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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
<b>Creator:</b>	ESCO Fund Committee, Inc
<b>Title:</b>	ESCO Fund Committee Inc. records
<b>ID:</b>	4079699
<b>ID:</b>	MS#0402
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1941-1986
<b>Physical Description:</b>	30 linear feet 70 boxes; 4 bundles of scrapbooks memorabilia; 1 card file index
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English .

### Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); ESCO Fund Committee, Inc. records; Box and Folder; Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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## Biographical / Historical

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A charitable foundation, established in 1940 by business executive and philanthropist Frank Cohen (1893-1959). It has contributed to cultural and educational projects in both the United States and Israel. Some of its activities have included: ESCO Music Center at Ein Gev, fellowships for composers and conductors at Tanglewood, and vitamins and shelters for British children during World War II.

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## Summary

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Files of the ESCO Fund Committee, Inc. and its related foundations ESCO Foundation for Palestine and ESCO, Friends, Inc. The files contain correspondence, reports, clippings, Board minute books, photographs and ESCO publications. Among the correspondence are Stephen Wise, Theodore Kolleck, Ernest Bloch, and Leonard Bernstein. The collection also includes papers relating to Frank and Ethel Cohen's personal (i.e., non-ESCO) Zionist and Jewish interests.

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## Arrangement

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Selected materials cataloged; remainder listed and arranged.

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### Revision Description

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### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Source of acquisition--Cohen, Mrs Frank. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--1973. Accession number--M-1973.

### **Ownership and Custodial History**

Gift of Mrs Frank Cohen, 1973 to date.

### **Processing Information**

Entered in AMC 09/28/90.

### **Conditions Governing Access**

Restrictions to the Palestine Study Manuscripts (Boxes 45-54) no longer apply. The collection has no restrictions.

### **Accruals**

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

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- Jews -- Education

- Jews -- Civilization
- Economic development projects
- Zionism
- Israel
- Card files
- Financial records
- minutes (administrative records)
- Photographs
- Reports
- Scrapbooks
- Philanthropists
- Wise, Stephen
- Kollek, Teddy, 1911-2007
- Bernstein, Leonard, 1918-1990
- Bloch, Ernest, 1880-1959
- Esco Foundation for Palestine, inc

## Publications About Described Materials

The Esco Fund Committee: The Story of an American Jewish Foundation, by Marianne Sanua. New York: Prepared under the auspices of the National Foundation for Jewish Culture, 1989.

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## Collection Inventory

### Series I: Cataloged Correspondence

Title/Description	Instances
Cataloged Correspondence	box 1

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### Series II: Personal

#### Scope and Contents

"Personal" indicate Cohen's involvement in projects other than ESCO, although some ESCO projects are included.

Title/Description	Instances
Ethel Cohen--Personal	

	box 2
Ethel Cohen--Personal	box 3
Frank Cohen Personal--A-D	box 4
Frank Cohen Personal--E-I	box 5
Frank Cohen Personal--J-Z	box 6
Frank Cohen Personal--Miscellaneous	box 7
Jewish and Israel Interests	box 8
General Community Interests--A-H	box 8
Jewish and Israel Interests	box 9
General Community Interests--I-Jewish Music Council	box 9
Jewish and Israel Interests	box 9A
General Community Interests--Jewish Community-Jewish Music Council	box 9A
Jewish and Israel Interests	box 10
General Community Interests--Jewish Music Council-L	box 10
Jewish and Israel Interests	box 11
General Community Interests--M-O	box 11
Jewish and Israel Interests	box 12
General Community Interests--P-Z	box 12
Photographs, publicity, Frank Cohen Enterprises	box 13
Board of Directors	
A - Board of Directors (Jacobs)	box 14
Board of Directors (Ka plan) - General correspondence	box 15
General correspondence - Empire Ordnance Corp.	box 16
Empire Ordnance Corp. - Z	box 17
Miscellaneous Projects	
A - E	box 18
F - Hebrew University (Spector, 1962)	box 19
Hebrew University (Spector, 1963) - J	box 20
K - M	box 21
N - Z	box 22
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Photographs--Wedding and School	

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Programs, Diplomas, Transcripts--Frank and Ethel Cohen

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### Series III: ESCO

Title/Description	Instances
ESCO Music Center, Ein Gev, Israel	
A-G	box 23
H-L	box 24
M-O	box 25
Passover Festivals	box 25A
Passover Festivals	box 25B
Pi-Steinberger, Yaakov (-1963)	box 26
Steinberger, Yaakov (1964-) - S	box 27
Freedom Village	
A - H	box 28
I - P	box 29
Q - Z	box 30
<b>Scope and Contents</b>	
Includes factory plans, liquidation papers, stock and check books.	
Jordan Valley Authority--Pardess Hanna--A-D	box 31
Jordan Valley Authority--Pardess Hanna--E-Z	box 32
<b>Scope and Contents</b>	
Includes scrapbooks.	
Books, Publications & Maps	
Adler, Israel/Cohen, Judith - A.Z. Idelsohn Archives at the Jewish National and University Library Catalogue, 1976	box 33
Cohen, Frank - Public Lectures in Judaic Affairs Invitations, 1967	box 33
Commentary Vol. 45, number six, 1968 June	box 33
Institute of Visual Education	box 33

**Scope and Contents**

78 record. Badly warped.

Janowsky, Oscar I. - Nationalities and National Minorities, 1945	box 33
Jewish Education - Dedicated to the Memory of Samson Benderly, 1949	box 33
Jewish Education - Dedicated to the Memory of Israel S. Chipkin, 1956	box 33
Jewish Education - Register and Directory, 1951	box 33
Judaism Vol. 14, number four, 1965 Fall	box 33
Kaplan, Mordecai - The Future of the American Jew, 1948	box 34
Kasher, Rabbi M. M. - Torah Shelemah (Encyclopedia of the Pentateuch, 1944), 1944	box 34
Klepper, Leah - Case Studies in Classroom Teaching (First Year Hebrew Oral Instruction and Reading), 1957	box 34
Klepper, Leah - Teachers' Guide for Oral Instruction in First Year Hebrew	box 34
Learsi, Rufus - Israel: A History of the Jewish People, 1949	box 34
Map of Palestine in three Sections, 1947	box 34
Maps of Israel/Palestine (10)	box 70
Menorah Journal, 1943 Winter	box 34
Menorah Journal, 1943 Summer	box 34
Menorah Journal, 1943 Autumn	box 34
Mioni, Elpidio - Catalogo di Manoscritti Greci	box 34
Palestine a Study of Jewish Arab and British Policies Vol. I, 1947	box 35
Palestine a Study of Jewish Arab and British Policies Vol. II, 1947	box 35
Petahim - Bi-Monthly Journal of Jewish Thought (English Summaries)	box 35
Petahim - Bi-Monthly Journal of Jewish Thought (Hebrew)	box 35
Pinson, Koppel S. - Essays on Antisemitism, 1946	box 36
Rosowsky, Solomon - The Cantillation of the Bible (Five Book of Moses), 1957	box 36
Sendry, Alfred - Bibliography of Jewish Music, 1951	box 36

Spector, Johanna - Bridal Songs and Ceremonies, for Saná Yemen	box 36
Spector, Johanna - Musical Styles in Near Eastern Jewish Liturgy- (The Journal of the Madras Music Academy)	box 36
Strauss, Leo - Jerusalem and Athens (Some Preliminary Reflections)., 1967	box 36
Talmon, J.L. - Israel Among the Nation (Reflections on Jewish Statehood), 1968	box 36
Books Written in Hebrew	box 36
Minute Books	
Foundation for Palestine, 1941-1947	box 37
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<b>Palestine Study--Correspondence and Reports</b>	
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Financial records, check registers	box 60
Hebrew University Library	box 61
City College--Frank Cohen Memorial Lectures and Fellowships	box 62
National Foundation for Jewish Culture	box 62
Petahim: Quarterly Journal of Jewish Thought	box 63
<b>Scope and Contents</b>	
Correspondence with the editor, Joseph S. Bentwich, and re-founding and funding of Journal. Also includes the publication with indexes.	
Petahim: Quarterly Journal of Jewish Thought	box 64
<b>Scope and Contents</b>	
Correspondence with the editor, Joseph S. Bentwich, and re-founding and funding of Journal. Also includes the publication with indexes.	
<b>Scrapbooks and Memorabilia</b>	
<b>Scope and Contents</b>	
Includes seals, phonograph records, photographs, and scrapbooks. The scrapbooks include clippings, photographs, and other items.	
Seals	box 65
<u>Physical Description:</u> 3 items	
<b>Scope and Contents</b>	
Freedom Village, Friends, and [?] for Palestine.	
Scrapbooks, 1941 - 1962, undated	box 65

Physical Description: 3 items

Scrapbooks, 1941 - 1956, undated	box 66
<u>Physical Description</u> : 3 items	
"Lest We Forget: America Determines Her Destiny" Inistute of Oral and Visual Education in Cooperation with Boston University Radio Institute, circa 1942	box 66
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 phonograph records	
"Post War Planning for the Youth of Tomorrow" WOR, 1943 November 6	box 66
<b>Scope and Contents</b>	
These are unopened radio transcriptions of a WOR program. Appear to be photograph records. 2 copies.	
Scrapbook, 1950s	box 67
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 items	
<b>Scope and Contents</b>	
Pardess Hanna Secondary Agricultural School; Gift of Candy to Children in the Maaba Roth.	
Frank Cohen--Photographs of Various Enterprises, 1940s, undated	box 67
Ledger, 1942-1944	cmibox 69
<b>Scope and Contents</b>	
Appears to be related to the expenses of the ESCO Foundation.	
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