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Summary Information

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Biographical/Historical note

The Commonwealth Fund was established in 1918 with an endowment of \$10 million from Mrs. Stephen V. Harkness for "benevolent, religious, educational and like purposes." The early grants supported a variety of programs while generally promoting welfare, especially child welfare. Several grants were made in the field of medical research, but the Board of Directors decided in 1920 that this field was already sufficiently supported by other philanthropic organizations.

Despite this decision, by the mid-1920s the chief interest of the Fund had become public health, including mental hygiene, community health, rural hospitals, medical research, and medical education. Other grant areas included war relief, educational and legal research, child welfare, and international medical fellowships.

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Scope and Contents

Barry C. Smith served as General Director of the Commonwealth Fund, 1920-1947. During this period the reports were officially titled as Report of the General Director to the Directors of the Commonwealth Fund. Beginning in 1948, the offical title became known as Report of the President and Staff to Directors of the Commonwealth Fund.

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Processing Information

Standard archival processing was conducted by Robert Battaly, Assistant Director, Head of Processing, Rockefeller Archive Center in February 2014, and Richard Torres, Assistant Archivist, Rockefeller Archive Center in August 2014, to arrange and describe the material and enable scholarly access. Further archival processing, primarily to address the preservation and conservation needs of the records, will be conducted at a later date, as necessary.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Legal issues
- Law
- Medical education
- Legal research
- Child welfare
- Child psychology
- Hygiene
- Education, Rural
- Medicine, Rural
- Medical research
- Mental health
- Medicine -- Scholarships, fellowships, etc.
- Public health
- New York (State)
- New York (N.Y.)
- Child mental health
- War relief
- United States
- Public welfare

Collection Inventory

| Title/Description | Instances | |
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| 1928 December 18 | box 12 | folder 78 |
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1947 April 18

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1947 June 12

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1947 December 11

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1948 March

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1948 April 8

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1948 April 9

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1948 June 10

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1948 October 14

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1949 April 21

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1949 June 16

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1949 October 10

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1950 April 13

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1951 January 11

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1951 June 14

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1951 October 11

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1952 January 11

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1952 May 9

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Closed to scholarly research due to preservation concerns.

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