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HAMLIN, JOHN H.: Papers, 1952-60 Accession No. A71-8

The papers of John H. Hamlin, Executive Assistant to the President, 1956-59; Executive Secretary, Committee on Government Activities Affecting Prices and Costs, 1959; Director for Small Business, Department of Defense, 1954-56; and member of the Nixon for President campaign headquarters, 1959-60, were deposited in the Library, July 1970. In July, 1970, Mr. Hamlin executed an instrument of gift for these papers.

Linear feet shelf space occupied: -1 Approximate number of pages: 1600 Approximate number of items: 1000

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## SCOPE AND CONTENT

These papers are a miscellaneous collection of materials including personal correspondence, memoranda, reports, directives, speeches, statements, articles and clippings. These two boxes of material reveal the political role of John Hamlin more clearly than the records of John Hamlin received with White House Files in 1961.

Two folders contain speeches and statements made by John Hamlin on the role of Republicans. He was called upon several times to give speeches relating the achievements of the Eisenhower Administration to various Republican gatherings.

Several folders contain information concerning the 1960 Presidential Campaign. John Hamlin left his position at the White House to join the headquarters of the Nixon for President campaign. His work was in the area of research and speech assistance. He accumulated policy statements made by Republicans and Democrats to demonstrate where the parties and their candidates stood on issues. One folder concentrated on the differences in the platforms of the Republicans and Democrats. Another folder contains additional material generated by John Hamlin as the Executive Secretary of the Committee on Government Activities Affecting Prices and Costs.

There is an interesting speech given by Hamlin on "How the White House Works" in which he discusses the functions and responsibilities of various staff members.

There is also a binder of letters (or "Bulletins" as Hamlin called them), which were sent to all members of his family to keep them informed of his activities. In this binder are bulletins numbered 400 to 499, August 16, 1959 to November 16, 1960.

Mr. Hamlin requested that one box of his materials be returned to him after the Library made electrostatic copies.

## **CONTAINER LIST**

## Box No. Contents

1 Biographical Information

Personal Letters to Hamlin, 1954-60

Letters from Richard Nixon, 1953-54

Correspondence re 1960 Campaign

Correspondence, clippings, certificates re the campaign, retirement from the White House, and activities at the Department of Defense, 1952-59

Family Bulletins, No. 400 to 499, August 16, 1959 to November 16, 1960

Department of Defense Directive re Small Business Policy, Dec. 16, 1954

"How the White House Works"

Federal Activities Affecting Prices and Costs - 1957

Issue Vote, 1958-59

2 Speeches by John Hamlin, 1958-59

Reports, Drafts, and Speeches by John Hamlin, Binder #1, 1957-60

Miscellaneous Statements by John Hamlin, 1958-59

Republican Blueprint for Future of America

Major Platform Differences, 1960

Issues before the Republicans and Democrats, 1960 Campaign statements

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