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Collection Summary

Title: Edward Otto Tabor Papers

Span Dates: 1918-1948

ID No.: MSS42200

Creator: Tabor, Edward Otto, 1885-1948

Extent: 3,000 items

Extent: 10 containers

Extent: 4.0 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English with some Czech

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

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Summary: Lawyer. Correspondence, reports, speeches, notes, photographs, printed matter, and miscellaneous material reflecting Tabor's part in the activities of Czechoslovak-Americans on behalf of the Republic of Czechoslovakia.

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

Beneš, Edvard, 1884-1948--Correspondence.

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Masaryk, Alice Garrigue, 1879-1966--Correspondence.

Masaryk, Jan, 1886-1948--Correspondence.

Masaryk, T. G. (Tomáš Garrigue), 1850-1937.

Tabor family.

Tabor, Edward Otto, 1885-1948.

Organizations

American Relief to Czechoslovakia.

Masaryk Institute.

Subjects

Czechs--United States.

Places

Czechoslovakia--Foreign relations--United States.

United States--Foreign relations--Czechoslovakia.

Occupations

Lawyers.

Provenance

The papers of Edward Otto Tabor, lawyer, were given to the Library of Congress in 1956 by his children, Edward O. Tabor, Jr., John K. Tabor, and Marguerite K. Tabor Yates.

Processing History

The papers of Edward Otto Tabor were arranged and described in 1956. The finding aid was revised in 2011.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Edward Otto Tabor is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Edward Otto Tabor 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.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Edward Otto Tabor Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

Date	Event
1885	Born, Oxford Junction, Iowa
1905	B.A., Tulane University, New Orleans, La.
1905-1908	Graduate work at Tulane University, New Orleans, La; taught English, history and math, New Orleans, La., high school
1908-1909	American scholar, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.
1909	M.A., University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.
1909-1913	Taught high school English, Portland, Oreg.; worked in lumber camps in Oregon and in lead and silver mines in Idaho.
1916	LLB., Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass.
1917-1919	Admitted to the bar and practiced law, Pittsburgh., Pa.
1918	Present at the Czech Declaration of Independence, Philadelphia, Pa.; organized the Czech Relief Fund; did Americanization work for the Council of National Defense
1919-1923	Practiced law in partnership with W. E. Crow and S. Ray Shelby, Uniontown, Pa.
1923-1948	Practiced law, Pittsburgh, Pa.
1929	Received Order of the Revolutionary Medal from the Republic of Czechoslovakia
1929	Traveled to Europe
1932	Participated in a debate on "Revision on the Treaty of Trianon," Williamstown, Conn.
1937	Received the Order of the White Lion from the Republic of Czechoslovakia
1937-1938	Organizer and chairman, Masaryk Institute
1927-1944	Organizer, Masaryk Birthday Dinners
1937-1938	Organizer, American relief to Czechoslovakia
1944-1948	Organizer, American relief to Czechoslovakia
1948	Died

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Edward Otto Tabor (1885-1948) consist of correspondence, reports, speeches, notes, pamphlets and clippings dealing almost exclusively with activities of Czechoslovak-Americans on behalf of the Republic of Czechoslovakia during 1918-1948. Topics include Czech news, American relief to Czechoslovakia, Thomas Masaryk's birthday celebrations, Edvard Beneš, and the Masaryk Institute. The correspondence includes letters from Edvard Beneš, Alice Masaryk, Jan Masaryk, and other Czech officials.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged largely as received, with various material located throughout the collection. In general, however, the collection has been organized according to type or subject and therein chronologically.

Container List

Container	Contents
BOX 1	General Correspondence, 1921-1948
BOX 1	Letters from Jan Masaryk, Alice Masaryk, Edvard Beneš and other prominent Czechoslovakians
BOX 2-3	Material on American relief to Czechoslovakia, 1918-1948
BOX 2-3	Correspondence, reports, speeches, notes, printed matter, clippings
BOX 4	Material relating to Thomas G. Masaryk, 1927-1944
BOX 4	Correspondence, reports, speeches, notes, printed matter, clippings relating largely to the celebrations of his birthdays
BOX 5	Material on Edvard Beneš, 1935-1947
BOX 5	Correspondence, reports, speeches, bills, notes, printed matter, clippings relating mostly to Beneš' visit to Pittsburgh, Pa., in 1939
BOX 6-7	Material on the Masaryk Institute, 1937-1947
BOX 6-7	Correspondence, reports, speeches, printed matter, clippings
BOX 8	Subject File, 1932-1945
BOX 8	Correspondence, reports, printed matter, clippings relating to the Institute of Politics, Czechoslovakian Circle, Czechoslovakian Room at the University of Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh Pact, and Lidice Memorial Committee
BOX 9	Material about Czechoslovakia, 1921-1947
BOX 9	Reports, speeches, notes, printed matter, clippings
BOX 10	Family and Personal File, 1918-1948
BOX 10	Material about Domazlice, Tabor's parents' hometown in Bohemia; Charles Steiger, a relative; the Masons; and miscellaneous material, including correspondence, photographs, and passports