

RICHARD M. BISSELL JR. PAPERS
WALT AND EUGENE ROSTOW SERIES
1945 - 1993; Boxes 1 – 3

SERIES DESCRIPTION

This series contains collected materials concerning both Walt Whitman Rostow and Eugene Victor Debs Rostow. The bulk of this series is composed of subject files (named for each Rostow brother) containing articles, correspondence, newspaper clippings, drafts, and publications authored by Walt Rostow, Eugene Rostow, and others. Some of the correspondence in this series seems to have been originally filed in what is now the Correspondence Series before Bissell's office staff removed it to this location. These documents (some bearing the numbering that appears on most documents in the Correspondence Series) do not appear to have been copied before they were removed.

The series is arranged by format. Files containing Correspondence and Supporting Materials are arranged alphabetically by folder title and thereunder in reverse chronological order. Drafts and Publications are arranged in reverse chronological order with the exception of the "Ideas and Action" theme book series.

The draft publications in this series were sent to Bissell from Walt Whitman Rostow with the understanding that Bissell would review them and comment on them before publication. Four draft works out of a collection of five on the theme of "Ideas and Actions" are included in the series. The absence of the second of the five draft works is unexplained. The drafts center on events that occurred during the Dwight D. Eisenhower and John F. Kennedy administrations.

This series also includes a 1993 interview of Richard Bissell by David Armstrong regarding the Rostows (primarily Walt Whitman Rostow) and Bissell's early professional career.

CONTAINER LIST

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[Correspondence and Supporting Materials]

- 1 Rostow, Eugene V. (1) – (2) [general correspondence; news clippings; SALT II (Strategic Arms Limitation Talks); Eugene Rostow review of George F. Kennan's *The Cloud of Danger: Current Realities of American Foreign Policy*; social correspondence; multiple Rostow publications and talks; Bissell and the "Church Committee" (United States Senate Select Committee to Study Governmental Operations with Respect to Intelligence Activities) and Henry Kissinger; U.S. President's ability to conduct covert activity; General William Westmoreland and civil unrest at Yale University; 1970 letter from Eugene V. Rostow to the *New Yorker's* "Talk of the Town" column; Spofford Committee; Eugene V. Rostow's 1945 "American Security and Foreign Economic Policy" reprinted from *The Yale Review*; undated notes]

Walt W. Rostow – 1974 to Present [General correspondence; Richard Bissell interview with David Armstrong; news clippings; 1984 edition of *Pioneers in Development* inscribed to Richard Bissell by Walt Rostow; February 17, 1982, letter from Walt Rostow forwarding Rostow’s 1982 “Development: The Political Economy of the Marshallian Long Period”; January 5, 1979, letter from Walt Rostow advising Bissell of a manuscript of a book of essays forwarded under separate cover; December 18, 1978, letter from Richard Bissell to Walt Rostow regarding personal topics and the dedication of Rostow’s *Essays in the Marshallian Long Period* to Bissell; November 6, 1978, letter from Walt Rostow concerning *Essays in the Marshallian Long Period* and other topics; December 3, 1975, letter from Walt Rostow regarding the “Church Committee” (United States Senate Select Committee to Study Governmental Operations with Respect to Intelligence Activities) and enclosing Rostow’s “The Development World in the Fifth Kondratieff Upswing” and “The Case for Sectoral Planning”]

Walt W. Rostow - Early to 1974 (1) – (3) [general correspondence; October 23, 1973, letter from Walt Rostow to Bissell enclosing Rostow’s works “The Beginnings of Modern Growth in Europe: An Essay in Synthesis,” “Economic Growth: Past and Future,” and “Technology and the Price System”; economics; Bissell’s criticism of Rostow’s writing; news clippings; Rostow’s “The Strategic Role of Theory: A Commentary”; Rostow’s September 1970, “The Domestic Determinants of Foreign Policy or the Tocqueville Oscillation”; Rostow’s March 1970 “The Past Quarter-Century as Economic History and the Tasks of International Economic Organization”; October 14, 1969, letter from Bissell to Rostow regarding Rostow’s talk “The Irrelevance of the Relevant” and his thoughts on the direction of young people and other matters; Rostow’s May 25, 1959, talk “The Stages of Economic Growth and the Problems of Peaceful Coexistence” delivered in Moscow; February 19, 1958, letter to Bissell from Max Millikan enclosing an article written by Millikan and “Foreign Aid: Next Phase”; “Investment and Real Wages: 1873 – 1886”]

[Drafts and Publications]

Walt Rostow – “The ‘Great Bundle’: Science, Invention & Innovation during the 17th & 18th Centuries” + “Capitalism” (1) – (2) [January 18, 1973, letter from Rostow to Bissell discussing personal business and enclosing a draft for criticism]

- 2 [*Marshalling Yards vs. Oil: General Eisenhower’s Decision of March 25, 1944* by W.W. Rostow, January 7, 1980] [“Draft for Criticism Only – Chapter 1”; “Ideas and Action” theme series book]

[*Should the U.S. Initiate Negotiations in the Wake of Stalin’s Death: President Eisenhower’s Decision of March 11, 1953, and his Speech of April 16, 1953* by W.W. Rostow, October 15, 1980] (1) – (2) [“Draft for Criticism Only – Book 3”; “Ideas and Action” theme series book]

[*President Eisenhower's Open Skies Proposal: July 21, 1955* by W.W. Rostow, March 12, 1981] (1) – (2) [“Draft for Criticism Only – Book 4”; “Ideas and Action” theme series book]

[*John Kennedy and Foreign Aid: The Kennedy –Cooper Resolutions of 1958 – 1959* by W.W. Rostow, April, 1982] (1) [“Draft for Criticism Only” – Book 5; “Ideas and Action” theme series book]

3 [*John Kennedy and Foreign Aid: The Kennedy –Cooper Resolutions of 1958 – 1959* by W.W. Rostow, April, 1982] (2) – (3) [“Draft for Criticism Only” – Book 5; “Ideas and Action” theme series book]

[*Energy and the Economy: Final Report December 1980*, Council on Energy Resources, the University of Texas at Austin, c. 1980] [“W.W. Rostow”]

[*Why the Poor Get Richer and the Rich Slow Down: Essays in the Marshallian Long Period* by W.W. Rostow, 1979]

[Interview]

[“Interview with Richard M. Bissell by David Armstrong – 7/17/93”]

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