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SUMMARY: The collection consists of correspondence, printed material, writings, photographs, ephemera, and posters relating to the history of the Gold Coast (now known as Ghana) and the current political, economic, and social conditions.

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b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

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Associated Materials

African Collection, MS 605; African Postcard Collection, MS 1575, Pamphlet Collection, MS 1351. Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

The material in the original accession is arranged chronologically, with photographs last. Additions to the collection may vary in arrangement.

Collection Contents

Original accession

b. 1, f. 1	Gold Coast Constabulary: papers relating to Assistant Inspector Frederick A. Fenton of the White Volta District	1899-1903
b. 1, f. 2	Gold Coast Government Railways: first class free pass issued to Lieutenant W. G. Kettle; map of the railway; photographs taken by Kettle during survey of proposed new line from Kumasi to Accra	1913
b. 1, f. 3	Education: school bulletins, pamphlets, printed material	1930-1992
b. 1, f. 4 - 5	Periodicals: magazines; popular journals	1934-1993
b. 1, f. 6	<i>The Gold Coast Handbook</i> : produced in England by the authority of the publishers, the Gold Coast Government	1937
b. 1, f. 7	Northern Territories Welfare Committee: documents	1944
b. 1, f. 8	General information pamphlets; brochures; booklets	1946-1992, undated
b. 1, f. 9	Letters and photographs sent by Sonja and Janje Wyllie to Helen and Adelbert Poka-Pivny regarding their stay in Ghana and the birth of their son, Janik	1949-1951
b. 1, f. 10	Government documents: speeches; journals; releases	1950-1965
b. 1, f. 11	Elections: printed material	1951-1987
b. 1, f. 13	Castles and forts of the Gold Coast: calendar	1956
b. 2, f. 14	Independence celebration: programs, essays	1957
b. 2, f. 15	Industrial Development Corporation: survey report	1957
b. 2, f. 16	Obituaries; funeral orations of political and tribal figures	1959, 1990
b. 2, f. 17	"Tradition and Change - Problems of Progress," by Russell Warren Howe English	1959 March
b. 2, f. 18	Political organizations: journals; newsletters; printed material	1965-1992, undated
b. 2, f. 19	State Shipping Corporation: reports on the Black Star Line	1966
b. 2, f. 20	Newspapers	1985-1991
b. 2, f. 21	Royal Air Force during World War II: photograph album and loose photographs	1943
b. 2, f. 22	Village life: photographs by Robert S. Boyd	1982
b. 2, f. 23	Photograph album of Harold J. Cox	undated

Accession 1995-M-051: Additional Material

Also includes Accession 1995-M-054

b. 1	<i>West African Cocoa</i> , Anglo-Guinea Produce Co., Ltd.	1925
b. 1	"Rebuilding the National Economy": broadcast speech of the National Liberation Council English	1966 March 2

Accession 1995-M-176: Additional Material

b.1

Additional printed materials

1877-1927, 1950,
1962, 1989-1995,
undated

Accession 2006-M-059: Additional Material

This material is arranged alphabetically by title and/or personal name. Photographs and a drawing are at the end of the accession.

b. 1, f. 1	<i>The African Spectator</i> , vol. 2, no. 10	1963 March 9
b. 1, f. 2	<i>City News</i> , vol.1, no. 6 English	1978 May, June
b. 1, f. 3	"Code of Conduct for Political Parties in Ghana" English	2000 May 18
b. 1, f. 4	<i>The Echo</i> , vol. LXIII, no. 195	1987 May 31
b. 1, f. 5	"Fighting Words, Proverbs in Asafo Flags of Ghana," program for an exhibit at The Textile Museum, Washington, D.C. English	2001 May 25- August 12
b. 1, f. 6	"Firaw, Volta Hall Magazine" English	1987
b. 1, f. 7	<i>Funtime</i> English	undated
b. 1, f. 8	<i>GBC Radio and TV Times</i> , vol. 21, no. 2 English	1984 July- September
b. 1, f. 9	<i>Ghana Confidential</i> , vol. 2, no. 3, English	1974 Oct, November
b. 1, f. 10	"Ghana News Bulletin," vol. 3, no. 11 English	1975
b. 1, f. 11	<i>Ghana Observer</i> , vol. 1, no. 7 English	[1984]
b. 1, f. 12	<i>The Ghanaian</i> , no. 1	1958 July
b. 1, f. 13	GJA (Ghana Journalists Association) Guidelines on Election Coverage	undated
b. 1, f. 14	Institute of Current World Affairs, reports by Peter Bird Martin on the economy of Ghana	1980 June 30, 1981 April 27, 30
b. 1, f. 15	<i>Labour, Ghana Trade Union Congress (TUC)</i> , vol. 1, nos. 1, 4 English	1960 Jul, October
Nkrumah, Dr. Kwame (Osagyefo), president of the Republic of Ghana		
b. 1, f. 16	"The Volta River Project" English	1961 February 21
b. 1, f. 16	Address at the opening of the Accra Assembly (two copies, one annotated)	1962 June 21
b. 1, f. 16	Press release of 1963 May Day broadcast	1963 May 3
b. 1, f. 16	"Oil for Ghana" English	1963 September 28

Nkrumah, Dr. Kwame (Osagyefo), president of the Republic of Ghana [...] (continued)

b. 1, f. 16	"State Opening of Parliament" English	1963 October 15
b. 1, f. 16	"Salute to Party Members" English	undated
b. 1, f. 17	"The Path," Kwame Nkrumah Revolutionary Guards English	[1987]
b. 1, f. 18	"Political Africa," vol. 1, no. 6 English	1970 June
b. 1, f. 19	<i>The Post</i> , no. 12,	1987 April
b. 1, f. 20	<i>Rural forum</i> , vol.1, nos. 3, 7	1986 May, Jun, 1987 July
b. 1, f. 21	<i>Sankofa</i> , vol 1, nos. 2, 3 (one issue)	1977
b. 1, f. 22	"A Social Democratic Agenda for Ghana, the Philosophy of the National Democratic Congress" English	[2000]
b. 1, f. 23	<i>The Spark</i>	1963 March 8
b. 1, f. 24	"Special Commemorative Brochure for the 25th Anniversary of Odenheho Oduro Numapau II (Esumejahene and Omanhene of Esumeja Traditional Area, 1975-2000)" English	2000 October 20-24
b. 1, f. 25	<i>Talking Drums</i> , vol. 1, no. 43, vol. 2, no.14	1984 July 30, December 24, 31
b. 1, f. 26	<i>The Verdict</i> , vol.1, no. 1	1985 August
b. 1, f. 27	"Voice of African Workers," Organization of African Trade Union Unity English	1978 Aug, Sep, Dec, 1979 Jan, [1985]
b. 1, f. 28	"White Paper on the Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the Yendi Disturbances of 25-27 March, 2002," Republic of Ghana English	2002 December 23
b. 1, f. 29	Photographs, nine scenes from the Gold Coast	[1900]
b. 1, f. 30	Photograph, Odumasi Agricultural Show	1912 November
b. 1, f. 31	Diagram of a train engine from the North British Locomotive Company, Glasgow	Circa 1950

Accession 2010-M-069: Additional Material, 1945-2006

Materials are arranged as received.

Printed material

b. 1, f. 1	<i>Sankofa: Ghana's Illustrated Arts And Culture Magazine</i>	1977
b. 1, f. 1	<i>The Verdict: Journal of The Revolutionary Organs</i>	1987, May-July
b. 1, f. 1	Gold Coast Constitution	1950
b. 1, f. 2	Circulars issued by Judicial Adviser, Chief Commissioner and the Ashanti Judicial Adviser	1945-1952
	Busia, Dr. K.A.	
b. 1, f. 2	Letters to the chairman of the Assets Committee Ghana	1972 May, 1977 January
b. 1, f. 2	Memorial service program	1978 August
b. 1, f. 2	<i>Democracy Watch</i> (Newsletter of the Ghana Center for Democratic Development)	2003 June
b. 1, f. 3	<i>The Vision</i>	2004 May-2006 December
b. 1, f. 3	<i>Flamingo</i>	1966 June
b. 1, f. 3	Welcome to Ghana tourist brochure	Undated
b. 1, f. 3	<i>The Sunday Times Magazine</i> (re Kwame Nkrumah)	1967 March
b. 1, f. 3	Pension scheme comic advertisement	Undated
b. 1, f. 3	Anti-Arthur Ankrah flyers	Undated
b. 1, f. 4	<i>Daily Graphic</i>	1966
b. 1, f. 5	<i>Ghanaian Times</i>	1966 February-1966 March
b. 1, f. 5	<i>Evening News</i>	1966 February

Accession 2011-M-084: Additional Material, 2002-2006

This accession comprises oversized posters published by the Department of Public Information Services, Accra, and arranged alphabetically by organization and/or title.

Electoral Commission of Ghana

District Assembly and Unit Committee Elections

b. 1	"Don't Let Your Disability Disenfranchise You!"	2006
b. 1	"Let Us All Get Involved"	2006
b. 1	"Voting Steps at Polling Stations"	2006

Presidential Election

b. 1	"Notice of Poll: Presidential" Poster includes names, photographs, party logos and affiliations of candidates nominated for presidency of Ghana in 2004.	2004 December
b. 1	"HIPC Benefit and other Projects" HIPC (Heavily Indebted Poor Countries) initiative was launched by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank in 1996 as an international response to provide debt relief to the neediest countries.	2003
b. 1	"Kufuor Commissions Projects" John Kofi Agyekum Kufuor was the second president of the Fourth Republic of Ghana (2001-2009).	2002
b. 1	"Kufuor's Historic Visit to Osudoku"	2002
b. 1	"Linking Up Communities"	2004
b. 1	"President's Special Initiative" (PSI)	2002
b. 1	"Progress in Education"	2004
b. 1	"Water for All"	2004

Accession 2015-M-001 : Additional material, 1961-2012

"What Was Wrong with Nkrumah" (Accession 2022-M-0005) was interfiled into box 1, folder 1.

b. 1, f. 1	Printed material	1961-2012
b. 2, f. 1	Posters	2000-2012
f. 3	Oversize	
2012 presidential election ephemera		
b. 1, f. 2	Printed material: stickers, pocket calendar, registration forms, Progressive People's Party (PPP) platform statement, Polling Station Data Booklet	
b. 1, f. 3	Printed material for NPP Nana Akufo-Addo CD, <i>Awurade Kae Nana</i> , composed by Isaiah Kwadwo Ampong	
b. 4	New Patriotic Party (NPP) tote bag	
b. 4	Three shirts, NPP, Progressive People's Party (PPP), and National Democratic Congress (NDC)	
b. 4	Three fabric banners, NPP, NDC, and Convention People's Party (CPP)	
b. 4	Plasticized banner on roller, NPP	
b. 4	Small flag, NPP	
b. 5	Two baseball caps, NPP and NDC	
b. 6	Scarves, NPP (2) and NDC (2)	
b. 6	Headscarf, NPP	
b. 7	Key chains, NPP (2) and NDC (3)	
b. 7	Bracelets, NPP (2) and NDC (1)	
b. 7	Two wristlets, NPP and NDC	
b. 7	Two pins, NPP	
b. 7	Coaster, NPP	
b. 7	Small pennant, NPP	
b. 8	NPP Nana Akufo-Addo CD, <i>Awurade Kae Nana</i> , composed by Isaiah Kwadwo Ampong [commercially produced] <i>1 CD-R</i> Original audiovisual materials, as well as preservation and duplicating masters, may not be played. Researchers must consult use copies, or if none exist must pay for a use copy, which is retained by the repository. Researchers wishing to obtain an additional copy of non-commercially produced items for their personal use should consult the ordering reproductions information on the Manuscripts and Archives web site. Copies of commercially produced audiovisual materials contained in this collection cannot be made for researcher use outside of the repository.	

Selected Search Terms

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Subjects

Railroads -- Ghana

Geographic Names

Ghana -- Description and travel

Ghana -- Economic conditions

Ghana -- History

Ghana -- Politics and government

Ghana -- Social conditions

Genres / Formats

Photographs -- Ghana

Posters -- Ghana

Names

Fenton, Frederick A.

Kufuor, John Agyekum, 1938-

Corporate Body

Electoral Commission of Ghana