

Guide to the Alfred Whitney Griswold Personal Papers

MS 255



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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 255

CREATOR: Griswold, Alfred Whitney, 1906-1963

TITLE: Alfred Whitney Griswold personal papers

DATES: 1914-1990

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 28.5 linear feet

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The papers consist of student material from Hotchkiss and Yale College, including clippings of Griswold's column in the Yale Daily News and other publications; copies of articles and books; notes from courses at Yale Graduate School; lecture notes on political science and history; and student papers. Also included is correspondence of Alfred Whitney Griswold with family and friends, letters of congratulation on being elected president of Yale, and letters of condolences to Mrs. Griswold. Honorary degree hoods, memorabilia, calendars and date books, clippings and editorials upon his death, and a catalogue of the books in his library are also among the papers.

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b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Mrs. A. Whitney Griswold, 1964, 1991, and 1996.

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

Alfred Whitney Griswold was born in Morristown, New Jersey on October 27, 1906. He received a B.A. degree from Yale in 1929 and a Ph.D. in 1933. Griswold held various academic positions in history and government and international relations at Yale from 1933-1950. In 1950 he became president of Yale, an office he held until his death on April 19, 1963.

Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

Arranged in two series and three additions: I. Correspondence. II. Writings and other papers.

Collection Contents

Series I: Correspondence

General

b. 1, f. 1-14	1914-1938	1914-1938
b. 2, f. 15-24	1939-1943	1939-1943
b. 3, f. 25-33	1944-1949	1944-1949
b. 4, f. 34-43	1950-1956 November	1950-1956 November
b. 5, f. 44-55	1956 December-1961 February 23	1956 December-1961 February 23
b. 6, f. 56-68	1961 February 24-1963 Jul, undated	1961 February 24-1963 Jul, undated

Congratulations

b. 7, f. 69-81	A - H	
b. 8, f. 82-94	H - S	
b. 9, f. 95-99	S - Z	

Condolences

b. 9, f. 100-108	A - F	
b. 10, f. 109-120	F - R	
b. 11, f. 121-127	R - Z	

Series II: Writings and other papers

b. 12	Trip files	1950-1963
b. 12	Calendars	1950-1963
b. 12	Account books	1943-1947
b. 12	Engagement books	1939-1943; 1951
b. 13	Army Specialized Training Courses: World War II	
b. 15, 14	Catalog cards: personal library	
b. 16	Manuscripts and essays Speeches	1932-1936
b. 18-19, 17	<i>Farming and Democracy</i>	
b. 20	Notes: History 36, Government 37, Int. Relations 103 and 1166	
b. 21	Notes: Government 37, Int. Relations 103 and 1166	
b. 22	Notes: History 36, American Studies	
b. 23	Notes: History 20a and 36b, American Studies 151	
	Student papers	
b. 24	<i>Yale Record</i>	1928-1929
b. 24	<i>Hotchkiss Literary Magazine</i> English	1922-1924
b. 24	English literature papers.	1925-1933
	<i>American Gospel of Success</i> : typed manuscript	
b. 25	Periodicals	
b. 25	Magazines	
b. 25	Manuscripts	
b. 26	Published material	
b. 27-28	<i>The Far Eastern Policy of the United States</i>	
b. 29	Photographs	
b. 30	<i>An American History</i> : annotated copy	
b. 31, 35, 32-34	Memorabilia	
b. 36	Miscellanea	
b. 37	Diaries	1950-1962
b. 37	Ph.D. manuscript	
b. 37	Writings	

b. 38 Oversize

b. 38 Diploma, University of Pennsylvania

Accession 1991-M-089: Additional material, 1927-1956, undated*.75 linear feet (2 boxes)*

Addition inventory by Carol King 1991 Jun

Received from: Mary M. Griswold, 1991 Apr 26

Correspondence

b. 1, f. 1-6	Griswold, A. Whitney to Mary Morgan Brooks	1927-1930, undated
b. 1, f. 7-10	Brooks, Mary Morgan to A. Whitney Griswold	1928-1931, undated
b. 2, f. 11-13	Griswold, Mary Morgan (Brooks) to A. Whitney Griswold	1931-1947
b. 2, f. 14	Griswold, A. Whitney to Mary Morgan (Brooks) Griswold	1952
b. 2, f. 15	Griswold, Alfred Whitney to A. Whitney and Mary Griswold	1956
b. 2, f. 16	Correspondence from others to A. Whitney Griswold and Mary Morgan (Brooks) Griswold	1928-1940, undated
b. 2, f. 17	Griswold, A. Whitney to Harold Ely and Elsie (Whitney) Griswold (parents)	1938-1940, undated
b. 2, f. 18	Griswold, Elsie (Whitney) to A. Whitney Griswold	1935-1941, undated
b. 2, f. 19	Griswold, Harold Ely to A. Whitney Griswold	1935-1949, undated
b. 2, f. 20	Whitney, Alfred R. to A. Whitney Griswold	1941-1942
b. 2, f. 21	Whitney, H. Leroy to A. Whitney Griswold	1951
b. 2, f. 22	Griswold, Elsie (Whitney) to Mary Morgan (Brooks) Griswold	1941, undated
b. 2, f. 23	Clippings	1940, undated

Accession 1991-M-090: Additional material, 1940-1964, undated

1.5 linear feet (4 boxes)

Addition inventory by Carol King 1991 Jun

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Correspondence		
b. 1, f. 1	Griswold, A. Whitney	1940, 1948-1963
b. 1, f. 2	Griswold, Mary (Brooks)	1950-1951, 1959-1963
<i>Alfred Whitney Griswold - In Memoriam</i>		
b. 1, f. 3-7	Thank you notes	1964-1965, undated
b. 1, f. 8	Correspondence, preparations of volume	1963-1964,
b. 1, f. 9	Articles about A. Whitney Griswold	1951-1961, undated
b. 1, f. 10	Awards	1954, 1959, 1963
b. 1, f. 11	Book reviews	1959
b. 1, f. 12	Business cards	undated
b. 1, f. 13	<i>Business Week</i> article with accompanying photographs	1954 May
b. 1, f. 14	Funeral arrangements	1963
b. 1, f. 15	Griswold, A. Whitney: forty-seventh birthday party at the W. Johnstons	1953 October 29
b. 1, f. 16	Hillhouse Avenue, interior decor of: photographs	1950-1963
History 36, "Political Philosophy in the United States"		
b. 2, f. 17	Assignments	1948 September-1949 January
b. 2, f. 18	Introduction	undated
b. 2, f. 19	<i>House and Garden</i> photo spread with text of summer home at Martha's Vineyard A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at beinecke.library@yale.edu to request access to the digital copy.	1959 August
b. 2, f. 20	Lohmann, Carl A.: lines in honor of 25 years as Secretary of Yale	1951 February
b. 2, f. 21	Loose notes	1950, 1954
b. 2, f. 22	Newspaper clippings	1944, 1950-1963, undated
b. 2, f. 23	Photographs	1950-1963

b. 2, f. 24	Printed material	1950-1955, 1961, 1963
b. 2, f. 25	Programs and invitations	1950-1964
b. 2, f. 26	Speeches	1950, 1957-1962, undated
b. 2, f. 27	Travel notes	[1950-1953?]
b. 2, f. 28	Watkins, Franklin: copies of portrait of A. Whitney Griswold	1946, 1960
b. 2, f. 29	"Women's Affairs," guest program sponsored by the German Foreign Office English	1958 April 15
b. 2, f. 30	Writings by A. Whitney Griswold	1943, 1954, 1960
b. 2, f. 31	Yale University Corporation entertaining: guest list	1953-1964
b. 2, f. 32	Yale University Presidency, announcement of: clippings, photographs	1949, 1950
	Writings	
b. 3, f. 32	Ph.D. thesis: carbon	1933
b. 3, f. 32	Thesis copyright	1963
b. 3, f. 32	<i>The Far Eastern Policy of the United States</i>	1938
b. 3, f. 32	<i>Farming and Democracy</i> English	1948
b. 3, f. 32	<i>Essays on Education</i> English	1954
b. 3, f. 32	<i>In the University Tradition</i> English	1957
b. 3, f. 32	<i>Liberal Education and the Democratic Ideal</i> English	1959
	Scrapbooks	
b. 4, f. 32	<i>Farming and Democracy</i> : correspondence, reviews English	1948
b. 4, f. 32	<i>Farming and Democracy</i> : satirical version, compiler unknown English	[1948]
b. 4, f. 32	Obituaries and memoria (duplicate of scrapbook in box 26 of 1964 material)	1963

Accession 1996-M-105: Additional material, 1990

b. 1, f. 1-3

Autobiography of Mary Brooks Griswold [typescript of chapters 3, 4, and 5]

1990

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.

Subjects

College presidents
Historians
History -- Study and teaching

Names

Griswold, Alfred Whitney, 1906-1963

Corporate Bodies

Yale University -- Officials and employees
Yale University -- Presidents