Guide to the Henry John May Papers

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CALL NUMBER: MS 1640

CREATOR: May, Henry John

TITLE: Henry John May papers

DATES: 1985–1985

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.25 linear feet

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The papers consist of an unpublished autobiography by former South African lawyer Henry John May. The memoir describes May’s personal life as well as his professional career.

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Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

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Biographical / Historical

Henry John May began the practice of law in Johannesburg in 1925 and was considered an authority on native law and customs. He wrote and lectured on apartheid, constitutional law, and South African history.

Scope and Contents

The papers consist of an unpublished autobiography by former South African lawyer Henry John May. The memoir describes May's personal life as well as his professional career.
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The Henry John May Papers consist of May’s autobiography which chronicles his career as an author and lawyer in South Africa. May began to practice law in Johannesburg in 1925 and was considered an authority on native law and customs. He wrote and lectured on apartheid, constitutional law and South African history. May’s autobiography describes his personal life as well as his professional accomplishments.

b. 1  The Curse of Toklosh: an Autobiographical Miscellany, by Henry John May: annotated typescript  undated
Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library’s online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects
Lawyers -- South Africa

Geographic Names
South Africa

Names
May, Henry John