Collection Summary

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Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Organizations
North Atlantic Treaty Organization.
United States. Air Force--Pay, allowances, etc.
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United States. Department of the Army. Office of the Chief of Staff.
United States. Joint Chiefs of Staff.
United States. Navy--Recruiting, enlistment, etc.

Subjects
Draft.
Economic assistance, American.
International cooperation.
Military assistance, American.
Military pensions--United States.
Mutual security program, 1951.
Technical assistance, American.

Places
Turkey--Foreign relations--1918-1960.
United States--Armed Forces--Pay, allowances, etc.
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Titles
North Atlantic Treaty (1949)

Occupations
Army officers.

Provenance
The papers of Omar Nelson Bradley, army officer, were given to the Library of Congress by Bradley in 1955.

Processing History
The papers of Omar Nelson Bradley were arranged and described in circa 1955. The finding aid was revised in 2011.

Transfers
Tape recordings and motion picture films have been transferred to the Library's Motion Picture, Broadcasting, and Recorded Sound Division where they are identified as part of the Omar Nelson Bradley Papers.

Copyright Status
The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Omar Nelson Bradley is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions
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Preferred Citation
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Biographical Note
Omar Nelson Bradley was born February 12, 1893 in Clark, Missouri. As a U.S. Army senior field commander of the Twelfth Army Group, he helped ensure the Allied victory over Germany during World War II. Bradley served as the first chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, 1949-1953. He died April 8, 1981, in New York, N.Y.

Scope and Content Note
The papers of Omar Nelson Bradley (1893-1981) span the years 1948-1953 and consist of addresses, statements, and articles by Bradley, May 30, 1948 through July 24, 1953, the period during which he was chief of staff of the United States Army (1948-1949), and chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (1949-1953). The documents are mainly in print or near print, with occasional carbon copies and photostats. Included are several commencement addresses, a number of statements before committees of the Senate and House of representatives on such subjects as the Career Compensation Act of 1949, the army budget, the North Atlantic Treaty, the Military Assistance Program, unification of the military services, continuation of the Selective Service Act and universal military training, the Korean War, the admission of Greece and
Turkey to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, and the Mutual Security program. Included also are addresses before such organizations as the Association of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities, the Jewish War Veterans, and the National Press Club.

**Arrangement of the Papers**

This collection is arranged chronologically.
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May 22, “Notes for an Address” at a barbecue and citizens’ gathering in observance of Armed Forces Day, Lubbock, Tex.
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Apr. 7, Address at the City Auditorium, Macon, Ga.

Apr. 21, Remarks “To be Included in an Informal Talk” before a district conference, 196th District of Rotary International, Moberly, Mo.

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May 15, Address before the Women’s National Press Club Luncheon for Armed Forces Day, Washington, D.C.

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