

**HAROLD FISHBEIN COLLECTION, 1941-1949**  
**2003.116**

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**Descriptive summary**

Title: Harold Fishbein collection

Dates: 1941-1949

Accession number: 2003.116 (RG-19.062)

Creator: Fishbein, Harold.

Extent: 1.25 linear feet (3 boxes)

Repository: United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Archives, 100 Raoul Wallenberg Place SW, Washington, DC 20024-2126

Abstract: The collection documents the post-war experiences of Harold Fishbein, Director of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration's Schlachtensee DP camp (Düppel Center) near Berlin. Included is personal correspondence, a draft copy for a book he was writing about the DP camp, speech outlines and miscellaneous documents, and over 400 photographs depicting Fishbein, Schlachtensee DP camp, and displaced persons.

Languages: English, German, Hebrew, Yiddish

**Administrative Information**

Access: Collection is open for use.

Reproduction and use: Collection is available for use. Material may be protected by copyright. Please contact reference staff for further information.

Preferred citation: (Identification of item), Harold Fishbein collection (2003.116), United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Archives, Washington, DC

Acquisition information: The collection was donated to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum by Rabbi Mayer Abramowitz in 2003.

Separated material: 2003.116.2 a-b Torah-style scroll and case signed by residents of Schlachtensee DP camp

Accruals: Accruals may have been received since this collection was first processed, see archives catalog at [collections.ushmm.org](http://collections.ushmm.org) for further information.

Processing history: Updated by Adam Fielding, April 2020

**Biographical note**

Harold Fishbein was the Director of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration's Displaced Persons camp Schlachtensee, from 1945-1948.

**Scope and content of collection**

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**System of arrangement**

The collection is arranged as four series:

Series 1: Correspondence, 1941-1949

Series 2: Draft copy of Fishbein's book about the Schlachtensee camp

Series 3: Outlines for speeches and miscellaneous documents

Series 4: Photographs, circa 1945-1948

**Indexing terms**

Person:

Fishbein, Harold.

Corporate:

United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.

Topical Subject:

Holocaust, Jewish (1939-1945)

World War, 1939-1945--Refugees--Germany--Schlactensee.

Displaced persons camps.

Geography:

Schlachtensee (Berlin, Germany)

Ulm (Germany)

Genre/Form:

Photographs.

Correspondence.

Manuscripts.

Speeches.

## CONTAINER LIST

### Series 1: Correspondence, 1941-1949

Box/Folder	Title
1.1	1941
1.2	1943
1.3	1944
1.4	January 1945
1.5	May 1945
1.6	July 1945
1.7	August 1945
1.8	September 1945
1.9	October 1945
1.10	November 1945
1.11	December 1945
1.12	January-February 1946
1.13	February-May 1946
1.14	May-August 1946
1.15	August-December 1946
1.16	1947
1.17	1948
1.18	1949
1.19	Undated correspondence

### Series 2: Draft copy of Fishbein's book about the Schlachtensee camp

Box/Folder	Title
2.1	Introduction
2.2	Committees
2.3	Political Economy
2.4	May 1946-October 1948
2.5	Masche the Mohel
2.6	The Musser
2.7	The Orphans
2.8	Eisenstein
2.8	Replacements
2.10	Evacuation
2.11	Unknown title I
2.12	Unknown title II
2.13	Unknown title III
2.14	Alienated pages from unknown chapters

### Series 3: Outlines for speeches and miscellaneous documents

Box/Folder	Title
2.15	Outlines for speeches and miscellaneous documents, undated

**Series 4: Photographs, circa 1945-1948**

<b>Box/Folder</b>	<b>Title</b>
3.1	Administrative/Police with Fishbein. 32 items
3.2	Administrative/Police without Fishbein. 8 items
3.3	Children's home and preschool. 14 items
3.4	Cultural life with Fishbein. 33 items
3.5	Cultural/Religious life without Fishbein. 22 items
3.6	Daily life and family portraits without Fishbein. 49 items
3.7	Health/Welfare. 3 items
3.8	Memorial, ceremonies, and reunions. 6 items
3.9	Official visits. 62 items
3.10	Political/Zionist activity with Fishbein. 32 items
3.11	Political/Zionist activity without Fishbein. 12 items
3.12	Recreation/Sports with Fishbein. 14 items
3.13	Recreation/Sports without Fishbein. 11 items
3.14	Schools/Workshops. 4 items
3.15	Architecture and scenery. 26 items
3.16	General. 6 items
3.17	Group photos without Fishbein. 10 items
3.18	Group photos with Fishbein. 5 items
3.19	UNRRA staff. 16 items
3.20	Departing DP's with Fishbein. 16 items
3.21	Departing DP's without Fishbein. 13 items
3.22	Various Fishbein portraits. 41 items
3.23	Fishbein's photos of family and friends. 9 items