Adolph Zukor correspondence

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Descriptive Summary
Title: Adolph Zukor correspondence
Date (inclusive): 1912-1977
Date (bulk): 1920-1935
Collection number: 41
Creator: Zukor, Adolph
Extent: 3 linear feet of papers.
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Languages: English
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Biography
Adolph Zukor was a Hungarian-born film executive who emigrated to the United States in 1888. In 1912 Zukor launched the Famous Players Film Company. Famous Players merged with the Jesse L. Lasky Feature Play Company in 1916 to form Famous Players-Lasky, which acquired a controlling interest in Paramount Pictures. Zukor was president of Paramount until 1935, when the company was reorganized; he remained a figurehead (chairman of the board emeritus) until his death. He was honored by the Academy with a Special Award (1948) for his service to the film industry.
Collection Scope and Content Summary
The Adolph Zukor correspondence spans the years 1912-1977 (bulk 1920-1935) and encompasses 3 linear feet. The collection consists of correspondence received by Zukor. There is also biographical data; speeches; invitations; programs; awards; stockholders’ reports for Famous Players-Lasky, Paramount, and Paramount Publix; press releases; and documents relating to the bankruptcy of Paramount Publix.
Arrangement
Arranged in the following series: 1. Subject files, subseries A-B as follows: A. General; B. Awards; 2. Oversize
Indexing Terms
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