
Inventory of the Right-Wing and Conservative Publications Collection SPC.2018.022

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Contributing Institution: California State University Dominguez Hills, Gerth Archives and Special Collections

Title: Right-Wing and Conservative Publications Collection

Creator: Smoot, Dan

Creator: John Birch Society

Creator: Moral Majority, Inc.

Creator: Schlafly, Phyllis

Identifier/Call Number: SPC.2018.022

Physical Description: 6 boxes

Date (inclusive): 1948-1987

Abstract: The Right-wing and Conservative Publications Collection contains newsletters, newspapers, bulletins, magazines, and other publications generated by right-wing organizations and individuals. Material in this collection includes information regarding topics such as right-wing politics, religion, anti-communist activities, conservatism, antifeminism, and racism. Publications in this collection include: "Common Sense: The Nation's Anti-Communist Newspaper", "Dan Smoot Report", "Moral Majority Report", "American Opinion", "Phyllis Schlafly Report", and others.

Language of Material: Material in this collection is in English.

Conditions Governing Access

There are no access restrictions on this collection.

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Scope and Contents

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Preferred Citation

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Arrangement

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OAC Finding Aid

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Subjects and Indexing Terms

Church and politics

Religion

Conservatism

Anti-feminism

Communism

box 1-2

"Common Sense: The Nation's Anti-Communist Newspaper" September 19, 1948-May 1, 1972

Physical Description: 2 boxes

Language of Material: English.

Scope and Contents

Contains issues 84-604 (issues missing). Please contact Department of Archives and Special Collections for exact issues.

Biographical / Historical

"Common Sense" was a newspaper that was founded by Conde McGinley in 1946. Originally titled "Think Weekly", McGinley changed the name to "Common Sense" in June 1947. The first issues focused on anti-communist topics, but later changed its focus to anti-semitism. "Common Sense" was issued semi-monthly and ran from June 1947-June 1972.

box 6, folder 1-5

"Dan Smoot Report" January 5, 1959- December 21, 1959

Physical Description: 1 box

Language of Material: English.

Scope and Contents

Vol. 5, No. 1-51; issue 37 is missing.

Biographical / Historical

The "Dan Smoot Report" was a publication that mostly focused on anti-communism and was founded by Howard Drummond "Dan" Smoot, a former FBI agent and conservative political activist.

box 6, folder 6

"Headlines and What's Behind Them" July 30, 1938; March 25, 1939; undated

Scope and Contents

Contains issues Vol.1, No.1; Vol. 2, No.1; and no. 8 (no issue number)

Biographical / Historical

Published by the Constitutional Educational League, Inc. Edited by Joseph P. Kamp

box 3-4

John Birch Society Publications October 31, 1959-August 1983

Physical Description: 2 boxes

Language of Material: English.

Scope and Contents

Contains:

October 31,1959-September 1985

(issues missing)

Reprints; December 1954-October 1969

(issues missing)

Reviews; 1962-1970

(issues missing)

Magazine; Vol. 1, No. 1(February 1958)-Vol. 26, No. 7 (August 1983)

(issues missing)

by Pastor Wes Auger

1965

by Robert Welch

Transcript of a speech made by Mr. Welch as an introduction to a presentation about the John Birch Society. December 8, 1958

by Bryan W. Stevens

1966

Biographical / Historical

This series contains magazine issues, reviews, and reprints published by the John Birch Society. Included are issues of the "John Birch Society Bulletin" and "American Opinion", as well as other publications. The John Birch Society was founded in Indianapolis, Indiana by Robert Welch Jr., a retired candy manufacturer in 1958. The Society, whose main purpose is to combat communism, was named after John Birch, an American Baptist missionary and United States Army Intelligence Officer who was killed by communist forces in China in August 1945.

box 5

"Moral Majority Report" October 1981-1987

Physical Description: 1 box

Language of Material: English.

Scope and Contents

Vol. 2, No. 10-Vol. 7, No. 6 + March 1987 issue. Issues missing. Please contact department of Archives and Special Collections for exact issues.

Biographical / Historical

The "Moral Majority Report" was a magazine published by Moral Majority, a political organization founded by Baptist Minister Jerry Falwell in 1979. Moral Majority's main focus was to advance conservative social values through political and religious agendas.

box 6, folder 7-9

"Phyllis Schlafly Report" May 1972-June 1979

Language of Material: English.

Scope and Contents

Vol. 5, No. 10-Vol. 12, No. 11 (issues missing). Includes copies of 'Eagle Forum'. Please contact department of Archives and Special Collections for exact issues.

Biographical / Historical

The "Phyllis Schlafly Report" is a publication that was founded by Phyllis Schlafly, a former lawyer and conservative political activist. Schlafly is best known for her antifeminist viewpoint and opposition to the Equal Rights Amendment. The "Phyllis Schlafly Report", which is still in publication, focuses mostly on topics regarding family and traditional values.

Pamphlets and Single Issues May 1952-December 1959

Language of Material: English.

Scope and Contents

This series contains all other documents generated by right-wing organizations not included in other series.

- box 6, folder 10 **"Report to "Writers" May 1952**
 Language of Material: English.
- box 6, folder 11 **"The Cross and the Flag", Vol. II, No. 9 December 1952**
 Language of Material: English.
- box 6, folder 12 **"Freedom Club Bulletin", Vol. X, No. 3 December 8, 1959**
 Language of Material: English.
- box 6, folder 13 **"Goldwaterism" by Mike Newberry 1964**
 Language of Material: English.
- box 6, folder 14 **"Red Treason on Broadway" by Myron C. Fagan 1954**
 Language of Material: English.
- box 6, folder 15 **Pamphlet entitled "How Red is the Federal Council of Churches?" published by the American Council of Christian Churches circa 1950**
 Language of Material: English.
- box 6, folder 16 **"World Government and American Freedom", a sermon delivered by Edward D. Gates. (5th printing) October 21, 1951**
 Language of Material: English.
- box 6, folder 17 **"The American Nationalist" May 1955-1957, undated**
 Language of Material: English.
 General
 Contains two marketing letters from editor, Frank L. Britton; and Vol. 3, No. 34 issue of "The American Nationalist".
- box 6, folder 18 **"Drafting Women" by William E. Dunham. Reprint from "The Review of the NEWS" February 28, 1979**
 Language of Material: English.