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Collection Summary

Title: Louise Bates Ames Papers

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ID No.: MSS10868

Creator: Ames, Louise Bates

Extent: 14,000 items ; 52 containers ; 20.4 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Summary: Child psychologist and educator. Personal and professional correspondence, diaries, manuscripts of articles and books, lectures and speeches, subject files, bibliography, photographs, newspaper clippings, biographical material on the Bates family, and other papers chiefly documenting Ames's career as a child psychologist.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

People

Ames, Louise Bates.

Bates family.

Bates, Annie E.--Correspondence.

Chase, Joan Ames--Correspondence.

Culbertson, James T. (James Thomas), 1911- --Correspondence.

Dodson, Fitzhugh, 1923- --Correspondence.

Elicker, Paul H.--Correspondence.

Gesell, Arnold, 1880-1961--Correspondence.

Gesell, Gerhard Alden, 1910-1993--Correspondence.

Ilg, Frances L. (Frances Lillian), 1902-1981. Frances Lillian Ilg papers.

Johnson, Eric W.--Correspondence.

Lye, Len, 1901-1980--Correspondence.

Mead, Margaret, 1901-1978--Correspondence.

Moynihan, Daniel P. (Daniel Patrick), 1927-2003--Correspondence.

Métraux, Guy S. (Guy Serge)--Correspondence.

Métraux, Ruth W.--Correspondence.

Packard, Vance, 1914-1996--Correspondence.

Pitcher, Evelyn Goodenough--Correspondence.

Slosson, Richard L.--Correspondence.

Spock, Benjamin, 1903-1998--Correspondence.

Zingg, Robert M. (Robert Mowry), 1900-1957. Robert M. Zingg research files.

Organizations

Gesell Institute of Child Development.

United States. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

White House Conference on Children (1970 : Washington, D.C.)

Yale University. Child Study Center.

Yale University. Clinic of Child Development.

Subjects

Advice columns.

Child development.

Child psychology.

Feral children.

Mental health facilities--Connecticut--New Haven.

Occupations

Child psychologists.
Educators.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The papers of Louise Bates Ames, child psychologist and educator, were given to the Library of Congress by Ames and Frances Lillian Ilg in 1964. Ames made subsequent gifts between 1966 and 1996.

Processing History

The Ames Papers were processed in 1996. The finding aid was revised in 2010.

Transfers

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Copyright Status

Copyright in the unpublished writings of Louise Bates Ames in these papers and in other collections of papers in the custody of the Library of Congress has been dedicated to the public.

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Louise Bates Amers are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1908, Oct. 29	Born, Portland, Maine
1930	Married Smith Whittier Ames (divorced 1937) B.A., University of Maine, Orono, Maine
1933	M.A., University of Maine, Orono, Maine
1933-1936	Research secretary and personal assistant to Arnold Gesell, Clinic of Child Development, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.
1936	Ph.D., Yale University, New Haven, Conn.
1938	Produced first film, "How Behavior Grows: The Sequential Patterning of Prone Progression"
1940-1944	Instructor, Clinic of Child Development, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

- 1943 Published with Arnold Gesell, Frances Lillian Ilg, and Janet Learned *Infant and Child in the Culture of Today: The Guidance of Development in Home and Nursery School* (New York: Harper & Brothers. 405 pp.)
- 1944-1950 Assistant Professor and curator of the Yale Films of Child Development, Clinic of Child Development, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.
- 1946 Published with Arnold Gesell, Frances Lillian Ilg, and Glenna E. Bullis *Child from Five to Ten* (New York: Harper & Brothers. 458 pp.)
- 1950 Founded with Frances Lillian Ilg the Gesell Institute of Child Development, New Haven, Conn.
- 1950-1968 Director of research and secretary-treasurer, Gesell Institute of Child Development, New Haven, Conn.
- 1951-1973 Coauthor of syndicated newspaper column Child Behavior (after 1962 called Parents Ask)
- 1952-1955 Weekly television series, Child Behavior
- 1960-1961 Weekly television series, The Gesell Institute Reports: Your Child and You
- 1965 Published with Frances Lillian Ilg *School Readiness: Behavior Tests Used at the Gesell Institute* (New York: Harper & Row. 396 pp.)
- 1968 Associate director and chief psychologist, Gesell Institute of Child Development, New Haven, Conn.
- 1970 Published *Child Care and Development* (Philadelphia: Lippincott Co. 426 pp.)
- 1971-1977 Codirector, Gesell Institute of Child Development, New Haven, Conn.
- 1973 Published *Rorschach Responses in Old Age* (New York: Brunner/Mazel. 219 pp.)
- 1974 Published with Joan Ames Chase *Don't Push Your Pre-schooler* (New York: Harper & Row. 212 pp.)
- 1976 Published series on child development with Frances Lillian Ilg, beginning with *Your Two-Year-Old: Terrible or Tender* (New York: Delacorte Press. 149 pp.)
- 1978 Gesell Institute of Child Development, New Haven, Conn., renamed Gesell Institute of Human Development, New Haven, Conn.
- 1989 Published *Arnold Gesell: Themes of His Work* (New York: Human Sciences Press. 334 pp.)
- 1990 Reaffiliation of the Gesell Institute of Human Development with Yale University, New Haven, Conn.
- 1991 Lecturer, Child Study Center, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.
- 1996, Oct. 31 Died, Cincinnati, Ohio

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Louise Bates Ames (1908-1996) span the period 1915-1989, with the bulk of the material dating from 1950 to 1975. The collection consists primarily of correspondence and manuscript material relating to Ames's career as a child psychologist, cofounder and codirector of the Gesell Institute of Child Development, and author of numerous books and articles on child behavior and child development. Included in the collection are family correspondence, correspondence with friends and professional associates, a sampling of letters related to the syndicated newspaper column Parents Ask, and manuscripts and related correspondence for several of Ames's books and articles. The collection is organized in six original series and five additions. The original series include [Family Correspondence](#), [Special Correspondence](#), [General Correspondence](#), ["Parents Ask" Newspaper Column](#), [Writings](#), and [Miscellany](#). The additions are dated according to the year of their arrangement and contain material organized in the same schema as the original part.

Ames's career as a child psychologist began in 1933 when she joined the staff of the Yale Clinic of Child Development as research secretary and personal assistant to the director, Arnold Gesell, with whom she worked until 1948. She received her doctorate in psychology from Yale University in 1936; was curator of the Yale Films of Child Development, 1944-1950; and participated in the development of articles, books, and research projects in the field of child psychology. Material in the collection which relates to this period may be found in the following series: [Family Correspondence](#), especially letters to Annie E. Bates; [Special Correspondence](#), in particular correspondence with James T. Culbertson, Paul H. Elicker, Guy S. Métraux, and Ruth W. Métraux; [Writings File](#), "Guide to the Yale Films of Child Development" by Louise Bates Ames; and [Miscellany](#) containing a diary, 1928-1937, and annual reports, 1939-1949.

After Gesell's retirement, the clinic separated from Yale University, and in 1950, Ames and her associate, Frances Lillian Ilg, founded the Gesell Institute of Child Development. The institute's name changed to the Gesell Institute of Human Development in 1978. The Gesell Institute is a private, nonprofit corporation for clinical research in the field of child psychology. Ames was Director of Research at the Institute until 1968 when she became codirector. In conjunction with her study of children's behavior at successive age intervals, Ames became one of the pioneers of rorschach psychological testing. References to this and other aspects of her work may be found in the [Family](#) and [Special Correspondence](#) series, in particular, the letters of Annie E. Bates, Joan Ames Chase, Len Lye, Guy S. Métraux, Ruth W. Métraux, and Evelyn Goodenough Pitcher. More detailed information about rorschach testing may be found in Ames's numerous books and articles, bibliographies of which are in [Miscellany](#).

As the work of the Gesell Institute became increasingly recognized, requests for lectures, television appearances, and articles began to increase as well. This aspect of Ames's career is well documented in her papers. In the [Special Correspondence](#) series are files relating to her two television series, *Child Behavior* and *The Gesell Institute Reports: Your Child and You*. In 1951, Ames and Ilg began their syndicated newspaper column, Child Behavior, which in 1962 became known as Parents Ask. A sampling of unedited letters from the column for the period 1954-1964 is included in the collection as well as two sets of the edited and published columns covering the years 1967-1968. Research files of Robert M. Zingg on "wolf-children" are included in the [1977 addition](#).

Ames corresponded with numerous friends, colleagues, and associates, many of whom were prominent in their fields. Among those whose letters are contained in the [Special Correspondence](#) series are Fitzhugh Dodson, Arnold Gesell, Gerhard Alden Gesell, Len Lye, Margaret Mead, Daniel P. Moynihan, Vance Packard, and Benjamin Spock. Also in the [Special Correspondence](#) series are files concerning Ames's work with the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare and the White House Conference on Children and Youth in 1970-1971.

Among the papers are drafts, readers' proofs, and publishers' correspondence for seven of Ames's books: *Child Care and Development* (1970), *Don't Push Your Pre-Schooler* (1973), *Infant and Child in the Culture of Today* (revised edition 1974), *Is Your Child in the Wrong Grade?* (1967), *Mosaic Patterns of American Children* (1962), *School Readiness* (1964), and *Stop School Failure* (1972). In addition, there is correspondence relating to several book reviews and a draft essay for inclusion in the book *Summerhill: For and Against*, published in 1970 by Hart Publishing Company.

Arrangement of the Papers

The collection is arranged in eleven series:

- [Family Correspondence, 1915-1975](#)

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- Writings, 1947-1974
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- 1984 Addition, 1940-1983
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- 1996 Addition, circa 1945-1996

Description of Series

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BOX 8-9	<p><u>General Correspondence, 1941-1974</u></p> <p>Letters to and from the general public regarding the column Parents Ask and from psychologists and students concerning research projects and books. Some business correspondence is also included.</p> <p>Arranged chronologically.</p>
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White House Conference on Children and Youth, and Ames's radio and television programs.

Arranged by special correspondence, condolences, general correspondence, diary excerpts, subject file, speeches and lectures file, writings file, and miscellany and alphabetically thereunder by name of person, subject, title, or type of material.

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1987 Addition, 1941-1986

Correspondence with family, friends, colleagues, publishers, and the public; dream diaries; articles; lecture schedule; and biographical and genealogical information.

Arranged by subject file, correspondence, writings file, and miscellany and alphabetically thereunder by name of person, subject, title, or type of material.

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1988 Addition, 1941-1988

Correspondence with family, friends, colleagues, and publishers.

Arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent. Also includes Ames's Parents Ask newspaper column, 1986-1988.

BOX 45-52

1996 Addition, circa 1945-1996

Correspondence, biographical information, dream diaries, family history, fan letters, interviews, photographs, reminiscences, and writings.

Arranged by family correspondence, general correspondence, subject file, and writings and alphabetically thereunder by name of person, subject, title, or type of material.

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BOX 4	1959-1969 (5 folders) Hart Publishing Co., regarding <i>Summerhill: For and Against</i> , 1969-1970 Health, Education, and Welfare, Department of, 1962-1968 Ilg, Frances Lillian, 1945-1961

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	Moynihan, Daniel P., 1969-1970
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	Sands, Alan, 1955-1958
	See, Harold P., 1961-1964
	Silberberg, Norman E., 1969-1974
	Silverthorne, Henry, 1954-1963
	Slosson, Richard L., 1961-1967
	Spock, Benjamin, 1961-1962
	Taylor, John I., 1952-1957 (3 folders)
	U.S. Public Health Service, 1948
	White House Conference on Children and Youth, 1970-1971 (2 folders)
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BOX 25	Manuscript No. 2 (4 folders) Reader's proof (2 folders) <i>Guide to the Yale Films of Child Development, 1947</i> Blanchard, Irene "A Study of Articulation Tests Suitable for Use with Institutionalized Mentally Retarded Children"
BOX 26	"Diagnostic Patterns of Articulation" Cohen, Wilbur J., and Wallace K. Babington, "Implications of 1965 Federal Legislation for Mental Retardation" Crouch, Zilpha B., "Various Aspects of Teaching the Mentally Retarded Child with Emphasis on Information Value to the Speech Therapist" Waldon, Edgar F. "The Baby Cry Test: A Meaningful Acoustic Signal for Testing Subnormal Children" "The Baby Cry Test (BCT): A New Audiometric Technique for Testing Very Young Children" "Testing Hearing of Subnormal Children"

"Testing of Infants: Implications for Audio-Reflexometry"

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Annual reports, awards, a diary, appointment calendars, lists of lectures, newspaper clippings, and receipts.

Arranged alphabetically by type of material.

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Diary, 1928-1937

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Journal of lectures, 1966-1967

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Pamphlets, 1951-1952, undated

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Correspondence with family, friends, colleagues, publishers, and the public; a subject file concerning the television program *Playmates/Schoolmates*; a writings file largely concerning *Don't Push Your Pre-schooler*; and miscellany. Also included are research files of Robert M. Zingg on "wolf-children."

Arranged by family correspondence, special correspondence, general correspondence, subject file, writings file, miscellany, and the Robert M. Zingg Papers and alphabetically thereunder by name of person, subject, or type of material.

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Special correspondence

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Dickinson, Alice, 1974-1977

Hobson, Dick, 1948-1957

Lowenfeld, Margaret, 1966-1970

Lye, Ann and Len, 1962-1975

Métraux, Ruth W., 1966-1967

Ostler, Renée, 1967

Perris, Donald L. and Barbara, 1964-1977

Rodell, Fred and Janet, 1953-1976

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Wunderlich, Ray C., 1965-1975

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General correspondence

"A-Z" miscellaneous, 1968-1977

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Subject file, *Playmates/Schoolmates*, television program, 1975-1976

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Robert L. Lewin/Mill Pond Press project, 1972-1977
Miscellany
Letter from Arnold Gesell to Joan Ames Chase, 1952
Schedule of lecture and television appearances, 1976-1977
Robert M. Zingg papers
Correspondence, 1937-1945
"A-Z" miscellaneous
(2 folders)
Allen & Unwin Ltd.
American Journal of Psychology
The American Weekly
Davis, Kingsley
Dennis, Wayne
Eckels, Richard P.
Gates, R. R.
Gesell, Arnold
- BOX 30** Harper & Brothers
Hollander, Sidney
Houghton Mifflin Co.
Hutton, J. H.
Life magazine
Literary Services-Mondiale Ltd.
Maxfield, Francis
Pakenham, Walsh H.
Redfield, Robert
Singh, J. A. L.
Singh, Mrs. J. A. L.
Vanguard Press
Wirth, Louis
Subject file
"Baboon" boy of South Africa
The "Tarzancito" case
- BOX 31** Writings file
Gesell, Arnold, chronology of the wolf-children
Miscellany
Singh, J. A. L., diary of the wolf-children of Midnapore
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Ames's daughter; correspondence of Frances Lillian Ilg; research, lectures, and writings by Ames and Arnold Gesell; and files concerning the Gesell Institute of Child Development, White House Conference on Children and Youth, and Ames's radio and television programs.

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Curnow, Wystan, regarding Len Lye, 1982
Ertel, Paul Y. and Inta, 1974-1978
Gesell, Arnold, 1955-1960
Homburger, Gin and Freddy, 1943-1981
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Sheldon, William H., 1950-1978
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Taylor, John I., circa 1951-1975
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Condolences on death of daughter, son-in-law, and grandson, 1974
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General correspondence

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Of Frances Lillian Ilg
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(2 folders)

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Undated and Ilg miscellany

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Diary excerpts, 1945-1982

Subject file

Adolescent rorschach responses, 1950-1959
Books received for review, 1951-1978
Child Care and Development, 1976-1981
Child from Five to Ten, by Frances Lillian Ilg, undated

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- Controversies with Yale University, New Haven, Conn.; Bernard B. Shapiro; *Life* magazine; and others, 1957-1980
First Five Years of Life, 1978-1979
Gesell, Arnold
 Genius, Giftedness and Intelligence, undated
 Sigma Xi lectures, 1947-1949 [*See also Container 38, Lectures by Arnold Gesell*](#)
 Translations of books by, 1956-1958
- BOX 37** Harper & Row, Publishers, 1967-1981
 (2 folders)
 Infant and Child, 1972-1973
 Journal of Learning Disabilities, 1967-1977
 Marks, Philip A., 1974-1977
 Playmates/Schoolmates television program, 1975-1976
 Radio series, 1968
 School Readiness, 1956-1966
 Screen gems, 1970-1972
 Society of Protective Techniques, 1968-1972
 White House Conference on Children and Youth, 1970
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 Lectures by Arnold Gesell, 1948-1949 [*See also Container 36, Sigma Xi lectures*](#)
 Lists of Ames's lectures, 1940-1983
 Writings file
 Articles by Ames regarding her books
 Book reviews, 1970-1975
 Development of Motor Coordination, from Birth to Two Years, typescript
 (2 folders)
- BOX 39** *Infant and Child in the Culture of Today*
 Your Two Year Old
 Your Three Year Old
 Your Four Year Old
 Your Six Year Old
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