Title: Knud Dyby oral history interview
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Abstract: This collection comprises two interviews with Knud Dyby. The first interview comprises one videotape with accompanying transcript and was conducted by the Holocaust Oral History Project on June 6, 1991; the second interview comprises one videotape and was conducted by the Holocaust Oral History Project on January 5, 1996.
Creator: Dyby, Knud
Creator: Bendayan, Sandra
Creator: Grant, John
Creator: Reinen, Tamar
Creator: Szakal, Ellen
Scope and Contents note
This collection comprises two interviews with Knud Dyby. The first interview comprises one videotape with accompanying transcript and was conducted by Ellen Szakal and Tamar Reiner on behalf of the Holocaust Oral History Project on June 6, 1991; the second interview comprises one videotape and was conducted by Sandra Bendayan on behalf of the Holocaust Oral History Project on January 5, 1996. Knud Dyby was a rescuer, a member of the Danish Resistance, and is recognized by Yad Vashem as one of the Righteous Among the Nations.
The interview describes Mr. Dyby's childhood in Vorup, Denmark; his military service; and his work as a police officer in Copenhagen. He describes the German invasion of Denmark in 1940 and his work in the resistance movement, including sabotages, espionage, and the production of underground newspapers. He describes his activities as part of a larger movement during the German attempt to deport the Jews of Copenhagen in October 1943; he provided transport to the harbor and arranged safe passage to Sweden for many individuals and families. He describes the dangers he faced as part of the resistance. He describes emigrating to the United States after the war ended, his marriage and family, his work as an importer and as a printer, and his life in America.
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