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Collection Summary

Title: Maurice F. Neufeld Papers

Span Dates: 1919-1990

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1932-1987)

ID No.: MSS34488

Creator: Neufeld, Maurice F.

Extent: 12,000 items ; 44 containers plus 1 oversize ; 17.2 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English and Italian

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

Summary: Labor historian, labor arbitrator, and labor relations consultant, and public official of New York.

Correspondence, memoranda, diaries, biographical material, orders, reports, clippings, printed matter, and other papers relating chiefly to Neufeld's service in the New York State government; as an executive officer in the Allied Military Government, Italy; as professor at Cornell University's New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Ithaca, New York; and as labor relations consultant for the Xerox Corporation, Stamford, Connecticut.

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

Almansi, Dante, 1877-1949.

Asher, William S.

Bacino, Ezio.

Caruso, Pietro, 1899-1944.

Gaus, John M. (John Merriman), 1894-1969.

Groat, William B.

Hoffman, Anna Rosenberg, 1902-1983.

Ives, Irving McNeil, 1896-1962.

Lehman, Herbert H. (Herbert Henry), 1878-1963.

Lorwin, Val R. (Val Rogin), 1907-

Martin, George Whitney.

McKelvey, Jean T. (Jean Trepp), 1908-

Meiklejohn, Alexander, 1872-1964.

Moses, Robert, 1888-1981.

Mussolini, Benito, 1883-1945.

Neufeld, Hinda Cohen.

Neufeld, Maurice F.

Perkins, Frances, 1880-1965.

Perlman, Selig, 1888-1959.

Poletti, Charles.

Raub, David S.

Taft, Philip, 1902-1976.

Wilson, Joseph C. (Joseph Chamberlain), 1909-1971.

Organizations

Allied Military Government.

Cornell University.

New York (State). Division of Women in Industry and Minimum Wage.

New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations.

University of Wisconsin. Experimental College.

Xerox Corporation.

Subjects

Ardeatine Caves Massacre, Rome, Italy, 1944.
Disaster relief--Italy.
Fascism--Italy.
Industrial relations.
Jews--Italy.
Labor movement--Chile.
Massacres--Italy.
Municipal services--Italy.
Office equipment and supplies industry--Connecticut.
Universities and colleges--New York (State)
Universities and colleges--Wisconsin.
World War, 1939-1945.

Places

Chile--Social conditions.
Italy--History--1945-1976.
Italy--History--Allied occupation, 1943-1947.
New York (State)--Politics and government.
United States--Social conditions--1933-1945.
Vesuvius (Italy)--Eruption, 1944.

Occupations

Consultants.
Historians.
Labor arbitrators.
Public officials--New York (State)

Administrative Information

Provenance

The papers of Maurice F. Neufeld, labor historian, labor arbitrator, and labor relations consultant, and public official of New York, were given to the Library of Congress in 1958 by Neufeld. Additional gifts were received in 1970 and 1971. Subsequent additions to the papers in 1972, 1977, 1984, and 1991 were received from Neufeld as deposits by the Library.

Processing History

The papers of Maurice F. Neufeld were arranged and described in 1980 and 1988. The collection was expanded and revised in 1994. The finding aid was revised in 2009.

Transfers

Items have been transferred from the Manuscript Division to other custodial divisions of the Library. The newspapers *Sicilia Liberata* (1943-1944) and *Risorgimento* (1944) have been transferred to the Serial and Government Publications Division. The poster *Banditi Di Roosevelt* (circa 1945) has been transferred to the Prints and Photographs Division. All transfers are identified in these divisions as part of the Maurice F. Neufeld Papers.

Other Repositories

Other papers of Maurice F. Neufeld can be found at the Kheel Center for Labor-Management Documentation and Archives, Catherwood Library, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Maurice F. Neufeld is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Maurice F. Neufeld are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Division Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1910, Oct. 27	Born, Washington, D.C.
1932	B.A., M.A., University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.
1935	Ph.D., University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis. Organizer, Amalgamated Clothing Workers Union, Philadelphia, Pa.
1938	Married Hinda Cohen
1935-1939	Secretary and chief assistant in research and economics, New Jersey State Planning Board Education director, Trenton, N.J., local, International Ladies' Garment Workers Union
1939-1941	Director, New York Division of State Planning
1941-1942	Deputy commissioner of commerce, New York State Division of Commerce Director, New York State Bureau of Rationing Assistant coordinator of war plans, New York State War Council
1943-1945	Executive officer, United States Army, regional headquarters, Sicily, Naples, Rome, and Milan, Allied Military Government, Italy
1945-1976	Professor of industrial and labor relations, New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.
1955-circa 1985	Labor relations consultant, Xerox Corp., Stamford, Conn.
1955-1957	Codirector, Labor Relations Seminar, Bologna Center of the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, Bologna, Italy
1965-1969	Chairman, Department of Collective Bargaining, Labor Law, and Labor Movements, New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.
1976	Professor emeritus, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.
2003, Apr. 10	Died

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Maurice Frank Neufeld (1910-2003), state and military government administrator, union organizer, labor historian, professor and labor relations consultant, span the years 1919-1991, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the period 1932-1987. The papers are organized into [Diaries and Related Matter](#), [Correspondence](#), [Allied Military Government, Italy](#), [Xerox Corporation](#), [Miscellany](#), and [Oversize](#) series.

The [diaries](#), spanning sixty years and including annotations, clippings, correspondence, reports, and other material, focus on Neufeld's service in state and military government and on his academic career. Retrospective commentary in the diaries affords insights into Neufeld's life and career lightly documented elsewhere in the papers, such as his boyhood in Washington, D.C., and his early experiences as a union organizer and official.

The [Correspondence](#) series is organized into family, general, and personal correspondence. The family correspondence is arranged alphabetically by name of the correspondent, while the general correspondence is organized chronologically. The division between general and personal correspondence, seemingly arbitrary since much of the general correspondence is intimate in tone and some correspondents are represented in both the personal and general categories, was established by Neufeld. Much of the family correspondence consists of letters from his wife, Hinda Cohen Neufeld, to Neufeld during his military service in Italy. An administrator with the New York State Division of Women in Industry and Minimum Wage during World War II, Hinda Cohen Neufeld wrote lengthy, informative letters to her husband on home front concerns such as rationing and the New York state government under wartime stress. Correspondents represented in both the general and personal categories include prominent New York political figures Irving McNeil Ives and Herbert H. Lehman.

Neufeld's continuing interest in Italy after World War II is represented by a voluminous correspondence, much of it in Italian, with prominent Italians such as the writer Ezio Bacino. Correspondence spanning 1955-1957, when Neufeld was codirector of the Labor Relations Seminar in Bologna sponsored by Johns Hopkins University, is an especially rich source on Italy. Also of interest in the general correspondence are letter reports by School of Industrial and Labor Relations graduate student James Wilson from Chile during 1973-1975 on social conditions and the labor movement in that country early in the regime of Augusto Pinochet Ugarte. Other general correspondents include Alice Cook, John M. Gaus, William B. Groat, Anna Rosenberg Hoffman, Val R. Lorwin, Jean T. McKelvey, Robert Moses, Selig Perlman, Charles Poletti, and Philip Taft.

The [Allied Military Government, Italy](#) series documents the stewardship of New York political figure Charles Poletti as military governor of Allied-occupied Sicily, Naples, Rome, and Milan during World War II. Before the war Poletti served as legal counsel to governor Herbert H. Lehman and as state supreme court justice, lieutenant governor, and, briefly, governor of New York. As military governor, with Neufeld acting as his executive officer, Poletti strove to facilitate the defascistization process in Italy and to restore water, electricity, public health, movement of foodstuffs, law and order, and other essential public services disrupted by war. The series also includes material on Dante Almansì and the Jewish community in Italy, the trial and execution of the Fascist police chief of Rome, Pietro Caruso, for war crimes related to the massacre by German troops of Italian hostages at the Ardeatine caves, and emergency humanitarian operations necessitated by an eruption of Mount Vesuvius. During 1945, Poletti entered Milan ahead of Allied combat troops and witnessed the desecration of the corpse of Benito Mussolini by Italian partisans. Material on this episode is found in the Allied Military Government, Italy series, as well as in the Diaries, Correspondence, and Miscellany. The Allied Military Government series also includes a scrapbook containing American and Italian newspaper clippings spanning 1943-1947 which can be found in the [Oversize](#) series.

Neufeld collected the material comprising the [Xerox Corporation](#) series as a sampling and overview of the company's records that would enable researchers to approach the Xerox archives with greater facility. The series includes organizational and human development manuals, files related to the history of the company, and correspondence with William S. Asher, longtime director of industrial and labor relations, as well as with David S. Raub and Joseph C. Wilson. There are numerous, lengthy entries in the diaries, supported by attached contextual material, on Neufeld's service as a consultant with the Xerox Corporation.

The [Miscellany](#) series includes a file on the Experimental College, an innovative program established by Alexander Meiklejohn at the University of Wisconsin in 1927 for the purpose of dispensing with undergraduate curricula of discrete courses and specialization in favor of integrated study of ancient and modern civilizations. The file includes correspondence with Meiklejohn, bulletins, syllabi, and alumni newsletters. Neufeld matriculated at the Experimental College, where one of

his formative influences was professor of government John M. Gaus, who steered him towards a career in public administration. There is a file on Gaus in the Miscellany series.

Also in the [Miscellany](#) is a file on Neufeld's colleague at the New York School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Frances Perkins, who, as the first female cabinet member, served as secretary of labor in all four of Franklin D. Roosevelt's administrations. The file includes correspondence with Perkins and with her biographer, George Whitney Martin.

Material in the [Miscellany](#) series related to Neufeld's service in the New York state government include files on such bodies as the state Bureau of Rationing, Division of Commerce, and the Joint Legislative Committee on Industrial and Labor Relations, and on personalities such as Herbert H. Lehman and Charles Poletti. Neufeld's shorter writings, spanning 1927-1977 and including student papers, journal articles, reports, opinion pieces, and bibliographies, comprise the writings file of the Miscellany series.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged in six series:

- [Diaries and Related Matter, 1931-1991](#)
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