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THE LUDWIG BARUCH INTERNMENT ARCHIVE : collection description

Special Collections, J.B. Priestley Library

Reference code

GB 0532 BAR

Title

The Ludwig Baruch Internment Archive

Dates

1939-1944

Level of description

Fonds

Extent

3 boxes

Name of creator

Ludwig Alfred Baruch, born 1917, civilian internee

Administrative/biographical history

Ludwig Alfred Baruch was born in Germany, but in 1928 his family moved to England. On leaving school he went to work for the Donegal Tweed Company, where he worked until 1939. At the beginning of the Second World War, he was interned as an enemy alien and held in internment camps in England. In July 1940, the authorities tried to send him to Canada on the Arandora Star, which was however torpedoed and sunk with much loss of life. Mr Baruch survived, and was later sent to Australia. He returned to England in 1942 and later settled in Bradford.

Description written April 2001

Immediate source of acquisition

Mr Baruch's son, Dr John Baruch, head of the Department of Cybernetics and Visual Systems at the University of Bradford, has arranged for this collection of his father's correspondence to be housed in the J B Priestley Library. Deposits were made in 1994 and 2000.

Scope and content

Correspondence between Ludwig Baruch and his fiancée, Hilda Froom, concerning his internment and the efforts made for his release, together with other relevant correspondence. The letters date from 1939 to 1944 and illustrate the bad conditions in the internment camps and the efforts made by Mr Baruch's family and friends to secure his release.

System of arrangement

Numbered files, arranged by date and origin by Ludwig Baruch

Access conditions

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Language of material

English.

Physical characteristics

Some letters and telegrams are on flimsy paper.

Finding aids

Unpublished handlist.

Existence of copies

Photocopies have been made of some of the correspondence; the copies are stored with the collection

Archivist's note

Described by John Brooker

Rules or conventions

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Date(s) of description

20 April 2001

Indexing

Persons

Baruch, Ludwig

Froom, Hilda

Corporate bodies

Arandora Star (Ship)

Subjects

World War, 1939-1945 – Prisoners and prisons – British

Aliens – Great Britain – History – 20th century

Concentration camps – Great Britain

World War, 1939-1945 – Evacuation of civilians – Great Britain

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