



Temple Israel FOUNDATION

Biographical Information Sheet

Kornblum

Ada Kornblum
Occupation: Student
Born:
Birthplace:
Died:

Ada Kornblum was a young resident of Leadville who lived in the city in 1893. She first appeared in the roster for Ninth Street School published in the *Herald Democrat* on December 10, 1893.¹ Two days later, the *Herald Democrat* published a story on the year's Hanukkah celebration held at Temple Israel at which Ada and her Sunday school class performed "musical and literary entertainment."² Ada does not appear in historical records after December 12, 1893, nor is it clear who she lived

with during her brief tenure in Leadville. It is nearly certain that she had relatives in Leadville, either parents, siblings, or more distant. However, neither the name Kornblum nor alternate spellings such as Cornbloom appear in Leadville's city directories or censuses. The only potential lead on Ada's origins and family can be found in the 1892 Washington (State) Census in which a nine-year-old Ada Kornblum appears alongside her mother and father, G. and M. S. Kornblum, and a younger brother, Abe, living in Tacoma.³ The Ada found in the 1892 Census is possibly the same Ada who lived in Leadville, however the lack of vital records available during her residence in Leadville makes it difficult to corroborate whether they are the same person.

¹ *School Room Honors* (Leadville, CO: *Herald Democrat*) December 10, 1893, P5.

² *The Feast of Chanuka* (Leadville, CO: *Herald Democrat*) December 12, 1893, P8.

³ "Washington State and Territorial Censuses, 1857-1892," database with images, *Ancestry* (https://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/sse.dll?indiv=1&dbid=1018&h=611097&tid=&pid=&queryId=012a8dc06440707d8e52e81ff0297773&usePUB=true&_phsrc=R_Ni247&_phstart=successSource; accessed November 17, 2020), Ada Kornblum in household of M. S. Kornblum, Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington, United States; citing *Washington Territorial Census Rolls, 1857-1892*, (Olympia: Washington State Archives, n.d.), microfilm roll V228_13.



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