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Guide to the Robert E. Merriam Papers 1918-1984



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Descriptive Summary

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Abstract Robert E. Merriam (1918-1988), historian and politician. Papers include personal and professional correspondence, notes, manuscripts, and offprints of published and unpublished historical and political writings, and speech transcripts. The papers span Merriam's career and document his World War II combat experience, his Chicago political career and federal government service, as well as his connections with the national political and Illinois business community. Because of his reform-minded approach to Chicago city government and his nine-year chairmanship of the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, Merriam's papers constitute an important source of information on both Chicago politics leading up to the Daley regime and the changes in federalism during the 1970s.

Information on Use

Access

Access to films and audiotapes is restricted due to condition and lack of viewing and listening equipment.

Citation

When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: Merriam, Robert E. Papers,

Biographical Note

Robert Edward Merriam, historian and politician, was born October 2, 1918, in Chicago, Illinois to University of Chicago political science professor and onetime Chicago alderman and mayoral candidate, Charles E. Merriam. He attended the University of Chicago Laboratory School, University High School, and the University of Chicago where he completed his bachelor's degree in 1939 and received a Master's degree in public administration in 1940. During his undergraduate and graduate years, he was active in the Youth For Roosevelt as well as many other political organizations. He married his classmate, Jane Jungkunz. After finishing his degree and working for several months for the American Society of Planning Officials, Merriam

spent the first half of 1941 as the assistant to the State Personnel Officer of the National Youth Administration. Then, between July 1941 and May 1942, Merriam held positions as field representative, liaison officer to the armed forces, and deputy administrator at the National Housing Agency.

In 1942 Merriam joined the Army as a private and became a second lieutenant in 1943 after Infantry Officers Candidate School. In late 1944, shortly after he was sent to the European theatre, Merriam became a combat reporter during the Battle of the Bulge. He remained in Europe after the end of the war, in the capacity of Army historian. His interviews with hundreds of participants and planners of the battle for the Ardennes, together with his own combat experience there, inspired him to write *Dark December*, a bestseller account of the Battle published in 1946. His book was a critical success, praised by General Eisenhower, but was faulted for its lack of emotional distance.

Merriam's first job after returning to civilian life in 1946 was as a project planner for the Federal Public Housing Authority. After a few months, he returned to Chicago as Director of the Metropolitan Housing Council and began campaigning for the Fifth Ward alderman seat. Running as a Democrat against the Democratic machine incumbent, Bertram Moss, he touted independent politics in his efficiency and decency in government platform. After winning the most hotly contested City Council seat in the 1946 election, Merriam became known as a reform politician and a member of the "economy bloc" for eliminating waste in city government. He quickly became Chairman of the housing committee, as well as serving on the budget and health committees. His most publicized role came after his 1951 re-election. As Chairman of the Emergency Commission on Crime, Merriam received national coverage on his fight against Chicago's infamous and firmly entrenched corruption.

During his aldermanic terms, Merriam married his constituent, Marguerite de Ternova in 1950 and became a stepfather to her two children, Aimee and Oliver. In 1954, their daughter, Monique, was born. Merriam supplemented his City Council salary through extensive lecturing, writing, and planning and hosting a documentary style television program. Merriam later used his television experience for weekly half-hour mayoral campaign shows.

Despite his accomplishments as an alderman, Merriam was unable to win the 1955 mayoral election against then Cook County Democratic Committee Chairman Richard J. Daley. Running as a Republican, after frustration with Democratic stonewalling on reform, Merriam easily won his primary. After the primary, Merriam claimed the strategy of a "Fusion" candidate in the spirit of Fiorello LaGuardia. However, the only significant difference between the respective platforms of the two candidates was Merriam's assertion that a vote for Daley was a vote for continued machine corruption. Their professed goals were barely differentiable. Merriam drew wide support as a fusion candidate, but lost with forty-five percent of the vote in a controversial election. The evidence from investigations Merriam conducted on vote fraud and

corruption in the polling place were dismissed by the Election Committee and the Democratic County Judge.

In August 1955, Merriam moved to Washington, D.C., to serve as the assistant to the Director of the U.S. Bureau of the Budget. One year later he was promoted to Assistant Director and, finally, Deputy Director in March 1958. After holding his new position for six months, Merriam became President Dwight D. Eisenhower's aide on intergovernmental relations. Following his White House service, Merriam returned to Illinois and worked in the private sector, but became National Coordinator for the Republican Party-to-People Forum as part of the 1964 Presidential campaign.

With the return of a Republican administration in 1969, Merriam resumed his advisory role in intergovernmental affairs as Chairman of the President's Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Affairs. He was appointed by Nixon and held the chairmanship until the beginning of the Carter Administration in 1978. Merriam received a letter of commendation for his contribution to federalism from the Canadian government. After the chairmanship, Merriam continued to participate in the national debate on federalism into the 1980s. Robert Merriam died in 1988.

Scope Note

Merriam maintained files of correspondence, publications, news clippings and memorabilia throughout his life as can be seen in the extensive and continuous runs of materials preserved in the collection. The papers have been arranged in six series:

Series I: World War II, begins with general correspondence from the years of Merriam's military service. The letters to his wife are not only personal letters but almost daily accounts of his activities and thoughts during the war, including from the battlefield in the Ardennes in December 1944. The second subseries contains Merriam's army career records composed of enlistment papers, orders, clearances and a bronze star citation.

The main body of the series consists of Merriam's research materials and Historical Division report drafts on the planning and execution of the "Battle of the Bulge." His notes include operation reports and plans as well as many transcripts of interviews with Allied and German commanders. The transcripts of twenty-three Nazi officers are from interrogations that took place while they were in prison, and include Hermann Goering, Alfred Jodi and Joseph "Sepp" Dietrich. There are two report drafts, "Seventh Armored Splits the Ardennes Attack," and the more general report on the entire battle for the Ardennes.

Merriam's research for Historical Division reports, as well as his personal battle experience, provided him with the data he needed as a civilian to write his bestseller account of the "Battle

of the Bulge," Dark December, and the abridged version, The Battle of the Bulge. This section contains correspondence, publishing notes, reviews, and contractual correspondence, with publishers over rights and royalties. Much of the correspondence, not relevant to publishing is correspondence, with individuals either appreciative or critical of Merriam's account. One of the former is a letter of congratulations from General Dwight D. Eisenhower. While the reviews were generally good, Merriam was criticized for his lack of emotional distance in his defense of General Montgomery's controversial battle decisions, citing the failure of U.S. Intelligence. Dark December established Merriam as an expert on accounts of World War II and as such led to the many book reviews he published between 1947 and 1950. (These reviews are located in the publications section of Series II.) This section also includes essays and articles, published and unpublished, on St. Vith and SS Officer "Sepp" Dietrich.

The personal subseries is comprised of memorabilia, more articles and essays as well as "Battle of the Bulge" anniversary events. Merriam's Army insignia, notepads carried in battle, and scrapbooks kept for or by him during this period make up the most personal items in this section.

Finally, the photograph subseries includes four types of pictures, personal or official, and of ground situation maps and of paintings of the Ardennes region during the War. The official photographs include those taken by the Army and those from captured German film. There are few personal snapshots.

Series II: Aldermanic Campaigns and Service contains a section for both of Merriam's aldermanic campaigns, in 1947 and 1951. Each contains correspondence, lists of supporters, organizational materials, campaign literature and paraphernalia, election results and news clippings. While his platform was based on efficiency and decency in government, the literature from his first campaign emphasized his opponent, Bertram "Bunny" Moss's, Democratic machine connections. Merriam also heavily targeted the War veterans' vote. His campaign as an incumbent was generally uneventful as he won 97% of the vote. His opponent, Irving Beinin, ran under the Socialist Workers Party. Campaign literature and news clippings from other elections occurring between 1947 and 1954 are included after the Merriam campaign sections. The only candidate with a substantial amount of materials here is Adlai Stevenson, between 1949 and 1952. There are also election results from the Fifth Ward for various elections during this period.

The papers from Merriam's aldermanic service make up about one quarter of the collection. Spanning two terms, there are 46 folders of correspondence, with other local politicians, prominent Chicago business families, concerned citizens and World War II acquaintances. There is a section for each of the City Council committees and activities Merriam was involved in. The directly relevant correspondence, begins each of the respective sections.

As a member of the "economy bloc" of alderman, Merriam initiated cost-cutting programs and efficiency studies. The reports yielded by his initiatives and all relevant revenue and appropriations worksheets and recommendations are under the budgets and expenditures heading. There are similar evidential materials and Merriam's respective recommendations for the Emergency Commission on Crime, home rule, the Housing Committee, rent control, the milk-dating probe and miscellaneous other Council activities or concerns. Crime and housing were of particular interest to Merriam and are well represented in this series. There are notes, reports, trial transcript and news clippings from Merriam's nationally covered expos

Related Resources

The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

<http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/spcl/select.html>

Charles E. Merriam. Papers

Thomas Vernor Smith. Papers

Walter Johnson. Papers

Subject Headings

- Merriam, Robert Edward, 1918-
- World War, 1939-1945
- Chicago (Ill.) -- Politics and government

INVENTORY

Series I: World War II

Subseries 1: Correspondence, and Biographical Documents

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Miscellaneous letters, 1942-1946

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Letters to wife, Jane, United States, England, 6/15/44 - 7/28/44

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Folder 3

Letters to wife, Jane, France, 7/31/44 - 9/25/44

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Letters to wife, Jane, Belgium, France, Holland, 9/28/44-11/19/44

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Letters to wife, Jane, Holland, Belgium, 11/20/44-12/31/44

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Letters to wife, Jane, Belgium, 1/4/45-2/4/45

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Letters to wife, Jane, Holland, Germany, 2/5/45-3/22/45

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Letters to wife, Jane, Paris, Germany, 3/26/45-4/25/45

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Letters to wife, Jane, Paris, 4/28/45-8/4/45

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Letters to wife, Jane, Germany, St. Germain, France, 8/11/45-11/16/45

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Letters to wife, Jane, through V-Mail, 6/27/44-4/11/45

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Letters to parents, during training, 1942-1944

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Letters to parents, from European Theatre, 1944

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Letters to parents, from European Theatre, 1945

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Folder 17

Letters to parents, through V-Mail, 1944-1945

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Folder 1

Enlistment documents and letters to avoid the regular draft

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Army financial papers

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Orders and clearances

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Extracts of orders

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Army classification department memoranda

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Citations including Bronze Star

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Army separation documents, 2/1/46, Army Reserve papers, and Army purchase order for Merriam's instructional services, February 1949

Subseries 2: Army Historical Service

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Memoranda on keeping combat records

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Humorous memoranda

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- Combat observer reports at Meijel, October 1944
- "After-Action Reports" at Lindern, November-December 1944

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"Letters of Instructions" and G-3 combat operation plans, 9/6/44 and 12/19/44-12/29/44

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G-2 reports on enemy and terrain, November-December 1944 and February 1945

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Historical Service, tactical studies

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Historical Service, battle studies

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Military Intelligence, action reports, 12/14/44-1/16/45

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Folder 16

Military Intelligence, Hitler assassination attempt, 7/20/44, report and Harper's article

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Interviews with German officers, typescripts

- General Bayerlein
- General D. Art Erich Brandenberger
- Major Herbert Buechs
- Brigade Fuehrer SS Fritz Kraemer
- Lieutenant Colonel Karl Von der Heydte
- General von Manteuffel
- General Heinrich von Luettwitz

- General Major Carl Wagener
- General Warlimont
- General Siegfried Westphal
- General Bodo Zimmerman
- Oberst Zolling

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Interviews with German officers, typescripts

- Genoberst Heinz Guderian
- Reichsmarschall Hermann Goering
- Generaloberst Alfred Jodl
- Feldmarschall Wilhelm Keitel

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Interviews with German officers, typescripts

- Oberstgruppenfuehrer SS Joseph "Sepp" Dietrich
- General Baptist Kneiss
- Colonel Joachim Peiper
- General Major Otto Remer
- Lieutenant Colonel Otto Skorzeny
- Gruppenfuehrer SS Walter Staudinger
- General Horst Stumpff

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Captured German documents, translated excerpts

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German plans for Ardennes, translated summary

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Communiques from General Eisenhower

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- Belgian "Crimes of War" statement
- Medal of Freedom citation to Belgian civilian

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Interviews with American officers, typescripts

- Major General Leonard T. Gerow
- Brigadier General Robert W. Hasbrouck
- General Courtney H. Hodges
- Brigadier General A. Franklin Kibler
- Brigadier General H. B. Lewis, Jr.
- Lieutenant General Troy H. Middleton

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Historical Service report on 9th Army operations in Holland, October-November 1944

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- British War Office Ardennes Offensive report, 8/1/45, excerpts General Montgomery's account

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Tactical Investigation War Office initial study, "The German Counter-Offensive in the Ardennes"

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"7th Armored Splits the Ardennes Attack," prologue, chapters 1-5

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"7th Armored Splits the Ardennes Attack," chapters 6-10

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"7th Armored Splits the Ardennes Attack," chapter 11, notes, editorial comments

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Historical Division report on Ardennes, draft, introduction, chapter 1

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Historical Division report on Ardennes, chapters 2-3

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Historical Division report on Ardennes, chapters 4-8

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5th Armored Division World War II account

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7th Armored Division World War II account

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The Armored School's "The Defense of St. Vith" and "The Return to St. Vith"

Subseries 3: Dark December

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Correspondence, before release of Dark December, 6/30/47

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Correspondence, requests for copies and responses

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Correspondence, responses to courtesy copies, including Eleanor Roosevelt

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Correspondence, in appreciation, including General Dwight Eisenhower

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Correspondence, criticisms and responses

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Correspondence, requests for information and responses

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Correspondence, about movie on the Battle of the Bulge

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Correspondence, Hugh Cole, Former Deputy Theater Historian

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Correspondence, S. L. A. Marshall, Brigadier General and Historian

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Correspondence, book reviewers

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Correspondence, miscellaneous, after release of The Battle of the Bulge, abridged edition of Dark December

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Correspondence, miscellaneous publishers

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Correspondence, Ziff-Davis, publisher of Dark December, book contract

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Correspondence, Ziff-Davis, weekly critics listings, 7/14/47-2/16/48

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Folder 1

Correspondence, with journals and magazines about articles, essays on St. Vith, and manuscript of "Portrait of a German Butcher," on Joseph "Sepp" Dietrich

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Folder 2

Chapter summaries, covers and map proofs

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Photograph requisition forms, photographs and captions

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Research notes for the book

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The Battle of the Bulge, second printing, paperback, 1957

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Book reviews by critics

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Dark December/The Battle of the Bulge correspondence, 1960-1966

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Dark December/The Battle of the Bulge correspondence, 1970-1978

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Dark December/The Battle of the Bulge correspondence, Prentice Hall Publishers, rights to Dark December, and Ballantine Books, publisher of The Battle of the Bulge, 1956-1958

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Dark December/The Battle of the Bulge correspondence, with attorney, legal action on royalties, reprints, and promotions by Prentice-Hall, 1957-1959

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Dark December/The Battle of the Bulge correspondence, Ballantine Books, Incorporated, 1963-1966

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Dark December/The Battle of the Bulge correspondence, French edition, 1963-1966

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Dark December/The Battle of the Bulge correspondence, Ziff-Davis Publishing Company, copyright assignment and contract, 1966-1967

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Folder 14

Dark December/The Battle of the Bulge correspondence, Random House/Ballantine Books, reissue, 1977-1978

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Folder 15

Dark December/The Battle of the Bulge correspondence, St. Vith collaboration with Frank L. Andrews, never published, correspondence, 1965-1966

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Miscellaneous articles and news clippings on World War II, 1946-1965

Subseries 4: Personal

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Army bars, pins, and patches

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Memorabilia

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German internal identification papers, Hitler Youth membership, American surrender propaganda to the Germans, and prisoners of war post

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German Memorabilia

- Ration Stamps
- Miscellaneous Papers

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Merriam's written thoughts while at war, including notebooks carried during battle, 1944-1945

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News clippings, 1943-1945

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Merriam's articles

- "Tidying up the Battlefield--The Battle of the Bulge Four Years After," typescript
- "Bulgeland Revisited," Infantry Journal, December 1949

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Merriam's articles, Battle of the Bulge, 20th anniversary, news clippings and typescripts

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Merriam's articles, Battle of the Bulge, correspondence, on articles

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Merriam's articles

- "The Fall of St. Vith," typescript
- on defense of St. Vith, table of contents and first two chapters

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7th Armored Division Association

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St. Vith Memorial Dinner, 12/19/69

Subseries 5: Photographs and maps of the European Theatre

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Army Pictorial Service photographs of Ardennes, 1944-1945

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Army Pictorial Service photographs of Ardennes, from captured German film

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Army Pictorial Service photographs of Ardennes, United States Army Signal Corps, "confidential," Holland and Belgium, n.d.

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Photographs of paintings of Ardennes during war

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Photographs of Ardennes, 1948

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Merriam in uniform

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Miscellaneous photographs and negatives

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Photographs of theatre ground situation maps, 12/6/44-12/28/44, SEE ALSO OVERSIZE, BOX 115)

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Situation maps of ABN Corps, 12/19/44-12/22/44, and 82nd Airbourne Division, 12/19/44-12/31/44

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Maps of St. Vith, 7th Armored Division action, 12/17/44-12/21/44

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Maps of German action, December 1944-January 1945, and attacks against Peiper, 12/18/44-12/21/44

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Miscellaneous maps

Series II: Aldermanic Campaigns and Service

Subseries 1: 1947 campaign

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Correspondence, general and press

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Correspondence, civic and labor groups

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Correspondence, campaign workers and contributors

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Petitions for candidacy

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Petitions for candidacy negative copies

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Financial papers, summary statement

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Organizational committees and lists of sponsors

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Publicity committee report and press releases

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House meeting records

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Speaking schedules, speeches and notes

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Merriam campaign literature, SEE ALSO OVERSIZE BOX 115

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Folder 12

Merriam campaign literature Citizens School Committee, Veterans groups, and University of Chicago groups

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Merriam campaign literature Republican, Democrat, and Independent political organizations

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Merriam campaign literature individual supporters, and miscellaneous

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Bertram Moss campaign, information and voting record

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Bertram Moss campaign, literature

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Bertram Moss campaign, literature Citizens' Association of Chicago and University of Chicago groups

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Bertram Moss campaign, Moss's voting record, Journal of the Proceedings, Chicago City Council, 10/13/43, 2/9/44

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Bertram Moss campaign, Moss's voting record, 3/16/44, 3/30/44

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Election Day memoranda, 2/25/47

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5th Ward election returns by precinct, all offices

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Court petition contesting Merriam's election results

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News clippings

Subseries 2: 1951 campaign

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Correspondence, general

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Correspondence, endorsements and contributions

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Correspondence, post-election thank-yous and congratulations

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Petitions for candidacy

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Petitions for candidacy negative copies

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Volunteers list and organizational committees

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Contributors list

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Press releases, house meetings list and schedule

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Merriam campaign literature, SEE ALSO OVERSIZE BOX 115

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Merriam campaign literature, individual supporters, and polling place materials

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Irving Beinin campaign, Socialist Workers Party, petitions for candidacy, negative copies

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Irving Beinin campaign, literature, and Socialist Workers Party Campaigner's Handbook

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5th Ward election returns by precinct

Subseries 3: Other elections

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Folder 1

News clippings and local election schedules

- campaign literature, 1947
- Martin Kennelly, Mayor

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Folder 2

News clippings and local election schedules

- candidates' campaign literature, 1948
- Adlai Stevenson, Governor
- Paul Douglas, U.S. Senator
- Maynard Krueger, 2nd District Congressman
- Richard Vail, 2nd District Congressman
- Sidney Yates, 9th District Congressman

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Folder 3

News clippings and local election schedules

- candidates' campaign literature, 1950
- Everett Dirksen, U.S. Senator
- Scott Lucas, U.S. Senator
- Willoughby Adner, State Senator
- Marshall Korshak, State Senator
- David Landau, State Representative

- George Kells, Cook County Treasurer
- Irvine Levy, Cook County Probate Court Clerk

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News clippings and local election schedules

- candidates' campaign literature, 1951
- Walter Schaefer, Illinois Supreme Court Judge
- Martin Kennelly, Mayor
- John Duffy, Cook County Board President
- George Kells, Cook County Treasurer
- Frank Keanan, Board of Tax Appeals
- Joseph Plunkett, 4th Ward Alderman
- Benjamin Becker, 40th Ward Alderman
- Mathias Bauler, 43rd Ward Alderman
- John Hoellen, 47th Ward Alderman
- A. G. Geocaris, 48th Ward Alderman

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Adlai E. Stevenson, 1952 Presidential campaign, correspondence,

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Adlai E. Stevenson, 1952 Presidential campaign, Merriam's analysis of platform issues

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Adlai E. Stevenson, 1952 Presidential campaign, literature and newspaper's endorsements, offprints

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Adlai E. Stevenson, 1952 Presidential campaign, Volunteers-for-Stevenson Committee, newsletters and instruction booklet

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Adlai E. Stevenson, 1952 Presidential campaign, news clippings

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Adlai E. Stevenson, correspondence, 1949-1951

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Adlai E. Stevenson, speeches Merriam contributed to or authored, typescripts and news releases

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Election schedules and campaign literature, 1953

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Election schedules and campaign literature, 1954

- Richard Vail, U.S. Senator
- G. A. Geocaris, 48th Ward Alderman

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