

THE MARY WHEELER COLLECTION

3 Manuscript Boxes

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The papers of Mary Wheeler were deposited with the Labor History Archives in February, 1970 by Miss Wheeler.

Mary Wheeler was a teacher at Proviso High School in Maywood, Illinois, and a member of Local 571, American Federation of Teachers, from its inception. In 1938, she was relieved of her teaching position presumably because of union activities, and union negotiations brought about her re-instatement. She served as president and executive secretary of West Suburban Teachers Union (Local 571), chairman of the bargaining committee and of the executive committee. She served also as a vice-president of the American Federation of Teachers and was president of the AFT Boca Raton Residence Corp. Inc.

The Mary Wheeler Collection covers the period from 1938 to 1967.

Among the correspondents are: Charles Cogen
Oscar A. Weil
Arthur L. Reese

Description of Arrangement

Boxes

Description

- 1 Series I contains material concerning the American Federation of Teachers and one folder on the Illinois Federation. Folders are arranged alphabatically by subject within the series and chronologically within the folder.

Series II contains material concerning Local 571 of A.F.T., the West Suburban Teachers Union, arranged as Series I.
- 2 Series III concerns the Proviso Council of Local 571, a further break-down of the local. The greatest amount ', of material falls into this category since Mary Wheeler began her union activities at Proviso High School.
- 3 Series IV contains material relative to salary negotiations within the Proviso Council.

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Box 1

Series I American Federation of Teachers

1. Executive Committee
2. Financial Statements
3. General Correspondance
4. Negotiations with Staff
5. Professional Standards
- 6-7-8. Proposed Retirement Community
9. Strike by Local 871
10. Illinois Federation of Teachers -
General Correspondance

Series II Local 571

1. Constitution
2. General - 1967
3. General - 1943-1958
4. History
5. Legal Opinions

Box 2

Series III Proviso Council (a sub-division of Local 571)

1. General - 1956/57/58
2. General - 1951/52/53/54
3. General - 1949/50
4. General - 1948/49
5. General - January-June, 1948
6. General - September-December, 1947
7. General - 1945/46/47
8. General - 1943/44
9. Executive Board Minutes - April 1950-December 1953
10. Executive Board Minutes - April 1945-September 1947
11. Council Minutes - September 1947-November 1953
12. Council Minutes - April 1945-April 1947
13. Council Minutes - September 1942-March 1945
14. Proviso Township Budget
15. Retirement and Pension Data
16. Sick Leave

Box 3

Series IV Salary Negotiations

1. Salary Adjustments - Coaches
2. Salary Data - 1953/54
3. Salary Data - 1952/53
4. Salary Data - 1950/51
5. Negotiations - 1957/58
6. Negotiations - 1956/57
- 7-8. Negotiations - 1955/56
9. Negotiations - 1953/54/55
10. Negotiations - 1950/51/52/53
11. Negotiations - 1948/49
12. Negotiations - 1945/46/47