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Henry Eichel

(b. circa 1944)

Papers, 1958-2003

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Biographical Note:

A Camden native, Henry Eichel spent 42 years – his entire career – devoted to informing the public through the news.

Eichel graduated from Camden High School in 1962. A lover of the news, Eichel attended the University of South Carolina for journalism and was involved in the Young Democrats, the Press Club, and the Clariosophic Literary Society. After graduating, he joined the Navy and served in South Vietnam first aboard a landing craft on the Huong Giang and Cua Viet Rivers and then as a combat correspondent.

In 1969, after leaving the Navy, Eichel worked for the Buffalo Evening News in Buffalo, New York, for almost a year before he found his permanent home: the *Charlotte Observer*. Here he would stay, first as a reporter from November 1969 to July 1975, and then as the Columbia Bureau Chief from July 1975 until his retirement in September 2006.

Not one to be away from the news for long, Eichel was the editor for *Gamecocks Illustrated*, a semi-monthly magazine for coverage of Gamecocks football, basketball, and baseball, from November 2006 until it ceased publication in December 2009.

Scope and Content Note:

The **Henry Eichel Papers** consist of four linear feet split into three series: *Persons*, *Topics*, and *Photographs*.

The Persons and Topics series consist of newspaper clippings and notes from stories Eichel planned on writing.

The Photographs series consists of mainly headshots of many South Carolinians in the news in the 1970s. Many of the photos have percentages written on the back as indicators of how they should appear in a newspaper, and some have been cut out from their original print shape.

Of particular interest is the folder "Movie Stars" which contains photographs from television shows and movies provided by networks and studios in order to write advertisements or reviews of the films and television shows. Photographs include Al Pacino, Clint Eastwood, Mia Farrow, Jack Nicholson, Roman Polanski, Richard Pryor, Robert Redford, Burt Reynolds, Gene Wilder, and others. Shows or movies include "The Carol Burnett Show," "Hawaii Five-O," "Serpico," "The Great Gatsby," and "The Exorcist" among others.

Box List:

Box 1

Persons:

Aycock, E. Kenneth [1st Commissioner of SC Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC)], August 1978
 Beasley, David, 1994-1999 (2 folders)
 Campbell, Carroll:
 1970 Busing Protest
 1978 Congressional Race
 Biographical Notes
 1986 Governor's Race:
 General
 Press Releases, November 1985 – October 1986 (2 folders)
 Governor-Elect, November-December 1986
 Governor (3 folders)
 Dorn, William Jennings Bryan, 1972-1978
 Hodges, Jim, 1997-1999 (2 folders)
 Hollings, Fritz and Robert Inglis, 1998
 Jenrette, John:
 Biographical Notes, 1975-1989
 Abscam Scandal, 1980-1987
 Mims, Walter [Editor of the *Edgefield Advertiser*], 1972-1978
 Ravenel, Charles "Pug," 1958-2003

Box 2

Riley, Richard:
 Education, 1983-1984 (3 folders)
 Governor:
 1978
 1979-1987 (2 folders)
 1982-1990 (2 folders)
 Public Funds Controversy, 1984
 Tax Debate, 1983
 Turnipseed, Tom, 1978-1998 (3 folders)
 Wallace, George, 1967-1968
 Watson, Albert, 1962-1970
 West, John, 1971-2003
 Westmoreland, William, 1973-1982
 Young, Ed [U.S. Representative], 1972-1990

Topics:

General
 Fundamentalists:
 Pre-1981 (2 folders)

Box 3

1981-1985
 Lieutenant Governor's Race, 1974 [Carroll Campbell v. Alex Sanders v. Brantley Harvey]

Orangeburg Massacre (2 folders)
Republicans:
 1978 Governor's Race [Ed Young v. Richard Riley]
 1980 Presidential Primary
 1982 Primary
 Voting
Senate, 1998 (2 folders)
Textiles and Tobacco (3 folders)
University of South Carolina Riots, 1970
Vietnam War
Voting
Photographs:
 General
 Adams, Patton [Mayor of Columbia]
 Anders, Jim [Solicitor for the Fifth Judicial Circuit]
 Bass, Jack
 Black Politicians¹

Box 4

Breazeale, Harold [State Legislator]
Car Crash
Carroll Campbell Staff
Dent, Harry [Republican political strategist and minister]
DePass, Bill
Derrick, Butler
Dickey, Jim [Author and poet]
Dietzel, Paul [University of South Carolina football coach]
Dorn, William Jennings Bryan
Edens, J. Drake
Environment
Finney, Ernest
Fowler, Don
Gasque, Ralph [State legislator]
Goldwater, Barry
Goodstein, Arnold [State legislator]
Graham, Cole Blease [University of South Carolina Political Science professor]
Gressette, Marion
Harvey, Brantley [Lieutenant Governor of South Carolina]
Jenrette, John
Jones, Tom [President of the University of South Carolina]
Kneece, Robert "Bobby" [State legislator]
Lourie, Isadore
McNair, Robert

¹ Includes photographs of Moses H. Charleson, Jr., Isaiah DeQuincey Newman, Herbert Fielding, Jim French, Robert Woods, Jasper M. Cureton, William McKinley Bower, and E.W. Cromartie II.

Movie Stars²
Mungo, Michael [Housing developer]
Perry, Matthew [Judge, U.S. District Court, Civil Rights activist]
Poverty
Priester, Lamar [Director, South Carolina Division of Energy Resources]
Prisons, Jails, and Reform Schools
Ravenel, Charles "Pug"
Reuf, Lee
Sanders, Alex [Judge, South Carolina Court of Appeals]
Sheheen, Fred [Head, State Commission on Higher Education]
South Carolina:
 Cities and Schools
 Columbia
 Department of Health and Environmental Control Staff
 Legislature and State House
 "Personalities"
 Wheeler Hill (Columbia)
"Southern Fried" (Performance)
Stepp, Carl [Journalist]
Stevens, Jim [State Legislator]
Thurmond, Nancy and Strom
Tidelands
Turnipseed, Tom
University of South Carolina:
 General
 Board of Trustees³
West, John
Westmoreland, William
Writers and Poets
Young, Ed [U.S. Representative]
Zeigler, Nick

² Includes photos of actors: Jacqueline Bisset, Linda Blair, Carol Burnett, Raymond Burr, Ellen Burstyn, Richard Chamberlain, Jill Clayburgh, William Conrad, James Daly, Robert Duvall, Clint Eastwood, Buddy Ebsen, Mia Farrow, Joan Goodfellow, Valerie Harper, Celeste Holm, Scott Hylands, Roy Jenson, Jack Lord, James McArthur, James McEachin, Jack Nicholson, Nick Nolte, Al Pacino, Nicola Pagett, Gregory Peck, Roman Polanski, Richard Pryor, Robert Redford, Burt Reynolds, Jan-Michael Vincent, Gene Wilder, Nicol Williamson, Stuart Wilson, and Joanne Woodward. TV shows and movies included are: "Anna Karenina," "Barnaby Jones," "Buster and Billie," "Cannon," "The Carol Burnett Show," "Chinatown," "Hawaii Five-O," "Kingston: Confidential," "Medical Center," "Rhoda," "Serpico," "Silver Streak," "The Deep," "The Enforcer," "The Exorcist," "The Great Gatsby," "The Seven-Per-Cent Solution," "Theory of an Innocent Bystander – Hawk," "Trial Board – The Best of Police Story".

³ Includes photos of Frampton P. Toole, W.H. Patterson, James W. Cothran, Paul Goldsmith, T. Luke Benson, Hugh L. Wilcox, Hugh H. Wells, D. Glenn Yarborough, Rutledge L. Osborne, J. Robert Peters, Jr., Dan S. Henderson, T. Eston Marchant, James L. Moss, Jr., William B. Hawkins, R. Markley Dennis, and William S. Brockington