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Wayne University Foundation Records
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1939-1961 [bulk 1950-1961]

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Abstract

The Wayne University Foundation was formed in 1938 to receive and administer financial endowments donated to the university. It was the hope of the university that endowment funds would play a large role in providing the necessary financial stability for Wayne to establish itself as a notable academic institution. Although the foundation existed for more than twenty years, it generated no substantial private donations or legacies. It was finally closed out in April of 1961.

A native Detroit and Wayne University alumnus, William G. Dean was involved in the fiscal growth of Wayne as a State Institution beginning in 1957 when he became Assistant to the Vice President for Business and Finance. In 1959, he was appointed as Coordinator of Fiscal Services. He became Budget Director, Business and Finance, at WSU in 1971 before finally being appointed as Controller and Assistant Treasurer in 1973. He retired from WSU in 1986.

The Wayne University Foundation Records include the financial records, reports, ledgers, and meeting minutes of the Wayne University Foundation from 1939 to 1961.

Important Subjects:

National Bank of Detroit
Trust Finance Board – Wayne State Fund
Wayne University Foundation

Important Names:

Carey, Walter F.
Dodge, Percival
Dow, Douglas
Thomas, Olin

Arrangement

The collection is grouped by material type.

Box 1

1. Bank Deposit Book, 1944-1961
2. Final Check and Bank Statement, 1961
3. Financial Reports, 1956, 1958, 1959
4. Merger Notice and Draft, 1959 November
5. Michigan Annual Report, 1960
6. Minutes, 1950-1959
7. Report to Trustees By Percival Dodge, 1951

Box 2

1. Cash Receipts, 1939-1961
2. Check Register, 1942-1961
3. General Ledger, 1948-1961