

GOOD NEIGHBOR LEAGUE PAPERS

1936 - 1939

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Related Materials: Material relating to the Good Neighbor League will be found in PPF 3435 (Good Neighbor League, Inc.), OF 2443 (Good Neighbor League), PSF: Subject File (Good Neighbor League, 1936), and the Stephen Early Papers: Subject File (Good Neighbor League).

The Good Neighbor League was incorporated in April, 1936, to assist in the re-election campaign of President Roosevelt. It attempted to organize public opinion for the President by emphasizing the social and economic progress achieved under the New Deal. It directed most of these efforts toward labor, the clergy and the Negro. Stanley High, a journalist served as the League's first director. After the 1936 election, Charles Stelzle, a sociologist, became director and the League operated on a reduced scale, supporting such causes as the Child Labor Amendment and the Sesquicentennial celebration of the United States Constitution. The Board of Directors included Edward J. Flynn, James L. Houghteling, Walter A. Jones and Sol A. Rosenblatt. The League was dissolved in March, 1939.

The papers are arranged in three series as follows:

I. Correspondence File (Containers 1-9)

Arranged alphabetically by broad subject area and thereunder by surname of correspondent and subject. Incoming and outgoing correspondence, memoranda, reports, ledgers, account books, check stubs and publicity material. The dates enclosed in parenthesis indicate the inclusive years of the correspondence.

II. Printed Material File (Containers 10-20)

Container 10 includes articles, campaign material and press releases arranged by subject. Containers 11-20 are scrapbooks of newspaper clippings arranged in rough chronological order.

III. Membership Files (Containers 21-52)

A card catalog of membership with separate files for general membership, the clergy, and Negros. Each of these files is arranged alphabetically by state, then by city or town and finally by surname of the member.

I. CORRESPONDENCE FILE

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Board of Directors

Flynn, Edward J. (1937-38)
Houghteling, James L. (1936-39)
Jones, Walter A. (1937-39)
Rosenblatt, Sol A. (1937-39)

Colored Committee

Miscellaneous (1936-39)
Wright, Bishop R. R. (1936-38)

Executive Board

Clinchy, Rev. Russell J. (1936-37)
Coleman, George W. (1936-37)
Dickerson, Walker T. (1936-38)
Edison, Charles (1936-38)
Gregory, Clifford V. (1937)
Harrison, George M. (1936-38)
Hurst, Fannie (1936, 1938)
Lampert, Samuel C. (1936-38)
Lapp, John A. (1936-37)
Lazaron, Morris S. (1936-37)
Leach, Henry G. (1936-37)
McCall, Chester H. (1937-38)
Milton, George Fort (1936-37)
O'Ryan, John F. (1936-38)

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Executive Board (continued)

Peabody, George Foster (1936-37)
Pennybacker, Mrs. Percy V. (1936-37)
Ransom, Bishop R. C. (1936-37)
Rowe, Leo S. (1937)
Sternberger, Mrs. Estelle M. (1937-39)
Sutton, Willis A. (1937-38)

Financial Matters

Bank Correspondence (1936-38)
Bank Reconciliations (1936-39)
Budgets - Out of Town (1936)
Contributors (1936-39)
Democratic National Committee (1936-38)
Expense Accounts - Barr - LeSourd (1936)
Myers - Stidger (1936)
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Receipts (1936-38)
Reports to House of Representatives (1936-38)

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 The White House-James Roosevelt (1937)
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 Luncheons and Dinners of GNL (1936)
 Sesquicentennial of U.S. Constitution

II. PRINTED MATERIAL FILE

10 Labor Articles and Editors' Comments
Lists - Dem. Nat'l. Committeemen and Women
Newspapers and Campaign Material (1)
Newspapers and Campaign Material (2)
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