The papers of Gilbert Wales were deposited with the Labor History Archives in April 1968 by Gilbert Wales.

Gilbert Wales, Democratic Representative from the Upper Peninsula, was born in Stambaugh, Michigan in 1921. He was an iron ore miner with the M.A. Hanna Co. for 22 years. A member of Local 1624 United Steelworkers of America, he was grievance chairman for 12 years. Mr. Wales was the first president of the M.A. Hanna Federal Credit Union. He was a city commissioner for 6 years and was elected to the state House of Representatives from 1954-64.

The Gilbert Wales Collection covers the period from 1949 to 1965.

Important subjects are: agriculture, conservation, hunting and fishing laws, transportation, education—all levels, tourism in the upper peninsula, taxes, unemployment, minimum wage, hospitals, licenses—hunting, fishing, driving, boating + liquor.

Among the correspondents are:

Neil Staebler          Lynn Bartlett          Ed Carey
Philip Hart           Morton Levitt
Patrick McNamara      T. John Lesinski
Barney Hopkins        John B. Swainson
G. Mennen Williams   Myra Wolfgang
Duffy Daugherty       Jerome P. Cavanagh

DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

Box 1-8 The collection consists of one series. Correspondence is filed, most often by correspondent, and occasionally by subject or place. Each year from 1955-64 contains a complete alphabet. Occasional subject folders are found at the end of each yearly alphabet.
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Iron Representative District
Taxation 1950-60
Correspondence 1955 A-W 21 folders
Legislation 1955
News Releases 1955
Correspondence 1956 A-D 4 folders

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State Universities 1956-57
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News Clippings 1957
Correspondence 1958 A-P 16 folders

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Newspaper clippings 1958
Correspondence 1959 A-Z 22 folders
Conservation 1959
Mine Taxation 1959-60
Correspondence 1960 A-E folders

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Newspaper clippings 1960
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Correspondence 1961 P-W 6 folders
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Legislation 1962
News releases 1962
Taxes 1962
Correspondence 1963 A-W 23 folders
Small Loan Bill 1963
Taxes 1963

Box 8
Correspondence 1964 A-W 21 folders
State Workmen's Compensation 1965

Scrapbook