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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
Creator:	Smutný, Jaromír, 1892-1964
Creator:	Beneš, Edvard, 1884-1948
Title:	Jaromir Smutny Papers
ID:	4078116
ID:	BAR Ms Coll/Smutný
Date [inclusive]:	1918-1964
Physical Description:	8100 items 31 boxes
Language of the Material:	Czech .

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Biographical sketch

Jaromir Smutny was born on 23 June 1892 in Bovorov, in Hapsburg Bohemia. In independent interwar Czechoslovakia, he was minister to Poland. After Edvard Benes became president of Czechoslovakia, Smutny became the head of his chancellery. He accompanied Benes into exile after the 1938 Munich crisis, stayed with him through the war (in England), and returned with him to Czechoslovakia in 1945. In 1948, following the communist coup in Czechoslovakia, Smutny returned to England. There he was chairman of the Edvard Benes Institute. He died on 16 July 1964. Among his writings were *Nemci v Ceskoslovensku a jich odsun z republiky* (London, 1956), and *Unorovy prevrat* (London, 1948).

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Scope and content

The cataloged correspondence consists of two brief letters from Beneš to František Kupka. The great majority of the collection is made up of Smutny's manuscripts, notes, and subject files on these topics: Edvard Beneš, the 1938 Munich crisis, World War II, the expulsion

of the Sudeten Germans from Czechoslovakia after World War II, the communist coup in Czechoslovakia in February 1948, and Jan Masaryk, the last non-communist foreign minister of Czechoslovakia, who died under mysterious circumstances at the time of the coup. Among the printed materials are publications of the Edvard Beneš Institute, including Smutn'y's works and Beneš's "Mnichovské dny.". Series II (4 boxes) also available on microfilm.

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Papers: Source of acquisition--Jaroslava Smutný (Mrs. Jaromír). Method of acquisition--Deposit; Date of acquisition--1971.

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Series II -- Gift of the Smutny family, 1995

Processing Information

Papers Accessioned 1971.

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Papers Processed 10/--/81.

Conditions Governing Access

This collection is on-site.

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Existence and Location of Copies

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Controlled Access Headings

- World War, 1939-1945 -- Czechoslovakia
- Czechoslovakia -- Politics and government -- 20th century
- Europe, Eastern
- Letters (correspondence)
- Photographic prints
- Masaryk, Jan, 1886-1948
- Kupka, František, 1871-1957
- Beneš, Edvard, 1884-1948

Other Finding Aids

Collection inventory is available as [a PDF file](#). Collection can be requested through [CLIO](#).

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