

Guide to the National Sharecroppers Fund Photographs LAV000393

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Summary Information

Repository: Walter P. Reuther Library

Creator: National Sharecroppers' Fund (U.S.)

Title: National Sharecroppers Fund Photographs

ID: LAV000393

Date [inclusive]: 1946-1975

Date [bulk]: bulk

Physical Description: 5 Linear Feet (8 MB, 1 OS). Includes black-and-white prints and film

negatives, color prints, and color 35mm slides.

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Abstract: The National Sharecroppers Fund (NSF) was incorporated in 1943

and grew out of "National Sharecroppers Week," an annual event intended to rally support for the Southern Tenant Farmers Union. NSF was founded to provide financial assistance and information on government aid programs to organizations dedicated to improving living conditions for the rural poor. The photograph collection consists of images documenting NSF activities and the lives of sharecroppers

and their families from the 1940s through to the mid 1970s.

Citation Style

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History

The National Sharecroppers Fund (NSF), incorporated in 1943, grew out of "National Sharecroppers Week," an annual even begun in 1937 with the goal of rallying support for the fledgling Southern Tenant

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Farmers Union. A non-profit, voluntary organization, NSF was founded to provide financial assistance and information on government aid programs to organizations dedicated to improving living conditions for the rural poor. They also worked in close cooperation with such agencies as the National Advisory Committee on Farm Labor (NACFL), the National Council on Agricultural Life and Labor, and the National Farm Workers Association.

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Scope and Content

The National Sharecroppers Fund Photographs consists of images taken and collected by the NSF between 1946 and 1975. The images document the lives of sharecroppers and their families, NSF activities, and the activities of related organizations, such as the National Farm Workers Association, which was a predecessor of the United Farm Workers. Primarily black and white prints, there are also some color prints, a selection of color 35mm slides, and some negatives.

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Arrangement

Folders are grouped by format. Within each group folder arrangement is alphabetical by subject.

Prints: Boxes 1-7; Negatives: Box 8; Slides: Box 9; Oversized and matted prints: Box 10

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Publication Statement

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Acquisition

The National Sharecropper's Fund began housing their records at the Reuther Library in May, 1970, making periodic donations of new materials.

Processing History

Processed and finding aid written by Kris Kniffen on May 26, 2016.

Access

Collection is open for research. Patrons must make an appointment with the AV Department prior to visiting.

Use

Refer to the Walter P. Reuther Library "Rules for Use of Archival Materials." For image reproduction, contact the Audio Visual Department.

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Related Materials

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National Sharecroppers Fund Records

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- Agricultural laborers
- Migrant agricultural laborers
- Migrant agricultural laborers --Housing
- Migrant workers
- Poverty -- United States
- Rural poor
- Rural development

- Photographs
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- National Farm Workers Association
- National Advisory Committee on Farm Labor (U.S.)

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- 2 Agricultural Cooperatives, Alabama, Black and White Prints, c. 1966-1967
- 3 Agricultural Cooperative, "Breaking New Ground," Black and White Print
- 4 Agricultural Cooperatives, Unidentified Locations, Contact Sheets
- 5 Agricultural Cooperatives, Mid-South Oil Cooperative, Color Print
- 6 Agricultural Cooperatives, Halifax County, Virginia, Prints, 1968-1971 (1 of 2)
- 7 Agricultural Cooperatives, Halifax County, Virginia, Prints, 1968-1971 (2 of 2)
- 8 Agricultural Cooperatives, Louisiana, Black and White Prints, 1967
- 9 Agricultural Cooperatives, Panola County, Mississippi, Prints, c. 1967-1968

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- 1 Agricultural Cooperatives, West Georgia Co-Op, Contact Sheets
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- 3 Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee and National Farm Workers Association "Grape Strike", Black and White Prints, c. 1965
- 4 Allen, Steve, Black and White Print, 1964
- 5 Bennett, Fay, Black and White Print, 1964-1965
- 6 "The Black Immigrant," Black and White Prints, c. 1961, 1967
- 7 Blacks, Families, Black and White Print
- 8 Blacks, "The Great Migration," Black and White Prints, 1967
- 9 Blacks, Men, Black and White Print
- 10 Blacks, Mississippi, Black and White Prints, 1964
- 11 Blacks, Schools, Prints, c. 1970
- 12 Blacks, Tennessee, Black and White Prints, 1964
- 13 Blacks, Transportation, Black and White Prints
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- 15 Braceros (Mexican contract farm workers), Black and White Prints, c. 1958
- Burke County, Georgia, Black and White Prints, c. 1969-1974 (negatives in box 8, folder 1)
- 17 Children of Farm Workers, Prints, 1941, c. 1964-1970
- 18 Child Labor, Black and White Prints, 1946-1961

- 1 Civil Rights, "Freedom Village," Black and White Prints, c. 1960-1962
- 2 Civil Rights, Mississippi, Black and White Print, 1964
- 3 Community Development, Black and White Prints, 1964
- 4 Cotton Field, Black and White Print
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- Day Care Center, Perry, Georgia, Black and White Prints, 1968 (negatives in box 8, folder 2)
- 7 Day Care Center, Perry, Georgia, Color Prints, 1970
- 8 Farm Animals, Black and White Prints
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- 10 Farmers, Government Assistance, Black and White Prints, 1964
- 11 Farm Families, Southern United States, Black and White Prints, c. 1960s
- 12 Farm Workers, Black and White Prints, c. 1940s, 1959-1964
- 13 Farm Workers, California, Black and White Prints, 1957-1964 (1 of 3)
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- 15 Farm Workers, California, Black and White Prints, 1957-1964 (3 of 3)
- 16 Farm Workers, Conditions in Florida, Black and White Prints, c. 1964-1965

- 1 Farm Workers, Foreign Workers, Black and White Prints, 1958
- Farm Workers, Education, Black and White Prints, c. 1957
- 3 Farm Workers, "The Great Migration," Black and White Prints, c. 1967
- 4 Farm Workers, Halifax County, Virginia, Black and White Prints, c. 1969-1973
- 5 Farm Workers, Health Care, Black and White Print
- 6 Farm Workers, Hearings, Color Print
- 7 Farm Workers, Louisiana, Black and White Prints, Fall 1971
- 8 Farm Workers, Louisiana, Black and White Prints and Contact Sheets, c. 1972 (negatives in box 8, folder 3)
- 9 Farm Workers, Meetings, Black and White Prints, 1970
- 10 Farm Workers, North Carolina, Black and White Prints, c. 1973
- 11 Farm Workers, Sea Islands, South Carolina, Black and White Prints, May 1971
- 12 Farm Workers, Strikes, Black and White Print
- 13 Farm Workers, Southern United States, Black and White Prints
- 14 Farm Workers, Sugar Plantations, Black and White Prints, 1953
- 15 Fauntoroy, Walter E., Black and White Print, 1964
- 16 Fayette County, Tennessee, Black and White Prints, 1961-1962
- 17 Field Work, Louisiana, Black and White Prints, 1964
- 18 Florida Citizens Committee, Black and White Prints, 1967
- 19 "Harvest of Shame," CBS Reports, Black and White Prints
- 20 Health Care Testimony, Black and White Prints, 1968

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- 1 Housing, Farm Workers, Black and White Prints, c. 1950-1964
- 2 Housing, Farm Workers, Black and White Prints
- 3 Housing, Self Help Projects, Prints, 1964, c. 1967-1970
- 4 Housing, Self Help Projects, Tipton County, Tennessee, Black and White Prints, 1969-1970
- 5 Housing, Southern United States, Black and White Prints, c. 1948, 1962-1971 (1 of 2)
- 6 Housing, Southern United States, Black and White Prints, c. 1948, 1962-1971 (2 of 2)
- 7 Housing, Southern United States, Color Prints, c. 1962-1967

- 1 Housing, Texas, Black and White Print, 1970
- 2 Illegal Aliens, Black and White Prints
- 3 Kaplan, Jacob M., Black and White Print, c. 1964

- 4 King, Slater, Black and White Print
- 5 Mechanization, Agriculture, Black and White Prints, 1946-1965
- 6 Mitchell, James P., Black and White Print
- 7 Mueller, Reuben H., Black and White Print, c. 1964
- 8 National Advisory Committee on Farm Labor, Hearings, Black and White Prints, Feb. 1959
- 9 National Advisory Committee on Farm Labor, Hearings, Black and White Prints, May 1964 (1 of 2)
- National Advisory Committee on Farm Labor, Hearings, Black and White Prints, May 1964 (2 of 2)
- National Farm Workers Association, Delano to Sacramento Pilgrimage, Black and White Prints, 1996
- 12 NSF Conferences and Meetings, Black and White Prints, 1964-1966
- 13 NSF Conference, Alabama, Black and White Prints, Jan. 1966
- 14 NSF Conference, Bricks, North Carolina, Black and White Prints, Nov. 1962

- 1 NSF Exhibits and Displays, Prints, Nov. 1964
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- 3 NSF Graham Center, Anson County, North Carolina, Black and White Prints, c. 1974-1975
- 4 NSF Publications, Black and White Prints, 1966-1967
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- 7 Painting, Grandma Moses, Black and White Print
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- 13 Rural Areas Development Program, Black and White Print, c. 1962-1963
- 14 Saunders, Wilbour E., Black and White Print, c. 1964
- 15 Schary, Dore, Black and White Print, c. 1964
- 16 Sugar Industry, Black and White Prints, 1964
- 17 Tri-Parish Fair, Louisiana, Black and White Prints, 1964
- 18 Unemployment, Black and White Prints
- 19 Unidentified Images, Black and White Prints
- 20 United Farm Workers Representation Election, Black and White Print, c. 1967
- 21 Wasserman, Joe, Black and White Prints, 1964-1965

- 1 Burke County, Georgia, Negatives, 1969 (prints in box 2, folder 16)
- 2 Day Care Center, Perry, Georgia, Negatives, 1968 (prints in box 3, folder 6)

- 3 Farm Workers, Louisiana, Negatives, c. 1972 (prints in box 4, folder 8)
- 4 Poverty, Louisiana, Negatives, Jan. May 1971 (prints in folder 9)

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- 1 Agricultural Cooperatives, Halifax County, Virginia, Matted Black and White Prints
- Farm Workers, Halifax County, Virginia, Matted Black and White Prints, 1969-1971
- 3 Farm Workers, California, Oversize and Matted Black and White Prints