A Guide to the
Montfort Paige: Ridgefield Athletic Club and NY Telephone Collection

Collection Summary

Collection Title: Montfort Paige: Ridgefield Athletic Club and NY Telephone Collection

Call Number:

Creator: Unknown

Inclusive Dates: 1916-1951

Bulk Dates: 1939

Abstract:

Quantity:

Administrative Information

Custodial History: Gift of Sandra Sorell

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Persons
Paige, Montfort (1892-1974)
Anderson, Jack
Blossom, Peter H.
Cahill, J. E.
Carlson, A. C.
Coyle, John W.
Davison, William
Emerson, W. C.
English, Stewart
Hadley, Theodore R.
Hartshorn, ‘Wake’
Hemmer, G. A.
Hoffsis, Harvey
Hunt, Mrs. Toni
Joyce, Kathleen
Keating, Roy
Kusserow, Burt
Leonard, Bill
McCarthy, Jim
MacCracken, Cal
Manning, C. R.
Palmer, Howard W.
Percival, Don
Perle, Alex
Potter, F. C. R.
Richardson, W. A.
Snyder, Carl
Sutherland, Bill
Turnbull, W. A.
Vrooman Jr., Morrell
Whitbeck, Randall
Base, Stewart A. F. (Photographer)
Allen, William H. (Photographer)
De Meo, Roy E. (Photographer)
Glenn, J. A. (Photographer)
Owen, Dan (Photographer)
Hahn & Roberts (Photographer)
Kalinich, John (Photographer)

Organizations
New York Telephone
The Ridgefield Athletic Club
Glens Falls Kiwanis
Schenectady Lions Club
Gloversville Rotary Club
Johnstown Rotary Club
NY Press Association
Rotary Club of Albany
Western Union
Post Star Newspaper
Syracuse Herald Newspaper
The Leader-Republican Newspaper of Gloversville and Johnstown, NY
Winthrop-Stearns Industrial Club
Corning Rotary Club

Subjects
Sports - Tennis, Telephone Company – NY Telephone

Places
Ridgefield Athletic Club
Y.M.C.A.
Griffin Air Base, Rome
Sampson Air Force Base
Syracuse Traffic Party
Norton Hall – U.B. Campus (Buffalo, NY?)
Civic Playhouse
Mark Twain Hotel, Elmira, NY

Document Types
Scrapbooks, newspaper clippings, photographs

Titles
None

Biography of
Montfort Paige worked as Public relations Director for the New York Telephone, his activities as a tennis player at Ridgefield Park in Albany and materials related to his neighborhood in Albany’s South End. Specifically there is a scrapbook related to Mr. Paige’s job with the New York Telephone Company on State Street along with three photographs. 1. Mr. Paige Giving a Speech; 2. Mr. Paige playing snooker or billiards at the University Club; 3. Mr. Paige at the Harmanus Bleecker Library. The largest collection or materials related to Montfort’s activities as tennis pro at the Ridgefield Athletic Club. The Ridgefield Athletic Club was formed by Howard King, a housing developer who was instrumental in developing the west end of Albany, which he named Pine Hills. The club, named in honor of Ridgefield, Conn., where the King family was originally from, boasted of 4 tennis courts and a toboggan slide. Eventually the property was acquired by the Y.M.C.A. and the athletic fields are still used on Partridge Street. The Ridgefield Collection includes scrapbooks, photographs of the club, rulebook, match results and a selection of trophies.
Scope and Contents of the Collection

This collection covers the time when Montfort Paige worked for the NY Telephone Company, and was a member of the Ridgefield Athletic Club, playing tennis. There are numerous photographs of employees at the NY Telephone Company, as well as of the Ridgefield Athletic Club.

Organization of the Collection

None

Related Material

2009.004 Assortment of trophies won by Montfort Paige, Curatorial Collection
1. 1926 YMCA City Tennis Tourney Doubles Second
2. 1930 Albany Country Tennis Championship, Runner Up Doubles
3. 1931 Albany County Tennis Championship, Runner Up Doubles
4. 1933 Lincoln Park Doubles Winner
5. 1934 Lincoln Park
6. 1938 Albany County Doubles Winner
7. 1941 Ridgefield High School Runner Up Singles
8. Elsmere Tennis Meet M.S. Paige
9. Ridgefield toboggan outfit worn by Huybertie Pruyn, Curatorial Collection

Separated Materials

None

Other Finding Aids

None

Detailed Description of the Collection

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