

Eliot Janeway and Elizabeth Janeway Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: Eliot Janeway and Elizabeth Janeway Papers

Span Dates: 1941-1968

ID No.: MSS54320

Creator: Janeway, Eliot

Creator: Janeway, Elizabeth

Extent: 45 items; 11 containers; 4.2 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Abstract: Economist Eliot Janeway, and his wife, Elizabeth Janeway, author. Mainly drafts of novels by Elizabeth Janeway, including *The Accident*, *Daisy Kenyon*, and *The Walsh Girls*, and a draft of Eliot Janeway's *The Economics of Crisis: War, Politics, and the Dollar*. The Addition contains a 1941 diary and correspondence (1941-1948) of Eliot Janeway relating to the Franklin D. Roosevelt administration and presidential politics for the 1944 and 1948 elections and the presidential prospects of William O. Douglas.

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

Allen, James--Correspondence.

Douglas, William O. (William Orville), 1898-1980.

Janeway, Eliot.

Janeway, Eliot. Economics of crisis: war, politics, and the dollar. 1968.

Janeway, Elizabeth. Accident. 1964.

Janeway, Elizabeth. Angry Kate. 1963.

Janeway, Elizabeth. Daisy Kenyon. 1945.

Janeway, Elizabeth. Eliot Janeway and Elizabeth Janeway papers. 1941-1968.

Janeway, Elizabeth. Third choice. 1959.

Janeway, Elizabeth. Walsh girls. 1943.

Roosevelt, Franklin D. (Franklin Delano), 1882-1945.

Subjects

American fiction.

American literature.

Presidents--United States--Election--1944.

Presidents--United States--Election--1948.

Presidents--United States.

Places

United States--Economic policy.

United States--Politics and government--1933-1953.

United States--Politics and government.

Occupations

Authors.

Economists.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The papers of Eliot Janeway, economist, and Elizabeth Janeway, author, were given to the Library of Congress by the Janeways in 1958 and by Michael Janeway in 2003.

Processing History

The papers of Eliot Janeway and Elizabeth Janeway were arranged and described circa 1970. The collection was expanded and revised in 2010.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Eliot Janeway and Elizabeth Janeway is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Eliot Janeway and Elizabeth Janeway are 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.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Eliot Janeway and Elizabeth Janeway Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

Eliot Janeway was born in New York City in 1913. As a political economist he wrote books, articles, and syndicated columns. He served as an economic advisor to Presidents Franklin Roosevelt and Lyndon B. Johnson. He was a vigorous critic of presidential economic policies from the Roosevelt to the Ronald Reagan administrations. He died in 1993 in New York City. Elizabeth Hall was born in Brooklyn, N.Y. in 1913. She married Eliot Janeway in 1938. She began her writing career as a novelist in the 1940s, later becoming a literary critic, essayist, and finally a feminist author by the 1970s. She died in Rye, N.Y. in 2005.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Eliot Janeway (1913-1993) and Elizabeth Janeway (1913-2005) span the years 1943-1968 and consist mainly of drafts of novels by Elizabeth Janeway. Included are holograph, corrected, and typewritten drafts of publications by her such as *The Accident*, *Angry Kate*, *Daisy Kenyon*, *The Third Choice*, and *The Walsh Girls*. Also in the collection are miscellaneous notes of Elizabeth Janeway and a draft of her husband Eliot Janeway's *The Economics of Crisis: Way, Politics, and the Dollar*.

The Addition consists of papers of Eliot Janeway. The correspondence is an exchange of letters between Janeway and James Allen. Both men were supporters of the presidential aspirations of William O. Douglas. The letters concern behind the scenes political maneuvering of officials in the Franklin D. Roosevelt administration, the Democratic national conventions of 1944 and 1948, and the unfolding events of the 1940s and the effect upon presidential politics. The diary covers May-June of 1941 and concerns policy and politics in the Roosevelt administration.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by creator and then by title of writing. The Addition is arranged alphabetically by type of material.

Container List

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
BOX 1	Janeway, Eliot; <i>The Economics of Crisis: War, Politics, and the Dollar</i> , 1968 (10 folders)
BOX 2	Janeway, Elizabeth
BOX 2	<i>The Accident</i> , 1964 (10 folders)
BOX 3	<i>The Accident</i> , 1964 (11 folders)
BOX 4	<i>The Accident</i> , 1964 (8 folders)
BOX 4	<i>Angry Kate</i> , 1963
BOX 5	<i>Daisy Kenyon</i> , 1948 (8 folders)
BOX 6	<i>Daisy Kenyon</i> , 1948 (16 folders)
BOX 7	"I Dream of Jeanie," undated
BOX 7	<i>Ivanov Seven</i> , 1967 (3 folders)
BOX 7	<i>Leaving Home</i> , 1953 (9 folders)
BOX 8	<i>The Third Choice</i> , 1959 (10 folders)
BOX 9	<i>The Vikings</i> , 1951 (3 folders)
BOX 9	<i>The Walsh Girls</i> , 1943 (8 folders)
BOX 10	<i>The Walsh Girls</i> , 1943 (11 folders)
BOX 10	Miscellaneous notes, undated
BOX 11	Addition
BOX 11	Correspondence of Eliot Janeway and James Allen, 1941-1948 (2 folders)
BOX 11	Diary of Eliot Janeway, 1941