

United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Archives  
Finding Aid

**Acc. 2007.421**

**Title:** Ruth Salmon Seltzer papers, 1939-2006.

**Extent:** 16 folders

**Provenance:** Steven and Rochelle Seltzer donated this collection to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum on April 17, 2007.

**Restrictions on access:** No restriction on access.

**Restrictions on use:** No restriction on use.

**Organization and Arrangement:** Arrangement is thematic

**Language:** In German and English.

**Preferred citation:** Standard citation for United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Collections Division, Archives Branch.

**Scope and Content:** Consists of papers related to the Holocaust experiences of Ruth Salmon Seltzer, originally of Lambsheim, Germany. Ruth was sent on a Kindertransport from Germany to France in 1939, and lived in the OSE home of La Guette, before being sent to the United States in 1941. Her mother and sisters spent part of the war in the Rivesaltes and Gurs concentration camps, and emigrated to the United States after the war. The collection includes wartime paperwork, identity cards, and restitution documentation, including correspondence regarding the decision to legally declare the deaths of Ruth's older brothers, one of whom died as a member of the French resistance, the other of whom was deported to Łódź and presumably perished. Also includes immediate post-war correspondence between Ruth in the United States and her mother and sisters in France, as well as OSE reunion information and a copy of Heinz (Henry) Löw's diary written as a child in various OSE homes.

**Inventory:**

**Box 1**

**Folder 1:** Family Biographical Information

**Folder 2:** Emma Salmon

**Folder 3:** Ruth Salmon

**Folder 4:** Photocopies of Wartime Papers

**Folder 5:** Information about OSE children who came to the United States in 1941 with the help of the AFSC (American Friends Service Committee)

**Folder 6:** Letters to Ruth from Emma and Inge Salmon, 1946-1949

**Folder 7:** Julius and Rosa Arnold, post-war

**Folder 8:** Emma and Esther Salmon, post-war

**Folder 9:** Miscellaneous correspondence, 1947-1953

**Folder 10:** Correspondence regarding Rosa Arnold's will

**Folder 11:** Copies of information requests

**Folder 12:** "Das Tagebuch Winnetou's": Heinz Löw's La Guette diary

**Folder 13:** OSE conference transcript, 1997

**Folder 14:** OSE reunion, 1997

## **Box 2**

**Folder 15:** Ruth Seltzer Claims Conference paperwork

**Folder 16:** Restitution paperwork