Haviland F. Reves Collection, 1923-1971
Predominantly 1925-1968

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Haviland F. Reves willed parts of his papers to several repositories including the Wayne State University Archives. His bequest was administered by his niece, Mrs. Munck who placed the collection in the archives on December 7, 1972. Mrs. Munck sorted Reves’ material according to the conditions of the will and determined which material belonged to Wayne State University. The collection has been arranged alphabetically (“A-Z”).

Haviland Reves was a student at College of the City of Detroit (Wayne State University) c1920s majoring in journalism. Some of the materials in the collection represent his class notes and correspondence with friends during his college years. Other Wayne State University materials represent his activity as a member of the Alumni Association in which he corresponded with such persons as William R. Keast, past president of the university and Homer D. Strong, the first Director of Alumni Relations.

Reves was also active in many civic and community organizations. He was the archivist in charge of the campaign to preserve the Old City Hall Building in Detroit from 1959-1965. As a result, he was involved in Detroit politics and had many contacts among influential business people. He also worked as a technical writer for the Fox Theater and was a member of several professional writing associations. Reves also was involved in the politics of building the James Couzens Highway.

The materials in this collection include campaign literature in the preservation of the Old Detroit City Hall building, Detroit and Michigan historical and business societies, City College of Detroit student notes, assorted Wayne University material, business files containing book and show reviews and name files, scrapbooks of clippings on Detroit, show business, and business forms, and Michigan pamphlets.

Important subjects in the collection:

Associated Business Writers of America
Fox Theater
Mary V. Beck, Councilwoman
Nan Blakstone
City College of Detroit
Civil War Centennial Commission
James Couzens Highway
Detroit Edison Co.
Detroit Press Club
William R. Keast
Old Detroit City Hall
Approximately 100 photographs and 50 folders of negatives were removed from the collection and placed in the Audio Visual Department. Books on Michigan history were also removed from the collection and placed in the library.

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28-29. Elections--Mayor and Council, 1961
30-31. Essays, 1924-31
32-33. The Extent of Slang, 1925
34. Film Daily, 1970
35. First Federal Savings and Loan Association, 1961
36. Folk Art
37. Fox Theater Building, 1947-63
38. Frederick Douglass-John Brown Historical Marker, 1962
39. Friends of the Detroit Public Library, 1960-64

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1-5. Friends of the Detroit Public Library, 1964-72
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