Guide to the John Lester Luckman Gambler's Book Club Collection

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Summary Information

Creator: Luckman, John L., 1924-1987
Title: John Lester Luckman Gambler's Book Club Collection
ID: MS-00150
Date [inclusive]: 1977-1978
Physical Description: 0.49 Cubic Feet (1 box)
Physical Description: 0.42 Linear Feet
Language of the Material: English
Abstract: John Lester Luckman (1924-1987) was the founder of Gambler's Book Club, a Las Vegas, Nevada-based publishing house for books about gambling. The collection contains photocopied manuscripts for three books published by the Gambler's Book Club, written and edited by Ken Uston and Roger Rapoport, John Montgomery, and John K. Hutchens. Copies of all three books are available in UNLV Special Collections stacks.

Preferred Citation


Scope and Contents Note

John Lester Luckman (1924-1987) was the founder of Gambler's Book Club, a Las Vegas, Nevada-based publishing house for books about gambling. Together with his wife Edna, he helped many previously unpublished authors get published. He also wrote six books about gambling under the pen name Walter I. Nolan.

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Arrangement

Material remains in original order.

Administrative Information

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Acquisition Note
Collection was donated in 1978 by John Luckman; accession number T58.

Processing Note
Collection was processed in 2017 by Joyce Moore. In 2017, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, Chris Bruce revised the collection description to bring it into compliance with current professional standards.

Names and Subjects

- Gambling -- Nevada
- Gaming -- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Authors
- Poker
- Gambling systems
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- Blackjack (Game)
- Luckman, Edna, 1923-2002

## Collection Inventory

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<td>The Gambler's Bedside Book, edited by John K. Hutchens, 1978 (photocopied draft, slightly annotated)</td>
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