

**Earl Mann
Papers**

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Biographical Information

Born in Iowa in 1886, Earl Mann attended business college in his home state, and then went on to serve in France and Germany during World War I, where he earned the rank of Lieutenant, a rank not attained by many African Americans at the time.

Lieutenant Mann came to Denver in 1918 to be treated for war wounds at Fitzsimmons Army Hospital, and, after recuperating, made Denver his home. In 1942, he became the first black elected to the Colorado Legislature in the 20th century, and served five consecutive terms in the House of Representatives.

At various times during his working life, Mann was Deputy Federal Marshall of the United States District Court, and was a clerk for the Denver Water Department.

Mann was an active member of the American Legion and the Disabled American Veterans. He was also an editorial columnist for the *Colorado Statesman* and the *Denver Post*.

Earl Mann died in Denver in 1969.

Scope and Content

The Earl Mann Papers (1919-1968) include material relating to Mann's military career, personal life, and his involvement in public life as a member of the Colorado State Legislature. The collection is rich in correspondence, photographs, newspaper clippings, and publications that relate to African Americans in the 1940s-1960s.

Series

- Series I: General**
- Series II: Correspondence**
- Series III: Military**
- Series IV: Photographs**
- Series V: Publications**

Material from: 1919-1968

Box 1

The Earl Mann Papers have been organized into five series: general, correspondence, military, photographs, and publications. The first series, general, includes general personal papers and is arranged alphabetically. The second series, correspondence, consists of correspondence from specific individuals, the White House, and Congress. It is arranged alphabetically. The third series, military, includes the papers kept by Mann regarding his military career. The fourth series, photographs, consists of photos of Mann taken with other individuals. The fifth series, publications, includes publications gathered by Mann. These include many house and senate texts. This series is arranged alphabetically.

Container Listing

Series I: General

Box 1

Box 1	FF1	Board of Water Commissioners: Denver, Board Retirement Plan	1944
Box 1	FF2	Certificate of Service as member of the Denver Citizen's Budget Committee	1958
Box 1	FF3	Delayed Certificate of Birth	1956

Box 1	FF4	Junior Society of Christian Endeavors Diploma	1902
Box 1	FF5	Membership Card Urban League of Denver	1954-1968, n.d.
Box 1	FF6	Newspaper Clippings	1930s-1950s
Box 1	FF7	Retirement and Disability Plan: Denver	1946
Box 1	FF8	Wallet, Lifetime pass to the Centennial Turf Club, United States Army Medical Service, State of Colorado Civil Defense Agency, Health Insurance, Disabled Officers Association and Water Department Employees Association Cards	1954-1968, n.d.

Series II: Correspondence

Box 1

Box 1	FF9	Congress of the United States	1958 and 1962
Box 1	FF10	Dan Thornton	1958
Box 1	FF11	General Correspondence	1957-1961
Box 1	FF12	Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller	1960
Box 1	FF13	State of Colorado	1957 and 1961
Box 1	FF14	United States Senate	1953 and 1958
Box 1	FF15	White House	1952-1954
Box 1	FF16	White House	1955-1960

Series III: Military

Box 1

Box 1	FF17	Burial Permit and War Record	1919-1961
Box 1	FF18	Military Documents	1919-1957, n.d.

Box 1	FF19	Military Record / Honorable Discharge of Earl Mann	1957
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Series IV: Photographs

Box 1

Box 1	FF20	Photographs	n.d.
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Box 1	FF21	Photograph Album	n.d.
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Series V: Publications

Box 1

Box 1	FF22	Directory 38th General Assembly, State of Colorado	1951
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Box 1	FF23	Emergency Officers Retired with Pay	n.d.
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Box 1	FF24	House Bill 5004 (Immigration and Naturalization)	1948
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Box 1	FF25	House Rules together with the Joint Rules Governing the House and the Senate, State of Colorado Legislature	1953
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Box 1	FF26	Index of Senate and House Bills (38th General Assembly of Colorado)	1951
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Box 1	FF27	Notre Dame Lawyer: Quarterly Law Review (Volume 34, Number 5) Symposium	1959
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Box 1	FF28	Rules and Procedures of the House, State of Colorado (34th General Assembly)	1943
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Box 1	FF29	Rules and Procedures of the House, State of Colorado (35th General Assembly)	1945
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Box 1	FF30	Rules and Procedures of the House, State of Colorado	
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		(36th General Assembly)	1947
Box 1	FF31	Rules and Procedures of the House, State of Colorado (38th General Assembly)	1951
Box 1	FF32	Rules and Procedures of the House, State of Colorado (39th General Assembly)	1953
Box 1	FF33	Survivor's Benefits	10/1953
Box 1	FF34	United States Commission on Civil Rights: Equal Protection of the Laws in Public Higher Education	1960