

Norman Hapgood and Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: Norman Hapgood and Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood Papers

Span Dates: 1824-1977

ID No.: MSS57141

Creator: Hapgood, Norman, 1868-1937

Extent: 8,000 items; 26 containers; 10.4 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English, with Russian, German, and French

Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Abstract: Norman Hapgood, editor, diplomat, and author; and Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood, editor and translator. Correspondence, family papers, speeches and writings, subject files, clippings, and miscellaneous material of the Hapgoods relating primarily to family matters, current affairs, and politics.

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.

People

Baker, Newton Diehl, 1871-1937.

Brandeis, Louis Dembitz, 1856-1941.

Hapgood, Elizabeth Reynolds. Norman and Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood papers. 1824-1977.

Hapgood, Norman, 1868-1937.

House, Edward Mandell, 1858-1938.

Masaryk, T. G. (Tomáš Garrigue), 1850-1937.

McAdoo, William Gibbs, 1863-1941.

Peabody, George Foster, 1852-1938.

Polk, Frank L. (Frank Lyon), 1871-1943.

Reynolds family.

Subjects

Diplomatic and consular service, American--Denmark.

Places

Denmark--Foreign relations--United States.

United States--Foreign relations--Denmark.

Occupations

Authors.

Diplomats.

Editors.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The papers of Norman Hapgood, editor, diplomat, and author, and his wife, Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood, editor and translator, and their families were given to the Library by their daughter, Elizabeth Hapgood, in 1976. Additional items were given in 1978 and 1984.

Processing History

The papers of Norman Hapgood and Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood were arranged in 1981, and the finding aid was completed in 1984. Additional material received in 1984 was processed in 1989. The finding aid was revised in 2010.

Transfers

Photographs have been transferred to the Library's Prints and Photographs Division where they are identified as part of the Norman Hapgood and Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood Papers.

Other Repositories

There is additional material relating to Norman Hapgood at Yale University, New Haven, Conn., which is the repository for the Hutchins and Neith Boyce Hapgood Papers. Theater-related papers of Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood are in the Museum and Library of the Performing Arts (Theater Museum) in New York, N.Y.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Norman Hapgood and Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Norman Hapgood and Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Norman Hapgood

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1868, Mar. 28	Born, Chicago, Ill.
1890	A.B., Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
1893	A.M., LL.B., Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
1896	Married Emilie Bigelow
1987-1902	Drama critic, <i>New York Commercial Advertiser</i> and <i>Bookman</i>
1903-1912	Editor, <i>Collier's Weekly</i>
1913-1916	Editor, <i>Harper's Weekly</i>
1916	Married Elizabeth Reynolds Chairman, Woodrow Wilson Independent League

1917	Foreign correspondent for a number of American papers, Europe
1918-1919	President, American League of Nations Association
1919	Appointed American Minister to Denmark
1923-1925	Editor, <i>Hearst's International</i>
1927-1930	Resided in Washington, D.C., working on various books, including his autobiography, <i>The Changing Years</i> . New York: Farrar & Rinehart, 1930
1936-1937	Editor, <i>Christian Register</i>
1937, Apr. 29	Died, New York, N.Y.

Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1894	Born, New York, N.Y.
1914	Graduated, Ecole des Langues Orientales, University of Paris, Paris, France
1915	Appointed head, Russian Department, Columbia University, New York, N.Y.
1916	Married Norman Hapgood
1918	Established, Russian Department, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.Y.
1974	Died, New York, N.Y.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Norman Hapgood (1868-1937) and Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood (1894-1974), span the period 1824-1977. The collection is organized into the following series: [Family Papers](#), [Special Correspondence](#), [General Correspondence](#), [Subject File](#), [Speeches and Writings File](#), [Miscellany](#), and [Addition](#). Some of the letters to Elizabeth Hapgood are written in Russian, German, and French.

Correspondence comprises the bulk of the papers. Early letters from Norman and Elizabeth Hapgood to members of their family, as well as letters between various members of the Hapgood and Reynolds families, make up the correspondence in the [Family Papers](#). This correspondence is dated from 1824 to 1974. There is also a considerable amount of correspondence between Elizabeth and her mother, Margaret T. Reynolds, before and during her marriage to Norman Hapgood.

Elizabeth Hapgood was a well known translator, and especially fluent in Russian. The [Special Correspondence](#) includes letters to her from friends in Africa, Europe, Russia, and the United States. The [Special Correspondence](#) also contain letters to Norman Hapgood from Newton Diehl Baker, Louis Dembitz Brandeis, Edward Mandell House, T. G. Masaryk, William Gibbs McAdoo, George Foster Peabody, Frank L. Polk, and the White House. Norman Hapgood's correspondence dates from 1896 to 1937 and relates to politics and contemporary affairs.

The [Subject File](#) contains copies of diplomatic dispatches from April to December 1919, as well as miscellaneous material concerning Hapgood's service as United States minister to Denmark.

The Speeches and Writings File and the Miscellany series include galley proofs of Hapgood's magazine and newspaper articles, 1917-1918; reprints and typescripts of speeches by members of the Hapgood family and others; clippings; and printed matter and miscellaneous documents. The final series, Addition, consists chiefly of personal and general correspondence of Norman Hapgood and Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged in seven series:

- Family Papers, 1824-1974
- Special Correspondence, 1896-1977
- General Correspondence, 1866-1973
- Subject File, 1901-1955
- Speeches and Writings File, 1898-1937
- Miscellany, 1850-1968
- Addition, 1915-1937

Description of Series

<i>Container</i>	<i>Series</i>
BOX 1-6	<p><u>Family Papers, 1824-1974</u></p> <p>Correspondence, legal documents, and miscellaneous papers of the Hapgood and Reynolds families. Also correspondence and miscellaneous papers relating to the Columbia Conserve Company, a family business. Arranged alphabetically by name of family member and therein by name of correspondent or chronologically. Material relating to the Columbia Conserve Company is filed at the end of the series.</p>
BOX 6-9	<p><u>Special Correspondence, 1896-1977</u></p> <p>Letters to Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood from friends in the German army and from Russia before and during the Bolshevik Revolution. Also correspondence of Norman Hapgood relating to political and current affairs.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent.</p>
BOX 9-12	<p><u>General Correspondence, 1866-1973</u></p> <p>General letters and memoranda received.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by name of person and therein chronologically. Miscellaneous correspondence is arranged chronologically.</p>
BOX 13	<p><u>Subject File, 1901-1955</u></p> <p>Correspondence, miscellaneous documents, notes, and reports.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by subject.</p>
BOX 13-14	<p><u>Speeches and Writings File, 1898-1937</u></p> <p>Miscellaneous translations by Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood and an interview; typescript copies of editorials and speeches by Norman Hapgood, clippings, and galley proofs of his articles; and miscellaneous family writings.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by name of family member and therein by type of material.</p>
BOX 14-15	<p><u>Miscellany, 1850-1968</u></p> <p>Calling cards, clippings, documents, printed matter, and miscellaneous writings and speeches of persons other than the Hapgoods.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by type of material and therein chronologically.</p>
BOX 16-26	<p><u>Addition, 1915-1937</u></p> <p>Correspondence, personal and general, of Norman Hapgood and Elizabeth Reynolds Hapgood, printed matter, and other material.</p> <p>Arranged by type of material and therein chronologically.</p>

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BOX 1	Hapgood, Hutchins and Neith
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Speeches and Writings File, 1898-1937

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Arranged alphabetically by name of family member and therein by type of material.

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