George Horace Gallup

A Register of His Papers in the Library of Congress

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Collection Summary

Title: Papers of George Horace Gallup
Span Dates: 1936-1979
Bulk Dates: (bulk 1960-1979)
ID No.: MSS21865
Creator: Gallup, George Horace, 1901-1984
Extent: 100 items; 8 containers; 3.2 linear feet
Language: Collection material in English
Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.
Abstract: Statistician and author. Drafts and printed copies of Gallup's speeches, drafts of books, and Gallup Poll press releases.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Personal Names

Gallup, George Horace, 1901-1984.

Subjects

Public opinion polls--United States. Vietnam War, 1961-1975.

Locations

United States--Foreign relations--20th century. Vietnam--History--1945-1975.

Occupations

Authors. Statisticians.

Administrative Information

Provenance:

The papers of George Horace Gallup, statistician and author, were given to the Library of Congress by Gallup between 1964 and 1980. Additions were given by Rita Sappenfield between 1968 and 1969, and by Susan Thompson in 1979.

Processing History:

The papers of George Horace Gallup were arranged and described in 1979. The finding aid was revised in 2007.

Copyright Status:

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of George Horace Gallup is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Preferred Citation:

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, George Horace Gallup Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

| Date | Event |
|---------------|---|
| 1901, Nov. 18 | Born, Jefferson, Iowa |
| 1928 | Ph.D., University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa |
| 1929-1937 | Professor of journalism and advertising, Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., and Columbia University, New York, N.Y. |
| 1932-1947 | Director of research, Young & Rubicam Advertising Agency, New York, N.Y. |
| 1935-1984 | Founder and director, American Institute of Public Opinion |
| 1964 | Wrote The Miracle Ahead. New York: Harper and Row |
| 1984, July 25 | Died, Tschingel, Switzerland |

Scope and Content Note

The papers of George Horace Gallup (1901-1984) span the years 1936-1979, with the bulk of the material dating from 1960 to 1979. The collection consists of speeches by Gallup, drafts of his books, and Gallup Poll press releases from 1979. Final copies of the speeches are contained in bound volumes accompanied by loose drafts and notes. The book file consists of drafts of three unpublished works, on American foreign policy, the Vietnam War, and public opinion surveys, and one published work.

Arrangement of the Papers

Bound speeches are arranged chronologically and loose drafts alphabetically by title. The book file is arranged alphabetically by title.

Container List

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| BOX 1 | Bound |
| BOX 1 | 1936-1963 |
| | (2 vols.) |
| BOX 2 | 1964-1973 |
| | (7 vols.) |
| BOX 3 | 1974-1979 |
| | (6 vols.) |
| BOX 4 | Drafts and loose copies, 1961-1979, n.d. |
| BOX 4 | A-M |
| | (25 folders) |
| BOX 5 | N-W |
| | (24 folders) |
| BOX 6 | Untitled |
| вох б | Books |
| BOX 6 | "The Futility of War as an Instrument of United States Foreign Policy," 1970 |
| | (2 folders) |
| вох б | "How to End United States Participation in the Fighting in Vietnam," 1970 |
| | (3 folders) |
| BOX 7 | (1 folder) |
| box 7 | "The Intelligent Interpretation and Use of Public Opinion Surveys," 1966 |
| | (5 folders) |
| BOX 8 | (2 folders) |
| BOX 8 | The Miracle Ahead, 1964 |
| | (2 folders) |
| BOX 8 | Press releases, 1979 |
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