

MS-144: Oscar Edelman Papers

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Title: Oscar Edelman Papers

Dates: 1910-1987

Creator: Edelman, Oscar, 1897-1987

Summary/Abstract: Edelman was a long-time, active member of the Socialist Party in Dayton, Ohio and for a period, served as business manager for the local Socialist newspaper, *Miami Valley Socialist*. His papers include correspondence, clippings, political literature, Socialist campaign materials, working papers, a minute book of the Young Socialist League in Dayton (1915), scattered copies of *Miami Valley Socialist*, and a collection of state and national Socialist Party literature.

Quantity/Physical Description: 6.0 linear feet and 35.9 megabytes

Language(s): English, German

Repository:

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Acquisition: The papers of Oscar Edelman were originally accessioned into the Wright State University Archives and Special Collections Department in May of 1984. These records were donated by Mr. Edelman, a member of the Local Dayton Socialist Party since 1914. Wright State University Archives and Special Collections received a second addition to this collection from Oscar Edelman's private estate upon his death, November 2, 1987.

Existence and Location of Copies: Issues of the *Miami Valley Socialist* newspaper are available on microfilm in the Dunbar Library.

Other Finding Aid:

The finding aid is available on the Special Collections & Archives, Wright State University Libraries web site at

http://www.libraries.wright.edu/special/collection_guides/guide_files/ms144.pdf. It is also available in the OhioLINK Finding Aid Repository at <http://ead.ohiolink.edu/xtf-ead/>.

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements: Paper throughout the collection is brittle. Please handle materials carefully when viewing the collection. A computer is needed to listen to the digitized copy of the 1973 Oscar Edelman interview in the collection (e-item ms144_e0001).

Related Material:

- MS-94 Local Dayton Socialist Party Records, <https://libraries.wright.edu/special/collectionguides/files/ms94.pdf> .
- MS-141 Socialist-Feminist Conference Records, <https://libraries.wright.edu/special/collectionguides/files/ms141.pdf> .
- A portion of the Edelman papers is also located at the Indiana State University Archives.

Processing Information: Preservation work on the collection completed by Andrea Green, 2007

Processed by: Original accession processed by James C. Oda in the spring of 1985. Additions processed by Kerrie A. Moore, Spring 1990. Finding aid revised according to DACS standards by Toni Vanden Bos, 2018.

Arrangement: The Oscar Edelman Papers are divided into fifteen series:

- Series I: Correspondence, 1912-1986
- Series II: Miscellaneous, 1912-1987
- Series III: Dayton Socialist Party, 1910-1980
- Series IV: Ohio Socialist Party, 1913-1980
- Series V: National Socialist Party, 1912-1984
- Series VI: Socialist International, 1936-circa 1985
- Series VII: Non-Socialist Party Political Activity, 1926-1984
- Series VIII: Local and State Socialist Publications, 1912-1925
- Series IX: *Haldeman-Julius* Journals and Publications, 1925-1949
- Series X: Socialist Party Literature, 1912-1983
- Series XI: Family Records, 1882-1982
- Series XII: Rand School, 1918-1983
- Series XIII: Friends of Oscar Edelman, 1911-1982
- Series XIV: Personal Memorabilia, 1897-1985
- Series XV: Oversize Material, circa 1880-1914, 1948

Biographical Note:

Oscar Edelman was born in Dayton, Ohio on April 9, 1897. He became interested in socialism at the age of fourteen when he attended the "Workers Ethical Platform Series" given by Fred Guy Strickland. In 1914 Edelman was the organizing chairman of the Dayton chapter of the Young People's Socialist League (YPSL).

Edelman spent most of his life living and working for the socialist cause in Dayton, Ohio with the exception of sixteen months spent in Detroit, Michigan, from 1916 to 1917. During this time he was a member of the Detroit East Side Circle YPSL. When he returned to Dayton, he joined the Dayton Local of the Socialist Party of America on his eighteenth birthday. He was elected Literature Agent for the local chapter. He also won a scholarship to attend the Rand School of Social Science in New York City during the academic year of 1918-1919. He graduated class Valedictorian. When he returned from New York in 1919 he began working for the American Cigar Company.

Edelman was business manager for the *Miami Valley Socialist* from 1919-1924. He was also active in state party activities at this time. In 1922 he served on the state executive committee and from 1923 to 1925 he was state Party secretary. On the local level Edelman was executive secretary for the Local Dayton Socialist Party in 1925. During the 1920s he ran for public office on the party ticket, Dayton Board of Education (1923) and Montgomery County Treasurer (1924).

In 1929 Edelman went to work as an accountant/office manager for the Rieck Sheet Metal and Roofing Company. He remained active in party politics during the 1930s. In 1931 he became involved with the Socialist Party of America (SPA) on the national level when he was elected the national committeeman from Ohio. He was also a member of the Dayton Local Executives Committee and in 1934 became the party treasurer. He ran as socialist candidate in 1932 for County Treasurer and in 1934 he ran for County charter commissioner and Montgomery County auditor.

Edelman helped to form the Dayton Local-Socialist Democratic Federation of America in 1936. He ran for state representative in this ticket in the 1936 election. He was also an active participant of the "Emergency Peace Campaign, Keep the U.S. Out of War" at this time.

Although the Local Dayton Socialist Party ceased to be active in local politics by the end of the 1930s, Edelman remained an active proponent of the socialist cause. He maintained an interest in the Socialist Democratic Federation and various other groups, such as the Socialist International, the Workers Defense League, and the Americans United (ACLU).

The Debs Foundation, Terre Haute, Indiana, was formed in the 1960s in an effort to restore the home of Eugene V. Debs and give recognition to those individuals who have worked for the rights of labor. Edelman was a financial contributor to the foundation and also donated his large book and publication collection on labor history to the foundation's library. He also served as a foundation trustee and was elected the Board of Director's Vice President in 1975.

In later years Edelman resided at the Bethany Lutheran Village in Dayton, Ohio until his death on November 2, 1987. While there he maintained an interest in the socialist cause on a national and international level.

Scope and Content Note:

The Oscar Edelman Papers are divided into fifteen series: Correspondence, Miscellaneous, Dayton Socialist Party, Ohio Socialist Party, National Socialist Party, Socialist International, Non-Socialist Party Political Activity, Local and State Socialist Publications, *Haldeman-Julius* Journals and Publications, Socialist Party Literature, Family Records, Rand School, Friends of Oscar Edelman, Personal Memorabilia, and Oversize Material.

Series I, Correspondence, 1912-1986, contains general correspondence, personal letters, carbon copies of letters written by Oscar Edelman, form letters, letters to the editor (clippings), and Debs Foundation correspondence from Terre Haute, Indiana. Correspondents include: Joseph W. Sharts, Barbara Webb, Fred Strickland, F.S. Hall, Segfried Ameringer, Ernest Utermann, Ernest Morgan, Jessie Stephen, Albert Carthy, Norman Thomas, and August Claessens.

Series II, Miscellaneous, 1912-1987, contains material concerning Socialist Party functions and individual participants. The series contains various Socialist magazines, *The Booster* (Dayton, Ohio), *The Peoples League Bulletin* (Dayton, Ohio) and several anti-socialist/communist clippings. Clippings, flyers, photographs, membership cards meeting notices, and memorabilia of Fred Guy Strickland, Barbara Webb Bourjaily, Oscar Ameringer, Ernest Morgan, Upton Sinclair, Oscar Edelman, Debs Foundation (including meeting minutes), Eugene Debs, Norman Thomas, and Karl Marx. Also included are catalogs, booklists and book reviews of the Charles Kerr Publishing Company.

Series III, Dayton Socialist Party, 1910-1980, consists of material concerning Dayton Socialist campaigns, clippings, flyers, stationary of Local Dayton Socialists Party, lectures, membership information including clippings, *Miami Valley Socialist* subscribers, Party officers, ward watchers, membership lists, Young People's Socialist League records, Unity Park project (1918-1921), business records and clippings of the *Miami Valley Socialist* (1912-1928), and financial records of the Local Dayton Socialist Party (1922-1925).

Series IV, Ohio Socialist Party, 1913-1980, contains miscellaneous records of the Ohio Socialist Party, Ohio Party local records 1913-1980, the Socialist Party of Greene County 1922-1951, and the Miami Valley Socialist League 1934-1935. Also included are various clippings, reports and ballots concerning state elections 1913-1980.

Series V, National Socialist Party, 1912-1984, this collection contains material relating to national Socialist activities including pamphlets, booklets, correspondence and clippings. Also included are national Socialist publications: *Michigan Socialist* (seven issues) 1916-1917; *New Appeal* June 22, 1918; *New Leader* (two issues) 1933-1934; and *New American* (six issues) 1967-1972.

Series VI, Socialist International, 1936-circa 1985, consists of miscellaneous material of the Socialist International including clippings, booklets, election information and the Canadian Socialist Party.

Series VII, Non-Socialist Party Political Activity, 1926-1984, contains local, state and national election material. Also included is material concerning the League for Industrial Democracy, Americans United (ACLU), Workers Defense League, League of Women Voters, Labor Unions and religious organizations.

Series VIII, Local and State Socialist Publications, 1912-1925, contains 198 editions of the *Miami Valley Socialist* published in Dayton, Ohio. Also included are four editions of the *Ohio Socialist* 1919, the first edition of the Evansville Edition published by the *Miami Valley Socialist* on May 2, 1919, and the May 11, 1922 edition of the *North Dayton Citizen* a Dayton business publication.

Series IX, Haldeman-Julius Journals and Publications, 1925-1949, consists of three *Haldeman-Julius Monthly* journals (1925), four *Haldeman-Julius Quarterly* journals (1926-1927), and various publications circa 1925-1940s.

Series X, Socialist Party Literature, 1912-1983, consists of forty-six booklets and pamphlets relating to such topics as Eugene Debs, communism, socialist philosophy, labor, Dayton local economic history, and Lyndon LaRouche. Of note, is an audiocassette of an oral interview of Oscar Edelman by WYSO in 1973, which is digitized for access. In the interview, Edelman provides a history of socialism in the Miami Valley area.

Series XI, Family Records, 1882-1982, this series consists of Edelman family correspondence. Also includes photographs, naturalization records, family history and funeral information of Oscar Edelman's parents. Also included are photographs, personal information of Emma P. Edelman, Edythe Edelman Baldon, Virginia Baldon, Amanda Edelman, Ruth Adelman Armstrong including correspondence, Anna Armstrong, John Edelman, and various Edelman relatives including the Kohring family.

Series XII, Rand School, 1918-1983, contains correspondence, publications, photographs, class information, and clippings concerning the Rand School of Social Science.

Series XIII, Friends of Oscar Edelman, 1911-1982, contains correspondence, photographs and clippings of Oscar Edelman's friends, including Tillie Gibson and her trip to the Soviet Union, the Lantz family, and the Merry-Go-Round Night Club of Dayton, Ohio. Also included is correspondence, clippings (including several letters to the editor), booklets, articles and Supreme Court legal briefs of Joseph W. Sharts.

Series XIV, Personal Memorabilia, 1897-1985, consists of the personal memorabilia of Oscar Edelman. Included are two 1915 diaries, high school papers, debates and lectures 1911-1916, a scrapbook of notable historic figures, Socialist – poems, songs, definitions, book lists and reviews, legal papers, correspondence, wills, trip information, non-socialist lecture information, Dayton YMCA and the Heritage Club materials, First Unitarian Church information,

miscellaneous materials on Col. Robert Ingersoll, a WSU paper entitled “Yours For Industrial Freedom” written by Laurie Marshall and Bob Fogarty. Also included are photographs of Oscar, family members, and miscellaneous people.

Series XV, Oversize Material, circa 1880-1914, 1948, contains material from the Oscar Edelman Papers collection which cannot be stored with the other series due to their size. Included in this collection is Oscar Edelman’s Baptismal Certificate (in German) March 19, 1914, four copies of Colonel Robert Ingersoll essays circa 1880s and a Chicago newspaper reporting that Dewey won the 1948 presidential election. (Loc. 6, Folder 4)

Subject Terms

Persons/Families

Debs, Eugene V. (Eugene Victor), 1855-1926

Edelman, Oscar, 1897-1987

Organizations/Corporate Names

Young People’s Socialist League

Socialist Party of the United States of America – History

Socialist Party of Ohio

Socialist Party of Ohio. -- Local Dayton -- History

Workers’ Defense League

Eugene V. Debs Foundation

Rand School of Social Science

Places

Dayton (Ohio) – Politics and government – 20th century

Ohio – Politics and government

Subjects (General)

Socialism -- Newspapers

Socialist parties – Ohio -- Dayton

Socialist parties

Socialists – Ohio -- Dayton

Material Types

Newspapers

Correspondence

Clippings (information artifacts)

Photographs

Membership cards

Collection Inventory

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Series I: Correspondence, 1912-1986			
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1	1	General Correspondence Vol. 1	1912-1929
1	2	General Correspondence Vol. 2	1933-1984
1	3	Personal Correspondence Vol. 1	1922-1984
1	4	Personal Correspondence Vol. 2	1922-1984
1	5	Carbon Copies of Letters by Oscar Edelman	1919-1976
1	6	Form Letters	1926-1984
1	7	Letters to the Editor (clippings)	1913-1980
1	8	Debs Foundation	1963-1986
Series II: Miscellaneous, 1912-1987			
<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
1	9	Publications, clippings and bulletins	1917-1978
1	10	Clippings, flyers, memorabilia of Fred Guy Strickland, Barbara Webb Bourjaily, Oscar Ameringer, Ernest Morgan and Upton Sinclair	1912-1976
1	11	Clippings, membership cards, meeting notices, Photographs of Oscar Edelman	1913-1977
2	1	Programs, bulletins and post cards from Debs Foundation	1924-1983
2	2	Minutes from Debs Foundation	1979-1987
2	3	Clippings of Debs Foundation	1960-1985
2	4	Clippings, pamphlets of Eugene V. Debs	1913-circa 1983
	5	Newspaper Articles about Eugene V. Debs	1928-1977
2	6	Clippings, flyers, meeting cards, pamphlets or Norman Thomas	1928-1977
2	7	Clippings, postcards of Karl Marx	1933-1979
2	8	Catalogs, booklists and book reviews of the Charles Kerr Publishing Company	1920-1974
Series III: Dayton Socialist Party, 1910-1980			
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3	1	Campaigns, Dayton Local and various national political groups, clippings, flyers, ballots	1931-1980
3	2	Miscellaneous, Dayton Local, clippings, photographs, flyers, and stationery	1912-1975
3	3	Lectures, Dayton Local : Irwin St. John Tucker (1918-1920) Esther Friedman (1921-1922) August Claessens (1922-1940) Robert LaFollette (1924) Eugene V. Debs (1916-1923) Bishop Paul Jones (1932-1934) Powers Hapgood (1934) Norman Thomas (1932-1933) Miscellaneous (1914-1942)	1914-1942
3	4	Membership, Dayton Local, clippings, <u>Miami Valley Socialist</u> subscribers, Party officers, ward watchers, membership lists	Circa 1914-1966
3	5A	Young Peoples Socialist League, Dayton, minutes,	1914 March -1915 April
3	5B	Young Peoples Socialist League, Dayton, clippings, membership cards and lists	1910-1974
3	6	Correspondence, Dayton Local	1916-1941
3	7	Unity Park Project, Dayton Local, clippings	1918-1921
4	1	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i> , business/advertising cards, Financial records, stationary, legal documents, Correspondence, ledger	1918-1928
4	2	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i> , clippings	1912-1923
4	3	Financial Records, Dayton Local, ledger, receipts, promissory notes, reports	1922-1934
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4	6	Miscellaneous national socialist parties material, pamphlets, Booklets, correspondence, clippings, vol. 2	1970-1977
	7	Miscellaneous national socialist parties material, pamphlets, Booklets, correspondence, clippings, vol. 3	1978-1984
6	1	National socialist publications: <u>Michigan Socialist</u> (seven issues, 1916-1917) <u>New Appeal</u> (1918 June 22) <u>New Leader</u> (two Issues, 1933-1934) <u>New American</u> (six issues, 1967-1972)	1916-1972
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6	3	Local, State, and National Election Material, clippings, bulletins, mailings	1936-1984
6	4	League for Industrial Democracy booklets, receipts, ballot information	1926-1978
6	5	Miscellaneous, Americans United (ACLU), Workers Defense League, League of Womens Voters, Labor Unions, and Religious organizations	1926-1978
Series VIII: Local and State Socialist Publications, 1912-1925			
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		Vol. 1 No. 1 – February 23, 1912	
		Vol. 1 No. 14 – May 24, 1912	
		Vol. 1 No. 37 – November 1, 1912	
		Vol. 1 No. 38 – November 8, 1912	
		Vol. 1 No. 41 – November 29, 1912	
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5	2	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i>	1913
		Vol. 1 No. 48 – January 17, 1913	
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		Vol. 1 No. 51 – February 7, 1913	
		Vol. 2 No. 1 – February 28, 1913	
		Vol. 2 No. 9 – April 6, 1913	
		Vol. 2 No. 10 – May 23, 1913	
		Vol. 2 No. 17 – July 11, 1913	
		Vol. 2 No. 20 – August 1, 1913	
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		Vol. 2 No. 31 – October 17, 1913	
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5	3	<i>Miami Valley Socialist:</i>	1914
		Vol. 2 No. 52 – March 13, 1914	
5	4	<i>Miami Valley Socialist:</i>	1915 January - March
		Vol. 3 No. 42 – January 1, 1915	
		Vol. 3 No. 43 – January 8, 1915	
		Vol. 3 No. 44 – January 15, 1915	
		Vol. 3 No. 47 – February 5, 1915	
		Vol. 3 No. 48 – February 12, 1915	
		Vol. 3 No. 49 – February 19, 1915	
		Vol. 3 No. 50 – February 26, 1915	
		Vol. 3 No. 51 – March 5, 1915	
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		Vol. 4 No. 2 – March 26, 1915	
5	5	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i>	1915 April - December
		Vol. 4 No. 6 – April 23, 1915	
		Vol. 4 No. 7 – April 30, 1915	
		Vol. 4 No. 8 – May 7, 1915	
		Vol. 4 No. 9 – May 14, 1915	
		Vol. 4 No. 20 – August 13, 1915	
		Vol. 4 No. 21 – August 20, 1915	
		Vol. 4 No. 28 – October 15, 1915	
		Vol. 4 No. 30 – October 29, 1915	
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5	6	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i>	1916

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		Vol. 4 No. 42 – January 21, 1916	
5	7	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i>	1918
		Vol. 6 No. 325 – May 31, 1918	
5	8	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i>	1919 January - May
		Vol. 7 No. 358 – January 17, 1919	
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		Vol. 7 No. 367 – March 21, 1919	
		Vol. 7 No. 374 – May 9, 1919	
		Vol. 7 No. 375 – May 16, 1919	
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5	9	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i>	1919 June - August
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5	10	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i>	1919 September - December
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5	12	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i>	1920 March - April
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5	13	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i>	1920 May - June
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5	17	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i>	1921
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5	19	<i>Miami Valley Socialist</i>	1922 April - May
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		Vol. 10 No. 581 – April 27, 1923	
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7	15	"The March of Socialism 1928-1932." <i>The Journal of the Seventeenth National Convention Socialist Party</i> . Wisconsin	1932 May 20-24
7	16	<i>The Survey</i>	1932 April 15
7	17	Henderson, Fred. "The Case for Socialism"	1934
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7	22	Morris, Herbert. "Gene Debs, The Story of a Fighting American"	1948
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7	24	Hook, Sidney. "International Communism"	1949
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7	29	Debs, Eugene V. "The Canton Speech"	circa 1960
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7	31	Lamb, Edward. "Trial By Battle, The Case History of a Washington Witch-Hunt"	1964
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7	39	Levison, Andrew. "The Working-Class Majority"	1974
7	40	Adelman, William J. "Haymarket Revisited"	1976
7	41	"New Democratic Party Constitution, Winnipeg"	1977
7	42	Pulley, Andrew. "How I Became A Socialist"	circa 1979
7	43	Cone, James H. "The Black Church and Marxism"	1980
7	44	King, Dennis. "Nazis Without Swastikas, the Lyndon LaRouche Cult and Its War on American Labor"	1983
7	45	Oral Interview of Oscar Edelman by WYSO on audiocassette (39:14) (Request ms144_e0001 file ms144_07_45.mp3 from E-Archives to listen to contents. Use is subject to copyright law.) Available to listen online through the WYSO Digital Archives at the Greene County Public Library.	1973
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8	4	Photographs and personal information of Edythe Edelman Baldon and Virginia Baldon	1884-1972
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9	4	Correspondence, photographs, clippings, flyers and menus of the Lantz family and the Merry-Go-Round Night Club	1937-1969
9	5	Correspondence and Letters to the Editor of Joseph W. Sharts, Vol. 1	1922-1958
9	6	Clippings of Joseph W. Sharts, Vol. 2	1914-1965
9	7	Booklets, Articles and Supreme Court Legal Briefs of Joseph W. Sharts, Vol. 3	1921-1956
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10	1	Two diaries of Oscar Edelman	1915 March - December
10	2	High School Papers, debates and lectures	1911-1915
10	3	Contents of a school binder, papers, and science projects	1911-1916
10	4	A scrapbook of notable historic figures	Begins: 1916 March 1
10	5	Socialist materials; poems, songs, and definitions	1917-1982
10	6	Book list – contents of Oscar’s library which was donated to the Debs Foundation, Vol. 1	1910-1947
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10	9	Book reviews, clipping and booklets of recommended readings	1916-1975
11	1	Legal papers of Oscar Edelman, Social Security, investments and birth certificate	1897-1985
11	2	Correspondence and forms of Oscar’s visit to the Cleveland Clinic and body donation information	1973-1978
11	3	Oscar Edelman’s wills	1971-1984
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11	6	Membership cards, clippings, correspondence and flyers of the Dayton YMCA and the Heritage Club	1937-1983
11	7	Correspondence and clippings regarding the first Unitarian Church	1926-1981
11	8	Correspondence, clippings, booklets and articles on the Freethinkers and the American Humanist Society	
11	9	Clippings, booklets, reviews, and several articles from "The Age of Reason" magazine by Col. Robert Ingersoll	1943-1971
11	10	<i>A Vision of War</i> by Col. Robert Ingersoll	circa 1899
11	11	Miscellaneous photographs, buttons and Sinclair Community College material	1932-1984
12	1	"Yours For Industrial Freedom" by Laurie Marshall and Bob Fogarty, Wright State University students	1971 May 31
	2	Photographs of Oscar Edelman	1901-1975
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