

GOGARTEN, FRIEDRICH, 1887-1967.
Friedrich Gogarten collection, 1920, 1967, undated

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Gogarten, Friedrich, 1887-1967.
Title: Friedrich Gogarten collection, 1920, 1967, undated
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 330
Extent: 0.01 cubic ft. (1 folder)
Abstract: Contains a handwritten draft of "Zwischen den Zeiten," two photographs, and a printed death announcement from Gogarten's family.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on Access

Unrestricted access.

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Due to preservation concerns, the manuscript of "Zwischen den Zeiten" may not be photocopied.

Source

Given by Theodore Runyon, 2004.

Citation

[after identification of item(s)], Friedrich Gogarten Collection, Archives and Manuscript Dept., Pitts Theology Library, Emory University.

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Biographical Note

Friedrich Gogarten, twentieth-century dialectical theologian, was born in Dortmund on January 13, 1887. He was educated at Berlin, Jena, and Heidelberg and taught at the University of Breslau (Assistant Professor of Theology, 1931-1935) and the University of Gottingen (Professor of Systematic Theology, 1935-1955).

In 1920, Gogarten published “Zwischen den Zeiten” (“Between the Times”) in *Christliche Welt*. Soon after, the title of this article became the title of a dialectical theology journal founded by Gogarten, Karl Barth, George Merz, and Eduard Thurneysen. From 1923-1933, the journal *Zwischen den Zeiten* was the main theological voice in Germany against Nazism.

Books written by Gogarten include *Die Schuld der Kirche gegen die Welt* (1928), *Einheit von Evangelium und Volkstum?* (1933), *Demythologizing and History* (1955), *The Reality of Faith: The Problem of Subjectivism in Theology* (1957), *Despair and Hope for Our Time* (1970), and *Christ the Crisis* (1970).

Gogarten died on October 16, 1967.

Biographical Source: *Biographical Dictionary of Christian Theologians* (2000), ed. Patrick W. Carey and Joseph T. Lienhard.

Scope and Content Note

The centerpiece of the collection is Gogarten’s handwritten draft of “Zwischen den Zeiten,” which was published in *Christliche Welt* no. 24 (1920). The manuscript consists of nine leaves. There are numerous corrections and annotations by Gogarten throughout the draft.

Also included are a photograph of Gogarten in Central Park, New York City, taken by John Godsey; a photograph of a sketch of Gogarten by Janet Michalson; and a printed death announcement from Gogarten’s family.

