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Summary Information

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Summary

This collection includes tape recordings and some phonograph records of the numerous conferences, seminars and other events held during 1953 to 1954 in celebration of Columbia University's 200th anniversary. In addition there are 31 tape reels of the CBS Radio Network's series "Man's Right to Knowledge." Also included are Bicentennial press releases, typescript and galley proofs with manuscript corrections for two volumes in the Columbia University Bicentennial Series: RESPONSIBLE FREEDOM IN THE AMERICAS and THE UNITY OF KNOWLEDGE.

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1982 Addition: Correspondence, memoranda, reports, speeches (chiefly excerpts from and ideas for them), notes, photographs, memorabilia and printed materials of the Columbia University Bicentennial Publicity Division.

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1986 Addition: Books, pamphlets, other publications and miscellaneous items.

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- Photographic prints
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- Galley proofs
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- Columbia University Bicentennial Committee
- Columbia University -- History

Other Finding Aids

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Collection Inventory

Series I: Bicentennial Collection, 1954-1955

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Scope and Contents Typescript copy (partially mimeographed copy). Doubleday, 1955. Gift of Columbia University Press, 1956.	
Responsible Freedom in the Americas, circa 1955	box 2
Scope and Contents Galley proof with manuscript corrections. Doubleday, 1955. Gift of Columbia University Press, 1956.	
The Unity of Knowledge, circa 1955	box 3
Scope and Contents Typescript copy and 2 galley proofs with manuscript corrections. Doubleday, 1955. Gift of Columbia University Press, 1956.	
Man's Right to Knowledge and the Free Use Thereof display, circa 1954	box 4
Scope and Contents Mounted proofs of plaques used during the Bicentennial. Black and white photographs and illustrations.	
Man's Right to Knowledge and the Free Use Thereof display, circa 1954	box 5

Scope and Contents

Mounted proofs of plaques used during the Bicentennial.

Press releases, 1954 January-October box 6

Bicentennial Guest Book, 1954 box 6

Scope and Contents

Negative microfilm #2138

Transcripts of the tape-recorded proceedings of the Arden House Conference on the draft report of the President's Committee on the Educational Future of the University, 1957 October 11-13 box 6

Scope and Contents

Five sessions.

Recordings

First Conference: "The Metropolis in Modern Life," Sessions 1-2, 1954 January box 7

Physical Description: 10 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

First conference: first session, 6 reels; and second session, 4 reels.

First Conference: "The Metropolis in Modern Life," Sessions 3-4, 1954 January box 8

Physical Description: 11 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

First conference, third session, 5 reels; and fourth session, 6 reels.

First Conference: "The Metropolis in Modern Life," Sessions 5-6, 1954 January box 9

Physical Description: 10 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

First conference, fifth session, 4 reels; and sixth session, 6 reels.

First Conference: "The Metropolis in Modern Life," Sessions 7-8, 1954 January box 10

Physical Description: 10 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

First Conference, seventh session, 5 reels; and eighth session, 5 reels.

Second Conference: "Federalism, Mature and Emergent,"
Opening Dinner and Law Conference, 1954 January

box 11

Physical Description: 14 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

Second conference, 4 reels; opening dinner, 4 reels;
and law conference, 6 reels.

Third Conference: "National Policy for Economic Welfare
at Home and Abroad" Reels 1-13, 1954 May

box 12

Physical Description: 13 open reel audiotapes

Third Conference: "National Policy for Economic Welfare
at Home and Abroad" Reels 14-23, 1954 May

box 13

Physical Description: 10 open reel audiotapes

Governor Thomas E. Dewey's speech at the Stamp
Ceremony, 1954 January

box 13

Physical Description: 4 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

The speech is recorded in 2 reels; there is a copy set.

Unity of Knowledge Conference, 1954 October 27-30

box 14

Physical Description: 8 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

One set of 4 reels and one set of duplicate reels

Art History Conference, 1954 January 6

box 14

Physical Description: 5 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

Parke-Bernet Galleries - International Congress on
Art History and Museology, Taylor Galantiere, Salles

Art Conference Dinner, 1954 January 7

box 14

Physical Description: 2 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

Metropolitan Museum of Art

Creative Arts Conference, 1954-1955

box 15

Physical Description: 16 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

Lecture on Literature, Lecture on Music, Symposium #2 "What is the Responsibility of the Artist to Society?", Theatre in Our Times, Harkness Academy Theater Panel Discussion, Creative Arts Conference Dinner, Dateline Columbia with Prof. Campbell (1954) and Dateline Columbia with Mr. Reisinger (1955).

First Bicentennial Convocation, 1954 January box 16

Physical Description: 1 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

President Grayson Kirk and Professor Mark Van Doren

Adlai Stevenson, 1954 June 5 box 16

Physical Description: 1 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

McMillin Theater

Robert McIver, 1954 June 5 box 16

Physical Description: 1 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

McMillin Theater

Dateline Columbia

Grayson Kirk, 1954 January box 16

Physical Description: 3 open reel audiotapes

Syngman Rhee, 1954 August 7 box 16

Physical Description: 1 open reel audiotapes

Richard Powell, 1954 November 20 box 16

Physical Description: 2 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

Director of the Bicentennial

Franklin Institute Program, 1954 January 5 box 16

Physical Description: 1 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

TV program WFIL-TV Channel 6

Fourth Conference: Barbara Ward's Speech, 1954 May box 16

Physical Description: 2 phonograph records

Fourth Conference: "National Policies for Education,
Health and Social Services" , 1954 June box 17

Physical Description: 14 open reel audiotapes

Large reels

Scope and Contents

Not in archival boxes

Symposium No. 2 box 52

Physical Description: 1 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

What is the Place and Responsibility of the Artist to
Society?

Symposium No. 3 box 53

Physical Description: 2 open reel audiotapes

Art Conference box 53

Physical Description: 3 open reel audiotapes

Four Symposia: Creative Arts, Literature, Music and
Theatre box 52

Physical Description: 4 open reel audiotapes

Art and Sculpture Conference box 54

Physical Description: 2 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

Speakers G.L.K. Morris and J.J. Sweeney. Chair P.
Mangravite

Art History box 54

Physical Description: 2 open reel audiotapes

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Physical Description: 1 open reel audiotapes

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Physical Description: 1 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

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Walter Cain and Max Abramovitz

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Scope and Contents	
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"Man's Right to Knowledge" CBS Radio Series	box 59
<u>Physical Description</u> : 6 open reel audiotapes	

Scope and Contents

Murray (x2), Oppenheimer (x3) and MacIver.

"Man's Right to Knowledge" CBS Radio Series box 60

Physical Description: 6 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

Tillich (x2), Toynbee, Woodkrutch, Westermann,
Toynbee & College Professors Art Show

"Man's Right to Knowledge" CBS Radio Series box 61

Physical Description: 6 open reel audiotapes

Scope and Contents

Speir, Hu Shih, Sarton, H. Robertson, Herbert Reade,
Pauli

Chronoscope: Grayson Kirk

Physical Description: 1 film reels

Columbia University Bicentennial Albums, 1954 oversized OS

Physical Description: 8 phonograph records

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Scope and Contents

Four half-hour radio programs starring some of the country's best known actors and prepared by Columbia University to interpret in dramatic form its Bicentennial theme "Man's Right to Knowledge and the Free Use Thereof" were broadcast over the NBC network nationally Sundays during July. 2 sets of the albums: Program I: Frederic March in Socrates (with Florence Eldridge as Xantippe, his wife); Program II: Walter Hampden in Galileo (with Philip Borneuf, Edwin Jerome and Luis van Rooten); Program III: Macdonald Carey in Lovejoy (with Helen Claire, Karl Weber and Gene Leonard); and Program IV: Alfred Drake in Gandhi (with Alexander Scourby, James Monks and Alfred Shirley).

Dr. R. J. McCracken: Sermon for Bicentennial, 1954 oversized OS

Physical Description: 2 phonograph records Two copies

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Scope and Contents

The Office of Development records include publicity and logistics information about the events held during the celebration (announcements, newsletters, press releases, mailing lists, etc.). There are also some historical research files (the Astor family, Myles Cooper, etc.).

Immediate Source of Acquisition

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