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Summary Information

Repository:	Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections Department
Creator:	Hertzberg, Ruth
Title:	Ruth Hertzberg Papers
ID:	SpC MS 1731
Date [inclusive]:	1973-1982
Date [bulk]:	1982
Physical Description:	0.2 linear feet (5 folders)
Physical Location:	
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The collection includes letters and news articles clipped by staff members of the publisher of Putting Food By, The Stephen Greene Press, after the 1982 printing.

Preferred Citation

Ruth Hertzberg Papers, SpC MS 1731, [Folder No.], Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections Department, University of Maine, Orono, Maine

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Biographical Note

Ruth Densmore Hertzberg served as a demonstration agent with the Windham County, Vermont Extension Service from 1956 to 1971. Among her many educational efforts, she was known for teaching Peace Corps volunteers in training for foreign service on food preservation methods. She co-authored the reference book *Putting Food By* with Janet Greene and Beatrice Vaughan. First published in 1973, at the time of printing the fifth edition in 2010, the book had sold more than 600,000 copies.

Hertzberg was born in Noel, Nova Scotia, and graduated high school in South Portland, Maine. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics from the University of Maine in 1928. She began her career teaching in Belfast, Maine, and continued at Brattleboro High School. She married A.A.

Hertzberg in 1938 and continued her career as the manager of the coffee shop at Brattleboro Memorial Hospital before moving to Vermont. She died October 11, 1994.

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Scope and Contents

The collection includes news articles clipped by staff members of the publisher of *Putting Food By*, The Stephen Greene Press, after the 1982 printing. The book is mentioned as being among the top resources for recipes and methods of preserving garden harvests in dozens of national newspapers. The letters in the collection are from readers and colleagues expressing thoughts on the importance of the book, asking for clarification on safe canning practices, and suggesting recipes to be included in future editions.

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Arrangement

Arranged chronologically.

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No restrictions on access.

Conditions Governing Use

Information on literary rights available in the repository.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Janet K. Hertzberg, 2012.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Food -- Preservation -- History
- Hertzberg, Ruth
- Vaughan, Beatrice

Collection Inventory

Contents of box

Title/Description	Instances
Putting Food By "goodies," newsclippings, June 19, 1980, August, 1982	box 1 folder 1
Newsclippings continued, September - October, 1982	box 1 folder 2
Putting Food By "goodies," letters, August 1978; January-September, 1982	box 1 folder 3
Autographed photograph of Beatrice Vaughan	box 1 folder 4
Book jacket, 1973 edition, 1973	box 1

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