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Guide to the

Alphonso Pinkney manuscript and research collection

1967-2004

Sc MG 768

Summary

Creator: Pinkney, Alphonso

Title: Alphonso Pinkney manuscript and research collection

Date: 1967-2004

Size: 9.0 linear feet (9 boxes)

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Abstract: African-American sociologist, Alphonso Pinkney (1928-2006), was a nationally known expert on race relations. The Alphonso Pinkney manuscript and research collection pertains to several books Pinkney authored, primarily about race relations.

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Separated Materials:

Transferred to the General Research and Reference Division: books and periodicals

Creator History

African-American sociologist, Alphonso Pinkney (1928-2006), was a nationally known expert on race relations. From 1961 until his retirement, Pinkney taught sociology at Hunter College where he served as chair of the Department of Sociology from 1975-1984. He authored seven books, contributed chapters to seven others, and wrote many articles for academic journals.

Scope and Content Note

The Alphonso Pinkney manuscript and research collection pertains to several books Pinkney authored, primarily about race relations, and consists of handwritten and typed drafts, notes, news clippings, complete issues of pertinent newspapers, and papers written by other researchers. Galley and page proofs, reviews, promotional material, royalty statements, and correspondence comprise the types of documents from his publishers. The books for which there is material are *The American Way of Violence* (1972), "The Beatification of Ronald Reagan" (unpublished), *Black Americans* (1969), *The Committed: White Activists in the Civil Rights Movement* (ca. 1968), *The Myth of Black Progress* (1985), and *Red, Black and Green: Black Nationalism in the United States* (1976). This collection also contains an untitled manuscript, papers presented at conferences, and published articles.

Arrangement: Arranged into 6 series: I. The American Way of Violence; II. "The Beatification of Ronald Reagan"; III. Black Americans; IV. The Committed: White Activists in the Civil Rights Movement; V. The Myth of Black Progress; and VI. Red, Black and Green: Black Nationalism in the United States.

Key Terms

Subjects

African American sociologists
African Americans -- Civil rights
African Americans -- Economic conditions
African Americans -- Politics and government
African Americans -- Social conditions
Authors, Black
Black nationalism
Civil rights movements
Discrimination in Education
Race discrimination -- United States
Racism -- United States

Names

Pinkney, Alphonso
Reagan, Ronald

Container List

The American Way of Violence 1972

- b. 1 Handwritten notes
- b. 1 Newspapers
Includes *Muhammad Speaks* and *The Maroon*.
- b. 1 Handwritten drafts for chapters
- b. 1 Papers on violence written by Pinkney and others
"The Beatification of Ronald Reagan" (unpublished)
- b. 2 Handwritten first draft on yellow pads
- b. 2 Bibliographies
- b. 2 Newspapers and clippings
- b. 2 Notes on Reagan's death
- b. 2 Photocopies of book, possibly final edited version
- b. 3
- b. 3 General notes

Black Americans 1969

- b. 3 Rolled printer's proof
- b. 3 Typescripts of papers by Pinkney on Black Americans
- b. 3 Pre-publication notes
- b. 3 Notes, clippings, and research papers by another scholar on Black families
- b. 3 Notes on index cards
- b. 3 Third editions, one pasted and mounted on card stock
- b. 4
- b. 4 Handwritten first draft on yellow pads
- b. 4 Typed drafts
- b. 5 Editor's manuscripts, 4th-6th editions
- b. 5 Royalty statements
- b. 5 Promotional material
- b. 5 Reviews

The Committed: White Activists in the Civil Rights Movement ca. 1968

- b. 6 Handwritten draft for portion of manuscript
- b. 6 Typed manuscript
- b. 6 Editor's proof, one rolled and one flat

The Myth of Black Progress 1985

- b. 6 Editor's copy of book and additional manuscript with editorial comments
- b. 6 Handwritten drafts for two chapters
- b. 6 Correspondence with publisher
- b. 6 News clippings
- Reviews and correspondence regarding reviews

Red, Black and Green: Black Nationalism in the United States 1976

- b. 7 Issues of newspapers
Includes *Spring Up*, *Black Panther*, *Guardian*, *Plain Dealer*, *Inner City Voice*, *Human Events*, *Georgia Straight*, *Urban Crisis*, *Monitor*, and *The New York Times Magazine*.

Red, Black and Green: Black Nationalism in the United States (cont.)

- b. 7 Notes
- b. 7 Correspondence
- b. 7 Bibliographies
- b. 8 Papers by others
Includes papers from Black Studies Programs at colleges and a paper by Wilson Record, "White Sociologists and Black Studies".
- b. 8 News clippings
- b. 8 Final chapter, handwritten and typed
- b. 8 Religious nationalism notes and clippings
- b. 8 First handwritten draft of each chapter on yellow pads
- b. 8 Complete manuscript
- b. 9 Three typescripts of book