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Summary Information

Repository: M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives
Title: Manfred George Papers
ID: ger038
Date [inclusive]: 1913-1968
Date [inclusive]: Undated
Physical Description: 2.87 cubic ft.
Physical Location: The materials are located onsite in the department.
Language of the Material: English, German.
Abstract: This collection contains photocopies of correspondence written by Manfred George to various public figures, original manuscripts of plays composed by George, newspaper clippings of articles George wrote for European and American publications, and audio recordings on his work with the New York based newspaper Aufbau.

Preferred Citation

Preferred citation for this material is as follows: Identification of specific item, series, box, folder, Manfred George Papers, 1913-1968. M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University at Albany, State University of New York (hereafter referred to as the George Papers).

Biographical Sketch

Born in Berlin in 1893, Manfred George became an established theater critic in Germany during the interwar period. An outspoken leftist, George fled Germany after the Nazi Party gained control of the government in 1933. After travelling to a number of European countries and writing for various newspapers, George eventually settled in the United States, where he became editor-in-chief of the German-language newspaper Aufbau - a position he held from 1939 to his death in 1965. In this role, George saw the paper develop from a small monthly newsletter with limited readership into a leading outlet for the voices of the burgeoning German-speaking Jewish community in America. Due
to his position with the organization, George became a central figure in the German émigré anti-Nazi movement in America.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains copies of correspondence with Hannah Arendt, Max Barth, Hans Habe, Thomas Mann, Ludwig Marcuse, Hertha Pauli, and many other émigré scholars and writers (1933–1968); two reel-to-reel tape recordings concerning the New York émigré newspaper Aufbau; copies of press clippings of articles by Manfred George in European and American newspapers (1913–1955); a number of original manuscripts written by Manfred George (1920-1938); and materials pertaining to the German-American Writers’ Association (1938–1940).

Arrangement

The collection is organized alphabetically. There are no series.

Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Processing Information


Immediate Source of Acquisition

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