An Inventory of the Mary Ellen Leary Collection

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Mary Ellen Leary Collection
Dates: 1963-1984
Collection number: 87077
Collector: Leary, Mary Ellen
Collection Size: 20 manuscript boxes (8.3 linear feet)
Repository: Hoover Institution Archives
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Abstract: Clippings, press releases, California state government publications, and other printed matter, relating to the political career of Ronald Reagan and to California state politics and government during his gubernatorial administration (1967-1974)
Physical location: Hoover Institution Archives
Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English

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1913 April 21
Born, Salt Lake City, Utah

1934
Graduated from Duchesne College, an affiliate of Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska
Received a scholarship in English literature from Stanford University, California

1937
Completed M.A. from Stanford University

1937-1944
Reporter, San Francisco News

1944-1945
Political reporter

1945-1946
Nieman Fellow, Harvard University
1946-1952 Political editor
1952-1956 Urban specialist-Politics
1956-1964 Associate editor
1964-1967 West Coast correspondent, *Scripps Howard papers*
1966-1968 Member, Advisory Board, San Francisco Human Rights Commission
1966- Free-lance writer and correspondent, the *Economist* of London
1968-1974 Member, Oakland Catholic Social Justice Commission
1974-1975 Project director, Ford Foundation study, Candidate Media Interaction
1977 Author, *Phantom Politics: Campaigning in California*
1988- Received Distinguished Career Excellence in Journalism Award, Society of Professional Journalists, Northern California Chapter

**Scope and Content of Collection**

The Mary Ellen Leary collection focuses on the political situation in California during the 1960s through the early 1980s. The sources of information are published materials such as clippings and printed matter, press conferences and press releases, published government records, and speeches. They relate to Ronald Reagan's gubernatorial administration and to the development of his political career.

The guide to this collection has been prepared as an inventory. The papers listed are in their original order and topics added if given by the creator. Special mention has been made of articles by Mary Ellen Leary and letters addressed to her. This collection provides a valuable insight into California politics and Ronald Reagan's political aspirations.

**Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in Stanford University's online catalog.

**Subjects**

Reagan, Ronald.
California-Politics and government-1951.

**Related Material**

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