Title: Prinzessin Stephanie Juliana zu Hohenlohe-Waldenburg-Schillingsfürst papers
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Date (inclusive): 1914-1973
Date (bulk): 1938-1972
Abstract: Correspondence, writings, memoranda, telegrams, news clippings, manuscripts, and printed matter relating to Anglo-German relations in the 1930s, political developments in Hungary, and detailing the personal and literary activities of Princess Stephanie from 1914 to 1972.
Physical Location: Hoover Institution Archives
Language of the Materials: In English, German, and French
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Biography/Organization History
1891 Born in Vienna, Austria
1914 Married Prince Friedrich Franz von Hohenlohe-Waldenburg-Schillingsfürst
1917-1918 Served as a volunteer nurse in World War I
1920 Divorced Prince Friedrich
1927 Met Harold Sidney Harmsworth, 1st Viscount Rothermere, and became his emissary and confidant
1933 Acted as an liason between Adolf Hitler and Lord Rothermere. European Press accuse Princess Stephanie of espionage
1937 Hitler distanced himself from the Princess
1938 Emigrated to London and sued Lord Rothermere for breach of contract
1940-1941 Moved to the United States and arrested by Immigration and Naturalization Services
1959-1972 Returned to Europe and became a literary consultant for various magazine publications
1972 Died in Geneva, Switzerland
Scope and Content of Collection
The Prinzessin Stephanie Juliana zu Hohenlohe-Waldenburg-Schillingsfürst papers document her participation in foreign relations, her legal proceedings against Lord Rothermere, and literary endeavors. Princess Stephanie was recognized as an emissary and rumored to be a spy between Lord Rothermere and Adolf Hitler prior to World War II; in which the collection details through correspondence, telegrams, newspaper articles, and legal documents. The collection contains a considerable amount of materials relating Princess Stephanie's literary years after World War II where she attempted to write and publish her autobiography as well as act as a consultant and agent with various magazine publishers and journalists, which are detailed in correspondence, articles, invoices, and manuscripts.
The Biographical File is comprised of a notebook, address book, and personal identification cards.
The Correspondence in the papers reflects the wide array of Princess Stephanie's professional relationships. Included are an exchange of letters, telegrams, and memorandums between Lord Rothermere and Adolf Hitler as well as correspondence in regards to Princess Stephanie’s litigation against Lord Rothermere, her internment in the United States, and literary career. Due in part to Hohenlohe’s close collaboration with Lord Rothermere, various journalists and publishing organizations, the collection includes articles and correspondence by others Princess Stephanie had collected. The file concludes with collected condolences received upon Princess Stephanie’s death.

The Writings contains an essay on Hungary in 1956, in regards to the Hungarian Revolution, and drafts of Princess Stephanie's unpublished memoirs.

The Subject Files predominantly focuses on Princess Stephanie’s literary career. To keep with original order, there is diversity in the forms of materials within each folders; for example, news clippings, additional correspondence, articles and invoices detailing her work and that of her associates: Drew Pearson, Jack Anderson, Ryan McHugh, and Axel Springer.

The remainder of the collection is Printed Material and Oversized Materials which consist primarily of magazine and newspaper clippings related to the case between Lord Rothermere and Princess Stephanie, public reactions to accusations of her acts of espionage, and news relating to colleagues.

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Hitler, Adolf, 1889-1945
Pearson, Drew, Andrew Russell Pearson , 1897-1969
Rothermere, Harold Sidney Harmsworth, 1st viscount, 1868-1940.
Springer, Axel, 1912-1985
Germany--Foreign relations--Great Britain.
Great Britain--Foreign relations--Germany.
Hungary--Politics and government--1918-1945.

Biographical File, 1951-1962
Scope and Contents note
Contains personal effects like identification papers, a notebook, and an address book.
Arranged by format.

Box-folder 1: Notebook and addressbook, undated
Box-folder 2: Visa and identification papers, 1951-1962

Correspondence, 1914-1973
Language of the Materials: English, German, and French
Scope and Contents note
Contains letters, telegrams, invoices, news-clippings, invoices, and memoranda. Includes collected correspondence between Lord Rothermere and Adolf Hitler and publishers. Arranged chronologically.

Box-folder 1: 1914
Box-folder 2: 1927
Box-folder 3: 1928
Box-folder 4: 1930
Box-folder 5: 1932
Box-folder 6: 1933
Box-folder 7: 1934
Box-folder 8: 1935
Box-folder 9: 1936
Box-folder 10: 1937
Box-folder 11: 1938
Box-folder 12: 1939
Box-folder 13-14: 1940
Box-folder 15-16: 1941
Box-folder 17: 1940
Box-folder 18: 1941
Correspondence, 1914-1973

Box-folder 1:1-19 1942-1947
Box-folder 1:20 1950
Box-folder 1:21 1951
Box-folder 1:22 1953
Box-folder 2:1 1955-1960
Box-folder 2:2 1961-1965
Box-folder 2:3 1966
Box-folder 2:4 1967
Box-folder 2:5 1968
Box-folder 2:6 1969
Box-folder 2:7 1970
Box-folder 2:8 1971
Box-folder 2:9 1972
Box-folder 2:10-11 General correspondence, undated
Box-folder 3:1-2 Condolences, 1972

Writings, 1956

Scope and Contents note
Contains drafts of Princess Stephanie's memoirs and a 1956 essay on Hungarian politics.

Box-folder 3:3 Memoir, drafts, undated
Box-folder 3:4 “Anniversary of Disaster,” 1956

Subject Files, 1938-1973

Scope and Contents note
Contains correspondence, articles, manuscripts, legal documents, and memoranda. Arranged by subject.

Box-folder 3:5 Court records, 1938-1939
Box-folder 3:6 Biography drafts, 1972-1973

Literary career file, 1965-1972

Box-folder 4:1-4 Springer, Axel and Der Stern magazine, 1940-1972
Box-folder 5:2 McHugh, Ryan and Copley News Service, 1972

Printed Materials, 1929-1972

Scope and Contents note
Contains printed matter, especially copies of news-clippings from Princess Stephanie's November 1938 trial. Arranged by format.

Box-folder 5:3 Les Très Riches de Jean de France, Duc de Berry, print, 1970
Box-folder 6:1-9 News-clippings, 1929-1938
Box-folder 7:1-12 News-clippings, 1939-1972

Oversized Material, 1929-1973

Scope and Contents note
Contains oversized articles, magazines, and news-clippings concerning Princess Stephanie's activities, interests, and associates. The bulk of the content consists of the original news-clippings regarding Princess Stephanie's case against Lord Rothmere in November 1938. Arranged by format.

Box 8 Trial news, November 1939
Box 9 Printed matter, 1929-1974