



## **Guide to the Steve Marlin Papers. LP002667**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Walter P. Reuther Library
<b>Creator:</b>	Marlin, Steve
<b>Title:</b>	Steve Marlin Papers
<b>ID:</b>	LP002667
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1949-1955
<b>Physical Description:</b>	.25 Linear Feet (1 MB)
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	Material entirely in English.
<b>Abstract:</b>	<p>The Steve Marlin Papers is a collection of material relating to the United Labor Party of America and the American Rally Party. These documents were collected by Marlin through his involvement in both political groups. The United Labor Party of America (ULP) was founded in 1946 in Akron, OH. It was a Democratic Workers' Party with the aims of helping American labor provide itself with the political power to protect and realize its best interests. The party expanded membership into several Midwest States, including: Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Illinois. In 1951, the ULP created (and ultimately merged into) the American Rally Party to support the Presidential Candidacy of retired Brigadier General Herbert C. Holdridge. The plan, designed by the American Rally for his candidacy, was for Holdridge to try to take over the 1952 Democratic nominating Convention in California. When the plan failed and Holdridge was rejected, he resigned from the American Rally in November of that same year. After his resignation, the American Rally regrouped and continued to support candidates running for various offices and engage in social and political issues. The American Rally Party was primarily active in the Midwest with the National Office in Detroit, MI, but also had national membership. Living in Ohio, Steve Marlin was first active in the United Labor Party as a representative and in 1950 he was elected as a National Chairman. He also authored and gave speeches for the ULP in Ohio, Michigan, and Pennsylvania. When the American Rally Party was formed, Marlin was active in Holdridge's campaign tour group as his tour secretary in 1951. In 1952 Marlin was elected to the Executive Committee and in 1953, he was elected as Convention Committee Chairman and also served as a Resolutions Committee Chairman. He wrote pieces for the American</p>

Rally's 2nd pre-convention discussion booklet and continued to serve on the National Executive Committee through 1955.

## Citation Style

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## Scope and Content

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This collection documents pieces of the United Labor Party of America and the American Rally Party's history; as well as Steve Marlin's involvement in both organizations. In these files are: pamphlets, newsletters, a newspaper, meeting minutes, proposed by-laws, Presidential campaign materials associated with Herbert Holdridge, and speeches.

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## Arrangement

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Folders are listed by their location within each box. They are not necessarily arranged, so any given subject may be dispersed throughout the entire collection.

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## Administrative Information

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## Acquisition

This collection was donated by Guy McCloskey to the Walter P. Reuther Library in November of 2015.

## Processing History

Processed and finding aid written by Elizabeth Nicholson on April 16, 2018.

## Access

Collection is open for research.

## Use

Refer to the Walter P. Reuther Library "Rules for Use of Archival Materials." Restrictions: Researchers may encounter records of a sensitive nature – personnel files, case records and those involving investigations, legal and other private matters. Privacy laws and restrictions imposed by the Library prohibit the use of names and other personal information which might identify an individual, except with written permission from the Director and/or the donor.

## Other Copies

There is a digital copy of the 1955 American Rally Newspaper located in the Digital Hold.

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## Related Materials

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### Related Materials

Please see collections related to radical politics.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- Radicalism
- Political campaigns

- Eisenhower, Dwight D.
- Reuther, Walter, 1907-1970
- United Labor Party
- Holdridge, Herbert C. (Herbert Charles)

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Instances	
American Rally: 1st National Convention; 1952	Box 1	Folder 1
American Rally: 2nd National Convention; 1953	Box 1	Folder 2
American Rally- Michigan State Convention: Proposed By-Laws; 1952	Box 1	Folder 3
American Rally- National Administrative Board: Meeting Minutes; 1952	Box 1	Folder 4
Newsletter: "The Rally Letter"; 1952-1955	Box 1	Folder 5
Publication: "The Holdridge Campaigner"; 1951	Box 1	Folder 6
Publication: "The Libertarian Socialist"; 1949	Box 1	Folder 7
Published Speech: "Will Walter Reuther Start A Labor Party?" by S. Martin; 1950	Box 1	Folder 8
Speech: "Stand of the National Committee of the American Rally In Opposition to Universal Military Training" by Herbert C. Holdridge; ca. 1951-1952	Box 1	Folder 9
The United Labor Party of America; 1949	Box 1	Folder 10
The American Rally Newspaper; 1955	Box 1	Folder 11