Descriptive Summary

Creator: Weinstein, Alfred A. (Alfred Abraham), 1908-
Title: Alfred A. Weinstein papers, 1940-1976
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 564
Extent: 1.5 linear feet (3 boxes), 2 oversized papers boxes (OP), 10 oversized bound volumes (OBV), and AV masters: 1.5 linear feet (1 box)
Abstract: Papers of physician, author, and sculptor Alfred Abraham Weinstein, including correspondence, clippings, photographs, awards, scrapbooks, galley proofs, articles, audiotapes, phonograph records.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on Access
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Source
Gift, 1970, with subsequent additions.

Citation
[after identification of item(s)], Alfred A. Weinstein papers, Stuart A. Rose Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library, Emory University.

Collection Description

Biographical Note
Alfred Abraham Weinstein, physician, author, and sculptor, was born in 1908 in Boston, Massachusetts, and died February 25 1964 in Boston. Weinstein moved to Atlanta in 1938, after completing five years of post-graduate research work in surgery, medicine, and cardiology, to

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enter private practice and teach surgery at Emory University. He interrupted his practice to serve in the U. S. Army and spent three and one-half years as a P.O.W. in Japan. His experiences as a P.O.W. were the basis for his book, *Barbed-Wire Surgeon* (1948). A series of articles first published in the *Atlanta Journal* (1963) were subsequently published as *As I Saw Russia* (1963). Weinstein was a member of many professional, religious, and civic organizations including B’nai B’rith. As a sculptor, he exhibited his work at the Fogg Art Museum at Harvard and the Atlanta High Museum of Art.

**Scope and Content Note**
The collection contains the papers of Alfred Abraham Weinstein from 1940-1976. The papers include correspondence, clippings, photographs, awards, scrapbooks, galley proofs, articles, audiotapes, phonograph records. Galley proofs, some correspondence, articles, clippings, and scrapbooks pertain to his writings. Awards, framed and unframed, are from professional, religious, and civic organizations including B’nai B’rith. Scrapbooks, containing clippings, correspondence, and photographs are both personal and professional. Photographs are of Weinstein and his family. Other correspondence includes letters from Harry Truman and Dwight Eisenhower. Audiotapes and phonograph records are of speeches and interviews given by Weinstein. Galley proofs were published as Weinstein, Alfred Abraham, *Barbed-Wire Surgeon* (New York: Macmillan Company, 1948).

**Arrangement Note**
Unprocessed collection; arranged roughly by record type.
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### Audiovisual materials, 1948-1963

**AV1** - Weinstein speech at Presbyterian Church, discussing importance of brotherhood and his experiences as a POW in the Philippines and Japan, February 1948
- Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bmrgrs
- Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bmrdb
- Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bmrmb

**AV1** - *Views of the News*, Wright Bryan interviewing Alfred A. Weinstein about his book *Barbed Wire Surgeon* and discussing their respective experiences as POWs in Germany and Japan, WSB, March 15, 1948
- Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bmrhx

**AV1** - *Panorama Monday* news program, interview with Alfred A. Weinstein about his book *Barbed Wire Surgeon* and his experiences as a POW in Japan, WAGA, March 15, 1948
- Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bmrfn

**AV1** - Weinstein speech, Brotherhood Class, Central Presbyterian Church, "Jews, Judaism, and Jew Hatred" February 17, 1963, Tape 1
- Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id b73nr

**AV1** - Weinstein speech, Brotherhood Class, Central Presbyterian Church, "Jews, Judaism, and Jew Hatred" February 17, 1963, Tape 2
AV1 - Weinstein speech, Decatur Kiwanis Club, "Why We Don't Understand Each Other," February 21, 1963

Oversized items

OP1 1 Photographs, Weinstein family reunion photograph, 7 matted black and white photographs of Weinstein sculpture.
OP1 2 Certificates
OP1 3 Certificate, Citation for Bronze Star Model; Army of the United States, October 28, 1946
OP1 3 Correspondence, Ralph A. Dungan (Special Assistant to President JFK) to AAW, November 18, 1963, The White House, TLS, 1 page;
OP1 3 Correspondence, Evelyn Lincoln (Personal secretary to the President) to AAW, February 11, 1961, the White House, TLS 1 page;
OP1 3 Correspondence, Dwight D. Eisenhower to Charles R. Jackson, June 17, 1946, War Department, Washington, TLS 1 page;
OP1 3 Correspondence, Harry Truman to Members of the United States Armed Forces Being Repatriated in October 1945, The White House, TNS, 1 page;
OP1 4 Reviews, news articles
OP2 1 Writings, Southern Israelite and the Atlanta Journal and Constitution Magazine

Oversized bound volumes

OBV1 - Clippings re Dr. Weinstein's professional activities, ca. 1950s-1960s
OBV2 - As I Saw Russia (loose correspondence in front)
OBV3 - 10th Anniversary of Dr. Weinstein's liberation and wedding
OBV4 - Clippings and misc.
OBV5 - Correspondence, much from Japan
OBV6 - Letters from patients and others
OBV7 - Clippings, misc.
OBV8 - Clippings and correspondence
OBV9 - Correspondence, Clippings
OBV10 - Photographs