



George H. Hall Papers (S0768)

Collection Number: S0768

Collection Title: George H. Hall Papers

Dates: 1932-1994

Creator: Hall, George H.

Abstract: George Hall was a journalist for the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. The George H. Hall Papers contain scrapbooks, travel notes, correspondence, and photographs regarding Hall's career. Topics of interest include Hall's investigations for the *Post-Dispatch* on communism in East Asia and travel details while there.

Collection Size: 2 cubic feet
(26 folders, 473 photographs)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-St. Louis](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at stlouis@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Historical Note:

George H. Hall enjoyed a long career in the newspaper business, which included community reporting in rural Missouri, investigating communism in the Far East, and preparing the editorial page for publication. In 1974 George H. Hall retired from the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. He originally joined the *Post-Dispatch* staff in 1942 and was quickly reassigned to the Washington bureau. Hall returned to St. Louis in 1959 to work as assistant editor of the editorial page. He later became the editor of that page upon the retirement of Robert Lasch in 1971.

Hall graduated from Washington University in St. Louis, where he worked as managing editor of the college's humor magazine. He earned a degree from Columbia University School of Journalism in 1933. Hall's first permanent newspaper job was with the *Leader-Press* of Springfield, Missouri. Before joining the *Post-Dispatch*, Hall worked for newspapers in several cities as well as KMOX radio station in St. Louis.

As a member of the *Post-Dispatch* Washington bureau, Hall covered the Missouri congressional delegation and the entire range of foreign aid for developing countries. In 1954, he took a four-month trip to the East Asia, visiting Japan, the Philippines, Formosa (Taiwan), Hong Kong, Indonesia, Vietnam, India, and Egypt to assess the possibility of these nations coming under communist domination.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following 3 series:

Personal Papers
Photographs and Scrapbooks
Publications

Scope and Content Note:**Personal Papers**

This series contains career memorabilia, correspondence, illustrations, memoranda, newspaper clippings, and travel notes regarding Hall's travels to East Asia, journalism, and his personal life. Also included is an East St. Louis riverfront development proposal. The materials in this series date from 1932 to 1993 and are arranged alphabetically.

Photographs and Scrapbooks

This series consists of photographs and scrapbooks depicting Hall's East Asia travels and rural Missouri during his journalism career. The scrapbook also contains Hall's news articles and photojournalism. The materials in this series date from 1933 to 1954 and are arranged chronologically.

Publications

This series contains articles, books, and journals relating to journalism. Topics of interest include Joseph Pulitzer II and Eads Bridge. The materials in this series date from 1933 to 1991 and are arranged alphabetically.

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