

**“Records of Congregation Beth Israel, Fort Kent ME
(1914-1920)”**

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General Information

Collection Title: "Records of Congregation Beth Israel, Fort Kent ME (1914-1920)"

Accession Number: MCC-00210

Shelf Number: AB-210

Description: Minutes of meetings held from September 1914 through September 1920 at the Beth Israel Jewish Congregation in Fort Kent, Maine.

Provenance: The bound volume was maintained by the Etscovitz family and donated to the Acadian Archives in 2002.

Physical Description: One bound volume (300 pages)
3 loose sheets of handwritten transcription
1 loose sheet of typed notes

Date range: 1914-1920

Language: English and Hebrew

Access: There are no restrictions on this collection.

Scope and Contents: The bound volume has 300 numbered pages with 22 of the pages having handwritten text and the remaining pages are blank. Pages 1 and 3 are notes of what looks like the first meeting to "organize a parish of religious corporation as per date of Sept. 29th, 1914". Page 2 is blank. Page 3 has a reference to "See page 85". Pages 85, 86, and 87 contain the "by-laws" of the congregation which were adopted on Sept. 29, 1914. Pages 1, 3, 85, 86, and 87 are written in English.

Pages with uneven numbers 5 through 19 of the bound volume are written in Hebrew. Under the front cover of the bound volume are three pages of photocopy text of the English translation for pages 5 through 19. The translation of the Hebrew to English text are of the minutes of the Beth Israel Congregation's meetings from September 20, 1915 through September 15, 1918. The author of the translation is unknown.

Also included under the front cover is 1 sheet of yellow paper with typed script giving the summary history of the Beth Israel Congregation. The author of this summary is unknown.

Preservation Actions: The bound volume was wrapped in acid free tissue paper and placed in a multipurpose archival box.