

# Guide to the Charles Dewey Hilles Papers

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 281

**CREATOR:** Hilles, Charles Dewey, 1867-1949

**TITLE:** Charles Dewey Hilles papers

**DATES:** 1823-1955

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 63.5 linear feet

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Correspondence, memoranda, speeches, press releases, clippings, printed matter, photographs, and memorabilia documenting Hilles' activities as secretary to President Taft (1911-1913), as chairman and committeeman to the Republican National Committee (1912-1937) and as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury (1909-1911). His correspondence as Taft's secretary is of special importance as being originally part of the President's office files. His work as administrator of the Ohio Industrial School (1892-1902) and the New York Juvenile Asylum (1902-1909) is also documented in the correspondence. Family correspondence is particularly rich for the fall of 1911 when Hilles was touring the country with President Taft, and for 1912 just before his appointment as chairman of the Republican National Committee. Correspondents of note include Charles Francis Adams, William Jennings Bryan, Nicholas Murray Butler, Andrew Carnegie, Josephus Daniels, Charles G. Dawes, Theodore Dreiser, Henry W. Farnam, Irving Fisher, Arthur T. Hadley, Warren G. Harding, Charles Evans Hughes, Frank B. Kellogg, Henry Cabot Lodge, Gifford Pinchot, Theodore Roosevelt, Elihu Root, Henry L. Stimson, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Booker T. Washington and George Westinghouse.

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b.      box

f. folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gifts of Charles Dewey Hilles, Jr., Frederick Whiley Hilles, Elizabeth Lee Hilles Reynolds.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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## Biographical / Historical

Charles D. Hilles: insurance executive and politician; Chairman of the Republican National Committee, 1912-1937; Secretary to President Taft, 1911-1913; Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, 1909-1911; administrator of the Ohio Industrial School, 1892-1902, and of the New York Juvenile Asylum, 1902-1909.

Hilles was an influential spokesman for the conservative wing of his party, and during the first two Roosevelt administrations he attained the stature of an elder statesman. In 1920 he supported Nicholas Murray Butler for the Presidency, but the Harding administration nevertheless acknowledged his prominent position in New York. A firm supporter of Coolidge, he headed the Eastern Headquarters in 1924. After the election he became the chief dispenser of federal patronage in New York and was prominent among advocates of a second candidacy in 1928. He joined with other conservative leaders in never fully accepting Hoover and his supporters; throughout his term they felt they had been pushed aside by young upstarts who knew little about running a political organization. Giving Hoover weak support in 1932, they anticipated the debacle, and after Roosevelt's victory the breach widened. Hilles came increasingly under attack for refusing to agree that the party needed thorough overhauling, and he retired from the National committee in 1937 with the admission that his post would be given to a younger man. From his retirement until his death in 1949, conservative leaders continued to seek his counsel.

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## Scope and Contents

The Charles Dewey Hilles Papers (1885-1955) consists of correspondence, letterbooks, memoranda, speeches, press releases, clippings, and printed matter arranged in two series. There is also a section of oversized material.

The papers were accessioned and processed in three parts, with subsequent revisions. What follow are modified versions of the three notes on the scope and content of the papers drafted by the original processors to describe the three accessions. The first note relates mainly to the Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence, 1907-1915, and Letterpress Copybooks, 1911-1913. The second relates

mainly to Correspondence, 1916-1955. The third relates to General Correspondence, 1885-1906, Family Correspondence and Miscellany (i.e. Topical Files).

The first accession of the Charles D. Hilles Papers consists of correspondence, letterbooks, clippings, scrapbooks, and printed matter from the period 1907 to 1915. About three-quarters of the letters relate to Hilles's service as secretary to President Taft (1911-1913) and chairman of the Republican National Committee (1912-1916). Most of the others are concerned with his work as First Assistant Secretary of the Treasury (1909-1911) and his continuing interest in the New York Juvenile Asylum, later the Children's Village, which he superintended between 1902 and 1909. His correspondence as Taft's secretary is especially important because it was originally part of the President's office files and therefore fills a gap in the Taft Papers in the Library of Congress. These letters were used extensively by Norman D. Wilensky in "The Republican Old Guard during Insurgency: 1908-1912" (Yale University, unpublished Ph.D. dissertation, 1961), a revision of which was published as *Conservatives in the Progressive Era: The Taft Republicans of 1912*, University of Florida Monographs, Social Sciences, no. 25 (Gainesville, Fla., 1965). See also his sketch of the Taft years in *The Yale University Library Gazette* (July 1961).

The second accession of the Charles D. Hilles Papers consists of correspondence, memoranda, speeches, press releases, and printed matter for the period 1916-1955. The majority of the items are concerned with the activities of the Republican Party on state and national levels, especially during the period of Hilles's service as Republican national committeeman from New York (1920-1937). The letters from the 1920s are mainly, though not exclusively, concerned with patronage matters. Those from the 1930s deal more with broad questions of party policy and organization.

The third accession of the Charles D. Hilles Papers spans the 1880s to the 1950s. The bulk of the items are in General Correspondence, 1885-1906, and Family Correspondence. Besides the letters there are several boxes of memorabilia, photographs, and clippings covering Hilles's entire career, all of which have been placed in Miscellany. This now makes up Series II. Topical Files.

General Correspondence, 1885-1906, was arranged alphabetically, with letters of important correspondents placed in separate folders. This section deals mainly with Hilles's work in the administration of the Ohio Boys' Industrial School (1892-1902) and the New York Juvenile Asylum (1902-1909). He was known for developing a system of competitive bidding for supplies and for successfully managing the "village system" of organization. Because his position in Ohio was controlled by political patronage, the letters deal also with the state's Republican politics. There is a list of principal correspondents in the Appendix. All non-family correspondence in the new accession written after 1906 has been interfiled with previous accessions.

Family Correspondence combines items from the new accession with letters removed from the general correspondence in the two previous accessions. The majority of the letters are to or from Charles Dewey Hilles, and these are arranged alphabetically by the name of his correspondent. Letters neither written nor received by him are filed by recipient, if known; otherwise, by author. The correspondence is especially rich for the fall of 1911, when Hilles was touring the country with President Taft, and the summer of 1912, just preceding his appointment as chairman of the Republican Party. Mrs. Hilles's letter to Bess Whiley McCracken offers a detailed description of her 1912 trip to Panama with her husband and the President.

Series II. Topical Files was created from this and previous accessions, and is arranged alphabetically by topic and/or record type. Position statements (perhaps meant as the basis for speeches) and notes on meetings, appointments, and phone calls are grouped together as Memoranda. Speeches and Writings form a separate category. Notes and printed matter related to various phases of his career are brought together in Reform School Work, Treasury Department, Taft's Secretary, and Republican Party Materials. Also included are business papers, photographs, memorabilia, clippings, and photocopies of Taft-Roosevelt correspondence (1908 Nov-1909 Mar). Refer to Appendix for a list of correspondents by subject. Note: In 1902 Hilles surveyed conditions in girls' industrial schools. Responses to his questions were received from Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Maine and Massachusetts. These replies are filed under the name of the state.

The first two major accessions of the Charles D. Hilles Papers were the gift of Charles Dewey Hilles, Jr., Frederick Whiley Hilles, and Elisabeth Lee (Hilles) Reynolds. The third was donated by Frederick W. Hilles in July 1972.

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## **Arrangement**

Arranged in two series: I. Correspondence. II. Topical Files.

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## Collection Contents

### Series I: Correspondence, 1885-1955

(139 boxes)

This series contains files arranged in six sections: General correspondence, 1885-1906; Incoming correspondence, 1907-1915; Outgoing correspondence, 1907-1915; Letterpress copybooks, 1911-1913; General correspondence, 1916-1955; Family correspondence, 1885-1955.

General correspondence		1885-1906
b. 1, f. 1-24	A - B	
b. 2, f. 25-50	C - E	
b. 3, f. 51-88	F - K	
b. 4, f. 89-114	L - O	
b. 5, f. 115-136	O - Sh	
b. 6, f. 137-155	Si - V	
b. 7, f. 156-169	W - Z	
Incoming correspondence		
b. 8, f. 170-185	1907 January - 1908 March	1907 January - 1908 March
b. 9, f. 186-204	1908 April - 1909 March 16	1908 April - 1909 March 16
b. 10, f. 205-221	1909 May 17 - May 12	1909 May 17 - May 12
b. 11, f. 222-238	1909 May 13 - July 14	1909 May 13 - July 14
b. 12, f. 239-249	1909 July 15 - September 8	1909 July 15 - September 8
b. 13, f. 250-260	1909 September 9 - October 31	1909 September 9 - October 31
b. 14, f. 261-272	1909 November 1 - December 9	1909 November 1 - December 9
b. 15, f. 273-283	1909 December 10 - 1910 January 17	1909 December 10 - 1910 January 17
b. 16, f. 284-294	1910 January 18 - March 4	1910 January 18 - March 4
b. 17, f. 295-305	1910 March 5 - April 13	1910 March 5 - April 13

## Incoming correspondence (continued)

b. 18, f. 306-316	1910 April 14 - June 3	1910 April 14 - June 3
b. 19, f. 317-326	1910 June 4 - July 8	1910 June 4 - July 8
b. 20, f. 327-336	1910 July 9 - July 31	1910 July 9 - July 31
b. 21, f. 337-345	1910 August 1 - August 16	1910 August 1 - August 16
b. 22, f. 346-354	1910 August 17 - September 1	1910 August 17 - September 1
b. 23, f. 355-365	1910 September 2 - September 16	1910 September 2 - September 16
b. 24, f. 366-376	1910 September 17 - October 17	1910 September 17 - October 17
b. 25, f. 377-387	1910 October 18 - November 4	1910 October 18 - November 4
b. 26, f. 388-398	1910 November 5 - December 6	1910 November 5 - December 6
b. 27, f. 399-409	1910 December 7 - December 31	1910 December 7 - December 31
b. 28, f. 410-419	1911 January 1 - January 29	1911 January 1 - January 29
b. 29, f. 420-429	1911 January 30 - February 28	1911 January 30 - February 28
b. 30, f. 430-442	1911 March 1 - March 24	1911 March 1 - March 24
b. 31, f. 443-459	1911 March 25 - May 11	1911 March 25 - May 11
b. 32, f. 460-471	1911 May 12 - June 7	1911 May 12 - June 7
b. 33, f. 472-482	1911 June 8 - June 23	1911 June 8 - June 23
b. 34, f. 483-493	1911 June 24 - July 6	1911 June 24 - July 6
b. 35, f. 494-505	1911 July 7 - July 21	1911 July 7 - July 21
b. 36, f. 506-517	1911 July 22 - August 2	1911 July 22 - August 2
b. 37, f. 518-528	1911 August 3 - August 16	1911 August 3 - August 16



## Incoming correspondence (continued)

b. 38, f. 529-540	1911 August 17 - September 6	1911 August 17 - September 6
b. 39, f. 541-553	1911 September 7 - October 28	1911 September 7 - October 28
b. 40, f. 554-564	1911 October 29 - December 4	1911 October 29 - December 4
b. 41, f. 565-576	1911 December 5 - December 27	1911 December 5 - December 27
b. 42, f. 577-589	1911 December 28 - 1912 January 9	1911 December 28 - 1912 January 9
b. 43, f. 590-601	1912 January 10 - January 21	1912 January 10 - January 21
b. 44, f. 602-613	1912 January 22 - January 27	1912 January 22 - January 27
b. 45, f. 614-624	1912 January 27 - February 1	1912 January 27 - February 1
b. 46, f. 625-634	1912 February 2 - February 6	1912 February 2 - February 6
b. 47, f. 635-646	1912 February 6 - February 10	1912 February 6 - February 10
b. 48, f. 647-658	1912 February 11 - February 15	1912 February 11 - February 15
b. 49, f. 659-669	1912 February 16 - February 19	1912 February 16 - February 19
b. 50, f. 670-680	1912 February 20 - February 23 (F-J)	1912 February 20 - February 23 (F-J)
b. 51, f. 681-690	1912 February 23 (K-R) - February 26 (L-P)	1912 February 23 (K-R) - February 26 (L-P)
b. 52, f. 691-699	1912 February 26 (R-W) - February 28 (S-W)	1912 February 26 (R-W) - February 28 (S- W)
b. 53, f. 700-708	1912 February 29 - March 1	1912 February 29 - March 1
b. 54, f. 709-718	1912 March 2 - March 5 (A-J)	1912 March 2 - March 5 (A-J)
b. 55, f. 719-728	1912 March 5 (K-Z) - March 8 (L-Z)	1912 March 5 (K- Z) - March 8 (L- Z)

## Incoming correspondence (continued)

b. 56, f. 729-739	1912 March 9 (B-H) – March 13 (A-K)	1912 March 9 (B-H) – March 13 (A-K)
b. 57, f. 740-750	1912 March 13 (L-W) – March 19 (A-F)	1912 March 13 (L-W) – March 19 (A-F)
b. 58, f. 751-761	1912 March 19 (G-W) – March-25 (A-E)	1912 March 19 (G-W) – March-25 (A-E)
b. 59, f. 762-771	1912 March 25 (F-W) – March 30 (A-G)	1912 March 25 (F-W) – March 30 (A-G)
b. 60, f. 772-780	1912 March 30 (H-W) – April 4	1912 March 30 (H-W) – April 4
b. 61, f. 781-790	1912 April 5 - April 10	1912 April 5 - April 10
b. 62, f. 791-800	1912 April 11 – April 17 (A-L)	1912 April 11 – April 17 (A-L)
b. 63, f. 801-811	1912 April 17 (M-Y) – April 23 (M-Y)	1912 April 17 (M-Y) – April 23 (M-Y)
b. 64, f. 812-821	1912 April 24 (A-J) – April 30	1912 April 24 (A-J) – April 30
b. 65, f. 822-831	1912 May 1 - May 8	1912 May 1 - May 8
b. 66, f. 832-841	1912 May 9 - May 17	1912 May 9 - May 17
b. 67, f. 842-850	1912 May 18 - May 28	1912 May 18 - May 28
b. 68, f. 851-861	1912 May 29 - June 7	1912 May 29 - June 7
b. 69, f. 862-870	1912 June 8 - June 21	1912 June 8 - June 21
b. 70, f. 871-882	1912 June 22 – June 29 (A-J)	1912 June 22 – June 29 (A-J)
b. 71, f. 883-894	1912 June 29 (K-W) – July 10 (A-L)	1912 June 29 (K-W) – July 10 (A-L)
b. 72, f. 895-907	1912 July 10 (M-W) – July 22	1912 July 10 (M-W) – July 22
b. 73, f. 908-920	1912 July 23 - August 8	1912 July 23 - August 8

## Incoming correspondence (continued)

b. 74, f. 921-932	1912 August 9 - August 21	1912 August 9 - August 21
b. 75, f. 933-943	1912 August 22 - September 9	1912 August 22 - September 9
b. 76, f. 944-953	1912 September 11 - September 21	1912 September 11 - September 21
b. 77, f. 954-965	1912 September 22 - October 4 (A-G)	1912 September 22 - October 4 (A-G)
b. 78, f. 966-977	1912 October 4 (H-W) - October 14 (A-J)	1912 October 4 (H-W) - October 14 (A-J)
b. 79, f. 978-988	1912 October 14 (K-Y) - October 25	1912 October 14 (K-Y) - October 25
b. 80, f. 989-1000	1912 October 26 - November 3	1912 October 26 - November 3
b. 81, f. 1001-1013	1912 November 4 - November 18	1912 November 4 - November 18
b. 82, f. 1014-1025	1912 November 19 - 1913 February 4	1912 November 19 - 1913 February 4
b. 83, f. 1026-1030	1913 February 5 - 1915 December 22	1913 February 5 - 1915 December 22
Outgoing correspondence		
b. 84, f. 1031-1041	1907 March - 1908 July 31	1907 March - 1908 July 31
b. 85, f. 1042-1053	1908 August - 1909 June 12	1908 August - 1909 June 12
b. 86, f. 1054-1065	1909 June 13 - August 2	1909 June 13 - August 2
b. 87, f. 1066-1078	1909 August 3 - October 25	1909 August 3 - October 25
b. 88, f. 1079-1091	1909 October 26 - December 9	1909 October 26 - December 9
b. 89, f. 1092-1104	1909 December 10 - 1910 January 18	1909 December 10 - 1910 January 18

## Outgoing correspondence (continued)

b. 90, f. 1105-1115	1910 January 19 - April 2	1910 January 19 - April 2
b. 91, f. 1116-1127	1910 April 3 - July 10	1910 April 3 - July 10
b. 92, f. 1128-1140	1910 July 11 - September 27	1910 July 11 - September 27
b. 93, f. 1141-1153	1910 September 28 - November 30	1910 September 28 - November 30
b. 94, f. 1154-1166	1910 December 1 - 1911 February 11	1910 December 1 - 1911 February 11
b. 95, f. 1167-1179	1911 February 13 - April 25	1911 February 13 - April 25
b. 96, f. 1180-1200	1911 May 2 - 1912 March 7	1911 May 2 - 1912 March 7
b. 97, f. 1201-1224	1912 March 8 - July 29	1912 March 8 - July 29
b. 98, f. 1225-1246	1912 August - October 9	1912 August - October 9
b. 99, f. 1247-1265	1912 October 10 - 1915 November	1912 October 10 - 1915 November

## Letterpress copybooks

## Political

b. 100, f. 1266-1268	1911 May 24 - 1912 January 5	1911 May 24 - 1912 January 5
b. 101, f. 1269-1271	1912 January 6 - February 23	1912 January 6 - February 23
b. 102, f. 1272-1274	1912 February 23 - March 14	1912 February 23 - March 14
b. 103, f. 1275-1277	1912 November 12 - April 3	1912 November 12 - April 3
b. 104, f. 1278-1280	1912 April 3 - April 24	1912 April 3 - April 24
b. 105, f. 1281-1283	1912 April 24 - May 31	1912 April 24 - May 31
b. 106, f. 1284-1285	1912 May 24 - June 24	1912 May 24 - June 24
b. 107, f. 1286-1288	1912 June 24 - July 11	1912 June 24 - July 11

## Letterpress copybooks &gt; Political (continued)

b. 108, f. 1289-1291	1912 July 11 - August 24	1912 July 11 - August 24
b. 109, f. 1292-1293	1912 August 26 - 1913 February 27	1912 August 26 - 1913 February 27
Personal		
b. 110, f. 1294-1295	1911 April 5 - December 9	1911 April 5 - December 9
b. 111, f. 1296-1297	1911 December 11 - 1913 March 1	1911 December 11 - 1913 March 1
General correspondence		1916-1955
b. 112, f. 1298-1316	1916 January - 1919 June	1916 January - 1919 June
b. 113, f. 1317-1334	1919 July - 1921 March	1919 July - 1921 March
b. 114, f. 1335-1356	1921 April - 1922 December	1921 April - 1922 December
b. 115, f. 1357-1369	1923 January - October	1923 January - October
b. 116, f. 1370-1389	1923 November - 1924 December	1923 November - 1924 December
b. 117, f. 1390-1418	1925 January - 1928 August	1925 January - 1928 August
b. 118, f. 1419-1439	1928 September - 1930 December	1928 September - 1930 December
b. 119, f. 1440-1462	1931 January - 1933 January	1931 January - 1933 January
b. 120, f. 1463-1491	1933 February - 1934 January 20	1933 February - 1934 January 20
b. 121, f. 1492-1517	1934 January 21 - July	1934 January 21 - July
b. 122, f. 1518-1541	1934 August - 1935 April 7	1934 August - 1935 April 7
b. 123, f. 1542-1566	1935 April 8 - October 8	1935 April 8 - October 8
b. 124, f. 1567-1595	1935 October 9 - 1936 March 21	1935 October 9 - 1936 March 21
b. 125, f. 1596-1619	1936 March 22 - September 14	1936 March 22 - September 14

## General correspondence (continued)

b. 126, f. 1620-1646	1936 September 15 - 1937 April 30	1936 September 15 - 1937 April 30
b. 127, f. 1647-1670	1937 May 1 - September 30	1937 May 1 - September 30
b. 128, f. 1671-1697	1937 October 1 - 1938 July 31	1937 October 1 - 1938 July 31
b. 129, f. 1698-1723	1938 August 1 - 1939 October 31	1938 August 1 - 1939 October 31
b. 130, f. 1724-1758	1939 November 1 - 1941	1939 November 1 - 1941
b. 131, f. 1759-1793	1942 January 1 - 1944 July 31	1942 January 1 - 1944 July 31
b. 132, f. 1794-1821	1944 August 1 - 1947 June 30	1944 August 1 - 1947 June 30
b. 133, f. 1822-1859	1947 July 1 - 1949 April 30	1947 July 1 - 1949 April 30
b. 134, f. 1860-1873	1949 May 1 - 1955	1949 May 1 - 1955
b. 134, f. 1874-1875	Incomplete material	
b. 134, f. 1876	Miscellaneous papers	
b. 134, f. 1877-1878	Undated Correspondence	
b. 134, f. 1879	Handwritten drafts	
Family correspondence		
b. 135, f. 1880	Anderson, Maria Lee Hilles	1891-1895
b. 135, f. 1881	Anderson, Thomas A. A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1896
b. 135, f. 1882	Coale, Margaret A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1907-1909
b. 135, f. 1883-1884	Hilles, Anna A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1900-1911

## Family correspondence (continued)

b. 135, f. 1885	Hilles, Charles Dewey Jr. A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1905-1918
b. 135, f. 1886	Hilles, Elizabeth Lee A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1890-1912
b. 135, f. 1887	Hilles, F. Waldo and Lela	1900-1909
b. 135, f. 1888-1890	Hilles, Frederick Whiley	1905
b. 135, f. 1891	Hilles, George E. - Raymond W.	1901-1913
b. 135, f. 1892	Hilles, Samuel A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1894-1900
b. 135, f. 1893	Hilles, Samuel E.	1897-1911
b. 136, f. 1894-1909	Hilles, Sarah Bell Whitney	1885-1909
b. 137, f. 1910-1917	Hilles, Sarah Bell Whitney	1909-1911
b. 138, f. 1918-1929	Hilles, Sarah Bell Whitney	1912-1941, undated
b. 138, f. 1930	Hilles, T. Allen	1911-1912
b. 138, f. 1930	Hilles, William F.	1911-1912
b. 138, f. 1931-1932	Hilles, William N.	1898-1911
b. 138, f. 1933	Hilles, William T. A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1908-1911
b. 138, f. 1934	Lee, John Harvey	1901-1906
b. 138, f. 1934	Lee Thomas H.	1907
b. 138, f. 1935	MacCracken, Bessie Whiley A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1913-1944
b. 138, f. 1935	Miller, Mary Coale Hilles	1903-1906
b. 139, f. 1936	Moore, Emma Lee	1896-1912

## Family correspondence (continued)

b. 139, f. 1936	Moore, Leta	1903-1909
b. 139, f. 1937-1939	Reynolds, Elizabeth L.H.	1899-1957
b. 139, f. 1940	Votaw, Eli Hugh Hilles	1893-1894
b. 139, f. 1940	Votaw, Eldon M.	1909
b. 139, f. 1941	Whiley, Annie Dill	1894-1923
b. 139, f. 1942	Whiley, Charles B.	1897-1912
b. 139, f. 1943-1944	Whiley, F.C.	1892-1911
b. 139, f. 1945	Whiley, Fred	1898-1913
b. 139, f. 1945	Whiley, George E.	1896-1908
b. 139, f. 1945	Whiley, Harriet	undated
b. 139, f. 1946	Whiley, Helen	1909-1911
b. 139, f. 1946	Whiley, Mary Moulton	1899-1902
b. 139, f. 1946	Whiley, Olive Pearl	1906-1909
b. 139, f. 1946	Whiley, Sally Wiseman	1900-1913
b. 139, f. 1946	Whiley, Thomas	1860
b. 139, f. 1947	Warthington, M.B.	1900
b. 139, f. 1948	Family history and genealogy, Hilles and Whiley families A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	
b. 139, f. 1949-1950	Financial records of the estate of Samuel and Elizabeth Lee Hilles	
b. 139, f. 1951-1952	Records pertaining to CDH and BWH Vol. XIV Lame Ducks	5 November 1912 - 4 March 1913



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<u>Business Papers</u>		
b. 140, f. 1953	Bills and receipts	1900-1923
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b. 140, f. 1955	Checks	1921-1930
b. 140, f. 1956	Legal agreement and power of attorney	1922, 1943
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b. 140, f. 1958	Periodicals	1936-1950
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b. 142, f. 1975	Guest book	1918
b. 142, f. 1976	Household account book	1913-1918
b. 142, f. 1977-1980	Invitations	1909-1911
b. 143, f. 1981-1985	Invitations	1912-1949, undated
b. 143, f. 1986	Notebook of guest lists and menus	1911
b. 143, f. 1987	Poems, scripts and cartoons	undated
b. 143, f. 1988	Postcards	undated
	Programs	

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b. 143, f. 1989-1990	Theater	1903-1913
b. 143, f. 1991	Miscellanea	undated
b. 144, f. 1992	Miscellanea	undated
b. 144, f. 1993	Wedding materials	1886 September 30
b. 144, f. 1994	Miscellanea	undated
b. 145, f. 1995-2009	Memoranda	1915-1939
b. 146, f. 2010-2013	Miscellanea	1940-1949, undated
	<u>Photographs</u> See also box 160.	
b. 147, f. 2014-2015	Family and friends	Undated
b. 147, f. 2016	Negatives	1912
b. 147, f. 2017	Portraits of Hilles	Undated
b. 147, f. 2018	Taft's visit to Panama	1912
b. 147, f. 2019-2020	Miscellanea	1908-1949
	<u>Reform School Work</u>	
b. 148, f. 2021	Boys' industrial school A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1898-1901
b. 148, f. 2022-2029	N.Y.J.A. Reports A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1900-1918
b. 148, f. 2030	Miscellanea	
	<u>Republican Party Materials</u>	
	<u>Campaign, 1912</u>	
b. 149, f. 2031	Death of Vice President James Sherman	
b. 149, f. 2032	Financial lists	
b. 149, f. 2033	Roosevelt materials	

## Republican Party Materials &gt; Campaign, 1912 (continued)

b. 149, f. 2034	Taft badges and buttons The buttons were reported missing in 2009.	
b. 149, f. 2035	Taft materials	
b. 149, f. 2036	Textbook proofs	
b. 149, f. 2037	Wilson materials	
Campaign Issues, 1912		
b. 149, f. 2038	Conservation	
b. 149A, f. 2039	Negroes A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	
b. 149A, f. 2040	Reciprocity	
b. 149A, f. 2041	Tariff	
b. 149A, f. 2042	Trusts	
b. 149A, f. 2043-2046	Lists of prominent Republicans	
b. 149A, f. 2047-2049	Miscellanea	1908-1916
b. 150, f. 2050-2051	Miscellanea	1920-1948
National Committee Proceedings		
b. 150, f. 2052-2057	1912 June 11 - June 12	1912 June 11 - June 12
b. 151, f. 2058-2065	1912 June 12 - June 15	1912 June 12 - June 15
b. 152, f. 2066-2068	1912 June 15	1912 June 15
National Convention		
b. 152, f. 2069-2075	Contested Delegates	1912
b. 153, f. 2076-2079	Contested Delegates	
b. 153, f. 2080	Tickets	
b. 153, f. 2081	Platform	
b. 153, f. 2082-2083	Primaries	

## Republican Party Materials &gt; National Convention (continued)

b. 153, f. 2084	Primary and election laws	
b. 153, f. 2085	State and district conventions	
	Taft, William H.	
b. 153, f. 2086	Speeches	1907-1912
	Trip	
b. 153, f. 2087	Confidential notes	1911 September - November
b. 154, f. 2088	Mementos	1911 September - November
b. 154, f. 2089	Vorys, Albert I: speeches	1909-1912
b. 154, f. 2090-2100	Speeches and writings	1885-1935
b. 155, f. 2101-2106	Speeches and writings, , n.d.	1935-1949
b. 156, f. 2107-2109	Statements of others	1909-1949
	<u>U.S. Treasury Department</u>	
b. 157, f. 2110	Annual Secretary's report	1909
b. 157, f. 2111	Assistant Secretary's reports A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1909-1911
b. 157, f. 2112-2113	Health Bureau material	1910
b. 157, f. 2114-2116	Memoranda	undated
b. 158, f. 2117-2118	Minutes of meetings	1910 March - October
b. 158, f. 2119	Report to the President	1907
b. 158, f. 2120	Young, Arthur: Economic Recommendations	1910

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b. 159	Handwritten notebook in Latin	undated
b. 159	Kelly, Robert [diplomas (8)]	1823-1825
b. 159	American Baptist Missionary Union [certificates of membership]	1846
b. 159	Congress Hotel, Chicago [floor plan]	1911
b. 159	Texas [map]	1912
b. 159	Blueprints of heating plant	1913
b. 159	Virginia legislature [charts]	1912
b. 159	Political cartoon	1912
b. 159	President Taft appointment of Hilles as secretary to the President [2 copies]	1911
b. 159	President Taft appointment of Hilles as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury	1909
b. 159	State of New York appointment of Hilles as state representative	1921
b. 160	Photographs of Hilles, individuals, families, and houses	1908-1921, undated
b. 160	Sketch of Taft	1912

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## APPENDIX: LIST OF CORRESPONDENCE

A select list of correspondence by subject, 1885-1906

Members of the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Boys' Industrial School

Beatty, William

Cromley, T. E.

Jennings, Malcom

Jones, Richard

Poe, E. W.

Pugsley, J. J.

Vance, John L.

White, John

Wydman, Byron

Other Members of the Staff of the Boys' Industrial School

Adams, C. B.

Barrett, D. M.

Hilles, William N.

Mann, George

Stirling, G. A.

Members of the Ohio State Board of Charities

Brinkerhoff, Rocliff

Byers, Joseph P.

Follett, M. D.

Platt, Rutherford

Members of the Ohio Legislature

Archer, F. B.

Barrett, D. M.

Bright, S. H.

Crafts, William H.

Cromley, T. E.

Doty, E. W.

Duff, John

Dunham, George

Duval, M. N.

McKinnon, A. S.

Marchant, Thomas

Maynard, John P.

Middleswart, S. C.

Moore, David H.

Myers, J. C.

Nippert, Carl L.

Scott, H. E.

Seese, C. F.

Sharp, R. H.

Shyrock, Charles

Swain, C. L.

Wydman, Byron S.

Other Members of Ohio State Government

Archer, E. H.

Blackburn, Joseph E.

Bushnell, Asa (Governor)

Caldwell, John A. (Lt. Governor)

Doty, E. W.

Emerson, Lauson E.

Ewing, George

Gilkey, E. Howard  
Jones, John P.  
Jones, John W.  
McKinley, William (Governor)  
Malloy, J. W.  
Moore, Opha  
Nash, George (Governor to whom CDH tenders resignation as superintendent of BIS)  
Sheets, J. M.  
Taylor, Allen  
Thurber, Charles  
Reynolds, Calvin  
On Ohio Politics  
Dick, Charles  
Dover, Elmer  
Hanna, Mark  
Ohio Republican State Central and Executive Committees  
Vance, John L.  
Vorys, A. I.  
White, John  
New York Juvenile Asylum  
Carnegie, Andrew  
Garrabrandt, M.  
Higley, Warren  
Williams, Mornay  
Other State Reform Schools  
Fletcher, Bradley  
Mann, George  
Ohio Society of New York  
Mosier, E. O.  
Parker, Orrel A.  
Ruch, L. C.  
Ells, Warren  
On Hilles Personal Business and Finance  
Lummins and Parsons  
Smith W. F.  
Columbia Building, Loan and Finance Company

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Juvenile delinquency  
Patronage, Political  
Public welfare  
Reformatories

### Geographic Names

Latin America  
Middle West  
New York (State)  
Ohio -- Politics and government  
United States -- Politics and government --  
20th Century

### Occupations

Politicians

### Names

Adams, Charles Francis, 1835-1915  
Aiken, Alfred Lawrence, 1870-1946  
Ballinger, Richard Achilles, 1858-1922  
Beveridge, Albert J. (Albert Jeremiah),  
1862-1927  
Bolton, Chester Castle, 1882-1939  
Bricker, John W. (John William), 1893-1986  
Broodbank, Joseph Guinness, Sir, 1857-1944  
Bryan, William Jennings, 1860-1925  
Buckner, Thomas Aylette, 1865-1942  
Butler, Nicholas Murray, 1862-1947  
Cannon, Joseph Gurney, 1836-1926  
Carnegie, Andrew, 1835-1919  
Carnegie, Louise Whitfield  
Coolidge, Calvin, 1872-1933  
Cortelyou, George B. (George Bruce), 1862-1940  
Curtis, Charles, 1860-1936  
Daniels, Josephus, 1862-1948  
Daugherty, H. M. (Harry Micajah), 1860-1941  
Dawes, Charles Gates, 1865-1951  
Dewey, Charles, 1837-1917  
Dickinson, J. M. (Jacob McGavock), 1851-1928  
Dreiser, Theodore, 1871-1945

Du Pont, T. Coleman (Thomas Coleman),  
1863-1930  
Fairbanks, Charles W. (Charles Warren),  
1852-1918  
Farnam, Henry W. (Henry Walcott), 1853-1933  
Fisher, Irving, 1867-1947  
Fisher, Walter L. (Walter Lowrie), 1862-1935  
Frick, Henry Clay, 1849-1919  
Garfield, James Rudolph, 1865-1950  
Guggenheim, Solomon R. (Solomon Robert),  
1861-1949  
Hadley, Arthur Twining, 1856-1930  
Harding, Warren G. (Warren Gamaliel),  
1865-1923  
Hatfield, Henry Drury, 1875-1962  
Hays, Will H. (Will Harrison), 1879-1954  
Hill, James J. (James Jerome), 1838-1916  
Hilles, Charles Dewey, 1867-1949  
Hitchcock, Frank H. (Frank Harris), 1867-1935  
Hoover, Herbert, 1874-1964  
Houghton, Alan B.  
Hughes, Charles Evans, 1862-1948  
Jameson, J. Franklin (John Franklin), 1859-1937  
Kellogg, Frank B. (Frank Billings), 1856-1937  
Knollys, Edward George William Tyrwhitt,  
Viscount, 1895-  
Knox, Frank, 1874-1944  
Knox, Philander C. (Philander Chase), 1853-1921  
Lamont, Thomas W. (Thomas William),  
1870-1948  
Lodge, Henry Cabot, 1850-1924  
MacVeagh, Franklin, 1837-1934  
Marshall, John, 1881-  
Martin, Joseph W. (Joseph William), 1884-1968  
McAdoo, W. G. (William Gibbs), 1863-1941  
McGinnies, Joseph A., 1861-1945  
Meekins, Isaac Nelson, 1875-1946  
Metcalf, Victor Howard, 1853-1936  
Meyer, George von Lengerke, 1858-1918  
Mills, Ogden Livingston, 1884-1937  
Morrow, Dwight W. (Dwight Whitney),  
1873-1931  
Moses, George H. (George Higgins), 1869-1944  
Nagel, Charles, 1849-1940  
O'Laughlin, John Callan, 1873-1949  
Pinchot, Gifford, 1865-1946  
Roosevelt, Franklin D. (Franklin Delano),  
1882-1945  
Roosevelt, Theodore, 1858-1919  
Roosevelt, Theodore, 1887-1944



Root, Elihu, 1845-1937  
Scandrett, Richard Brown, 1891-  
Sheffield, James R. (James Rockwell), 1864-1938  
Sherman, J. S. (James Schoolcraft), 1855-1912  
Snell, Bertrand Hollis, 1870-1958  
Stimson, Henry L. (Henry Lewis), 1867-1950  
Stuart, Campbell, 1885-  
Sullivan, Mark, 1874-1952  
Taft, Charles Phelps, 1843-1929  
Taft, Helen Herron, 1861-1943  
Taft, Henry W. (Henry Waters), 1859-1945  
Taft, Horace Dutton, 1861-1943  
Taft, Hulbert, 1877-1959  
Taft, Robert A. (Robert Alphonso), 1889-1953  
Taft, Wallbridge Smith, 1884-1951  
Taft, William H. (William Howard), 1857-1930  
Taylor, Myron Charles, 1874-1959  
Tumulty, Joseph P. (Joseph Patrick), 1879-1954  
Vandenberg, Arthur H. (Arthur Hendrick),  
1884-1951  
Vanderbilt, Cornelius, 1873-1942  
Wadsworth, James Wolcott, 1846-1926  
Washington, Booker T., 1856-1915  
Weeks, John W. (John Wingate), 1860-1926  
Westinghouse, George, 1846-1914  
Wickersham, George W. (George Woodward),  
1858-1936  
Wilson, James, 1835-1920  
Wood, Leonard, 1860-1927

### **Corporate Bodies**

Boys' Industrial School (Lancaster, Ohio)  
New York Juvenile Asylum (Dobbs Ferry, N.Y.)  
Ohio Society of New York  
Republican Party (N.Y.)  
Republican Party (Ohio)