

Governor's Collection
Governor M. Clifford Townsend
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Summary Information

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Biographical/Historical Note:

Governor Maurice Clifford Townsend (b. August 11, 1884 d. November 11, 1954) served as the 35th Governor of Indiana from 1937-1941. He was a member of the Democrat Party. Prior to his election as Governor, Townsend served as the 33rd Lt. Governor of Indiana under his predecessor Governor Paul V. McNutt. He was succeeded by his Lt. Governor Henry F. Schricker in 1941 as the 1851 Constitution prevented Governors from serving consecutive terms.

During his tenure as Governor, the United States was still recovering from the effects of the Great Depression. Unemployment remained elevated, many constituents were still seeking employment, and CCC and WPA projects were still playing a major role. Townsend faced several crises early in his tenure. The first was the Great Flood of 1937, which decimated the Ohio River Valley and caused cities and towns to evacuate. The floods left hundreds of thousands of residents homeless in Indiana alone. The second was the 1937 General Motors Labor strike, which led to Townsend ordering the National Guard to Anderson to quell violence and prompted the creation of the State Division of Labor to mediate labor disputes.

He was a firm supporter of President Franklin Roosevelt and New Deal policies. His firm support even led to a noteworthy dispute with state Democratic party chairman Frederick Van Nuys over Roosevelt's attempt to expand the Supreme Court, which Senator Van Nuys vehemently opposed. Some other notable legislative accomplishments include the driver's license examination, pensions for firefighters, free textbooks for public schools, and school buses being painted yellow. The latter, of course, led to other states following suit.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection covers 1933-1941 with the bulk of the records consisting of correspondence covering Townsend's tenure as Governor from 1937-1940. The general correspondence is between Governor Townsend, or his office, and constituents, state agencies, or organizations. Subjects vary greatly, but some common correspondence concerns employment and welfare assistance, policy and legislation, constituent concerns, civil rights, labor issues, civil engineering projects, and recommendations for vacant positions. Constituent concerns regarding employment and welfare dominate the correspondence covering Townsend's first two years but declined significantly in the succeeding years.

Also included in the collection are proclamations, pardons, extraditions, appointments, meeting minutes, court cases, commission reports, invitations, West Point recommendations, legislation, and speeches and addresses. Noteworthy correspondence includes the Anderson Labor Strike in 1937, which details the Governor's decision to call in the National Guard, mediation strategies, commendation letters, and the creation of the State Division of Labor. Another is the Great Flood of 1937, which covers the effects of the flood, flood response, activity logs, and relief assistance. Lastly, there is correspondence with constituents, especially the Jewish community, and the Federal Government regarding the rise of antisemitism in Europe and the escalation of World War II.

Arrangement:

The collection is divided by each year of Governor Townsend's tenure and predominantly arranged alphabetically by last name or name of agency, organization, or business. The bulk of the material is general correspondence; however, there are several sub-series. There are two boxes of 1939 correspondence regarding the General Assembly and Proposed Legislation arranged alphabetically by the legislative topic or subject. Two boxes of 1938-1939 subject correspondence, arranged in no particular order, concerning various subjects including proclamations. Two boxes of speeches and addresses are arranged chronologically. One box includes appointments from 1933-1941 arranged alphabetically by the last name of the appointee. Two small boxes of invitations declined and accepted from 1940 are arranged chronologically by month. Lastly, there are two boxes of miscellaneous subject correspondence covering 1936-1938. The miscellaneous correspondence includes several folders of correspondence with publishing companies concerning state adoption of textbooks arranged alphabetically by publisher name.

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5. Ag-Ak
6. Al
7. Ama – American Prison Association
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10. Anderson Labor Strike
11. Anderson Labor Strike Incoming
 - a. Commendation letters

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1. Anderson Labor Strike Outgoing
 - a. Responses to commendation letters
2. Anonymous
3. Anonymous (cont.)
4. Appointments (schedule planner) Jan-Jul
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6. Ar
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1. Ba-Bai
2. Bak
3. Bal-Bam
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5. Barr-Bat
6. Bau-Bay
7. Bea-Beb
8. Bec-Bed
9. Bee-Bem
10. Ben

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3. Bills affecting insurance interests
4. Bills (correspondence regarding)
5. Bin-Blai
6. Blak-Ble
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8. Boa-Boo
9. Bor-Box
10. Bow-Boy
11. Boy Scouts of America

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1. Bra
2. Bre
3. Bri
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5. Brou-Brow
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7. Buc-Bud
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10. Burn-Burt
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13. C-Cal
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1. Car-Carp
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4. Ce
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7. Cha-Chu
8. Ci
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11. Cos-Cou

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4. Cra
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1. Eq-Et
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3. Fab-Fal
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 - a. Oversized Farm Mortgage graphic of statistics removed to oversized folder in MCE-12
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4. Fin-Fir

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7. Flood Situation A-E
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 - a. Oversized statement from Gov. Townsend removed to oversized folder in MCE-12
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 - a. Oversized map showing flooded areas and flood stage in Evansville dated Jan 31, 1937 removed to oversized folder in MCJJ-09
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9. Gas-Gay
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11. Gib-Gim
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1. Golden Gate International Exposition
2. Goo
3. Gor
4. Gos-Gou
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6. Governor's Conference on Flood Damage
7. Governor's Office, Democratic Women's State House Club Invitations
8. Governor's Mansion Field Examiner's Report
9. Gra-Gram
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 - a. Welcome letters to organizations
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10. House Bills, Attorney General's message to Governor on 1-216
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1. The House (Signed Bills Spreadsheet)
 - a. Specifies the bill number and the time/date they were sent to attorney general and signed by Gov.
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6. Hu-Huf
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 - a. Regarding the closing of the WPA camp/project around Horseshoe Bend near English Lake, IN
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3. Wool-Wor
 - a. Oversized 1938 election results associated with JW Worley correspondence removed to oversized folder in MCE-12
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2. Farm Conference Nov. 8 (invitations declined)
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4. Educational (regarding Wirth's "The Development of America" and other textbook recommendations from teachers)
5. Invitations for meeting of Democratic members of IGA held Dec. 18-19 at Turkey Run
6. State Highway Commission (committee on study of)
7. New York World's Fair (Indiana committee appointments)
8. New York World's Fair (correspondence regarding)

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 - a. Allyn and Bacon – D.C. Heath and co.
2. Publishers (regarding textbooks submitted for state adoption)
 - a. Ginn and Company – Houghton Mifflin
3. Publishers (regarding textbooks submitted for state adoption)
 - a. Iroquois Publishing – Macmillan
4. Publishers (regarding textbooks submitted for state adoption)
 - a. McGraw-Hill – Scott, Foresman and co.
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 - a. Silver Burdett – World Book

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1. A-D
 - a. Allocation of state funds

- b. Auto financing study
 - c. Auto license plates
 - d. Bangs disease control
 - e. Bank night
 - f. Barber law
 - g. Bar, admittance to
 - h. Bible education
 - i. Botts, Nancy L (appropriation for)
 - j. Civil Service
 - k. Compensation insurance
 - l. Daylight savings time
 - m. Check for Mrs. Lewis Olson in general correspondence 1939
 - n. Drugless healing board (or Chiropractors)
2. E-F
- a. Education
 - b. Election laws
 - c. Food and Drug Act
 - d. Freight rates
 - e. G
 - f. Gasoline taxes (distribution of)
 - g. Great Lakes (St. Lawrence Tidewater Association)
 - h. Gross income tax
 - i. Health (public legislation)
3. H-J
- a. Highway map
 - b. House Bill 132
 - c. Income Tax Act
 - d. Indiana nurseries
 - e. Indiana traffic safety council
 - f. Intangibles tax
 - g. Interstate cooperation, commission on
 - h. Judges and Policemen (re: age for retiring)
 - i. Judges salary
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- a. Legal notices appearing in newspapers
 - b. Legislative committee (letters referred to)
 - c. Liquor Law
 - d. Local option

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- 1. Marriage Laws
- 2. Marriage Laws – Surveys
- 3. M
 - a. Military Schools (National Guard)
 - b. Milk Control Law
 - c. Mines and mining
 - d. Motor vehicles
 - e. Municipally owned utilities (SB 52, HB 18)
- 4. N-P

- a. New Harmony Memorial Commission
 - b. Nurserymen (SB 103)
 - c. Oil restriction bill
 - d. Optometry
 - e. Pension plan (Townsend Recovery Plan/old age bills)
 - f. Poor Relief Act (HB 133)
 - g. Printing Law
 - h. Property taxes
 - i. Public auditorium Ft. Wayne
- 5. R-T
 - a. R.R. Full Crew Law
 - b. Roadside improvements
 - c. Sanitary plumbers bill
 - d. School Board election (SB 78, HB 329)
 - e. Speedway race (date of)
 - f. Store license law
 - g. Taxes
 - h. Tax Study Commission
- 6. T-W
 - a. Teachers salaries
 - b. Textbooks
 - c. Townsend Recovery Plan
 - d. Unemployment situation
 - e. Uniform Laws, National Conference on
 - f. Venereal disease (sale of appliances to prevent)
 - g. Veterans of Foreign Wars
 - h. Wages
- 7. W-Z
 - a. Watchmakers Bill (telegrams in support of HB 181)
 - b. Weight and Tire Tax Law
 - c. Workmen's compensation
 - d. Zoning law

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- 2. Carp-Ce
- 3. Ch-Chi
- 4. Chr-Cl

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- 1. Co
- 2. Cr-Crou
- 3. Crow-Cz
- 4. Central States Governor's Council
- 5. Child Welfare Laws and Commission on
- 6. Congress of Industrial Organizations
- 7. Congress (U.S.)
- 8. Con

9. Coo-Cou

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5. Houston High School situation
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7. I (organizations, associations, businesses)
8. Independent Petroleum Ass'n - Italian Ass'ns
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5. Representatives (Thank you letters to Democratic members for legislative session)
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4. Senators (regarding legislative session)
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3. Hospital Insurance
4. Indiana University
5. Interstate Trade Barriers
6. New Harmony Memorial Commission
7. New York World's Fair (correspondence regarding) A-G
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1. New York World's Fair (promotional material and miscellany)
2. Proclamations and Executive Orders
3. Resolution of the House Investigating Committee (original)
4. Revenue Study Commission
5. Tuberculosis Sanitorium (committee on location)
6. Watchmakers Board
7. State Prison Crop Program
8. Public Welfare Dept (salary range classification)
 9. Invitations Declined (Jan-Mar)
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 11. Indiana World War Memorial

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2. Lt. Governor Speeches 1936
3. Inaugural Address and Message to 80th General Assembly January 11, 1937
4. Congress of Parents and Teachers April 21, 1937
5. Dedication of Shelby County Courthouse May 12, 1937
6. Hospital Day Exercises at US Veterans' Hospital (Marion, IN) May 16, 1937
7. Hartford City High School May 17, 1937
8. Labor's Non-Partisan League at Tomlinson Hall (Indianapolis, IN) Apr 19, 1937
9. Educational Systems (Special to the South Side Times) n.d.
10. Radio Address WFBM (in re: Ft. Wayne Journal Gazette Spelling Tournament) Mar 22, 1937
11. Depauw University Mar 10, 1937
12. Masonic Temple Indianapolis Feb 20, 1937
13. Purdue Road School 1936-1939
14. Message to 81st General Assembly Jan 5, 1939
15. Radio Address (in re: economic recovery) n.d.
16. Indiana National Guard Ass'n Dinner (Claypool Hotel) Jan 21, 1939
17. Democratic Editorial Ass'n (Indianapolis, IN) Feb 11, 1939
18. Budget Message to 81st General Assembly Feb 13, 1939
19. International Harvester Meeting (Columbia Club, Indianapolis, IN) Feb 20, 1939
20. Conference on Interstate Trade Barriers (Chicago, IL) Apr 7, 1939
21. Arbor Day Celebration (Indianapolis, IN) Apr 14, 1939
22. Rotary Club (South Bend, IN) Apr 19, 1939
23. Eastern Star, Order of (Indianapolis, IN) Apr 25, 1939
24. Congress of Parents and Teachers (Indianapolis, IN) Apr 26, 1939
25. Indiana Women's Democratic Club (Andeson, IN) Apr 29, 1939
26. Indiana Boy's School (Plainfield, IN) May 3, 1939
27. Introducing Nathan Straus, US Housing Authority (Indianapolis, IN) May 11, 1939
28. Convention of Churches of Christ (Disciples) (Indianapolis, IN) May 15, 1939
29. Central States Governor's Transportation Council (Indianapolis, IN) May 15, 1939
30. New York World's Fair (Court of Peace) Jun 1, 1939
31. National Convention of the Townsend Clubs of America (Indianapolis, IN) Jun 22, 1939
32. CIO State Convention (Indianapolis, IN) Jun 23, 1939
33. Miner's Picnic (Terre Haute, IN) Aug 12, 1939
34. Labor Day Celebration (Shelbyville and Muncie, IN) Sep 4, 1939
35. Indiana State Fair Sep 5, 1939
36. Oil Workers International Union National Convention (Hammond, IN) Sep 11, 1939
37. Indiana State Federation of Labor (Gary, IN) Sep 19, 1939
38. Indiana Motor Traffic Ass'n, Inc. Sep 22, 1939
39. Anderson Chamber of Commerce Dinner for Foreign-Owned Industries n.d.
40. Milk Producers n.d.
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42. Dedication of School at Bremen notes n.d.

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7. American Forum of Democracy
8. Attorney General Opinions 1937-1940

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1. Aviation Fact Finding Committee 1939-1940
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3. Ban-Barr
4. Bart-Bay
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3. Bloomington Road
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1. Conr-Cou
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4. Congressional Record (75th and 76th Congress)
5. Commencement Invitations
6. Central Clearance Index
7. City Manager Study Commission
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3. Elections – Presidential (Marshals and Electors) 1936-1940
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6. George Rogers Clark Memorial Commission 1940-1941
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 - a. Health and Welfare
 - b. Home Guard Program
 - c. Mechanical Training Program
 - d. Correspondence with National Gov't
8. Governor's Emergency Defense Council (2)
 - a. Military Volunteer's File
 - b. Civilian Defense
 - c. List to President of Local Boards
 - d. Appeal Boards
 - e. Industrial Placement
 - f. Local Activities
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9. Governor's Emergency Defense Council (Selective Service) Oct 1940-Jan 1941

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1. Governor's Emergency Defense Council (Selective Service) Jul-Sep 1940
2. Governor's Emergency Defense Council (Press Releases)
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6. Independent Petroleum Ass'n
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3. Library Historical Board
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5. Party Tickets (Election)
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1. Petitions to Gov. Townsend to include Communist Party candidates on ballot 1940

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9. Roberts, Ote (Otis or O.W., re: unemployment relief)
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 - b. Minnesota Farm Bureau Convention (Minneapolis, MN) Jan 17
 - c. Radio Broadcast (WIRE) Feb 4
 - d. Annual Farm and Home Week (West Virginia University) Feb 13
 - e. YMCA Convention (Anderson, IN) Mar 14
 - f. Inauguration of new WIRE Studios (Indianapolis, IN) Mar 14
 - g. Dedication of Student Union and Fine Arts Buildings (Terre Haute, IN) Mar 15
 - h. National Ass'n of Postmasters (Indianapolis, IN) Mar 30
 - i. Indiana Traffic Safety Council (Indianapolis, IN) Apr 4
 - j. Editorial Meeting Claypool Hotel (Indianapolis, IN) Apr 13
 - k. Dresser Day Program (WIRE) Apr 22
 - l. District Meeting of Townsend Clubs (Brazil, IN) May 5
 - m. Highway 40 Centennial (Columbus, OH) May 17
 - n. Young Democrats State Convention (Evansville, IN) May 24
 - o. Townsend Rally (Muncie, IN) Jun 23
 - p. Democratic State Convention (Indianapolis, IN) Jun 27
 - q. Owensboro Bridge Dedication Jul 30
 - r. Farm and Home Week (Mississippi State College) Aug 2
 - s. Illinois State Fair Aug 22
 - t. National Committee on Agriculture (Iowa) Sep 23
 - u. Negro Democratic Rally (Louisville, KY) Sep 28
 - v. National Committee on Agriculture (Rochester, MN) Oct 8
 - w. First Voters Meeting (Terre Haute, IN) Oct 13
 - x. News Release (Rising Sun, IN) Oct 16
 - y. News Release (Aurora, IL) Oct 24
 - z. Farm Bureau Meeting (Lansing, MI) Nov 14
 - aa. Farewell Address (Indianapolis, IN) Jan 9 1941
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Box 138

1. Photographs of Gov. Townsend