Frederick W. Thompson Collection

Papers, 1912-1987
(Predominantly, 1962-1985)

17.25 linear feet

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The papers of Frederick W. Thompson were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in January of 1974 and April of 1976 and were opened for research in 1976. Additional papers were added to the collection by Mr. Thompson between September of 1980 and June of 1986 and were opened for research in August of 1986. Papers contained in part 3 of this collection were added in 1986 and 1987 and opened for research in August of 1994.

Frederick W. Thompson was born in St. John, New Brunswick in 1900. He first became interested in the socialist movement at the age of fifteen and began attending Socialist Party meetings at the Trades and Labor Temple in St. John. He was active as a recruiter for the Socialist Party in Canada and he traveled extensively throughout Canada working in saw mills, dry docks, sugar refineries and railroad shops. He joined the O.B.U. (One Big Union) while in Winnipeg in 1920.

Mr. Thompson came to the United States in 1922, where he worked in various jobs along the Pacific Coast. He joined the IWW, the U.S. counterpart of the O.B.U. in San Francisco in 1922. Mr. Thompson was arrested in Marysville, California while distributing IWW newspapers. Convicted under the California criminal syndicalism law, Mr. Thompson spent three years in San Quentin prison with 140 other IWW members. After his release in 1927, he moved to Colorado where he became involved in the coal mine strikes. Mr. Thompson traveled throughout the United States organizing for the IWW.

Mr. Thompson served as General Secretary-Treasurer of the IWW in 1936. He later became editor of The Industrial Worker. Mr. Thompson has written two histories of the IWW, The IWW: Its First Fifty Years (1955) and, with Patrick Murfin, The IWW: Its First Seventy Years (1976). Mr. Thompson has continued to collect materials related to the IWW and to encourage others to do research and write on the history of the union. Mr. Thompson actively continued these pursuits until his death in 1987 in Chicago, Illinois, where he resided.

The papers of Mr. Thompson reflect his involvement with the IWW and his interest in preserving its history. To a lesser degree, the collection illustrates Mr. Thompson's involvement with the Socialist Party and his interest in socialist organizations. In
addition, Mr. Thompson's effort to become a United States citizen is extensively represented in the collection. Mr. Thompson also has collected material on the IWW legal struggle against organizational blacklisting by the attorney general during the 1950s and 1960s.

Related material may be found in the IWW Collection.
Important subjects covered in the collection are:

Agricultural Workers Organization (AWO), 1915-1919
Bisbee Deportation, 1917
Black longshoremen
Butte, Montana, 1911-1915
Canadian Northern Railway Strike
Centralia, 1919
Colorado Coal Strikes, 1927-1928
Finnish Radicalism
Ben Fletcher
Elizabeth Gurley Flynn
Goldfield, Nevada Strike, 1907
William Haywood
Joe Hill
Industrial Workers of the World, 1905-1985
Frank Little
Marine Transport Workers Union, 1913-1930s
Organizational Blacklisting, 1964-1968
San Diego Free Speech Fight, 1912
Spokane Free Speech Fight, 1909
Frederick W. Thompson Citizenship Case, 1939-1964
B. Traven
Women in the IWW
Work Peoples' College

Important correspondents in the collection include:

Richard Brazier
Frank Cedervall
Bill Chance
Minnie Corder
Matt Fox
Elizabeth Service Fox
William Henkelman
Francis McClennigan
Gibbs Smith
Theresa Taft
Charles Velsek
Virgil Vogel
Frederick W. Thompson

Contents

31 1/2 manuscript boxes
1 large flat

Part 1

Series I, Industrial Workers of the World, 1970-1976, Box 1
Leaflets and literature covering various branch offices and several articles concerning IWW activities.

Convention reports and minutes, leaflets, bulletins, and literature on national and local offices.

Series III, Other Organizations and Committee Materials, 1969-1976, Box 3
Leaflets, articles, notes, clippings and other material from various organizations in which Mr. Thompson had an interest.

Series IV, Legal Cases, 1939-1968, Boxes 4-7
Correspondence, orders, motions, petitions, transcripts, notes, clippings and other materials concerning the legal action to remove the IWW from the attorney general's subversive list and Mr. Thompson's lawsuit against the Immigration and Naturalization Service to obtain United States citizenship.

Part 2

Series V, Industrial Workers of the World, Historical Studies, 1919-1985, Boxes 8-11

Subseries A: Studies of IWW Activities, 1919-1985, Boxes 8-11
Correspondence, manuscripts, clippings and other materials sent to Mr. Thompson by researchers studying the history of the IWW from 1905 to the 1930s.

Subseries B: The IWW in Art, Fiction and Drama, 1978-1981, Box 11
Correspondence, manuscripts, clippings and other material sent to Mr. Thompson depicting the history and activities of the IWW in art, fiction and drama from 1905 to 1980.

Subseries C: IWW Historical Inquiries, 1968-1981, Box 11
Correspondence between researchers requesting information about the IWW and Mr. Thompson, the IWW historian.

Series VI, Biographical Materials on IWW Members, 1912-1985, Boxes 11-15
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**Series VII, Industrial Workers of the World, Branch Activities, 1973-1986, Box 15**

Newsletters, minutes, leaflets and other material concerning the activities of the IWW and individual IWW branch offices between 1973 and 1986.
Series VIII, Socialist Party and Socialist Organizations, 1973-1981,
Boxes 15-16
Newsletters, leaflets, minutes, convention proceedings, and other materials concerning the Socialist Party, U.S.A. and other socialist organizations in which Mr. Thompson had an interest.

Series IX, Labor and Socialist Historical Studies, 1917-1986, Boxes 16-20
Correspondence, manuscripts, leaflets, and other materials concerning various labor and socialist history topics sent to Mr. Thompson by researchers and labor and socialist history organizations.

Series X, Other Organizations and Activities, 1975-1981, Boxes 20-21, large flat
Leaflets, newsletters, clippings, correspondence and other materials from various groups in which Mr. Thompson had an interest.

Part 3

Drafts of each chapter of *The History of the IWW* and *The IWW Tells Its Story* are included along with manuscripts, notes and information written and collected by Mr. Thompson.

Series XII, Correspondence, IWW and Socialist Party, 1932-1987,
Boxes 28-31
Correspondence, newsletters, minutes and other items collected by Mr. Thompson concerning the IWW, the Socialist Party and topics of interest to him.

Series XIII, Organizations and Publications, 1961-1985, Box 32
Clippings, lists and information about progressive and radical organizations, newsletters and government and labor-related publications collected by Mr. Thompson.

Non-manuscript Material:
Approximately 30 photographs of IWW members have been placed in the Archives Audiovisual Collection. Numerous newspapers, newsletters and several books received with this collection are available in the Archives Library.
Most of the material in this series covers the literature of various IWW branch offices. This includes leaflets, bulletins and events notices. The folders are in alphabetical order by region covered. The second part of the series contains copies of articles and attached correspondence covering movements and special events pertaining to IWW history. These are arranged alphabetically by subject.

**Box 1**

1. IWW Branch Office: Alaska - leaflet, 1976
2-5. IWW Branch Office: Chicago - leaflets, newsletters, pamphlets of branch membership, notices of events, 1945, 1975-76
6. IWW Branch Office: Great Britain - newsletter *The Industrial*
7. IWW Branch Office: Guam - leaflets, 1975
8. IWW Branch Office: Hawaii - newscipping and leaflets, 1975-76
9. IWW Branch Office: New York City - bulletins, notices of events, newsletters and leaflets, 1973-76
10. IWW Branch Office: San Diego - leaflets, 1975
11. IWW Branch Office: San Francisco - newsletters, *Solidarity* and *The Organizer*, and leaflets, 1972-76
15. "Clarence Irwin and Steelworkers" by Len Calabrese: article on, and Thompson correspondence, 1972
17. "Ludlow Tent Colony and Its Destruction" by Lowell Gudmundson - article and correspondence, 1971
19. IWW - Special Events - correspondence, leaflets newscplings on Joe Hill movie (1970) and the Opera "Columbine" (1973)
Series II
Box 2

This series contains materials on the Socialist Party of the U.S.A., both on the national and local level. There are local bulletins and leaflets, and minutes, reports and campaign newsclippings covering the 1974-1976 national conventions and the Socialist Party's president, Frank Zeidler. The series is arranged alphabetically by region, with national materials at the end.

Box 2

1. California, Socialist Reconstruction - bulletin and leaflets, 1972
2. Colorado, Denver, Socialist Party's Committee for Socialist Education - bulletins and brief outline of Socialist Party Development since World War II, 1974-75
8-15. Socialist Party, National - convention minutes, campaign bulletins, newsclippings, reports, platforms, newsletter, 1968-76
This is a subject file series covering the activities of various committees, groups and organizations that were of interest to Mr. Thompson. There are pamphlets, notes, newscclippings, bulletins, leaflets, flyers and articles pertaining to each group. The series is arranged alphabetically by organization or subject.

Box 3

1. Anarchist materials - pamphlets, newsletters, announcements concerning various anarchist events, 1972-73
2-4. Campus, students, and unions - pamphlets, notes, newscclippings, correspondence and leaflets for possible article by Mr. Thompson, 1960's
5. Central Organization of Swedish Workers (S.A.C.) - negotiation meetings, 1969
6. Committee on Canadian Labor History - Bulletin, Spring 1976
7. Committee for Democratic Election Laws - correspondence and report, 1973
9. Libertation Communism - bulletin, April 1974
10. Illinois Labor History Society - releases, pamphlets and events, 1970-76
11. May First Demonstration, Chicago - leaflets, 1976
12. Organizations, Other, Chicago - one or two leaflets each from various groups in the Chicago area, 1973-75
13. Potential Progress - bulletins from Progress Unlimited, April - June 1948
14. Radical Conferences - leaflets, flyers and newsletters covering various conferences on radical issues, 1973
15. Repression - notes and newsclippings for research material on series of articles Mr. Thompson wrote in the Industrial Worker, 1969-70
This series contains two legal cases, the first is Industrial Workers of the World v. Attorney General of the United States, which was an attempt by the IWW to get its name taken off the Attorney General's subversive organizations list. The second case is Frederick W. Thompson v. Immigration and Naturalization Service. Here Mr. Thompson is seeking U.S. citizenship. The cases contain legal briefs, motions, orders, petitions, cases in support, transcripts, lawyers' notes, printed material, and newsclippings. Also included is a section of correspondence relative to both cases. The series is arranged alphabetically.

**Box 4**

1. IWW v. Attorney General of the United States - account record, complaint, motions, orders, replies, notice of appeals, exhibits and judgments, 1965-68
2. IWW v. Attorney General of the United States - affidavit and verification of General Secretary of the IWW, 1961, 1967
3. IWW v. Attorney General of the United States - ACLU: Docket of cases and general guide to litigation procedures and practices, May and June 1966
5. IWW v. Attorney General of the United States - case in support: Harry Reston Bridges, 1941
11. IWW v. Attorney General of the United States - case in support: IWW petition of Oskar Sokol

**Box 5**

3. IWW v. Attorney General of United States - list of IWW pamphlets, articles, notes
7-14. Case correspondence, 1963-67

**Box 6**

1-6. Case correspondence, 1939-62
23. Thompson v. INS - Billings and receipts, 1946-61
26. Thompson v. INS - citizenship notes written by Mr. Thompson, n.d.

**Box 7**

1. Thompson v. INS - drafts and notes, n.d.
2-5. Thompson v. INS - lawyers' notes, n.d.
6. Thompson v. INS - newsclippings, 1962-68
7. Thompson v. INS - printed materials: reply, brief for appellee, brief for respondent in opposition, calendar of cases in U.S. Court of Appeals, appeal, 1963-64
Part 2

Series V
Industrial Workers of the World, Historical Studies, 1919-1985
Boxes 8-11

Files relating to the history of the IWW. This series is divided into the following three subseries:

**Subseries A: Studies of IWW Activities, 1919-1985, Boxes 8-11**
Correspondence, manuscripts, clippings and other material received by Mr. Thompson from researchers studying the history of the IWW from 1905 to the 1930s. Subjects include the free speech fights in Fresno, Spokane and San Diego, anti-IWW activities in Bisbee, Arizona, the Pacific Northwest and Alaska, and IWW organizing in the United States, Canada, Latin America, Africa, and Australia. Files are arranged alphabetically by subject.

**Subseries B: IWW in Art, Fiction and Drama, 1978-1981, Box 11**
Correspondence, manuscripts, clippings and other materials sent to Mr. Thompson depicting the history and activities of the IWW in art, fiction and drama from 1905 to 1980. Subjects include plays and films about the IWW in Centralia, Washington, Joe Hill and Mary "Mother" Jones. Files are arranged alphabetically by subject.

**Subseries C: IWW Historical Inquiries, 1968-1981, Box 11**
Correspondence with researchers requesting information about the IWW from Mr. Thompson. Subjects include the women in the New England textile mills, IWW trials, and IWW organizing in Rhode Island, West Virginia, and other states.
Subseries A

Box 8

1. Africa; correspondence, 1983-1985
2. Alaska [c.1920-1921]; documents from State Archives, 1985
3-10. Alaska, 1919-1921; documents and correspondence, 1985
11. Alaska; correspondence, 1976, 1980
12. "Alaska during World War I"; manuscript, 1984
13-14. Alaska Labor Union; minutes, 1919
17. Australia, 1905-1930; notes, n.d.

Box 9

8. Chicago IWW Headquarters; correspondence, 1974
11. Cleveland, 1934-1945; manuscript, 1979
18-20. Hawaii, c.1911-c.1923; correspondence, 1974-1980
24. IWW Local History; correspondence, 1978-1981
28-30. "Le Wobblies del Sur," IWW in Chile and Mexico, 1974
Box 10

1-3. Marine Transport Workers Union, 1930s; correspondence, 1975-1984
4. Minnesota; correspondence, 1977-1978
5. Paterson Silk Strike, 1913; correspondence & clippings, 1973-1974
7-8. Philadelphia Marine Transport Workers Union, 1913-1926; manuscript, 1975
10. Sacramento Trials, 1913-1925; correspondence & manuscript, 1984

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11-12. San Diego Free Speech Fight, 1912; correspondence, 1975-1979
13-14. San Diego Free Speech Fight, 1912; manuscript, 1974
25. San Pedro, 1923-1924; correspondence, 1985
26. Schenectady, N.Y., 1905-1908; correspondence, 1974-1975
27. Spokane Free Speech Fight, 1909; correspondence, 1977

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1-6. Wichita Trials, 1917-1919; correspondence & manuscript, 1973-1979
8. Yakima, Wash., 1933; correspondence & notes, 1975, 1977

Subseries B


Subseries C

14-20. IWW Historical Inquiries; correspondence, 1968-1981
Correspondence, clippings, manuscripts, and other items concerning IWW members from 1912 through 1985. The material, collected by Mr. Thompson, includes biographical information about IWW leaders Joe Hill, William Haywood, Frank Little and other members of the IWW. The series contains correspondence between Mr. Thompson and IWW members and other material received by Mr. Thompson from researchers studying IWW leaders and members, including the manuscript for Joe Hill by Gibbs Smith. Files are arranged alphabetically.

**Box 11**

21. -A-
22. Arrest Records, 1912, 1915, 1918
23. -B-
24. Biography Notes, n.d.
25. -C-
27. Chance, Bill; correspondence, 1981-1982
29. Di Gaetano, Nick; poems & eulogy, 1982

**Box 12**

1. Finnish IWW Members; notes re: interviews, 1968
2. Fletcher, Ben; correspondence & notes, 1972-1984
3. Flynn, Elizabeth Gurley; correspondence, 1976, 1979-1980
4. Fox, Jay; correspondence & notes, 1948, 1974
5. -G-
6. -H-
7-8. Hall, Covington, correspondence, manuscript & notes, 1975-1985

**Box 13**
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1-2. Hill, Joe; manuscript for Gibbs Smith book, 1966
6. -K-
7. Kailaya, Emily; correspondence, 1982
8. Ledford, Craig; article, 1975
9-11. Little, Frank; correspondence, 1981-1985
12. -M-
16. -N-
17. O'Hare, Kate Richards; correspondence, 1975-1977
18-19. O'Hare, Kate Richards; manuscript, 1975
21. -R-
22. -S-
25. Taft, Philip; obituaries, 1976
27. Trautmann, William; correspondence & notes, 1977
32. Tussey, Dick; correspondence & clippings, 1981
33. Vogel, Virgil; clipping, 1984
34. -W-

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Series VII
Industrial Workers of the World, Branch Activities, 1973-1986
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Newsletters, minutes, clippings, correspondence, and other items collected by Mr. Thompson concerning the activities of the national IWW and IWW branch offices from 1973 through 1986. Most of the materials are newsletters and leaflets concerning activities of the IWW branches. Files are arranged alphabetically by branch, with the United States branch offices placed first, followed by files of materials concerning nationwide IWW activities in the United States, and then files concerning IWW branches outside the United States.

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6-7. Chicago; newsletters, Apr 1976 - Dec 1979
12. Juneau, Alaska; leaflets, 1982
13. Los Angeles; leaflet, 1977
16. Portland, Ore.; newsletter, 1974
17-18. San Francisco; clippings, 1980
21. Tacoma-Olympia, Wash.; leaflets, minutes, 1974-1978
22-23. IWW National Activities, 1976-1979, 1986
26. Guam; leaflet, n.d.
27. Toronto; newsletter, 1978
28. Vancouver; newsletters, 1984-1985
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Boxes 15-16

Newsletters, leaflets, minutes, convention proceedings, and other materials concerning the activities of the Socialist Party, U.S.A. both on the national and local level form 1973 through 1981. Also included in the series are materials from the Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee from 1974 and "The Oar," a newsletter criticizing the Socialist Party, U.S.A., written by Virgil Vogel. Files are arranged alphabetically by organization and subject.

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29. Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee; pamphlet, n.d.
30. Free Socialist; newsletter, 1977
32. Socialist Party, U.S.A. - Colorado; newsletters, 1975
34. Socialist Party, U.S.A. - Florida; newsletter, 1979

Box 16

Correspondence, manuscripts, leaflets and other material concerning various labor and socialist history topics sent to Mr. Thompson by researchers and labor and socialist history organizations. Subjects include the Knights of Labor, the theory of the general strike, the Pullman Porters, Finnish radicalism, labor history films, the Ludlow Tent Colony and socialist women. Files are arranged alphabetically by subject.

**Box 16**

28-31. Chicago Labor History Tour; guide, n.d.

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17. Haymarket Riot, 1886; newspapers, 1986  
18. "Hobo Attitudes in Light of the Conditions of His World;" manuscript, 1978  
21. Illinois Labor History Society; correspondence, 1977

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4. "Integration of the CIO into the Permanent War Economy;" manuscript, n.d.  
5. Knights of Labor Symposium; correspondence, 1979  
17. Labor Education; clippings, newsletters, 1977-1979, 1984  

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1. Labor History Films; notes, n.d.  
2-4. Labor History Films; pamphlets, n.d.  
5-7. Labor History Inquiries; correspondence, 1975-1980, 1984  
8. Labor History Inquiries; notes, n.d.  
9-10. Labor History Societies; correspondence, 1975-1982  
15. Ludlow Tent Colony; correspondence, manuscript, 1971
16-17. May Day; correspondence, clippings, 1978-1985
19-21. Pullman Porters, 1913-1924; manuscript, 1981
Box 20

25. U.S. Government & Labor Relations & the Wagner Act; manuscript, 1979
Leaflets, newsletters, clippings, and other items concerning various social and political committees and organizations that were of interest to Mr. Thompson. Files are arranged alphabetically by organization or subject.

**Box 20**

26. Anti-Draft Rally; leaflets, Jul 4, 1980
27. Black Liberation Month News; newspaper, Feb 1978
28. Cassandra Peten Defense Committee; leaflets, 1978
29. Chicago Area Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (CACOSH), 1975
30. Chicago Citizens Committee to Save Lives in Chile, 1978
31. Chicago Committee for the Support of the Nicaraguan People, [1978]
32. Committee for the ERA; correspondence, leaflets, 1978
33. Cook County Teachers Union; clippings, newsletters, 1978

**Box 21**

1. Freespace; newsletter, 1978
2. Industrial Union Caucus in Education; correspondence, 1980-1982
3. Industrial Union Caucus in Education; leaflets, n.d.
5. International Women's Day; leaflet, 1978
6. Iranian Students Association; correspondence, leaflets, 1978
7. Irish Republican Clubs of North America; correspondence, [1978]
8. Irish Socialist Party; leaflet, n.d.
9. May Day Meeting; leaflets, May 5, 1979
10. Miners Right to Strike Committee; newsletter, 1978
11. Miners Speak; newsletter, 1979
14. News from Libertarian Spain; newsletter, 1979
15. New World Resource Center; newsletters, 1978
16. Open Road; newspaper, 1977
17. Palestine Solidarity Committee; newsletter, May 1978
18. Puerto Rican Solidarity Committee; leaflet, n.d.
19. Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade; newsletter, 1978
26. The New Patriot Alliance; leaflet, 1978
27. Workers' Defense Coalition; leaflet, newsletter, 1977-1978
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Part 3

Series XI

Industrial Workers of the World Activities (predominantly 1962-1987)

Boxes 22-27

Drafts of each chapter of The History of the IWW and The IWW Tells Its Story are included along with manuscripts, notes and information written and collected by Mr. Thompson including IWW books, history, projects, and administration, as well as topics of interest to the IWW and Mr. Thompson. A small amount of autobiographical information is also included. Files are arranged alphabetically by subject or type of material.

Non-manuscript material:
Three photographs of Mr. Thompson have been placed in the Archives Audiovisual Collection.

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1. Alaska; notes, c.1905-08
2. Arizona; notes, c.1901-21
3. Autobiographical, Thompson, Aino Johanna; membership card, license, 1943, 1963
4. Autobiographical, Thompson, Frederick W.; membership cards, 1935-75
5. Autobiographical, Thompson, Frederick W.; memorial meeting, 1987
6. Autobiographical, Thompson, Frederick W.; personal papers, 1900-1964
7. Autobiographical, Tromater, Florence Thompson; letter, 1986
8. Autobiographical, Velsek, Jenny; letters, 1987
9. Book, History of IWW; Chapter 1 drafts, Introduction (1 of 16)
10. Book; Chapter 2 drafts, 1905-08 (2 of 16)
11. Book; Chapter 3 drafts, 1909-11 (3 of 16)
12. Book; Chapter 4 drafts, Textile Workers, Economic Activities (4 of 16)
13. Book; Chapter 5 drafts, Pittsburgh and Prewar, 1909-13 (5 of 16)

Box 23

1. Book; History of IWW; Chapter 7 drafts, Early Free Speech 1909-11 (7 of 16)
2. Book; Chapter 8 drafts, General Activities, From Free Speech to Industrial Unionism, 1911-12 (8 of 16)
3. Book; Chapter 9 drafts, The Great Textile Strikes, 1912-13 (9 of 16)
4. Book; Chapter 10 drafts, Lumber, Autos, Rubber, Iron & Hops, 1912-13 (10 of 16)
5. Book; Chapter 11 drafts, Hard Times, 1914-15 (11 of 16)
6. Book; Chapter 12 drafts, Jan 1916-Apr 1917 (12 of 16)
7. Book; Chapter 13 drafts, IWW During the War, Apr 1917-Nov 1918 (13 of 16)

8. Book; Chapter 14 drafts, Revolution Around the Corner, Nov 1918-Dec 1919 (14 of 16)
9. Book; Chapter 15, 1920-21 (15 of 16)
10. Book, Chapter 16, 1941-55 (16 of 16)
11-13. Book Notes, History of IWW

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1. Book Reviews; covering c.1803-1980
2. Books and Theses about IWW; notes, info, c.1905-1940s, n.d.
3. Briggs Strike; manuscript, notes, 1932-33
4. Butte Bulletin; notes, c.1918-21
5. Bylaws; n.d.
6. Calendar Project; notes, c.1493-1980
7. Calendar Project; notes, c.1898-1980s
8. California; notes, pamphlet, c.1903-12, 1982
9. Clinton Strike Bulletin; notes, c.1911-15
10. Colorado; notes, c.1903-19
11. Communism; manuscripts, notes, c.1867-1936
12. Conventions; notes, 1948-50
14. Economics; notes, c.B.C.-1978
15. Film Project, "The Wobblies;" notes, info, 1978-80
16. Flyer; One Big Union - Solidarity Forever, n.d.
17-18. Global and Transnational Bargaining; manuscripts, notes, info; c.1771-1983
19. Haymarket; notes, info, 1886-1986

Box 25

1. History Course Notes; covering c.B.C.-1930s
2. History Course Notes/Social History; c.1780-1939
3. History Course Notes/History Working People (Work Peoples College); c.B.C.-1934
4. History/CIO; manuscript, c.1930s
5. History/IWW; manuscripts (FWT), n.d., c.1971
6. History/IWW; notes, c.1905-70
7. History/Labor; notes, c.1878-1981
8. History Sources; notes, c.1911-77
9. History Sources - Local; c.1890s-1975
10. Idaho; notes, c.1890-1960s
11. Illinois; notes, c.1913-1918

12. Kansas; notes, c.1913-64
15. Law/Prisons/Trials; manuscripts, notes, c.1917-84

**Box 26**

1. Library Holdings; listings, 1907-69
2. Louisiana; notes; c.1828-1913
4. Massachusetts; notes, c.1845-1919
5. Membership Figures; notes, 1919-25
6. Michigan; notes, c.1905
7. Minnesota; notes, c.1916-17
8. Mother Jones; notes, c.1859-1922
9. Nazism/Fascism; notes, c.1922-48
10. New Jersey; notes, c.1912-13
12. Newsletter, *The Industrial Worker*; 1932
13. Ohio; manuscript, notes, c.1913-55
14. Oregon; notes, c.1913-53
16. Organization Methods Course; notes, 1935-36
17. Pennsylvania; notes, c.1890-1918
18. Pollution and Unions; manuscript, notes, 1970
20. Publication, *IWW in Theory and Practice*; draft, notes, c.1920-70
23. Racism: Jews/Blacks; notes, c.1866-1968
24. Reading Lists; 1960s
25. Reading Lists; 1969-71
26. Reading Lists; 1973-86
27. Social Change/Stratification; manuscripts, c.1600-2000
28. Social Change/Stratification; notes, info, c.1953-73
Box 27

1. Socialism; manuscripts, c.1905-77
2. Socialism; notes, c.1888-1980
3. Socialism; info, c.1978-80
4. Songs/Games; notes, c.1960-86
5. Technology/Productivity; manuscript, notes, info, c.B.C.-1980
6. Unions/Unionism; manuscripts, n.d.
7. Unions/Unionism; notes, c.1920s-1980s
8. Utah; notes, c.1902-19
9. War/National Defense; manuscripts, notes, c.1919-84
10. Washington; notes, newsletter, c.1910-78
Correspondence from 1932 to 1987, as well as newsletters, minutes and other items collected by Mr. Thompson concerning the IWW, Socialist Party and topics of interest to him. There is correspondence from authors of books about the IWW, including Paul Brissenden, Melvin Dubofsky, and Patrick Renshaw, as well as from university professors teaching the history of the IWW. Because of this, many students wrote to Mr. Thompson while doing research about the IWW during the 1960s and 1970s. There is also correspondence from Socialists, including Virgil Vogel and Frank Zeidler. General correspondence is filed chronologically, and the remainder of the correspondence is filed alphabetically by correspondent, subject or type of material.

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1. Correspondence - General; 1932-38
2. Correspondence - General; 1941-44
3. Correspondence - General; 1945-49
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6. Correspondence - General; 1961-65
7. Correspondence - General; 1967-68
8. Correspondence - General; 1970-71
9. Correspondence - General; 1972
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2. Anderson, Evert; corres., 1968-70
3. Anderson, Stan; corres., 1984
5. Brissenden, Paul F; corres., 1956-57
6. Conlin, Joseph; corres., 1965-66  
7. Dawson, Susan - Bryn Mawr; corres., 1985-87  
8. Dubofsky, Melvin; corres., 1966-69  
10. Georgakas, Dan; corres., 1982-86  
11. Green, Archie; 1984-85  
12. Grondahl, Britta - Sweden; corres.; 1968-74  
13. Keller, Carl - regarding his death; corres.; 1980-82  
14. IWW Calendar Project; corres., 1984-85  
15. IWW Canada; corres., nwsltrs., Jun 1973  
16. IWW Canada; corres.; nwsltrs., Jul-Aug 1973  
17. IWW Film Project - "The Wobblies;" corres., 1976-82  
18. IWW Guam - Shelby Shapiro; corres., 1974-76  
19. IWW Historical Inquiries; corres., 1966-71  
20. IWW Historical Inquiries; corres., 1972-75  
21. IWW Published Works; corres., 1965-71  
22. IWW - Subversive Organization; corres., 1964-72

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1. McEnroe, Tom; corres., 1957-69  
2. Nomura, Tatsuro - Japan; corres., notes, 1973-75  
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