

# William E. Borah Papers, 1902-1941

## Overview of the Collection

<b>Author</b>	Borah, William Edgar, 1865-1940
<b>Title</b>	William E. Borah Papers
<b>Dates</b>	1902-1941 (inclusive) 1902 1941
<b>Quantity</b>	1.0 linear feet
<b>Collection Number</b>	MSS 345
<b>Summary</b>	The William E. Borah Papers consist primarily of his published speeches. There is a letter to Franklin Roosevelt and correspondence with Walter White. Also included are photographs, campaign notebooks, and other items related to his Senatorial career.
<b>Repository</b>	<a href="#">Boise State University Library, Special Collections and Archives</a> Special Collections and Archives 1910 University Drive Boise ID 83725 Telephone: 208-426-3958 <a href="mailto:archives@boisestate.edu">archives@boisestate.edu</a>
<b>Access Restrictions</b>	Collection is available for research.
<b>Languages</b>	English

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## Biographical Note

William Edgar Borah was born on June 29, 1865 in Illinois. After several years as a lawyer, he served as a Republican Senator for 33 years (1907-1940). Known as the "Lion of Idaho" because of his progressive viewpoints, he chaired the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, was against the US joining the League of Nations in 1918, distrusted government centralization, and supported many New Deal initiatives. Borah died in 1940.

## Use of the Collection

### Preferred Citation

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# Administrative Information

## Acquisition Information

Donated by Bruce Corker, son of Borah's assistant Charles Corker, in 2014.

## Related Materials

See also: Grace Barringer Scrapbook on William E. Borah: <http://nwda.orbiscascade.org/ark:/80444/xv04690>

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
1	1-2	Campaign Notebooks	1902-1908
1	3	Correspondence	1930-1940
1	4	Press Statements	1939
1	5	Memorial Addresses Delivered in Congress	1941
1	6	The Adverse Report of the Committee on the Judiciary	1937
1	7	Borah-Butler Debate, The Roosevelt Club	1927
1	8	The Gavel of Delta Sigma Rho	1940
1	9	Neutrality Act of 1939, H.J. Res. 306	1939
1	10	Funeral Program	1940
1	11	Photographs	

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Container(s)		Description	Dates
1		Photographs	
1		Articles	
Box	Folder		
1	12	Excerpts of Speeches	1918, 1937-1939
		Admission of New Mexico and Arizona - Recall of Judges	1911
		The Alternative	1914
		An American Fireside - with Norman Hapgood and Sherman Mittell	1935
		American Foreign Policy in a Nationalistic World	1934
		Americanism	1939
		Andrew Hamilton	1934
		The Antilynching Bill	1938
		Arbitration with Mexico	1927
		Armaments - Taxation	1929
		Armed Merchant Ships	1916
		Balancing the Budget	1933
		The Beer Bill	1933
		Boise Exchange Club	1938
		The Bonus Bill	1921
		The Bonus Bill	1922
		Borah on the Constitution	
		The Brownsville Affair	1908

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	Conscription	1917
	Conservation of Natural Resources	1910
	The Consumer and Small Business	1934
	The Constitution of the United States of America and the United States Supreme Court	1936
	[Constitutional Government]	1936
	Constitutional Government	1937
	Control of Monopoly	1937
	Currency Expansion	1932
	Delay in Legislation	1924
	Delegation of Power	1934
	The Denby Resolution - Impeachment	1924
	The Depression - Debts	1933
	The Direct Primary	1922
	During the Debate on Woman Suffrage, The Question of the 15th Amendment Interfering with the Securing of Suffrage for Women Came into the Debate	1919
	The Economic Situation	1932
	The Eighteenth Amendment	1926
	Election of Senators by Direct Vote	1911
	Election of Senators by the People	1911
	Farm Bill	1937
	The Farm Problem	1929

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	Farm Relief	1926
	Farm Relief	1928
	The Farmer and Free Ships	1914
	The Farmer and the Tariff	1928
	The Farmer's Enemy	1936
	Fascism	1937
	Federal Relief - The Depression	1932
	Food - Intoxicating Liquors	1917
	Food Speculators	1917
	Foreign Affairs	1938
	Foreign Affairs	1939
	Forestry and Public Lands	1912
	Forget Not America	1925
	The German Treaty	1921
	Gold Standard Bill	1933
	How to Meet the Issue	1935
	Immigration	1912
	Immigration - After the War	1918
	Income Tax	1909
	Income Tax	1910
	Inheritance Tax	1926

<b>Container(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
	The Integrity of the Constitution	1926
	Integrity of the States	1909
	Integrity of the States	1938
	The Lawyer and the Public	1916
	The League Court	1926
	League of Nations	1918
	League of Nations	1919
	Liberty's Crucial Hour	1918
	Lincoln the Orator	1911
	The Lowering of the Draft Age	1918
	M. Clemenceau	1922
	Modern Militarism	1916
	The Money Question	1934
	Monopoly	1913
	Munition Manufacturers Should be Curbed	1934
	National Defense	1916
	National Republican League and the League of Republican State Clubs	1915
	Neutral	1917
	Neutrality	1939
	The Newberry Case	1922
	The Nicaraguan Situation	1927

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	No Entangling Alliances	1917
	Obedience to Law	1911
	Obedience to Law	1929
	Open Diplomacy	1918
	Our Foreign Policy	1935
	Peace	
	Philippine Independence	1933
	The Pioneer and Democracy	
	Political and Economic Conditions	1936
	Political Prisoners	1923
	The Power of the Executive to Withdraw Public Lands	1910
	The President's Indianapolis Speech	1915
	Profiteers	1918
	Progressive Conference	1931
	Protection of Citizens in Foreign Countries	1928
	Public Land Laws	1912
	Public Opinion Outlaws War	1924
	Public Ownership of Water Power	1918
	Purchasing Power	1935
	Reciprocal Tariff Agreements	1934
	Recovery Retarded	1938

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	Reorganization Bill - Forest Service	1938
	Repeal	1933
	Repeal of Inheritance Tax	1928
	Repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment	1932
	Republican Get-Together Meeting	1914
	Resolution Declaring State of War	1917
	Restore the Antitrust Laws	1935
	Russia	1931
	Sales Tax	1932
	Secret Treaties - Shantung	1919
	Senator from Wisconsin [Isaac Stephenson]	1912
	Settlement of International Debts	1927
	Shall the World be Governed by Military Force?	1919
	Ship Subsidy - Bonus Taxes	1922
	Ship Subsidy - Farm Credits - Freight Rates	1922
	The Smith-Vare Cases	1927
	The Spy Bill	1917
	The Steel Industry Under the Code	1934
	Strong Navy	1916
	The Supreme Court	1937
	Supreme Court's NRA Decision	1935



Container(s)	Description	Dates
	The Tariff	1913
	The Tariff	1929
	The Tariff	1930
	The Tariff - Income Tax	1913
	The Tariff on Sugar	1930
	Tax Burden - Waste of Public Funds	1924
	Tax Reduction	1924
	The Time to Do Justice to the Agriculture Interests Is Right Now in this Session	1929
	Trade Commission - Monopoly	1914
	The Traffic Club of New York	1918
	Treaty with Columbia	1921
	Ulysses S. Grant	1910
	The United States Policy Toward Haiti	1922
	The United States Supreme Court	1936
	The Versailles Treaty	1921
	Veto Message Relating to the Agriculture Surplus Control Act	1928
	Vote on the Tariff Bill - Debenture	1930
	War Debts	1932
	War Expenditures - The War Situation	1917
	War Revenue - War Profits	1917

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	War Tax - Extravagance	1914
	The Warren Appointment	1925
	Washington	1918
	Washington's Foreign Policy	1936
	Waste of Public Funds	1921
	We are not Going Back	1936
	The Young Republican Clubs of New York	1934
	Borah Assails Government Trends	1934
	Article by Senator Borah - Outlawry of War by Walter E. Edge	1928
	Congress Must Remain in Session by John Thomas	1940
	Let the American Sugar Industry Live by John Thomas	1940
	Why I Am for Senator Borah by Hamilton Fish Jr.	1936
	Wm. E. Borah: Destructionist or Constructionist? by Ray McKaig	

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