Bakery & Confectionery Workers International Union Polish Local 77 Records
2 linear feet
1930s-1970s (bulk 1950s-1960s)

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Accession Number: 1701

Creator: Bakery & Confectionery Workers International Union Polish Local 77

Acquisition: Records were donated to the Reuther Library on December 8, 1997.

Language: Material mainly in English. Many documents in Polish up until the 1950s.

Access: Collection is open for research.

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Notes: Citation style: “Bakery & Confectionery Workers International Union Polish Local 77 Records, Box [#], Folder [#], Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs, Wayne State University”

Related Material: Photographs, 1969 charter, oversized documents, and a memorial photo poster of Roman Michalowski were transferred to the Reuther A-V Department.

PLEASE NOTE: Folders in this collection are not necessarily arranged in any particular order. The box folder listing provides an inventory based on their original order. Subjects may be dispersed throughout the collection.
Abstract
The Bakery and Confectionery Workers International Union formed in 1969 from the union of the Bakery and Confectionery Workers International Union of America (f. 1886) and the American Bakery and Confectionery Workers’ International Union (f. 1957). Local 77 in Detroit was organized and chartered in 1916 by immigrants from Poland under the official name Polish Local No. 77 of the International Union of Bakers and Confectioners, Labor Federation of America. This collection documents official business of the union, its history, and its membership mainly through contracts, memorabilia and meeting minutes.

Important Subjects:
Union contracts
Strikes and lockouts
Polish Americans
Arrangement

Folders are listed by their location within each box. They are not necessarily arranged, so any given subject may be dispersed throughout the entire collections. Folder titles are taken from original folders and envelopes in collection.

Box 1

2. Contract 1964
3. Contract 1966
7. Contract 1971
8. Contract 1972
9. Contract 1972, small shops
10. Contract 1973
11. Contract 1973, small shops
13. Meeting minutes and financial reports 1959-1960
14. Strike correspondence 1948, 1957
15. Strike benefit claim lists 1964
16. Apprenticeship standards 1972
17. Souvenir album, 25th anniversary 1941
18. Old records 1945-1960
19-20. Dues payment cards 1950s

Box 2

Nine journal book containing handwritten meeting minutes, circa 1937 to 1955 in Polish; 1956 to 1978 in English

62 dues payment record books from individual union members, bulk from 1970s