

MS-164: National Association of Letter Carriers. Branch 182 Records

Collection Number: MS-164

Title: National Association of Letter Carriers. Branch 182 Records

Dates: 1917-1979

Creator: National Association of Letter Carriers. Branch 182 (Dayton, Ohio)

Summary/Abstract:

The National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC), Branch 182 was organized in Dayton, Ohio in 1891. The branch has also been referred to as the “Gem City Branch” of NALC and serves to protect the labor rights of letter carriers in Dayton. The collection includes membership meeting minutes, membership records, correspondence, photographs, and miscellaneous materials.

Quantity/Physical Description: 0.84 linear feet

Language(s): English

Repository:

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Acquisition: This collection was donated to Special Collections and Archives in July, 1981 by Joe Booher, President of the organization.

Existence and Location of Originals: At the time of donation four photographs were copied for the collection, and the originals were returned to the organization.

Other Finding Aid:

The finding aid is available on the Special Collections & Archives, Wright State University Libraries web site at <https://www.libraries.wright.edu/special/collectionguides/files/ms164.pdf>. It is also available in the OhioLINK Finding Aid Repository at <http://ead.ohiolink.edu/xtf-ead/>.

Related Material:

MS-163 National Association of Letter Carriers, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138 Records
(<https://www.libraries.wright.edu/special/collectionguides/files/ms163.pdf>)

MS-58: National Association of Letter Carriers. Branch 45 Records
(<https://www.libraries.wright.edu/special/collectionguides/files/ms58.pdf>)

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Arrangement:

The collection is arranged into five series:

- Series I: Administrative Records, 1917-1972
- Series II: Financial Records, 1929-1960
- Series III: General Correspondence, 1946-1960
- Series IV: NALC Printed Materials, 1960-1979
- Series V: Miscellaneous, undated

Biographical/Historical Note:

The National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) was created in 1889 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Prior to the union letter carriers worked ten to twelve hour days. The fight to win an eight hour work day was won in 1888, the movement would eventually become the National Association of Letter Carriers. The members of NALC Branch 182 were quick to join forces with the union and was created in Dayton, Ohio, February 1891. The local would come to be known at the "Gem City Branch". Per the NALC's website, Branch 182 is still an active local as of November 2018.

Scope and Content Note:

The records of National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) Branch 182 are divided into five series: Administrative Records, Financial Records, General Correspondence, NALC Printed Materials, and a miscellaneous series.

Series I, Administrative Records, contains the minutes of membership meetings between 1917 and 1951. In these volumes, officer and member rolls are also found. Series I also contains a folder of miscellaneous minutes, a Constitution and By-Laws (1972), Proposed Amendments to By-Laws (no date), and an oversize Membership Register for the years 1918-1949.

Series II, Financial Records, contains Cash Receipts and Disbursements Records (1929-1953), and an Accounts Records (1929-1960) which provides the balances of various union funds.

Series III, General Correspondence, fills a single folder and dates from 1946-1960. Much of it originates from the national headquarters and deals with administrative matters and legislation.

Series IV, NALC Printed Materials, contains four files of miscellaneous materials published by the NALC, which date from 1960-1979.

Series V, Miscellaneous, contains three files. The photograph file contains twelve photos depicting employees at work and special events. Some of the photographs are stamped on the back with Frank M. Betz, a Dayton photographer. These photographs are 8x10, black and white, with just a few labeled with descriptive information.

Subject Terms

Organizations/Corporate Names

National Association of Letter Carriers (U.S.). Branch 182 (Dayton, Ohio) – Archives

Places

Dayton (Ohio) – History – 20th century

Subjects (General)

Labor unions – Ohio – Dayton

Postal service – Employees -- Labor unions

Material Types

Correspondence

Financial records

Membership list

Minutes (administrative records)

Photographs

Collection Inventory

Box	File	Description	Date
Series I: Administrative Records			1917-1972
1	1	Minutes, Membership Meetings	1917-1933
1	2	Minutes, Membership Meetings (Ledger)	1934-1942
1	3	Minutes, Membership Meetings (Ledger)	1942-1951
1	4	Minutes, Miscellaneous	undated
2	1	Constitution and By-Laws	1972
2	2	Proposed Amendments to By-Laws	undated
2	3	Membership Register (Oversize Volume)	1918-1949
Series II: Financial Records			1929-1960
2	4	Accounts Record	1929-1960
2	5	Cash Disbursements Record	1929-1953
2	6	Cash Receipts Record	1929-1953
Series III: General Correspondence			1946-1960
2	7	General Correspondence	1946-1960
Series IV: NALC Printed Materials			1960-1979
2	8	Charges and Reply of President William C. Doherty to Alleged Violation of the Hatch Act	1960
2	9	Development and Progress of Merger Talks, William C. Doherty	1960
2	10	NALC Bulletins	1964 Jan – Aug
2	11	NALC Letter Carrier's Guide NALC Membership Brochure	1979 1978
Series V: Miscellaneous			undated
2	12	Count of Mail and Inspection of City Delivery Routes	undated
2	13	Newspaper Clippings, Postal Pay Legislation in the 83 rd Congress	undated
2	14	Photographs	undated