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Bernhard Stern/Alain Locke collection

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Summary

Creator: Stern, Bernhard Joseph, 1894-1956

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Abstract: Dr. Bernhard Stern was a lecturer in anthropology at Columbia University in the 1930s and 1940s with a particular interest in race relations. Dr. Alain Locke was Professor of Philosophy at Harvard University and the principal spokesman of the "New Negro Movement," the black arts movement of the 1920s. Correspondence between Bernhard Stern and Alain Locke, co-editors of "When Peoples Meet, A Study in Race and Cultural Contacts" (1946), a book on race relations. Letters document the working relationship between the two and some of the work that went into finalizing and publicizing the book. Also research notes and correspondence re Stern's and Melville Jacob's book "Outline of Anthropology;" a file (1939-1942) related to Stern's involvement with the Carnegie Corporation "Negro in America" study, including memoranda from Gunnar Myrdal and Doxey Wilkerson, another project participant; also Stern's lecture notes for courses in anthropology at the New School for Social Research, 1930s-1950.

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Key Terms

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