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b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Albert Snoke Papers (Papers of the Executive Director, Yale-New Haven Hospital) Received from Albert Snoke, 7/20/1978; transferred from the Yale University Medical Library, 1979.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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## Scope and Contents

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Any of the files may contain correspondence, minutes of meetings, memoranda, reports, program outlines, and notes. In some places it appears that Snoke has also added materials from his personal files. (Materials dated after ca. 1967 could not have been created by Snoke as the hospital's executive director.) Snoke has apparently made a very careful selection from the files that were stored at the hospital and has included here only those files which will document what he considered to be the important issues or developments in health care during his tenure. Snoke has arranged these selected files according to a topical scheme. The files are now grouped under seven general headings: Hospital Activities and History; Hospital Departments; Yale University, which I understand as meaning the relationship between the hospital and the University; City of New Haven, which concerns the hospital's relationship to city government; State of Connecticut, which includes materials on coordinating the development of health care facilities statewide and dealings with the state government; National, which deals with some issues involving the federal government but also covers national medical organizations; and Miscellaneous. Material on any particular subject can be found under more than one heading.

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## Arrangement

The materials are arranged by accession.

## Collection Contents

### Original accession

	Hospital Activities and History	
	Chaplaincy	1953-1958
b. 1	"Churches and Chaplaincy" English	
b. 1	"Churches, New Haven Council of" English	
b. 1	Clinical Research Centers	1961-1966
b. 1	D. Spencer Berger Addresses	1961-1966
b. 1	Family Planning (Birth Control)	1965-1967
b. 1	Grace-New Haven School of Nursing	1957-1967
b. 1	Hospital Financing, Cost and Reimbursement: "Hospital Finances and Operation,"	1940, 1951-1961, 1967
b. 1	Hospital Planning [original folder missing]	1949-1967
b. 1	Hospital Property Purchase: "Purchase of Hospital Property,"	1957
b. 1	Malpractice Insurance: "Insurance, Malpractice,"	1955, 1959-1965
b. 1	Memorial Unit Chapel: "Chapel,"	1952-1956
b. 1	New Haven Area Hospital Planning Includes Yale New Haven Medical Center long-range plan (1960) and Stage I program requirements (1962) prepared by E. Todd Wheeler and Perkins and Will, architects and engineers.	1960-1964
b. 1	Paint and Clay Club: "New Haven Paint & Clay Club,"	1956-1959
b. 1	Parking	1960-1966
b. 1	Poison Center: "Conn. Dept. of Health Information Center,"	1956-1958
b. 1	Prepared Childbirth: "Yale School of Nursing Prepared Childbirth,"	1962-1966
b. 1	Redevelopment	1960-1963
b. 1	Regional Laundry	1965-1967
b. 1	Rooming-in	1952-1955
b. 1	Teenaged Unwed Mothers: "Teenage Unwed Parents Program,"	1966-1967
b. 1	Therapeutic Abortion: "Obs.-Gyn. Therapeutic Abortions,"	1964-1967
	Union	1947-1964

## Hospital Activities and History &gt; Union (continued)

b. 1	"Labor Unions" English	
b. 1	"Union 1947 (Maintenance Department)" English	
b. 1	United Way: "United Fund of Greater New Haven,"	1954-1959
b. 1	University of Connecticut School of Nursing	1954-1967
b. 1	Visiting Nursing Association-Home Health Care: "V.N.A. Home Health Care Program,"	1955-1959, 1966
b. 1	Wiggin & Dana	1962, 1965
	Medical Staff -- Organization, Relationships and Bylaws	1959-1966
b. 1	Staff selection	1961-1965
b. 1	Administrative Organization -- Yale-New Haven Hospital	1955-1966
b. 1A	"Yale-New Haven Medical Center" English A preliminary report providing the architectural program and preliminary design for expansion of the Yale-New Haven Medical Center over several decades.	1961-1962
	Yale-New Haven Hospital History	
b. 2	Ancient history: "Development Committee Correspondence re: Campaign for Funds," This material was created prior to Snoke, perhaps by James A. Hamilton.	1930-1940
b. 2	Past history: "Reports on Hospital Surveys of N.H. Hosp.," Most of this material was created prior to Snoke. It includes some early leaflets which are quite interesting.	1905-1967
b. 2	The General Hospital Society of Connecticut Includes copy of the charter and by-laws.	1904-1945
b. 2	Merger of the New Haven Hospital and the Grace Hospital (2 folders)  Folder 1: "Grace-New Haven Community Hosp. Memo of Agreement" Note by Snoke says that this material was collected by Dr. Bishop for writing his history.	1945, 1946-1952
	Folder 2: "Grace-New Haven Community Hospital - First Meetings to Consolidate"	
	Hospital Departments	
	Ambulatory Services	1961-1967

## Hospital Departments &gt; Ambulatory Services (continued)

b. 2	<p>"Dr. E. Richard Weinerman" Concerns search for chief, 1961 English Folder contains handwritten synopsis.</p> <p>See also: <a href="#">Misc.</a></p>	
b. 2	Anesthesia: "Anesthesia, N.M. Greene, M.D.,"	1955-1967
b. 2	Cardio-vascular Surgery	1960-1963
	Clinical Laboratories	1952-1965
b. 2	<p>"Laboratories, David Seligson, M.D." English</p>	
b. 2	<p>"Laboratories, School of Medical Technology" English</p>	
b. 2	Dentistry: "Chief of Dental Services Herbert R. Sleeper, D.D.S.,"	1958-1967
b. 2	Dermatology	1955-1962
b. 2	Inhalation Therapy	[1955], 1954-1962, 1967
b. 2	Opthamology: "Chief of Opthamology - Dr. M.L. Sears,"	1961-1967
b. 2	Pathology	1951-1965
b. 2	Podiatry: "Medical Staff Podiatrists,"	1958-1965
b. 2	Psychiatry-Tompkins I: "Tompkins-I" inpatient psychiatric unit	1957-1967
b. 2	Radio-Isotopes	1962
b. 2	Radiology: "Radiology (Dr. Klingman),"	1955-1959
b. 2	Radio-Therapy: "Radiotherapy Patient Service,"	1963-1966
b. 2	Rehabilitation and Physical Medicine: "Rehab. Med. & Cont. Care - Harold N. Willard, M.D., Dir.,"	1965-1967
	Physical Medicine (no folder; combined with Rehabilitation) See: <a href="#">Rehabilitation and Physical Medicine</a>	
b. 2	Social Service	1960-1965
Yale University		
b. 3	Epidemiology and Public Health, Hospital Administration	1946-1967
b. 3	<p>"Emergency Care," English</p>	1961, 1966-1967
b. 3	Fund Raising - Medical Center: "Fund-Raising, Federated Program,"	1964-1967
	Yale-Hospital Relations	
b. 3	1826-1940	1826-1940

## Yale University &gt; Yale-Hospital Relations (continued)

b. 3	1946-1952	1946-1952
b. 3	1952 - 1967	1952 - 1967
b. 3	Yale-Hospital Contract Relations	
b. 3	Yale-Hospital Financial Relations	1940-1945
b. 3	"Treasurer's Office" English	
b. 3	"Grace Consolidation with N.H. Hospital 1944 joint Comm. Yale Univ. - New Haven Hosp." English	
b. 3	Yale-Hospital Financial Relations: "Medical School Financial Grant from Yale,"	1953-1963
b. 3	Yale-Hospital Financial Relations, donated services	1951-1953
b. 3	"Medical School Donated Services" English	
b. 3	Reimbursement for Third-Party and Donated Services--Yale	
b. 3	Yale-New Haven Medical Center and the Joint Administrative Committee	1962-1966
b. 3	Yale University School of Nursing	1956, 1967, 1977
City of New Haven		
b. 3	Correspondence between the city and the hospital: "City of New Haven, Negotiations with the City,"	1952-1959
b. 3	Correspondence between the city and the hospital: "City of New Haven Welfare Department,"	1960-1966
b. 3	Department of Health	1962-1964
b. 3	Isolation Pavilion: "New Haven, City of, Isolation Pavilion, Negotiations with the City,"	1928, 1947-1961
b. 3	Mayor Lee: "Mayor Richard C. Lee,"	1962-1965
b. 3	Reimbursement correspondence: "City of New Haven Out-Patient Reimbursement,"	1949 - (1955-1961)
State of Connecticut		
b. 4	Connecticut Blue Cross: "Blue Cross (Conn. Blue Cross Rel. to Blue Cross Commiss.),"	1950-1960
b. 4	Connecticut Hospital Planning: "Regional Hospital Planning,"	1959-1966
b. 4	Connecticut Mental Retardation: "State of Connecticut Mental Retardation Program,"	1957-1959
b. 4	Connecticut State Health Policy	1972-1975
b. 4	Connecticut State Medical Society	1959-1965



## State of Connecticut (continued)

b. 4	Connecticut State Reimbursement: "Conn. State of - Out-Patient State Reimbursement,"	1951-1967
b. 4	Health Care Centers	1967
b. 4	Health Planning and Organization - New Haven Health Care, Inc.	1975-1976
b. 4	Hill-Burton in Connecticut: "Special Priority for Hill-Harris Grant,"	1963-1967
b. 4	Hospitals--Ambulances--Department of Mental Health: "Ambulance Payment,"	1958
b. 4	Hospital Cost Commission	1952 - (1960-1967)
b. 4	Institute of Health--specific efforts in Connecticut Empty folder, see Snoke's handwritten note attached to this list.	
b. 4	Long Term Care Facilities: "Convalescent Hospitals,"	1962-1964
b. 4	Regional Connecticut Mental Health Center (two folders)	1952, 1960-1962
b. 4	Folder 1: "Conn. State of - Governor's Report on Mental Health,"	1952-1953
b. 4	Folder 2: "Connecticut Mental Health Advisory Board,"	1959-1967
b. 4	Regionalization and previous history	1975-1976
b. 4	Reorganization Connecticut State Governmental Structure: "Personnel Health Center," Empty folder, see Snoke's handwritten note attached.	1930-1977
b. 4	Rheumatic Heart Disease Program	1949, 1951, 1959-1960
b. 4	"Conn. State Dept. of Health - Rheumatic Fever Training" English Snoke wrote on the original folder: "Throw away - or keep as a record of frustration of dealing between state health depts. & a vol. hosp. 1959 & 1960"	
b. 4	University of Connecticut Medical School: "Hartford Medical School,"	1960-1962
National		
b. 5	Connecticut Regional Medical Program (2 folders)	1965-1967, 1974
b. 5	Health Care Delivery--A Blueprint for Change (article by Snoke, handwritten note on folder "State Admin. & Organization for Health and SS Monograph Correspondence,"	1974
b. 5	Kerr-Mills	1963-1964
b. 5	Mandatory Serology	1964
b. 5	Organization of State Governments - Human or Health Services (AHS and the Council of State Governments): "AHS - State Project,"	1975

## National (continued)

b. 5	Statewide Voluntary Health Organizations	1974, 1976
b. 5	Straight Internship Battle: "AMA Straight Internship Battle,"	1957
Miscellaeous		
Personalities		
b. 5	Bernard Brody Original folder marked "Confidential." Brody, a hospital neurosurgeon, now deceased, was under the care of a psychiatrist.	1951-1966
b. 5	E. Richard Weinerman Original folder marked "Confidential." Concerned with the references for ERW before hiring by Yale. There were accusations about his politics.  See also: Snoke memo 1977 Apr 12 in Snoke donor file.	1961
Private Physicians' Offices in the Medical Center		
b. 5	Memorial Unit: "Doctors' Offices,"	1961-1967
b. 5	Medical Center Planning: "Hospital Planning,"	1949, 1959-1961
Professional Fees		
b. 5	Resident Staff Professional Fees: "Surgery - Dental Surgery,"	1949-1965
b. 5	CMS and payment for ambulatory radiology services: "Conn. Med. Service, Inc. Radiology Coverage,"	1953, 1959-1964

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b. 1	Fund-raising, Yale University (Office of Program Development)	1957-1967
b. 1	University of Connecticut Medical School	1949
b. 1	University of Connecticut Nursing School	1967
b. 1	School of Nursing, Yale University	1953
b. 1	Ambulatory services	1965
b. 1	Reimbursement, New Haven	Circa 1960
b. 1	Yale-New Haven merger	1944-1945
b. 1	Reimbursement, Connecticut	1959
b. 1	Hospital financing	1961-1966
b. 1	Hospital planning	1948-1966
b. 1	Yale-Hospital relations	1961-1964
b. 1	Ambulances	1950
b. 1	Radiotherapy	1959-1965
b. 1	Chaplaincy	1976
b. 1	Resident staff professional fee	1961-1962
b. 1	Social science	1961-1963
b. 1	Dentistry	1956-1958
b. 1	Pathology	1960-1962
b. 1	Anesthesiology	1960
b. 1	Laboratories	1963-1964
b. 1	City of New Haven	1964
b. 1	Neighborhood Health Centers	1966
b. 1	Connecticut hospital planning	1965
b. 1	Joint administrative committee	1965-1966
b. 1	Printed material	1941-1978, undated

**Accession 1980-M-003: Additional material***.75 linear feet (2 boxes)*

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## Correspondence

## Yale Hospital

b. 1, f. 1	Medical records	1960
b. 1, f. 2	Pediatrics	1960-1966
b. 1, f. 3	Professional relations	undated
b. 1, f. 4	Residential staff	1956-1960
b. 1, f. 5	Service classifications	1960-1961
b. 1, f. 6	Yale Hospital and Medical School, financial relations	1959-1963
b. 1, f. 7	Yale Medical School, philosophy	1965
b. 1, f. 8	Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation	1960-1964
Oral History notes; Snoke, A.W.		
b. 1, f. 9	Consultations, reports and records, list	1979 May 29
b. 1, f. 10	Notes summarizing contents of Yale Hospital files, K-typescripts	1978-1979
b. 1, f. 11	Notes summarizing contents of Yale Hospital files: personalities, private physician's offices, professional fees, typescripts	1978-1979
b. 1, f. 12	Commentary on hospital departments, typescripts	1978-1979
b. 1, f. 13	Commentary on hospital activities, typescripts	1978-1979
b. 2, f. 14	Hospital-physician relationships, list and summaries	
b. 2, f. 14	Health planning and organization - New Haven Health Care, Inc.	1975-1976
b. 2, f. 14	Institute of Health-specific effort in Connecticut and past history	1975-1978
b. 2, f. 14	Regionalization	
b. 2, f. 14	Health Care Delivery- A Blueprint for changes	1974, 1978-1979
b. 2, f. 15-17	Public Health Program, alumni address cards	undated

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## 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

Birth control  
Family policy  
Hospitals -- Administration  
Hospitals -- Connecticut -- New Haven  
Interns (Medicine)  
Malpractice  
Medicine  
Public health  
Voluntary health agencies

### Geographic Names

Connecticut -- Politics and government

### Preferred Titles

*Contemporary Medical Care and Health Policy  
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### Names

Snoke, Albert W. (Albert Waldo), 1907-

### Corporate Bodies

Yale-New Haven Hospital  
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Yale University -- Officials and employees