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**SUMMARY**

<b>Size</b>	4 linear ft.
<b>Geographic Locations</b>	Louisiana
<b>Inclusive Dates</b>	1941-1969
<b>Bulk Dates</b>	1947-1969
<b>Languages</b>	English
<b>Summary</b>	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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<b>Related Collections</b>	None
<b>Citation</b>	Harrison G. Bagwell Papers, Mss. 2840, Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, LSU Libraries, Baton Rouge, La.
<b>Stack Location(s)</b>	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 6<sup>th</sup> 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.
  - B. Bills and receipts – contains materials for the 1952 Bagwell gubernatorial campaign and the 1952-1953 Eisenhower presidential campaign.
  - 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.
  - B. Newspaper clippings – clippings are dated 1948-1958, 1960, 1962-1964, 1966-1968 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

included

- 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.

Bagwell, Harrison G., 1914-1973.  
Dirksen, Everett M., 1896-1969.  
Eisenhower, Dwight D. (Dwight David), 1890-1969.  
Lodge, Henry Cabot, 1850-1924.  
Louisiana—Politics and government—1865-1950.  
Louisiana—Politics and government—1951-1961.  
Nixon, Richard M. (Richard Milhous), 1913-1994.  
Presidents—United States—Election—1952.  
Presidents—United States—Election—1960.  
Republican Party (La.)—History.  
United States—Politics and government—1945-1953.  
United States—Politics and government—1953-1961.

**CONTAINER LIST**

<u>Stack</u>	<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Contents (with dates)</u>
6: 31	1	1-26	Correspondence and other papers, 1947-1953, January.
6: 31	1	27-53	Correspondence and other papers, 1953, March-1969, undated.
6: 32	2	56	Bills and receipts. Bagwell Gubernatorial Campaign, 1952.
6: 32	2	57	Bills and receipts. Eisenhower Presidential Campaign, 1952-1953, undated.
6: 33	3	59	Photographs, ca. 1952, undated.
6: 33	3	60	Empty envelopes.
6: 33	3	61	Cartoons, 1951-1952, undated.
6: 33	3	62	Printed items. <u>Louisiana Republican</u> , 1952-1959.
6: 33	3	63	Printed items. Campaign Sheet Music, 1952. (2 items): "Go G.O.P.", "The Eisenhower March."
6: 33	3	64	Printed items. Louisiana political items.
6: 33	3	65	Printed items. Campaign items, national.
6: 33	3	66	Printed items. Campaign items, miscellaneous.
6: 33	3	67	Printed items. Miscellaneous.
6: 33	3	68	Printed items. Blank forms.
6: 34	4	88	Folder labels.
6: 34	4	89	Campaign buttons and other campaign display items.
6: 34	4	90	Manuscript volume: address book, undated.
6: 34	4	91	Manuscript volume: checkbook, 1952-1953.
6: 34	4	92	Manuscript volume: Notebook: "Corporations Lecture Notes," 1941.
6: 34	4	93	Manuscript volume: Notebook: "Criminal Procedure Notes and Briefings," undated.
6: 34	4	Vol. 1	"Official Program of the Republican Nation Convention," Chicago, June 7, 1916.
6: 34	4	Vol. 2	"Schoolboy 'Expendables': Our Retrogression to Barbarism," 1947.
6: 34	4	Vol. 3	"Before and After: The Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947, Referred to as the Taft-Hartley Law," undated [ca. 1947].
6: 34	4	Vol. 4	"Proceedings of the Meeting of the Republican State Central Committee Held at the City Hall, Shreveport, La., June 21
6: 34	4	Vol. 5	"Transcript of Proceedings at the Republican State Central Committee, Held at City Hall, Alexandria, Louisiana, April 23, 1952."

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6: 34	4	Vol. 6	“Eighth Congressional District of Louisiana: Exhibit on Behalf of Eight District Delegate Representing New Republican Leadership in Louisiana.” [1952].
6: 34	4	Vol. 7	“State of Louisiana (At – Large): Exhibit on behalf of Delegates at Large Representing New Republican Leadership in Louisiana,” [1952].
6: 34	4	Vol. 8	“Sixth Congressional District of Louisiana: Exhibit on Behalf of Sixth District Delegate Representing New Republican Leadership in Louisiana.” [1952]
6: 34	4	Vol. 9	“The Trumpet,” I (March 1952).
6: 34	4	Vol. 10	“Before the Republican National Committee, July, 1952, Session: Brief for the Delegates of the Regular Republican Organization of Texas.”
6: 34	4	Vol. 11	“The Louisiana Story: A Factual Statement Concerning Louisiana Contest Addressed to All Delegates and Alternatives at the Republican National Convention in this Year of Decision 1952.”
6: 34	4	Vol. 12	“1952 Republican Platform Adopted by the Republican National Convention, July 10, 1952, Chicago Illinois.”
6: 34	4	Vol. 13	“The Great Texas Swindle,” [1952].
6: 34	4	Vol. 14	“Before the Credentials Committee of the Republican National Convention, Chicago, 1952, re: Kansas Delegate at Large.”
6: 34	4	Vol. 15	“Permanent Roll of Delegates and Alternate Delegates to Republican National Convention, Chicago, Illinois, July 7, 1952.”
6: 34	4	Vol. 16	“Telephone Directory and Guild, July 1952, Republican National Convention.”
6: 34	4	Vol. 17	“Republican Accomplishments in Eighty-Second Congress,” 1952.
6: 34	4	Vol. 18	“The Capitol Hill Club of Washington, D.C., 1953-1954.”
6: 34	4	Vol. 19	“State of Louisiana. Primary Election Information, July 1954.”
6: 34	4	Vol. 20	“Louisiana Republican Declaration of Principals and Platform, 1962-1963.”
6: 34	4	Vol. 21	“State of Louisiana. Election Information, Summer and Fall, 1964.”
6: 34	4	Vol. 22	“The Republican Party and the Negro. Facts for Party Speakers and Workers,” 1952.
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

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6: 34	4	Vol. 24	of Appellees,” 1952. “To the Republican National Convention and the Republican National Committee: Original Brief on Behalf of Louisiana Delegates Representing New Republican Leadership in Louisiana,” 1952.
Vault:1 98:LNP	A-C Asw- Bag		Nixon, Eisenhower letters (1952, 1960) Speeches, statements and press releases, 1950- 1952, undated.
98:LNP	Asw- Bag		Newspaper clippings, 1948-1968, undated.