Herman Rebhan Papers
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Creator: Herman Rebhan

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Abstract
Herman Rebhan was first elected General Secretary of the International Metalworkers’ Federation (IMF) in 1974 and served in that position until his retirement in 1989. Rebhan had previously served with the IMF as coordinator of its World Auto Council Department from 1966 to 1969. From 1969 to 1974 he served in the United Auto Workers (UAW) International Affairs Department, of which he became director in 1972. Prior to 1966, Rebhan served in other capacities with the UAW, working his way up from the shop floor. Rebhan was born in Germany in 1920 and went to the United States in the 1930s as the result of the Nazi’s persecution of the Jews. Herman Rebhan passed away in 2006.

The Herman Rebhan Papers consist of speeches made by Rebhan in his capacity as General Secretary of the IMF along with a book Rebhan published in 1980 containing a selection of his speeches and papers.

**Important Subjects:**
- International Confederation of Free Trade Unions
- International labor activities
- International Metalworkers’ Federation
- Labor movement

**Important Names:**
- Eugen Loderer
Arrangement
The collection is arranged chronologically.

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1. Speeches, n.d.
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5-7. Speeches, 1977
10-11. Speeches, 1979

Box 2
1-2. Speeches, 1981
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10-12. Speeches, 1984

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1-2. Speeches, 1986
3-5. Speeches, 1987
6-7. Speeches, 1988
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