

Wilson
Box 49
Folder 16
Public Relations: Correspondence
1959

This is a large collection of letters, postal cards, memos, telegrams, news clippings & brochure. These are filed from September back to January, but are not always in correct order. **Some examples of persons, topics & issues are:** office note (9/25) from Leon to the “Honorable Bob Wilson Room 209 Main Post Office Building, San Diego, California – Pat said no Told Dutch;” postal card & letters (Aug. & Sept.) from Ed Warns (Chairman, CCAS), Wilson, C. Frank Keyeser (Library of Congress) & Leon Parma (Adm. Assist to Wilson) re/ unable to find reference to “a survey made by Calif. Republicans for a coastal causeway rejected by the F.D.R. administration? Gov. Rolphe was then behind the projects proposal for Congress, I believe;” a letter (9/8) from J. W. Sefton, Jr. (President, SD Trust & Saving Bank) re/ “At last I have some use for congressmen.” This was thanks for a pamphlet entitled “Turn to the Sea;” letters (8/63) re/ comments on the saline water plant being constructed in San Diego & a proposal for an investment club in this sector; letters (8/59) & Joint Chiefs of Staff questionnaire sent by James Elliott (Military Writer for the Norfolk *Star-Ledger*; letters (8/59) re/ a newly relocated to San Diego Republican & retired Navy man sounds off about the Landrum –Griffen Labor bill and the recently passed Navy pay bill; letters (8/11 & 8/21) re/ more from a constituent on California’s water problem and the plant to reclaim water; letters, notes & memos (May & July) re/ lots of personal information on the KFI Night Owls & others; telegram & letters (July & Aug.) re/ Wilson’s assistance to friend Bobb Chaney (V.P., Bitten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn) to visit San Diego and stay at the Bahia Motor Hotel; letters (July & Aug.) re/ evacuation from White Horse to Chula Vista of constituents Mr. & Mrs. Donald Hamilton as facilitated by the Elmendorf Air Force Base; letter (July) re/ Mrs. Frank J. Macomber wins first prize in the Hillcrest Heights Art Show for her oil painting; news clipping & letter (7/2&) from Wilson to Miss Jill Morgan re/ the 10 year old daughter of Neil Morgan & her recent accident; Air Force teletype message, memorandum & letters (July) re/ outpatient treatment to Miss Ruth Hamill, injured while attempting to stop a fracas between an A/1C & a civilian female. Ruth Hamill, a San Diegan & sister of architect Samuel Wood Hamill, had landed on Okinawa as a Red Cross Nurse, moved to Japan with occupation forces, resigned from the Red Cross and established the first school for service connected children, the Yoyogi Tokyo American Elementary School. She had been principal for 13 years; letters (June-July) re/ constituent Ilya Cugaly proposes design for a 50 star flag; letters (June-July) re/ information on obtaining WWI photo (file number SC-19160) of “boys won Honors on Fields of France;” letters (6/22 & 7/2) re/ Fred Helm, El Cajon constituent, friend of Wilson, former submarine officer & now teaching at Lakeside Junior High School; letters & office note (July) re/ lack of adequate San Diego weather reports in Washington’s newspapers; letters & brochure (June) re/ “the opening of the Rancho Presidio Hotel, the newest, most spectacular of Mission Valley’s fine hotels;” letters & office note (May-June) re/ the missing daughter of the McCombs is located by the State Dept. in France;” letters (June) re/ assistance by Wilson & the Library of Congress to a query raised by Steve Eckle (5th grade, John Ballantyne Elementary School in El Cajon) about the definition of “natural born citizen” in a place that has been recently admitted to the Union; letters (May-June) re/ constituent A. Kuey

Hom suggests creating a new branch of the military called "Space Command;" letters (6/1 & 6/3) between the Honorable Thomas E. Dewey & Congressman Wilson re/ the print "Make No Little Plans;" letters (4/16 & 4/30) re/ Wilson responds to query from student Raymond C. Tonsager on the topic "Answering Letters from the Public" – Wilson indicated he received "some 100 letters a day from San Diegans;" letters (4/15 & 4/29) – in a respond to a query about debating integration from Dianne Pollock (El Cajon High School), Wilson indicated his children attended integrated schools in Maryland & he voted for the Civil Rights legislation in 1957; letters (Apr.) re/ Susan Hall (student of Mrs. Greesey, Woodrow Wilson Junior High) requests Wilson's newsletter; letters (Apr.) re/ Nelson Nesbitt & Loren Joslin (Room 2, John Marshall School, S.D.) receive letter from President Eisenhower about the design of the 50 state flag; postal card & letter (Mar.) re/ La Mesa constituent Linnie E. Owens is sent a pencil with the inscription "U.S. House of Representatives;" stapled packet of letters (Jan., Feb. & Mar.) re/ a complicated story of how Gustav Langer (born in Germany in 1898) had abandoned his wife and daughter living in Chula Vista and fled abroad and the attempts of Mrs. Langer to gain restitution for all she had loss; telegram & letter (Apr.) re/ White House sends a an 85th birthday greeting to a Ventura resident; letters (Feb. & Mar.) re/ National Archives assistance to Mr. Guy Stedham of Los Angeles concerning one of his ancestors Henry Clay Stedham who served in the Confederate Army, was captured by Union forces and placed in the U.S. Navy and later received pension compensation from U.S.; letters (Mar.) re/ a conservative constituent comments on her beliefs and other issues to Wilson – she opposed Federal Aid to Depressed Areas; letters (2/6 & 2/13) re/ Wilson responds with some crucial details to the request from Robert J. Yock (St. Olaf College) about various topics involving federal policies.