

## SELECTED RECORDS FROM THE DEPARTMENTAL ARCHIVES OF ARDÈCHE, 1940–1952

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**Provenance:** The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Archives received the collection from the Departmental Archives of the Ardèche, via the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum's International Archives Project in June 2009.

**Restrictions on access:** No restrictions on access.

**Restrictions on use:** Authorization from the Director of the Archives of the Ardèche required to duplicate microfilm rolls for other archives.

**Organization and arrangement:** Arrangement is thematic.

**Language:** In French and German

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**Scope and Content:** Contains documents concerning the creation of "centers" and camps to intern foreigners at thermal springs and/or tourist sites in the department (Vals-les-Bains et Chomérac); statistics concerning the presence of foreigners, name lists by country, and lists of groups of organized forced labor (GTE); all aspects of the persecution of Jews under German occupation including lists of Jews living in the département, foreign and French Jews living under house arrest, Aryanization of property with those named to take over Jewish businesses, and offers to purchase Jewish belongings (real and personal); police and gendarmerie reports; lists of Jews rounded-up on certain dates and sent to Drancy; the exclusion of Jews from the medical profession; and post-war restitution of property.

## CONTAINER LIST

### Reel 1:

**15W: Confiscation operations, 1942.**

8Mi1/15W1: The 16 November 1940 law and the ministerial decrees of 22 January 1940 and 22 January 1941. An official newspaper dated 11 January 1941. Frames 1-884.

**72W: The Archives of the Cabinet Prefect from the period of war period, 1940-1946.**

8Mi2/72W385: Register of Jews and foreigners: circulars, inquiries, and correspondence, 1940-1943; extract from a Special Police report concerning foreigners in Nîmes, 1940; research findings on Belgian suspects, 1940; stateless refugee Russians and white Russians name lists and the screening commission, 1941. Frames 885-1301.

8Mi3/72W393: Administrative internments in the Vals-les-Bains: correspondence; organization of the Grand Hôtel des Bains and the Château de la Châtaigneraie; individual files for French and British detainees; reports on the morale of the detainees, 1941-1942. Frames 1302-2299.

8Mi4/72W578: Provisions and aid to the refugees: reports; correspondence; reports on the organization of the internment centers in Chomérac et Vals, 1944-1946. Frames 2300-3073.

8Mi/72W590: Doctors: creation of a review panel; suspensions up to Liberation; files for doctors prohibited to practice (as per the law of 16 August 1940); disbarred doctors; camps; authorizations to revoke licenses, 1940-1944. Frames 3074-3762.

8Mi/72W627: Name list of Jews in the Alboussière internment center: date and place of arrest; transfers to Drancy; spreadsheet of victims including resistance fighters, deportees, Jews, and collaborators; crimes committed by German troops with post-war investigations (1945-1952); accounting of victims of the first and second World Wars organized by district (1949), 1944-1952. Frames 3763-4028.

91W: The Ardèche Prefectural welfare office, 1940-1962.

8Mi7/91W39: Official documents related to social classes of war victims: French workers in Germany; youth movements; foreign workers in the Beaulieu and Saint-Maurice camps; the Chomérac and Alboussière internment centers, 1940-1945. Frames 4029-4780.

### Reel 2:

**99W: The Prefecture, 1<sup>st</sup> division, 2<sup>nd</sup> office.**

8Mi8/99W9: Name lists of foreign nationals: Americans; British; Italians; Spaniards; Dutch; Germans; Belgians; Yugoslavs; Egyptians; Iranians; Chileans; Colombians; Haitians; Salvadorians; Venezuelans; Peruvians [grouped with Venezuelans]; Poles; Romanians; Russians; Czechs [grouped with Russians], 1942-1943. Frames 1-398.

8Mi9/99W10: Lists of French and foreign Jews: name list of foreign Jews compiled by the gendarmerie (May and August 1943); lists of Jewish persons and businesses; list of unmarried Jews, aged 18 to 40; list of Jewish tradesmen, business owners, and managers of companies; roundup of Jews for transport to the occupied zone; Jewish workers deemed necessary; list of Jews to be transported within the occupied zone; list of foreign (*sic*), Turkish, Hungarian, Bulgarian, Swiss, Spanish, Portuguese, and Romanian Jews living in the department (1942-1943); accounting of foreign Jews living in the department; circulars on research into foreign Jews; statistics on taxpaying Jews, 1942-1943. Frames 399-665.

8Mi10/99W23: Incorporation of foreign workers into the Saint-Privat organization, 1943-1944: list of foreign workers; condition of the workers bound for the T.O.D.T. organization; releases; searches for deserted foreign workers; accounting of the foreign workers who left the Northern Zone on December 1943. Frames 666-1521.

8Mi11/99W24: Release certificates for foreign laborers released from training by the Regional Labor Control Office: requests for release; work permits; release requests sent to Lyon; foreigners invited to submit a release request; name lists; list of foreigners arriving in the commune, 1940-1945. Frames 1522-2082.

8Mi12/99W25: Orders, laws, and circulars, 1941-1944. Solicited and unsolicited correspondence for the departmental delegation for the regulation of foreigners, 1941-1945. Monthly activity reports: official reports of the departmental commission for aid to foreigners, 1942-1944. Report of the departmental commission for aid to foreigners concerning foreigners residing in the internment centers, 1943. [Foreign] families residing in the Ardèche: conditions for the foreign laborers, 1942-1944. Frames 2083-4037.

**Reel 3:**

8Mi13/99W28: Accounting of aid given to foreign workers, January 1941-April 1946. Frames 1-593.

8Mi14/99W29: Condition of the workers in the 133<sup>rd</sup> G.D.T.E. leaving for the T.O.D.T. mission, 1943. Condition of the Jewish foreign workers in Barraux leaving for the occupied zone, 1943. Military allowances. Families of the foreign workers leaving the Northern Zone to join the T.O.D.T. organization, 1943-1944. The internment center for Poles at Saint-Agrève: professional reclassifications; correspondence; financial matters; internee desertions, 1942-1948. Frames 594-1178.

8Mi15/99W30: House arrests: correspondence; name lists of people under house arrest; conditions of [those under] house arrest as the result of the enforcement of the circular of 3 November 1941; copies of certified decrees of house arrest, June 1941-February 1943; notices of house arrest for the Ardèche; ordinance of the Governor of the Alps region concerning expulsions and house arrests, 1944. Frames 1179-1643.

8Mi16/99W31: Requests for change of residence: authorization to stay in residence; authorizations to enter France; requests for exit visas; refusals and authorizations for visas, 1940-1941. Frames 1644-2633.

**Reel 4:**

8Mi17/99W32: Requests for residency status: residency authorizations; authorizations to enter France; authorizations to stay in France; requests for exit visas; refusals and authorizations [of exit visas], 1942. Frames 1-1066.

8Mi18/99W51: The 2 June 1941 law concerning the Jewish statute: the 2 June 1941 and 13 July 1941 laws ordering a Jewish census; the 21 June 1941 law regulating the condition for Jewish students to enter the institutions of higher learning; the 16 July 1941 restricting Jews from civil service or ministerial positions; the 2 November 1941 law prohibiting Jews for acquiring materials for operating a business; the 17 November 1941 law, augmenting the law of 2 June 1941 concerning the Jews; the law of 11 December 1942 concerning the affixing of the word "Jew" [on official papers]; border police circulars concerning foreigners; Commissariat général aux questions juives and welfare office circulars; decrees and correspondence of the gendarmerie; border police correspondence; ministerial decrees concerning the creation of a unit called "The Jewish Question Police"; memorandum on Jewish Question legislation, 1941-1945. Frames 1067-1256.

8Mi19/99W52: The 2 June 1941 law ordering a Jewish census: correspondence related to Jewish declarations [of being Jewish]; correspondence related to the creation of a Jewish file; Mayoral decrees concerning the Jewish census; list of Jews who failed to make a declaration [of being Jewish]; declarations received late; certificates of non-Jewish status; accounting of Jews no longer in the Ardèche; list of foreign Jews in the Ardèche prior to 30 April 1942; grants of residency status; Jewish transfers, 1941-1942. Frames 1257-1649.

8Mi20/99W53: Statistics and lists: conditions for the Jews in the communes, 1940; [name] list dated 31 July 1941 populated as the result of the prefectural circular dated 24 July 1941; communal name lists of Jews assembled as the result of the law of 2 June 1941; communes without any Jewish residents, July 1941; census of Jews arriving in France after 1 January 1936; list of naturalized Jews, February 1942; census of French and foreign Jews; name lists, August 1942; stateless, German, Austrian, Polish, stateless, and Czech Jewish laborers, July 1942; the affixing of the word "Jew" on identity documents; name list of Jews transferred to Tournon, August 1942; list of foreign Jews released by the Vénissieux commission of inquiry; conditions for Jewish laborers who entered France on or after 1 January 1933 with an accounting of who was kept, who was sent back, and who deserted, August 1942; name list of French and foreign Jews, August 1942; list of Jews dealing in the black market or otherwise deemed undesirable, August 1942; French and foreign Jewish laborers, February 1943. Frames 1650-2152.

8Mi21/99W54: Information on Jewish bank accounts. Conditions for the families of foreign workers in Saint-Privat. The Rabbinate's correspondence, 1944. Census of foreign Jews. Information brochures on foreign Jews, 1942-1945. List of Jews sent to Gurs, 1943. Official reports from the gendarmerie concerning Jews, 1943-1944.

Telegrams from the National Police, 1942-1944. List of foreigners granted residency in the Ardèche, 1942-1943. Telegrams concerning the transfer of Jews. Transport of foreign Jews within the occupied zone. Information concerning the material needed for the transport of Jews, 1942. Requests for financial assistance. Lists of Jewish businesses expropriated into Aryan hands with statements of corporate health. Provisional administration of Jewish belongings, 1942-1944. Communal correspondence. Jews employed in administrative positions, 1941-1943. The 18 February 1944 roundup in Alboussière and subsequent arrests. The restitution service for victims of the war and victims of expropriation laws and decrees, 1945. Frames 2153-2731.

8Mi22/99W55: Foreign Jews and persons under house arrest: general orders, 1943; list of people affected by the circular of 10 November 1943; weekly reports on foreign Jews; list of Jews residing in the Brigade's jurisdiction; police station files concerning the repatriation of foreigners; official reports concerning infringements of the 27 March 1943 prefectural directive. Frames 2732-3319.