

Johan Thorsten Sellin papers

Ms. Coll. 694

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Summary Information

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Creator	Sellin, Johan Thorsten, 1896-1994
Title	Johan Thorsten Sellin papers
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Language	English
Language Note	Languages included in the collection are English, Swedish, French, German, Spanish, Danish, Dutch, Italian, Norwegian and Portuguese.
Abstract	The Johan Thorsten Sellin Papers include correspondence; biographical materials; drafts of writings; notes; clippings about Sellin's work; minutes; reprints of criminology articles; memorabilia; and some photographs. The material is largely professional, not personal, and documents Sellin's research as a penologist and his career as a teacher of sociology and criminology, as well as his works in Swedish-American causes.

Cite as:

Johan Thorsten Sellin papers, Kislak Center for Special Collections, Rare Books and Manuscripts, University of Pennsylvania

Biography/History

Johan Thorsten Sellin was a sociologist and internationally-recognized criminology expert. Born in Örnköldsvik, Sweden in 1896, he emigrated to Canada in 1913 and enrolled in Swedish-American Augusta College in Rockport, Illinois in 1914. After completing his Bachelor of Arts degree there in less than two years (1915), Sellin earned a Masters degree in sociology at the University of Pennsylvania (1916) and taught for a time at the University of Minnesota (1916-1920). After marrying Augustana classmate Amy Anderson in 1920, Sellin moved to Philadelphia once more and finished his doctorate (1922) at the University of Pennsylvania and began a long and productive career in the Department of Sociology there, for which he served as chairman from 1944 to 1959. Though frequently undertaking visiting lectureships at European universities, Sellin continued to teach as professor of sociology and criminology at the University of Pennsylvania until his retirement in 1968.

Sellin's research interests were wide and varied within the field of criminology, but he was particularly known for his books and researches on penology (*Pioneering in Penology*, 1944), penal slavery (*Slavery and the Penal System*, 1976), juvenile delinquency (*The Criminality of Youth*, 1940; *The Measure of Delinquency*, 1964; and *Delinquency in a Birth-Cohort*, 1972 – the latter two co-authored with Marvin E. Wolfgang), social theory (*Culture Conflict and Crime*, 1938), and the ineffectiveness of capital punishment (*Capital Punishment*, 1967 (ed.); and *The Penalty of Death*, 1980). He was also a pioneer in the application of criminal statistics: he drafted the Uniform Criminal Statistics Act (adopted by the United States Department of Justice in 1969) and served as a criminal statistics consultant to the United States Bureau of the Census during the 1930s.

Interested in applying his research in a practical way, Sellin was a consultant to the Swedish Penal Code Commission (1946-1947), the prison experiment at the state prison colony at Norfolk, Massachusetts (1933-1934, while he was a staff member at the Bureau of Social Hygiene in New York), and the American Law Institute Youth Correction and Model Penal Code projects. He also served as an official commissioner for the United Nations on Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (1949-1956), a member of the board of inspectors for Philadelphia County Prisons (1939-1950), and the chairman of the Philadelphia Police Advisory Board (1959-1963).

Sellin was also an active member of numerous state, national and international organizations relating to sociology and criminology, including the American Philosophical Society, the American Society of Criminology, the Osborne Association, the Pennsylvania Committee on Penal Affairs, the Pennsylvania Council to Abolish the Death Penalty, and the United States Social Science Research Council. He furthermore served as secretary-general of the International Penal and Penitentiary Commission (1949-1951), the vice-president and later president of the International Penal and Penitentiary Foundation (1956-1965, 1965-1971), and president of the International Society of Criminology (1956-1965). Sellin did all of this while editing the *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* (1929-1968).

International recognition of his researches also brought Sellin a number of honors: he was awarded the Swedish Order of the North Star in 1955, taught as a Fulbright scholar at the University of Cambridge in 1959-1960, and received honorary degrees from Augustana College, the University of Uppsala, the University of Leiden, the University of Copenhagen, the University of Pennsylvania, and the University of Brussels. In 1985 the University of Pennsylvania Center for Studies in Criminology and Criminal Law was renamed in his honor as the Sellin Criminology Center.

Sellin remained an active scholar long after his retirement from the University of Pennsylvania, and continued to write on criminology from his home in Gilmanton, New Hampshire, until his death in 1994.

Scope and Contents

The Johan Thorsten Sellin Papers are made up of 63 boxes of material including correspondence; biographical materials; drafts of writings; notes; clippings about Sellin's work; minutes; reprints of criminology articles; memorabilia; and some photographs. The collection spans through Sellin's professional life, beginning with correspondence from before Sellin had received his doctorate through to the very last years of his life. The material contained in this collection is largely professional, not personal, and documents Sellin's interests and works as a scholar and teacher of sociology and criminology, as well as his works in Swedish-American causes.

The Correspondence series, the largest single series within the collection, contains numerous items from both individuals and organizations in a variety of languages (English, Swedish, French, German, Spanish, Danish, Dutch, Italian, Norwegian, Portuguese). The majority of the correspondents are sociologists, criminologists, other social scientists, lawyers, politicians or judges. Items mostly relate to the evolution of criminology as a discipline throughout the 20th century, as well as its international study. Topics covered particularly well within this series include the history of the International Penal and Penitentiary Foundation (1932-1971), the prison experiment at the state prison colony in Norfolk, Massachusetts (1933-1934), the development of the Uniform Criminal Statistics Act (1944-1969), the development of the University of Pennsylvania Center for Studies in Criminology and Criminal Law (ca. 1950-1985), and the United Nations commission on Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (1949-1956).

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Controlled Access Headings

CORPORATE NAME(S)

- International Penal and Penitentiary Foundation.
- International Society of Criminology.
- University of Pennsylvania. Sociology.
- University of Pennsylvania.

FORM/GENRE(S)

- Correspondence
- Memorabilia
- Negatives (photographic)
- Photographs
- Research notes

SUBJECT(S)

- Capital punishment
- Corrections
- Criminal statistics
- Criminology
- Reformatories
- Sociology

Other Finding Aids

For a complete listing of correspondents, do the following ns2:title search in Franklin: Johan Thorsten Sellin Papers.

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International Who's Who 1988-89. London: Europa Publications, 1988

Pace, Eric. "Thorsten Sellin, Criminology Expert, Dies at 97." *New York Times*, 20 September 1994
Wolfgang, Marvin E. "Thorsten Sellin (26 October 1896 - 17 September 1994)." *Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society* 140:4 (Dec. 1996): 581-586

Collection Inventory

I. CORRESPONDENCE, 1920-1993.

Series Description

Letters are arranged alphabetically by the names of the correspondents and then chronologically. Items are primarily professional in content, mostly relating to Sellin's criminological researches, his professional capacities as professor and chairman of sociology at the University of Pennsylvania, and his organizational and consulting contributions. Other correspondence includes items relating to Sellin's role as a prominent Swedish-American figure, and personal correspondence with the many international legal and sociological figures he befriended throughout his long career.

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Series Description

Predominantly comprising shorter works such as articles and reports, this series also includes a small amount of material related to book-length projects, as well as texts for speaking engagements such as lectures or congressional testimony; a small number of obituaries or biographies written by Sellin about colleagues; letters to the editor and other open letters; and reviews by Sellin of works by others. For reviews by others of works by Sellin, see the Writings by Others series. The Miscellaneous subseries includes a small amount of work from Sellin's undergraduate and graduate studies.

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IV. ORGANIZATION MATERIALS, 1930-1988.

Series Description

Minutes, notes, reports, brochures, and mailings from the many professional, scholarly, and activist organizations with which Sellin was affiliated on the city, state, national, and international level. Some correspondence is in this series as well. Arranged alphabetically by name of the organization.

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V. WRITINGS BY OTHERS, CIRCA 1932-1984.

Series Description

Typescripts of a few student assignments; works of Sellin's colleagues, including former students; and

typed excerpts from historical works copied by Sellin for research purposes. The largest work in this series is a complete copy of a 1972 doctoral dissertation in sociology titled *The American Criminological Tradition*, written by Jon Snodgrass, a student of Sellin's friend and Penn colleague Marvin Wolfgang. Also included in this series are reviews of Sellin's books and articles dating from the 1930s into the 1980s, and are arranged alphabetically by title. Other typescripts of works by colleagues are grouped by subject in the Research Materials series. Printed works by others, both signed and unsigned, may be found in the Reprints series. Unless otherwise noted, items are arranged alphabetically by name of author.

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VI. REPRINTS, 1896-1990.

Series Description

Articles in multiple languages reprinted from criminological, legal, and sociological journals, the majority of them inscribed to Sellin by the authors, many of whom are also represented in the correspondence files. This series also includes articles removed by Sellin from scholarly journals and historical reprints collected by Sellin for research or to document the history of criminology before his own career. The reprints are arranged by Sellin's subjects (with the addition of Crime and Anthropology, Crime and Biology, Criminology and Homicide), and alphabetically by author within each subject. Articles removed from popular magazines are filed in the Research Materials series.

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