The Papers of the Detroit Allied Printing Trades Council were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in April of 1984 and were opened for research in April of 1991.

The Detroit Allied Printing Trades Council <APTC> was formed June 10, 1894 and is a local-area organization maintained by local unions of the International Allied Printing Trades Association <IAPTA>-. It exists and functions only with the approval and direction of the Association, which is controlled by designated delegates of Printing trades International Unions that which the Association's Board of Governors.

The Detroit APTC's major functions center on governing the use of the Allied Label: determining employer eligibility for use of the Allied Label, encouraging qualified employers to apply for the Allied Label, obtaining employer signatures on Allied Label license agreements, ordering Allied Labels from IAPTA, Policing use of the Allied Label by licensed employers, initiating legal action against firms or Persons using the Allied Label illegally or without Proper authority, Promoting the use the Allied Label and union-made Products, and maintaining and distributing an up-to-date listing of local Allied Label shops. Member-unions of the Detroit APTC include Bindery Workers Local 20, Electrotypers Local 54, Lithographers Local 9, Mailers Local 40, Paper and Plate Handlers Local 10, Photoengravers Local 12, Printing Pressman Local 2, Newspaper Pressman Local 13, Stereotypers-Electrotypers Local 9, and Typographical Local 18.

The Papers of the Detroit APTC reflect its interaction with unions, employers, employees and governmental bodies in the control and use of the Allied Label in southeast Michigan.

Important subjects covered in the collection are:

- Kingsport Press Strike, and boycott by the Detroit Board of Education, 1965-1968
- Misuse of Allied Label or "bogus bugs", 1927-1977
- Michigan laws governing Printing trades

Among the important correspondents are:

- William Milliken G. Mennen
- Williams George Romney
Series I, Minutes of Meetings, 1938-1977, Boxes t-2':
Manuscript, typewritten, and printed minutes of the Detroit APTC (including monthly financial reports) and published condensed proceedings of IAPTA.

Series II, Correspondence, 1927-1977, Boxes 2-4:
Incoming and outgoing correspondence of Detroit APTC as local office governing the use of the Alled Label and as council involved in regulating the printing trades in southeast Michigan.

Series III, General Office Files, 1927-1972:
Office files of the Detroit APTC. Includes contract and license agreements, delegate lists, financial ledgers and reports, state laws governing the printing trades and specific cases of label misuse and litigation. Particularly well documented is the Kingsport Press Strike of 1965-1968.

Non-manuscript Material:
Numerous pamphlets, directories and union newspapers, as well as a copy of Gus Hall's *The Crisis of U.S. Capitalism and the Fight* and a copy of the February 1974 issue of *The Typographical Journal* were given to the Archives Library.
Series I
Minutes of Meetings, 1938-1977
Boxes 1-2

Manuscript, typewritten, and Printed minutes of monthly Detroit APTC meetings, including names of delegates and their member unions, communications, reports on council activities and those of its member-unions, new business and financial reports. Minutes of Detroit APTC meetings are complete for the Periods 1938-1941 and 1957-1973, with a sporadic representation of minutes for the Period 1974-1977. Also included are an incomplete group of Published Proceedings of IAPTA's Board of Governors for the Period 1960-1974.

Box 1

1. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1938
2. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1939
3. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1946
4. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1941
5. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1957
6. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1958
7. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1959
8. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1966
9. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1961
10. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1962
11. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1963
12. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1964
13. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1965
14. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1966
15. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1967
17. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1969
18. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1976
19. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1971
2D. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1972
21. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1973
22. Minutes - Detroit ATPC, 1974-1977 (sporadic)

Box 2

1. Proceedings - IAPTR, 1960-1964
Series II
Correspondence, 1927-1977
Boxes 2-4

Incoming and outgoing correspondence of Detroit APTC as local office governing the use of the Allied Label and reflecting the council's involvement in regulating the Printing trades in southeast Michigan. Includes requests/applications for use of the Allied Label, authorization for use of the Allied Label, requests for labels, receipts for deposits, letters of complaint issued by the council to employers not using (or illegally misusing) the Allied Label, cancellation of label authorization, and requests for return of deposit-moneys. Files are arranged chronologically, excepting those of the Period 1953-1968 and some extant subject correspondence files, which are arranged alphabetically by subject or type of material.

Box 2

4. Correspondence, 1927-1935
5. Correspondence, 1936-1937
6. Correspondence, 1938-1939
7. Correspondence, 1949-1941
8. Correspondence, 1942-1943
9. Correspondence, 1944-1945
10. Correspondence, 1946-1947
11. Correspondence, 1948-1949
12. Correspondence, 1958-1952
13. Correspondence, 1953-1968; General
14. Correspondence, 1953-1968; Label applications
15. Correspondence, 1953-1968; Label violations
16-28. Correspondence, 1953-1968; Labor unions

Box 3

1. Correspondence, 1961
2. Correspondence, 1962: Jan-April
3. Correspondence, 1962: May-Dec
4. Correspondence, 1963: Jan-March
5. Correspondence, 1963: April-Dec
6. Correspondence, 1964
7. Correspondence, 1965
8. Correspondence, 1966
9. Correspondence, 1967
10. Correspondence, 1968
11. Correspondence, 1969
12. Correspondence, 1978: Jan-August

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Office files of the Detroit APTC. Includes Contract and License Agreements authorizing use of the Allied Label, materials concerning the certification of the Allied Label in Michigan, delegate lists of the Detroit APTC, financial ledgers and reports, materials concerning state laws which govern the Printing trades and examples of label misuse and litigation. Particularly well documented is the Kingsport Press Strike of 1965-1968 and the role the Detroit APTC Played in the boycott of Kingsport Publications carried out by the Detroit Board of Education. Files are arranged alphabetically by subject or type of material.
18. Contract and License Agreements, K-L
19. Contract and License Agreements, M
28. Contract and License Agreements, N-P
21. Contract and License Agreements, Q-R
22. Contract and License Agreements, S-V
23. Contract and License Agreements, W-Z

Box 5

1. Delegate Lists, 1958-1961
2. Financial Ledger, 1946-1958
4. Kingsport Press Strike; Correspondence, 1965
5. Kingsport Press Strike; Correspondence, 1966
6. Kingsport Press Strike; Correspondence, 1967
7. Kingsport Press Strike; Correspondence, 1968
8. Kingsport Press Strike; Court documents, 1967
9. Kingsport Press Strike; Court documents, 1968
18. Kingsport Press Strike; Equal opportunity issue, 1967
11. Kingsport Press Strike; Clippings, Printed materials
12. Label Certification, 1936
13. Label Misuse; Grand Rapids, 1972
14. Michigan laws governing the Printing trades
15. Picnic Reports, 1956-1957
16. Printed materials, Pamphlets, flyers, etc.
17. Union Label and Trade Services Council, 1962-1964