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HUBERT H. HUMPHREY PAPERS

An Inventory of His Mayor's Political Files

OVERVIEW

Creator: Humphrey, Hubert H. (Hubert Horatio), 1911-1978.
Title: Mayor's political files.
Date: 1935-1951.
Quantity: 5.75 cu. ft. (6 boxes).
Location: See Detailed Description section for box locations.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS

Correspondence, platform and policy documents, campaign and other promotional literature, statements, clippings, publicity items, and assorted background materials and issuances pertaining to Humphrey's 1944 and 1947 campaigns for mayor of Minneapolis; to activities of the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party, the Democratic National Committee, and the Americans for Democratic Action during the period of his mayoralty; and to Humphrey's political contemporaries. Some files contain items that predate or postdate Humphrey's service as mayor.

ORGANIZATION

The files are organized into six sections: 1945 Mayoralty Campaign; 1947 Mayoralty Campaign; Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party; Democratic National Committee; Political Personalities; and Americans for Democratic Action. They comprise boxes 24-29 of Humphrey's mayoralty files.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Processing Information:
Catalog ID No.: 1735846

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Note to Researchers: These files have been organized into a logical structure and sequence, but have not been arranged or analyzed in detail. The box number as assigned to these files during initial processing has been retained. To request materials, please note both the location and box number shown below.

1945 Mayoralty Campaign, 1935-1945. partial box.

Correspondence, campaign plans, platform and policy documents, brochures and literature, news releases and statements, advertising and publicity, clippings, and other general materials related to or acquired for Humphrey's 1945 campaign for mayor of Minneapolis. Most of the papers, which were created or collected in Humphrey's office and/or by the Humphrey for Mayor Volunteer Committee, cover the years 1943-1945.

Location	Box	
150.A.7.8F	24	Biographical Sketch, Hubert H. Humphrey, [1945?]. Campaign, 1944. Campaign Bills, Statements, Receipts, and Cancelled Checks, 1944-1945. Campaign Literature, 1943-1945. 2 folders. Campaign Plans, Policy Committee, 1944. Contracts, Advertising and Publicity, 1943. Correspondence, Miscellaneous, undated and January-June, 1945. Delegates to DFL Convention, 1944. Election Returns (Newspaper), 1935-1943. Expenditure Statement, 1945. Kasherman, Arthur: Murder, 1945. [Marvin L.] Kline Campaign Literature and Clippings, 1941-1945. Law Enforcement: Police Chief Amendment, 1943-1945. Mayoralty Information: General, 1945. Military Draft: Clippings, etc. re Humphrey, 1944-1945. Minneapolis Political Maps, 1943-1944. <i>Minneapolis Labor Review</i> , April-June 1943. News Releases and Statement, 1943, 1945. 2 folders. Newspaper Advertising, 1945. Platform, Humphrey, 1945. Political Letter from H. H. Humphrey, Sr., undated. Radio and Movie Advertising, 1945. Requests for Campaign Materials, etc., 1945. Special Campaign Letters, 1945. Speech Notes, 1943[?]-1945. Veterans Organizations, 1945. Volunteers, 1945. Young Businessmen's Committee for Humphrey, 1945.

Location	Box	
150.A.7.8F	24	Humphrey for Mayor Speeches: Republicans for Humphrey, June 6, 1943. United Veterans of America/Humphrey for Mayor Veterans Committee, 1945. James Bolin, May 4, 1945. Tom Davis, WLOL, June 9, 1945.

1947 Mayoralty Campaign. 2 partial boxes.

Subject files, arranged alphabetically, which include Humphrey's certificate of election as mayor, advertising and publicity materials, newspapers and clippings, press releases, radio speeches and other speech materials, budget and expenditure records, data on volunteers, congratulatory letters to Humphrey, and his thank-you letters for support, cooperation, and work during his 1947 campaign for reelection as mayor of Minneapolis. Also included is a folder of correspondence and a talk given by Humphrey endorsing Robert I. Wishart as the candidate for Minneapolis 8th Ward alderman.

Location	Box	
150.A.7.8F	24	Advertising and Publicity. Budget and Expenditures. Certificate of Election. Clippings. <i>Minneapolis Leader</i> (DFL), Vol. 17 No. 15, March 1947. Congratulations, General Election. 3 folders. Correspondence. 2 folders.
150.A.8.1B	25	Newspapers. 2 folders. Platform. Radio Speeches. 2 folders. By Humphrey and others. Humphrey speeches are duplicated in the Speech Text Files (separately cataloged). Releases. Speech Material. Speeches by Others. Thank You Letters. Volunteers. Wishart, Robert I.

Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party, 1946-1948. 1 box and 1 partial box.

A set of subject files maintained by the Humphrey office, containing information on all aspects of the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party during 1946-1948. They include correspondence, clippings, campaign literature, speeches, and files on issues, committees, conventions (state, county, and national), "Left Wing" groups, volunteers, and the Young DFL Club (state and national). Humphrey's stand on civil rights is documented in these files by correspondence, clippings, and a copy of the speech he delivered at the Democratic National Convention, July 14, 1948.

Location	Box	
150.A.8.1B	25	Air Power and National Security, 1948. Caucuses, 1948. Civil Rights Clippings, 1948. Civil Rights Correspondence, 1948. 7 folders. Civil Rights Speech, 1948. Clippings, 1946-1948. Congressional Bills, 1948. Correspondence, undated and 1946-March 1948. 3 folders.
150.A.8.2F	26	Correspondence, April-November 1948. 2 folders. County Conventions; District Meetings; Hennepin County Convention, 1948. 1 folder. Democratic National Convention, 1948. Democratic National Platform, undated and 1948. 2 folders. Democratic National Platform: Pressure Group Proposals, 1948. Democratic National Platform: Veterans Program, 1948. Issues, 1948. Lawsuit, 1948. Left Wing, undated and 1946-1948. 2 folders. Miscellaneous Campaign Literature, 1946-1948. Newsletter, 1947-1948; <i>Minnesota Leader</i> , 1946-1947; <i>Minnesota Outlook</i> , 1948. 1 folder. Report on Congress and Eighth Congressional District, undated and 1946. Requests for Pamphlets and Other Materials, 1948. Speeches and Speech Materials, 1948. One unidentified; may be Humphrey. State Central Committee, 1946-1948; State Executive Committee, 1948. 1 folder. State Convention, 1948. State Iron Ore Tax, 1947. State Platform and Constitution, undated. Volunteers, undated and 1944-1948. 2 folders. Correspondence, clippings, and miscellany, apparently gathered for use in later campaign work. Young DFL Clubs: Correspondence, News Releases, and Miscellaneous, 1947. Young DFL Clubs: Membership Lists, 1947.

Democratic National Committee, 1946-1948. partial box.

Files of correspondence, literature, speeches, speaking requests, magazine articles, and other miscellaneous material received or sent by Humphrey's office relating current information on the Democratic party and its issues. Included are copies of *Capital Comment* and *Democratic Digest*, both published by the Democratic National Committee.

Location	Box	
150.A.8.3B	27	<i>Capital Comment</i> , with indexes, May 1947 - July 1948. Correspondence, 1946-1948. 2 folders. <i>Democratic Digest</i> , March 1947 - April 1948. Foreign Economic program, Marshall Plan, 1947-1948. Literature and Bulletins, 1947-1948. Miscellaneous, undated and 1947-1948. Speaking Requests, 1948. Speeches, August-September, 1947. Non-Humphrey.

Political Personalities, 1942-1948. partial box.

A collection of background information consisting of correspondence, clippings, campaign literature, and some biographical data, arranged alphabetically by surname of individual.

Location	Box	
150.A.8.3B	27	Ball, Joseph H., undated and 1947-1948. 2 folders. Blatnik, John, undated. Christie, Thomas N., 1946-1948. Dickman, Ralph, 1944-1945. Douglas, Justice William O., 1948. Dunn, Roy, 1944-1945. Eisenhower, Dwight D., 1948. Freeman, Orville, 1948. Johnson, Viena, 1945. Jorgenson, Theodore, 1948. Killen, Mrs. Marcella F., 1948. MacKinnan, George, 1948. Matthews, George W., undated. Simmons, Reverend John, 1948. Stanchfield, Dale, 1945. Stassen, Harold, 1942-1948. Truman, Harry, 1944-1948. Wallace, Henry A., undated and 1944-1948. 2 folders. Williams, Howard Y., 1948. Youngdahl, Luther W., 1948.

Americans for Democratic Action, 1947-1951. 2 boxes.

Correspondence, memos, reports, minutes, policy and program statements, press releases, publicity materials, speeches, information on conventions and Students for Democratic Action, and issues of *ADA World*, the biweekly publication of the Americans for Democratic Action. Humphrey was national vice chairman of the organization from 1947 to 1949, chairman from 1949 to 1950, then vice chairman again in 1950-1951. His views on current issues and Democratic party problems are reflected in much of the correspondence.

Location	Box	
150.A.8.4F	28	Civil Rights Program, 1948. Committees: Executive and Political, 1947-1948. Conference, Washington, D.C., 1947. Congratulatory Letters, 1947. Convention, 1949-1949, 1951. 3 folders. Convention, Minnesota, 1947. Correspondence and Miscellany, undated and 1947-1951. 7 folders. Economic Program, 1947. Farm Conference, 1949. Foreign Policy, 1947-1948. Memos, Bulletins, and Statements from National Office, 1947-1951. 4 folders.
150.A.8.5B	29	Minutes of Executive Committee and National Board, 1947-1951. 2 folders. Press Releases, 1947-1951. 4 folders. Printed Brochures, etc., 1947-1950. Publicity, 1947-1948. Reports, 1947-1948. Roosevelt Day Dinners, 1949-1950. Speaking Requests, 1948. Speeches, 1947. Non-Humphrey. Students for Democratic Action, 1947-1949. <i>World</i> , 1947-1951. 2 folders.