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Guide to the

**Carnegie-Myrdal Study of the Negro in America research memoranda  
collection: additions**

1940-1942

Sc MG 514

## Summary

**Creator:** Carnegie Corporation of New York

**Title:** Carnegie-Myrdal Study of the Negro in America research memoranda collection: additions

**Date:** 1940-1942

**Size:** 6 items (1 folder)

**Source:** Unknown, 05/--/82

**Abstract:** The Carnegie-Myrdal Study of the Negro in America, also known as the "Carnegie-Myrdal Research Memoranda" is a comprehensive study of African Americans researched by a team of African-American and white social scientists. The study was sponsored by the Carnegie Corporation in 1939 for the purpose of providing the background for Gunnar Myrdal's book, "An American Dilemma" (New York: Harper Brother Publisher, 1944). The collection consists of six items relating to the Carnegie-Myrdal study, "The Negro in America." Included is Gunnar Myrdal's draft of his preface to the first edition of the book, "An American Dilemma" (1941). A letter from Walter White (1940) to Attorney Carol Weis King requesting her participation in the study; Ms. King's response and her completed questionnaire is also included.

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## **Key Terms**

### **Subjects**

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### **Titles**

Negro in America  
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### **Geographic Names**

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### **Names**

King, Carol Weiss, 1895-1952  
Myrdal, Gunnar, 1898-  
Myrdal, Gunnar, 1898- American dilemma. American dilemma.  
White, Walter, 1893-1955  
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