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To facilitate use of the guide, Hebraica catalogers should add feature headings to the Table of Contents, running heads to the text, and page numbers to "below" references. After locating a specific point via a sequential search, the cataloger should create an index entry on the inside back cover. Perhaps an enterprising Judaica cataloger will compile a general index to the guide for the benefit of all those who try to follow LC's rules for cataloging Hebraica.

In this reviewer's experience as editor of *Judaica Librarianship*, any article emanating from the Library of Congress has to go through multiple checks. The acknowledgments in the guide indicate that many LC staff members reviewed the draft, thus making the errors and design flaws all the more inexplicable.

Hebraica Cataloging appeared many months after its availability was announced by LC. A staff member explained that the first batch produced was recalled because of a binding problem. LC seemed to show more concern for the physical aspects of the work than for its contents. The errors in the text reflect poorly on our unofficial national library, home of the Center for the Book, and this warrants the production of a revised edition of *Hebraica Cataloging* that will truly serve as an authoritative, accurate and well designed reference work.

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Library of Congress Classification for Judaica: Recent Changes

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Purpose

One of the primary goals of *Judaica Librarianship* is to provide authoritative information related to our multi-faceted profession, thereby keeping professionals in the field abreast of all developments that are relevant for the proper organization and management of Judaica and Hebraica collections.

In keeping with this goal, the journal has, from the outset, included articles on Judaica acquisitions, cataloging, reference sources, the latest technology, and historical perspectives on all aspects of the profession. Some of these columns have become continuing features of the journal. One of these reports on new Library of Congress (LC) subject headings of Jewish interest. With this issue of *Judaica Librarianship*, we add a complementary feature to the Catalog Department of the journal—the monitoring of changes in LC classification as it pertains to Judaica, including additions, cancellations, or replacements of class numbers.

It is hoped that this column will benefit both catalogers and reference librarians. The value to catalogers may seem too obvious to be mentioned. One reason that it is important to publish this information here is that not all librarians have access to lists of LC additions and changes to its classification. The cumulations of these lists produced by Gale Research Co. are prohibitively expensive, and smaller Judaica research libraries often cannot acquire them. Through this column we hope to provide all Judaica catalogers with information on changes in LC class numbers. The format chosen was designed specifically with these professionals in mind so that they may readily record changes in their own copies of the schedules.

The value of the column to reference librarians may not be as obvious, but Judaica reference personnel must be kept informed of classification changes. Such information improves their job performance by allowing them to send their patrons directly to the section of a library where books on particular topics can be found.

Scope and Format

The format chosen for this column is a sequential one, i.e., in the order of the notation of the classification; reports on changes are accompanied by comments and observations. The scope of the column encompasses the entire LC classification, with particular emphasis on the classes of major importance to Judaica libraries—Classes BM (Judaism), BS (The Bible), DS (Jewish History) and PJ (Oriental Philology and Literature). As for the classes of peripheral importance to Judaica libraries, only the sections of interest will be monitored. In Class B (Philosophy and Psychology), we shall monitor changes in the numbers dealing with Jewish Ethics; in Class D (General History of Eastern Europe), we shall emphasize the numbers dealing specifically with World War II and the Holocaust; Class DD (History of Germany) is of interest only for the numbers dealing with the Nazi party and Hitler; in Classes E and F (American History), we shall watch for changes pertaining to Jews in the United States; in Class H (Sociology and Economics), we shall track only the numbers dealing with topics such as Kibbutzim, Labor and Judaism, the Jewish woman, and refugees; and likewise in Classes K (Law), L (Education), M (Music), N (Fine Arts), R (Medicine), and Z (Bibliography)—we shall monitor only the numbers dealing with Jewish aspects of these topics.

In the process of reviewing recent LC cards and Cataloging-in-Publication data in new works, one may observe additions and changes to these peripheral classes. It is our goal to extract the changes that are relevant to Judaica libraries and report them in this column.

Although many of the LC classification schedules of greatest interest to Judaica librarians have not been revised to incorporate additions and changes since the 1960s, it was decided to begin this column by reviewing *LC Classification Additions and Changes*, Lists 225-229, which cover January 1987-March 1988. Fortunately for our purposes, three of the major classes we shall be monitoring have up-to-date

schedules—BM (1984), and BS and DS (1987). As a matter of fact, because the BS schedule has been published so recently, no relevant changes were found for that class in the five lists covered.

As for the recent publication of a new PJ-PK schedule (1988), I have chosen to make an exception and monitor the relevant changes in PJ in the five lists covered. This decision was based on the assumption that not all libraries had a copy of the 1988 PJ schedule as of the publication of this issue of JL. Therefore, I call upon readers to be aware that additions and changes to PJ that are noted here, are superseded by this new LC publication.

It is our hope that this new column will be welcomed and valued by our colleagues in Judaica libraries. We are open to suggestions and comments from you, our readers. Please write:
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Learning From Our Mistakes: Analysis of Judaica Cataloging Errors

Many Judaica librarians live in a glass cage now that our cataloging is being input online; our errors are visible to the entire world.

There are many levels of error, ranging from simple typos to those which can be corrected only by mastery of the fine points of Hebrew Romanization. It is the purpose of this column to analyze errors in Judaica and Hebraica cataloging of the complex variety. We shall try to inject a little humor, but it is not the purpose of this column to ridicule any library or librarian; rather, it is hoped that we may all learn from these mistakes. The point is to demonstrate the many types of knowledge that the Judaica cataloger must have.

Our readers are invited to submit analyses of errors in the Judaica cataloging records of any library. The library need not be identified.

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Class B—Philosophy and Psychology

B
759
F3
In List 227 (July–September 1987), under B759 (Individual Jewish philosophers), the cutter for the medieval Spanish philosopher, *Falaquera, Shem Tov ben Joseph, ca. 1225–1295*, has been changed from .F33 to .F3.

BM
675
P59

In the same list, the caption for .P59 is changed from 'Pilgrim Festival prayers' to *Pilgrimage Festival prayers*.

BM
747
H3

In List 226 (April–June 1987), under the class number BM747 (Individual festivals, A-Z), the spelling of the holiday assigned to cutter .H3 was changed from Hanukhah to *Hanukkah*.

Class BM—Judaism

BM
525
A2
(A364–3649)
An addition to the enumeration of individual cabalistic texts under *BM525.A2, A-Z* is the cutter in List 229 (January–March 1988), *A364–3649*, for the famous cabalistic treatise entitled *Heikhalot Rabbati*.

BM
Table I
BM
506
S4

A change in the tables for the BM schedule was put into effect with List 225 (January–March 1987), wherein a caption is expanded in *Table I* (Special Orders and Tractates of Mishnah and Talmuds) under *S4–S43 Shevuot* to include in parentheses—(*Shevuot*)—and to add a note *Shevuot, see .S4 +*. This change is in consonance with the AACR2 rule (25.18B) to use the *Encyclopaedia Judaica* as an authority for uniform titles for the Talmud. The *Jewish Encyclopedia* was the authority for the *Shevuot* form.

BM
645
H58
In List 225 (January–March 1987), the Library of Congress added a subject cutter under BM645 (Dogmatic Judaism, other topics, A-Z) *.H58 Holiness*.

BM
670
A64
In the same list, under BM670 (Special elements in liturgy, A-Z), the cutter *.A64 Amen* was added.

BM
Table IV
BM
522.59
R34

In *Table IV* (Authors of Responsa) for *.59 K. . . .*, the list adds an author and a reference note: *.R34 Krausz, Solomon and Kroiz, Salom, see .R34*.

BM
675
T2
The class number BM675 (Special liturgical books, A-Z) is dealt with in Lists 226 (April–June 1987) and 227 (July–September 1987). In the former list, a note is added: *Sukkot, see .T2* (.T2 is Tabernacle service), and catalogers are told to expand the caption in .T2 to include the word *Sukkot*, the Hebrew name of the holiday as found in *Encyclopaedia Judaica*, which currently serves as an authority in LC's descriptive cataloging of liturgy. (See *Judaica Librarianship*, Vol. 1 No. 1 (Fall 1983), p. 17.)

Class D—History of Eastern Europe (General)

D
804.3

D
804.35

In List 228 (October–December 1987), LC established a special class number for *Holocaust denial literature*, a change which can be credited to the efforts of Judaica librarians, in particular Adaire Klein, Coordinator of Library and Archival Services at the Simon Wiesenthal Center, and Librarian of

Yeshiva University of Los Angeles, California. In Ms. Klein's article entitled "The Handling of Holocaust Denial Literature in a Special Library," (*Judaica Librarianship* Vol. 3, No. 1-2, 1986-87), she dealt with the problem of classifying works on Holocaust denial or revisionist views of the Holocaust together with basic Holocaust texts. The article was based on a panel discussion held at the 1986 AJL convention in Montreal, Canada. As Ms. Klein put it: "We must not legitimize . . . books and materials [on Holocaust Revisionism] by including them in a Holocaust bibliography that does not distinguish fact from fiction."

D
810
J4
Until now, the same class number used for legitimate works on the Holocaust was used for books on Holocaust denial. *D810* is the class number for *Special topics of the Second World War (1939-1945)*, A-Z, with the cutter *.J4* being for Jews. This class number (*D810.J4*) remains the general one for the *Holocaust*.

D
804
Class number *D804* is designated for *Atrocities, War Crimes and Trials of the Second World War (1939-1945)*, by country, A-Z. List 228 adds decimal subdivisions to this number to encompass Holocaust denial literature, while keeping it separate from mainstream Holocaust publications.

D
804.3
Jewish Holocaust
D804.3 *General Works*
D804.35 *Errors, Inventions, etc.*
Arthur Butz's *The Hoax of the Twentieth Century* and Paul Rassinier's *Debunking the Genocide Myth* will now be classed in *D804.35*, while Lucy Dawidowicz's *The War Against the Jews, 1933-1945* will remain in *D810.J4*.

D
804.35
This new class number (*D804.35*), coupled with the new subject heading (Holocaust, Jewish (1939-1945)—Errors, Inventions, Etc.) recently formulated by the Library of Congress for Holocaust denial literature, allow for revamping and restructuring the subject analysis of Holocaust Revisionist works. These changes illustrate the effectiveness of Judaica librarians in lobbying LC to modify its cataloging practices.

Class DS—Jewish History

DS
109.8
In List 227 (July-September 1987), under *DS109.8* (Other special places and objects in Jerusalem), two new cutters were added: *.J45 Jewish Quarter* and *.Y45 Yemin Moshe*.

DS
110
E95
In the same list, the region of the *Ezyon Bloc* was given the cutter *.E95* under *DS110* (Regions, towns, etc. of Israel), and a reference from Gush-Etsyon was inserted: *Gush-Etsyon, see .E95*

DS
113
The class number *DS113* (Ethnography. Tribes of Israel) has been expanded in Lists 226 (April-June 1987) and 229 (January-March 1988) as follows:

DS
113.6
List 229 brought clarification to the topic of 'Arabs in Israel.'
DS113.6 deals with 'General Works on Arabs and Palestinian Arabs in Israel,' including collec-

DS
113.8

tive works on Palestinian Arabs in foreign countries. For works dealing with Palestinians in individual countries, the cataloger must go to the schedule for the history of the specific country.

Under *DS113.8* (Other elements in Israel's population), the cutters *.F34* (Falashas or Ethiopian Jews) and *.I72* (Iraqi Jews) were added. Owing to the recent influx of Ethiopian Jews into Israel, a significant number of works on this subject have been published in recent years, and this new cutter (*.F34*) was clearly developed in response to this. (The cutter fails to take note, however, of the controversial nature of the term 'Falasha.')

DS
135
E75

Books dealing with the topic of Falashas *not* living in Israel are classed in *DS135* (Jews outside of Palestine), cuttered by region or country, i.e., *.E75* for Ethiopia.

Classes E-F—History. America.

E
184
Y55

Under the class number *E184* (*Elements in the United States population, A-Z*), List 229 (January-March 1988) adds the cutter *.Y55 Yemenites*.

Class H—Sociology and Economics

HQ
1031

In List 226 (April-June 1987), the caption under *HQ 1031* has been expanded from *mixed marriages to Interfaith marriages*. Given the spread of intermarriage in the last half century coupled with the controversial question of "Who is a Jew?", this class number will, no doubt, be frequently used by Judaica catalogers. [See related changes in LC subject headings in the column by Rebecca Dassa in this issue.—Ed.]

Class L—Education

LG
341
N37

In List 225 (January-March 1987), LC added a cutter under *LG341* (Individual educational institutions in Israel, arranged by place, A-Z). *.N37 Nazareth. Jami'at al-Jalil al-Arabiyyah*.

Class PJ—Oriental Philology and Literature

PJ
5012
P3

The class number *PJ5012* deals with special aspects and topics of Hebrew and Israeli literature, cuttered A-Z for the treatment of specific subjects. List 229 (January-March 1988) adds the cutter *.P3 Palestine*.

In Lists 226 (April-June 1987), 227 (July-September 1987), and 228 (October-December 1987), LC added and/or changed the headings for the following authors as well as their respective cutters in *PJ5053* (Hebrew literature, individual authors, A-Z, 1886-1945):

The authoress Rachel will now be cuttered *.B63* for Bluwstein, Rachel, 1890-1931, and a cross reference from her pseudonym is to be added to the schedule:

Rachel, 1890-1931, see .B63

PJ
5053
E5

For another woman, we find the opposite pattern:
.E5 Elisheva, 1888-1949

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Bikhovsky, Elisheva, 1888-1949, see .E5

PJ
5053
R4

.R4 Reubeni, Aaron, 1886-

The following note is to be added:

Reuveni, A., 1886-1971, see .R4

In Lists 225 (January-March 1987), 226 (April-June 1987), 227 (July-September 1987), and 228 (October-December 1987), the Library of Congress added and/or changed the headings for the following authors and their respective cutters in *PJ5054* (Hebrew literature, individual authors, A-Z, Modern, 1946-):

PJ
5054
A49755

.A49755 Alon, Ya'el, 1943-

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Chen, Yael, 1943- , see .A49755

PJ
5054
C42

.C42 Chalfi, Abraham, 1904-

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Halfi, Avraham, see .C42

PJ
5054
D55

.D55 Dim, Ari'elah

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Deem, Ariella, see .D55

PJ
5054
H49

.H49 Hilel, O.

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Omer, Hillel, 1926- , see .H49

PJ
5054
H65

.H65 Horwitz, Yair

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Hurvitz, Ya'ir, see .H65

PJ
5054
H8

.H8 Huss, Abraham

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Hus, Avraham, see .H8

PJ
5054
L485

.L485 Lipavski-Halifi, Isaac

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Halifi, Isaac L., see .L485

PJ
5054
M6

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Mossinsohn, Yigal, 1917- , see .M6
(.M6 is Mossensohn, Yigal, 1917-)

PJ
5054
R263

.R263 Rabi, David, 1938-

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Revi'a, David, see .R263

PJ
5129
K27

In the class number *PJ5129* (Yiddish Literature, individual authors, A-Z), the following note is to be added to the schedules according to List 225 (January-March 1987):

Nister, 1884-1950, see .K27
(.K27 is Kahanovitch, Pinchas)

The above relatively minor changes in the Hebrew and Yiddish literature schedules illustrate that while LC is making dramatic changes in descriptive cataloging, it prefers to keep all the works of an author on the shelf together. The references from the new forms of authors' names are a convenience to the Judaica cataloger who does both descriptive work and subject analysis.

PJ
5181-
5182

List 225 reports the *cancellation* of class numbers *PJ5181-PJ5182* (Translations from foreign literature into Yiddish). The schedule continues with *PJ5191-PJ5192*, for which only the following feature heading remains in the schedules: *Translation from Yiddish*. The following notes are added to the schedules: *Table XXX* and *Cancel notes below* (i.e., cancel notes in Additions and Changes to July 1964 found in the back of the 1965 edition of the PJ-PM schedule, on p. 27).

Class R—Medicine

R
725.57

In List 225 (January-March 1987) under *R725.5* (Codes of Medical ethics, special aspects), the following cutter was added:

.57 Jewish ethics

Class Z—Bibliography

Z
6374
A56

Lists 226 (April-June 1987) and 228 (October-December 1987) both deal with class number *Z6374* (Bibliography on Jews, other special topics, A-Z). The former list adds the new cutter *.A56 Antisemitism*, and the latter list adds the following note:

Women, see Z7963.J4

Z
7963
J4

Class number *Z7963* is set aside for Bibliography of Women, special topics, A-Z. The cutter *.J4 Jewish Women* was added in list 225 (January-March 1987).

Z
7070

The following note is to be added to the schedule for class number *Z7070* (Subject Bibliography—Hebrew and Yiddish linguistics), according to List 228 (October-December 1987):

cf. Z7038.Y53 Yiddish

(*Z7038* is for subject bibliographies of Germanic linguistics, special topics, A-Z.)

Z
7038
Y53

The following cutter is added to the schedule at *Z7038*:
.Y53 Yiddish

Editor's Note: With this change, LC is following the precedent of the Dewey Decimal Classification, which, several editions ago, moved Yiddish from its position after Hebrew to Germanic linguistics, demoting Yiddish from a language to a dialect.

LC's class number Z 7070 has to date been used primarily for bibliographies of Hebraica and Yiddica. The separation of bibliographies on the two languages may not be a welcome change to Judaica librarians.—B.H.W.

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