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THOMAS C. MANN: Papers, 1950-61

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Copies of the Papers of Thomas C. Mann were deposited in the Eisenhower Library by Baylor University in April 1992. One item was received from Mr. Mann in January 1992.

Linear feet of shelf space occupied:	1
Approximate number of pages:	1,900
Approximate number of items:	1,400

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## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

November 11, 1912	Born in Laredo, Texas
1934	Graduated from Baylor University
1934-1942	Lawyer on Laredo, Texas
1942	Joined Diplomatic Service, U.S. Department of State
1942-1955	Held various diplomatic posts in Europe, Latin America and Washington, DC
1955-1957	U.S. Ambassador to El Salvador
October 1957- August 1960	Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs
August 1960- January 1961	Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs
1961-1966	Held various diplomatic posts in Latin America and Washington, DC
June 1966	Resigned from Department of State

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Thomas C. Mann, a diplomat who specialized in Latin American affairs, worked for the U.S. Department of State from 1942 to 1966. During the first Eisenhower administration he served in a variety of posts, including two years as Ambassador to El Salvador. In late September 1957 Mann moved to Washington, DC, to become Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs. In August 1960 he became Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs where he remained until the end of the administration. President Kennedy appointed Mann Ambassador to Mexico where he successfully negotiated a settlement of a boundary dispute between Mexico and the U.S. He later served in Panama during a period of intense anti-U.S. agitation. He resigned from the State Department in 1966 to return to private life.

In 1988 Mann donated his personal papers to Baylor University in Waco, Texas. The Mann collection at Baylor pertains mostly to the Kennedy and Johnson administrations, although a few scattered files date from the Eisenhower administration. Baylor University provided electrostatic copies of these files to the Eisenhower Library in April 1992.

This collection consists of the material received from Baylor University. The bulk of the collection consists of a Chron File containing copies of letters and memoranda written by Mann from October 1957 to January 1961 while serving as Assistant Secretary of State. The material concentrates on Latin American and economic matters. Of particular importance are references to international airline routes, foreign aid programs, and specific commodities such as oil, coffee and sugar.

The Chron File is not complete. Cross references in the file indicate that a separate file once existed which contained documents classified Secret. This Secret Chron File is not among Mann's papers at Baylor, and was probably left at the Department of State upon his resignation in 1966.

The collection also contains copies of Mann's public speeches during his service as Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, and copies of newspaper clippings which describe his earlier career.

The one unique item in the collection was donated to the Eisenhower Library by Ambassador Mann in January 1992. It is a section of his memoirs which contains comments on his work as Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs during the Eisenhower administration. The comments are very general in nature but include some clues on the major issues and personalities with which Mann was involved at the time.

## CONTAINER LIST

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- 1      Chron File Oct.-Dec. 1957 (1) [Poland and COCOM; Latin America; trade agreements act; Inter-American Development Association; aid for American schools in Latin America; anti-trust and cartels; PL 480; Italy; France]
- Chron File Oct.-Dec. 1957 (2) [international commodity agreements; almonds, figs; practices of US companies abroad; Henry Kearns and foreign trade]
- Chron File Jan.- March 1958 (1) [foreign aid and US recession; Brazil; International Civil Aviation Organization; barter and PL 480; Development Loan Fund and aid for social programs]
- Chron File Jan.- Mar. 1958 (2) [Guatemala; oil import restrictions; PL 480 and Poland; trade agreements act; Spain; Japan; income tax convention; technical assistance for Latin America]
- Chron File Apr.- June 1958 (1) [coffee; Bolivian oil; Brazil; cotton; Latin American relations; lead and zinc; proposed UN economic conference; copper]
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- Chron File July-Sept. 1958 (1) [Australia; oil; coal; lead and zinc; export controls; India; coffee]
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- Chron File Oct.- Dec. 1958 (1) [barter with Haiti; OTC; oil; Brazil; IADB]
- Chron File Oct.- Dec. 1958 (2) [oil; Battle Act; copper; gas; Israel; cobalt; Yugoslavia]
- Chron File Jan.-Mar. 1959 (1) [oil; Venezuela; Canada; Japan; textiles; commodity agreements; airline routes]
- Chron File Jan.-Mar. 1959 (2) [cotton; oil; flags of convenience; Mexico]
- Chron File Jan.-Mar. 1959 (3) [Latin America; cotton; copper; Mexico; public housing; Finland; France; coffee; commodity agreements; oil; Japan]

- Chron File Apr.-June 1959 (1) [Venezuela; commercial treaties; cotton; airline routes; Mexico]
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- 2 Chron File July-Sept. 1959 (1) [cotton; cheese; barter of wheat; Brazil; oil; USSR; civil aviation; Mexico and OAS]
- Chron File July-Sept. 1959 (2) [textiles; Central American common market; oil; rubber; coffee; Poland; Thailand; radio frequency allocations]
- Chron File Oct.-Dec. 1959 (1) [sugar; Cuba; Mexico; civil aviation; coffee; oil; Netherlands; DLF loans; OEEC; Tunisia; Pakistan; Canada; PL 480; India; Hong Kong air routes; Brazil; cheese]
- Chron File Oct.-Dec 1959 (2) [civil aviation; India; PL 480; coffee; Hong Kong air routes; cotton; Costa Rica; taxation of banana business income; Brazil]
- Chron File Jan.-Apr. 1960 (1) [civil aviation; Latin America; dollar obligations; lead and zinc; cotton; Mekong River survey]
- Chron File Jan.-Apr. 1960 (2) [civil aviation; cotton; oil; export promotion; sugar; Netherlands; coffee; Cuba]
- Chron File Jan.-Apr. 1960 (3) [Cuba; sugar; civil aviation; Elwood Quesada; OEEC agricultural policy; Brazil; Guatemala]
- Chron File May-June 1960 (1) [Japan; Wool; Mexico; civil aviation; Cuba; sugar; oil; European organizations]
- Chron File May-June 1960 (2) [Paraguay; UK imports; fruit; shrimp; wool; Mexico; cotton; civil aviation; Netherlands; tariff legislation; Japan; Cuba; oil; anti-trust]
- Chron File July-Dec. 1960 (1) [Cuba; AFL-CIO and Colombia; Cuban refugees; El Salvador; sugar]
- Chron File July-Dec. 1960 (2) [El Salvador; Brazil; Mann family and Baylor University; Cuba; Caribbean; Mexican and U.S. utilities; Argentina; Dominican Republic; sugar]
- Chron File Jan. 1-21, 1961 [Paraguay]
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Memoirs [John Foster Dulles; Douglas Dillon; Bureau of Economic Affairs; textiles; airline routes; fisheries; coffee; sugar; cotton; trade with Latin America; Operation Pan America; OAS]

3      Speeches 1957-60 (1)-(4)

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