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Irving Heymont Collection

Creator: Irving Heymont, Adolf Baker, and David Ichelson
Dates: 1944-1945, 2000, n.d.
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Scope and Content of the Collection

The Irving Heymont Collection consists of the memoirs of two Jewish American World War II veterans: Adolf Baker and David L. Ichelson. Baker's book, titled *That Was Then*, recounts his experiences from leaving his New York home in 1944 to his return to New York in 1945. *That Was Then* is mainly an annotated collection of letters Baker sent to his wife, Dora and his sister-in-law. Ichelson's *I Was There* recounts his experiences in the military from his trip to basic training in 1944 until his discharge from the military. *I Was There* is written as a memoir in chapter form.

Arrangement

The Irving Heymont Collection is arranged into two series.

Series 1: Adolf Baker, 1944-1945, 2000 consists of *That Was Then*.

Series 2: David L. Ichelson, M.D., 1944, n.d. consists of *I Was There*.

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Key Subjects

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the Library's online catalog. Researchers interested in materials about related topics, persons, or places should search the catalog using these subject headings.

Names

Baker, Adolf
Ichelson, David

Subjects

Jewish soldiers--United States--Correspondence.
Jewish soldiers--United States--History.
Jewish soldiers--United States--Personal narratives.
United States. -- Army. -- Infantry Division -- History.
United States. -- Army. -- Quartermaster Corps.
World War, 1939-1945.
World War, 1939-1945 -- Anecdotes.
World War, 1939-1945 -- Campaigns -- France.
World War, 1939-1945 -- Participation, Jewish.
World War, 1939-1945 -- Personal narratives.
World War, 1939-1945 -- Veterans.

Container List

Box	Folder	Title	Dates
Series 1: Adolf Baker, 1944-1945, 2000			
1	1	<i>That Was Then</i>	1944-1945, 2000
Series 2: David L. Ichelson, M.D., 1944, n.d.			
1	2	<i>I Was There</i>	1944, n.d.