

C Smith, Robert C. (1923-2016), Papers, 1950-2002
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INTRODUCTION

The papers of a Columbia, Missouri, lawyer involved in politics and many civic activities. The papers include campaign material from Smith's 1958 race for Congress, subject files from his time in the Missouri House, and subject files from his time as Mayor of Columbia. The papers also document issues and bills Smith worked on while in public office.

DONOR INFORMATION

The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Robert C. Smith on 17 September 2012 (Accession No. 6345).

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The papers have been arranged into the following nine series:

Appropriations
Campaign File Material
Correspondence
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Mayor's Papers
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Oversize Material

The **Appropriations** series contains notes, financial reports, and other statistical material to determine funding for various departments of the University of Missouri. Also included is a proposed Omnibus Bill. 1950-1956.

The **Campaign File Material** series consists of material pertaining to Smith's 1958 race for Congress. Included are lists of candidates for State Representative for the Primary Election; Board of Directors of Boone Electric Cooperative and managers of other rural electric cooperatives in Central Missouri; List of Congressional Committee officers; lists of various committees by Missouri County, along with notes and correspondence. 1957, 1958.

The **Correspondence Material** series consists of material pertaining to the Democratic Party; various bond appropriations; The University of Missouri; Smith's Congressional Campaign; personal and professional certificates, and general correspondence including recommendations for employment, requests for meetings, etc. 1952-1972.

The **Legislative Material** series consists of numerous House Bills, Resolutions and bond issues. Included are discussions and material on their implications. The series

also includes Smith's reaction to the Bills and his explanations as to why he did or did not support them. Also included are a legal brief and final draft of the Boone County Home Rule Charter 1952-1981.

The **Mayor's Papers** series consists of discussions and material on City of Columbia planning and zoning; Daniel Boone Regional Library; Human Rights; Parking; Elections; Finance; Parks and Recreation; Police and Fire; Sewers; Chamber of Commerce; City Beautification; Health; Hearings and Ordinances, such as Dog Control, Sanitation, etc. Also material on a new Airport Administration building and Urban Renewal. 1959-1963.

The **Photographs** series contain photographs of Smith while in the Missouri House, supporting Bill for proper labeling on containers; fishing trips in Missouri and South America, and visit to Bogota, Columbia, to discuss plans for the construction of a new South American resort hotel. 1955-1972.

The **Research and Reports** series contain material used to study subjects for various Bills. Topics include agriculture, mental institution, State Hospital, state colleges, schools, local road needs, prisons and parole, Columbia Water and Light, City of Columbia, Columbia electricity, and Columbia Utilities and Services. 1952-1987.

The **Miscellaneous Material** series contains assorted newspaper clippings which focus on Columbia, Missouri, and some assorted publications and programs which focus on the University of Missouri-Columbia, The Missouri Bar, and Columbia, Missouri. 1964-1978.

The **Oversize Material** series contains the following: Missouri General Assembly composite photograph, 1953-1954; Missouri General Assembly composite photograph, 1955-1956; R.N. Palmer cartoon "Hard Row to Hoe," 1959; Missouri Colonel appointment, 1961; State Reorganization appointment, 1963; Kentucky Colonel certificate, 1965; UMC Law School foundation certificate, 1965; American Bar Association fellow certificate, 1968; Boone County Bar Association photograph, 1995; Missouri Gaming Commission appointment letter and certificate, 1999; Boone County Bar Association photograph, 2002.

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