

## Guide to the Rita Fikkert Collection

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#### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Rita Fikkert Collection,

**Date (inclusive):** ca. 1937-1951

**Collection Number:** Bernath Mss 26

**Collector:** Fikkert, Rita

**Extent:** 1.6 linear feet (4 document boxes)

**Repository:** University of California, Santa Barbara. Library. Department of Special Collections  
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**Language:** English.

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#### Acquisition Information

Gift of Rita Fikkert, 1969.

#### Biography

Ruth Fikkert grew up in the Netherlands, was educated in part in the U.S., worked for the YWCA in California and New York, and had extensive training and experience in housing issues. Much of the material in the collection apparently came to the YWCA offices where she worked.

#### Scope and Content of Collection

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The collection contains correspondence, pamphlets, reports, articles, newspapers, flyers, tracts, and clippings from the World War II and post-WWII era, relating primarily to wartime relations with other countries; wartime mobilization of resources; support organizations; housing, labor, discrimination, and women's issues within the U.S.; propaganda; and censorship.

Some journals from the collection, such as *Foreign Policy Reports* and *Voice of Freedom*, have been transferred to the main stacks of the UCSB Davidson Library and can be searched on Pegasus, the UCSB Libraries online catalog.

A related Rita Fikkert Collection in the Performing Arts section of UCSB Special Collections [PA Mss 8], focuses on costume and costume design.

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Includes bulletins, pamphlets, tracts, flyers, articles

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