

Preliminary Guide to the Wendell Willkie Presidential Campaign Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 556

CREATOR: Willkie, Wendell L. (Wendell Lewis), 1892-1944

TITLE: Wendell Lewis Willkie presidential campaign papers

DATES: 1940

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 2.75 linear feet

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The papers consist of press releases, subject files, speeches, clippings, organization files and campaign ephemera from the presidential campaign conducted by Wendell Willkie in 1940.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Accession received from Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, 6 October 1989.

Conditions Governing Access

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

Wendell Willkie received his A.B. from Indiana University in 1913. He was admitted to the Indiana bar in 1916, and practiced law in Indiana and New York. In 1940, Willkie became a candidate for president of the United States.

Scope and Contents

The papers consist of press releases, subject files, speeches, clippings, organization files and campaign ephemera from the presidential campaign conducted by Wendell Willkie in 1940.

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Original accession

b. 1	ALS to Mrs. Robert Franklin Ives	1940 April 18
b. 1	Press releases	
b. 1	1940 Sep 13-Oct 22	
b. 2, f. 9-10	1940 Oct 23-Nov 1	
	Subject files	
b. 2, f. 11	Agriculture	
b. 2, f. 12	Bureaucracy	
b. 2, f. 13	18th Congressional district, New York	
b. 2, f. 14-15	Finance	
b. 2, f. 16	Foreign affairs	
b. 2, f. 17	Foreign trade	
b. 3, f. 18	Foreign trade	
b. 3, f. 19	General economic conditions	
b. 3, f. 20	Government and business	
b. 3, f. 21	Hatch Act	
b. 3, f. 22	Housing	
b. 3, f. 23	Judiciary and court plan	
b. 3, f. 24	Labor and N.L.R.B.	
b. 3, f. 25	LaGuardia, Mayor Fiorello H.	
b. 3, f. 26	Machines	
b. 3, f. 27	Motion picture industry	
b. 3, f. 28-29	National defense	
b. 4	National defense	
b. 4	Negroes	
b. 4	Roosevelt, President Franklin D.	
b. 4	Roosevelt, replies to	
b. 4	Social Security, Old Age Pension, Unemployment Insurance	
b. 4	Third term	

Subject files (continued)

b. 4	Tolerance
b. 4	Unemployment relief
b. 4	Utilities
b. 4	Votes
b. 4	Wallace, Henry A.
b. 4	W.P.A.
b. 4	Youth
b. 5	Speeches and excerpts (miscellaneous)
b. 5	Clippings and leaflets
b. 5	Associated Willkie Clubs of America: "We the People" Willkie campaign: mimeographed material
b. 5	Manhattan Campaign Committee for Willkie and McNary: instructions to volunteers
b. 5	Independent Speakers Bureau: schedule, speeches, miscellaneous papers
b. 5	"Dead End Kid" speeches English
b. 5	Campaign buttons
b. 6	Unprocessed papers (clippings, press releases, notes)

Accession 1991-M-011: Additional Material

b.1	Leaflets, articles, clippings, and miscellaneous papers	1939 Apr, 1940 August–Nov, undated
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Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Campaign literature, 1940 -- Republican

Geographic Names

United States -- Politics and government

Occupations

Politicians

Names

Willkie, Wendell L. (Wendell Lewis), 1892-1944

Corporate Body

Republican Party (U.S. : 1854-)