M.E. Thompson papers, 1946-1954

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Descriptive Summary

Title: M.E. Thompson papers, 1946-1954
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 439
Extent: 1 linear foot (2 boxes) and 33 oversized bound volumes (OBV)
Abstract: Papers of Georgia politician and governor Melvin E. Thompson, including thirty-three scrapbooks, loose clippings, campaign speeches, platform, and press releases.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on Access
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Source
Gift of Melvin E. Thompson, 1964, with subsequent additions.

Citation
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Appraisal Note
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Collection Description

Biographical Note
M.E. Thompson (1903-1980) was born in Jenkins County, Georgia. He held various positions in public school education and in politics, including acting governor of Georgia from 1947-1948.

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of papers of M.E. Thompson from 1946-1954. The papers include thirty-three scrapbooks (1946-1948) of photographs and clippings which document Thompson's term as Georgia's acting governor; loose clippings (1946-1950) relating to his life in politics; and campaign speeches, platform, and press releases pertaining to Thompson's 1954 gubernatorial campaign.

Arrangement Note
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## Container List

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### Collected material

1. "The Georgia Gubernatorial Controversy of 1947," by James B. Sanders. [purported masters thesis from Emory University although there is no record in the Graduate School or Registrar's Office of Mr. Sanders having been awarded an M.A. from Emory]

### Newspapers clippings

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### Scrapbooks

| OBV1 | Office of Price Stabilization, 1944 |
OBV2 Political, 1946
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OBV4 Political, State Reports, Tax Commissioner, Herman Talmadge, February 1947
OBV5 Gov. Thompson, Herman Talmadge, March 20, 1947
OBV6 Gov. Thompson, State Depts., Herman Talmadge, April 1947
OBV7 Gov. Thompson, State Depts., Herman Talmadge, May 1947
OBV8 State Depts., June-July 1947
OBV9 Political, June-August, 1947
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