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Summary Information

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Abstract: Julius Kraft was a professor of philosophy at the New School for Social Research and at Washington and Jefferson College. This collection contains biographical materials, correspondence with Adolf Lowe, Karl Popper, Kurt Wolff, and others, 1922-1960, manuscripts of articles, essays, and lectures, 1921-1960, and offprints.

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Biographical / Historical

Julius Kraft was born on October 1898 in Wunstrof, Germany. Kraft, a World War I veteran, studied law in Gottingen and obtained his doctorate in 1922. Kraft also received a doctorate of philosophy in 1924, and went on to be Franz Oppenheimer's assistant. Kraft emigrated to the Netherlands and was a private lecturer at the University of Utrecht until 1939 when he emigrated to the United States. Kraft lectured at various universities including the University of Rochester, Colgate-Rochesters Divinity School, Hunter College and New School in New York City.
Kraft became a professor of philosophy at Washington and Jefferson College in Washington, Pennsylvania in 1947 and traveled to London to write various publications. In 1957, he became the chair for the Social Sciences at the School at the Johanna Wolfgang Goethe University Frankfurt am Main. Kraft was the author of many books and essays on philosophy and law. Kraft died on December 29, 1960 in Norwalk, Connecticut on his way back from an American Philosophical Society meeting at Yale University.

Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

The collection is unprocessed and is likely disorganized. Individual items may be difficult to find.

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