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REGISTER: SOL SINGER FAMILY PAPERS

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Sol Singer (1918-2003) was born and raised in Unadilla, Georgia. Although his family was the only Jewish family in this town of about 1200 residents, they retained a strong sense of their Jewish identity.

Sol Singer graduated from Unadilla High School in 1934, and attended the University of Georgia (UGA), where he met his wife-to-be, Ruth Kruger (1918-2004), of Fitzgerald, Georgia. In 1939, Sol graduated from UGA with a law degree and married Ruth in Fitzgerald that summer. The couple moved to Columbus, Georgia where they became integral members of the Jewish community for the next 23 years. In Columbus, both Sol and Ruth took on leadership roles in various civic and religious organizations. Sol was particularly active in the Shearith Israel Synagogue and in the Jewish Welfare Federation of Columbus. He served with distinction as president of both organizations for several years.

In 1962, as president of Singer and Co., Sol moved with his family to Atlanta for business reasons. In Atlanta, Sol and Ruth continued their practice of volunteerism and soon became influential and respected members of the Atlanta Jewish community. Over the years, the Singers were involved in almost every aspect of the Atlanta Jewish community. They were active members of Ahavath Achim Congregation, were among the founding members of the Epstein School, and were participants in numerous committees of the Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta.

The Singers have three children, Sharon, Alice, and Eric.

The Sol Singer Family Papers (1856-2000), are arranged alphabetically by subject and chronologically within each folder. The collection includes documents pertaining to the Singers' involvement in various Jewish organizations, their family histories, and correspondences. Included are records relating to Sol Singer's interest in stamp collecting and in the Jewish community of Pilsen, Czecholovakia. Also included are documents relating to fiduciary responsibilities undertaken by Sol Singer's father Philip for incompetent veterans in Unadilla, Georgia in the 1940s. These files are **CLOSED** to researchers. (See restrictions.) The social historian interested in Jewish life in small southern towns and in the development of the Atlanta Jewish community will find this collection to be of special interest.

Restrictions: Available to the serious scholar.  
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Files A-C, 1942-1999

Folder 1: Abram, Morris – views on childhood in Fitzgerald, Georgia with response by Ruth Singer, 1983-1986.

Folder 2: Ahavath Achim Congregation, 1966-1993.

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Folder 5: Awards and Honors, 1944-1998.

Folder 6: Columbus, Georgia, general, 1942-1973.

Folder 7: Congregation Shearith Israel – Atlanta, Georgia, 1945.

Folder 8: Congregation Shearith Israel – Columbus, Georgia – correspondence, 1942-1948.

Folder 9: Congregation Shearith Israel – Columbus, Georgia – correspondence regarding the hiring of Dr. Henrietta Jerech, 1954.

Folder 10: Congregation Shearith Israel – Columbus, Georgia – financial records, 1945-1947.

Folder 11: Congregation Shearith Israel – Columbus, Georgia – general records, 1950-1991.

Folder 12: Conservative Judaism, 1955-1959.

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Files, E-N, 1856-2000

Folder 1: Education, 1934-1940

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Folder 4: Family memorabilia – wedding of Ruth Kruger and Sol Singer, 1939.

Folder 5: Fitzgerald, Georgia, 1990-2000.

Folder 6: Israel Bonds – testimonial dinner – Columbus, Georgia, 1961-1962.

Folder 7: Jews in Small Towns, by Howard V. Epstein, 1990-1998.  
(Research for book published in 1998)

Folder 8: Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Unadilla, Georgia, c. 1950.

Folder 9: Newspaper Clippings, c. 1950-1989.

Folder 10: Pilsen, Czechoslovakia – historical documents and stamps,  
1856-1937.

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Files, P-U, 1941-1999.

Folder 1: Pilsen, Czechoslovakia – Pilsen Torah – correspondence with  
Rabbi Lowy, 1985-1993.

Folder 2: Pilsen, Czechoslovakia - Pilsen Torah - general, 1964-1999.

Folder 3: Singer, Philip – guardianships of World War II veterans –  
account books, 1941-1945.

Folder 4: Singer, Philip – guardianships of World War II veterans –  
financial papers, 1941-1946.

Folder 5: Speeches and talks by Singer, Ruth, 1955-1978.

Folder 6: Stamps – commemoratives, 1974-1983.

Folder 7: United Jewish Appeal, c.1950-1985.