The papers of the President's Office, Warren E. Bow, were placed in the University Archives in May of 1958.

Warren E. Bow served as superintendent of the Detroit Public Schools and president of Wayne University from July, 1942 until his death on May 12, 1945. He was born in Detroit on June 2, 1891, attended Detroit public schools and graduated from University of Illinois in 1914 with a degree in engineering. After service on the Mexican border in 1916 and in France during World War I, he returned to Detroit in 1919 to become a grade principal at Nordstrom High School. Bow became assistant dean of the Detroit Teachers College, the predecessor of Wayne's College of Education, in 1922. He served as its Dean from 1926 to 1930.

Bow was appointed assistant superintendent of schools in 1930 to lead the technical and vocational schools. He became first assistant superintendent in charge of all secondary schools in 1939 and deputy superintendent in 1941. In July of 1942 Warren E. Bow was named superintendent of schools and president of Wayne University. David D. Henry, Executive Vice-President, was the chief administrative officer for the University. From 1936 to 1939 Henry served as Assistant Executive Vice-President and was appointed Executive Vice-President of Wayne University upon the retirement of Charles Spain in 1939. After Bow's death, in May of 1945, the roles of Superintendent and University President were redefined as separate offices. Henry, at 39 years old, was chosen President of Wayne.

The papers in this collection only pertain to Warren E. Bow's position as President of Wayne University. Unfortunately the files do not cover the entire spectrum of University activities and units. In addition, many of the files appear to be incomplete. The collection does reflect the tremendous involvement of David D. Henry, the chief administrative officer for the University.

Important subjects covered in the collection are:
- Barium Hotel, 1943
- Black opposition to Medical Science Center site
- Cadillac Square Building Cafeteria, 1943
- Graysrone Ballroom, 1943
- Kresge Hooker Science Library
- Medical Science Center
- Medicine, College of
- Nursing, establishing the College of
- Psychiatry and Neurology, Department of
- 36th General Hospital Unit
Among the correspondents are: (an index to these will be found on the last page of the guide)

Henry, David D., Executive Vice-President
Johnson, Dr. Victor, Secretary, Council on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association
Johnston, Dr. Charles G.
Norris, Dr. Edgar H., Dean, College of Medicine
Osborn, Chase S.
Pierrot, George F., Executive Secretary, Medical Science Center
Reye, Dr. H.A., Head, Department of Psychiatry and Neurology

Oversize material
Four oversize plans have been removed from the collection and placed with the Archives oversize material. The plans are: Wayne University Medical Center Development (11-18-43) and Preliminary Study of Campus Layout for Wayne University (5-31-44).

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