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**Inventory of the Helene Monowitz
Silberberg Collection, 1943-1974**

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Descriptive Summary

Title:	Helene Monowitz Silberberg collection
Date(s)	1943-1974
Creator:	Silberberg, Helene Monowitz, 1927-2007
Abstract:	The collection consists of a three-volume book commemorating Jewish life in Vilna, Lithuania, coins used in the Warsaw ghetto, and a Warsaw ghetto memorial scarf.
Extent:	1.67 linear feet (1 flat box)
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Call Number:	Mss 1065-051
Language of Material:	Materials in English, Hebrew, Russian, and Yiddish

Biographical Note

Helene Monowitz (1927-2007) was born in Czestochowa, Poland. In 1941, the Monowitz family was forced into the Czestochowa ghetto along with other Jewish residents of the city and surrounding towns. Helene's mother and sister were deported from the ghetto and sent to Treblinka; Helene and her father survived by lying to Nazi authorities about their ages, which secured them work in a munitions factory. In 1947, Helene married Simon Silberberg, a native of Lodz, Poland, in Regensburg, Germany. They immigrated to the United States on January 20, 1949, and settled in Brooklyn, New York.

Collection Overview

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Collection Arrangement

Materials are described at the folder level.

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person, family, or organization, by topical subject, by place, and by types of material.

Names

Silberberg, Helene Monowitz, 1927-2007

Subjects

Jews--Lithuania--Vilnius

Places

Vilnius (Lithuania)

Types of Material

Books

Coins (money)

Scarves (costume accessories)

Titles

Jerusalem of Lithuania: Illustrated and Documented

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item], Helene Monowitz Silberberg collection, College of Charleston Libraries, Charleston, SC, USA.

Acquisitions Information

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Processing Information

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Reviewed, edited, and uploaded by Martha McTear, December 2013.

Inventory

Box 1

Books, coins, and scarf, 1943, 1974, undated

Three-volume set of *Jerusalem of Lithuania: Illustrated and Documented*, a book commemorating Jewish life in Vilna, Lithuania. Two copies of the third volume are included. Also, three 1943 coins used in the Warsaw ghetto and a scarf commemorating the ghetto, all obtained by Helene Silberberg during a visit to Poland in the 1980s.