Leo Gallagher Campaigns - Weatherwax Collection SPC.2017.007

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Physical Description: 1 box
Physical Description: .20 Linear Feet
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Abstract: The Leo Gallagher Campaigns - Weatherwax Collection contains press releases, pamphlets, legal filings, campaign literature, lists of expenditures and receipts, internal campaign committee literature, endorsements, correspondence, and other papers about the 1933 and 1934 judicial campaigns of Leo Gallagher from the personal collection of his campaign manager, John Weatherwax.
Language of Material: Collection material is in English.
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Biographical / Historical
Leo Gallagher (1887-1963) was a Los Angeles-based attorney specializing in labor law, as well as a labor activist. During his career, Gallagher defended such high-profile clients as San Francisco labor union activist Tom Mooney and communist George Dimitroff, as well as workers, activists, and minorities. In 1933, Gallagher ran for Los Angeles Municipal Court judge and lost. In 1934, he ran for associate justice on the California Supreme Court, losing that race as well. Gallagher ran for California Supreme Court again in 1936, for California Secretary of State in 1938, and for Los Angeles Board of Education in 1949. Although Gallagher was never elected to public office, he used his campaigns as a platform to advocate for his progressive causes.
Scope and Contents
This collection contains 0.20 linear feet of documents from the Leo Gallagher's 1933 and 1934 judicial campaigns collected by his campaign manager, John Weatherwax. It contains press releases, pamphlets, legal filings, campaign literature, lists of expenditures and receipts, internal campaign committee literature, endorsements, and correspondence, including an exchange between Gallagher and Upton Sinclair.
Processing Information
This collection was processed by Sharon MacNett, 2018.
Related Materials
For other materials related to John M. Weatherwax please consult the May Day Ephemera Collection, Weatherwax Rosenberg Flyer Collection, John M. Weatherwax Collection, and Kate Crane Gartz Collection.
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Subjects and Indexing Terms
Labor movement
Labor movement--United States--History--20th century
Labor unions--United States--History--20th century
Labor unions--United States
Communism--United States--History--20th century
box 1, folder 1  Endorsement by Theodore Dreiser [press release] April 7, 1933
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, Folder 2  Endorsement by Dr. Robert Whitaker [press release] April 12, 1933
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, Folder 3  Endorsement by Louis Weitzenkorn [press release] April 12, 1933
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 4  Endorsement by National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners, Hollywood branch [press release] April 17, 1933
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 5  Endorsement by Tom Mooney Molders' Defense Committee; Change of address and leadership for campaign committee [press release] April 18, 1933
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 6  Gallagher's election to be "a signal victory for the Negro race as well as for all minority classes" [press release] April 20, 1933
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 7  Endorsements by several AFL union locals, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters local, and Dining Car Employees local [press release] April 21, 1933
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 8  Endorsement by Municipal League of Los Angeles April 24, 1933
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 9  Endorsement by Studio Electricians union local and recap of past endorsements [press release] April 26, 1933
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 10  Volunteer Mobilization Letter April 28, 1933
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 11  Endorsement Article - Suggested Draft 1933
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 12  Telegram - Leo Gallagher to John Weatherwax April 6, 1934
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 13  Labor Outreach Mailer - Solicitation for speaking opportunities and copies of correspondence with Upton Sinclair re: endorsement solicitation June 29 - July 14, 1934
   Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 14  CA gubernatorial candidate John R. Quinn's statement against communism, reprinted from "The California Legionaire" July 1934
   Language of Material: English.
box 1, folder 15  Leo Gallagher to CA gubernatorial candidate John R. Quinn re: his statement on communism [correspondence] July 3, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 16  Notice of intent to file restraining injunction against San Francisco city and county officials by Leo Gallagher and John Weatherwax August 1, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 17  Letter authorizing John Weatherwax to speak on behalf of Leo Gallagher re: his candidacy August 6, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 18  Leo Gallagher on Negroes, Germans, Italians, and Mexicans [press release] August 6, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 19  Endorsement letter from Charles Erskine Scott Wood [3 copies] August 8, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 20  Copy of letter from Charles Erskine Scott Wood and Sara Bard Field to SF Attorney Matthew Brady re: repression of protest activity; note from Wood explaining letter contents August 10, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 21  Campaign Expenditures Records August 10-28, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 22  Contract and invoice for radio broadcast on KTAB, Associated Broadcasters Inc. August 14, 1934 August 21, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 23  Rough draft of campaign outreach letter "to all friends of militant labor" by John Weatherwax August 15, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 24  Copy of letter from Gallagher campaign manager to "Marguerite," seeking support from East Bay teachers August 15, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 25  Permit to use precanceled postage stamps on mailings of second, third, or fourth class matter; San Francisco PO permit #2834 August 16, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 26  Admission tickets to Leo Gallagher pre-primary election rally "Leo Gallagher Nite" [2] August 18, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 27  Notice letters to Superior Court Judges and DA Neil R. McAllister re: rumored injunction to restrain Communist organizing August 21, 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 28  Letter from Leo Gallagher to John "Jack" Weatherwax August 31, 1934
Language of Material: English.
box 1, folder 29  "Citizens of Sacramento Hear Leo Gallagher, Sunday August 19th" [flier] August 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 30  Miscellaneous receipts for campaign expenditures August 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 31  Form for organizational endorsements and contributions August 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 32  Drafts/revisions of campaign outreach letter "to the rank and file members of the
American Federation of Labor" circa August 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 33  Rough draft of press release re: arrests at campaign assembly circa September 1394
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 34  List of newspapers by language/nationality with addresses circa 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 35  List of Oakland and Berkeley-Alameda union locals with addresses circa 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 36  Copy of letter from John Cowper Powys to Esther McCoy, praising Leo Gallagher [press
release] circa 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 37  "Vote for Leo Gallagher for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court Office No. 1"
[pamphlet, 2 copies] circa 1934
Language of Material: English.

case 4, drawer 5  "Vote Leo Gallagher Associate of Supreme Court, Office 1. Defends Workers' Rights"
[poster] circa 1934
this item is located in the mapcase.

case 4, drawer 5  "For the Supreme Court- Leo Gallagher Defender of Militant Labor Counsel for Mooney!
A Fighter!" [oversize poster] circa 1934
this item is located in the mapcase.

box 1, folder 38  Leo Gallagher Campaign Committee Internal Report on campaign successes and failures
circa 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 39  Revisions for "Vote for Leo Gallagher for Judge Municipal Court Office No. 10"
[pamphlet] circa 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 40  Questions and answers from interview by Sidney Hutchinson of The Spokesman [2
copies of answers] circa 1934
Language of Material: English.

box 1, folder 41  Essay probably written by Leo Gallagher on the status of workers undated
Language of Material: English.