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Collection Summary
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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
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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.

Organizations
Gesell Institute of Child Development.
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.
Administrative Information

Provenance

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Biographical Note

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<td>1908, Oct. 29</td>
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<td>1933</td>
<td>M.A., University of Maine, Orono, Maine</td>
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<td>1933-1936</td>
<td>Research secretary and personal assistant to Arnold Gesell, Clinic of Child Development, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.</td>
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<td>1936</td>
<td>Ph.D., Yale University, New Haven, Conn.</td>
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<td>1938</td>
<td>Produced first film, &quot;How Behavior Grows: The Sequential Patterning of Prone Progression&quot;</td>
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<td>1940-1944</td>
<td>Instructor, Clinic of Child Development, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.</td>
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<td>Assistant Professor and curator of the Yale Films of Child Development, Clinic of Child Development, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.</td>
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<td>1950</td>
<td>Founded with Frances Lillian Ilg the Gesell Institute of Child Development, New Haven, Conn.</td>
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<td>1950-1968</td>
<td>Director of research and secretary-treasurer, Gesell Institute of Child Development, New Haven, Conn.</td>
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<td>1951-1973</td>
<td>Coauthor of syndicated newspaper column Child Behavior (after 1962 called Parents Ask)</td>
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<td>1952-1955</td>
<td>Weekly television series, Child Behavior</td>
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<td>1965</td>
<td>Published with Frances Lillian Ilg <em>School Readiness: Behavior Tests Used at the Gesell Institute</em> (New York: Harper &amp; Row. 396 pp.)</td>
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<td>1968</td>
<td>Associate director and chief psychologist, Gesell Institute of Child Development, New Haven, Conn.</td>
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<td>1970</td>
<td>Published <em>Child Care and Development</em> (Philadelphia: Lippincott Co. 426 pp.)</td>
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<td>Published <em>Rorschach Responses in Old Age</em> (New York: Brunner/Mazel. 219 pp.)</td>
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<td>1976</td>
<td>Published series on child development with Frances Lillian Ilg, beginning with <em>Your Two-Year-Old: Terrible or Tender</em> (New York: Delacorte Press. 149 pp.)</td>
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<td>Published <em>Arnold Gesell: Themes of His Work</em> (New York: Human Sciences Press. 334 pp.)</td>
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<td>1990</td>
<td>Reaffiliation of the Gesell Institute of Human Development with Yale University, New Haven, Conn.</td>
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<td>1991</td>
<td>Lecturer, Child Study Center, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.</td>
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<td>1996, Oct. 31</td>
<td>Died, Cincinnati, Ohio</td>
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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; 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.


Arrangement of the Papers

The collection is arranged in eleven series:

- Family Correspondence, 1915-1975
- Special Correspondence, 1935-1975
- General Correspondence, 1941-1974
- "Parents Ask" Newspaper Column, 1954-1968
- Writings, 1947-1974
- Miscellany, 1922-1975
- 1977 Addition, 1937-1977
- 1984 Addition, 1940-1983
- 1987 Addition, 1941-1986
- 1996 Addition, circa 1945-1996
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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 miscellaneous and alphabetically thereunder by name of person, subject, title, or type of material.

**BOX 41-42**

**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 miscellaneous and alphabetically thereunder by name of person, subject, title, or type of material.

**BOX 43-44**

**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.
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           | Lye, Len, 1945-1967, undated  
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| BOX 6     | Mead, Margaret, 1952-1954  
           | Métraux, Ruth W. and Guy S., 1942-1974  
           | (7 folders) |
|           | Moore, Raymond S., 1972-1974  
           | Moynihan, Daniel P., 1969-1970  
           | Packard, Vance, 1965-1969  
           | Perris, Donald L., 1960-1969  
           | Pitcher, Evelyn Goodenough, 1959-1964  
           | 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  
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|           | U.S. Public Health Service, 1948  
           | White House Conference on Children and Youth, 1970-1971  
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| BOX 8-9   | General Correspondence, 1941-1974  
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           | Arranged chronologically. |
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| BOX 9     | 1964-1974, undated  
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Correspondence, 1950-1964  
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Typescript  
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Manuscript No. 1  
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| BOX 26 | *Guide to the Yale Films of Child Development, 1947*  
Blanchard, Irene  
"A Study of Articulation Tests Suitable for Use with Institutionalized Mentally Retarded Children"  
"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"

**BOX 26**

**Miscellany, 1922-1975**

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

Arranged alphabetically by type of material.

**BOX 27-31**

**1977 Addition, 1937-1977**

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."

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Family correspondence, Ames, Smith Whittier (former husband), 1937-1977

Special correspondence
- Arthur, Phyllis-Marie, 1945-1977
- Dickinson, Alice, 1974-1977
- Hobson, Dick, 1948-1957
- Lowenfeld, Margaret, 1966-1970
- Métraux, Ruth W., 1966-1967
- Ostler, Renée, 1967
- Perris, Donald L. and Barbara, 1964-1977
- Rodell, Fred and Janet, 1953-1976
- Von Hilsheimer, George, 1967-1977
- Wunderlich, Ray C., 1965-1975

**BOX 28**

General correspondence


(4 folders)

Correspondence with publisher regarding books reviewed by Ames, 1962-1974

Letters from fans, 1952-1977

Subject file, *Playmates/Schoolmates*, television program, 1975-1976
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Writings file
*Don't Push Your Pre-schooler*, by Ames and Joan Ames Chase, correspondence, 1972-1975
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

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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

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Writings file
Gesell, Arnold, chronology of the wolf-children
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Singh, J. A. L., diary of the wolf-children of Midnapore
Zingg, Robert M.
Miscellany
Newspaper clippings regarding wolf-children
Photographs of wolf-children
Printed matter and bibliographic notes

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1984 Addition, 1940-1983
Correspondence with friends, colleagues, publishers, and the public; diary excerpts, photographs, biographical material, and printed matter; condolence letters on the death of
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.

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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*First Five Years of Life*, 1978-1979

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*Development of Motor Coordination, from Birth to Two Years*, typescript

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**BOX 39**

*Infant and Child in the Culture of Today*

*Your Two Year Old*

*Your Three Year Old*

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*Infancy and Human Growth*, by Arnold Gesell

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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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