

Legislative Scrapbooks

COLLECTION SUMMARY

Collection number: B546 Accession number: 2021.208

Collection Repository: Hennepin History Museum
2303 Third Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55404

Collection Title: Legislative Scrapbook 1964-1973

Dates: 1957-1973

Extent: 1 box

Creator: Unknown

Language of Material: English

ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY

This collection came in a box of 7 or 8 separate scrapbooks. The only context about this collection was an inventory list from the early 2000s. The collection only covers mainstream political parties. The archivist has a theory that there was more of these scrapbooks since they have a distinct naming system (State-Tax, Candidates C-D). She thinks it was secretaries' job to save clippings as a reference archival initiative to document past legislators and preserve institutional knowledge. The archivist thanks whoever saved these clippings because it is truly a wonderful collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The legislators' series comprised of four scrapbooks. The first scrapbook was simply labeled as Candidates. This scrapbook focuses on primaries, campaign events and debates. The archivist appreciated how this scrapbook showed who the non-white male candidates were in a decade not known for its progressive politics. The rest of the scrapbooks mainly focus on white politicians. The second scrapbook focuses on conservative politicians. They are Rolf Nelson, Harmon Ogdahl, Pillsbury and Wolcotts' political career. The archivist would like to remind the researcher that politics was very different in the 1960s as compared to the time this finding aid was written in 2021. This collection is a story that retells itself over and over again. The DFL scrapbooks were the most enlightening. The most absurd politician was Edward Gearty. His political diatribes which were published were very of the time and quite backwards now. He is known for being the last gentleman of the senate and died in 2009. The final scrapbook contained clippings of articles of politicians who just had last names that were alphabetically between the letters H-W. Leo Mosier is particularly interesting if you want to know the history of taxation.

The general legislature folder was simply a scrapbook labeled as general legislature.

The Metropolitan series focuses on four issues: MAC, Park Board, Sewage and taxes. MAC is an acronym that stands for the Metropolitan Airport Council. The council decided that the Twin Cities needed another airport. One was built in Saint Paul. The clippings tell an interesting story of communities that wanted the benefits of having an airport and objecting when the land near them is on the contender list because of noise complaints. The Sewage was fascinating it shows struggle of the cities and the suburbs to work together.

The series are:

1. Legislators
2. Metropolitan

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COLLECTION INVENTORY

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Folder No.</u>	
1	1	Archivist Notes

Series 1: Legislators

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Folder No.</u>	
1	2-5	Candidates folder 1-4
1	6	Conservative Legislators: Rolf Nelson
1	7	Conservative Legislators: Harmon Ogdahl
1	8	Conservative Legislators: Pillsbury & Wolcott
1	9	DFL Legislators: Jack Davies

1	10	DFL Legislators: Stan Enebo
1	11	DFL Legislators: Edward Gearty
1	12	DFL Legislators: Victor Jude
1	13	DFL Legislators: Richard Parish
1	14	DFL Legislators: Paul Petrafeso
1	15	DFL Legislators: Martin Sabo
1	16	DFL Legislators: John Salchett
1	17	DFL Legislators: John Skeate
1	18	DFL Legislators: Jim Swanson
1	19	H-W: Vernon Hoppe
1	20	H-W: John Kozlak
1	21	H-W: Jack McFarlin
1	22	H-W: Henry McKnight
1	23	H-W: Leo Mosier
1	24	H-W: Eugene Welter
1	25	H-W: Donald Wright
1	26	H-W: Richard White
1	27	General Legislature

Series 2: Metropolitan

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Folder No.</u>	
1	28	MAC F. 1
1	29	MAC F. 2
1	30	MAC F. 3
1	31	Park Board & Sewage
1	32	Park Board & Sewage
1	33	Tax F. 1

1	34	Tax F. 2
1	35	Tax F. 3