

# Guide to the Society of Physiological Neurology Papers

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## Collection Overview

**REPOSITORY:** Medical Historical Library, Cushing/Whitney Medical Library  
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**CALL NUMBER:** Ms Coll 39

**CREATOR:** Society of Physiological Neurology

**TITLE:** Society of Physiological Neurology Papers

**DATES:** 1937-1943

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.5 linear feet (1 box)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The Society of Physiological Neurology was founded in 1937 as an outgrowth of the American Neurological Association. It held annual meetings from 1938 to 1942. The collection appears to be the archives of the Society and contains correspondence with members and others by the successive chairmen of the annual meeting committees; membership lists; drafts of programs; and attendance records.

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## Requesting Instructions

To request items from this collection for use on site, please use the request links in the HTML version of this finding aid, available at <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/med.ms.0039>.

Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Possibly archived at Yale through Margaret A. Kennard, an active member.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

## **Conditions Governing Use**

Yale does not own copyright.

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## **Preferred Citation**

Society of Physiological Neurology Papers, Historical Library, Cushing/Whitney Medical Library, Yale University

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## **Processing Information**

Very large folders were artificially broken up.

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## **Biographical / Historical**

The Society of Physiological Neurology was organized in 1937 by a group of individuals who felt that the American Neurological Association was too oriented to practicing clinicians. Run by an annual committee, the Society was small and highly selective in its membership. It held meetings the day before and in the same location as the ANA from 1938 through 1942. In 1943, the war prevented organizing a meeting. The Society does not appear to have been re-established under this name after the war.

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## **Scope and Contents**

The collection appears to be the archives of the Society and contains correspondence with members and others by the successive chairmen of the annual committees, Frederick A. Gibbs, Margaret A. Kennard, Charles D. Aring, Clinton A. Woolsey, and Howard J. Curtis; membership lists; drafts of programs; and attendance records. Abstracts of presentations are included for 1942.

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## **Arrangement**

Arranged by year.

## Collection Contents

b. 1, f. 1	Selection of initial members: Correspondence of Frederick A. Gibbs	1937
b. 1, f. 2	1938 meeting: Correspondence of Frederick A. Gibbs The meeting was held May 1, 1838 in Atlantic City, New Jersey.	1938 March-May
b. 1, f. 3	1939 meeting: Correspondence of Margaret A. Kennard The meeting was held on June 4, 1939 in Atlantic City, New Jersey.	1939 February-June
b. 1, f. 4	1940 meeting: Correspondence of Charles D. Aring	1940 February-March
b. 1, f. 5	1940 meeting: Correspondence of Charles D. Aring The meeting was held on June 5, 1940 in Rye, New York.	1940 April-June
b. 1, f. 6	1941 meeting: Correspondence of Clinton N. Woolsey With membership lists, 1941.	1940 June-1941 April
b. 1, f. 7	1941 meeting: Ballot and questionnaire sent to members In late April 1941, Clinton N. Woolsey sent a ballot and questionnaire to each member to vote for new members and to indicate their plans for the next meeting. This folder contains the returned ballots and related correspondence.	1941 April-May
b. 1, f. 8	1941 meeting: Correspondence of Clinton N. Woolsey Correspondence with newly selected members and correspondence concerning the annual meeting. The meeting was held on June 8, 1941 in Atlantic City, New Jersey.	1941 May -June
b. 1, f. 9	1942 meeting: Correspondence of Howard J. Curtis The meeting was held on June 3, 1942 in Chicago. Folder also contains returns of a postcard ballot regarding the meeting and abstracts of papers presented.	1942 March-June
b. 1, f. 10	1943 memorandum suspending the annual meeting Letter from Howard A Curtis to members. Also an undated note referring to putting papers back in "the archives."	1943 April 29

## **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**

Neurology -- Research -- United States  
Neurophysiology  
Societies, Medical

### **Names**

Aring, Charles D., 1904-  
Curtis, Howard J. (Howard James), 1906-  
Gibbs, Frederic Andrews, 1903-  
Kennard, Margaret Alice, 1899-  
Woolsey, Clinton N.

### **Corporate Body**

American Neurological Association