

# **Guide to the Herman L. & Hubert C. Perry Collection (1917-1991)**

## **Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum**

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## **Descriptive Summary**

**Title:** Herman L. and Hubert C. Perry Collection 1917-1991

**Creator:** Herman L. and Hubert C. Perry

**Extent:** 7.6 linear feet (19 document boxes) plus loose materials

**Repository:** Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum

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Yorba Linda, California 92886

**Abstract:** This collection contains correspondence related to Richard Nixon's congressional, senatorial, and presidential life. Initially maintained by Herman L. and later by Hubert C. the collection consists of materials from 1917 to 1991.

## ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

**Access:** Open

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**Preferred Citation:** Folder title. Box # Herman L. and Hubert C. Perry Collection.  
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**Acquisition Information:** Gift of Hubert C. Perry

**Processing History:** The collection had been partially processed by Susan Naulty, prior to September 2003. The collection was arranged and described, and fully processed with preservation by Richard Nixon Library and Birthplace archive staff.

## Biography

**Herman L. Perry** was born in 1884 in Westfield, Indiana. In January, 1906, Mr. Perry migrated to Whittier, California. In 1907 he became a bookkeeper at the First National Bank in Whittier, and stayed for 42 years, during which time the bank became the Whittier Branch of The Bank of America. Mr. Perry served as Vice President in 1930 until he retired in 1949. In 1910 he married Lola C. Carver.

In 1946, Mr. Perry and citizens committee formed to find and support a candidate for Congress. They contacted Richard Nixon asking if he was interested in challenging incumbent Congressman Jerry Voorhis for the 12<sup>th</sup> District of California congressional seat. At Mr. Perry's suggestion, Richard Nixon, still on duty in the Navy following World War II, flew from Baltimore to appear before the committee, and subsequently received its unanimous endorsement. Richard Nixon was elected to the House of Representatives in November 1946.

Mr. Perry was a member of the Republican State Central Committee, the United Republican Finance Committee, and the Los Angeles County Republican Assembly, and he served as a Delegate to the State Convention of the Republican Party in 1952. He led an active life in the community until his death in 1954, becoming a high school trustee for nine years, serving on the Whittier College Board of Trustees for 31 years, five years as president, and was a member of the Finance Committee for 30 years and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the First Friends Church of Whittier for 10 years. He also served as a member of the Whittier Chamber of Commerce for 40 years, leading as president for one year, and was president of the Lions Club of Whittier for a year.

**Hubert C. Perry** grew up in Whittier, attending high school and Whittier College graduating with an AB in 1935. In 1937 he received an MBA from Stanford University. Upon graduation from Stanford he worked in the Accounting department of Bullock's for one year. In 1939 he joined the Bank of America and became Regional Vice President in 1971 until he retired in 1973.

Mr. Hubert Perry worked with his father in various Nixon political campaigns. He was involved in other campaigns, such as the re-election of Governor Earl Warren campaign in 1950. After his father's death in 1954, Mr. Hubert *Perry* became one of Richard Nixon's political advisors, working on the Nixon presidential campaigns.

Mr. Hubert Perry became active in Whittier Community affairs, becoming Treasurer and Trustee of the Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital in Whittier, Trustee of the Richard M. Nixon Foundation, Trustee of Whittier College, and past president of the Whittier Ana Chamber of Commerce, Whittier College Alumni Association and the Whittier Lions Club. He also worked with the Whittier Nixon Foundation.

In 1972 Mr. Perry donated papers to the Richard Nixon Foundation, and they were accepted in 1973 for eventual deposit in the Richard Nixon Presidential Library. He currently serves as a Board member of the private Richard Nixon Library and Birthplace Foundation.

*--Information from Herman L. and Hubert C. Perry Collection*

**Scope and Content Summary:** This collection contains correspondence between Richard Nixon, Herman L. and later, Hubert C. Perry regarding congressional, senatorial and presidential campaigns, the Whittier Nixon Foundation and plans for the Presidential library.

**Related Collections:** Family Collection  
Campaign 1950  
Campaign 1952  
Evelyn Dorn Collection  
Roy Day Collection  
Allan Wallace Collection  
Clipping files 1946

The H. Jerry Voorhis Papers. Honnold / Mudd Library Special Collections, Claremont CA.

Harold Stassen Papers. Minnesota Historical Society, St. Paul MN.

## Container List

<b>Herman L. and Hubert C. Perry</b>	<b>Box:Folder</b>
<b>Series I: Correspondence</b>	
Correspondence : Papers 1917-1953 (6 folders)	1:1 – 1:4
Correspondence: Fact Sheets 1968 (3 folders)	1:7 – 1:9
Correspondence : 1945-1948 (7 folders)	1:10 – 1:16
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Correspondence: Un-American Activities 1948	2:3
Correspondence: Campaign Finance (2 folders)	2:4 – 2:5
Correspondence: Jan 1949 – June 1950 (9 folders)	2:6 – 2:14
Correspondence: Jul. – Oct. 1950 (4 folders)	3:1 – 3:4
Correspondence: Campaign Manual (2 folders)	3: 5 – 3:6
Correspondence: Vet Committee Activities	3:7
Correspondence: Press Releases Aug.-Nov. 1950 (5 folders)	3:8 – 3:12
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Correspondence: Jan.-Nov. 1953	4:1
Correspondence: News Bulletins Jul. 1953-May 1954	4:2
Correspondence: Dinner Addresses Jan. 1956	4:3
Correspondence: Presidential Campaign Jul.-Aug. 1960 (3 folders)	4:4 – 4:6
Correspondence: Nov. 1965	4:7
Correspondence: Whittier Nixon Foundation Dec. 1967-Jan. 1969	4:8
Correspondence: Senate Campaign Nov.-Dec. 1950 (2 folders)	4:9 – 4:10
Correspondence: Hillings Campaign Jan.-Aug. 1950 (2 folders)	4:11 – 4:12
Correspondence: Jan. 1950 – Jun. 1954 (7 folders)	4:13 – 4:19
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Correspondence: Homecoming Jul. 1952 (2 folders)	5:8- 5:9
Correspondence: Aug.-Dec. 1952 (6 folders)	5:10 – 5:15
Correspondence: California Electors Dec. 1952	5:16
Correspondence: Inauguration Jan.-Feb. 1953 (6 folders)	6:1 – 6:6
Correspondence: Mar. 1953-Dec. 1954 (8 folders)	6:7 – 6:14
Correspondence: Knight Company Jan.-Dec. 1953 (2 folders)	7:1 – 7:2
Correspondence: Jan. 1954-Dec. 1959 (15	7:3- 7:17



folders)	
Correspondence: Jan. 1960 – Dec. 1968 (16 folders)	8:1 – 8:16
Correspondence: Homecoming Jan. 1969 (2 folders)	9:1 – 9:2
Correspondence: Inauguration Jan. 1969 (3 folders)	9:3 – 9:5
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Correspondence: Inauguration Jan. 1973 (2 folders)	10:1 – 10:2
Correspondence: Jan. 1973-Aug. 1987 (15 folders)	10: 3 – 10:16
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Correspondence: Oct. 1990-1991 (3 folders)	11:6 – 11:8
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## SEPARATIONS LIST

<b>Item</b>	<b>Description (Amount)</b>	<b>Department</b>
Thimble	(1)	Curatorial
License Plates	(2)	Curatorial
Banner	Painted Cloth (1)	Curatorial
Campaign Buttons	(11)	Curatorial
Match Books	(3)	Curatorial
License Plate Frames	(2)	Curatorial
Legal Seal	(1)	Curatorial
Photographs	(68)	Audio/Visual