# SELECTED RECORDS FROM THE DEPARTMENTAL ARCHIVE OF THE MEUSE, 1940–1946

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**Scope and Content:** This collection contains information pertaining to the arrest and deportation of Jews in the Meuse prefecture, as well as material related to the expropriation and sale of Jewish property. It also contains information on Freemasons, political dissidents, and others. Documents include police records, card files, and lists made in the prefect's office during the German occupation of France; Gendarmerie reports from the prefecture and cabinet; and a list of political deportees from the subprefecture of Verdun.

#### **CONTAINER LIST**

# Reel 1: 2Mi283

1251W1155/1 (Prefecture records from Meuse) Arrests: individual information cards on Jews. Procedural notes of the Gendarmes; reports, a file titled "Jews" containing information cards, lists of Jews arrested in the region, and a report from the Gendarmes Commandant titled "Arrests and transfer of Jews in the department," dated 10 October 1942. 1942. Frames 1-1117.

1251W1158 (Prefecture records from Meuse) Arrests: individual information cards on Jews. Procedural notes of the Gendarmes and numbered list of deported Jews. 1944. Frames 1118-3033.

1251W1159 (Prefecture records from Meuse) Numbered list of deported Jews (cont.). 1944. Frames 3034-3809.

### Reel 2: 2Mi284

1251W1365 (Prefecture records from Meuse) Custodial detention of Jews that were transferred (to Nancy, Écrouves, or Verdun) or attempted escape. Consists primarily of a grouping titled "Jewish arrests" that comprised about half the file. 1943. Frames 1-686.

1251W1206 (Prefecture records from Meuse) Secret societies (Free Masons): laws, orders, name lists of Free Masons in Meuse, requests for investigations of the regional service for secret societies, reports dated 1940-1944; retraction of the law of 1941: correspondence, notices, requests, reports concerning people removed from civil office, 1941-1944. Warehousing of (Masonic) property, disbanding of the Masons in Verdun and Bar: orders, notes, and reports, 1940-1946; inventory lists of property taken from the lodges in Verdun and Bar. Various notes, circulars and lists published in the official reports concerning Masons. 1940-1946. Frames 687-1769.

1251W1360 (Prefecture records from Meuse) Arrests and deportations: names lists together with grounds (i.e. legal pretext) for deportation, 1942 and 1944. List of young men arrested in Ligny-en Barrois and subsequently deported for "patriotic demonstrations"; official certificates of their arrest and deportation together with their police information cards (i.e. "rap sheets"). 1942-1944. Frames 1770-2088.

1163W17 (Sub-prefecture of Verdun records; police and general security) Jewish (name) registers, aryanization of Jewish property, general orders for the expropriation of property, correspondence, police reports, suspension of (civil) appointments, and list of managing officers, 1940-1943. Frames 2089-3228.

166Mp1 Jewish census report: Alphabetical card listing for the Jews in Meuse. 1940-1942. Frames 3229-4339.

166Mp2 Jewish census: general accounting of the Jews living in the department, classified by country of origin; statistics, correspondence, general orders 1940-1943. Individual notices, list of and conditions for Jews living in

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Meuse, and a classification scheme of Jewish businesses organized by type of business and location of arrondissement, 1940-1942. Measures enacted against Jews, aryanization of their belongings; general accounting of Jewish goods and their subsequent sale, 1942-1943. General accounting of Jewish businesses; list of Jewish businesses in the department, 1942. Payment for persons appointed to run Jewish businesses with a list of those persons, 1940-1941. 1940-1946. Frames 4340-5190.

# Reel 3: 2Mi285

166Mp3 Regulations concerning the aryanization of Jewish goods: general orders, laws and decrees, departmental minutes, circulars, memos of the provisional administrators, and correspondence. 1942-1944. Frames 1-772.

166Mp4 Anti-Jewish measures. Certification of Aryan or Jewish heritage for businesses and individuals. Correspondence, general orders, list of Jewish owned businesses together with the names of their general managers, information cards pertaining to property, fine of one billion imposed on the Jews of the occupied zone, the German ordinance of 17 December 1941, the appointing of provisional administrators for Jewish belongings, list of administrators with their addresses, aryanization of Jewish businesses, list of Jewish property, the auctioning of Jewish property in Meuse and its bordering department. 1942-1943. Frames 773-2107.

2012W9 Arrests and deportations: operations carried out by the Germans; notes and accounting reports, 1941-1944. Names lists, notably, lists of political deportees, Jewish deportees, and deportees from Ligny and Combles, 1944-1945. Forced labor service (STO-Service du Travail Obigatoire), census, general orders, general situation reports on various anti-German actions and incidents, 1943-1944. Name list of men assigned to the forced labor service work details (conscripted to Alsace-Lorrains), list of young men who failed to respond to work summons, 1943. List of people who volunteered for service, 1942-1943. 1941-1945. Frames 2108-2582.