

# Albert J. Beveridge Correspondence and Papers

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1 mss. box

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## Biographical Note:

Albert Jeremiah Beveridge was born on October 6, 1862, near Sugar Tree Ridge, Highland County, Ohio, to Thomas H. and Frances Parkinson Beveridge. In 1885, he graduated from Indiana Asbury College (DePauw University). In 1887, Beveridge married Katherine Langsdale, was admitted to the Indiana bar, and began practicing law in Indianapolis. Some years after Katherine's death in 1900, Beveridge married Catherine Eddy (1907).

In 1889, Beveridge was elected to the U.S. Senate and served six terms as a Senator. In 1911, he returned to Indianapolis where he pursued his literary and historical interests. The most ambitious product of these endeavors is *The Life of John Marshall* in four volumes. He made an unsuccessful bid for the Indiana governorship as a Progressive candidate in 1912, losing to Samuel M. Ralston. In the same year, he was the chairman of the National Progressive Convention at Chicago. He died on April 27, 1927, in Indianapolis.

### *Source:*

Banta, Ray E., comp. Indiana Authors and their Books, 1816-1916. Crawfordsville, IN: Wabash College, 1949.

Biographical Directory of the United States Congress. United States Congress. 13 Dec. 2005  
<<http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=B000429>>.

## Scope and Content Note:

The collection consists largely of Beveridge's correspondence with John C. Shaffer, publisher of the Chicago Evening Post and the Indianapolis Star and president of a syndicate owning the Indianapolis street railways. Included are letters from Beveridge as Shaffer's lawyer handling the dissolution of the Indianapolis street railways syndicate (1893) and letters on personal and political matters (1897-1914). The collection also includes Beveridge's manuscript for his Senate speech on the Philippines (1900);

copies of additional speeches; letters from Beveridge to various correspondents regarding political affairs; and notes from his research on the life of Abraham Lincoln. The collection is organized chronologically.

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### **Box and Folder Listing:**

#### Box 1.

##### Folder

1. Correspondence with John C. Shaffer, Sept.-Oct. 1893
  2. Correspondence with John C. Shaffer, Nov.-Dec. 1893
  3. Correspondence with John C. Shaffer, 1897-1906
  4. Correspondence with John C. Shaffer, 1910-1914, n.d.
  5. Speeches, 1898 and 1900
  6. Speeches, 1900-1912?
  7. Other correspondence, 1899-1926, n.d.
  8. Notes for work on Abraham Lincoln, n.d.
  9. Published correspondence with J. Franklin Jameson, 1949
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### **Collection Information:**

<i>Size of Collection:</i>	1 manuscript box
<i>Collection Dates:</i>	1893-1949, bulk 1893-1914
<i>Provenance:</i>	Mr. Carroll Shaffer, 5 Feb. 1951; Various purchases
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