The papers of E. W. Latchem were deposited with the Labor History Archives in September 1965 by Mr. Latchem.

Edward Latchem was born in Bratt County, Kansas July 5, 1888. He was raised in Kansas and Oklahoma. At an early age he became an apprentice glass blower.

In 1912 he joined the IWW. Shortly after joining the IWW, Mr. Latchem helped organize the Agricultural Workers Organization, which was chartered in April 1915. He worked with such labor figures as Vincent St. John and Frank Lyttele and much of his activity centered around Minnesota.

Mr. Latchem is now retired and lives in Oklahoma.

The E. W. Latchem Collection covers the period from 1915 to 1959. 

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