

**Guide to the Mercedes Moritz
Randall (1895-1977) Papers
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Summary Information

Repository	Sarah Lawrence College Archives
Creator	Randall, Mercedes M., (Mercedes Moritz), 1895-1977
Title	Mercedes Moritz Randall (1895-1977) Papers
Date [inclusive]	1945-1966
Extent	0.25 linear feet 1 half document box
Language	English

Biographical note

Mercedes Moritz was born and raised in Guatemala. She earned her B.A. degree at Barnard College in 1916. Ms. Moritz also earned a Master's degree in history from Columbia University. For four years, she taught history in New York City high schools. In 1922, she married John H. Randall Jr., a philosophy professor at Columbia University. The couple were the parents of two children, John H. Randall III and Francis Randall.

Mercedes Moritz Randall is best known for her work with the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, serving as the National Education Chairman, the New York State Education Chairman, the Local Labor Chairman, and on the Board of Directors. In addition, Mercedes Randall was a committee member of the Teachers Guild Association and a member of the executive board of the National United Pacifist Committee. In addition, Ms. Randall was the author of several publications. In 1942, she wrote a pamphlet entitled, "Voice of a Brother's Blood." The pamphlet was the first in America to reveal Hitler's mass murders of European Jews. In addition, she wrote "The Improper Bostonian" and "Beyond Nationalism." The former book explored the life of Emily Greene Balch and the later book explained Miss Balch's political philosophy.

Scope and Contents note

This collection is made up almost entirely of secondary sources on Jane Addams. They appear to have been collected by Randall in 1960, when the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (W.I.L.P.F.) celebrated the one hundred year anniversary of Jane Addam's birth. Jane Addams was an American social activist and pioneer from the late 19th century to the early 20th century.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Revision Description

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Conditions Governing Access note

This collection is open to researchers.

Acquisition note

This collection was donated by Mercedes Moritz Randall's son, Francis Randall, a professor of history at Sarah Lawrence College.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

Genre(s)

- Clippings (information artifacts)
- Correspondence

Personal Name(s)

- Addams, Jane, 1860-1935

Subject(s)

- Social action -- United States

Collection Inventory

	Half-box
Biographical Information on Mercedes Randall 1977	1
Correspondence on Jane Addams 1960-1976	1
Notes on Jane Addams by Mercedes Randall 1946	1
Pamphlet: "Cedarville's Jane Addams...her Early Influences" 1966	1
Pamphlets on Jane Addams by W.I.L.P.F. 1959-1960	1
Pamphlets on Jane Addams by Various Publishers 1945-1968	1
Flyer on Jane Addams by W.I.L.P.F. 1960	1
Postcards on Jane Addams by W.I.L.P.F. 1960	1
Jane Addams Week Proclamation by Rhode Island Governor 1960	1
Newspaper Articles on Jane Addams 1925-1960	1
Two Essays on Jane Addams 1961, 1964	1

Randall, Mercedes Moritz, 1895-1977 "The Voice of Thy Brother's Blood: An Eleventh-hour Appeal to all Americans" by Mercedes Moritz Randall June 1942

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Personal Name(s)

- Addams, Jane, 1860-1935

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Two Speeches on Jane Addams by W.I.L.P.F. 1946, 1960

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Newspaper Articles on Major Belle Reynolds (Civil War era) Undated

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