



**Bela Kornitzer Papers, 1903-1974 [Bulk: 1945-1964]
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Summary Information

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Title and Dates

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Abstract

Bela Kornitzer was a Hungarian-born journalist who documented the lives of prominent American men during the middle of the twentieth-century. After fleeing both the Nazis and the Communists in Hungary, Kornitzer left his established career as a journalist and came to America in 1947. The Bela Kornitzer Papers document both Kornitzer's struggle to gain recognition as an influential journalist and his interest in the success stories of his fellow Americans. These papers include correspondence, manuscripts, audio and transcribed interviews, newspapers, magazines and photographs that document both the affairs of Kornitzer and his subjects.

Size

35 linear feet (41 boxes plus oversize material)

Location

Bela Kornitzer Room
Drew University Archives
Madison, NJ

Language(s) of materials

English, Hungarian, Hebrew, Spanish (?), Japanese, others.

Biography of Bela Kornitzer

Bela (Bay-la) Kornitzer was born in Szerencs, Hungary on November 28, 1910. He was one of nine children, with five brothers and three sisters. According to a biographical form filled out by Kornitzer, he never graduated from high school, although all five of his brothers went on to receive University degrees. At the age of 16, Kornitzer saw a future for himself as an artist, a career not encouraged by his father. In order to pursue his dream, he left home for Budapest, where he began his career as a journalist. His early publications were sketches and brief commentary of prominent men, which appeared in the city's major newspaper. An editor at the paper, more impressed with his writing, advised him to pursue journalism. Kornitzer went on to become the reporter-commentator in the Hungarian parliament for about a decade.

In Hungary, Kornitzer made a career of interviewing prominent men. In 1940 he compiled his many interviews as a two-volume book, *Fathers & Sons*, which became a standard textbook in Hungarian schools until the Nazis took control of the government and ordered it burned. Kornitzer, along with his book, was on the most-wanted list of the Gestapo. During the Nazi occupation, he sought protection for himself and for one hundred families under Cardinal Angelo

Rotta, Papal Nuncio of Hungary. Kornitzer has been credited with saving the lives of these families.

In 1947 Kornitzer became a high official in the post-war Hungarian cabinet as assistant to the Minister of Public Supply. Shortly thereafter, the Communists charged that his writings “strengthened the forces of rebellion”; this charge resulted in Kornitzer being ousted from office. When the Supreme Court cleared him of the Communist charges, the presiding judge stated that although Kornitzer’s books opposed Communism and Fascism they “contributed to the preservation of true democracy and liberalism in prewar, semi-feudal Hungary.” The Court ruled that his books be stricken from the list of “Reactionary Publications.” Kornitzer was the first Hungarian official to seek exile in the US after World War II. He said, “I want to say that my coming to this country was sort of foresight on my part because I realized that sooner or later the situation would deteriorate instead of improve.”

“When I came to America in ’47 I realized that the best way of learning about a nation is to talk to the people on their home ground when they are in their slippers and you can get the unaffected personality, the way he really is and not the carbon cliché of the press agents. So I did.” Kornitzer did so by focusing on the father/son dynamic and the American home life in order to get a different and new understanding about America’s leaders.

Throughout his self-made career, Kornitzer managed to secure interviews with the most prominent men of his time. Fulfilling the American dream, Kornitzer came to this country with nothing and achieved all he set out to accomplish. Not fluent in English, Kornitzer developed his knowledge of the language by visiting movie theaters. One day, determined to reestablish himself as a journalist, he borrowed money from a friend and paid a visit to Joseph Pulitzer in St. Louis (the Pulitzers were of Hungarian ancestry). Kornitzer explained his situation to Mr. Pulitzer and requested assistance for help with his new book. “I told Mr. Pulitzer I wanted to write a book about American democracy in terms of its people – its fathers and sons. I mentioned some of the people I intended to include in my study – Truman, Barkley, Einstein ...” Mr. Pulitzer, sympathetic to Kornitzer’s plight and determination, provided him with a letter of recommendation to Summer Welles, which aided in the eventual publication of *American Fathers & Sons* (1952).

Kornitzer next chose to explore the history of the Eisenhower family, especially due to the individual successes of each of the five brothers, which became *The Great American Heritage: The Story of the Five Eisenhower Brothers* (1955). Kornitzer believed that the framework for the success of American democracy was best represented in the dynamic of the American family, such as the Eisenhowers, because the family unit functioned as a miniature democratic state. Kornitzer’s attraction to this dynamic, the pull between authority and family, and his penchant for writing, allowed him to create great journalistic works.

In *The Real Nixon*, (1960) his only book to focus on one individual, Richard Nixon, the father/son dynamic played a less prominent role. Instead, this book served as a true biography, tracing the events that lead to Richard Nixon’s national prominence. Kornitzer spent a significant amount of time researching Nixon’s past by paying visits to Nixon’s home town of Yorba Linda, California and interviewing Mrs. Hannah Nixon and the locals with personal ties to the young

politician. Kornitzer's objective was to demonstrate how American democracy begins at home with the values and ideals that are instilled by the family, and how these values contributed to America's heritage.

In further pursuit of his vision, Kornitzer went on to write *As the Twig is Bent*. This unfinished work is a compilation of interviews of various prominent men, with a format similar to his original works on fathers and sons. In part inspired by the success of his televised interview with Robert Frost, Kornitzer pursued national figures such as Cardinal Cushing, Billy Graham and Douglas MacArthur. The Robert Frost television interview did not exclusively focus in on Frost's relationship with his father, but addressed Frost's poetry and his views on America and democracy. The interview was said to have been a success for bringing educational material into the home through the medium of television. Notes within the collection indicate that Kornitzer hoped to develop a televised series based on a similar format, and that *As the Twig is Bent* was created for this purpose. Unfortunately, this plan never came to fruition. Kornitzer died of sudden illness on November 22, 1964.

Scope and Content Note

The Bela Kornitzer Papers document Kornitzer's interest in the American family, particularly the father/son relationship, during the middle of the twentieth century. Kornitzer focused his reporting on the fathers and the sons of prominent American men. The materials were primarily generated in the United States, but were also products of Brazil, Israel, Hungary, Japan, and other countries. Topics include Democracy, Fathers and Sons, Politics, America, Family, and Religion.

The papers contain correspondence, interviews, manuscripts, notes, photographs, newspaper clippings, scrapbooks, and ephemera that document Kornitzer's research on American families, democracy and fathers and sons.

Arrangement

The Bela Kornitzer Papers are organized into the following series:

Series 1: *American Fathers & Sons*, 1948-1965

Series 2: *The Great American Heritage: The Story of the Five Eisenhower Brothers*, 1942-1964

Series 3: *The Real Nixon*, 1903-1964

Series 4: *As the Twig is Bent*, 1943-1964

Series 5: Profiles, 1947-1974

Series 6: Biographical Information, 1945-1964

Series 7: Photographs and Posters, undated

Series 8: Audio and Film Recordings, 1954-1964

Series 9: Scrapbooks and Posters

Correspondence in Series 1-4 are arranged chronologically. All transcribed interviews and newspaper articles and photographs are grouped according to subject and arranged alphabetically by last name. The correspondence of Series 5 is arranged alphabetically by last name of the person or the title of organization or company.

Access and Use

Access

The Bela Kornitzer Papers are open for research.

Restrictions on Use and Copyright Information

One photocopy may be made of each document for the purpose of research. Permission to publish must be obtained from the Drew University Archivist. Researcher responsible for further copyright restrictions.

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements

The Bela Kornitzer Papers contains audio cassettes, record albums, and reel-to-reel tapes.

Acquisition and Appraisal

Provenance and Acquisition

The Bela Kornitzer Papers were donated to Drew University by his sister, Alicia Kornitzer Karpati.

Processing and Other Information

Processing Information

This collection was processed by Emily Andresini in 2006. Finding aid written by Emily Andresini in 2006. Finding aid updated by Cheryl Oestreicher in 2007.

Descriptive Rules Used

Finding aid content follows the guidelines suggested by *Describing Archives: A Content Standard*.

Sources Used

Walking in the Shadow of Tyranny, A Memoir by Alicia Kornitzer Karpati.

Related Materials

Related Archives

Harry S. Truman Library
U.S. Highway 24 and Delaware Street
Independence, MO 64050-1798

Richard Nixon Library & Birthplace
18001 Yorba Linda Blvd.
Yorba Linda, CA 92886

MacArthur Memorial Archives
MacArthur Square
Norfolk, VA 23510

Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum
200 Southeast Fourth Street
Abilene, KS 67410

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Columbia Point
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Subject Headings

Kornitzer, Bela.
Barkley, Alben William, 1877-1956.
Barkley, John.
Baruch, Bernard M. Bernard Mannes, 1870-1965.
Baruch, Simon, 1840-1921
Cushing, Richard, 1895-1970.
DeMille, Cecil B. Cecil Blount, 1881-1959
DeMille, William C. William Churchill, 1878-1955
Edison, Charles, 1890-1969.
Einstein, Albert, 1879-1955.
Einstein, H. A. Hans Albert, 1904-
Eisenhower, Arthur.
Eisenhower, Dwight D. Dwight David, 1890-1969.
Eisenhower, Earl D. (Earl Dewey), 1898-1968.
Eisenhower, Edgar, 1889-1971.
Eisenhower, Milton Stover, 1899-1985.
Eisenhower, Roy.
Frost, Robert, 1874-1963.
Goldwater, Barry M. Barry Morris, 1909-.1998.
Graham, Billy, 1918-.
Hand, Learned, 1872-1961.
Hearst, William Randolph, 1908-
Hoffman, George Delos.
Hoffman, Paul G. Paul Gray, 1891-1974.
Ickes, Harold L. Harold LeClair, 1874-1952.
Ickes, Jesse B.W.
Johnson, Lyndon B. Lyndon Baines, 1908-1973.
Kennedy, John F. John Fitzgerald, 1917-1963.
MacArthur, Douglas, 1880-1964.
Mayo, Charles W. Charles William, 1898-1968
McCormack, John W., 1891-
Nixon, H. C. Herman Clarence, 1886-.

Nixon, Richard M. Richard Milhous, 1913-1994.
 Rayburn, Sam, 1882-1961.
 Rayburn, William.
 Rockefeller, Nelson A. Nelson Aldrich, 1908-1979.
 Roosevelt, Elliott, 1910-.
 Roosevelt, Frank, 1938-.
 Roosevelt, Franklin D. Franklin Delano, 1882-1945.
 Roosevelt, James, 1907-1991.
 Roosevelt, John A. John Aspinwall, 1916-1981.
 Sarnoff, David, 1891-1971.
 Sarnoff, Edward
 Sarnoff, Robert W.
 Sarnoff, Tom.
 Stevenson, Adlai E. Adlai Ewing, 1900-1965.
 Taft, Robert A. Robert Alphonso, 1889-1953.
 Taft, William H. William Howard, 1857-1930.
 Truman, Harry S., 1884-1972.
 Truman, John.
 Vinson, Fred M., 1890-1953.
 Vinson, James, 1933-.
 Wagner, Robert Ferdinand, 1877-1953.
 Warren, Earl, 1891-1974.
 Zukor, Adolph, 1873-.
 Zukor, Eugene J., b. 1897

Contents List

Series 1: *American Fathers & Sons*, 1948-1965

Series Description:

The *American Fathers & Sons* series contains items created or collected by Bela Kornitzer during the research for his first American book, which focused on father-son relationships of prominent American men. This series includes correspondence with extended family members, personal assistants, or coworkers, newspaper and magazine articles, and ephemera.

See boxes 30-31 for oversized material.

Arrangement

Folders arranged by chapter sequence of *American Fathers & Sons*. Materials arranged by type: correspondence, interviews, ephemera and newspaper and magazine articles. Correspondence arranged chronologically.

Box	Folder	Title	Date
1	1	Truman Correspondence	1948-1950
	2	Truman Correspondence	1951-1952
	3	Truman Correspondence	1953-1958

	4	Truman Correspondence	1959-1965
	5	Truman Interviews, Ephemera	undated
	6-7	Truman Articles	1951-1956
	8	Taft Correspondence, Articles	1949-1964
2	1	Einstein Correspondence	1948-1963
	2	Einstein Interviews, Ephemera	1951
	3-5	Einstein Articles	1931-1962
	6	De Mille Correspondence, Articles	1951-1957
	7	Barkley Correspondence	1949-1956
	8	Sarnoff Correspondence	1948-1964
3	1	Sarnoff Interviews, Articles	1951-1961
	2	Hoffman Correspondence	1950-1964
	3	Hoffman Interviews, Ephemera, Articles	1953-1956
	4	Vinson	1953
	5	Baruch Correspondence, Articles	1947-1957
	6	Rayburn Correspondence, Interviews, Articles	1938-1962, undated
	7	Zukor Correspondence, Articles	1948-1956, undated
	8	Roosevelt Correspondence	1947-1961
	9	Roosevelt Interviews, Ephemera	1949-1960
	10	Roosevelt Articles,	1950-1963
4	1-3	<i>Fathers and Sons</i> Drafts, Memorandums, Notes, Reviews	1952, undated
	4	<i>Fathers and Sons</i> Articles	1952-1964

Series 2: *The Great American Heritage: The Story of the Five Eisenhower Brothers, 1942-1964*

Series Description

The Great American Heritage: The Story of the Five Eisenhower Brothers series consists of all documents pertaining to the creation of the published book, also known as *One American Family*. This series includes correspondence with all five Eisenhower brothers, their parents, and associates. Transcribed interviews with these individuals are included, along with newspaper and magazine articles pertaining to family members and family affairs.

Corresponding photographs and scrapbooks are located in Series 5 and 7, respectively.

Arrangement

Arranged by type: correspondence, manuscripts, notes, interviews, ephemera, and articles.

See boxes 30-31 for oversized material

Box	Folder	Title	Date
4	5	Eisenhower Family Correspondence	1942-1949
	6	Eisenhower Family Correspondence	1950-1954
	7	Eisenhower Family Correspondence	1955
5	1	Eisenhower Family Correspondence	1956-1964, undated
	2-3	<i>Five Eisenhower Brothers</i> Drafts	undated
	4-5	Eisenhower Family Manuscript, <i>One American Family</i>	undated

	6	Publisher's Copy <i>Great American Heritage</i> and related statements, reviews and book news	1955, undated
	7	"Arthur" from book	undated
6	1	Eisenhower Family Manuscript <i>One American Family</i>	1958
	2	Eisenhower Family Notes, Memorandums, Reviews	1946-1962
	3	Eisenhower Family Ephemera	1945-1962, undated
	4	Eisenhower Family Articles, Non-English and English	1955, undated
	5-6	Eisenhower Family and <i>The Great American Heritage</i> Articles	1955-1961
7	1-7	Eisenhower Family and <i>The Great American Heritage</i> Articles	1949-1964
8	1	Eisenhower Family Articles	1955-1957
	2	Eisenhower Family Articles, Non-English	

Series 3: *The Real Nixon, 1903-1964*

Series Description

The Real Nixon series contains research pertaining to Richard Nixon collected by Kornitzer. The series contains correspondence, interviews, notes, ephemera, and newspaper and magazine articles. Correspondence and interviews with members of the Nixon family, particularly Richard's mother, Hannah Nixon, are included.

For photographs of Richard Nixon and family see Series 7. See boxes 30-31 for oversized materials

Arrangement

Correspondence arranged chronologically. Other materials arranged chronologically when dates are available.

Box	Folder	Title	Date
8	3	Nixon, Hannah Correspondence	1952-1963
	4	Nixon Family Correspondence	1903-1957
	5	Nixon Family Correspondence	1958-1959
	6	Nixon Family Correspondence	1960-1964
	7	Nixon Family Ephemera	1953-1960, undated
9	1	Nixon Family Memos, Brochures	1957-1960
	2	Nixon Family Memos, Notes, Questions	undated
	3	Nixon Family Notes, Questions, Writings	undated
	4	Nixon, Hannah Interviews	1959, undated
	5	Nixon Family Interviews	1957-1958
9A	6-7	Nixon Family Interviews	1959
10	1	Nixon Family Interviews	undated
	2-6	Nixon Family Manuscript	undated
11	1	Nixon Family Articles	1946-1960
	2	Nixon Family Articles	1954-1960
	3	Nixon Family Articles	1959-1962
	4	Nixon Family Articles	1959-1960

Series 4: *As the Twig is Bent*, 1943-1964

Series Description

The *As the Twig is Bent* series is the unpublished manuscript written by Kornitzer, which further explores the father/son theme as it is expressed through different American icons. These papers document Kornitzer's research of his chosen subjects, and include correspondence, interviews, notes, ephemera and article clippings on the subjects such as Lyndon Baines Johnson, Cardinal Cushing, Barry Goldwater, Billy Graham, Douglas Mac Arthur and the Kennedys.

Arrangement

Folders arranged alphabetically by last name of subject. Materials arranged by format: correspondence, interviews, notes, memos, questions, ephemera and articles. Correspondence arranged chronologically.

See boxes 30-31 for oversized material.

Box	Folder	Title	Date
11	6	Johnson Family Correspondence	1943-1964
12	1	Johnson Family Interviews, Notes, Ephemera	1960-1964, undated
	2	Johnson Family Book	undated
	3	Johnson Family Essay from <i>As the Twig Is Bent</i> , Articles	1960-1964, undated
	4	McCormack Correspondence, Interviews, Notes, News	1961-1964, undated
	5	Warren Correspondence, Interviews	1956-1961, undated
	6	Warren Articles	1948-1964
	7	Stevenson Correspondence, Interviews, Articles	1952-1964, undated
	8	Bunche Correspondence, Notes, Articles	1949-1962, undated
13	1	Cushing Correspondence	1957-1964
	2	Cushing Ephemera, Memos, Notes, Articles	1950-1964, undated
	3	Cushing Ephemera	undated
	4	Cushing Manuscripts, Memos, Notes	undated
	5	Cushing Interview, Original Manuscript	1964, undated
	6	Cushing Questions, Manuscript	undated
	7	Cushing Manuscript	1964
14	1-3	Cushing Manuscript	undated
	4	Edison Correspondence, Memo Questions, Articles	1961-1962, undated
	5	Frost Correspondence, Interviews, Questions, Articles	1949-1963, undated
	6	Frost Articles	1952-1962
	7	Goldwater Correspondence, Notes, Questions, Speeches	1961-1964, undated
15	1	Goldwater Interviews, Articles	1961, 1964, undated
	2	Graham Correspondence, Ephemera, Notes, Questions	1938-1964, undated
	3	Graham Articles	1958-1964
	4-5	Graham Interviews	1961
	6	Hand Correspondence, Interviews, Memos, Articles	1952-1961
	7	Hearst Correspondence, Questions, Articles	1935-1963, undated
16	1	MacArthur Correspondence, Ephemera, Questions	1947-1964

	2	MacArthur Questions, Memos, Interview	1951, 1963, undated
	3-5	MacArthur Manuscript	undated
	6-7	MacArthur Articles	1964
17	1	Mayo Correspondence, Notes, Questions, Television Series	1956-1965, undated
	2	Mayo Interview	January 1956
	3	Mayo Interview	February 1956
	4	Mayo Ephemera, Articles	1952-1964
	5	Rockefeller Correspondence, Ephemera, Interviews, Questions	1947-1963, undated
	6	Rockefeller Articles	1962-1964
	7	Wagner Correspondence, Notes, Interviews, Questions	1953-1961, undated
	8	Wagner Articles	1958-1964
18	1	Kennedy Family Correspondence	1940-1962
	2	Kennedy Family Correspondence, Ephemera	1962-1964
	3	Kennedy Interviews: Robert and Edward	1961, undated
	4	Kennedy Interviews: Mrs. Joseph, Ambassador Joseph	1960, undated
	5	Kennedy Family Notes, Manuscript	undated
	6-8	Kennedy Family Unpublished Manuscript	1960
19	1-3	Kennedy, John F. Articles	1961-1964
	4	Kennedy, Joseph and Edward Articles	1961-1964
	5-8	Kennedy, Robert Articles	1961-1964
20	1	Coit, Margaret Correspondence, Notes, Articles	1959-1964, undated
	2	<i>As the Twig Is Bent</i> Articles	1952-1964

Series 5: Profiles, 1947-1974

Series Description

The Profiles series consists of research, correspondence, articles, and questions and interviews that address subjects not featured in any of the published works or the unpublished manuscript. The subjects and subject areas include prominent political and business figures of America, as well as other countries such as Argentina, Brazil and Hungary. Some correspondence regarding Kornitzer's personal and financial affairs are also included.

Arrangement

Arranged alphabetically by subject.

Box	Folder	Title	Date
20	3	Allen, George V. Correspondence, Notes, Questions and Interviews	1959-1960
	4	Allen, George V. Articles	1959-1960
	5	America Articles	1955-1964
	6	Argentina Correspondence	1961-1966
	7	Argentina Notes, Questions, Interviews, Some Non-English	1959-1961
	8	Austria, Vienna, Correspondence, Memos, Notes	1956-1964, undated
	9	Bailey – Brennan Articles	1951-1961

	10	Bank Correspondence (Bank of America, Chase, Dakota National)	1956-1964
	11	Barton, Bruce Correspondence, Questions, Articles, Notes	1951-1960, undated
21	1	Ben-Gurion, David Correspondence, Questions, Interview, Conversation, Articles,	1952-1963
	2	Bolten, John Correspondence, Article	1953-1964
	3	Brazil Correspondence, Notes, Questions, Ephemera	1961-1963
	4	Brazil Articles, Some Non-English	1961-1963
	5	Brown, Edmund G. "Pat" Biographical Sketch, Articles	1958, undated
	6	Bundschu, Henry Correspondence, Essay on Harry S. Truman by Bundschu	1948-1952
	7	Burrus Family Correspondence	1949
	8	Business Correspondence (Cocoa-Cola, Ford, Western Union)	1950-1964
	9	Business Correspondence (Campbell Soup, Princeton Film)	1948-1964
	10	Calvin, Patty Interview	1958
	11	CBS Correspondence	1953-1964
	12	Christopher, George Correspondence	1958-1959
	13	Chamberlin, Charles – Cushing, Harvey Articles	1956-1964
22	1	Christopher, George Correspondence, Notes, Questions, Interviews	1958
	2	Churchill, Winston c/o Strudee, Jill, Correspondence, Articles	1952-1963
	3	Columbia Records Correspondence	1953-1960
	4	Connally, John Correspondence, Ephemera, Article	1956-1964, undated
	5	De Roachemont, Richard Correspondence, Article	1951-1954, 1964
	6	De Rothschild – Duke Articles	1954-1963
	7	Dorn, Evelyn Correspondence	1960-1962
	8	Duckworth, W.F. Correspondence	1963-1968
	9	Ecker – Englehards Articles	1957-1963
	10-11	Ephemera	undated
	12	Erskine, Carolyn Correspondence	1961-1963
	13	Fairchild – Furth Articles	1958-1964
	14	Farley, James A. Correspondence	1949-1962
23	1	Farley, James A. Ephemera, Notes, Articles	1951-1964, undated
	3	Field, Marshall Correspondence, Articles	1949-1961
	2	Figel, Leopold Non-English Essay	undated
	4	Finch, Robert Correspondence	1959-1960
	5	Ford Family Correspondence, Articles	1953-1963
	6	Ford Family Articles	1950-1974
	7	Frankfurter, Felix Correspondence, Articles	1949-1961
	8	Gabor – Gunther Articles	1957-1963
	9	Giannini, A.P. Correspondence, Notes, Memos, Biographical Sketch, Questions, Interview	1950-1958

	10	Giannini, A.P. Articles, Includes article written by Bela Kornitzer	1951-1952
	11	Gordon, Arthur Correspondence, Articles	1954-1964
	12	Hagerty – Hunt Articles	1956-1964
24	1	Hoover Family Correspondence, Memo, Articles	1935-1964
	2	Hoover Family Articles	1949-1964
	3	Hungarian Catholic League of America Correspondence	1961
	4	Hungarian Catholic League of America Ephemera, Memos, Notes	1961
	5	Hungarian Catholic League of America Articles, Some Non-English	1945-1961
	6	International Correspondence: Israel, France, Switzerland, Turkey, Hungary, Some Non-English	1956-1964
	7	International Articles	1957-1964, undated
	8	Iran Correspondence, Ephemera, Articles	1958-1959
25	1	Javits, Jacob Correspondence, Brochure, Questions, News	1964
	2	Johnson, Raymond Correspondence and Interview	1963
	3	Kettering Correspondence, Biographical Sketch, Questions, Interview, Articles	1952, undated
	4	Klein, Herbert G. Memos and Correspondence	1959-1960
	5	Kaiser, Henry J. – Knight, John S. Articles	1947-1964
	6	King, Jr., Martin Luther Articles	1962-1964
	7	Land, Frank Correspondence and Articles	1951-1954
	8	Latin American Correspondence, Ephemera, Articles, Some Non-English	1961-1962
	9	Lilienthal – Luce Articles	1947-1964
	10	<i>Look</i> Magazine Correspondence	1960-1964
	11	Lucas, Paul Correspondence	1945-1948
	12	Magazine Correspondence	1962-1964
	13	Magnuson, Warren G. Correspondence, Biographical Sketch	1963, undated
	14	Maxie, Marjorie Correspondence	1949-1956
	15	McCone-MacPhee Articles	1959-1964
26	1	McNamara Articles	1960-1964
	2	Mexican Constitution	1961
	3	Miner, Washington Biographical Sketch, Correspondence	1960
	4	Morrissey, Judge Francis X. Correspondence	1962
	5	Newspaper Correspondence	1947-1964
	6	Newspaper Correspondence	1951-1960
	7	Nimitz, Chester Biographical Sketch, Notes, Articles	1961-1962
	8	Noland, Nelle Correspondence	1949-1957
	9	Newhouse, Samuel – Obolensky, Ivan Articles	1960-1962
	10	Oppenheimer, Robert Articles	1954-1964
	11	Organizations Correspondence	1950-1964
	12	Parr, Jack – Powell, Adam Articles	1958-1964

	13	<i>Parade Magazine</i> Correspondence, Ephemera, Notes	1964, undated
	14	<i>Parents Magazine</i> Correspondence, Memos	1950-1952, undated
	15	<i>Pathfinder Magazine</i> Correspondence, Notes	1951, undated
	16	Pershing, Warren Correspondence, Notes, Questions	1941-1963, undated
	17	Pew Jr., Joseph N. Interview	1961
	18	Pitcairn, Raymond Correspondence, Articles	1956-1964
27	1	Politicians and Governmental Agencies "A-S" Correspondence	1946-1963
	2	Politicians and Governmental Agencies "T-Z" Correspondence	1949-1962
	3	Presidents and Elections Articles	1956-1964
	4	Publishers Correspondence	1950-1964
	5	Pulitzer, Joseph Correspondence, Essay	1947-1960, undated
	6	Pulitzer, Joseph Articles	1947-1953
	7	Raab, Maxwell M. Correspondence, Interview, Articles	1958-1964, undated
28	1	Randolph, Jennings - Rowan, Carl, Articles	1951-1963
	2	<i>Readers Digest Magazine</i> Correspondence	1954-1964
	3	Religion Articles	1952-1962
	4	Ritter, Grant A. Correspondence, Articles	1944-1963, undated
	5	Rogers, William Correspondence, Interviews, Articles	1952, 1959-1961
	6	Romney, George Correspondence, Articles	1962-1964
	7	Rothschild, Sigmund Biographical Sketch, Articles	undated
	8	Rusk, Dean, Articles	1960-1964
	9	Russell, Bertrand Biographical Sketch, Memos, Articles	1952-1955
	10	Salk, Jonas - Straus, Jack, Articles	1956-1963
	11	Sandburg, Carl Correspondence, Articles	1952, 1958
	12	Scranton, William, Articles	1962-1964
	13	Smith, Stephen Correspondence, Articles	1961-1963
	14	Television, Film, Books, Radio, Music Correspondence	1952-1963
	15	Television, Film, Books, Radio, Music Articles	1952-1963
	16	Thompson, Llewellyn - Tracy, Spencer	1962-1963
	17	Thieleman, Bernice Correspondence	1951-1952
	18	United Nations Correspondence	1949-1963
	19	University Correspondence	1927-1963
29	1	Van Habsburg, Archduke Otto Correspondence, Articles	1961-1964
	2	Wallace, George - Zeckendorf, Bill Articles	1952-1963
	3	Welles, Sumner Correspondence	1947-1953
	4	Welles, Sumner Interviews, Questions, Articles	1951, undated
	5	Weyerhaeuser, Frederick Correspondence, Article	1953-1964
	6	White House Correspondence	1951-1964
	7	Whitney, Courtney Correspondence	1961-1964
	8	Whitney, Courtney Cards	1961-1964
	9	<i>Who Is Responsible?</i> Essay by Bela Kornitzer, Ephemera, Articles, Some Non-English	1964, undated
	10	Wilson, Bob Correspondence	1958-1961
30	1-6	Miscellaneous Oversized Newspaper Articles and	1950-1974

31	1	Magazines, and Ephemera. Subjects include: Einstein, Eisenhower, Mac Arthur, Nixon, Truman, Miscellaneous Miscellaneous Oversized Newspaper Articles and Magazines: Kennedy, Johnson and Kennedy Assassination	
32	1-2	Miscellaneous Correspondence, Memos, Notes	1949-1964

Series 6: Biographical Information, 1945-1964

Series Description

The Biographical Information series includes personal information about Kornitzer and his career, such as personal correspondence and notes, drawings, and interviews with Kornitzer as the subject. These papers also contain essays written by Kornitzer, brief autobiographical sketches, and his original Certificate of Naturalization.

Arrangement

Arranged according to format.

Box	Folder	Title	Date
32	3	Kornitzer Certificate of Naturalization	1953
	4	Kornitzer Correspondence, Notes, Ephemera	1950-1964, undated
	5	Kornitzer Notes, Memos, Press Releases, Interviews	1951-1964, undated
	6	Kornitzer Biographical Sketch, Interviews, Notes, Essays	1950-1964, undated
	7	Kornitzer Scrapbook Pages, Non-English	1945
	8	Kornitzer Articles, By and About Kornitzer, Some Non-English	1947-1964

Series 7: Photographs and Posters, undated

Series Description

The Photographs and Posters series is comprised primarily of photographs acquired by Kornitzer from the families of his subjects. Other photographs are of both Kornitzer and subject, taken at the time of an interview. Personal photographs also included. There are six folders of negatives, some of which correspond to the printed photographs in preceding boxes. This series includes several oversized posters depicting political campaigns and Kornitzer's book releases. Additionally, a framed painting of John F. Kennedy is included.

Arrangement

Arranged according to Kornitzer's original order of groupings by subject. All undocumented or unidentifiable photographs are grouped in miscellaneous.

Box	Folder	Title	Date
33	1	Brauch Photographs	undated
	2-3	Cardinal Cushing Photographs	undated
	4	De Mille, Cecil B., Photographs	undated
	5	Einstein Photographs	undated
	6-9	Eisenhower Family Photographs	undated

	10	Goldwater Photographs	undated
	11	Graham Photographs	undated
	12	Hoffman Photographs	undated
	13	Ickes Photographs	undated
34	1	Johnson Family Photographs	undated
	2	Kennedy Family Photographs	undated
	3-4	Mac Arthur Photographs	undated
	5	Mayo Photographs	undated
	6-8	Nixon Family Photographs	undated
	9	Pulitzer Photographs	undated
	10	Rockefeller Photographs	undated
	11	Sarnoff Photographs	undated
	12	Truman and Barkley Photographs	undated
35	1	Truman and Mac Arthur Photographs	undated
	2	Wagner Photographs	undated
	3	Zukor Photographs	undated
	4	Miscellaneous Female Friends of Kornitzer	undated
	5	Miscellaneous Negatives, includes Abilene, Burrus, Edison, Frost, Hand, Land	undated
	6-8	Miscellaneous Photographs	undated
36	1-6	Miscellaneous Photographs	undated
37	1-6	Negatives	undated
38		Miscellaneous Oversized Photographs	undated

Series 8: Audio and Film Recordings, 1954-1964

Series Description

The Audio and Film Recordings series consists primarily of audio recordings of interviews Bela Kornitzer conducted with his subjects and are reel to reels, cassette tapes, and record albums. All but two of the audio cassettes, that of Alicia Karpati and Cadet Kirk, are copies of the reel to reel recordings. The film recordings are of General Douglas Mac Arthur and of Robert Frost. The Robert Frost film recording is a copy of the "At Home With Robert Frost" televised interview conducted by Bela Kornitzer and broadcast on NBC. Some of these interviews have been transcribed and can be found by subject name in Series 1-4. Not all of the interviews have been transcribed, and accordingly not all of the interviews on paper are transcriptions of these audio recordings. Also included are several miscellaneous commercial record albums purchased by Kornitzer featuring audio essays and interviews on some of subjects contained within this collection.

Arrangement

Arranged by format then alphabetically by subject.

Box	Interviewees	Format	Date
39	George V. Allen (2 cassettes)	Cassette	1960
	Bruce Barton	Cassette	1956
	Alphonso Bell Jr.; J.M. Udall; R. Arbuthnot	Cassette	1959

	Jacob Blaustein	Cassette	1961
	Jacob Blaustein	Cassette	1961
	John Bolten	Cassette	1962
	John Bolten	Cassette	1962
	"Capital Byline" Patty Cavin WRC	Cassette	1958
	Norman Chandler	Cassette	1958
	Mrs. Norman Chandler	Cassette	1958
	George Christopher	Cassette	1964
	Cardinal Richard Cushing	Cassette	1964
	Cardinal Richard Cushing	Cassette	1964
	Cardinal Richard Cushing	Cassette	1961
	Cardinal Richard Cushing (2 cassettes)	Cassette	1961
	Justin Dart	Cassette	1959
	Martha Deane	Cassette	1954
	Martha Deane (2 cassettes)	Cassette	1956
	Cecil B. De Mille (6 cassettes)	Cassette	undated
	Charles Edison	Cassette	1961
	Charles Edison	Cassette	1961
	Arthur Eisenhower	Cassette	1954
	Arthur Eisenhower	Cassette	undated
	Dwight Eisenhower, "IKE runs...Speaking from the White House"	Cassette	1956
	Earl Eisenhower (2 cassettes)	Cassette	1954
	Edgar Eisenhower (2 cassettes)	Cassette	1953
40	Edgar Eisenhower (7 cassettes)	Cassette	1954
	Edgar Eisenhower	Cassette	1954
	"Paging the New" Edgar and Milton [Eisenhower]	Cassette	1955
	Edna Eisenhower	Cassette	1954
	Major John Eisenhower	Cassette	1954
	Major John and Barbara Jean Eisenhower	Cassette	1954
	Lily Erdody	Cassette	1958
	James A. Farley, Jr.	Cassette	1962
	Frank Farrel	Cassette	1955
	Dr. Leopold Figl	Cassette	1957
	Barry Goldwater	Cassette	1961
	Billy Graham	Cassette	1961
	Melvin and Peggy Graham	Cassette	1961
	William Franklin Graham, Sr., and Mrs. Morrow Coffey Graham	Cassette	1961
	Helen Hall (2 cassettes)	Cassette	1964
	Learned Hand (2 cassettes)	Cassette	1961

	William Randolph Hearst, Jr. (2 cassettes)	Cassette	1961
	Ray Heatherton	Cassette	1955
	Ray Heatherton	Cassette	1955
	Walt Horan	Cassette	1955
	Edward F. Kennedy (2 cassettes)	Cassette	1961
	Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy	Cassette	1960
	Barbara Welles show	Cassette	1954
	John Krehbiel	Cassette	undated
	Bela Kornitzer interviewed by Patti Cavin	Cassette	1960
	Bela Kornitzer interviewed by Ed Murrow	Cassette	undated
41	Art Lamb	Cassette	1955
	Bill Leonard	Cassette	1960
	Hazel Markel	Cassette	1954
	Dr. Charles W. Mayo	Cassette	1956
	Dr. Charles W. Mayo	Cassette	1956
	Dr. Charles and Alice Mayo	Cassette	1956
	John W. McCormack (2 cassettes)	Cassette	undated
	Mary Margaret McBride	Cassette	1955
	Ruby Mercer	Cassette	1955
	Cardinal Mindezenty's speech	Cassette	undated
	Ed Neilor, Congressional Recording and TV	Cassette	1955
	Hannah Nixon	Cassette	1959
	Hannah Nixon	Cassette	1959
	Hannah Nixon (5 cassettes)	Cassette	undated
	Richard Nixon	Cassette	1959
	Richard Nixon; Pat Nixon; J. Sturm	Cassette	1959
	Richard Nixon on David Suskind (2 cassettes)	Cassette	1960
	Archduke Otto	Cassette	1954
	Archduke Otto	Cassette	1959
	F. Warren Pershing	Cassette	1963
	Joseph N. Pew	Cassette	1961
	Julius Raab	Cassette	1957
	Nelson A. Rockefeller	Cassette	1962
	Bill Rogers	Cassette	1959
	Paul Smith	Cassette	1959
	Tex and Jinx	Cassette	1955
	Tex and Jinx	Cassette	1955
	Thor C. Tollefson	Cassette	1955
	Robert Wagner (3 cassettes)	Cassette	1958
42	Earl Warren	Cassette	1961
	Bob Wilson	Cassette	1959

	Alicia Karpati	Cassette	undated
	Cadet Kirk	Cassette	1963
43	George V. Allen (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1960
	George V. Allen	Reel-to-reel	undated
	Mrs. Vivian B. Allen	Reel-to-reel	1959
	Bruce Barton (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1956
	Senator Barry Goldwater	Reel-to-reel	1961
	Alphonso E. Bell Jr.; James M. Udall	Reel-to-reel	1959
	Jacob Blaustein (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1961
	John Bolten (3 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1962
	Ab Burrows	Reel-to-reel	1955
44	Patty Cavin	Reel-to-reel	1958
	Norman Chandler	Reel-to-reel	undated
	Mrs. Norman Chandler	Reel-to-reel	1958
	George Christopher	Reel-to-reel	1958
	Cardinal Richard Cushing (7 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1961
	Cardinal Richard Cushing (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1964
	Martha Deane	Reel-to-reel	1954
45	Martha Deane	Reel-to-reel	1956
	Martha Deane	Reel-to-reel	undated
	Justin Dart; Jack & Helen Drown	Reel-to-reel	1959
	Cecil B. DeMille (6 reels)	Reel-to-reel	undated
	Charles Edison (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1961
	Arthur Eisenhower (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1954
	Arthur Eisenhower	Reel-to-reel	undated
46	Dwight D. Eisenhower, "IKE runs"	Reel-to-reel	1956
	Earl D. Eisenhower (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1954
	Edgar N. Eisenhower (3 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1953
	Edgar Eisenhower (7 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1954
	Edgar Eisenhower	Reel-to-reel	undated
47	Major John Eisenhower; Barbara Jean (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1954
	Milton Eisenhower	Reel-to-reel	1953
	Edgar - Milton Eisenhower	Reel-to-reel	1955
	Mrs. Roy Edna Eisenhower	Reel-to-reel	1954
	Lily Erdody	Reel-to-reel	1958
	James A. Farley Jr.	Reel-to-reel	1962
	Frank Farrel	Reel-to-reel	1955
	Dr. Leopold Figl	Reel-to-reel	1957
	Billy Graham (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1961
	Melvin and Peggy Graham	Reel-to-reel	undated
	William Franklin Graham Sr. and Mrs. Morrow Coffey	Reel-to-reel	1961

	Graham		
	Judge Learned Hand	Reel-to-reel	1961
48	Judge Learned Hand	Reel-to-reel	1961
	William Randolph Hearst Jr. (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1961
	Ray Heatherton (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1955
	Walt Horan	Reel-to-reel	1955
	Edward F. "Teddy" Kennedy (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1961
	Mrs. Joseph P. Kennedy (Rose Fitzgerald) (4 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1960
	Bela Kornitzer interviewed by Patty Cavin	Reel-to-reel	1960
	Bela Kornitzer interviewed by Ed Murrow	Reel-to-reel	undated
49	John Krehbiel	Reel-to-reel	undated
	Art Lamb	Reel-to-reel	1955
	H.S.T. TV; Bill Leonard	Reel-to-reel	1960
	MacArthur Helen Hall (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1964
	Hazel Markel	Reel-to-reel	1954
	Dr. Charles W. & Alice Mayo (3 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1956
	Mary Margaret McBride	Reel-to-reel	1955
	Speaker John W. McCormack (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	undated
	Ruby Mercer	Reel-to-reel	1955
	Cardinal Mindscenty	Reel-to-reel	undated
50	Ed Neilor, Congressional Recording and TV	Reel-to-reel	1955
	Mrs. Frank Hannah Milhaus Nixon (4 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1959
	Mrs. Frank Hannah Milhaus Nixon (4 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1960
	Richard Nixon	Reel-to-reel	1959
	Richard and Pat Nixon; Alice Roosevelt Longworth and Joanna Strum	Reel-to-reel	1959
	Archduke Otto	Reel-to-reel	1959
	Archduke Otto	Reel-to-reel	1964
	F. Warren Pershing	Reel-to-reel	1963
51	Joseph N. Pew	Reel-to-reel	1961
	Julius Raab, Chancellor of Austria	Reel-to-reel	1957
	Nelson A. Rockefeller	Reel-to-reel	1962
	Bill Rogers, Attorney General (2 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1959
	Dr. Paul Smith; Albert Upton & Mother	Reel-to-reel	1959
	Adlai Stevenson	Reel-to-reel	1962
	Tex & Jinx	Reel-to-reel	1955
	Tex & Jinx, Ann Todd	Reel-to-reel	1955
	Thor C. Tollefson	Reel-to-reel	1955
	Robert F. Wagner (3 reels)	Reel-to-reel	1958
	Chief Justice Earl Warren	Reel-to-reel	1961
52	Chief Justice Earl Warren	Reel-to-reel	1961

	Barbara Welles	Reel-to-reel	1954
	Bob Wilson, Congressman of California	Reel-to-reel	1959
	Cardinal Richard Cushing	Reel-to-reel	1964
53	Cecil B. De Mille (8 albums)	Record	undated
	Arthur B. Eisenhower (2 albums)	Record	1953
	Earl D. Eisenhower (5 albums)	Record	1953
	Edgar Eisenhower (6 albums)	Record	1953
	Milton S. Eisenhower (5 albums)	Record	1953
	Mrs. Joseph P. (Rose Fitzgerald) Kennedy	Record	1960
	Herb Sheldon Show	Record	1952
	Sidney Smith (2 albums)	Record	1955
	Barbara Welles (6 albums)	Record	1952
	Lincoln, D. Carnegie	Record	1951
	Brauch; Apponyi; Taft	Record	undated
	Gandhi, S. Early, Charlie Ross, D. Lynn, H. Einstein, Ickes	Record	1951
	Vivan, Frank Land, Coolidge, F. Perkins, Eisenhower, Cadbury, Sol Bloom, N. Thomas, Zucker	Record	undated
	Eisenhower Campaign Song	Record	1952
	John Fitzgerald Kennedy: A Memorial Album	Record	1961
	The Actual Voices and Events of Four Days that Shocked the World: Nov. 22-25, 1963, The Complete Story	Record	1963
	A Solemn Pontifical Requiem Mass in Memory of John Fitzgerald Kennedy, Celebrated by Richard Cardinal Cushing (2 copies)	Record	1964
	The Sounds of History: Prehistory to 1774	Record	1963
	The Sounds of History: 1775-1789	Record	1963
	Wisdom, Volume 1: Conversations with the Elder Wise Men of Our Day: Carl Sandburg, Jawaharlal Nehru, Dr. Harlow Shapley, Jacques Lipchitz	Record	undated
	Wisdom, Volume 2: Conversations with the Elder Wise Men of Our Day: Sean O'Casey, David Ben-Gurion, Bertrand Russell, Frank Lloyd Wright	Record	undated

Series 9: Scrapbooks and Posters

Series Description

The Scrapbooks series contain several scrapbooks compiled by Kornitzer pertaining to the Eisenhower family, *The Great American Heritage*, and *Fathers & Sons*. These scrapbooks contain mostly photographs and newspaper clippings, along with some letters and postcards.

Arrangement

Arranged according to subject and size.

Box Subject

54	<i>Fathers & Sons</i> , Richard Nixon, Sam Rayburn
55	Truman
56	Eisenhower Family
57	Eisenhower Family
58	Eisenhower Family
59	Eisenhower Family
60	Eisenhower Family
61	Eisenhower Family
62	Posters