Health
    Correspondence, 1946-1950  
    Printed matter, 1948-1951, undated

Committee to Defend America, 1940, undated

Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, 1947-1948

Crawford, Earl of, 1955-1957


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    Correspondence, 1959-1961  
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Library of Congress exhibit
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    Miscellany, 1954-1959, undated
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Correspondence, 1941-1944  
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