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Finding Aid for  
**Theological Discussion Group  
Papers, 1934 - 1961**

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**Summary Information**

Creator: Henry P. Van Dusen, 1897 - 1975  
Title: Theological Discussion Group Papers, 1934 - 1961  
Inclusive dates: 1934 - 1961  
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Abstract: The Theological Discussion Group, meeting twice yearly in weekend retreat initially at Yale University, included Reinhold Niebuhr, Richard Niebuhr, Paul Tillich, Henry Van Dusen, James Luther Adams, Georgia Harkness and many other leading Christian thinkers. Papers were presented and critiqued, and issues concerning the evolution of Christianity and the modern world discussed. Typescript discussion papers and administrative records.  
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### Administrative Information

Provenance: This collection is a compilation from two sources in the Burke Library: Initially papers from Union Seminary Administrative records Series 9F whose original source was President H. P Van Dusen's papers after 1963 and the contents of a formerly unprocessed restricted access box of papers (Cage RK55T391).

Access: Archival papers are available to registered readers for consultation by appointment only. Please contact archives staff by phone, fax or email [archives@uts.columbia.edu](mailto:archives@uts.columbia.edu) as far in advance as possible.

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### Organizational History

The [East Coast] Theological Discussion Group was started in 1934 by Henry Pitney Van Dusen at the time when he was Associate Professor of Systematic Theology at UTS and continued until the early 1960s. The aim of this long lived discussion group, in the words of Van Dusen, was to "discover what is essential and distinctive in the Christian gospel for today" by a process of debate around chosen themes.

The recurrently attending theologians of this group were Reinhold Niebuhr, Richard Niebuhr, Paul Tillich, Henry Van Dusen, James Luther Adams, Georgia Harkness, Wilhelm Pauck, John Knox, Edwin Aubrey, Douglas Steere and Cornelius Kruse among others. The group chose a topic for the year and would meet twice yearly to present papers concerning that topic at a weekend retreat. A critic was chosen for each presentation. Topics include: Church and Politics, Humanism, American Corruptions, Redemption, War, Eschatology, etc.

While most of the meetings were held as weekend retreats at Yale Divinity School in New Haven, CT, some were held at Drew University in Madison, New Jersey, Princeton University in Princeton, New Jersey and College of Preachers in Washington D.C.

### Collection Scope and Content Note

This collection contains mainly the typescript addresses presented to the Theological Discussion Group. It includes a small amount of administrative correspondence including lists of members, which are included with the folders of addresses given at the retreats to which they refer. A number of undated or anonymous papers within this collection appear to originate from the group or to have circulated among members of the group.

The collection has been retained in the original chronological order of the discussion group meetings. Administrative papers are retained with the meeting session to which they refer. Dated papers are followed by a sequence of undated papers and finally a small number of anonymous papers also undated. 42 of the total of 55 meetings are covered here.

For papers and meetings not covered in this collection, please see Yale Divinity School archives <http://webtext.library.yale.edu/xml2html/divinity.043.con.html>

**Processing**

Materials were placed in new acid-free folders and boxes. Acidic items were separated by interleaving with acid-free paper as needed.

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