

Hugh Baillie papers, 1933-1959

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Baillie, Hugh
Title	Hugh Baillie papers
Dates	1933-1959 (inclusive) 1933 1959
Quantity	4.0 linear feet, (4 containers)
Collection Number	Ax 631
Summary	Hugh Baillie (1890-1966) worked at United Press first as a reporter, then general news manager, and then became president during 1935-1955 , and was also a published author. The collection contains manuscripts, including versions of his autobiographical work, <i>High Tensions</i> , correspondence, memoranda, news stories, publicity, published work and periodicals.
Repository	University of Oregon Libraries, Special Collections and University Archives. UO Libraries--SPC, 1299 University of Oregon Eugene OR 97403-1299 Telephone: 541-346-3068 Fax: 541-346-3485 spcarref@uoregon.edu
Access Restrictions	Collection is open to the public. Collection must be used in Special Collections & University Archives Reading Room.
Additional Reference Guides	Paper finding aid with additional information is available in Special Collections & University Archives.
Languages	English

Historical Note

Hugh Baillie (1890-1966) was a reporter, then general news manager, and finally, president of United Press (1935-1955). He was also an author of at least seven books. His book, *High Tensions*, is a recollection of his work at United Press.

Content Description

The collection contains manuscripts, including two versions of his autobiographical work, *High Tensions*, correspondence, memoranda, news stories, publicity, published work and periodicals.

This collection is organized by accession/addendum.

The initial donation of 1969 includes manuscripts, publicity and photographs, stories and articles, notebooks, and correspondence.

Manuscript material for *High Tension* includes a partial manuscript described as an "early version," unpublished materials concerning an interview with Neville Chamberlain (1939), an interview with Baille concerning the book, and correspondence.

Also included in this donation is a manuscript of *Two Battle Fronts* (1943).

There is a folder containing stories, dispatches and photographs regarding WWII and after, a notebook from the Sicilian Campaign (1943), and a notebook from the Korean War (1950).

A small section of correspondence (1936-1956) includes letters exchanged with Baille's wife, Earl Johnson (UP General News Manager, the Duke of Windsor, and Roy W. Howard of Scripps-Howard). There is also a section of correspondence and news articles submitted to Lord Beaverbrook regarding the marriage of Edward VIII to Wallace Simpson, a confidential memo, and letters received from Lord Beaverbrook.

The addendum of 1979 includes manuscripts, correspondence, memorandums, periodicals and books.

This addendum includes another manuscript of *High Tension* described as an "early draft before collaborator Martin Mayer worked with Baille." The manuscript is organized by episodes. Also included is a foreward, notes, pre-writings and revisions.

This addendum contains a much larger amount of correspondence than the previous. Outgoing correspondence (1933-1958) is organized by date and the bulk of the correspondence is from 1952-1958. Enclosures include a memo regarding a manuscript, a memo about Baille's father, and a manuscript correction.

Incoming correspondence is organized alphabetically by last name or title. There are many publishers represented including the Associated Press and notables such as Walter Cronkite.

There is a section of memoranda written by Baille during the time he was president of UP. These were used as resource material for *High Tension*. They are organized by date, 1936-1953. Many concern WWII.

Also included are five periodicals and a published copy of *High Tension*.

Accession 85.16x.M contains manuscripts, correspondence, notes and travel diaries, publications, and photographs.

There is also personal correspondence from 1935-1951, that includes letters (one each) from Presidents' Eisenhower and Truman.

There are two envelopes that contain notes taken in diary form regarding a trip around the Pacific Ocean during the 1940s, a trip with the Inter-American Press Association, and notes titled "diary of a war correspondent" (1936).

Miscellaneous material includes publications and photographs.

Use of the Collection

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Preferred Citation

[Identification of item], Hugh Baillie papers, Ax 631, Special Collections & University Archives, University of Oregon Libraries, Eugene, Oregon.

Administrative Information

Arrangement

Material within this collection has been organized by accession. This organization reflects the fact that the collection has been acquired in increments over time. This organization is also based on the decision not to merge the various accessions and organize them as a whole at this point in time, give the fact that future accruals are anticipated and/or that this organization is deemed sufficient for access.

Researchers should note that materials within a series or accession may overlap and/or relate to materials found in other accessions or initially processed materials. For example, correspondence may be found in all or only some groupings. In order to locate all relevant material within this collection, researchers may need to consult each accession.

Researchers should also note that similar materials can be arranged differently in each accession, depending on how the material is organized upon receipt or during initial processing. For instance, correspondence in one accession may be arranged alphabetically, while correspondence in another accession is arranged chronologically.

Processing Note

Collection processed by staff, 1969; 1979; 1985.

This finding aid may be updated periodically to account for new acquisitions to the collection and/or revisions in arrangement and description.

This collection received a basic level of processing including minimal to no organization and rehousing. Multiple accession(s) for the collection have not been merged or organized as a whole. Each accession is described separately.

Description information is drawn in part from information supplied with the collection and initial surveys of the contents.

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Reporters and reporting--United States
World War, 1939-1945

Corporate Names :

United Press International--Biography.

Form or Genre Terms :

Correspondence
Manuscripts for publication
Memorandums

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