The records of Kevin McCann, Military Associate of General Eisenhower, President of Defiance College, and Special Assistant to the President were deposited in the Eisenhower Library prior to 1964 and August 24, 1966. The two accessions were combined to facilitate their use.

Linear feet of shelf space occupied: 4.5
Approximate number of pages: 10,500
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Literary rights to the papers have passed to the United States as indicated in President Eisenhower’s letter to Franklin Floete dated April 13, 1960.

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1. Papers that are security-classified pursuant to law or Executive Order, until such classification shall be removed.

2. Papers the use of which may be prejudicial to the maintenance of good relations with foreign nations.

3. Papers containing statements made by or to me in confidence.

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5. Papers containing statements about individuals which might be used to injure or harass them or members of their families.

6. Such other individual files as I, or my representative, or the Administrator of General Services may specify.
The records of Kevin McCann span the years 1946 to 1960, the bulk of which are speeches written for President Eisenhower from 1953 to 1960 while McCann was Special Assistant to the President.

The Pre-Presidential papers include speeches, Chief of Staff Biennial Reports, articles for various magazines, and reports of various matters of military concern. The topics of the speeches cover post-war problems of the Armed Forces and summaries of war efforts. The speeches were given both in the U.S. and overseas, largely on public occasions. Reports concern such subjects as combat organization, the National Guard, and administrative matters, Magazine articles touch on the victories of WW II. These records constitute about ten per cent of the collection.

The Presidential speeches make up approximately seventy-five percent of the papers. Included are Party speeches and messages of the 1956 campaign and the 1960 Nixon campaign, speeches and messages concerned with various domestic and international aspects of the administration, correspondence (arranged chronologically) from the President’s Office from December 1954 to April 1956, and public service messages. Corrected and amended drafts of the speeches and messages and correspondence directly relating to the speeches are included.

The speeches given by Kevin McCann and Arthur Summerfield constitute fifteen percent of the collection. McCann’s papers include speeches on educational topics, party speeches, and speeches written for others as well as some correspondence related to McCann’s presidency of Defiance College. The Summerfield speeches, written by McCann, include talks at his boyhood home in Michigan, in Oklahoma where he discussed Eisenhower’s illness, and some 1956 campaign speeches.

The two accessions have been combined in chronological order within the three series. Container lists of the original collections are available.
BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

October 12, 1904  Born, Sperrin Mountains, North Ireland

1924  B.A., St. Mary’s College

1926  M.A., St. Mary’s College

1942  Joined U.S. Army

1946  Joined Eisenhower Staff

1951  President, Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio

1952  Man from Abilene

1955  Special Assistant to the President

1957  Returned to Defiance College
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