

Guide to the Richard Ruggles Papers

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Collection Overview

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CREATOR: Ruggles, Richard, 1916-2001

TITLE: Richard Ruggles papers

DATES: 1943-1990

BULK DATES: 1943-1953

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.5 linear feet

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The papers consist of the papers and reports of Richard Ruggles regarding an invention called the Yale Rapid Selector and his work for the Office of Strategic Services during World War II.

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- b. box
- f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of William C. Brainard, 2005.

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Biographical / Historical

Richard Ruggles was born on June 15, 1916, in Columbus, Ohio. He received an A.B. in 1939, an M.A. in 1941, and a Ph.D. in 1942, all from Harvard University and all in economics. During World War II, Ruggles was an economist for the Office of Strategic Services, where he analyzed serial numbers of Nazi tanks and tires in order to estimate German tank production. In 1947, Ruggles came to Yale University as a professor of economics, eventually becoming the Stanley Resor Professor of Economics in 1954. During his forty years at Yale, Ruggles became known for improving governmental price indexes and for his development of accounting tools used to measure national income. He died on March 4, 2001.

Scope and Contents

The papers consist of the papers and reports of Richard Ruggles regarding an invention called the Yale Rapid Selector and his work for the Office of Strategic Services during World War II.

Arrangement

The papers are arranged in one section: Inventory, 1943-1953, 1990, and in two sub-sections: World War II and Yale Rapid Selector.

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Inventory, 1943-1953, 1990

World War II		
b. 1, f. 1	"Economies of Europe Prior to and During World War II" English	1952-1953
b. 1, f. 2	"An Empirical Approach to Economic Intelligence in World War II" English	1947 March
b. 1, f. 3	"The 'Numbers Racket' Applied to Arms Control Verification" English	1990 August 6
b. 1, f. 4 - 6	Reports on German tank and tire production	1943-1944
b. 1, f. 7	Yale Rapid Selector	1953-1954

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.

Names

Ruggles, Richard, 1916-2001

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