

SELECTED RECORDS FROM NORTH AFRICAN COLONIES, 1899–1962 (bulk 1934-1947)

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Scope and Content: This collection contains documents pertaining to the treatment of Jews in French North Africa, particularly in Algeria, and the expropriation of their property by Vichy officials. Topics include the "Jewish question," antisemitism, the establishment of camps, refugees from Spain and/or from the International Brigades, the local Jewish community in Algeria, Jews from France, and the commune of Ain Temouchent. Also included are police reports on the general condition of Jews in Algeria, and correspondence concerning the 1941–1942 census of the Jewish population.

CONTAINER LIST

Reel 1:

Records created by *Ministere des Colonies: Direction des Affaires Politiques.*

File 877/5: The Jewish Question. Discussion of the abrogation of the Cremieux decrees in 1943. 66 frames.

File 889/1: Confiscation of Jewish goods, 1940-1942. 78 frames.

File 889/2: Special requests from Jews for exemptions from their status, 1940-1942. 177 frames.

File 889/3: Laws concerning the Statute of Jews, 1940-1942. 93 frames.

File 889/4: Prohibitions against Jews engaging in certain professions, 1940-1942. 298 frames.

File 889/5: Jewish census, 1940-1942. 138 frames.

Records created by *Ministere de l'Interieur, Affaires Algeriennes.*

File 572/3: The Jewish Question; Anti-Semitic actions, 1928-1949. 324 frames.

File 970/3: Community of local Jews and one file from the commission for reviewing Algerian Jewish requests. 104 frames.

File 971/2: Miscellaneous Jewish matters. 402 frames.

File 979/2: Public affairs; regulations concerning the enforcement of the Statute of Jews, 1941-1942. 662 frames.

Records created by *Gouverneurs Generaux d'Algerie.*

File 3CAB93: Georges le Beau 1935-1940, including anti-Semitism file, 1936. 32 frames.

File 6CAB1: Marcel Peyrouton, 1943. Letters from Jews requesting reinstatement in their professions, police reports, notes from a study concerning the conditions for Jews living in Algeria, 1940-March 1943. 419 frames.

File 7CAB53: General Georges Catroux, 1943-1944. General study on Arab movement throughout Algeria and their meetings and associations with Jews, Official Jewish and Arab policies, 1943. 276 frames.

File 8CAB25: Yves Chataignau, 1944-1948. National education including professional Jewish schools, 1940-1946. 7 frames.

File 8CAB66: Yves Chataigneau, 1944-1948. National education; Zionists, 1945-1947. 48 frames.

File 8CAB106: Yves Chataigneau, 1944-1948. National education; Zionism, 1945-1947. 22 frames.

Records created by *Cabinet Militaire du Gouverneur*.

File 1CM3: Anti-Semitic events and fights, 1935-1940. 328 frames.

File 1CM14: Intelligence regarding the political structure of the Jewish community, 1942. 8 frames.

File 1CM42: Drafting Jews into military service, 1943-1945. 52 frames.

File 1CM96: Clandestine Jewish movements, 1947. 16 frames.

Reel 2:

Records from Fond 30G: The Vichy period; Goods belonging to Jews.

File 30G1-4: The Douieb sequester, 1942-1946. 3438 frames.

File 30G5: The Sportiche sequester, 1942-1944. 1109 frames.

Reel 3:

Records from Fond 30G: The Vichy period; Goods belonging to Jews.

File 30G6: The Kespy sequester, 1942-1944. 489 frames.

File 30G7: The Cohen de Lara, Tinsitt, and Neuschi sequesters, 1942-1946. 1361 frames.

File 30G8: The Hotel Britannic, Casino Music-Hall, and Domaine de l'Oued Aissi sequesters, 1942-1944. 1255 frames.

File 30G9: Miscellaneous sequesters, 1942-1944. 955 frames.

File 30G10: The Cohen Tenoudji Cinemas sequester with miscellaneous sequesters from the three departments, 1942-1944. 1418 frames.

Reel 4:

Records from Fond 30G: The Vichy period; Goods belonging to Jews.

File 30G11: The Benicheu sequester. 1414 frames.

File 30G12: Miscellaneous sequesters from Departement d'Alger, 1942-1950. 1028 frames.

File 30G13: Miscellaneous sequesters from Departement d'Oran, 1942-1947. 1204 frames.

File 30G14: Miscellaneous sequesters from Departement Constantine, 1942-1944. 1311 frames.

Reel 5:

Records from Fond 30G: The Vichy period; Goods belonging to Jews.

File 30G15: Miscellaneous sequesters from Departement Constantine, 1942-1947. 843 frames.

File 30G16: Litigation file for various sequesters, 1942-1944. Sequester files referred to the advisory committee, 1942-1944. 1343 frames.

File 30G17: Personnel file for the staff of the *Service de l'Aryanisation Économique*, 1941-1947. 693 frames. *****NOT INCLUDED IN THIS COLLECTION. SEALED BY THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT FOR 120 YEARS.*****

File 30G18: The repeal of the anti-Jewish legislation ordered on 24 March 1943, 1941-1943. 192 frames.

Reel 6:

Records created by the Internment Camps

File 9H115: Creation of the camps, general orders, inspection reports, staffing of the camps, 1939-1945. 1324 frames.

File 9H116: Camp organization: Djelfa; administration, expenditures, creation of the camp buildings, the medical service (clinic), treatment of refugee Spaniards, 1941-1946. Mécheria and Djenien bou Rezg; supplies, sanitation department, inspection reports, 1941-1946. 1163 frames.

File 9H117 and 9H118: Staffing of the Djelfa, Mécheria, and Djenien bou Rezg camps, laws, staff sizes, officers, (officer) appointees, salary and benefits, 1941-1945. 2139 frames.

File 9H119: Mécheria: Area of confinement, 1940-1942. General state of internees, 1941-1942. Géryville: General state of internees, 1941. 167 frames.

Reel 7:

Records created by the Internment Camps

File 9H120: Correspondence concerning the release of internees from Djelfa and Laghouat, 1941-1945. 2022 frames.

Files 9H121 and 122: Correspondence concerning the release of internees from Mécheria and Djenien bou Rezg, 1940-1945. 3075 frames.

Reel 8:

Records created by the Internment Camps

File 9H123: Correspondence concerning the release of internees from Mécheria and Djenien bou Rezg, 1940-1945. 1392 frames.

File 9H124: Foreign internees; Russians and Poles, 1940-1943. Jews ordered to reside in various locales throughout the Southern Territory, 1940-1942. 1555 frames.

Reel 9:

Records created by the *Préfecture d'Alger* department of police and public order.

File F14: Police and the keeping of public order in relation to anti-Semitism, 1899-1904. 2025 frames.

File F63: Spanish refugees; Circulars and orders, official telegrams, plans and budgets, official correspondence, 1939-1940. 1267 frames.

File F64: Spanish refugees; general condition and statistics, weekly reports, 1939-1940. 1104 frames.

File F65: Formation of the camps: Boghar, Carno, Beni Hindel, and Beni Chicao, 1939-1940. 877 frames.

Reel 10:

Records created by the *Préfecture d'Alger* department of police and public order.

File F66: Formation of the Cherchell camp. 1106 frames.

File F67: Administrative correspondence and miscellaneous research files, 1939-1940. 734 frames.

File F68: Spanish refugee service: Payroll, staff of the Boghar camp, public health and sanitation; hospitalizations and transfers, sanitation staff, the Barel incident, refugees who escaped camp, refugees engaged in the International brigade, 1939-1941. 1100 frames.

File F91: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. A through AL. 765 frames.

File F92: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. AM through AZ. 909 frames.

Reel 11:

File F93: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. B through BEN. 787 frames.

File F94: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. BEN through BZ. 609 frames.

File F95: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. C through CAD. 1152 frames.

File F96: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. COE through COV. 783 frames.

File F97: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. D. 641 frames.

File F98: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. E, F, and G. 779 frames.

File F99: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. H, I, and J. 651 frames.

Reel 12:

File F100: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. K through LA. 700 frames.

File F101: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. LE through LZ. 740 frames.

File F102: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. M. 935 frames.

File F103: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. N through Q. 1012 frames.

File F104: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. R through Q. 1288 frames.

Reel 13:

File F105: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. Separate file of P through SUI. 1046 frames.

File F106: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. Begin V. 1023 frames.

File F107: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. Continue V through Z. 909 frames.

File F108: The Jewish Question; Dossiers of Jews arranged alphabetically by last name. Supplementary list A through A. 882 frames.

File F214: Zionism and the Palestinian conflict, 1948. Half the file consists of material related to strikes and trade unions, 1948-1950. 731 frames.

File F410: The Jewish Question, 1935. The strengthening and maintenance of public order according to the decree of 23 October 1935. 158 frames.

Reel 14:

File F440: The law of 13 August 1940 prohibiting secret societies (Free Masonry); general orders and directives, 1940-1941. Organizations (of this ilk), 1941-1947. 882 frames.

Records created by the *Préfecture d'Alger-Cabinet*

File 1K38: Journals and publications of various anti-Semitic movements, 1938. 943 frames.

File 4I73: Various records created by the *Préfecture* related to Jewish issues, 414 frames.

Records created by *Département Oran*

File 1S41: Private Jewish schools, 1942. 480 frames.

Reel 15:

Records created by the *Préfecture d'Oran*

File 3U1 through 3U4: Contains records pertaining to Jewish life, education, cultural affairs, synagogue building, etc. in the Oran prefecture of Algeria. The entirety of the records predates the Holocaust. The bulk of the records are correspondence files between various civil affairs offices of the provincial government of Oran and various Jewish organizations, such as the *Grand Rabbinate d'Oran*, *Consistoire Israélite de la Province d'Oran*, and assorted synagogues, schools, and Jewish groups. 1848-1930. 4538 frames.

Reel 16:

File 3U5 through 3U9: Contains records pertaining to Jewish life, education, cultural affairs, synagogue building, etc. in the Oran prefecture of Algeria. The entirety of the records predates the Holocaust. The bulk of the records are correspondence files between various civil affairs offices of the provincial government of Oran and various Jewish organizations, such as the *Grand Rabbinate d'Oran*, *Consistoire Israélite de la Province d'Oran*, and assorted synagogues, schools, and Jewish groups. 1848-1930. 5106 frames.

Reel 17:

File 3U10 through 3U14: Contains records pertaining to Jewish life, education, cultural affairs, synagogue building, etc. in the Oran prefecture of Algeria. The entirety of the records predates the Holocaust. The bulk of the records are correspondence files between various civil affairs offices of the provincial government of Oran and various Jewish organizations, such as the *Grand Rabbinate d'Oran*, *Consistoire Israélite de la Province d'Oran*, and assorted synagogues, schools, and Jewish groups. 1848-1930. 5014 frames.

Reel 18:

File 3U15 through 3U18: Contains records pertaining to Jewish life, education, cultural affairs, synagogue building, etc. in the Oran prefecture of Algeria. The entirety of the records predates the Holocaust. The bulk of the records are correspondence files between various civil affairs offices of the provincial government of Oran and various Jewish organizations, such as the *Grand Rabinat d'Oran*, *Consistoire Israélite de la Province d'Oran*, and assorted synagogues, schools, and Jewish groups. 1848-1930. 4283 frames.

Reel 19:

File 3U19 through 3U22: Contains records pertaining to Jewish life, education, cultural affairs, synagogue building, etc. in the Oran prefecture of Algeria. The entirety of the records predates the Holocaust. The bulk of the records are correspondence files between various civil affairs offices of the provincial government of Oran and various Jewish organizations, such as the *Grand Rabinat d'Oran*, *Consistoire Israélite de la Province d'Oran*, and assorted synagogues, schools, and Jewish groups. 1848-1930. Approximately 4500 frames.

Reel 20:

File 3U23 through 3U27: Contains records pertaining to Jewish life, education, cultural affairs, synagogue building, etc. in the Oran prefecture of Algeria. The entirety of the records predates the Holocaust. The bulk of the records are correspondence files between various civil affairs offices of the provincial government of Oran and various Jewish organizations, such as the *Grand Rabinat d'Oran*, *Consistoire Israélite de la Province d'Oran*, and assorted synagogues, schools, and Jewish groups. 1848-1930. Approximately 4500 frames.

Reel 21:

File 3U28: Separation of church and state, civil records, 1908-0919. Religious and cultural associations, 1914-1938.

Records created by the *Préfecture d'Oran, Centres de Séjour Surveillés*

File S.C.3253: Mécharia: Spanish nationals and Jews; releases, 1939-1945.

File S.C.3258: Hospitalization of internees, 1939-1945.

File S.C.3385: Foreigners and other soldiers of the Spanish International Brigade, 1939-1945.

Reel 22:

Records created by *Département de Constantine, Affaires indigenes.*

File B3 420: The Jewish Census; Circulars, regulations, correspondence, lists, individual cases, 1941-1942.

File B3 421: The riots in Sétif on 1 February 1935, damages paid. The (anti-Semitic) riots in d'Ain Beida on 6 August 1934, damages paid, 1936-1937.

File SC5421: Various correspondence related to small arms transactions by Jews. i.e., Handguns, rifles, and other small arms bought, sold, or owned by Jews during the period July-October 1941.

Records created by *Préfecture Ain-Temouchent*

File I10C: Correspondence file of the police department and civil administrators of Ain-Temouchent concerning the Jewish situation, anti-Semitic sentiment, riots, etc. 1938-1941.