

Genealogical Resources in the JDC Archives

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Description: Since 1914, the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee has borne witness to the most pivotal events of 20th century Jewish history. The JDC Archives include eyewitness accounts, reports, logs, passenger lists, emigration cards, and more, including 100,000 photographs, which document the organization's global activities. The presentation will provide an overview for librarians of resources in the JDC Archives that are useful for Jewish genealogists and those researching their family history. Participants will learn how the Archives are organized, view examples of rich genealogical records, and discover how to conduct research in its repositories.

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