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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series consists of correspondence, memoranda, press releases, statements, newspaper clippings, photographs, invitations, event schedules, brochures, pamphlets, results summaries of and final reports relating to the 1957 and 1958 New York State Open House Week. Open House Week was an annual event to enable the citizens of New York State to visit the various State government departments and agencies and to give them a better understanding of the operations of their government.
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Arrangement

Chronological by year.

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Administrative History

In December 1956, Daniel P. Moynihan was appointed to the newly created position of Assistant Secretary for Reports. Mr. Moynihan had been serving in the Governor's Office since January 1, 1955, as the Assistant to the Secretary to the Governor. In July 1958, when Jonathan Bingham, the Secretary to the Governor, was given a leave of absence to run for the New York State Senate, Mr. Moynihan was appointed "Acting" Secretary.

In his position as Assistant Secretary for Reports, Mr. Moynihan had two primary objectives: to bring the State Government closer to the people and to keep the Governor informed on the

developments and activities within the State departments and agencies. In carrying out the first of these objectives, Mr. Moynihan initiated projects for postmark advertising and display racks for State publications; encouraged improvement in the quality of State publications; and directed the annual New York Open House Week. And in carrying out his other objectives of keeping the Governor informed about developments within State departments and agencies, he initiated a program whereby each department and agency sent monthly summary reports to the Governor's office.

To facilitate his work, Mr. Moynihan organized and served as the chairman of the Interdepartmental Committee on Publications and Reports - a committee made up of the public information officers of approximately thirty State departments and agencies.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Folder list.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of the material.

Administrative Information

Custodial History

This series was transferred to Syracuse University from Governor Harriman in 1959, and was transferred to the New York State Archives in 2006. It was accessioned in July 2011.

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Access Terms

- Invitations
- Clippings (information artifacts)
- Publicizing state government
- Administrative agencies--New York (State)
- Correspondence
- Press releases
- New York (State)
- Memorandums
- New York (State)--Politics and government
- Moynihan, Daniel P. (Daniel Patrick), 1927-2003.