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GAINES, JOAN B.: Papers, 1958-60

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The papers of Joan B. Gaines were deposited in the Eisenhower Library by Mrs. Gaines in March 1988.

Linear feet: -1
Approximate number of pages: 400
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Mrs. Gaines signed an instrument of gift for her papers on March 30, 1988. Literary rights in the unpublished writings of Mrs. Gaines in this collection and in all other collections of papers received by the United States have been donated to the public. Under terms of the instrument of gift, the following classes of items are withheld from research use:

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The papers of Joan B. Gaines pertain to her work for the White House Conference on Children and Youth. The conference was held in Washington, DC, from March 27 to April 2, 1960 and was sponsored by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. A special committee was established in 1958 to make arrangements for the conference. Mrs. Gaines joined the committee in May 1959 as Director of Editorial Services, and was promoted to Director of Conference Interpretation the following October. The Conference Interpretation staff was responsible for handling relations with the press. They provided support for the radio, television and newspaper reporters who attended the conference, and they helped prepare articles and press releases that publicized the work of the conference. Mrs. Gaines resigned from the staff in April 1960 after the conference was completed.

The papers of Mrs. Gaines consist primarily of a copy of the final report of the Conference Interpretation staff. This provides a detailed account of the various activities of the staff, and includes samples of press releases and other publicity material they produced. The collection also contains some newspaper clippings, information packets, and a set of the newsletters produced by the Conference Interpretation staff. More extensive information on the work of the Conference Interpretation staff is available in the official records of the White House Conference on Children and Youth at the Eisenhower Library.

CONTAINER LIST

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1 Clippings (1)(2)

Conference Interpretation (1)-(3) [work of conference interpretation staff]

Conference Reporter [newsletter describing conference activities, Nov. 1958-June 1960]

Information Packets (1)(2) [publicity information]

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