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SMITH, WALTER BEDELL: Papers, 1942-61

PRE-ACCESSION
10 cubic feet

Chief of Staff, Allied Headquarters, North Africa, 1942-44
Chief of Staff, S.H.A.E.F., 1944-45
Chief of Staff, U.S. Forces, ETO 1945
United States Ambassador to USSR 1946-49
Commanding General of United States First Army 1949-1950
Director of Central Intelligence Agency, 1950-53
Under Secretary of State, 1953-54
Member, National Security Training Commission, 1955-57
Member, National War College Board of Consultants, 1956-59
Consultant, Special Projects Office, (Disarmament), Executive Office of the President, 1955-56
Member, President's Citizen Advisers on the Mutual Security Program, 1956-57
Member, Office of Defense Mobilization special Stockpile Advisory Committee 1957-58
Chairman and Member-at-Large, Advisory Council of President's Committee on Fund Raising,
1958-61
Member, President's Committee on Disarmament, 1958
Member, George C. Marshall Foundation Advisory Committee, 1960-61

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

General Walter Bedell Smith entered the Indiana National Guard in 1910 and advanced through the ranks in the regular peacetime army to the rank of Colonel (temporary) at the outbreak of World War II. During the Second World War, General Smith's service as Chief of Staff to General Eisenhower in the African and European theaters is well known. After the end of the war, General Smith served in a variety of high military and civilian posts -- their being (in chronological order) the United States Ambassador to Moscow, Commanding General of the United States First Army, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency and Under-Secretary of State in the early years of the Eisenhower Administration. General Smith resigned from active governmental service in 1954, but continued to serve from time to time on several governmental boards and committees. General Smith died in 1961.

Although the papers in this file cover the varied positions held by General Smith and listed on the title page of this inventory, it should be noted that their subject content is primarily of a personal and/or social nature. His official papers reflecting service as Ambassador to Moscow (1946-49), Director of the Central Intelligence Agency (1950-53), and Under Secretary of State (1953-54) will not be found in this file. However, some correspondence of military and/or historical significance is located in folders bearing the titles: Correspondence (of Military and/or Historical Significance) (1)(2), and pieces of correspondence of particular interest may be found scattered throughout the correspondence portion of this file.

This file consists of correspondence, memoranda, reports, telegrams, speeches, newsclippings, pamphlets, booklets, vouchers, General Smith's deposition used in the Benton-McCarthy Case, and drafts and proof pages of portions of General Smith's two books, My Three Years in Moscow and Eisenhower's Six Great Decisions.

This file is comprised of five segments: the first consists of speeches, addresses and remarks of General Smith arranged chronologically; the second of miscellaneous materials reflecting the various occupations held by the General; the third of correspondence arranged chronologically by year and within that, alphabetically by name of correspondent; the fourth of General Smith's 201 file; and the fifth of First Army memoranda arranged chronologically. Attached to the copy of this preliminary inventory located in room 211 is a list of museum items which came to the Library prior to the arrival of the archival materials described in this inventory. These museum items originally were placed in the second stack level mezzanine and were subsequently removed and placed in the museum storage.

In addition to the papers described in this preliminary inventory, there are additional papers of General Smith in Accession No. A67-22 Papers of General Walter Bedell Smith, 1941-1945.

CONTAINER LIST

Box No. Contents

[SPEECHES, ADDRESSES, AND REMARKS BY GEN. W.B. SMITH]

- 1 Script of General Smith made by Canadian Station (11 April 1946)
- Dinner given by Mr. C. C. Auchincloss – 18 April 1959 [Remarks deal with the Soviet Union]
- Command Conference – 18 April 1949 [re better utilization of military and civilian personnel by base commanders]
- Squadron A Dinner – 21 April 1949 [Includes remarks of General Smith for fourth episode of “Crusade in Europe” series]
- 77th Division Day Ceremonies - 18 May 1949 [includes 77th Division history and fact sheet]
- National Board of Fire Underwriters’ Dinner - 26 May 1949
- New York Chamber of Commerce - 2 June 1949
- Pennsylvania Military College - 7 June 1949
- Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce - 15 June 1949
- Conference of Governors - 20 June 1949
- Independence Day Ceremonies in Colonial Williamsburg - 4 July 1949
- University of Pennsylvania Summer School 14 July 1949
- Merchant Marine Academy - 16 July 1949
- Reserve Officers Association Speech - 26 September 1949
- Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences - 28 September 1949
- Iron Curtain Refugee Campaign - 25 October 1949
- Hofstra College - 4 December 1949

- 2 Carillon Dedication - 8 January 1950
- Transcript of "Newsmakers" Program by Mr. Townsend (8 January 1950)
- Address on Colgate University - 30 January 1950
- Naval War College - 25 September 1950
- Article from the "Catholic Digest" [Article: "Moscow's Catholic Church" - by Lieut. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith]
- General Smith's Old Financial File [cost of living of Chief of Mission in Moscow]
- General Smith's Army Orders
- General Smith - Awards and Decorations
- Miscellaneous Clubs - Gen. W.B. Smith
- General Smith's Licenses [hunting and international driver's licenses]
- W.B.S.: Leave, Pay, Allowances, Immunization Record - Passport
- General Smith Army Retirement - Medical Report
- General Smith's Book File - My Three Years in Moscow (1)(2) [Finances and correspondence connected with book, contracts, etc]
- List of Books Transferred to the NLE Book Collection & Miscellaneous Correspondence Concerning the Books
- Congratulations on My Three Years in Moscow (1)
- 3 Congratulations on My Three Years in Moscow (2)
- My Three Years in Moscow - Serialization [newsclippings from New York Times, 1949]
- General Smith's Book Reviews [reviews by General Smith, and reviews for his books]
- Fishing Article in Saturday Evening Post
- Appointment as DCI

- Congratulations on CIA Appointment (1)(2)
- Scrapbook Clippings DCI (1) [newsclippings, booklets, and photos re General Smith's service in the 1st Army and the CIA, also some miscellaneous clippings]
- 4 Scrapbook Clippings DCI (2)(3)
- American Heritage Foundation
- American Committee on United Europe (1)(2)
- 5 Congratulations on 4th Star Appointment
- Benton-McCarthy Case [Includes General Smith's deposition re Gen. Marshall and the State Department]
- Smith, Gen. Walter Bedell - Appointment as Under Secretary of State
- State, Department of
- Smith, Gen. Walter Bedell - Travel for Department of State [vouchers]
- Smith, Gen. Walter Bedell - Biographical Information
- Congratulations on State Appointment
- Smith, Gen. Walter Bedell - Letters on Resignation of Department of State
- Eisenhower's Six Great Decisions (1) [Contract with Longmans, Green & Co., drafts and proofs of portions of book, and correspondence]
- 6 Eisenhower's Six Great Decisions (2)
- National Security Training Commission [Includes materials re proposed armed forces reserves training program]
- Smith, Walter B. - National War College Board of Consultants, 1956-59
- National War College [Declassified Special on Strengths & Weaknesses of Communist Bloc, 1955]

Smith, Gen. Walter B. - Appointment as Consultant in Exec. Office of President, Special Projects [General Smith's service on the special task force on disarmament]

Smith, Walter B. – President's Citizen Advisers on the Mutual Security Program [1956-57]

Smith, Gen. W.B. - Appointment to ODM Special Stockpile Advisory Committee

Smith, Gen. Walter Bedell - Appointment on Advisory Council of President's Committee on Fund Raising

Smith, Gen. W.B. - Appointment to President's Committee on Disarmament

Marshall, George C., Foundation Advisory Committee

7 Chief of Staff's Personal Papers, 1942-44

Walter B. Smith Personal Papers, 1943-44 A-L

Walter B. Smith Personal Papers, 1943-44 M-Z

8 1944 Chief of Staff's Personal Correspondence (1)-(3)

1945 (January-June) Chief of Staff's Personal Correspondence (1)

9 1945 (January-June) Chief of Staff's Personal Correspondence (2)(3)

10 1945 (July-December) Chief of Staff's Personal Correspondence (1)-(3)

Chief of Staff's Personal Funds

1946 Miscellaneous (1) [primarily personal correspondence]

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Miscellaneous [Includes letter written by traveller in Russia in 1840 and a bibliography re W.B. Smith for approximate period 1946-54]

Correspondence (of Military and/or Historical Significance) (1) [Memo re paramilitary, guerilla and intelligence capabilities dated 1961; correspondence re Israel - 1957; Chester Bowles' views on S.E. Asia; history of JCS; NATO and Turkey; DDE letter re EDC and French; SHAEF and Belgian King; Korea; European recover]

Correspondence (Of Military and/or Historical Significance) (2) [Maj. Gen. John O'Daniel paper on cold war; USSR position at close of WWII; Soviet characterization of Western leaders]

- 27 W.B. Smith "201" File (July 7, 1942 - February 15, 1944) (1)
- W.B. Smith "201" File (September 15, 1942 - April 18, 1943) (2)(3)
- 1st Army Memoranda - 1949 (March - May) [Primarily invitations of a social nature]
- 28 1st Army Memoranda - 1949 (June-August)
- 1st Army Memoranda - 1949 (September-October)
- 1st Army Memoranda - 1949 (November-December)
- 1st Army Memoranda - 1950 (1)
- 1st Army Memoranda - 1950 (2)
- Items of Particular Interest to General Smith [Includes General Walter B. Smith Officer Career Summary, and letters of commendation for past services performed from such individuals as President (and General) Eisenhower, President Truman, Winston Churchill, Anthony Eden, John Foster Dulles and others of high governmental positions] (These items were removed from the large photo album located in Box 30)
- 29 One scrapbook and numerous loose pages of news clippings re General Walter B. Smith. There is an accompanying letter of donation of the scrapbook and clippings addressed to the American Machine and Foundry Company (Miss Margaret Giblin)

from Thomas J. Rosenberg, September 9, 1955.

One scrapbook containing obituaries for Walter Bedell Smith appearing in British newspapers (Scrapbook was gift of a Mr. E. Riley Casey)

- 30 Large Photo Album containing awards, citations, honorary degrees, diplomas, appointments to military ranks and civilian positions, messages (copies of) and certificates. (A list of the individual items is located in the front of the album)

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