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Levy, Philip, -1970

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Biographical Information

Philip Levy was a government official in several capacities, serving on the legal staff of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) and as counsel to Senator Robert F. Wagner. Levy practiced private law in Washington, D.C. during a career that spanned 1934-1970. He was directly involved with the development of national labor policy in the United States in the 1930s and 1940s, and maintained a continued interest in labor policy throughout his long career.

Scope and Content

This collection contains meeting minutes and grant proposals from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) as well as correspondence on civil rights and race relations between senators and NAACP members. Many of the materials deal with the Fair Employment Practices Commission (FEPC), issued by Franklin Roosevelt in 1941 as executive order 8802 partly in response to protests organized by A. Philip Randolph. The bill was blocked from federal legislation by the conservative coalition in Congress, but five states passed their own FEPC bills: New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Washington. Several documents represented in this collection come from Connecticut.

The materials in this collection include a 1948 letter on civil rights from President Harry Truman to the Congress; a 1949 statement of Irving M. Engel on behalf of the American Jewish Committee to the House Committee on Labor and the Education Subcommittee on Discrimination in Employment; correspondence of Senator William Benton to Philip Levy, Walter White, and an op-ed to the New York Times; a 70 page "Program for Progress in Race Relations" submitted in 1951 by William H. Hastie, Arthur B. Spingarn, and Walter White on behalf of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc.; pamphlets from 1949 criticizing the Fair Employment Practices Commission on the bases of reverse discrimination and biological inequality between and among races; statements of Senator Herbert H. Lehman regarding civil rights, including an address to a Dinner of the American Civil Liberties Union; 1951 meeting minutes of the NAACP; and letters from the NAACP's Legal Defense and Education Fund to the Ford Foundation's Program Planning Division requesting support for research on unequal opportunities and world opinion on racial discrimination in the United States. The collection also includes various newsclippings and articles about race relations and civil rights during this time. Particular focus is paid to race relations in Washington, D.C.

Related Material

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Benton, William, 1900-1973
Lehman, Herbert H. (Herbert Henry), 1878-1963
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
United States. Committee on Fair Employment Practice
Weaver, Robert C. (Robert Clifton), 1907-1997
White, Walter, 1893-1955

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Senator William Benton Correspondence and Federal Fair Employment Practice Act (FEPA) Speech Documents

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Civil Rights Legislation and FEPC Act in Connecticut Documents

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"Connecticut State Inter-racial Commission-Highlights of the Annual Report"

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"Statement of Irving M. Engel on Behalf of the American Jewish Committee To the House Committee on Labor and Education Subcommittee on Discrimination in Employment"

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Department of Defense Press Release-"Integration in Far East [Korea] to be Completed by Army"

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"News from NAACP" Newsletters on "Major Candidates on Civil Rights" and "Records of Senators Sparkman, Nixon"

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Proposed Civil Rights Projects and Handwritten Notes

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"Quizzing Nixon" - Interview with Then-Senator Nixon - U.S. News and World Report

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Unit Date August 29, 1952

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"Report on Korea: The Shameful Story of the Courts Martial on Negro Gis" Pamphlet by Thurgood Marshall

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"Segregation in Washington" Booklet

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Unit Date November 1948

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"Should Negros Back Sparkman?: A Debate" Article in "The New Leader"

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Unit Date September 1, 1952

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"Survey Graphic" Magazine-"Color-Unfinished Business of Democracy"

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Speech on Civil Rights, Possibly by Senator Benton

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President Truman's Message to Congress on Civil Rights

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"Tentative Draft of Statement by Subcommittee Appointed at Breakfast Hill"

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"Twenty Years of Civil Rights Progress" by the Democratic National Committee

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Senator Walter White Correspondence and Articles on Civil Rights

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"What the American Negro Wants" - Interview with Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. - U.S News and World Report

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Unit Date September 5, 1952

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Race Relations in Washington, D.C. Documents and Newsclippings

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"The Washington Afro-American" Newspaper

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Reprint from American Journal of International Law - United States Congressional Peace Resolution

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"American Diplomacy" by George F. Kennan

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FEPA - "Speech of Senator William Benton of Connecticut in the Senate of the United States"

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