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Guide to the Paul H. Douglas Papers 1938-1946



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Descriptive Summary

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Title Douglas, Paul H. Papers

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Abstract Paul H. Douglas, economist, author, professor, senator. The Paul H. Douglas Papers consist of letters from Douglas to Gregg and Julia Lewis (1938-1946), reprints of his articles, and a miscellaneous collection of photographs, notes, and other materials relating to Douglas.

Information on Use

Access

The collection is open for research.

Citation

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Biographical Note

Paul H. Douglas was born on March 26, 1892 in Salem, Essex County, Massachusetts. He attended public school in Newport, Maine. Douglas received a B.A. from Bowdoin College (1913), an A.M. from Columbia University (1915), and a Ph.D. in 1921. Douglas also studied at Harvard University from 1915 to 1916. He taught economics at the University of Illinois from 1916 to 1917, leaving in 1917 to become an instructor and assistant professor at Reed College. In 1919 Douglas became an associate professor at the University of Washington. In 1920 Douglas arrived at the University of Chicago, where he became an assistant professor of industrial relations. In 1923 he became an associate professor, and in 1925 a full professor.

Douglas left teaching to serve in the United States Marine Corps from 1942 to 1945. He joined as a private, but rose to the rank of lieutenant colonel. Douglas returned to the University of Chicago to teach until 1949. In 1948 Douglas ran for United States Senator in Illinois was elected as a Democrat. He was re-elected in 1954 and again in 1960, serving from January 3, 1949 to January 3, 1967. He lost a bid for re-election in 1966. Douglas served as chairman of

the Joint Committee on the Economic Report (Eighty-fourth Congress), chairman of the Joint Economic Committee (eighty-sixth and Eighty-eighth Congresses), chairman of the President's Committee on Urban Affairs (1967-1969), and chairman of the Committee on Tax Reform (1969).

Paul H. Douglas died on September 24, 1976 in Washington, D.C.

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Related Resources

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

<http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/spcl/select.html>

Subject Headings

- Douglas, Paul Howard, 1892-
- Lewis, H. Gregg

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Letters from Paul H. Douglas to Gregg and Julia Lewis, 1938-1942

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Letters from Paul H. Douglas to Gregg and Julia Lewis, 1943

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Folder 3

Letters from Paul H. Douglas to Gregg and Julia Lewis, 1944-1946

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Folder 4

Reprints of Douglas' articles

- "Occupational versus Proportional Representation," September 1923
- "The American Occupation of Haiti," 1927
- "Some Hints on Balancing the Budget," January 1952

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Miscellaneous

- Postcard, drawing of St. Helena's Episcopal Church, Beaufort, South Carolina
- Photographs of Marines training
- "Notes on Dutch Painting," manuscript

- "Statement of Paul H. Douglas, Professor of Economics, University of Chicago, Before Senate Committee on Unemployment, March 4, 1938," typescript