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INTRODUCTION

The papers of Henry S. Caulfield contain correspondence, diaries, photographs, reports, speeches, and miscellaneous material. Caulfield was a Republican governor of Missouri (1929-1933) and St. Louis official.

DONOR INFORMATION

The papers were donated to the University of Missouri by Jane C. Cordonnier and Elizabeth C. Barksdale on 1 November 1966 (Accession No. WUNP3690).

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Henry Stewart Caulfield was born in St. Louis on December 9, 1873. He attended the local public schools, St. Charles College, and received a law degree at Washington University in 1895. In 1902 he married Fannie Delano of Cuba, Missouri. They had four children: John D., Elizabeth, Jane, and Frances.

Caulfield practiced law in St. Louis after he graduated. In 1906 he was elected to the U.S. Congress. He served one term and in 1909 was appointed St. Louis excise commissioner. In 1910 he became a judge on the St. Louis Court of Appeals. He was St. Louis city counselor from 1921 to 1922.

Caulfield was elected governor in 1928. During his term he tried to keep the state budget balanced by cuts in spending as revenues decreased because of the depression. After his term he returned to St. Louis and private law practice. He ran as the Republican candidate for U.S. senator in 1938 but was defeated by Bennett Champ Clark. St. Louis mayor William D. Becker appointed him director of public welfare in 1941, a position he kept until 1949. After his resignation as director he again returned to private practice. He continued his practice until shortly before his death in 1966.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of correspondence, diaries, photographs, press releases, reports, speeches, and miscellaneous material pertaining mostly to Caulfield's life as a public official. The collection is arranged by type of material, with correspondence followed by the other types of material arranged alphabetically. Items are in chronological order within each series.

The correspondence, which is the bulk of the collection, dates from 1904 to 1965 and contains material covering Caulfield's governorship and career as a public official in St. Louis. The two diaries are of Fannie Caulfield's trip to Europe in 1922, her first months in the Governor's mansion in 1929, and of Caulfield's trip to Europe in 1927. The photographs (1878-1966) include family and official pictures.

The reports (1928-1948) are from various state and local governmental agencies and include audits and financial reports. The speeches (1908-1959) include speeches and

notes for speeches from Caulfield's term as a U.S. congressman although the bulk of the speeches are from later in his career.

The volumes are a guest register from the Governor's mansion and a scrapbook of newsclippings from the 1928 Republican primary campaign.

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- f. 1-68 Correspondence, 1904-1965. Correspondence during Caulfield's early public career, in St. Louis, as governor, and as a St. Louis city official. The early correspondence pertains to Caulfield's tenure as excise commissioner and city counselor. Correspondence as governor covers such matters as the impeachment of state treasurer Larry Brunk, the Spanish-American War Veterans Fund administered by the governor, an inquiry into the operation of the State Federal Soldiers Home of Missouri at St. James, irregularities in purchases by the State Board of Charities, drought relief, concerns about cuts in appropriations due to the economic depression, and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. Correspondence from Caulfield's later career covers his participation on the Missouri advisory committee in the Public Works Administration, on a commission of the Missouri Bar Association to regulate professional behavior, as a member of the St. Louis Board of Elections, and as St. Louis Public Welfare Director.
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Delano and Henry S. Caulfield; program from Caulfield's inauguration as governor; excerpt of proceedings from Governors' Conferences, 1929 and 1931; official program of Kentucky Derby, 1931; a list of Caulfield's 1932 income; campaign poster from Caulfield's 1938 senatorial campaign; newsletter from subdivision in St. Louis where Caulfield lived; the eulogy of Paul S. McElroy at Caulfield's funeral; and a booklet, "My Life in the Mansion," by Fannie Caulfield.

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