WILLIAM A. RYAN COLLECTION Papers,
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The papers of William A. Ryan were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in December of 1972 by Mr. Ryan and were opened for research in June of 1989.

William A. Ryan was born in Morgantown, West Virginia on May 2, 1919. He was a former president of UAW Local 104, and was later elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in 1958 by the constituency of the 3rd Representative District, Wayne County (part of).

These office papers come from his political period of 1968-1970, during which he was the Democratic Speaker of the House for the Michigan State Legislature. For the most part they consist of correspondence received from his constituency. The important topics covered are Parochiaid, whether the state should help subsidize private schools; and P.A. 100 (Subsection 6 of Section 8a of Act 100, Public Act of 1970), the State School Aid Act. These issues, and other education related issues, are covered in the first three boxes of the collection. The final box covers his general correspondence files, again mainly from his constituents. This correspondence is arranged alphabetically by topic.

Non-manuscript Material:
One photograph relating to the Parochiaid Issue has been placed in the Archives Audio Visual Collection.
Box 1

1. Parochiaid Information, n.d.
2. Parochiaid Petitions, 12/69
3. Clippings and Pamphlets, 2/68-2/70
4. Pro-Parochiaid Correspondence, n.d.
5. Pro-Parochiaid Correspondence, 1/68
6-10. Pro-Parochiaid Correspondence, 2/68
11. Pro-Parochiaid Correspondence, 3/68
12. Pro-Parochiaid Correspondence, 1/69-3/69
13. Pro-Parochiaid Correspondence, 4/69
14. Pro-Parochiaid Correspondence, 5/69
15. Pro-Parochiaid Correspondence, 9/69-10/69
16. Pro-Parochiaid Correspondence, 11/69
17. Pro-Parochiaid Correspondence, 12/69
18-19. Pro-Parochiaid Correspondence, 1/70
20. Pro-Parochiaid Correspondence, 2/70-4/70

Box 2

1. Anti-Parochiaid Correspondence, 3/68
2-3. Anti-Parochiaid Correspondence, 1/69
4-6. Anti-Parochiaid Correspondence, 2/69
7-10. Anti-Parochiaid Correspondence, 3/69
11-12. Anti-Parochiaid Correspondence, 4/69
13. Anti-Parochiaid Correspondence, 5/69
14. Anti-Parochiaid Correspondence and Petitions, 5/69
15. Anti-Parochiaid Correspondence, 4/69-10/69
16. Anti-Parochiaid Correspondence, 12/69

Box 3

1-2. Anti-Parochiaid Correspondence, 12/69
3-4. Anti-Parochiaid Correspondence, 1/70
5. Anti-Parochiaid Correspondence, 2/70
6. Anti P.A. 100, 10/70
7. Anti P.A. 100, 11/70-12/70
8-10. Anti P.A. 100, 1/71
11-12. Anti P.A. 100, 2/71
13. Anti P.A. 100, 2/71-3/71
14. Educational Funding Reform Correspondence, 5/70
15. Education Labor Issues Correspondence, n.d. and 11/69-6/70
16. Educational Programs Correspondence, 10/69-6/70
17. Detroit Bussing and Decentralization Correspondence, n.d. and 4/70-8/70
18. Pontiac Bussing Issue Correspondence, 4/70
19. Student Unrest Correspondence, n.d. and 11/69-5/70
20. College Related Matters Correspondence, 10/69-5/70

Box 4

1. Abortion Correspondence, 12/69-5/70
2. Adoption Correspondence, 9/69-5/70
3. Capitol Parking Correspondence, 4/70-5/70
4. Electoral Fraud Correspondence, 8/70
5. Environmental Issues Correspondence, 2/70-8/70
6. Health Issues Correspondence, 12/69-9/70
7. House Administration Correspondence, 3/69-6/70
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8. Housing Correspondence, 10/69-6/70
9. Legal Reform Correspondence, 11/69-9/70
10. Legislative Services Correspondence, 10/69-10/70
11. Licensing Bills Correspondence, 5/69-8/70
12. Political Communications; correspondence; memos, 3/68-7/70
13. Public Safety Correspondence, 3/70-6/70
14. Horse Racing Correspondence, 5/70-6/70
15. Taxation; correspondence; memos, 4/69-6/70
16. Thank You Letters, 10/69-8/70
17. Welfare Services Correspondence, 10/69-6/70
18. Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1969
19. Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1970