

THE FRANK CORMIER AND WILLIAM EATON COLLECTION

Papers, 1966-1972 3.75

linear feet

Accession Number 1099 L.C.
Number MS

The papers of Frank Cormier and William Eaton were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in January of 1983 by William Eaton and were opened for research in March of 1987.

Frank Cormier, a native of Massachusetts, was educated at Northwestern University. He began his newspaper career in Chicago in 1951 and in 1954 he was assigned to Washington to cover economic and financial affairs. In 1962 Mr. Cormier began covering the White House and by 1970 had become Senior Wire Service Correspondent. Mr. Cormier has also written, Wall Street Shady Side, and Presidents are People Too.

William Eaton was born in Chicago, Illinois in December of 1930. After earning his B.S. in 1951 and his M.S. in 1952 from Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism, he began his newspaper career at the City News Bureau of Chicago. In 1957 he began covering labor news for United Press International. From 1966-1976 Mr. Eaton served as Washington Correspondent for the Chicago Daily News after which time he began his current employment at the Los Angeles Times.

In addition, in 1970 Mr. Eaton was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for National Reporting and received the Sidney Hillman Award for his stories concerning the financial interests of Supreme Court nominee Clement F. Haynsworth. William Eaton has also been a Nieman Fellow at Harvard University where he studied labor problems, economics, and history.

The papers of Frank Cormier and William Eaton reflect their research and writing of the book Reuther.

Important subjects covered in the collection are:

Politics
Reuther
Walter Reuther
UAW

Among the important correspondents are:

Prentice Hall Publishers
Victor Reuther
Frank Winn

An index to subjects and correspondents can be found on page 8

- 2 -

Contents

5.5 manuscript boxes 2 index
card boxes

Series I. Boxes 1-2

Correspondence, clippings, transcripts, and other materials relating to Walter Reuther and the UAW. This material was compiled as a resource for writing the book Reuther. 1966-1970.

Series II. Box 2

Oral history transcripts relating to Frank Cormier and William Eaton's interviews with various persons including Walter Reuther. 1967-1970.

Series III. Boxes 4-7

Correspondence, clippings, and drafts of chapters relating to Frank Cormier and William Eaton's Reuther. 1968-1972.

Non-manuscript material:

Three photographs which were used as captions for Reuther, and a number of taped Oral Histories relating to Walter Reuther and the UAW, have been placed in the Archives Audio-Visual Collection. Some of these tapes correspond to the transcripts in Series II. A list of these tapes can be found on page 9. A small number of UAW newspapers and other labor related literature received with this collection are available in the Archives Library.

-3-

Series I
Boxes 1-2

Correspondence, clippings, note cards, transcripts, and other material concerning Walter Reuther and the UAW. This material was gathered for the writing of the book Reuther. Files are arranged alphabetically by subject and chronologically within each file.

Box 1, Research

- 1-3. Clippings regarding Walter Reuther, 1966-70
4. Contract Negotiations Chronology, 1945-67
- 5-6. Miscellaneous material regarding Walter Reuther and the UAW, 1967-68
7. News Releases regarding research for Reuther, 1967-69
8. News Releases regarding Walter Reuther and UAW, 1970
9. Pamphlets; Labor, various dates
10. Reuther, Walter P., 1969-70
11. Research, 1937-70

Box 1A, Research

Note Cards; Research

Box 2, Research

- 1-2. Research, 1937-70
3. UAW Administrative Letter, 1966-68
- 4-5. UAW News Releases; regarding Walter Reuther, 1967-70

Transcripts from interviews conducted in conjunction with the authors' research. Files are arranged alphabetically by interviewee.

Box 2, Oral Histories

6. Oral History; Bannon, Ken, Jun 1968
7. Oral History; Barbash, Jack, n.d.
8. Oral History; Bishop, Merlin D., 1967-68
9. Oral History; Bluestone, Irving and Winn, Frank, Jun 1968
10. Oral History; Carey, James B., Dec 1967
11. Oral History; Conway, Jack, 1967-68
12. Oral History; Dubinsky, David, Feb 1968
13. Oral History; DuBrow, Evelyn, Feb 1968
14. Oral History; Farnum, Billie S., Oct 1967
15. Oral History; Frankenstein, Richard T., Jun 1968
16. Oral History; Fraser, Douglas, Jul 1968
17. Oral History; Goldberg, Arthur J., Feb 1970
18. Oral History; Harris, Thomas E., Dec 1967
19. Oral History; Harrison, George, Feb 1968
20. Oral History; Jones, David R., Feb 1968
21. Oral History; Kirkland, Lane, Feb 1968
22. Oral History; Lawrence, William H., n.d.
23. Oral History; Leonard, Richard, Dec 1967
24. Oral History; Livingston, John M., Feb 1969
25. Oral History; Lombardo, Frank, May 1968
26. Oral History; Lovestone, Jay, Feb 1968
27. Oral History; Meany, George, Mar 1969
28. Oral History; Miller, Saul, Goldfinger, Nat and Grime, John, Feb 1968
29. Oral History; O'Brien, William M., Jan 1968
30. Oral History; Owens, Patrick J., Jun 1968
31. Oral History; Potofsky, Jacob, Feb 1968
32. Oral History; Rauh, Joseph L., Dec 1967
33. Oral History; Reedy, George, Jan 1968
34. Oral History; Reuther, Victor, 1967-68
35. Oral History; Reuther, Walter, Feb 1968-Aug 1969
36. Oral History; Robinson, Archie, Feb 1968
37. Oral History; Schollossberg, Stephen, May 1968
38. Oral History; Schrade, Paul, May 1968
39. Oral History; Seaton, Louis G., Jun 1968
40. Oral History; Sullivan, David, Feb 1968
41. Oral History; Walsh, Joe, Feb 1968
42. Oral History; Weinberg, Nat, Jul 1968
43. Oral History; Widman, Michael F., Dec 1967
44. Oral History; Winn, Frank, Oct-Nov 1967

Box 2 (continued)

- 45 . Oral History; Woodcock, Leonard, May-Jun 1968
- 46 . Oral History; Zack, Al, Feb 1968

Box 3, Oral Histories

Note Cards; regarding Oral History transcripts

Series III Boxes
4-7

Correspondence, clippings and drafts of chapters related to the writing and publishing of Reuther. Much of the material is actual drafts or commentary regarding the book, but there is also material on the process of publishing. Files are arranged alphabetically by subject and chronologically within each file.

Box 4. Reuther

1. Clippings; regarding Reuther, 1970-71
2. Correspondence; regarding Reuther, 1968-72
3. Notes; Introduction, 1969-70
4. Notes; Chapter One, 1969-70
5. Notes; Chapter Two, 1969-70
6. Notes; Chapter Three, 1969-70
7. Notes; Chapter Four, 1969-70
8. Notes; Chapter Five, 1969-70
9. Notes; Chapter Six, 1969-70
10. Notes; Chapter Seven, 1969-70
11. Notes; Chapter Eight, 1969-70
12. Notes; Chapter Nine, 1969-70
13. Notes; Chapter Ten, 1969-70
14. Notes; Chapter Eleven and Twelve, 1969-70
15. Notes; Chapter Thirteen, 1969-70
16. Notes; Chapter Fourteen, 1969-70
17. Notes; Chapter Fifteen, 1969-70
18. Notes; Chapter Sixteen, 1969-70

Box 5, Reuther

1. Notes; Chapter Seventeen, 1969-70
2. Notes; Chapter Eighteen, 1969-70
3. Notes; Chapter Nineteen, 1969-70
4. Notes; Chapter Twenty, 1969-70
5. Notes; Chapter Twenty One, 1969-70
6. Notes; Chapter Twenty Two, 1969-70
7. Notes; Chapter Twenty Three, 1969-70
8. Notes; Chapter Twenty Four, 1969-70
9. Notes; Chapter Twenty Five, 1969-70
10. Notes; Chapter Twenty Six, 1969-70
11. Notes; Chapter Twenty Seven, 1969-70
12. Notes; Chapter Twenty Eight, 1969-70
13. Notes; Chapter Twenty nine, 1969-70
14. Notes; Chapter Thirty, 1969-70
15. Notes; Index, 1969-70

- 7 -

Box 5 (continued)

16. Notes; Photos, 1969-70

Box 6, Reuther

1. Notes; Sources, 1969-70
2. Notes; Frank Winn regarding Reuther, 1969-70
3. Pamphlets; regarding research
4. Reuther; Book, 1970
5. Reuther; releases, 1970
6. Reuther; royalty statements, 1970-74

Box 7, Reuther

Index Cards

Index to Subjects and Correspondence (correspondence is
indicated by an asterick)

- Addes, George, 2:11, 2:15, 18, 2:21, 2:32
- Americans for Democratic Action, 2:32
- Battle of the Overpass, 1:11, 2:6, 2:43-44
- Blacks: Racism and Chrysler Walkout, 1:8; Ford Strike 1941, 2:6, 2:43
- Brookwood Labor College, 2:44
- Chrysler Corporation, 1:8, 2:11, 2:29; Strike 1950, 2:16
- Communism and UAW, 2:6, 2:11-12, 2:15, 2:25-26, 2:32, 2:34, 2:43-45
- Contract Negotiations 1945-67, 1:4
- Flint Sit-Down 1937, 1:11, 2:8, 2:14, 2:25, 2:44
- Ford Hunger March, 2:8
- Ford Motor Company, 1:11, 2:11, 2:35, 2:43; Strike 1941, 2:6, Strike 1967, 1:1, 1:11
- Frankenstein, Richard, 2:8, 2:11, 2:23, 2:26, 2:44
- General Motors Corporation, 1:7, 1:11, 2:1, 2:11, 2:45
- Guaranteed Annual Wage, 1:5-6
- Kelsey-Hayes Strike 1936, 2:8, 2:15, 2:44
- Martin, Homer, 1:2, 2:8, 2:12, 2:14-15, 2:23, 2:26, 2:36, 2:44
- Meany, George, 1:1-2, 1:7, 2:6-7, 2:33-24, 2:44
- Murray, Philip, 2:10, 2:15, 2:17-18
- Reuther (book), Box 4-7
- Reuther, Roy, 1:1, 2:8, 2:33, 2:41
- Reuther, Walter, Box 1-7; Anti-Communism, 2:7, 2:17; Death, 1:3, 1:8, 2:48; Europe, 2:8, 2:34-35; Haywood Fight 1952, 2:10, 2:17-18; Politics, 1:2, 1:11, 2:11, 2:13, 2:16-17, 2:21, 2:32-34, 2:38; Roosevelt, Eleanor, 2:10, 2:35; Social Issues, 1:2-3, 1:5-7, 1:11, 2:4-5, 2:11, 2:42; Socialism, 2:8; UAW-CIO Break, 1:1-2, 1:11, 2:3, 2:6-8, 2:11-13, 2:16-17, 2:19, 2:21, 2:27, 2:31; Vietnam War, 1:10-11, 2:11, 2:38
- Reuther, Victor, 4:2*
- Reuther, Victor, 1:1, 2:8, 2:11, 2:21, 2:26, 2:33, 2:14,
- Thomas, R.J., 2:11-12, 2:23-24, 2:26
- UAW and Democratic Party, 1:2-3, 1:6, 2:11, 2:14, 2:45
- Truman, Harry, 2:11, 2:45

Taped Oral Histories

Bluestone, Irving and Winn, Frank (notes)
20 Jun 1968
Conway, Jack
2 Oct 1967, 10 Jan 1968
Frankenstein, Richard
22 Jun 1968, 24 Jun 1968
Harris, Thomas
18 Dec 1969 Harrison, George
(dictated notes) Jones, David
23 Feb 1968
Kirkland, Lane
23 Feb 1968
Lombardo, Frank
4 May 1968
Lovestone, Jay
23 Feb 1968
O'Brien, W.M.
18 Jun 1968
Reedy, George
11 Jan 1968
Reuther, Victor
4 Oct 1967, 16 Oct 1967, 20 Jun 1968
Reuther, Walter
7 Jul 1968 Robinson,
Archie
23 Feb 1968 Schlossberg,
Stephen
5 May 1968
Schrade, Paul
3 May 1968
Slaiman, Don
4 May 1968 Winn,
Frank
14 Nov 1967, 25 May 1968
Woodcock, Leonard
5 May 1968, 20 Jun 1968