

Guide to the Charles Augustus Russell Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 837

CREATOR: Russell, Charles Augustus, 1886-1962

TITLE: Charles Augustus Russell papers

DATES: 1928-1954

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 1.5 linear feet

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: Correspondence, memoranda, reports and miscellanea of Charles A. Russell. Professional material from public welfare, education, and international cultural cooperative organizations including the Edward W. Hazen Foundation are present.

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b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

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Biographical / Historical

Charles Augustus Russell was born in Essex, Connecticut on March 20, 1886. He was educated at Wesleyan University, where he received a B.A. in 1905. He was admitted to the New York bar in 1907 and practiced law in Connecticut between 1910 and 1914. He then served as attorney for the Connecticut Public Utilities Commission, a position he held until 1917. Between 1929 and 1949, he was president and treasurer of the Edward Hazen Foundation. Russell was active in many philanthropic and public service organizations. He died in 1962.

Scope and Contents

Correspondence, memoranda, reports, and other printed matter from a number of philanthropic and public service organizations in which Charles Augustus Russell was active constitute these papers. The correspondence deals only with business matters of the various organizations; there are no family or personal letters. Materials other than correspondence, including memoranda written by or to Russell, are filed under the organization concerned.

From 1929 to 1949 Russell was president and treasurer of the Edward W. Hazen Foundation, an organization dedicated to promoting the public welfare, especially with regard to young people, education, religion in higher education, and international cultural cooperation. Papers of the Foundation from this period include legal and financial papers, statements of purpose, reports and memoranda. While chairman of the board in 1951, Russell worked with Gerhard W. Ditz on an investigation of employer-employee relations in the coal-mining industry; papers from this project include memoranda, proposals, questionnaires, and Ditz's notes and travel documents. There is also an earlier report on coal mining by Russell (1949). During the same period Russell was a member of the National Social Welfare Assembly and chairman of its National Budget Committee. Memoranda, reports, newsletters, budgets, and other related materials of this organization for coordinating and helping fund national and local social welfare agencies make up about half of the collection. There are, in addition, a few items from several other organizations with which Russell was connected, a small amount of biographical material, and miscellaneous papers not visibly related to the various organizations.

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b. 1, f. 1 - 8	Correspondence	1930-1954, undated
b. 1, f. 9	American Social Hygiene Association	1952
	Edward W. Hazen Foundation	
b. 1, f. 10 - 14	General	1928-1945, undated
b. 1, f. 15 - 21	Coal miner project	1949-1951
b. 2, f. 22 - 36	National Social Welfare Assembly: general	1946-1953
	National Budget Committee	
b. 2, f. 37 - 42	General	1946-1953
b. 3, f. 43 - 44	Panel #1	1952 March 24-25
b. 3, f. 45 - 47	Panel #7	1953 March 25-27
b. 3, f. 48	National Recreation Association	1951-1952
b. 3, f. 49	United Community Defense Services Program	1952
b. 3, f. 50 - 51	United Defense Fund	1952
b. 3, f. 52	Biographical materials	1934, undated
b. 3, f. 53	Miscellaneous	1936-1941, 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

Child welfare
Coal mines and mining
International cooperation
Public welfare

Names

Russell, Charles Augustus, 1886-1962

Corporate Bodies

American Social Hygiene Association
Edward W. Hazen Foundation, Inc., New Haven
(Conn.)
National Recreation Association
National Social Welfare Assembly
United Defense Fund