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Syracuse State School Record of Escapes B1661

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series records those who escaped from Syracuse State School during the period 1934-1953. Entries are arranged according to the month in which the escape was reported; this roughly corresponds to a chronological arrangement by actual escape date (an escape may have occurred earlier than the month in which it is recorded). Periodic notes appear recording dates that escapes were reported to the Medical Inspector (probably during routine checks of the facility).
Creator:	Syracuse State School
Title:	Record of escapes
Quantity:	0.25 cubic feet
Quantity:	(2 volumes)
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Series:	B1661

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Arrangement

Chronological by month escape is reported (roughly corresponding to escape date).

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Scope and Content Note

This series records those "reported on elopement," that is, those who escaped ("eloped") from the Syracuse State School from 1934-1953. Dates of discharge or parole, noted only as the final disposition of escape cases, are present sporadically. Entries are arranged according to the month in which the escape was reported; this corresponds to a chronological arrangement by actual escape date (an escape may have occurred earlier than the month in which it is recorded). Periodic notes appear of dates that escapes were reported to the Medical Inspector (probably during routine checks of the facility).

Volume 1 notes those who were reported as escaped during July 1935 through April 1945. Information includes date reported, name, date of escape, date of return, and remarks/disposition.

Volume 2 notes those who escaped during April 1945 through March 1953. Information includes name, time and date "eloped," date returned, and a final "disposition" statement. Summaries for the fiscal year show numbers of females, males, and total reportable escapes, returns from escapes and (sometimes) numbers "discharged" from escape (i.e., status changed to home visit, vacation, etc.).

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Volume list is available at the repository.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

Restricted in accordance with Mental Hygiene Law, Section 33.13, relating to confidentiality of clinical records. Access is permitted under certain conditions upon approval by the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities.

Access Terms

- Monitoring mentally handicapped
- Registers (Lists)
- Children with mental disabilities--New York (State)
- Administering intellectual disability facilities
- Intellectual disability facilities patients
- Syracuse (N.Y.)
- New York (State)
- Escapes

- People with mental disabilities--Institutional care--New York (State)
- New York (State). Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities
- Syracuse Developmental Center
- New York (State). Department of Mental Hygiene