Collection Summary
Title: Alfred Rodman Hussey Papers
Span Dates: 1944-1964
Bulk Dates: (bulk 1945-1948)
ID No.: MSS57547
Creator: Hussey, Alfred Rodman, d. 1964
Extent: 12 microfilm reels
Language: Collection material in English
Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.
Summary: Lawyer and government official. Microfilm of correspondence, memoranda, orders, reports, official and unofficial policy papers, draft legislation, drafts of writings, clippings, and printed matter relating to Hussey's work with the Government Section, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, during the Allied occupation of Japan following World War II and to the efforts of the Allies to reorganize Japanese government and society.

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.

People
Atcheson, George, 1896-1947--Correspondence.
Baldwin, Roger N. (Roger Nash), 1884-1981--Correspondence.
Bundy, McGeorge--Correspondence.
Byrnes, James F. (James Francis), 1882-1972--Correspondence.
Hussey, Alfred Rodman, d. 1964.
Kades, Charles Louis, 1906--Correspondence.
MacArthur, Douglas, 1880-1964--Correspondence.
Rowell, Milo, 1903-1977--Correspondence.
Sakakibara, Ray--Correspondence.
Ward, Robert Edward--Correspondence.
Whitney, Courtney--Correspondence.

Organizations
Allied Powers (1919-)
Japan. Kenpō (1946)
Japan. Kokkai.
Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers. Government Section.
United States. Central Intelligence Agency.

Subjects
Civil rights--Japan.
Civil rights.
Labor--Japan.
Prisons--Japan.
Prostitution--Japan.

Places
Japan--Economic conditions.
Japan--Foreign relations--United States.
Japan--Social conditions.
United States--Foreign relations--Japan.

Occupations
Administrative Information

Provenance

The microfilm edition of the papers of Alfred Rodman Hussey, lawyer and government official, was purchased by the Library of Congress in 1977. It contains reproductions of originals in the Asia Library at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Processing History

The microfilm of the papers of Alfred Rodman Hussey was described as received in 1977. The finding aid was revised in 2010.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Alfred Rodman Hussey is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The microfilm of the papers of Alfred Rodman Hussey is open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Microfilm

The microfilm edition of the Hussey Papers is available on twelve reels. Consult reference staff in the Manuscript Division concerning availability for purchase or interlibrary loan.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Reel number, Alfred Rodman Hussey Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

Alfred Rodman Hussey, born in 1902, was stationed with the Government Section, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, during the Allied occupation of Japan following World War II. Hussey initially served as a member of the Planning Unit, and then successively as chief, Internal Affairs Unit; chief, Governmental Powers Branch of the Governmental Powers Division; and, special assistant to the chief, Government Section. Hussey was a principal contributor to the draft by Douglas MacArthur in 1947 of the Japanese constitution and had a significant role in the establishment of the new Labor Ministry. Hussey left Japan and returned to the United States in July 1948.

Scope and Content Note

The microfilm edition of the papers of Alfred Rodman Hussey (1902-1964) spans the years 1944-1964, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the years from 1945 to 1948. The microfilm is comprised of originals in the Asia Library at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. It contains correspondence, memoranda, orders, reports, official and unofficial policy papers, draft legislation, drafts of writings, clippings, and printed matter relating to Hussey's work with the Government Section, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, during the Allied occupation of Japan following World War II and to the efforts of the Allies to reorganize Japanese government and society. The files contain detailed information on nearly every aspect of postwar Japan, especially the drafting of the Japanese constitution, the reorganization of the Diet, and policy proposals in the areas of labor, civil rights, prisons, the economy, prostitution, and the imperial household. The collection
also includes some personal papers and correspondence of Hussey relating to his interests in civil rights and in the Central Intelligence Agency, and his various writings.

Reel one of the papers contains a bibliographic essay concerning the collection written by John Bowden entitled "The SCAP Files of Commander Alfred R. Hussey" and an item-by-item checklist of the papers organized by document number. The reel list provides the first and last document number for each of the twelve reels. The checklist and reel list should be consulted for locating specific documents.

**Arrangement of the Papers**

This collection is arranged numerically by document number.
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