The papers of August Scholle were deposited with the Archives of Labor History and Urban Affairs in May, 1964 by August Scholle and are open for research.

August Scholle was born May 23, 1904 in Creighton, Pennsylvania and died at his home in Pigeon, Michigan on February 15, 1972. He left school at age 16 for a job as a glass worker and became active in the glass workers union. In 1933, Scholle was elected President of Local 9 (Toledo) of the Federation of Flat Glass Workers, and in 1936 he established the first CIO Industrial Union Council in Toledo, serving as its President until 1937. From 1937 to 1954, he held the position of CIO Regional Director for Michigan, having been appointed to the job by John L. Lewis. Mr. Scholle was elected President of the Michigan CIO Council (later the Michigan AFL-CIO) in 1940. Except for the period 1943-1946, he held that position until his retirement in June, 1971.

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