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The Gosser papers were received from the UAW in November, 1967.

Richard T. Gosser spent 23 years as an active, innovative union member. Born in Toledo, Ohio on December 13, 1900, he was educated in Toledo schools and completed an apprenticeship as an electrician. After various employment, he worked at the Willys-Overland plant in Toledo.

In 19 34 an AFL union was organized in this plant, and Gosser was a charter member. He was discharged for active union work, but

the union won his re-employment. He was a department steward and in 1937 was elected shop chairman of the Willys-Overland unit,

Local 12, of the Auto Workers. In two more years he became president of Local 12, which under his leadership grew to be the largest

local union in Ohio. His concern and interest in this local never waned after his promotion to higher duties.

Gosser was elected Regional Director and member of the UAW-CIO Executive Board, in 1942, and was reelected at each convention until in 1947, when he was elected vice-president of the UAW-CIO, which office he retained for ten years.

When in Toledo he conceived and set up the first union camp for children of union members, at Sand Lake, Michigan. He also encouraged a diagnostic clinic, and participated in many forward-looking social ventures for the union. He pioneered the area

Pension Plan, and wrote various pamphlets on unemployment insurance, political action, and old age. For some time he wrote a column

in the Toledo Union Journal.

His responsibilities as vice-president included the Competitive Shops Department, the Skilled Trades department, Die-Casting and Foundry, as well as many huge industrial departments which are included in Series 10 of these papers.

He was a skilled and forceful negotiator and the prominent part he played in these and other union activities was highlighted by his practical, earthy union know-how as well as his long years of union experience at all levels.

These papers are mainly concerned with the years 1953-1957, although some of them pre-date that period.

Some of the important subjects covered here are:

International Executive Board Conventions and conferences

Regions of the UAW-CIO Local Union business
Competitive Shops Skilled Trades
Apprenticeships Journeyman cards

Organizing Plants Grievances

Union individuals Agricultural Implement Dept.

Aircraft Department
Auto-Lite Department
Borg-Warner Department
Dana Department
Die-Casting Department

Doehler-Jarvis Department Education

Fair Practices
Foundry Department
Foundry Department
International Harvester Dept.
Legal Department
General Motors Dept.
Kaiser-Fraser Dept.
Office Workers Dept.

Political Action Publicity
Recreation Research

Social Security Dept. Timken Department

Unemployment Compensation Veterans

Women's Department Wage and Hour Division

Wage Stabilization Board cases

Among the correspondents included are most of the union officers and International Representatives, and some others.

Walter P. Reuther J.W. Livingston Emil Mazev Pat Greathouse Philip Murray Homer B. Moore A.J. Stromar Charles Kerrigan Brendan Sexton Norman Matthews Joseph McCusker Robert A. Carter William T. Oliver Leonard Woodcock Ernest Hebert Martin Gerber E.S. Russey A.R. Granakis Edgar Kaiser Thomas Burke Victor Riesel Raymond Berndt

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# Folder Inventory

# Series 1 International Executive Board

Two boxes of material, covering from 1950 to 1954. Most folders contain agenda, summaries, lists of charters issued, and financial reports. Special material is listed in the following descriptions.

- Box 1 IEB Meeting Dec., 19 50 Co-op program report. PAC contributions.
  - IEB Meeting Jan., 19 51 Union Equity League letter. vote list.
  - IEB Meeting Feb., March, 19 51 Resolutions from Skilled Trade conference.
  - IEB Meeting April-May, 19 51 Resolution on student deferments. Plant expansion, National Staff.
  - IEB Meeting Resolutions committee Reports April 2, 5, 6, 19 51. Taft-Hartley, Guaranteed Annual Wage, Political Action.
  - IEB July-Dec., 19 51 Resolution on Manpower and Stabilization, Emergency Strike Assessments.
  - IEB Jan., Feb., 1952 Emergency Strike Assessments, Resolutions on organizational policy. Auditing assignments.
  - IEB April-May, 1952 Resolution on use of community services during strikes.
- Box 2 IEB Aug.-Sept., 1952 Emergency Strike Assessments. IEB Oct.-Dec, 1952 Miscellaneous
  - IEB Meetings 1953 Strike donations, miscellaneous
  - IEB Jan.-May, 1954 Membership Restoration, Chrysler pensions, Miscellaneous
  - IEB June-Oct., 19 54 Corespondence, Strike donations, Canadian figures, Secretary-Treasurer, Data. Officer's Meetings - 19 51-19 53 -Correspondence, memoranda

# Folder Inventory

# Series 2 Conventions and Conferences

One box of material including that on CIO conventions, of 1950, 1951, and 1952, and also material on various conferences from 1942 to 1954. There are agenda, resolutions, programs, proceedings and other contents as noted.

Box 3 CIO Convention, 19 50 (12th) - Resolutions Committee Report, Philip Murray's Report, Letter from P. Murray.

CIO Convention, April, 1951 (13th): Four folders.

Report on Competitive Shop Committee, Nomination speech for Gosser, Constitution committee Report, Gosser Report: die-casting, Departmental, Competitive Shop, Skilled Trades, Auto-Lite, Foundry, Convention Problems notebook, International Union constitution.

CIO Convention, Nov., 1951

CIO Convention, 19 52 - Los Angeles and Atlantic City Reports, News Clippings.

Automatic Screw Machine Conference - Nov. 21, 1953 Cleveland, Agenda, Resolution, Credential blank.

Economic and Collective Bargaining conference - Proposed demands for 19 55, Explanation of l-for-2 ratio. Outline of proposed guaranteed employment plan, Wages, Health security, posters.

IAM-AFL Tool and Die Conference, Milwaukee, Oct. 30, 1954 Minutes.

Resolutions from Conferences - 1942-1946, 1951, Full

Employment, Skilled Workers - Upgraders report, Outside contracters, Constitutional Changes.

Skilled Trades Conference - 1952, Resolution on overtime, contracting work, etc.

Staff Conference, Region 5, HotSprings, Arkansas, June, 1954 Teacher-Training Conference, AnnArbor, Feb., 1954

# Series 3 Regions (1950-1957)

Papers relating to 17 regions of the UAW-CIO, including letters to and from R.T. Gosser, reports, literature, clippings, vote lists, etc. These papers were filed separately, the years 1952-1954, and, by a different secretary, the years 1954-1955 or 1956. Some papers to 1957 were also separated. These have been interfiled for the convenience of the researcher. Four boxes.

Box 4 Region 1952-1954 Region 1 -1954-1955 Region 1 to 1957 Region 1-A - 1952-1954 Region 1-A - 1954-1955 1-B - 1952-1954 Region Region 1-B - 1954-1955 1-C - 1952-1954 Region Region 1-C - 1954-1955

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Region 1-D, 1952-1954, Company anti-organizing literature.

Region 1-D, 1954-1956, Newspaper clippings.

Region 2, 1952-1954, Thompson Products (Cleveland) agreement.

Pete Costello Indictment. Region 2,

1954-1955.

Region 2-A, 1951-1954.

Region 2-A, 1954-1956.

# Box 5 Region 2B, 19 51-19 55, Herbrand Forge negotiations.

Region 2B, 1952-1954 - two folders - Toledo Co-op Roll

Calls, Willys-Overland, Excello Drive.

Region 2B to 19 56, List of Units and Representatives.

Toledo Area Pension Plan. Fostoria Excello plant. Region 3, 1952-1954 -

Union Leaders, Gosser biography

sheet and picture.

Region 3, 1954-1955, Service Requests, Miscellaneous. Region 3, 1952-1956.

Region 4, 19 52-19 54, Resolution on Utility Workers.

International Harvester Agreement.

Region 4, 1954-19 5 5 - NLRB Policy Guide.

Region 4, Continuation to 19 56. NLRB Case, re International

Harvester.

Region 5, 1952-1954, Progress Report. Region 5, 1954-1955.

# Box 6 Region 6, 1952-1954, Quarterly Conference, 1954.

Region 6, 1954-1955, Auto-Lite Grievance, Melrose Park vote. Region 6, continuation to 19 56. San Fernado's unorganized

plants, Anti-Union speech. Region 6,

Continuation, 19 50-19 56.

Region 6, Continuation to 19 56, West Coast problems. Region 7, 1952-1955. Region 7,

Continuation to 19 55. Region 8, 19 52-19 55, McQuay, Inc. move to Grenada, Miss.

Valdosta, Ga. unionbreaking case, Lancaster. Region 8, 1954-1956.

# Box 7 Region 9, 1952-1954, Joe Dimodica case.

Region 9, 1954-1955, Complaints.

Region 9-A, 1952-1955, Kass NLRB Case, clippings on UAW-AFL

Racket cases.

Region 10, 19 52-19 54, Case organizing Drive, copy of Harvey

Kitzman speech, Reports.

Region 10, 1954-1956, Kohler, Allis-Chalmers.

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# Series 4 Local Unions

This series deals with various UAW Locals, including correspondence, Reports, agreements, policies, proposals, lists, and clippings. Earlier and later files were kept separately, yet in part concurrently, so they are left this way here, the later-dated group right after the other, in Boxes 9-10.

Box 7 - cont'd.

Local Unions 1-50, two folders, Correspondence, Supplemental Agreements. Gosser letter to C. Shier on the nature of unions. International Harvester Strike. Local 6.

Box 8 Local 12, 1952-1953, Letter to H. Rediger on investments. Local 12, 1952-1953,

Champion.

Local 12, 1948-1954, Spicer.

Local 12, 19 52-19 54, Summer camp and farm.

Local 12, 194 8-19 53, two folders, Willys, Supplementals,

Health and Welfare benefits, Agreements.

Local Unions 51-100, 1952-1954. Local Unions 101-250, 1952-1954, Mather Spring (Linden, N.J.)

Instructions on shift-bumping and slowdowns.

Local Unions 251-350, 19 52-1954, Company and union proposals, Westinghouse.

Box 9 Local 2 87, 19 53, Warner Gear, Company and union proposals,

Clippings

Local Unions 351-500, 1952-1954, Copies of letters to

Senator Joseph McCarthy and C.E. Wilson, from Paul Silver. Local Unions 501-599, 1952-1954.

Local 600, 1952-1954, Clipping on Radulovich case, Carl

Stellato and Paul Silver documents.

Local Unions 601-800, 1950-1954, Charles Toby Investigation,

"Truth of the Convention Record", Local 659, Membership meeting report.

Local Unions 801-900, 1951-1954, Clippings on fraudulent

votes, Local 838, Szymczak case. Local Unions 901-up, 1951-1954, Kohler assistance program,

copy of letter to Mayor Celebrezze, Cleveland, from

A.R. Granakis, union threats.

Local Unions - to 300, to 19 56, two folders, General information, Toledo Scale rates.

#### Box 10 Local 12, 1956

Local Unions 300-850, 1956, Copy of letter to J.P. Mitchell, Secretary of Labor, re "niggerhead" job terminology,

copy of Mazey's endorsement. Ford Facts, Umpire reports, Investigation of Lost time overcharges, 1956, Report, Local 735, misappropriation of funds.

Local 600, 1956

Local Unions, Local 8 87, Strike at North American, Union dissidence.

Local Unions 900-1000, 1956, Report on Local 933.

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### Box 10 cont'd.

Local Unions, over 1,000.

Messages to All Locals, 1956, Collective Bargaining Program, Pension Plan, PAC.

# Series 5 Competitive Shops

One of the departments under R.T. Gosser's supervision was the competitive shops department. Boxes 11 and 12 include papers and correspondence on this subject, from 1952-1956.

Box 11 Competitive Shops, 19 54-19 55, three folders, Organization

report, 1953-1954, letters on organizing, Gosser letter

on European Trade Unions.

Competitive Shops, 1954-1955, Assignments.

Competitive Shops, 1955-1956, Assignments.

Competitive Shops, 1953, Correspondence, two folders,

Plant lists, Elections, 1953, Brief on dispute with steelworkers, Dayton, Ohio.

Competitive Shops, Lists of plants being organized.

Box 12 Competitive Shops, Staff, 1954, Assignment lists, letters.

Competitive Shops, Staff, 19 55, two folders.

Competitive Shops, Staff, 19 56, two folders.

Competitive Shops, Wage and Hour division, Minutes of Forge council, 195 3-19 56, Contract provisions, comparison chart on labor benefits in auto companies.

# Series 6 Skilled Trades

Another of Gosser's departments, the Skilled Trades division is especially given to disputes on qualifications and standards. Five boxes include a varying group of letters, reports, proceedings, etc.

Box 13 Skilled Trades, 1949, Chicago and Milwaukee tool and Die

Shops, conflicting policies of international and council. Skilled Trades, 1951-1952.

Skilled Trades, Jan.-June, 19 53, Letter from E.E. Goshem,

Deputy Director, Department of Labor.

Skilled Trades, July-Dec, 1953, two folders, Fremont, Ohio,

Local 914, S.T. problem at Herbrand.

Skilled Trades, 1954, three folders, Hearing on S.T. dispute,

millwrights vs. metal fabricators.

Box 14 Skilled Trades, Jan.-April, 1955, two folders, Letters,

proceedings, Tool and Die Conference, I.A.M., 1954, Resolutions, Recommendations of I.E.B. on S.T. cases

on journeyman cards.

Skilled Trades, May-Oct., 19 55, minutes, Gosser letter

to S.T. workers, CIO coordinating committee on S.T.

and Apprentices.

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Box 14 cont'd.

Skilled Trades, 1955 Miscellaneous.

Skilled Trades, 19 55-19 56, Miscellaneous, two folders

Local 600, petition, Maytag agreement, S.T. contracts,

Apprenticeships.

Box 15 Skilled Trades, 1955-1956, Miscellaneous Rates of Pay

Survey, S.T. Department Newsletters, Statement of

Policy re S.T. Societies.

Skilled Trades Councils, 1953-1955, three folders,

Ann Arbor S.T. Council Audit report.

Tool and Die Councils, 1955-1956.

Skilled Trades Conference, 19 53, Chicago, two folders

Disposition of Resolutions, Ford changeover.

Box 16 Skilled Trades Conference, 1953, Cleveland, two folders

Resolution on D.P.'s Delegate lists, Journeyman

card policy.

Skilled Trades Conference, 1955, Cleveland, three folders

Minutes, Apprenticeship Standards, Strike Assessment,

Pamphlets, Resolutions.

National C.I.O. Skilled Trades coordinating committee,

1954 Minutes, letters.

G.M. Skilled Trades, 1955-1956.

Metal Body Builders, 1952-1954.

Box 17 Monday Night Skilled Trades Meetings, 19 54, Minutes

Steering Committee Minutes.

Skilled Trades Meeting, September, 1954, Standards and

scheduled work processes with Chrysler.

West Coast Trip, 1954, Union brief, Refrigeration

Engineering Company dispute, S.T. supplemental

agreement with union locals, Revised apprenticeship

standards.

Skilled Trades, 1954-1956.

Skilled Trades Staff Meetings, 19 54-19 56, two folders. Skilled Trades

Assignments, 1953-1954.

Skilled Trades Assignments, 1955, two folders.

Skilled Trades Assignments, 19 56, two folders.

# Series 7 Skilled Trades Requests, Reports and Itineraries

This is a series which includes the mechanics and procedures of personnel assignments and reports, and the itineraries of the traveling representatives. Most are by date but a few specialists (Box 20) had their records kept by name. Five boxes of undetailed requests, reports, and itineraries, 1954-1957. They are not all continuous.

Box 18 Skilled Trades Service Reports, 19 54.

Skilled Trades Service Reports, Jan.-March, 1955.

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Skilled Trades Service Reports, April-June, 1955.
Skilled Trades Service Reports, July-September, 1955.
Skilled Trades Service Reports, Oct.-Dec, 19 55.
Skilled Trades Service Reports, Jan.-March, 1956.

Box 19 Skilled Trades Service Reports, April-June, 1956. Competitive Shops, Skilled

Trades Service Reports,

April-June, 19 56.

Competitive Shops, Skilled Trades Service Reports,

July-Sept., 1956.

Competitive Shops, Skilled Trades Service Reports,

Oct.-Dec, 1956.

Skilled Trades Service Reports, Jan.-March, 19 57. Skilled Trades Service

Reports, April-July, 19 57.

Box 20 Biddle, Jerry, Service Reports, 1954-1956. Biddle, Mac, Service Reports, 1955-1956. Blackburn, Sam, Service Reports, 1954-1956. Campbell, George, Service Reports, 1954-1956. Deason, B.C., Service Reports, 1954-1956. Gagliardi, Frank, Service Reports, 1956. Gibson, Tom, Service Reports, 1954-1956. Kruse, Martin, Service Reports, 1954-1956. McGuire, Jack, Service Reports, 1955-1956. Marion, Ernie, Service Reports, 1954-1956. Massetta, Russell,

Service Reports, 1952.

Box 21 Piconke, Joe, Service Reports, 1954-1956.

Ptaszynski, Joe, Service Reports, 1954-1956.

Rand, Don, Service Reports, 1954-19 56.

Schuetz, Jim, Service Reports, 1954-1956.

Simon, Bernard "Tiny", Service Reports, 19 54-19 56.

Itineraries - Dead File, 1955.

Itineraries - Jan. 1, 1956.

Itineraries - Jan. 8, 19 56.

Itineraries - Jan. 15, 1956.

Itineraries - Jan. 22, 1956.

Box 22 Itineraries - Jan.-March, 1956 - 9 folders.

# Series 8 Apprenticeships and Journeyman Cards

The subject of much concern and equivocation, Apprenticeships and journeyman status is dealt with in the contents of Boxes 23 and 24.

Box 23 Apprenticeship Program Survey. Lists, Resolution on Displaced Persons.

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#### Box 23 cont'd.

Apprenticeship Reports, Standards.

Apprenticeship Reports, 1953-1956, S.T. Job descriptions,

Apprenticeship Standards, 19 51, 19 52, and 19 56, Plants

with apprenticeship programs.

National Apprenticeship Committee, Correspondence, Minutes

of 1951 N.A. conference.

UAW-CIO Apprenticeship Standards and job Descriptions,

Ford Standards, Minutes, 19 55, Allis-Chalmers agreement,

13-point program, Proposed changes in Standards, 1955. Machinists Apprenticeship, 19 52-19 53, Hearings, Resolutions. Maintenance Council, 1952-1955, Audit report, Tool and Die

Council, 1953-1955, Resolution.

Box 24 Journeyman Cards, Material Proposed policy on issuance, Policy of UAW-CIO on J. cards, Procedure for Issuing, Revised procedure.

Journeyman Cards, 1953

Journeyman Cards, 1954, two folders, Recommendations of IEB, Minutes of sevenman screening committee.

Journeyman Cards, 1955

Journeyman Cards, 1956, Contractual Recognition.

# Series 9 Organization and Elections

This series, wholly in Box 25, deals with attempts to organize various plants, and with elections in the plants. Charts, lists reports, and correspondence dealing with the subject, are included.

Box 2.5 Competitive Shops Organization, 19.52, two folders, Reports on elections, 1951, 1952, Lists of Plants to organize, Wetback labor report.

Organization Reports, 1954-1955

Organization Problems, 1949

Organization Problems, 19 55-19 56, List of plants under organization.

Plants and Elections, 19 53, Reports of NLRB elections.

Plants and Elections, 19 54-56, 3 folders

NLRB Elections - completed, 19 56

# Series 10 Departments

This series includes the departments which were under the special interest and authority of R.T. Gosser. Some departments were changed to and from other officers. Covering various years which were sometimes filed separately by year, and sometimes not, these departments are put together here, with folders on each department filed together. The years therefore vary from 19 49-1957.

# Box 26 Agricultural Implement Department, 19 55-19 57, Statements

to Senate committee, 19 57, Newsletters of Allis-Chalmers and International Harvester UAW, Charts, graphs of unemployment, Task Force committee.

# Folder Inventory

Box 26 cont'd.

Aircraft Department, 1952-1955, Minutes, resolutions of

5th National Aircraft Conference, Washington D.C.,

19 54, Report of J.W. Livingston to 4th Annual NAC, 1952. Aircraft Department, 1955-1957, Resumes of 6th and 7th

UAW-NAC, Copies of Aircraft Reporter, Auto-Aircraft. Auditing Department, 1955,

Pamphlets, reports, minutes.

Audit Reports, 1949-1952

Audit Reports, 1953-1954

Auto-Lite Department, correspondence, 1952-1953, Requests,

Wage Adjustments, Pension plan, Group Insurance Plan. Auto-Lite Department, 19 52-19 55, Correspondence

Bendix Department, 19 54, Report of organizational work

at Bendix, Westing house plants not organized.

Box 27 Borg-Warner Department, 1951-1952, negotiations, 1951-1952,

Delegate reports.

Borg Warner Department, 1953, Correspondence, newsclippings, minutes of some negotiations, Wage Stabilization Board, Union comments, 1948 Resignation of Gosser.

Borg Warner Department, 19 54, Council meetings, Grievance cases, correspondence.

Borg VJarner - Case before WSB Case No. D-6-C, B-W concurring Report, WSB Panel Report, Union Answer Brief.

Borg Warner Department, 1955-1957

Chrysler Department, 1952-1954, Agreement, Locals and Chrysler, 1950, Conference on Aging, 1953, Dodge San Leandro Supplemental Agreement.

Chrysler Department, 1955-1957, Summary of 1956, conference, Union proposals.

Box 28 Dana Department, 1953-1955, Article by L.J. Haney, Grievance lists, Pottstown agreement, Correspondence.

Dana Department, 1953, Negotiations, Supplemental Agreements, Group Insurance, Ford Agreement, 1953, Escalator Formula, CPI, Chrysler Agreement 1953, GM agreement 1953.

Dana Department, 1954-1956

Die-Casting Department, 1953-1955, two folders, Alcoa meetings, wage survey, California plants summons in Meyer and Welch case (Strike violence).

Die-Casting Department, 1954-1956

Doehler-Jarvis Department, 1953-1955, council by-laws, correspondence.

Doehler-Jarvis Department, 1955-1956.

Box 29 Education Department, 19 52-19 54, Poster on Guaranteed Employment Plan, Bishop Sheil speech on McCarthy.

Education Department, 1956-1957, two folders, Pamphlet on Union exhibition, Notices on congressional actions on civil rights, gas bill.

Fair Practices Department, 19 53-19 54, two folders, Civil

Rights enforcement, Discrimination complaints, W. Oliver reports: Ford plant in Karachi, Bierut unions, Far East unions.

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Box 29 cont'd.

Discrimination in Southern unions, Pamphlet Testimony of Walter P. Reuther in support of FEPC, Pontiac FEPC.

Fair Practices Department, 19 54-19 57, three folders,

Pamphlets on equal opportunity, Civil rights, Reports, Speeches by Senator McNamara on civil rights, Senator Lehman, Civil Rights leaders, A. Stevenson, Delegate lists, to National Assembly for Civil Rights, Conference Programs.

Box 30 Fair Practices - Material, selected studies, Minority

Youth Guidance, Handbook, Reports.

Ford Department, 1953-1955, two folders, Interpretations

of Agreements, supplemental agreements.

Ford Department, 19 55-19 57, three folders, Agreements,

By-laws, Classification for S.T. increase, Special increase,

Collective bargaining agreement, Memoranda, clippings. Foundry Department, 19

53-19 54, Reports, Minutes of 8th

Annual International Foundry Wage and Hour Council Conference.

Box 31 Foundry Department, 1955, Minutes of 9th annual International

Foundry Wage and Hour Council, Correspondence, Resolutions,

Anti-UAW propaganda.

Foundry Department, 1955-1957, two folders, Minutes, 1956

Reuther speech, Reports, Tables of comparative earnings,

Forge survey.

General Motors, 1953-1954, Outlines for GM Education meetings,

Correspondence, Supplemental Agreement no. 19, 1953.

Umpire decisions.

General Motors Department, 19 55-19 57, five folders, Decisions,

Credentials, Newsletters, Grievance decisions, Anti-trust

laws study, Stock-purchase plan, Poster.

Box 32 International Harvester Department, 1955-1957, Correspondence.

Kaiser-Fraser Department, 1953-1955, Telegram, E.F. Kaiser-letters, memos.

Legal Department, 19 51-19 54, HUAC Testimony (Robert Carter), Report on Legal Matters, court cases, Letter from Harold Cranefield to W.P. Reuther.

Legal Department, 1955-1957, Detroit Edison reactor case. Briefs, replies, Supreme Ct. decision, March 11, 1957, re election contributions, Legal cases and their development.

Office Workers Department, 1953-1957, White collar conf., 1956.

Political Action Committee, 1952-1953, two folders, Detroit Mayoral and council Elections, Election Survey, Political Issues Report, contributions list, UAW positions on issues.

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Box 33 Political Action Committee Department, 19 54, two folders,

PAC donation reports, PAC literature, campaign for 83rd congress, Political maps.

P.A.C., 1954-1957, seven folders, Election pamphlets,

Civil rights outlook, Congressional Records, Hearings

on campaign expenses, civil rights planks, WSU Political study, PAC letter from Israel, Reports, Tables, chotiner speech on campaigning.

Box 34 Publicity Department, 1953-1954, Releases, Employees notices.

Publicity Department, 19 56-19 57, Union and anti-union clippings, Goldwater

Statement, Material sources for UAW editors.

Recreation Department, 19 52-19 54, Pamphlets, letters.

Recreation Department, 19 56-19 57, two folders, Material for social recreation, Retired workers program.

Research Department, 1949-1954, two folders, C.E. Wilson statement on workers cf.

dogs, Newspaper clippings

on auto industry, Sample UAW-CIO agreement clauses, Wage structure, CPI, Economic conditions.

Box 35 Research Department, 19 56-19 57, four folders, Research Information Bulletins, Public Contract Awards, Lists

of Labor-Management arbitrators, Tables on Unemployment benefits.

Retired Workers, 19 53-19 54, Ford Retirement Plan, Blue Cross for Retired

Workers, Social Security and Hospitalization, Tables.

Scale Survey, 19 53-19 54, two folders, Scale Industry Survey, Wages, Contracts, Agreements.

Box 36 Social Security Department, 1952-1953, Pamphlets.

Social Security Department, 1955-1957, Some 1953-1954

communications, Brief on unemployment benefit case,

McOuay case (insurance).

Timken Department, 19 50, correspondence. Unemployment Compensation

Department, 19 52, Reuther

testimony, 1952, Unemployment survey, 1952.

Veterans Department, veterans letter, veterans handbook. Washington Office, 19 54-19

56, Farm income and prices

report.

Women's Department, 1954-1957, Women's Auxiliary news,

Correspondence, Posters on Why Women Work.

# Series 11 General Files

These are R.T. Gosser's general files. Included are folders and correspondence on many union subjects, problems, and individuals, listed alphabetically. The dates vary between 19 49 and 1957, but most are after 1952. Ten file boxes, from 37 to 46.

# Folder Inventory

Box 37 A-Miscellaneous, 19 53-19 56, Economic Proposals of Local

787 Appeals Committee, American Motors Committee, Foundry Pamphlet on ammunition, American Society of Tool Engineers, prepared technical programs.

AFL-Miscellaneous Newsletters, Meany speech, Dave Beck statement, Excerpts from J. Herling's Labor letter,

Chart of workers in Automotive, Petroleum and Allied Industries, Trades Division of AFL

Anniversary - 20th - UAW, Programs, etc.

Applications for Union Jobs.

Area Pension Plans, Clippings, letters, Pension Agreement, Auto-Lite, Retirement Income Program, Health Insurance Agreement, Morse Chain, Dana agreement.

Auto Worker, 1952-1955, four folders, Copy, and corrected copy of releases to A.W., marked copies.

Auto Worker, Posters, Election and other posters and pamphlets, printed by A.W. mostly 1952.

Box 38 Automation 1953-1955, Clipping, Pamphlets on automation, Speech by W. Newberg, Chrysler v.p., "Economics of Automation". Preliminary UAW report.

Automobile Accidents, 1953-1954.

B-Miscellaneous.

Blue Cross, 1951-1956, Correspondence, Statement by

W.P. Reuther, Governor's study commission, Survey of adequacy, Increase of cost problems, Taxability of insurance contributions, Community Relations reports.

Brown Education, 19 53-19 55, Correspondence, clippings.

Burke, Tom, 1952-1954, Letter re Mike Di Salle, on Democratic nominations.

C-Miscellaneous, CHA letter, Fact sheet on Civil Rights Bill, Cancer report, Sample cease and desist letter, Sample official, charter application for affiliation with UAW-CIO, CIO agreement re organizational disputes, Collective bargaining policy, Copper and brass council.

Campbell, George, 1953-1954, Seniority problems, S.T. problems, Unfair labor practices.

Christmas Card Mailing list, 1951-1956, Staff friends, names and addresses, phone numbers, home addresses of reps.

Citizenship Funds, Proposed letter on funds, tranter of costs, Regional Allocation.

City of Detroit, Kornhauser pamphlet, George Edwards letter.

Cleveland Area Material, By-laws of International S.T. Journeyman rules and application card.

Community Health Association, CHA Guides, Evaluation of Major Medical Expense Insurance.

CIO - Europe, 19 53.

Constitutional Interpretation, 1949, 1951 constitutions.

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Box 39 Contracts and amendments, Base rates, 1953, Skilled

classifications lists, Supplemental Agreement, GM,

1953, Pension revisions, Newsclippings.

Co-op Movement, Report on Detroit Consumer Co-ops. D-Miscellaneous,

Democratic State Central Committee

material, List of Departments and directors, councils, and committees, Consumption, Directory of UAW-CIO offices, departments and councils, 19 54.

Department Head Meetings, 1951-1952, Department head meetings, minutes.

Directories, Local Union Directory, 1947, Office directory, 1951.

Discharges, West Coast, 1955.

Donovan, Eldena, 19 50-19 55.

Dues Increase, 1955, Mazev letters.

E-Miscellaneous, Expense accident forms, Mark Ethridge, speech, 19 55, Early retirement age, Organization report of IUE.

Eckert, Ken.

Economic Conference, 19 54, Credentials sent, correspondence Executive Board Letters, 19 52-19 54, two folders, Guaranteed

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