

William H. Taft Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: William H. Taft Papers

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Creator: Taft, William H. (William Howard), 1857-1930

Extent: 676,000 items; 1,562 containers plus 8 oversize; 902.5 linear feet; 658 microfilm reels

Language: Collection material in English

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

Abstract: President of the United States and chief justice of the Supreme Court. Correspondence including letterpress books, speeches and addresses, presidential and judicial files, legal files and notebooks, family papers and letters, business and estate papers, engagement calendars, guest lists, scrapbooks, clippings, printed matter, memorabilia, and photographs documenting Taft's career.

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.

Personal Names

Aldrich, Nelson W. (Nelson Wilmarth), 1841-1915--Correspondence.

Arthur, Chester Alan, 1829-1886--Correspondence.

Bacon, Robert, 1860-1919--Correspondence.

Ballinger, Richard Achilles, 1858-1922--Correspondence.

Beveridge, Albert Jeremiah, 1862-1927--Correspondence.

Boardman, Mabel Thorp, 1860-1946--Correspondence.

Bristow, Joseph L. (Joseph Little), 1861-1944--Correspondence.

Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922--Correspondence.

Butler, Nicholas Murray, 1862-1947--Correspondence.

Butt, Archibald Willingham, 1866-1912--Correspondence.

Cannon, Joseph Gurney, 1836-1926--Correspondence.

Carpenter, Fred W., 1873 or 4-1957 Fred W. Carpenter papers.

Cortelyou, George B. (George Bruce), 1862-1940--Correspondence.

Curtis, Charles, 1860-1936--Correspondence.

Dix, John A. (John Alden), 1860-1928--Correspondence.

Fairbanks, Charles W. (Charles Warren), 1852-1918--Correspondence.

Hammond, John Hays, 1855-1936--Correspondence.

Herrick, Myron T. (Myron Timothy), 1854-1929--Correspondence.

Hughes, Charles Evans, 1862-1948--Correspondence.

Johnson, Robert Underwood, 1853-1937--Correspondence.

Johnson, Walter H., b. 1848--Correspondence.

Kellogg, Frank B. (Frank Billings), 1856-1937--Correspondence.

Knox, Philander C. (Philander Chase), 1853-1921--Correspondence.

Lincoln, Robert Todd, 1843-1926--Correspondence.

Lodge, Henry Cabot, 1850-1924--Correspondence.

Moody, William H. (William Henry), 1853-1917--Correspondence.

Newlands, Francis G. (Francis Griffith), 1848-1917--Correspondence.

Norton, Charles Dyer, 1871-1922--Correspondence.

Pershing, John J. (John Joseph), 1860-1948--Correspondence.

Pinchot, Gifford, 1865-1946--Correspondence.

Reid, Whitelaw, 1837-1912--Correspondence.

Roosevelt, Theodore, 1858-1919--Correspondence.
Root, Elihu, 1845-1937--Correspondence.
Sherman, J. S. (James Schoolcraft), 1855-1912--Correspondence.
Stimson, Henry L. (Henry Lewis), 1867-1950--Correspondence.
Straus, Nathan, 1848-1931--Correspondence.
Straus, Oscar S. (Oscar Solomon), 1850-1926--Correspondence.
Taft family--Correspondence.
Taft, Alphonso, 1810-1891. Alphonso Taft papers.
Taft, Helen Herron, 1861-1943. Helen Herron Taft papers.
Taft, Louise Maria Torrey, 1827-1907. Louise Maria Torrey Taft papers.
Taft, Robert A. (Robert Alphonso), 1889-1953--Correspondence.
Taft, William H. (William Howard), 1857-1930.
Torrey, Delia C. Delia C. Torrey papers.
Van Devanter, Willis, 1859-1941--Correspondence.
Washington, Booker T., 1856-1915--Correspondence.
White, Edward Douglass, 1845-1921--Correspondence.
Wickersham, George W. (George Woodward), 1858-1936--Correspondence.
Wilson, James, 1835-1920--Correspondence.
Wilson, Woodrow, 1856-1924--Correspondence.
Wright, Luke E. (Luke Edward), 1846-1922--Correspondence.

Organizations

American Bar Association.
League to Enforce Peace (U.S.)
United States. Dept. of Justice. Office of the Attorney General.
United States. National War Labor Board (1918-1919)
United States. Philippine Commission (1900-1916)
United States. Solicitor General.
United States. Supreme Court.
United States. War Dept.
Yale Law School--Faculty.

Subjects

Circuit courts--United States.
Constitutional law--Study and teaching.
Diplomatic and consular service, American--Austria.
Diplomatic and consular service, American--Russia.
Feminism.
Kindergarten--United States.

Locations

Austria--Foreign relations--United States.
Philippines--Politics and government--1898-1935.
Russia--Foreign relations--United States.
United States--Foreign relations--Austria.
United States--Foreign relations--Russia.
United States--Intellectual life--1865-1918.
United States--Politics and government--1901-1909.
United States--Politics and government--1909-1913.
United States--Social life and customs--1865-1918.

Occupations

Jurists.
Presidents--United States.

Administrative Information

Provenance:

The papers of William H. Taft, president of the United States and chief justice of the Supreme Court, were deposited in the Library of Congress by Taft in 1919-1929 and converted to a gift by his heirs in 1952. Additions were received through gift and purchase between 1952 and 1996.

Processing History:

The William H. Taft Papers were arranged, indexed, and microfilmed in 1972. Additions were processed in 1980, 1984, and 1996. In 2009 the finding aid was expanded by including description of the main collection from the published index.

Additional Guides:

The microfilm edition of these papers (not including additions) is indexed in the *William H. Taft Papers* (Washington, D.C.: 1972), prepared as part of the Presidents' Papers Index Series.

Copyright Status:

Copyright in the unpublished writings of William H. Taft in these papers and in other collections of papers in the custody of the Library of Congress has been dedicated to the public.

Access and Restrictions:

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

Microfilm:

A microfilm edition of part of these papers is available on 658 reels. Consult reference staff in the Manuscript Division concerning availability for purchase or interlibrary loan. To promote preservation of the originals, researchers are required to consult the microfilm edition as available.

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History of the Collection

[From *Index to the William H. Taft Papers*. (Washington, D.C.: 1972), pp. v-x]

At noon on March 4, 1913, the administration of William Howard Taft, 27th President of the United States, came to a close. Later that day he and Mrs. Taft left Washington for an extended rest in Augusta, Ga. For the first time since 1887, when at the age of 29 he became a judge of the Superior Court of Ohio, Mr. Taft was free of the responsibilities of public office. Still in the future was the crowning glory of his life, his service as Chief Justice. In the meantime an active private life was at hand. Before leaving the White House President Taft had accepted a professorship at his alma mater, Yale University. On April 1, welcomed by some 3,000 students and faculty, he arrived in New Haven to assume his duties as Kent Professor of Constitutional Law.

Mr. Taft's teaching schedule at Yale afforded him ample opportunity for outside lectures and writing. He would engage heavily in both activities. There were also thoughts of an autobiography. For these purposes the great mass of personal papers which he had accumulated during the years of public service were indispensable. These were still in the White House. Once established in his new residence, the former President wrote to Rudolph Forster, executive clerk at the White House,

requesting that the papers be sent to New Haven. His letter supplies the first general description of the scope of the collection:

I have just written to Will Herron and Major Rhoads about having the thirty boxes of law books, which I understand are in the attic of the Executive Office, shipped to me. In addition to these, I also wished shipped to me the boxes of files in the attic containing the letters written by me while I was Secretary of War up to the time I came to the White House on March 4, 1909, as also the boxes containing the letter press books in which my letters during that time were press copied. Hendricks is very familiar with them and can help out a good deal. Then I want sent to me the correspondence I received during the time I was President, together with the letter press copy books in which my replies were copied.

Mischler tells me that he had placed in the attic, temporarily, a box containing the thirty volumes of my speeches. These can be easily located, as they are properly tagged. I wish you would have these sent to me separately, as I do not want to get them mixed up with the rest of the shipment. I shall make room for them here at the Hotel Taft, while most of the remainder of the shipment I can have stored at a storehouse here in New Haven. I do not think I ought to burden the White House with these things, and therefore want them sent to me. Please see that all of these boxes are properly marked as to their contents, so that I can get anything out of storage here that I may desire from time to time and will have no difficulty locating it. [1](#)

In due course the papers arrived safely. An accompanying inventory showed that Taft family correspondence was also included. The papers remained in New Haven until 1919-1920, when they were returned to Washington to be deposited in the Library of Congress.

I

Throughout his life William Howard Taft was systematic in retaining his correspondence and working papers. Taft family tradition and his own sense of history impressed upon him the importance of the written record as the most reliable guide to an understanding of past events and personalities. Indeed, his own experiences as lawyer and judge made him skeptical of oral accounts, especially those recalled long after the event. Addressing the American Antiquarian Society in October 1912, President Taft reminded his scholarly audience that evidence in documentary form was an essential ingredient in establishing the facts. In the same speech he also supported the idea of a National Archives Building to house the public records of the National Government, not merely for preservation but for classification and indexing in the interest of historical investigation. [2](#)

Other actions during his Presidency stand as testimony to Mr. Taft's concern for the proper management and preservation of the evidentiary sources of the Nation's life. Notable in this connection was the President's Commission on Economy and Efficiency, appointed in 1910. Extensive studies and recommendations were made by the Commission on such subjects as maintaining Government archives, paperwork management, and the disposal of useless files. One result of the Commission's work was the institution of a new filing system in the White House and reorganization of the papers there.

Indicative too of Mr. Taft's interest in establishing correct archival procedures is his Executive order of March 16, 1912, requiring:

. . . . that before reporting to Congress useless files of papers to be disposed of lists of such papers should be submitted to the Librarian of Congress in order that several Executive Departments may have the benefit of his views as to the wisdom of preserving such of the papers as he may deem to be of historical interest. [3](#)

Among the numerous academic lectures which Mr. Taft gave in the postpresidential years, one in particular sheds light on the making of a Presidential collection. In the second of a series of lectures delivered at Columbia University in October 1915, Mr. Taft explained:

The Executive office of the President is not a recording office. The vast amount of correspondence that goes through it, signed either by the President or his secretaries, does not become the property or a record of the government, unless it goes on to the official files of the Department to which it may be addressed.

The retiring President takes with him all of the correspondence, originals and copies, which he carried on during his administration. . . . It is a little like what Mr. Charles Francis Adams told me of the diplomatic records of the British Foreign Office. It has long been the custom for the important Ambassadors of Great Britain to carry on a personal correspondence with the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, which is not put upon the files of the department, but which gives a much more accurate and detailed account of the diplomatic relations of Great Britain than the official files. The only way in which historians can get at this is through the good offices of the families of the deceased Ambassadors and Foreign Secretaries in whose archives they may be preserved. [4](#)

This statement represents the accepted customary law, so to speak, on Presidential papers. The corpus of papers produced, received, and retained in the Executive Office may be taken by the President at the end of his administration. Although Mr. Taft was unaware of it at the time of his Columbia lecture, not all the papers belonging to his administration had in fact left the White House. Two years later his secretary, Wendell M. Mischler, received an interesting piece of news from Rudolph Forster, still in his position at the White House:

We have just had a thorough house-cleaning here at the Executive Office and a lot of President Taft's personal papers came to light, among them his father's commission as Secretary of War or Attorney General, his own commission as Governor General of the Philippines and the like. These papers evidently were mixed in with a lot of our permanent records at the time the office was rebuilt in 1909, and hence they were not at hand when Mr. Taft's belongings were collected and sent to New Haven. [5](#)

The newly discovered group of Taft papers was dispatched to New Haven to join the original shipment. As will be seen, future housecleanings by the same Mr. Forster were to yield even further treasures under the White House eaves.

Library of Congress officials were naturally interested in adding the Taft papers to the Presidential collections already in their custody. A formal solicitation of the papers came in 1919. As early as 1915, however, Gaillard Hunt, chief of the then Division of Manuscripts, had invited Mr. Taft to place his father's papers in the national library:

I don't know whether I should send this letter to you or to one of your brothers, but I presume it will make no difference. My object is to ascertain whether your father, the Hon. Alphonso Taft, left any collected papers—correspondence, etc.— and, if so, whether they cannot be deposited with the National Library, as a monument to his memory and a contribution to the truth of history. The deposit, I may add, may be under such rules as the owners of the papers choose to prescribe. [6](#) He was not yet ready to make a commitment:

I have yours of April 27th. I wish to get my father's papers together, but I have not had time as yet to do so. When I do gather them, I shall bear in mind your kind suggestion, and thank you for making it. [7](#)

Mr. Hunt left the Library of Congress during World War I for service in the Department of State and Charles Moore, Chairman of the Fine Arts Commission, was appointed acting chief of the

Division of Manuscripts. On January 6, 1919, Mr. Moore made a direct appeal to the former President for his papers:

The Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress contains all the public papers of Theodore Roosevelt and Benjamin Harrison. These papers were deposited with the provision that they should be consulted only on the order of the responsible representatives of the persons named. The collection of Washington papers is the largest in existence, and the Jefferson, Madison, Monroe papers must be consulted here by students of American history.

I am suggesting that you place your public papers in the Library, subject to any conditions you may see fit to impose.

My connection with the Library is temporary, and has to do with getting a building for government archives. It is needless to say that to secure your papers, for the use ultimately of historical scholars, would be a great satisfaction to me, as well as a great benefit to the Library. You will appreciate the suggestion that the poorest place to erect a monument is in a cemetery, and the best place, in the case of a public man, is a library open to scholars. [8](#)

The response was distinctly encouraging:

I have your letter of January 6th in which you suggest that I place my public papers in the Library of Congress, subject to any conditions I may see fit to impose. The question of my papers has been one of considerable difficulty for me. I hoped that I might myself look over them after I left office, and instead of having leisure, I am busier than ever. I have no doubt that I have in my correspondence a lot of truck which is good for nothing. I have thought that possibly there were experts who could run the papers through and make a digest of what I have. I would like to talk with you about it. [9](#)

Four days later the two men discussed the disposition of the papers in Mr. Taft's National War Labor Board office in Washington. An agreement was reached to deposit the papers in the Library of Congress and instructions were given for their transfer from New Haven. A week later Mr. Moore acknowledged receipt of 34 boxes. The first large installment of the William Howard Taft Papers was now in the Library of Congress.

II

In his *Annual Report* for 1919, Herbert Putnam, Librarian of Congress, seized upon the acquisition of the Taft Papers as the occasion for further observations on the subject of Presidential papers:

The right of an official to his personal correspondence, even on matters of public concern, has not been questioned. It is these communications, however, which form the basis of history, because they account for and explain public acts. The Government at first made no provision for collecting and making accessible such materials; and a very large sum, in the aggregate, has been paid for papers, Presidential and otherwise, that would have been deposited freely had systematic provision been made for handling them. The papers of several of the Presidents are still in the hands of individuals, whereas they should be in the Library of Congress. This for many conclusive reasons, one of which is the reputation and fame of the particular President, both of which suffer from the neglect of historians who lack available materials. The example set by Presidents Roosevelt and Taft, it is hoped, will become a governing precedent. [10](#)

With the Taft Papers came the inventory prepared in 1913 by Rudolph Forster. Upon examination certain omissions in the collection were noted. These were called to Mr. Taft's attention:

We have almost finished indexing the papers you have turned over to us. The letters to you come down to the inauguration of President Wilson, and your letter books stop with your entry into the White House. Will you not add those covering your administration at this time? You know you have absolute control of this material, and now that we are on the job we would like to finish it up. [11](#)

He responded affirmatively, calling special attention to a group of Theodore Roosevelt letters:

I have your letter of January 30th. I agree with you that it would be well to have everything since the beginning of my Administration turned over to you for indexing, even down to near the present time. I am not sure that I can distinguish between correspondence during office. I have the Roosevelt letters, so far as I have been able to cull them from the files, in a separate box, and I would be willing to have you digest those as well. What do you want me to do? Will you superintend the transportation of all these letters to your library at Washington? Next Sunday I am going to leave on a long trip. I shall be here Friday and Saturday, and would be glad to hear from you by mail or telephone and to leave the proper authority for the delivery of these files to you. [12](#)

Following this exchange Mr. Taft directed that all except the Roosevelt letters be sent to the Library. With respect to these he insisted: ". . . I think you had better send some one to my office in New Haven to get them. They are not sufficiently bulky to prevent carrying them, and I would not like to run the risk of losing them." [13](#) Mr. Moore, taking the Roosevelt letters as his personal responsibility, went to New Haven for them. He reported with a touch of humor to Mr. Taft:

On Wednesday I called at your office in the Taft Hotel, and received the Taft-Roosevelt correspondence, which has been brought in safety to the Library of Congress, and is now being carded, though not combed.

You will be reassured to know that in box No. 18 of the Taft Papers was a live match, which is preserved in this Division as a memorial. [14](#)

The jovial Taft replied in the same spirit:

I am glad to know that you got the Roosevelt correspondence and am glad that the match did not become alive. [15](#)

The Taft Papers were doubled in size by the first addition. In June 1921, William Howard Taft became the 10th Chief Justice of the United States, a position he was to hold until his retirement in February 1930. During these nine years he regularly deposited in the Library significant installments of his papers. One of the most important additions in this period, however, came from the White House. The circumstances surrounding it afford an interesting sidelight in the history of the papers.

In late 1924, at the request of a publisher, Mr. Mischler inquired about Lord Bryce letters in the Taft Papers. [16](#) Although some such letters were found in the Library's collection, a card index which had come in with the papers indicated that considerably more correspondence existed. [17](#) The search took Mr. Mischler to the White House, where he located more Bryce-Taft correspondence.

This discovery naturally excited Library officials. Mr. Moore promptly got in touch with the Chief Justice:

When Mr. Mischler found some of Lord Bryce's letters to you at the White House, the fact naturally created a disturbance here, and led to an investigation of White House files. This morning I was assured that there are no files of importance in the White House.

A request from you that any papers relating to your Administration be transferred from the White House to the Library of Congress will accomplish the purpose. Also, it will lead to a general examination of the White House files, with a view of transferring all Presidential papers of past Administrations to the Library. [18](#)

The Bryce letters were sent to the Library by Taft himself with an accompanying admonition:

Mr. Mischler has found quite a number of letters from Lord Bryce in the White House files, and I am sending them to you herewith. I wish you would go with the authority from me, to see what other papers are there of mine. I would like very much to have them all in one place. [19](#)

On December 22 Mr. Moore went to the White House, where he found extensive office files not only from the administration of President Taft but also from the administrations of President Wilson and Harding. [20](#) A memorandum on the subject prepared by C. E. Ingling, chief file clerk in the White House, helps to account for the Presidential papers remaining there:

During the administration of President Taft, as was and is the custom, we kept what we termed the President's Personal File, and the General File. In the former, we filed such personal matters as it was thought would be of interest to the President or which were of a private nature. This file was turned over to him at the expiration of his term.

The General-official file of March 1909-1913, now stored in the attic, consists of fifty-three drawers (2 ft. deep) full of material made up mostly of the routine work of the office and while there may be a few letters there which would be considered more or less of a private nature, viewed in the light of the present time, it would be necessary to go through the entire file to locate them. [21](#)

The simultaneous discovery of the office files of Presidents Wilson and Harding leads to the conclusion that White House filing procedures were based on the theory that routine correspondence belonged to the Presidential office rather than to the particular occupant. This was in contradiction, of course, to what Taft had said in his Columbia lecture. Fortunately for the integrity of Presidential collections, that theory did not prevail. Here a request from Taft himself was sufficient to retrieve the office files. Authorized agents were able to achieve the same result for those of Presidents Wilson and Harding. [22](#)

Mr. Moore concluded that it would not be feasible to go through these voluminous files to extract any intermingled personal correspondence. Undoubtedly, he also realized the historical value of what the White House office staff considered routine material. Chief Justice Taft readily followed his suggestion and requested that all of the files be sent to the Library. [23](#)

III

With this accession a large gap in the Taft Papers was filled. Notable additions, however, continued to come. Taft himself was faithful and persistent in gathering papers. A remodeling of his residence on Wyoming Avenue in 1926 brought more letters to light. He described these to his son Robert and also suggested that there were even more letters in the Cincinnati house of his half-brother, Charles P. Taft:

Among other things we find in the cellar are letters. We have letters of Grandpa Taft, letters apparently written to Uncle Charley's mother, Father's first wife. If they turn out to be of interest, I think I shall send them to your Uncle Charley. The other letters we are turning over to the Congressional Library for examination. They include a good many of my letters to your mother. That leads me to say that I am quite sure there are a great many boxes of letters in the garret of your Uncle Charley's house on Pike Street, which I would be glad to get hold of and have them

sent here, because the Manuscript Division of the Congressional Library will examine them all and put them in my collection in that place. [24](#)

Taft then informed both Charles and his sister Fanny Taft Edwards that he was turning over the family correspondence to the Library. At the same time he supplied Charles Moore with a fuller description of his latest discovery. Surprisingly enough, it included letters from the Presidential years and an important memorandum concerning the indictment against the steel trust. There were also a good many letters from the State Department with reference to Taft's action in sending troops to the Mexican border.

Taft's attitude about the value of some of the family letters was curious:

. . . . They cover a period—at least I hope they do—from 1882 to 1886 when I was practicing law in Cincinnati and my father and mother were in Austria and in Russia, when Father was Minister to Austria and subsequently Minister to Russia. There are letters written by the various members of the family, including myself. I think it would be well to keep my own letters in the collection. It is possible that in the letters received in Vienna and St. Petersburg there may be family matters of interest commented on which ought to be in a collection of mine. In addition to this there are a lot of letters that I wrote to Mrs. Taft while I was in the Philippines and while she was visiting in China and Japan. Then there are a lot of letters that I wrote to Mrs. Taft while traveling on lecture tours between 1913 and 1921. The letters of my father and grandfather I have concluded not to send, because as I glance at them I don't think they would have much interest in a collection of my letters. [25](#)

Mr. Moore promptly disagreed:

. . . . As for your father and grandfather letters, let me remind you of the value we would attach to letters of Washington's father and grandfather. There are none. The family life of a President and Chief Justice of the United States is a matter of high historical concern, and will be increasingly so as the Republic grows older. [26](#)

Before his death Taft added the correspondence with his children to the collection, and ultimately, through the generosity and cooperation of the family, that of his father and grandfather reached the Library. In 1933 the last large group of Taft Papers was deposited by the estate. Smaller but valuable additions were made from time to time by the Taft family. Significant among these were four journals given in 1962 by Helen Taft Manning. One was kept by the Tafts on their wedding trip to Europe in 1886; three were kept by Mrs. Taft recording trips to Europe, around the world, and experiences in the Philippines. Over the years also, the Library acquired important items by purchase such as a Philippine diary and a bench notebook from the period of Taft's tenure on the Superior Court of Ohio.

Segments of the Taft Papers left the Library in the 1930's on loan to the authorized biographer, Henry F. Pringle, and during World War II part of the collection was removed to Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va., for safekeeping. Until 1952 the Taft Papers were only on deposit in the Library of Congress. In February of that year the deposit was converted to a gift by Robert A. Taft, Charles P. Taft, and Helen Taft Manning. By this public-spirited act, typical of the Taft family, the William Howard Taft Papers, numbering some half a million items and constituting an extraordinarily rich source for a study of American political and constitutional history for over half a century, became a permanent part of the national manuscript collections. [27](#)

Note: This essay was written by Paul T. Heffron, specialist in 20th-century political history, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress.

1. William H. Taft to Rudolph Forster, April 5, 1913. William Howard Taft Papers, Library of Congress (thereafter cited as Taft Papers).
2. Speech to American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass., October 16, 1912. Taft Papers.

3. Executive Order No. 1499, March 16, 1912. Taft Papers.
4. Lecture at Columbia University, October 13, 1915. Taft Papers.
5. Forster to Wendell M. Mischler, June 25, 1917. Taft Papers.
6. Gaillard Hunt to Taft, April 27, 1915. Taft Papers.
7. Taft to Hunt, April 30, 1915. Taft Papers.
8. Charles Moore to Taft, January 6, 1919. Taft Papers.
9. Taft to Moore, January 14, 1919. Taft Papers.
10. Report of the Librarian of Congress 1919, p. 33-34.
11. Moore to Taft, January 30, 1920. Taft Papers.
12. Taft to Moore, February 4, 1920. Taft Papers.
13. Taft to John C. Fitzpatrick, February 7, 1920. Taft Papers.
14. Moore to Taft, June 14, 1920. Taft Papers.
15. Taft to Moore, June 14, 1920. Taft Papers.
16. Mischler to Moore, November 13, 1924. Taft Papers.
17. Moore to Mischler, November 17, 1924. Taft Papers.
18. Moore to Taft, December 11, 1924. Taft Papers.
19. Taft to Moore, December 16, 1924. Taft Papers.
20. Moore to Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, December 23, 1924. Edith Bolling Wilson Papers, Library of Congress.
21. Memorandum of C. E. Ingling, March 27, 1925. Taft Papers.
22. See Ray Stannard Baker, *The Woodrow Wilson: Life and Letters* (New York, 1927), vol. 1, p. xvii-xviii; and Francis Russell, *Shadow of Blooming Grove: Warren G. Harding in His Times* (New York, 1968), p. 646-647.
23. Taft to Moore, March 28, 1925. Taft Papers.
24. Taft to Robert A. Taft, October 17, 1926. Taft Papers.
25. Taft to Moore, October 19, 1926. Manuscript Division files.
26. Moore to Taft, October 20, 1926. Taft Papers.
27. For a description of the scope and content of the Taft Papers see Kate MacLean Stewart, "The William Howard Taft Papers," *Library of Congress Quarterly Journal of Current Acquisitions*, vol. 15, November 1957, p. 1-11

Scope and Content Note for Additions to the Collection

The Addition to the papers of William H. Taft (1857-1930) spans the years 1854-1973, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the period 1888-1930. It includes correspondence, photocopies of correspondence, notebooks, engagement books, certificates, diplomas and degrees, passports, business and property records, legal documents, and photographs that have been added to the papers as [Series 27: Addition](#). Series 27 is organized according to when the material was added to

the collection. Parts A and B consist of material processed before 1984; Part C was processed in 1996. An Oversize file completes the addition.

Part A contains original correspondence, engagement books, notebooks, and miscellany. Part B consists entirely of photocopies of correspondence.

Part C contains family papers, including letters received by Taft's father, Alphonso, and business records, which largely concern portions of Taft's estate transferred to his wife, Helen Herron Taft.

Correspondents include John Proctor Clarke, A. M. J. Cochran, Louise M. Du Rell, Meyer Friedman, Ulysses S. Grant (1881-1968), Howard C. Hollister, Theodore Roosevelt, Anson Phelps Stokes, Helen Herron Taft, Eugene M. Turner, David S. Woodrow, and William Worthington.

Series 27: Addition is not included in the microfilm edition of Taft's papers or in the index to this microfilm edition.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged in twenty-seven series:

- Series 1: Family Correspondence and Related Items, 1805-1909
- Series 2: William Howard Taft-Helen Herron Taft Correspondence, 1882-1929
- Series 3: General Correspondence and Related Material, 1877-1941
- Series 4: William Howard Taft-Theodore Roosevelt Correspondence, 1897-1918
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REEL 29-319	<p><u>Series 3: General Correspondence and Related Material, 1877-1941</u></p> <p>Chiefly incoming correspondence, together with related material, and some outgoing correspondence, particularly during Taft's secretary of war period, Yale period, and Supreme Court period. Only six boxes of general correspondence are included for his presidential years. A few scattered letters and notes in Taft's own handwriting plus holographs and typescripts are included in this series, as well as retained copies of letters written by Taft after the letterbook system was abandoned in 1921. Arranged chronologically.</p>
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REEL 322	<p><u>Subseries 4B: 1907-1909</u></p> <p>Mainly letters received by Theodore Roosevelt and apparently referred to Taft. Some of the letters, ostensibly enclosures, were sent without covering letters; other enclosures, however, are filed with the covering letter. The correspondence relates to arrangements for the White House Governors' Conference on the Conservation of Natural Resources. Arranged chronologically and therein alphabetically by name of correspondent.</p>
REEL 323-353	<p><u>Series 5: Executive Office Correspondence (Presidential Series No. 1), 1909-1910</u></p> <p>Subject files or case files covering roughly the first year of the Taft administration and consisting of correspondence relating to the functioning of the federal government.</p>

Arranged in two groups of case files organized alphabetically by title of case file. Documents within case files are arranged chronologically and therein alphabetically by name of correspondent. A third group of miscellaneous papers is arranged chronologically and therein alphabetically by name of correspondent. Enclosures are filed with their covering letter. An alphabetical list of case file titles is provided in the index and is filmed as a target at the front of the series.

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Series 6: Executive Office Correspondence (Presidential Series No. 2), 1909-1913

A continuation of the federal government correspondence of Series 5, covering the last three years of Taft's administration.

Case files are in their original arrangement of numbered files 1 to 5003, arranged in numerical order. The arrangement of Series 6 is the result of a reorganization of the Executive Office filing system in the summer of 1910. Documents within case files are arranged chronologically and therein alphabetically by name of correspondent. Enclosures are filed with their cover letter. An alphabetical list of case file titles for this series is provided in the index and is filmed as a target at the front of the series.

REEL 452-461

Series 7: The President's Personal File (Presidential Series No. 3), 1909-1913

Correspondence and related items for the presidential period concerning personal and confidential matters, primarily with members of Taft's immediate family, his official family of cabinet officers and other high government officials, foreign dignitaries, classmates, and very close friends.

Arranged in a numbered system consisting of 566 case file titles of personal names and names of organizations or institutions. Material within the case files is arranged chronologically and therein alphabetically by name of correspondent. An alphabetical list of case file titles for this series is provided in the index and is filmed as a target at the front of the series.

REEL 462-562

Series 8: Letterbooks, 1872-1921

Copies of outgoing letters that in many instances complement the incoming correspondence in other series, particularly in Series 3, the General Correspondence Series. The letterbooks begin with the period of Alphonso Taft's partnership with his sons and end with the period when William H. Taft became chief justice. A few of the letters are illegible or partially illegible.

Arranged chronologically with some overlapping dates within the following groups:

- Alphonso Taft & Sons. 1872-1877
 - Volume 1. 1872-1874
 - Volume 2. 1874-1876
 - Volume 3. 1876-1877
- Solicitor General. 1890-1891
- Philippine Commission. 1900-1903
- Secretary of War Period. 1904-1909
 - Personal Letters. 1904-1909
 - Semiofficial. 1904-1908
- Presidential Letterbooks. 1909-1913
- Yale Letterbooks, 1913-1921

- REEL 563-593 Series 9: Speeches, Articles, and Messages. 1850-1929
 This series is divided into four subseries and includes a few addresses, articles, and related material of Taft's father, Alphonso Taft. The speeches are arranged chronologically within each subseries and therein by the name of the location where the speech was delivered, but occasionally, under the title of a well-known address.
- REEL 563-575 Subseries 9A: 1901-1920
 Bound volumes of typescript and printed addresses, articles, remarks, statements, drafts, notes, and newspaper clippings. Chiefly transcripts made from stenographic notes of Wendell W. Mischler, Taft's stenographer and private secretary. An index is included in each volume.
- REEL 575-576 Subseries 9B: 1874-1917
 Published collected addresses, articles, messages, opinions, briefs, decisions, proclamations, extracts, statements, photographs, interviews, documents concerning Republican political campaigns, clippings, and other related material. The pamphlets are numbered consecutively and arranged in a rough chronological order; they are cataloged and classified in the general collection of the Library of Congress, but located in the Manuscript Division.
- REEL 576-593 Subseries 9C: 1874-1929
 Chiefly unpublished addresses, articles, messages, reports, remarks, editorials, statements, interviews, memoranda, and certificates, including notes relating to them, and drafts, fragments, galley proofs, and clippings. Arranged in rough chronological order and therein alphabetically by title, subject, or place of delivery.
- REEL 593 Subseries 9D: 1850-1875
 Mainly published addresses and articles of Alphonso Taft. Arranged chronologically.
- REEL 593-608 Series 10: Professional Diaries, 1902-1918
 Diaries and diary material concerning William H. Taft's official and professional activities, including engagement books, letterbooks, address books, and guest lists. Arranged chronologically within the following groups:
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| Official, 1902-1913 | Chiefly diaries kept by Taft's military aides, with official reception books and an official letterbook. |
| Social, 1908-1913 | Mainly records of social activities at the White House, including one social letterbook, mostly for Taft's White House period. |

Personal diaries,
1904-1908

Chiefly records of Taft's personal appointments and speaking engagements.

Secretarial,
1906-1918

Diaries, 1906-1909, kept by Fred W. Carpenter, secretary to Taft during this period; one volume, 1913-1914, kept by Wendell W. Mischler, private secretary to Taft; desk diaries, 1910-1911 and 1915-1918; and a memorial book, 1909.

REEL 608-610

Series 11: Family Diaries and Miscellaneous Personal Volumes, 1835-1930

Chiefly personal diaries (including the honeymoon diary of Taft and his wife, in part, in Taft's own handwriting); together with graduation books, docket books, commonplace books, a students register, a journal index, a financial ledger, a lecture book (partially in shorthand), a teachers instructional journal, an address book, a London album, a poetry book, a memorial to William H. Taft, and a few related items of some of the early members of the Taft family listed as follows: Alphonso Taft, Fanny Phelps (later, Mrs. Alphonso Taft), Peter Rawson Taft I, Peter Rawson Taft II, Helen Herron (later, Mrs. William H. Taft), and Delia C. Torrey. Arranged in numerical sequence and in rough chronological order.

REEL 610-611

Series 12: Legal Papers of Alphonso Taft, 1784-1889

Legal case files including agreements, arguments, attachments, answers, affidavits, assignments, abstracts of titles, briefs, bills of sale and receipts, contracts, charges, confirmations, commissions, deeds, defense motions, depositions, decrees, evidence, exceptions, judgments, lists, leases, minutes, maps, protests, powers of attorney, pleas, proposals, promissory notes, policies, quit claims, summonses, surveys, shorthand notes, statements, scholarship trust papers, testimony, transfers, and wills.

Arranged alphabetically by name of first party in the case file title and numbered from 1 to 40. The case file titles for this series are listed in the index and are filmed as a target at the front of the series.

REEL 611-616

Series 13: Legal Papers of William Howard Taft, 1880-1929

Legal instruments, cases, and other items. Includes appeals, abstracts, affidavits, agreements, applications, arbitration proceedings, awards, bills of particular, briefs, correspondence, court orders, decisions, dockets, fragments, exceptions, exhibits, extracts, memoranda, notices of deposition, notes, opinions, petitions, reports, shorthand notes, syllabuses, and transcripts.

The case files are arranged alphabetically by the first party named. A list of 86 case file titles, to which consecutive numbers have been assigned, appears in the index and its filmed as a target at the front of the series.

REEL 616-617

Series 14: Legal Notebooks, 1887-1900

Notebooks kept by Taft while he was judge of the superior court, Cincinnati, Ohio, and while judge of the Sixth United States Circuit Court.

Arranged chronologically. Consecutive numbers from 1 to 11 have been assigned to the volumes.

- REEL 617-618 Series 15: Miscellaneous Legal Manuscripts, 1881-1930
Chiefly designations for district judges, together with scattered correspondence, agreements, opinions, reports, House and Senate bills, hearings, amendments, summaries, statements, suggestions, copies of decisions, drafts, a list of cases, memoranda, notes, petitions, resolutions, and fragments.
Arranged chronologically.
- REEL 618-623 Series 16: Law Lectures and Related Material, 1897-1921
Law lectures and lecture notes, examination questions, record books of students' grades, and fragments relating to the periods Taft served as dean of the University of Cincinnati Law School and professor of constitutional law at Yale University.
Arranged alphabetically by name of institution or the location at which the lecture or series of lectures was given.
- REEL 623-626 Series 17: Scrapbooks, 1879-1922
Chiefly newspaper clippings or articles, editorials, and speeches relating to Taft's political life up to the Supreme Court period. Includes invitations, pamphlets, programs, menus, and other items relating to his personal and social life.
Arranged chronologically according to volumes numbered from 1 to 25.
- REEL 626-635 Series 18: Taft Family Financial Papers, 1800-1930
Bills and receipts; canceled checks and check books; Philippine commission expenses; contributions, dues, and subscriptions; insurance policies and receipts; personal income taxes and tax forms; list of figures and other expense notes; and miscellaneous items.
Arranged by type of material. Selectively filmed.
- REEL 636-637 Series 19: Taft Family Financial Account Books and Related Material, 1831-1926
Chiefly financial account books relating to the Taft family, including bank books, a payroll book, and an estate book kept by Alphonso Taft & Sons, Peter Rawson Taft I, Waity Mansfield, Alexander Fraser, J. L. Thayer, Stephen Torrey, William H. Taft, Helen H. Taft I, and Fred W. Carpenter. The arrangement is roughly chronological.
- REEL 637-640 Series 20: Miscellaneous Correspondence and Related Material, 1797-1941
Chiefly miscellaneous correspondence, together with announcements, bills, statements, receipts, contracts, cards, clippings, suggestions, drafts, shorthand notes, transmittals, extracts, circulars, memoranda, notes, resolutions, and fragments.
Arranged chronologically.
- REEL 640 Series 21: Special Correspondence, 1890-1909
Arranged chronologically within each volume; Volume 3 is arranged alphabetically within the day.

- REEL 641 Series 22: Miscellaneous Addresses, Articles, and Related Material, circa 1807-1909
Addresses, articles, messages, remarks, press releases, and an oration, by persons other than William H. Taft and Alphonso Taft. Includes drafts, extracts, and fragments.
Arranged chronologically.
- REEL 641-643 Series 23: Miscellaneous Reports and Minutes, 1905-1929
Chiefly reports and minutes, including memoranda, announcements, lists, résumés, programs, dockets, and fragments.
Arranged alphabetically by subject.
- REEL 643 Series 24: Miscellaneous Messages, 1908-1913
Mainly printed messages to Congress, together with some short transmittals.
Arranged chronologically and therein alphabetically by subject. Only title pages of lengthy messages have been filmed.
- REEL 644-650 Series 25: Miscellany, 1831-1930
Programs, contracts, and miscellaneous documents relating to the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra; cross references, 1911-1913, from case file 300 of Series 6, relating to political matters, arranged by state; deeds and leases, 1831-1929; genealogical material, 1849-1911, arranged in alphabetical order by family; shorthand notebooks and shorthand notes, 1906-1929, by Wendell W. Mischler; three theses; annotated covers, calling cards, invitations, acknowledgments, and annotated pamphlets; family portraits, cartoons, sketches, and clippings; and bookplates, passes, membership cards, and place cards.
Grouped by type of material.
- REEL 658 Series 26: Oversize Material, 1905-1909
Diplomas, certificates, passports, photographs, cartoons, and sketches, mainly of Taft and his family, together with blueprints, drawings of a floor plan, scrapbooks, bound newspapers, and a map.
The arrangement is roughly chronological.
- BOX 27:1-4, OV 1 Series: 27, Addition, 1854-1973
Correspondence, photocopies of correspondence, notebooks, engagement books, certificates, diplomas and degrees, passports, business and property records, legal documents, and photographs.
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BOX 27:1-4, OV 1	Series: 27, Addition, 1854-1973 Correspondence, photocopies of correspondence, notebooks, engagement books, certificates, diplomas and degrees, passports, business and property records, legal documents, and photographs. Organized in parts according to when the material was processed, plus an Oversize file, and therein alphabetically by type of material. Parts A and B were processed before 1984; Part C in 1996.
BOX 27:1	Part A Correspondence, 1888-1930, undated 1888, Apr. 15, John Proctor Clarke from Taft 1890, June 5-Oct. 25, William Worthington from Taft (3 folders) 1891, June 23, William Worthington from Taft 1893, Feb. 23, George F. Hoar from Taft 1894 July 28, Howard C. Hollister from Taft July 31, Howard C. Hollister from Taft 1895, July 24, William Worthington from Taft 1899, Oct. 2, William Worthington <i>et al.</i> from Taft 1900, July 20, William Worthington from Taft 1901, Feb. 16, William Worthington from Taft 1903, Dec. 21, Meyer Friedman to Taft 1904 Feb. 6, William Worthington from Taft Feb. 15, William Worthington from Taft July 18, Charles E. Magoon from Taft 1907, Sept. 29, Louise M. Du Rell to Taft

- 1910, Jan. 14, Helen Herron Taft (wife) to Helen Taft Manning
(daughter)
- 1912
- Aug. 5, Eugene M. Turner to Taft
- Nov. 1, William Worthington from Taft
- 1914, Jan. 2, William Worthington from Taft
- 1915, Sept. 21, Anson Phelps Stokes from Taft
- 1920
- Aug. 1, David S. Woodrow from Taft
- Sept. 26, Edward M. Moore from Taft
- 1924
- Mar. 25, Walter M. Pratt from Taft
- June 8, Helen Taft Manning (daughter) from Taft
- 1927, Jan. 5, A. M. J. Cochran from Taft
- 1930, May 24, Ulysses S. Grant II to Helen Herron Taft
- Undated
- Howard C. Hollister from Taft
- Helen Taft Manning from Taft
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- Helen Herron Taft
- To Coplen
- To Yukio Ozaki
- Engagement books, Fred W. Carpenter, 1906-1909
(2 vols.)
- BOX 27:2 Judicial notebooks, Cincinnati superior court, Cincinnati, Ohio, 14 May
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- BOX 27:3 Miscellany
- Appointments, 1873-1904 [*See Oversize*](#)
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- Collected, 1859-1876
- Superior court of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio
- Denton v. Whitney*, undated
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- Newspaper clippings, 1907-1914 [*See Oversize*](#)
- Political issues, 1901, 1917
- Proclamation by Martin G. Brumbaugh, 1918 [*See Oversize*](#)
- Resolution, 1913 [*See Oversize*](#)
- "Teddy Roosevelt: histoire de ma vie," cartoon biography in French,
1900
- University of Cincinnati By-Laws*, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1871

Writings

Notes and statement, 1904, 1927, undated

Veto message to House of Representatives, Bill 12812, draft, undated

Part B

Photocopies of correspondence

1910, May 26, Theodore Roosevelt from Taft, fragment

1912, Oct. 6, Zenas Crane from Taft

1926, Oct. 14, Lilly Livingood from Taft

Part C

Business records

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Home owners

Canadian dwellings, 1924-1940

District of Columbia dwellings, 1936

Life and accident, 1899-1904, 1919-1929

Silver appraisal, 1926

Last will and testament, 1927-1931

Real estate

Canadian property, 1913-1915, 1924-1931 *See also Oversize*
(3 folders)

District of Columbia property, 1912-1913

Stocks and bonds, 1900, 1910-1912, 1918, 1929

Family papers

Miscellany

Inaugural souvenir, Theodore Roosevelt, 1905

Newspaper clippings, 1912, 1932, 1973, undated

Photographs, unidentified women, n.d

Taft, Alphonso (father)

Letters received

(2 vols.)

Envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Austria,
1882-1883

General correspondence, 1874-1875

Taft, Horace and Winifred (brother and sister-in-law)

Clarke, Jane, letters to, 1907-1918, undated

Taft School, Watertown, Conn., 1908, 1936

Taft, Louise M. (mother), letter introducing Taft to James Whitehead,
British ambassador in Japan, 1900

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Oversize, 1854-1927, undated

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