

EISENHOWER, DWIGHT D.:

POST-PRESIDENTIAL PAPERS, 1961-69

1967 SIGNATURE FILE

Series Description

The Signature File contains materials similar to documents in the 1967 Principal File. The first subseries is divided into categories identical to some of those found in the Principal File, and the second subseries is an alphabetical file. The difference between the Signature File and the Principal File is that all of Eisenhower's correspondence with prominent individuals is in the Principal File or the Special Names Series, and the Signature File contains primarily routine correspondence which was handled by the Gettysburg office staff.

The first subseries is a subject, or topical, file. It contains such categories as gifts received, invitations, medals and awards, memberships, messages, and public relations. Gifts received and autograph requests are the two biggest categories. There are about three and a half boxes of materials relating to gifts received, and items sent to the former President include books, calendars, posters, prints, photographs, and miscellaneous objects.

Eisenhower's staff wrote hundreds of letters acknowledging gifts of books, articles, clippings, photographs, scrapbooks, posters, sheet music, periodicals, and pamphlets. Interesting historic items given to Ike include an autograph book kept by a student at Lane University in 1887, 1952 campaign sheet music, an original 1918 Tank Corps promotion certificate signed by Captain D.D. Eisenhower, the original journal of a Civil War soldier, 1862-63, and an original letter by another Civil War soldier.

Another item of interest in this subseries is the summary or report of an interview of the ex-President by students from the Adult Division of Whittier Union High School. During this interview Eisenhower responded to questions concerning General de Gaulle, Vietnam, U.S. commitments, changes in history, World Communism, advice for future presidents, and possible Republican candidates for president in 1968.

The second subseries is a three-box alphabetical file. It is organized alphabetically by the names of individuals and organizations writing to Eisenhower. There is virtually no correspondence or comments by Eisenhower in this subseries on substantive issues. A sizeable portion of the documents in this subseries are cross reference sheets to correspondence filed in the first subseries. There are a few articles and clippings with information on Eisenhower or issues in the 1950s and 1960s, and these may be of some interest to researchers. This file also has a number of interesting and colorful handmade birthday and get-well cards from children and adults.

The 1967 Signature File documents some of the routine correspondence handled by Eisenhower's office staff. The bulk of the material deals with administrative matters, such as gifts, autographs, and memberships. A few interesting, historic items, including the Civil War

journal and letter, were sent to Eisenhower. The volume of correspondence, home-made greeting cards, gifts, and autograph requests indicate that many Americans continued to have an interest in and affection for the former President.

There are no classified or closed documents in this series. Original copies of the Civil War letter and journal, as well the 1918 certificate signed by Eisenhower, have been removed from the files for preservation reasons and replaced with xerographic copies. Sixteen items have been transferred to the museum, and sixty-seven photographs have been sent to the Audiovisual Collection. Thirty-eight printed items, including books, booklets, and periodicals, have been transferred to the Book Collection.

CONTAINER LIST

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Folder Title</u>
	Subject Subseries
1	Education (ED) Eisenhower College, Seneca Falls, New York
	Education (ED) Eisenhower College, Seneca Falls, New York (Printed Materials)
	Gifts Received (GI-1) A [copy of an autograph book, Frances Leaverton Atkins, Jan.-Feb. 1887, Lane University, Lecompton, Kansas; DDE's parents attended Lane, 1884-85]
	Gifts Received (GI-1) Ba (1)(2) [copy of 1902 pamphlet, "The Confederate Veteran;" John Wesley; 1918 articles re religious beliefs and practices]
	Gifts Received (GI-1) Barrie, Erwin S.
	Gifts Received (GI-1) Boos
	Gifts Received (GI-1) Bre [sheet music for "Look Ahead, Neighbor," 1952; article re DDE dedicating a high school in Illinois, 10-23-50]
	Gifts Received (GI-1) Bru [books; baseball pass; pen]
	Gifts Received (GI-1) C (1)-(3) [1964 booklet on American voter; roster and political digest for Kings County, New York; booklet on history of 16 th Infantry Regiment, 1798 to 1959; documents relating to relief of the Philippines, January 1942]
	Gifts Received (GI-1) D (1)(2) [manuscript re decision to invade Europe, June 1944]
	Gifts Received (GI-1) E
	Gifts Received (GI-1) F [certificate signed by Capt. D.D. Eisenhower at Camp Colt, Pennsylvania, May 11, 1918, promoting James C. Grieve to rank of Sergeant in Company C, 327 th Battalion, Tank Corps]
2	Gifts Received (GI-1) Ga

Gifts Received (GI-1) Gli [National Art Museum of Sport]

Gifts Received (GI-1) Go

Gifts Received (GI-1) Ha

Gifts Received (GI-1) Her (1)(2) [copy of 1800 newspaper]

Gifts Received (GI-1) Ho (1)(2) [Civil War journal, 1862-63, George Beardman, Co. F, 22nd Maine Regiment, his unit joined an expedition under the command of Major General Nathaniel P. Banks, they traveled by ship to the mouth of the Mississippi River and participated in fighting which resulted in the surrender of Vicksburg and Port Hudson in July 1863; booklet on WW I experiences of 125th Infantry Supply Train]

Gifts Received (GI-1) Hou

Gifts Received (GI-1) I [collection of clippings re DDE, 1960-67]

Gifts Received (GI-1) J

Gifts Received (GI-1) Ka

Gifts Received (GI-1) Ke [program for Walter Reed Memorial dedication, 11-21-66]

Gifts Received (GI-1) Ki (1)(2) [sheet music on Pennsylvania]

Gifts Received (GI-1) L (1)(2) [reproduction of 1891 dime novel]

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Gifts Received (GI-1) Ma

Gifts Received (GI-1) Mc [National Football Hall of Fame]

Gifts Received (GI-1) Mi [booklet on U.S. flag]

Gifts Received (GI-1) Mo

Gifts Received (GI-1) N [letter from Civil War soldier, John E. Stewart, July 1, 1863, just prior to Battle of Gettysburg]

Gifts Received (GI-1) O

Gifts Received (GI-1) Owen (Scrapbook) (1)(2) [clippings re DDE, 1959-60]

Gifts Received (GI-1) Pa [Wm. Paley]

Gifts Received (GI-1) Pe

Gifts Received (GI-1) Q

Gifts Received (GI-1) Ra [guide to Langres, France]

Gifts Received (GI-1) Richey (Scrapbook) [clippings re DDE in 1950s and 60s; numerous articles relate to faith and religion]

Gifts Received (GI-1) Ri

Gifts Received (GI-1) Sa

Gifts Received (GI-1) Schi

Gifts Received (GI-1) Sny

Gifts Received (GI-1) Ta [material re Haile Selassie and Ethiopia; Winston Churchill tribute]

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Gifts Received (GI-1) Th

Gifts Received (GI-1) U-V

Gifts Received (GI-1) Wa

Gifts Received (GI-1) Wi

Gifts Received (GI-1) X-Y-Z

Invitations Accepted (IN-1)

Invitations Accepted (IN-1) Royal Agricultural Winter Fair (Royal Horse Show), Toronto, Canada [large bound program for horse show]

Invitations Declined by Card or Telephone

Medals and Awards (MA) [Tuss McLaughry Award from American Football Coaches Association; certificate of recognition from Betsy Ross Society; TEP Distinguished American award; award of merit from York-Arles Committee]

Memberships (MB) (1)(2) [Fair Campaign Practices Committee; International Eye Foundation; Professional Golfers Association; Society of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick of Washington, D.C.; Western Seniors Golf Association]

Messages-1 and 2 (ME-1 and -2) [horse show, Toronto, Canada]

News Clippings [Task Force on National Security]

Publications (PU) (Sample Acknowledgement Card used by DDE for At Ease) Publication Dates: 6-16-67

Publications (PU)

Public Relations-1 (PR-1) Name, Use of [Eisenhower College]

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- A and B (1)(2) [Emmett Kelly Museum, Sedan, Kansas]

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- C

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- D

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- E and F

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Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- G

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- H [1955 political cartoon]

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- I-J-K [Wes Jackson]

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- L

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- M

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- N-O

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- P-Q

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- R

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- S

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- T-U-V

Public Relations-2 (PR-2) Autographs- W-X-Y-Z

Public Relations-3 (PR-3) Interviews and Appointments-Visit of King and Queen of Nepal to DDE Farm, Nov. 1967 [partial schedule]

Public Relations-3 (PR-3) Interviews-Adult Division, Whittier Union High School District, Santa Fe Springs, Calif., 4-12-67 [report of the visit and interview with photographs; questions DDE was asked and a summary of his response; Gen DeGaulle; Vietnam, U.S. commitment in 1960; reasons for change in our history; consular treaty with Russia; World Communism; advice to future presidents; Post Office Department; possible 1968 Republican candidate for president]

Alphabetical Subseries

A

Ba

Bi

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Br [brochure on Eisenhower College]

Ca (1)(2)

Ch

Da [memoir re life in frontier Arizona in 1880s and 90s; booklet on overpopulation]

Do [large home-made birthday card from sixth-grade students; At Ease advertisements]

E

Eisenhower College, Seneca Falls, N. Y.(Printed Material) (1)(2)
[program or guide for Eisenhower exhibition at the Gallery of Modern Art in NYC; information on College; newsletter; articles; program for groundbreaking ceremony]

F [Fair Campaign Practices Committee; racial situation and Black Power]

G

Ha [riot problem and FBI investigation; Overseas Press Club publication, article on censorship of Stars and Stripes]

He [information on DDE]

Hum (1)(2) [booklets re efforts to improve crop production in Turkey]

I

J [get-well letters from fourth grade students]

K (1)(2)

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Keys' Class (Miss), Glidden School, Dekalb, Illinois (1)(2) [handmade birthday cards from fourth grade students]

La

Leiter, Roy A. (1)-(3) [clippings, 1954-59; Dwight and Mamie Eisenhower; heart attack, 1955; Ike-Truman relationship; "Ike and Dick" bumper sticker; prayer and religion; article re dog, "Duckworth;" 1956 election; 1957 Inauguration; DDE reflections on presidency; 1959, new flag design]

Li

Ma [handmade birthday cards from first grade class]

Mc

Moore, Ann (Glendora Press, Glendora, California) [January 1966-September 1967; sister city program; Merida, Mexico]

Mor [paper re pioneer education in Kansas; brochure re economic growth]

N

News Clippings [Oct. 1967, DDE's 77th birthday]

O

P

Pilgrims, The, London, England-Dinner Honoring Sen. Jacob K. Javits, 6-27-67 [speeches at dinner]

Q

Ra (1)(2)

Ro (1)(2) [letters from third grade students]

Sa

Sarnoff, David (Salute to) [book and program commemorating Sarnoff's 60th anniversary in communications and electronics; he was President of RCA in 1967]

Sc (1)(2) [articles re changes and problems in the U.S. court system]

Schm

Si [letters from fourth grade students]

So [speech on George Washington and his generals]

Stier, Robert W., Newark, N.J. (1)(2) [speeches to schools on patriotism and history]

Stim [brochure re Susquehanna Broadcasting Company's salute to Eisenhower College]

T

U

V

Wa

Watson, Jency-Adak School, F.P.O. Seattle, Washington [handmade birthday cards from students]

We [scrapbook by 2nd grade student]

Wi

X-Y-Z

Note: Oversized items in this series have been transferred to this half-suit box

Gifts Received (GI-1) C (3) [poster, "The Staff Action to Determine the Feasibility of Relief of the Philippines, January 1942;" poster with picture of DDE and names of all U.S. Presidents up to Johnson]

Gifts Received (GI-1) Ma [1967 calendar, Wood-Mosaic; two large numbered prints of still life paintings by Manuel J. Tolegian]

Gifts Received (GI-1) Mc [scroll with birthday greetings for DDE and about 200 signatures]

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