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Summary Information

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Biographical / Historical

F.J.E. Woodbridge Professor of Philosophy at Columbia University. A.B. 1918, A.M. 1919, Ph.D. 1923.

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Summary

Correspondence, manuscripts, notes, documents, course materials, organization files, photographs, and printed materials of John Herman Randall, Jr. Included among the cataloged correspondence are lengthy philosophical exchanges between Randall and Harry Elmer Barnes, Wendell T. Bush, John J. Coss, John Dewey, Irwin Edman, William Ernest Hocking, Corliss

Lamont, Sterling P. Lamprecht, Arthur O. Lovejoy, Reinhold Niebuhr, Herbert W. Schneider, and Frederick J.E. Woodbridge, and in the uncataloged series, Horace Friess, James Gutmann, and Paul O. Kristeller. A separate series contains family correspondence consisting primarily of letters from Randall to his wife, Mercedes Irene Moritz Randall, during their courtship and early marriage. Randall's manuscripts include drafts of many of his articles and essays (a number of which became chapters in several of his books) as well as typescripts, proofs and related materials for many of his books, notably THE CAREER OF PHILOSOPHY, VOLUMES I-III, ARISTOTLE, THE MAKING OF THE MODERN MIND, NATURE AND HISTORICAL EXPERIENCE, PLATO, and THE ROLE OF KNOWLEDGE IN WESTERN RELIGION.

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Also, files relating to several of the organizations to which Randall belonged, including the American Philosophical Association, the Renaissance Society of America, and the Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy. Printed copies of many of Randall's writings have been kept with the collection. At the end of the collection are several boxes of material relating to Mercedes Moritz Randall, and particularly to her work with the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, and to her book, IMPROPER BOSTONIAN, a biography of Emily Greene Balch.

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Arrangement

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- Philosophy -- Societies, etc
- Philosophy -- Study and teaching
- Philosophy -- United States -- Societies, etc
- Philosophy, Ancient
- Peace -- Societies, etc
- Women -- Societies and clubs
- Civil rights -- Societies, etc
- Philosophers
- College teachers
- Barnes, Harry Elmer, 1889-1968
- Bush, Wendell T., 1866-1941
- Coss, John J. (John Jacob), 1884-1940
- Dewey, John, 1859-1952
- Edman, Irwin, 1896-1954
- Hocking, William Ernest, 1873-1966
- Lamont, Corliss, 1902-1995
- Lamprecht, Sterling P (Sterling Power), 1890-1973
- Lovejoy, Arthur O. (Arthur Oncken), 1873-1962
- Niebuhr, Reinhold, 1892-1971
- Schneider, Herbert W (Herbert Wallace), 1892-1984
- Woodbridge, Frederick James Eugene, 1867-1940
- Friess, Horace L (Horace Leland), 1900-1975
- Gutman, James
- Kristeller, Paul Oskar, 1905-1999
- Randall, Mercedes M. (Mercedes Moritz), 1895-1977
- Plato
- Aristotle
- Columbia University -- Faculty
- American Philosophical Association
- Renaissance Society of America
- Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy (U.S.)
- Women's International League for Peace and Freedom

Collection Inventory

Series I: Catalogued Correspondence

| Title/Description | Instances |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Alinsky, Saul D. | box 1 |
| Barnes, Harry Elmer | |

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| | box 1 |
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| Barzun, Jacques | box 1 |
| Brunschvicg, Leon | box 1 |
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| Cowley, Malcolm | box 1 |
| Curti, Merle | box 1 |
| Dewey, Jane | box 1 |
| Dewey, John | box 1 |
| Edman, Irwin | box 2 |
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| Gildersleeve, Virginia C. | box 2 |
| Hadas, Moses | box 2 |
| Hand, Learned | box 2 |
| Haydn, Hiram | box 2 |
| Hocking, William Ernest | box 2 |
| Hofstadter, Richard | box 2 |
| Huxley, Julian S. | box 2 |
| Johnson, Alvin | box 2 |
| Kallen, Horace M. | box 2 |
| Keppel, Frederick Paul | box 2 |
| Knopf, Alfred A. | box 2 |
| Knox, Raymond C. | box 2 |
| Lamont, Corliss | box 2 |
| Lamont, Florence | box 2 |
| Lamprecht, Sterling P. | box 2 |
| Lang, Paul H. | box 2 |
| Lee, Algernon | box 2 |

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| Lovejoy, Arthur O. | box 2 |
| Lynd, Robert Staughton | box 2 |
| Mannheim, Karl | box 2 |
| Marcuse, Herbert | box 2 |
| Maritain, Jacques | box 2 |
| Menninger, Karl | box 2 |
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| Schneider, Herbert W. | box 2 |
| Shotwell, James T. | box 2 |
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| James Gutmann | box 4 |
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| 1950-1962 | box 5 |
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| Family: | |
| Moritz, Dr. and Mrs. Albert and Elsie -to/from, 1921-1922 | box 7 |
| Randall,-Dr. and Mrs. John H., Sr. and Minerva Ballard -to/from, 1916-1922 1923-1934, 1916-1922, 1923-1934 | box 7 |
| Randall, John H. Jr to Mercedes I. Moritz Randall, 1921-192? | box 7 |
| Randall, John-H. Jr. to Mercedes I. Moritz Randall, 1923-1946 1922-1938 (cards), 1923-1946, 1922-1938 | box 8 |
| Randall, John H. Jr. and Mercedes to, on engagement and marriage, 1922 | box 8 |
| Randall, John H. III and Francis | box 8 |
| Randall, Mercedes I. Moritz to John H. Randall Jr. | box 8 |
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| Are Religious Dogmas Cognitive and Meaningful? | box 10 |
| Aristotle: | |
| t.ms. (original) | box 10 |
| t.ms. (carbon) | box 10 |
| revisions, Front matter and miscellaneous typescripts | box 10 |
| related material | box 10 |
| reviews | box 10 |
| The Art of Language and the Linguistic Situation. . . (Matchette Lecture, Wesley) | box 10 |
| Arthur Lovejoy and the History of Ideas | box 11 |
| Autobiography, 1960 | box 11 |
| The Career of Philosophy: | |
| Volume I. t.ms. (Books 1-3, copy 1) | box 11 |
| Volume I. t.ms. (Books 1-3, copy 2) | box 11 |
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| Cassirer's Theory of History (1949) | box 16 |
| Churches and the Liberal Tradition (1948) | box 16 |
| College Essays-English and German (with several notes by Carl Van Doren) | box 16 |
| College Essays-Philosophy | box 17 |
| The Cultural Functions of Philosophy (Matchette Lecture) | box 17 |
| Dean Woodbridge (1940) | box 17 |
| Deism | box 17 |

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| The Department of Philosophy (1954 see also "The Faculty...") | box 17 |
| The Development of Scientific Method in the School of Padua, 1940 | box 17 |
| Dualism in Metaphysics and Practical Philosophy | box 17 |
| An Empirical and Naturalistic Theory of Signs, Signification Universals and Symbols | box 17 |
| Empirical Pluralism and Unifications of Nature (1945) | box 17 |
| Essays in Intellectual History | box 17 |
| The Ethical Challenge of a Pluralistic Society (1959 ?) | box 17 |
| F. H. Bradley and the Working-out of Absolute Idealism (1967) | box 18 |
| The Faculty of Philosophy (1954 see also "The Department. . .") | box 18 |
| Frank Tannenbaum: American Social Philosopher | box 18 |
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| History and the Social Sciences (1949) | box 18 |
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| The Idea of Pluralism (1958) | box 18 |
| The Impact of the War on the American Mind (ca. 1946 outline), ca. 1946 | box 18 |
| Intellectual Choice | box 18 |
| Journal-Italy, a.ms. and t.ms, 1926 | box 18 |
| The Making of the Modern Mind: | |
| t.ms. revisions, 1940 | box 19 |
| reviews and printed material | box 19 |
| The Meaning of Human History (1950) | box 19 |
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| Metaphysics and Language (1967) | box 19 |
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| On Being Rejected (1953 ?) | box 20 |
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| Padua Lectures (1940-1967) | box 20 |
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| Qualities, Qualification and the Aesthetic Transaction (1953 1956) | box 21 |
| Religio Mathematici: The Geometrical World of Malebranche | box 21 |
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| The Role of Knowledge in Western Religion-t.ms. C19553 (Oberlin Lectures) | box 21 |
| The Role of Knowledge, in Western Religion: | |
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| related material (1958-1959) | box 22 |
| The Role of Science in Modern Life | box 22 |
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| The Twelfth International Congress of Philosophy (Italy, 1958) | box 23 |
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