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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

John Robert Greene, professor of history at Cazenovia College in Cazenovia, New York, studied history at St. Bonaventure University, from which he received his bachelor's degree in 1977 and his master's degree in 1978. He then did graduate work at Syracuse University from which he earned his doctorate. Greene specialized in American history and wrote his doctoral dissertation on the 1952 presidential campaign. While researching the dissertation he traveled to archives around the United States and examined the personal papers of many of the politicians who participated in the campaign. Major collections he utilized included the papers of Dwight D. Eisenhower and Robert Taft, the two main Republican contenders for the nomination, and the papers of Adlai Stevenson and John J. Sparkman, the Democratic presidential and vice presidential candidates. Greene completed the dissertation in 1983. He then rewrote portions of the manuscript and it was published in book form in late 1985 by University Press of America, under the title The Crusade: The Presidential Election of 1952.

This collection consists of the research notes and drafts Greene compiled while working on his dissertation and the subsequent book. The material has been divided into three series. The first series consists of index cards on which Greene took notes while doing research in various libraries and archives. Most of the cards contain handwritten abstracts of significant documents and publications. The cards are arranged by subject, following the same organizational scheme as Greene's dissertation.

The second series contains electrostatic copies of documents Greene obtained from various archives. As with the index cards, the document copies are also arranged by subject.

The third series consists of drafts of Greene's dissertation and book, and a small quantity of correspondence with individuals and archives. Most of the correspondence relates to Greene's requests for permission to quote from various manuscripts and oral history interviews. The series also contains portions of a research paper Greene wrote for a graduate seminar in 1979 on the subject of Adlai Stevenson and the 1952 Democratic convention.

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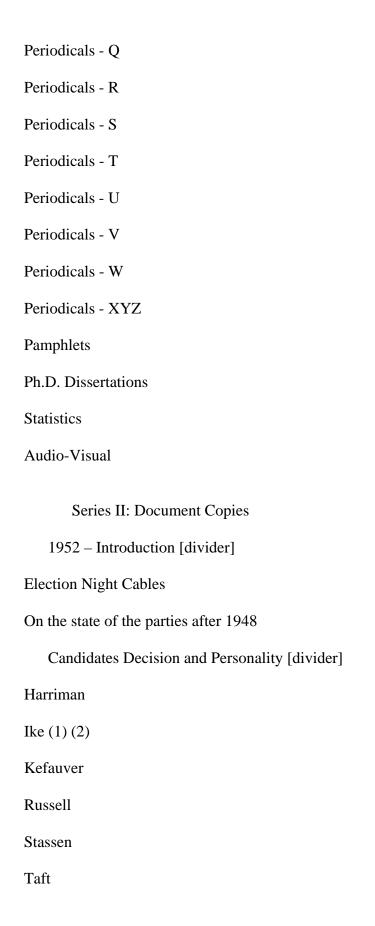
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