

## **Minsky Family Collection**

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### **Summary Information:**

Collection Title: Minsky Family Collection.  
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Box Numbers: 13

### **Administrative Information:**

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### **Biographical /Background:**

### **Scope and Content:**

### **Inventory:**

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| Box 13 f1 | Finding Aid   |
| Box 13 f2 | Norman Minsky's Bar Mitzva speech given on May 29, 1943. Consistent with standard practice at the time, his Hebrew School instructor, Joseph Mitz, wrote the text.              |
| Box 13 f3 | Myer Minsky's biography.  |
| Box 13 f4 | Letter to Myer Minsky written in Yiddish that represents the last communication from his brother, in 1941, the summer before the Nazis invaded the Soviet Union where he lived. |

- Box 13 f5 Group photograph identified as subjects from the front row from left to right: Ursula Pels Block, Norman Minsky, Phil Gotlib and Sylvia Sclair, and from the back row from left to right: Helen Nyer, Mr. Levine, Shirley Zitanes Charm, and Charlotte Braidy.
- Box 13 f6 Group photograph including subjects, Louis Goldsmith of Charleston and his stepmother, Bess Minsky.
- Box 13 f7 Photograph of Myer Minsky posing in Knights of Pythias garb, likely taken when he lived in Brownville Junction prior to WWI.
- Box 13 f8 Photograph of violinist, David Rubinoff, at his marriage at Synagogue Beth Israel with an article written by James Adam Emple about the event. In this photograph, the subjects under the canopy are identified as, from the right-hand side: Dorothy Broder, Ruth Epstein, Maurice Kaden, and Rev. Rakusin, and from the left-hand side: Jack Rapaport, Harry Epstein, and Harry Broder. One person holding the canopy pole appears to be a member of the Sterns family.
- Box 13 f9 W. A. Blake's Quit-Claim Deed to Hannah B. Hasey.
- Box 13 f10 a. Photograph of a Bangor City Council meeting, circa 1970-1971: subjects are identified seated in the front from the left-hand side: Councilor John J. Mooney, Councilor William B. Neally, Councilor John W. Ballou, Councilor Norman Minsky, Councilor Robert E. Baldacci, Councilor William S. Cohen, Councilor James Bigney, Councilor George P. Brountas, and seated in the back from the left-hand side: City Attorney Robert Miller, Mayor John H. Cox (Nov. 70-71), City Clerk Jay E. Alley, and City Manager Merle F. Goff. In back sit two unidentified news reporters.  
b. "David Rubinoff, his violin concerts lifted U.S. spirits in the Depression," Boston Globe, Oct. 9, 1986.
- Box 13 f11 Three medallions commemorating the opening of Merchants National Bank at One Merchant's Plaza in 1973.
- Box 13 f12 Constitution postmark from Bangor, ME 04401 on September 17, 1987.
- Box 13 f13 Photograph of Israel Bonds fundraising event, circa 1970's. Identified from the left-hand side to the right-hand side are: Helen Nyer, Sam Nyer, Sen. William Cohen, unidentified person from out of town, unidentified person from out of town, Minnie Kominski and Max Kominski.
- Box 13 f14 Photographs from a Passover Seder at the home of Myer and Bess Minsky at 46 Leighton Street, Bangor, Maine. In the top photo are Dora Gotlib, Phil Gotlib, Ruth Gotlib, Louis Lieberman and Myer Minsky. In the

bottom photograph are Myer Minsky, Harry Epstein (i.e. Harold), Eleanor Epstein Israel, Ruth Epstein, Gail Epstein, Leonard Minsky (in the foreground).

- Box 13 f15 Group photograph of subjects identified from the left-hand side to the right-hand side: Priscilla Williams, Helen Nyer, Sen. George Mitchell, and Sam Nyer (in back).
- Box 13 f16 Various photographs.
- Box 13 f17 Hand-written letter sent to Norman Minsky from Ben Gurian, the State of Israel's Prime Minister from, dated .....
- Box 13 f18 Copy of the book entitled, *My Life: a Journey of Memories* by Julius Aborn, with a map of Krevo, and letters written and sent by the author to Bess Minsky. Note: Reb Hillel, paternal grandfather to Norman Minsky, is mentioned in Chapter 27, on page 139 of this book.
- Box 13 f19 Tickets and program from World Series 1975.
- Box 13 f20 Copies of *Sports Illustrated* magazine: first issue dated August 16, 1954, second issue dated August 23, 1954, third issue dated August 30, 1954, and the silver anniversary issue dated August 13, 1979.
- Box 13 f21 Various political campaign buttons and pins, including Representative Norman Minsky's Republican Candidate for Maine Legislature button, and a commemorative paperweight containing the City of Bangor 1834-1934 centennial coin, and the 200<sup>th</sup> birthday Bangor, Maine coin.