

Commission on Freedom of the Press records, 1944-1948

Overview of the Collection

Collector	Inglis, Ruth A., 1912-
Title	Commission on Freedom of the Press records
Dates	1944-1948 (inclusive) 1944 1948
Quantity	3.78 cubic feet (10 boxes)
Collection Number	0078 (Accession No. 0078-001)
Summary	Records of a national commission that studied the freedom and accountability of the press.
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Access Restrictions	The papers are open to all users.
Languages	English
Sponsor	Funding for encoding this finding aid was partially provided through a grant awarded by the National Endowment for the Humanities

Historical Note

The Commission on Freedom of the Press studied the freedom and accountability of the press. It was formed in 1942 by Robert Maynard Hutchins, president and later chancellor of the University of Chicago, with the financial support of *Time Magazine* founder Henry Luce. Over its history, the commission produced several reports. It was sometimes known as the (Robert) Hutchins Commission. Ruth A. Inglis was on the staff of the commission as research assistant and later was a member of the commission.

Content Description

Contains reports, transcripts, testimony, and other documents relating to the activities of the commission, and correspondence relating to the work of the commission staff and the publication of the Ruth A. Inglis's book, *Freedom of the Movies*, 1947. Correspondents include Robert D. Leigh.

Use of the Collection

Restrictions on Use

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Administrative Information

Arrangement

Arranged by type of document.

Acquisition Information

Gift of Ruth A. Inglis, January 1960.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Biographical data on members of the commission , undated

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Incoming correspondence to Ruth A. Inglis

Container(s)	Description	Dates
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1/2	Chaffee, Zechariah, Jr. 2 items	1946
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1/3-4	Chicago, University of, Press 39 items	1946-1947
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1/5	Dickinson, John 1 item	1946
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1/6	Hocking, William Ernest	1946

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	3 items	
1/7	Hutchins, Robert M. 2 items	1946
1/8-16	Leigh, Robert D. 90 items	1944-1947
1/17	Merriam, Charles E. 2 items	1946
1/18	Miller, Marion 2 items	1946
1/19	Redfield, Robert 1 item	1946
1/20	Stewart, Milton 4 items	1944-1945
1/21	White, Alice H. 1 item	1946

Outgoing correspondence from Ruth A. Inglis, 1944-1948

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122 items

Interoffice correspondence , 1944-1947

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18 items

Agenda, assignments, and schedules , undated

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Clippings , undated

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Ephemera, undated

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Minutes, undated

Box-folder1/40-41

Miscellany , undated

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News releases, undated

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Notes , undated

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Organization , undated

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Photographs , undated

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Reports, miscellaneous , undated

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Index to Commission on Freedom of the Press reports and other documents , undated

Box2/1

Reports and other documents, undated

Box-folder2/2-8/15, 10/1-2

Drafts

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
9/1	"Self Regulation of the Movies"	undated
9/2	"Freedom of the Movies"	undated

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Freedom of the press--United States
Freedom of the press--United States--Societies, etc
Journalism--United States
Journalistic ethics--United States
Motion pictures--Censorship--United States
Motion pictures--Moral and ethical aspects--United States

Personal Names :

Inglis, Ruth A., 1912- --Archives
Leigh, Robert D. (Robert Devore), b. 1890

Corporate Names :

Commission on Freedom of the Press--Archives
University of Chicago. Press

Geographical Names :

United States--Politics and government

Form or Genre Terms :

Clippings (Books, newspapers, etc.)
correspondence
minutes
Photographs
reports
testimonies
transcripts

Other Creators :

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Personal Papers/Corporate Records (University of Washington)

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