## Gift of Coleman Romalis, 2016

**Dates:** 1989-1990

**Extent:** 3 audio cassettes and 1 file of textual records

## **Biographical Sketch:**

Coleman Romalis is a Canadian sociologist, independent film maker and senior scholar at York University.

## **Scope and Content:**

Included are audio cassettes and typed summaries of interviews conducted by Coleman Romalis with members of Canada's Jewish community in Toronto, Vancouver and Montreal. Individuals interviewed by Romalis include Ben Shek, Becky Lapedes, Morris Biderman, Jack Cowan, Sam Lipshitz, Manya Lipshitz, Ben Kayfetz, Polly Weinstein, Henry Weinstein, Dave Ship and Itche Goldberg. Interviews address their involvement in various organizations including the United Jewish People's Order (UJPO), the International Workers' Order (IWO), the Labour League, the Workmen's Circle and the Canadian Jewish Congress.

Shorthand notations are used in the finding aid and are to be translated as follows:

**WP**: word-processed text (from a computer)

BOX: FOLDER	TITLE	CONTENTS	DATE(S)
1:1	Morris Biderman [interview]	1 audio cassette	December 1, 1989
1:2	Sam Lipshitz [interview]	1 audio cassette	December 20, 1989
1:3	Ben Kayfetz [interview]	1 audio cassette [damaged]	February 5, 1990
2:1	Interviews [summaries written by Romalis WP]	1 file of textual records	September 20, 1989 – May 29, 1990