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➤ Huey G. Huhn Papers, 1951-1974 ◀

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Provenance: Huey G. Huhn donated his papers to the University of Toledo Libraries in 1974.

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Collection Summary: Huhn's papers were generated during his retirement in Rogers, Arkansas and consist primarily of letters, articles, and short stories written on a variety of subjects in the areas of business and politics. Huhn also wrote a book, *Great Oaks*, which provides short histories of large U.S. corporations. In addition, the collection contains poetry, a typescript for *Great Oaks*, clippings, photographs, publications, and a copy of a speech that President Kennedy was to make in Dallas the day he was assassinated.

Subjects: [Business and Commerce](#), [Glass Industry](#) and [Politics & Government](#)

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Biographical Sketch

- 1889 born on January 24 at Half Day, Illinois
- 1912 moved from Chicago to Toledo to work with the Clover Leaf Railroad
- 1919 joined Owens Bottle Machine Co. as assistant traffic manager
- 1929 began as sales representative for Libbey-Owens-Ford in St. Louis, Missouri
- ? district manager, industrial sales for Libbey-Owens-Ford in Chicago
- Early 1940s back to Libbey-Owens-Ford in Toledo as general traffic manager
- 1950 retired from Libbey-Owens-Ford
- 1952 and
later moved to Rogers, Arkansas
- became a sales representative for Industrial Commodity Corporation of New
 York City
- married Evelyn T. Hall
- served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Benton County Historical Society since its
 beginning and edited its quarterly, the *Pioneer*
- had a 5-minute Sunday segment on a Rogers, Arkansas radio station for the
 discussion of local history for a period of two years
- ran for the State Legislature as a Republican and lost

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Scope and Content Note

The majority of Huey G. Huhn's papers consist of letters, stories, and articles written on a variety of subjects in the areas of business and politics. The letters are directed mainly to publishers, corporations, and political figures. Mr. Huhn's Republican affiliation is evident in his writings, and through them he attempts to stimulate the thinking of the readers. The papers, which date from 1951-1974, encompass his retirement years in Rogers, Arkansas. Many of the stories and articles were done for publication but very few were published. He occasionally used the pseudonyms of Timothy Hay and Horace Hentz but stated they were not intended for the purpose of disguising his identity. His greatest undertaking was Great Oaks, a compilation of short articles into book form. Each article provides a history of one of the nation's largest corporations and chronicles its entry into the business world.

Mr. Huhn's subjects include techniques for succeeding in business, school prayer, the constitution, urban renewal, rent subsidies, taxes, minimum wage, strikes, national debt reduction, social security, Medicare, competition between government and industry, recycling garbage and waste, fluoridation, international trade, pricing and merchandising, airport security, gun control, foreign aid, Panama Canal, busing of school children, sanctions against aggressor nations, election reform, mass transit, and federal aid to education. In addition, there are letters and articles in regard to "The National Hall for Unusual Names" which he formed in Rogers, Arkansas. As a result of this, people throughout the United States sent him unusual American names. Included also is a copy of a speech that President Kennedy was to make in Dallas on the afternoon of the day he was killed. There is one letter among the papers which was sent to him by a relative in Germany and is written in German.

Some of the notable correspondents found among the papers are George Wallace, Strom Thurmond, Winthrop Rockefeller, Paul Harvey, J. W. Fulbright, Bill Brock, Dale Bumpers, Herbert Hoover, Ted Kennedy, Lester Maddox, Wilbur D. Mills, Thurston D. Morton, Richard Nixon, Charles H. Percy, James A. Rhodes, John L. McClellan, Michael B. Smith, Everett McKinley Dirksen, Sam J. Ervin, Jr., Gerald R. Ford, Barry Goldwater, Jesse Helms, Jacob K. Javits, Rogers C. B. Morton, Edmund S. Muskie, Ronald Reagan, John G. Tower, and Walter F. Mondale.

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