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Guide to the Berlin Wall Photographs Collection 1961-1962



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Descriptive Summary

Identifier	ICU.SPCL.BERLINWALL
Title	Berlin Wall Photographs. Collection, [Box #, Folder #], Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library
Date	1961-1962
Size	0.25 linear feet (1 box)
Repository	Special Collections Research Center University of Chicago Library 1100 East 57th Street Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.
Abstract	The Berlin Wall Photographs Collection contains 29 photographs as well as printed materials and ephemera related to the Berlin Wall from 1961-1962.

Information on Use

Access

The collection is open for research.

Citation

When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: Berlin Wall Photographs. Collection ,

Historical Note

The Berlin Wall divided West Berlin from East Berlin and the surrounding regions of East Germany between August 13, 1961 and November 9, 1989.

Scope Note

The Berlin Wall Photographs Collection contains photographs, printed materials and ephemera related to the Berlin Wall dating from 1961-1962.

Folder 1 contains 29 photographs from January to August 1962. Two are clippings from newspapers from June 1962, four are attributed to Joachim G. Jünger, a photojournalist in West Berlin, and one is attributed to Berlin photographer Jan George. Excluding the newspaper clippings, each photo is labelled on the reverse with a date and a short description in German. Many of the photos capture the activities of the East German Volkspolizei, and several document foreign visitors to the wall including U.S. Secretary of State Dean Rusk and members of the British Labour Party.

Folder 2 contains two print publications from West Berlin from 1961-1962. The first is a ten-leaf pamphlet of photos and an account of the construction of the Berlin Wall from the perspective of West Berlin. Entitled "Es begann am 13. August," the pamphlet was distributed by Presse- und Informationsamt des Landes Berlin in 1961. The other print publication is a 22-page booklet by the school newspaper ("Trabant," meaning "satellite") from Hans-Carossa-Schule, dated January-February 1962. The booklet contains articles, advertisements, photos, drawings, and some hand-written annotations in English.

Folder 3 contains materials related to a photo presentation given in the U.S. by a high school student from West Berlin in 1962. Included are two drafts of a brief talk about education in Germany and about the Berlin Wall, a list of slides provided by a slide reproduction service in Berlin, and a small black-and-white photograph of five women with "Puerto Rico, France, Germany, Germany, 1962 Assembly" written on the reverse.

Related Resources

The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

Browse finding aids by topic.

International Association for Cultural Freedom. Records

Katz, Friedrich. Papers

Subject Headings

- Berlin Wall, Berlin, Germany, 1961-1989
- Historic sites -- Germany -- Berlin -- Pictorial works
- Germany -- Berlin

INVENTORY

Box 1

Folder 1

Berlin Wall Photographs, 1962

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Folder 2

Pamphlet about the Berlin Wall, 1961, and school newspaper from Hans-Carossa Schule, 1962

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Folder 3

Photograph and presentation materials for an assembly, 1962