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Collection Overview

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Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of records that document the storage of U.S. Capitol sculptures at the Smithsonian. The statues were removed from the east front of the Capitol in 1958 and stored at the Capitol Power Plant until 1974, when the Smithsonian provided temporary storage for the deteriorating works. Statues included "Discovery of America," depicting Christopher Columbus by Luigi Persico; "Rescue," by Horatio Greenough; "Genius of America," by Persico; "Peace," by Persico; "War," by Persico; and "Justice and History," by Thomas Crawford.

These materials include correspondence, memoranda, clippings, and photographs. The primary correspondent is Paul N. Perrot, Assistant Secretary for Museum Programs, with one memorandum dating after Perrot's tenure, to Tom L. Freudenheim, Assistant Secretary for Museums.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Discovery of America (Statue)

Genius of America (Statue)
Justice and History (Statue)
Peace (Statue)
Rescue (Statue)
Statues
War (Statue)

Types of Materials:

Black-and-white photographs
Clippings
Manuscripts

Names:

Columbus, Christopher
Crawford, Thomas, 1813-1857
Freudenheim, Tom L.
Greenough, Horatio, 1805-1852
Perrot, Paul N.
Persico, Luigi, 1791-1860
Smithsonian Institution. Assistant Secretary for Museums
United States Capitol (Washington, D.C.)

Container Listing

Box 1

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| Box 1 of 1 | Statues from the Capitol, correspondence and photographs, 1977-1978 |
| Box 1 of 1 | Deteriorated Marble and Sandstone Sculpture Removed from Capitol in 1958
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| Box 1 of 1 | U.S. Capitol under construction |