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Collection Summary

Title: National Consumers' League Records

Span Dates: 1882-1986

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1920-1950)

ID No.: MSS34215

Creator: National Consumers' League

Extent: 81,500 items ; 178 containers plus 4 oversize ; 72.6 linear feet ; 127 microfilm reels

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Summary: Organization founded in 1899 to monitor the conditions under which goods were manufactured and distributed. Correspondence, memoranda, minutes, reports, speeches, project and program files, legal files, scrapbooks, printed material, and other records relating to the league's efforts toward reform in public health, consumer protection, public welfare, and fair labor standards.

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.

People

Abbott, Grace, 1878-1939.

Anderson, Mary, 1872-1964.

Baker, Newton Diehl, 1871-1937.

Berry, Raymond H.

Burns, Eveline M. (Eveline Mabel), 1900-1985.

Commons, John R. (John Rogers), 1862-1945.

Costigan, Mabel Cory, approximately 1873-1951.

Dewson, Molly, 1874-1962.

Douglas, Paul H. (Paul Howard), 1892-1976

Goldmark, Josephine, 1877-1950.

Goldmark, Pauline, 1874-1962.

Hadley, Eleanor M.

Hamilton, Alice, 1869-1970.

McAllister, Dorothy Smith, 1899-1983.

Perkins, Frances, 1880-1965.

Peterson, Esther, 1906-1997.

Rankin, Jeannette, 1880-1973.

Raushenbush, Elizabeth Brandeis.

Roche, Josephine A. (Josephine Aspinwall), 1886-1976.

Ryan, John A. (John Augustine), 1869-1945.

Winant, John G. (John Gilbert), 1889-1947.

Witte, Edwin E. (Edwin Emil), 1887-1960.

Wyckoff, Florence, 1905-1983.

Zwemer, Susanna P. (Susanna Peirce), 1895-1992.

Organizations

National Consumers' League.

National Council on Agricultural Life and Labor (U.S.)

United States. Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

Subjects

Child labor.

Constitutional amendments--United States.

Consumers' leagues.

Consumers.
Equal rights amendments.
Hours of labor.
Migrant labor.
Public health.
Public welfare.
Reformers.
Social security--United States.
Wages.
Working class--Law and legislation.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The records of the National Consumers' League were given to the Library of Congress by Susanna P. Zwemer and other league officials between 1957 and 1986.

Processing History

The collection was processed between 1972 and 2000. The finding aid was revised in 2011.

Additional Guides

Susanna P. Zwemer, New Jersey league president and later board chairman of the national league, and Clement E. Vose originally processed portions of these records and prepared item-indexes to several series in the collection. These indexes, located in the Miscellany series, should be consulted for material dated prior to 1958.

Transfers

Items have been transferred from the Manuscript Division to other custodial divisions of the Library. Some photographs have been transferred to the Prints and Photographs Division. Audiocassette recordings have been transferred to the Motion Picture, Broadcasting, and Recorded Sound Division. All transfers are identified in these divisions as part of the National Consumers' League Records.

Related Material

Additional material on the early years of one local league, the Consumers League of the District of Columbia, is in the Manuscript Division's collection of the papers of Anna Kelton Wiley.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings in the records of the National Consumers' League is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Microfilm

A microfilm edition of Series A through Series I of these records is available on 124 reels. Raymond H. Berry papers received with this collection on a separate edition of microfilm are available on 3 reels. Consult a reference librarian in the Manuscript Division concerning purchase or interlibrary loan of the microfilm. To promote preservation of the originals, researchers are required to consult the microfilm edition.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container or reel number, National Consumers' League Records, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The records of the National Consumers' League span the years 1882-1986, with the bulk of the material dated 1920-1950, a period of great activity in labor legislation. Although at one time various city and state leagues were chartered across the country, these records pertain primarily to the national organization. The collection is organized into eleven series: [Organization File](#); [Office File](#); [Projects and Programs File](#); [Speech, Article, and Book File](#); [Legal File](#); [Scrapbooks](#); [Printed Matter](#); [Miscellany](#); [Addition I](#); [Addition II](#), and [Addition III](#).

The National Consumers' League was founded in 1899 as a social reform movement concerned with the conditions under which goods were manufactured and distributed. Unlike later consumer organizations that focused upon product testing and selection among competing items, the league insisted that consumers should use their buying power to promote broad social reform. To that end, it developed a comprehensive legislative program on both the state and federal level to secure statutes regulating wages and hours, guaranteeing healthy working conditions, and prohibiting child labor. It sought to ensure public health through measures such as the Pure Food and Drug Act, and it was an early advocate of social security legislation. The league promoted the creation of administrative agencies to enforce protective legislation and played a major role in defending reform measures in court. These topics and others are covered in both the [Organization File](#) and [Office File](#). Related subjects in the [Projects and Programs File](#) are under specific headings such as child labor, the Equal Rights Amendment, the Fair Labor Standards Act, migratory labor, minimum wages, social security, and wages and hours.

With the exception of a few years for which there are no records, the [Organizations File](#) contains a complete record of the official proceedings of the league from 1899 to 1972. Minutes, reports, speeches, correspondence, and memoranda give insight into the workings of the organization and reflect the development of twentieth-century social thought.

For the period prior to 1932, the records reflect the major role played by the league's first general secretary, Florence Kelley. League general secretaries had the dual function of carrying out league policy and coordinating the activities of the chartered leagues. Their correspondence is located in the general correspondence section of the [Office File](#). Among the many citizens with whom Florence Kelley or later secretaries corresponded are Grace Abbott, Mary Anderson, Newton Diehl Baker, Elizabeth Brandeis Rauschenbush, Eveline M. Burns, John R. Commons, Mabel Cory Costigan, Molly Dewson, Paul H. Douglas, Josephine Goldmark, Pauline Goldmark, Eleanor M. Hadley, Alice Hamilton, Dorothy Smith McAllister, Esther Peterson, Frances Perkins, Jeanette Rankin, Josephine A. Roche, John A. Ryan, John G. Winant, Edwin E. Witte, Florence Wyckoff, and Susanna P. Zwemer.

The national organization's records also contain material generated by various state and local leagues. The chartered leagues' material relates local activities to the parent organization and reflects state and local projects. Correspondence of local leaders is located in the general correspondence section of the [Office File](#). Records of the chartered leagues dated prior to 1966 appear as discrete headings in the [Office File](#), but materials generated after that date are interfiled with the general correspondence. Annual reports of the various chartered leagues are located in the [Printed Matter](#) series.

The [Legal File](#), which includes briefs of legal cases bearing on league work, is closely related to projects included in the [Projects and Programs File](#). Material relating to the life and work of Florence Kelley can be found in both the [Speech, Article, and Book File](#) and in the [Miscellany](#) series.

Between 1951 and 1970 the league worked closely with the National Council on Agricultural Life and Labor to extend protective legislation to migratory labor. Records for this organization are located in the [Miscellany](#) and include correspondence, memoranda, reports, printed matter, and committee material.

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Series [I](#), [J](#), and [K](#) are subsequent additions to the records. Series [I](#), covering the years 1957-1973, consists chiefly of administrative records. Also included in Series [I](#) are files for two state leagues, New Jersey and Ohio. Series [J](#), covering the years 1905 to 1982, consists of correspondence and chronological files, speeches, statements, league publications and other printed matter. Of particular interest is the chronological file containing a complete set of outgoing correspondence of the league's general secretary, 1960-1972. Also of interest are reports on league activities that were issued annually, 1967-1976, giving an overview of the league's work. Series [K](#), covering the years 1951-1985, includes records of the National Consumers' Committee for Research and Education, Inc., such as minutes of meetings, correspondence, and project and

publication files. Also in Series K are transcripts of interviews for the production of the publication *Consumer Activists: They Made a Difference*.

Arrangement of the Papers

The collection is arranged in eleven series:

- Organization File, 1899-1972
- Office File, 1897-1969
- Projects and Programs File, 1890-1970
- Speech, Article, and Book File, 1882-1970
- Legal File, 1909-1955
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- Printed Matter, 1897-1959
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Description of Series

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Series

Organization File, 1899-1972

Articles of incorporation, constitution and bylaws, charters for state leagues, minutes of meetings, correspondence, mailing lists, subject files, financial and historical material, programs, proceedings, resolutions, reports, tributes, invitations, addresses, publicity and press releases, testimony, newspaper clippings, and newsletters.
Arranged alphabetically by administrative unit.

BOX B1-B39
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Office File, 1897-1969

Correspondence, newsletters, reports, printed matter, and histories pertaining to the chartered leagues.
Arranged alphabetically by state and chronologically thereunder. General correspondence dated 1900-1958 is filed alphabetically by name of correspondent. Post-1958 correspondence is filed chronologically by year and alphabetically thereunder. Ledger books are arranged chronologically.

BOX C1-C56
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Projects and Programs File, 1890-1970

Correspondence, memoranda, reports, minutes of meetings, publicity, draft legislation, newspaper clippings, publications, legal opinions, testimony, proceedings of hearings, and background papers from the President's Commission on Migratory Labor.
Arranged alphabetically by subject. *Raymond H. Berry papers in the radium poisoning files available only on microfilm, shelf no. 16,612 (negative shelf no. 11,902) (3 reels)*

BOX D1-D5
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Speech, Article, and Book File, 1882-1970

Speeches, article and book drafts, galley proofs, reviews, leaflets, printed copies, typescripts, source material, newspaper clippings, radio addresses, testimony, and related correspondence.
Arranged alphabetically by name of author.

BOX E1-E6
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Legal File, 1909-1955

Legal briefs and analyses.
Grouped alphabetically by state and arranged alphabetically by title therein. An index to this series is located at the end of the series.

BOX F1-F5
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Scrapbooks, 1924-1958

Form letters, printed matter, newspaper clippings, and cost accounts.
Arranged chronologically.

BOX G1-G6
REEL 112-117

Printed Matter, 1897-1959

Annual bulletins and reports of the chartered leagues, Christmas cards, leaflets, correspondence, newspaper and magazine clippings, and publications.
Arranged alphabetically by type of material.

BOX H1-H5
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Miscellany, 1932-1970

Index listing individual folder headings from a previous arrangement of the collection, biographical data on several league officials, material relating to the death of Florence Kelley, and organization records of the National Council on Agricultural Life and Labor. Arranged alphabetically by subject.

BOX I1-I7
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Addition I, 1956-1973

Correspondence, memoranda, printed matter, reports, invitations, publicity and press releases, testimonies, financial records, and miscellaneous items. Arranged alphabetically by subject.

BOX J1-J22
not filmed

Addition II, 1905-1982

Correspondence and chronological files, legal and financial records, reports, bulletins, clippings, and other printed matter. Arranged alphabetically by subject or type of material and chronologically therein.

BOX K1-K7
not filmed

Addition III, 1951-1986

Minutes, correspondence, bylaws, project and publication files of the National Consumers' Committee for Research and Education, Inc. Arranged alphabetically by subject and chronologically therein.

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	Press releases
	Report of the secretary
	1944
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	Speeches
	Historical material
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	Report of the secretary
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	Testimony
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	Bulletin
	Testimony
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	Bulletin
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	Annual meeting kit
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	Correspondence
	(3 folders)
	Joint Conference with Women's Bureau
	Newspaper clippings
	Nominating Committee
	Press releases
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	Testimony (2 folders)
	1959
	Area committees
	Legislative report
	Newspaper clippings
	Press releases
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	1959-1960
	Index and reports
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BOX A19	Mailings
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	Newspaper clippings
	Press releases
	Promotion and finance
	Testimony
	1960
	Newspaper clippings
	Testimony
	1960-1961
	Bulletins and press releases
	Index and reports
	Letters to Congress and mailings
	Newspaper clippings
	Promotion and finance
	Testimony
	1961
	Annual meeting
	Correspondence
BOX A20	Invitation lists
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	Messages
	Program Publicity
	Speakers
	Telephone Committee
	VIP's
	Bulletins
	Legislative report
	Printed matter
	1962
	Bulletins and press releases
	Index and reports
	Legislative report
	Letters, telegrams, and mailings
	Promotion, newspaper clippings, and finance

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	Testimony
	1963
	Bulletins
	Finance
	Index and reports
	Legislative report
	Letters and telegrams
	Mailings
	Newspaper clippings
	Press releases
	Promotion
	Testimony
BOX A21	
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	1964
	Bulletins
	Finance
	Index and reports
	Legislative report
	Letters and telegrams
	Mailings
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	Peterson, Esther, reception
	Press releases
	Promotion
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	1965
	Bulletins
	Consumer Clearing House
	Finance
	Index and reports
	Legislative report
	Letters and telegrams
	Mailings
	Meetings and conferences
	Newspaper clippings
	Promotion
	Testimony
	1966
	Bulletins
	Consumer Clearing House
	Financial report
	Index and reports
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	Meetings and conferences

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	Newspaper clippings
	Promotion
	Publicity
	Testimony
	1967
	Bulletin
	Publicity
	Testimony
	1968
	Bulletin
	Legislative report
	Press releases
	Testimony
	1969
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	Executive Committee, minutes of meetings
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BOX B1

Chartered leagues

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California League Committee

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District of Columbia

Florida

Kentucky

1935-1941

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BOX B2

Maryland

REEL 16

Massachusetts

Correspondence, 1897-1955

(5 folders)

Vorse manuscript

BOX B3

Memoranda to state leagues, 1915-1950

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Michigan

Area committees

Bulletins

Correspondence

1935-1943

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Missouri

New Jersey

Correspondence

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1935-1954

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Food Producers Council v. Male, 1960

Meetings, 1961-1968

Newsletters

1939-1969

(4 folders)

Printed matter

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New York

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Bulletins

Child Labor Committee, 1924-1938

(3 folders)

Correspondence, 1932-1958

(4 folders)

BOX B8

Newsletters, 1948-1960

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(2 folders)

Printed matter

Transfer to national

Ohio

Cincinnati, 1933-1941

(2 folders)

Correspondence, 1934-1961

(6 folders)

BOX B9

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Toledo, 1931-1949

Oregon

Pennsylvania

Area committees

Eastern region

Philadelphia Area Committee

Western region

Rhode Island

Bulletin

Correspondence

1933-1945

(2 folders)

BOX B10

Utah

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Vermont Consumers Committee

Virginia, 1937-1942

West Virginia Committee

General correspondence

1900-1958

“A” miscellaneous

	Abbott, Grace
	Altmeyer, Arthur J.
	American Association for Labor Legislation
	American Association for Social Security
	American Association of Social Workers
	American Association of University Women
	American Labor Education Service
	American Parents Committee
	American Public Welfare Association
	Americans for Democratic Action
	Anderson, Mary
	"B"
	Baker, Everett Moore
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	Barnett, Albert E.
	Beyer, Clara M.
	Blodgett, Louise Q.
	Bolton, Francis
	Bowie, Jean (Mrs. W. Russell)
	Bowles, Chester
	Brandeis, Elizabeth
	Brown, J. Douglas
	Burns, Eveline M.
	"C" miscellaneous
	Cannon, Mrs. Henry White
	Chamber of Commerce of the U.S.A.
	Civil Liberties Clearing House
	Committee for Nation's Health
	Committee on Research in Medical Economics
	Commons, John R.
	Congressional Committee To Protect Consumers
	Consumer Clearing House
	Consumer movement
	Consumers Union of United States
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	Council on Social Action of the Congregational Christian Church
	"D" miscellaneous
	Democratic National Committee
BOX B12	Dewson, Mary
REEL 25	
	Douglas, Helen Gahagen
	Douglas, Paul H.
	Dublin, Mary <i>See Container B14, Keyserling, Mary Dublin</i>
	Dyckman, Mary L.
	"E" miscellaneous

	"F" miscellaneous
	Federal Council of Churches, 1934-1950 (2 folders)
	Fitch, John A.
	Fleming, Margaret E. G. (Mrs. Thomas)
	Foreign
	Frank, Walter
	"G"
BOX B13 REEL 25	Gellhorn, Walter
	Goldmark, Josephine and Pauline
BOX B13 REEL 26	Goodrich, Carter
	Graham, Frank P.
	"H"
	Hadley, Eleanor M. (2 folders)
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	Herrick, Elinore M.
	Hobart, Warwick
	Hudson Shore Labor School
	Industrial Relations Research Association
	Institute for Consumer Education
BOX B14 REEL 26	Inter-American Commission of Women
	International Assembly of Women
	International Association for Social Progress
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BOX B14 REEL 27	"J" miscellaneous
	"K" miscellaneous
	Kelley, Florence
	Kelley, Florence M., 1948-1958
	Kelley, Nicholas
	Kenyon, Dorothy
	Keyserling, Mary Dublin
	"L" miscellaneous
BOX B15 REEL 27	Lasker, Florida
	Lasker, Loula
	Lathrop, John Howland
	Lathrop, Julia C.
BOX B15 REEL 28	League for Industrial Democracy
	Lehman, Herbert H., 1933-1957
	Leiserson, William M.
	Lester, Richard A.

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	McLaren, Louise Leonard
	“M” miscellaneous
	Magee, Elizabeth S., 1925-1958
	(6 folders)
	Marconnier, Emily Sims
	Mason, Lucy Randolph
BOX B17	Murdoch, Nellie (Mrs. William L.)
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	“N” miscellaneous
	National Board–Y.W.C.A.
	National Catholic Welfare Conference
	National Child Labor Committee, 1929-1955
	(2 folders)
	National Citizens Commission for Public Schools
	National Citizens Council on Migrant Labor, 1947-1950
	(2 folders)
	National Committee for the Extension of Labor Education
	National Committee for People's Rights
	National Committee To Protect Labor Rights of Montgomery Ward Workers
BOX B18	National Conference of Social Work, 1936-1955
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