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SUMMARY

Size 4 linear ft.

Geographic Locations Louisiana

Inclusive Dates 1941-1969

Bulk Dates 1947-1969

Languages English

Summary Papers pertain to the development of the Republican Party in Louisiana; the presidential campaigns of 1952, 1960, and 1964; the distribution of patronage and to Bagwell’s Louisiana gubernatorial campaign of 1951. Collection contains speeches, press releases and statements by Bagwell as well as the financial records of his gubernatorial campaign. Materials concerning Dwight Eisenhower's presidential campaign of 1952 are also in the collection. Other items included are photographs, printed material related to state and national campaigns, newspaper clippings, and pamphlets concerning the activities of the Republican Party on the state and national levels.

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Related Collections None

Citation Harrison G. Bagwell Papers, Mss. 2840, Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, LSU Libraries, Baton Rouge, La.

Stack Location(s) 6:31-34; RANGE 98; VAULT:1
BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

Harrison G. Bagwell (1914-1973) was an attorney and resident of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who earned AB and LLB degrees at Louisiana State University. He played a key role in the organization of the Republican Party in Louisiana and, in 1952, was the first Republican candidate to run for Louisiana governor since Reconstruction. In 1952 Bagwell was the 6th District Louisiana Republican Delegate to the Republican National Convention. In a bid to continue his political career, he ran for a federal judgeship. He was married to June Sue Ross, and they had two sons and five daughters. Bagwell died on December 2, 1973.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

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Letters written to Bagwell from Dwight D. Eisenhower, Richard Nixon, and Henry Cabot Lodge thanking him for his support and participation in the Republican presidential campaigns of 1952 and 1960 are also included.
LIST OF SUB-GROUPS, SERIES, AND SUBSERIES

I. Papers.
   A. Correspondence.
   B. Bills and receipts.
   C. Empty envelopes.

II. Printed Items.
    A. Manuscript volumes.
    B. Pamphlets.

III. Press Files.
     A. Speeches, statements, and press releases.
     B. Newspaper clippings.
     C. Photographs.
     D. Cartoons.

IV. Memorabilia.
    A. Folder labels.
    B. Campaign memorabilia.

V. VIP Correspondence.
SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

I. Papers – includes papers of the Louisiana Republican Party leader describing efforts to develop a two-party system in Louisiana on the ward, state and national levels. Other issues covered are the Republican presidential campaigns of 1952, 1960 and 1964, the Louisiana gubernatorial campaign of 1951, and the distribution of patronage.

   A. Correspondence – concerns the Republican presidential campaigns 1952, 1960 and 1964 as well as efforts to develop the Republican Party and support for Eisenhower in Louisiana and to the gubernatorial campaign of a Louisiana Republican Party leader. Inclusive dates are 1948-1969.


   C. Empty envelopes.

II. Printed Items.

   A. Manuscript volumes – consists of an undated address book, a checkbook from 1952-1953 and two notebooks containing lecture notes (1941, undated).

   B. Pamphlets – the collection contains 25 printed volumes and pamphlets.

III. Press Files.

   A. Speeches, statements, and press releases – items are dated 1950-1952 and undated.


   C. Photographs [ca. 1952, undated].

   D. Cartoons, 1951-1952, undated.

IV. Memorabilia.

   A. Folder labels.

   B. Campaign memorabilia – includes campaign buttons, campaign sheet music and other campaign display items concerning Louisiana and national politics. Some miscellaneous items such as blank forms are
V. VIP Correspondence - includes letters from Dwight D. Eisenhower, Richard M. Nixon, Henry Cabot Lodge, and Everett M. Dirksen pertaining to the Republican presidential campaigns of 1952 and 1960. Original VIP letters have been photocopied and the originals have been placed in the vault.
INDEX TERMS

Materials relating to these people, places, and things can be found in the series indicated, as represented by their numbers.

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6: 34 4 Vol. 23  “Supreme Court of Louisiana: No. 40,716: Mrs. Violet B. Allen, et al. vs. Republican State Central Committee of Louisiana, Original Brief on Behalf
of Appellees,” 1952.


