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Collection Summary

Title: Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters Records

Inclusive Dates: 1920-1968

Bulk Dates: 1950-1968

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Creator: Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters

Extent: 41,000 items

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Summary: Part I consists of general correspondence, subject files, and personal papers of the brotherhood's founder, A. Philip Randolph, documenting the growth and functions of the union chiefly after 1940. Part II consists of correspondence and subject files of brotherhood officials Benjamin F. McLaurin (international field organizer), A. Philip Randolph (founder and president), and Ashley L. Totten (secretary-treasurer), and other subject files, financial records, and miscellaneous records.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Blanchette, A. R. (Arthur Robinson), 1910--Correspondence.

Bond, Julian, 1940-2015--Correspondence.

Dellums, C. L. (Cottrell Laurence)--Correspondence.

Dubinsky, David, 1892-1982--Correspondence.

Farmer, James, 1920-1999--Correspondence.

Green, William, 1870-1952--Correspondence.

King, Martin Luther, Jr., 1929-1968--Correspondence.

Marshall, Thurgood, 1908-1993--Correspondence.

Mboya, Tom--Correspondence.

McKissick, Floyd B. (Floyd Bixler), 1922-1991--Correspondence.

McLaurin, Benjamin F., 1906-1989 Benjamin F. McLaurin papers.

McNeal, T. D.--Correspondence.

Meany, George, 1894-1980--Correspondence.

Murray, Philip, 1886-1952--Correspondence.

Powell, Adam Clayton, Jr., 1908-1972--Correspondence.

Quill, Mike--Correspondence.

Randolph, A. Philip (Asa Philip), 1889-1979. A. Philip Randolph papers.

Randolph, Woodruff, 1892-1966--Correspondence.

Rauh, Joseph L., Jr., 1911-1992--Correspondence.

Reuther, Roy, 1909-1968--Correspondence.

Reuther, Victor G. (Victor George), 1912-2004--Correspondence.

Reuther, Walter, 1907-1970--Correspondence.

Rustin, Bayard, 1912-1987--Correspondence.

Smith, Bennie, 1884--Correspondence.

Spingarn, Arthur B. (Arthur Barnett), 1878-1971--Correspondence.

Stone, Chuck--Correspondence.

Totten, Ashley, 1884-1963. Ashley Totten papers.

Webster, Milton P., 1887-1965--Correspondence.

White, Walter, 1893-1955--Correspondence.

Wilkins, Roy, 1901-1981--Correspondence.

Young, Whitney M.--Correspondence.

Organizations

American Federation of Labor.

Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen.

Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

Congress of Industrial Organizations (U.S.)

National Advisory Committee on Farm Labor (U.S.)

National Sharecroppers' Fund (U.S.)

New York (N.Y.). City Council.

Subjects

African American labor leaders.

African Americans--Civil rights.

African Americans--Societies, etc.

Civil rights.

Labor movement--Africa.

Labor movement--Canada.

Labor movement--Kenya.

Labor movement--United States.

Local elections--New York (State)--New York.

Pullman porters--Labor unions--Canada.

Pullman porters--Labor unions--United States.

Railroad companies.

Railroads--Employees--Labor unions--United States.

Railroads--Employees.

Women in the labor movement--United States.

Acquisition Information

The records of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters were given to the Library of Congress in 1971 by A. Philip Randolph and the brotherhood and in 1981 by the Chicago Historical Society.

Processing History

The records of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters were first arranged and described by Grover Batts in 1972.

Additional material received was incorporated into the collection by Audrey Walker in 1985 and this register subsequently revised by Melinda K. Friend in 1997.

Transfers

Items have been transferred from the Manuscript Division to other custodial divisions of the Library. Photographs have been transferred to the Prints & Photographs Division. Sheet music has been transferred to the Music Division. All transfers are identified in these divisions as part of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters Records.

Related Material

In 1983, the Library received a separate collection of the papers of [A. Philip Randolph](#). Other records of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters can be found in the Bancroft Library of the University of California at Berkeley and at the Chicago Historical Society.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The records of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters 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.

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Biographical Notes

Benjamin F. McLaurin

Date	Event
1906, May 26	Born, Jacksonville, Fla.
1925	Moved to Chicago, Ill. Employed by the Pullman Co.
1931	Attended Brookwood Labor College, Katona, N.Y. Local organizer, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
1935	International field organizer, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
1938	Married Margaret L. Frye
1945	Labor candidate, city council, New York, N.Y.
circa 1959	Eastern zone supervisor, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters

A. Philip Randolph

Date	Event
1889, Apr. 15	Born, Crescent City, Fla.
1914	Married Lucille E. Campbell
1917	Organized small union of elevator operators, New York, N.Y.
1921	Socialist candidate, secretary of state for New York
1925	Organized Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
1935	Member, Fiorello H. La Guardia's Commission on Race
1941	Organized March on Washington Movement Honorary LL.D., Howard University, Washington, D.C. Member, New York City Housing Authority
1957-1968	Vice president, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations
1963	Participated in organization of March on Washington
1964	Awarded Presidential Medal of Freedom
1979, May 16	Died, New York, N.Y.

Ashley L. Totten

Date	Event
1884, Oct. 11	Born, St. Croix, Virgin Islands

1905	Immigrated to United States
1911	Naturalized as United States citizen
1927	Married Nellie V. Victoria
1932	International secretary-treasurer, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters President, American Virgin Islands Civic Association
1937	National reporting officer, Railroad Retirement Board
1963	Died, New York, N. Y.

Scope and Content Note

The records of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters span the years 1920-1968, with the bulk of the items dated 1950-1968. The collection is arranged into two parts and includes series related to the brotherhood and its officers.

Part I of the records spans the years 1937-1968, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the period 1950-1968. The records are organized into three series: [General Correspondence](#), [Subject File](#), and [A. Philip Randolph Papers](#).

Although the main focus of Part I is the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, the records are dominated by the personality and activities of the organization's founder, A. Philip Randolph. The [Subject File](#) contains a large quantity of material on the growth and functions of the union from 1940 to 1968 and includes agreements reached between the brotherhood and the nation's major railroad lines. Included also is material exchanged between the local unions and the brotherhood's headquarters, as well as files relating to biennial conventions, financial matters, and the ladies auxiliary. There are no records relating to Randolph's creation of the union in 1925 or to the brotherhood's subsequent struggles for existence while organizing various union locals.

The [General Correspondence](#) series contains exchanges between Randolph and his principal aides, A. R. Blanchette, C. L. Dellums, Benjamin F. McLaurin, T. D. McNeal, Bennie Smith, and Milton P. Webster, as well as extensive correspondence with the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations and a lesser amount with labor organizations representing dining car employees, locomotive firemen, and railway clerks. Among the major labor leaders represented in the correspondence are Dave Beck, David Dubinsky, William Green, George Meany, Philip Murray, Michael J. Quill, Woodruff Randolph, and Roy, Victor, and Walter Reuther. There is also correspondence of political figures and an abundance of letters exchanged with civil rights organizations and leaders including Julian Bond, James Farmer, Martin Luther King, Jr., Floyd B. McKissick, Thurgood Marshall, Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., Bayard Rustin, Arthur B. Spingarn, C. Sumner (Chuck) Stone, Jr., Walter Francis White, Roy Wilkins, and Whitney Young, Jr. Of particular interest is a group of letters from the African labor organizer, Tom Mboya, concerning his activities among the workers of Kenya.

Also received with Part I were papers of [A. Philip Randolph](#) which are not directly related to the brotherhood. These papers, organized by subject and type of material, constitute the last series of this original portion.

Acquired at a later date, Part II of the records of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters spans the years 1920-1968, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the period 1950-1968. This portion of the records is organized into the [Benjamin F. McLaurin Papers](#), the [A. Philip Randolph Papers](#), the [Ashley L. Totten Papers](#), [Subject File](#), [Financial Papers](#), and [Miscellany](#).

The records in Part II generally cover the same time period and supplement the correspondence and files of Part I. Although [A. Philip Randolph](#) remains the dominant individual in the collection, files of other brotherhood officers are included in most of the series. Randolph's correspondence contains letters from members of the brotherhood, officials of other labor unions, members of the United States Congress, educators, individuals involved in civil rights efforts, persons seeking relief from economic distress, and admirers. The most voluminous correspondence is with A. R. Blanchette, the brotherhood's international field representative in Canada, and Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. The letters of [Benjamin F. McLaurin](#), which span the years 1944-1957, are primarily confined to his services as international field organizer, while those of [Ashley L. Totten](#), dating 1937-1951, relate to his duties as secretary-treasurer of the brotherhood.

The [Subject File](#) in Part II contains additional agreements between the brotherhood and the railroad companies, but most of the files concern the participation of the union in railway and labor organizations. The most informative material relating to the organizing activities of the union can be found in the files pertaining to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen

and Enginemen. These activities were carried out under the auspices of the Provisional Committee To Organize Colored Locomotive Firemen. The records document the struggles of African-American firemen to retain their jobs and seniority rights with the railroad companies while seeking to be represented by a labor union. Briefs of legal cases brought by the brotherhood on behalf of the African-American firemen are also included in the files. Some of the material in the files relating to Canada also touches on the organizing activities of the brotherhood.

The papers of A. Philip Randolph, Benjamin F. McLaurin, and Ashley L. Totten also contain material not directly related to the activities of the union, although some may be the result of their prominence as officers in the brotherhood. [Randolph's](#) files include material on the organization of agricultural workers, the National Advisory Committee on Farm Labor, and the National Sharecroppers' Fund, which shows his concern for farm laborers and his support of organizations seeking to better their working conditions. A significant file in [McLaurin's](#) papers relates to his campaign for a seat on the New York city council in 1945. Correspondence and a file of speaking engagements constitute the papers of [Ashley L. Totten](#). A letter written while he was president of the American Virgin Islands Civic Association is also among his papers.

Organization of the Papers

The collection is arranged in two parts composed of nine series:

Part I:

- [General Correspondence, 1940-1968](#)
- [Subject File, 1940-1968](#)
- [A. Philip Randolph Papers, 1937-1968](#)

Part II:

- [Benjamin F. McLaurin Papers, 1944-1957](#)
- [A. Philip Randolph Papers, 1935-1968](#)
- [Ashley L. Totten Papers, 1937-1951](#)
- [Subject File, 1920-1968](#)
- [Financial Papers, 1936-1968](#)
- [Miscellany, 1947-1963](#)

Description of Series

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BOX 1-34	<p><u>Part I: General Correspondence, 1940-1968</u> Incoming and outgoing correspondence. Arranged alphabetically by name of person or organization.</p>
BOX 35-96	<p><u>Part I: Subject File, 1940-1968</u> Bulletins, correspondence, financial papers, agreements, legal papers, memoranda, newspaper clippings, speeches, and printed matter. Arranged alphabetically by name of person, organization, or topic.</p>
BOX 97-105	<p><u>Part I: A. Philip Randolph Papers, 1937-1968</u> Subject File consisting of correspondence, memoranda, newspaper clippings, speeches, and printed matter. Arranged alphabetically by name of person, organization, or topic. Miscellany consisting of articles, biographical information, family correspondence, financial papers, and speeches. Arranged alphabetically by type of material.</p>
BOX 106	<p><u>Part II: Benjamin F. McLaurin Papers, 1944-1957</u> Incoming and outgoing correspondence. Arranged alphabetically by name of person or organization. Subject File consisting of writings, biographical information, and printed matter. Arranged alphabetically by name of person, organization, or topic.</p>
BOX 106-119	<p><u>Part II: A. Philip Randolph Papers, 1935-1968</u> Incoming and outgoing correspondence. Arranged alphabetically by name of person or organization. Speeches and writings. Arranged chronologically. Subject File consisting of correspondence, memoranda, newspaper clippings, speeches, and printed matter. Arranged alphabetically by name of person, organization, or topic.</p>
BOX 119-120	<p><u>Part II: Ashley L. Totten Papers, 1937-1951</u> Incoming and outgoing correspondence. Arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent. Miscellaneous material and speaking engagements. Arranged chronologically.</p>
BOX 121-141	<p><u>Part II: Subject File, 1920-1968</u> Correspondence, memoranda, newspaper clippings, speeches, and printed matter. Arranged alphabetically by name of person, organization, or topic.</p>
BOX 141-143	<p><u>Part II: Financial Papers, 1936-1968</u> Financial material consisting of correspondence, statements, and reports. Arranged chronologically.</p>
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BOX 2	American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations Civil Rights Committee (2 folders) Executive Council (3 folders) General (1 folder)
BOX 3	(4 folders) International Affairs Committee (1 folder)
BOX 4	(1 folder) Association of General Chairmen, Standard Railroad Labor Organizations "Ab-Am" miscellaneous (3 folders)
BOX 5	"An-Ay" miscellaneous Bethune, Mary McLeod <i>The Black Worker</i> (2 folders) Blanchette, A. R. (4 folders)
BOX 6	(4 folders) Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen (2 folders)
BOX 7	Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks Brown, Theodore E. (4 folders) Burns, James A. "Ba-Be" miscellaneous (2 folders)
BOX 8	"Bi-By" miscellaneous (5 folders) China

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