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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The documents in this collection detail the activities of one individual, Douglas R. Price, and three organizations which focused their attention on intergovernmental relations. The documents span the period 1955-1960, with the majority falling in the period 1957-1960.

Douglas R. Price, who worked under Deputy Assistant to the President for Interdepartmental Affairs Robert E. Merriam, coordinated staff work in the area of federal participation in the activities of the Joint Federal-State Action Committee. In this capacity, and in his other roles in the sphere of intergovernmental relations, he accumulated this rather heterogeneous file.

The Commission on Intergovernmental Relations was established by President Eisenhower to identify ways in which responsibility for domestic activities of the federal government could be turned over to the states. This commission was succeeded in July 1957 by the Joint Federal-State Action Committee (JFSAC). The committee provided liaison between the federal departments and agencies and the Council of State Governments on numerous problems of common interest to local, state, and federal governments. JFSAC made its final report to the President in February 1960 and was dissolved. Subsequently, Congress established the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations (ACIR) as a bipartisan commission to carry out functions similar to those of JFSAC.

The collection is organized in five series. The first three series contain records of the three organizations discussed above. They include background studies on numerous topics of interest to both state and federal governments, summaries of meetings, minutes, resolutions, and a small amount of correspondence. The JFSAC series is divided into five subseries which include a Meeting File, a Report File, a Subject File, a Chronological File, and a Miscellaneous File. The first two subseries contain agenda, summaries of proposals, verbatim transcripts of meetings, and drafts and final copies of correspondence relating to the various reports written by the Committee. The Subject File contains reports, statements, congressional testimony, and resolutions on a myriad of topics in which state and federal government interface. Atomic energy, taxes, school financing, and health programs are the most frequently mentioned topics. The last two subseries contain mostly routine correspondence and memoranda.

Items in the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations series focus on the same topics as noted in the previous series. The types of documents include briefing papers, minutes, reports, correspondence, memoranda, and press releases.

The Douglas R. Price File is divided into three subseries. The Subject File contains items on a miscellany of topics, most notably aging, taxes, and state financial procedures. There is also one folder of Republican Party material. The second subseries contains items for and about governors' conferences and White House correspondence with governors. Topics covered include migratory labor, residence requirements for public assistance, and law enforcement. The third subseries does not pertain to federal-state relations. It consists of 1956 White house correspondence with the general public about issues raised in the political campaign. This material was given to Price in 1960 for the apparent reason that he was to handle this type of

correspondence in that election year.

The final series contains publications by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare and the White House Conference on Aging. These documents discuss programs for the aged at both the local and national levels.

In addition to being a useful source of information on numerous domestic issues of the last half of the 1950s, this collection is also a valuable source on federalism in general and the attitudes of political leaders toward the proper roles of local, state, an federal governments in domestic affairs.

The arrangement of the collection was provided by the archivist.

SERIES DESCRIPTION

Box Nos. Series

1 COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Recommendations on federal-state relations in numerous areas dated 1955-56. Review of action on recommendations to 1957. Arranged in folders by subject in same order as when deposited in the Eisenhower Library.

2-15 JOINT FEDERAL-STATE ACTION COMMITTEE

Subseries A: Meeting File. Boxes 2-5. Background papers, agenda, summaries and verbatim transcripts of meetings. Drafts of proposed programs. Folders for each meeting arranged in chronological order by meeting date and by type of document therein.

Subseries B: Reports File. Boxes 5-6. Drafts and final copies of correspondence on progress reports and the final report of JFSAC. Arranged chronologically.

Subseries C: Subject File. Boxes 7-13. Reports, statements, memos, draft legislation on numerous topics of concern to both state and national government. Arranged alphabetically by subject.

Subseries D: Chronological File. Box 14. Routine administrative correspondence. Arranged chronologically, July 1957-Dec. 1959.

Subseries E: Miscellaneous. Box 15. Press releases, correspondence, reports on numerous topics. Arranged in rough chronological order within each folder.

16 ADVISORY COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Briefing papers, minutes, resolutions, correspondence. Chronological file. Items dated 1960. Arranged in chronological order.

17-20 DOUGLAS R. PRICE FILE

Subseries A: Subject File. Boxes 17-18. Reports, recommendations, publications, correspondence on numerous topics of interest to both local and federal governments. Material dated 1957-60. Arranged alphabetically by subject.

Subseries B: Governors' File. Box 19. Resolutions, speeches, reports for governors' conferences. Correspondence with governors. Arranged by geographic scope of conference and partisan affiliation, and in rough chronological order therein.

Subseries C: Miscellaneous. Box 20. Examples of 1956 White House correspondence

with the general public on numerous issues. Arranged by subject in the same order as received by the Eisenhower Library.

21 PUBLICATIONS

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CONTAINER LIST

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1 SERIES I: COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Commission on Intergovernmental Relations

Summary of Major Statements or Recommendations (1) [accomplishments to 1957 on recommendations by Kestnbaum Commission]

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Summary of Major Statements or Recommendations (3) [civil defense, education, employment security, highways, housing, natural disaster relief, natural resources, dated 1955]

Summary of Major Statements or Recommendations (4) [public health, vocational rehabilitation, welfare, payments in lieu of taxes, shared revenues, dated 1955 and January 1956]

Summary of Major Statements or Recommendations (5)(6) [Copy of items in folders 2, 3, and 4, with some additional material under "Payments in Lieu of Taxes"]

Summary of Major Statements or Recommendations (7) [interlevel relations, grants-in-aid, agriculture, civil aviation, civil defense, education, employment security, dated 1956]

Summary of Major Statements or Recommendations (8) [highways, housing, natural disasters, natural resources, public health, vocational rehabilitation, welfare, payments in lieu of taxes, shared revenues, dated 1965]

SERIES II: JOINT FEDERAL-STATE ACTION COMMITTEE

Subseries A: Meeting File

2 Hershey Meeting, Aug. 9-10, 1957 [summary of meeting, agenda]

Drafts of Position Papers on Functions and Revenue Sources Prepared for JFSAC by Joint Staffs, Sept. 11, 1957 [national school lunch and milk programs, vocational education, natural disasters, municipal waste treatment construction grants, supplemental old-age assistance, tax on local telephone service, taxes on admissions,

amusements, and safe deposit boxes]

JSFAC Agenda and Staff Reports, Chicago, October 3-4, 1957 (1) [final copies of reports on topics in proceedings folder]

JSFAC Agenda and Staff Reports, Chicago, October 3-4, 1957 (2) [inheritance tax, housing, higher education, metropolitan problems, urban renewal, mental health, water conservation, atomic energy, migratory labor, aging]

JSFAC Agenda and Staff Reports, Chicago, October 3-4, 1957 (3) [agenda, correspondence, statements]

Proceedings of Meeting of JFSAC, 1st Session, Oct. 3, 1957 [verbatim transcript]

Proceedings of Meeting of JFSAC, 2nd Session, October 4, 1957 [Verbatim transcript]

Washington Meeting [natural disasters, school lunch program, vocational education, atomic energy, urban renewal, old age assistance, estate tax, tobacco tax, grants]

Proceedings of Meetings of JFSAC 11-14-57 and 11-15-57 [verbatim transcript]

Nashville Meeting [statement by Gov. Lane Dwinell—Chairman, Governor's Committee on Federal-State Relations, taxes on local telephone service, estate taxes, civil defense, higher education, public housing, forestry grants, aging, migratory labor, summary of meeting]

Proceedings of Meeting of JFSAC, March 10-11, 1958 [verbatim transcript]

4 Hanover, N.H. Meeting of JFSAC, Sept. 8, 1958 (1) [availability of funds for disaster purposes, agenda, memoranda]

Hanover, N.H. Meeting of JFSAC, Sept. 8, 1958 (2) [agenda, draft proposals]

Hanover, N.H. Meeting of JFSAC, Sept. 8, 1958 (3) [agenda, draft proposals, Sec. Anderson's press conference -- Sept. 8-9, 1958]

Proceedings of 5th Meeting of JFSAC, Sept. 8, 1958 [verbatim transcript]

Washington Meeting of JFSAC, 5-18 to 5-19-59 (1) [summary, agenda, draft reports-public health, education, block grants, conservation, flood insurance]

Washington Meeting of JFSAC, 5-18 to 5-19-59 (2) [flood insurance, migratory labor, NDEA, medical education, radiation hazards, federal lands, natural disaster

relief, estate tax, impact of federal aid on estate and local finances, interstate highways]

Proceedings of Meeting of JFSAC 5-18-59 [verbatim transcript]

Proceedings of Meeting of JFSAC 5-19-59 [verbatim transcript]

5 Chicago Meeting of JFSAC Oct. 26, 1959 (1) ["Report of Governors' Conference Special Committee on Residence Requirements for Public Assistance," agenda]

Chicago Meeting of JFSAC Oct. 26, 1959 (2) [summary of meeting, summaries of proposals]

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Meetings--General [summary of meetings with Sec. Anderson]

Subseries B: Reports File

First Progress Report [copy of report, drafts, memos, correspondence with Committee members]

Second Progress Report of JFSAC Dec. 1958 (1) [copy of report, drafts]

Second Progress Report of JFSAC Dec. 1958 (2) [drafts, comments from governors, summary of committee's work, Bureau of Budget and cabinet comments on draft]

Second Progress Report of JFSAC Dec. 1958 (3) [drafts of and correspondence on report]

6 Drafts of JFSAC Final Report (1)-(3)

Committee Members' Views on JFSAC Final Report Draft [correspondence]

JFSAC-- Final Report A[rthur] E. B[urns]-- Dec. 1959 [speech by Gov. Mark Hatfield, papers prepared for House Committee on Ways and Means re tax exemption on state and local bonds, drafts, copy of final report]

Addendum to Final Report of JFSAC, Feb. 1960 [correspondence, memos, drafts]

Final Report of JFSAC, Feb. 1960 [published copy with addendum]

7 Subseries C: Subject File

Aging [unsigned report on problems of aging population]

Agriculture [School lunch program, Pamphlet on "Rural Development Program" dated 1957]

Assembly of States [report by Gov. Dwinell, statement of Gov. LeRoy Collins, resolutions on numerous topics from December 1958 meeting, summary of December 1958 meeting]

Atomic Energy (1) [draft statements, paper on atomic energy and the states, radiation hazards, statement by Gov. Robert Smylie]

Atomic Energy (2) [summary of "Conference on the States and Atomic Energy Development" dated 1957, AEC views on pending legislation]

Atomic Energy (3) ["Selected Materials on Federal-State Cooperation in the Atomic Energy Field" dated 1959]

Block Grants [public health service programs]

Brookings Institute ["Research in Federal-State Relations" dated 1957]

Bureau of the Budget (1) [analysis of 1957 Governors' Conference, statements by Robert Merriam on the role of the county in intergovernmental relations, the federal government and metropolitan areas, role of the national government, and speech to conference of state budget officers, list of federal aid programs which could be turned back to the states, draft legislation re vocational education and waste treatment]

Bureau of the Budget (2) [use of "Reed Act" funds for unemployment and administration, speeches by Robert Merriam on future of intergovernmental relations, changing patterns in American federalism, memo on state funds for federal services]

Bureau of the Budget (3) [federal grants-in-aid, school lunch program]

Civil Defense [regional OCDM control centers, statement by Christian Herter on fallout danger, feasibility of fallout shelters, nature of fallout hazard -- John McCone, funds for disaster purposes in states, natural disaster relief, summary of proposed national civil defense plan]

Commerce [memo on federal-state fiscal relations, Information paper by Bureau of Public Roads]

Congressional [AFL-CIO statement on intergovernmental transfer payments, speech by Wilbur Mills on communication taxes, speech by Barry Goldwater on the size of government]

Council of State Governments [report of annual meeting—1959, correspondence]

Education (1) [National Defense Education Act]

Education (2) [state aid to higher education]

Emerging Problems [information papers]

Federal Grants, Revenue sources, and Income [memo on impact of Supreme Court decisions permitting state taxation of federal property, tax equalization and preferential grant procedures, state and local bonds]

9 Federalism (1) [statements by Sec. Anderson and Gov. Dwinell to House Government Operations Committee, views of American Farm Bureau Federation, Congressional testimony]

Federalism (2) [Congressional testimony by political, business, and labor leaders]

Federalism (3) [memo on congressional activity in 1957, Congressional testimony, speech by L. H. Fountain, Chm. House Intergovernmental Relations Subcommittee]

Federalism (4) [Congressional testimony]

Federalism (5) [Congressional testimony, statement of ICC on intergovernmental relations]

Federalism (6) [metropolitan area problems]

Federalism (7) [metropolitan problems, Governor's Textile Commission, Housing Council, P.R. on Governors' Conference, flood insurance]

Federalism (8) [natural disasters, school lunch program, vocational education, atomic energy, old age assistance, estate tax, tobacco tax, grants, urban renewal]

Federalism (9) [notes on DDE's meeting with governors--March 1959]

10 Flood Control Cost Sharing

Flood Control Insurance [draft legislation, correspondence between governors and agencies, information papers]

Forestry Grants

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Grants--Sewage Treatment Plants

Health (1) [medical education, memos]

Health (2) [Public Health Service]

Health, Education, and Welfare--Misc. (1) [press releases]

Health, Education, and Welfare--Misc. (2) [progress reports on various topics]

Health, Education, and Welfare--Misc. (3) [correspondence with JFSAC]

Hoover Commission Recommendations

Housing and home Finance [urban renewal]

Interstate Commerce Tax [information paper on state taxation of businesses engaged in interstate commerce, correspondence]

Interstate Compact

Labor [labor-management reporting and disclosure, migratory labor, correspondence]

Legislation [information paper on law enforcement, correspondence on legislation, proposals for state assumption of federal activities, congressional testimony]

Legislative Jurisdiction over Federal Lands [information papers, correspondence]

Municipal Participation

Old Age Assistance (1) [proposals, information papers, publications]

Old Age Assistance (2) [proposals, "Federal Participation in Costs of State and Local Administration of the Public Assistance Programs"]

Payments in Lieu of Taxes (1)(2) [correspondence by Maurice Stans, memos, legislation]

Public Works [federal assistance for non-federal projects, memos on planning]

Reimbursement on Toll Roads and Freeways [correspondence with governors and

legislative leaders]

School Aid construction

School Lunch Program [information papers and memos, proposals]

Taxation of Insurance Companies [information papers and memos]

Taxes (1)-(4) [allocation of federal revenues to states, state death taxes, impact of federal aid on state and local finances, estate taxes, tobacco tax]

13 Telephone Tax (1)(2) [model tax laws, proposals, correspondence, report, memos]

Treasury [correspondence and memos]

Urban Renewal—Low Rent Housing (1)(2) [information papers, proposed legislation, aid for metropolitan planning, public housing, state activities]

Vocational Education [proposals, information papers]

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Subseries D: Chronological File

JFSAC Chronological File July-Dec. 1957 [copies of routine correspondence of an administrative nature]

JFSAC Chronological File Jan.-June 1958

JFSAC Chronological File July-Dec. 1958

JFSAC Chronological File Jan.- June 1959

JFSAC Chronological File July-Dec. 1959

Subseries E: Misc.

Joint Federal-State Action Committee (1)(2) [press releases, routine correspondence, position papers on miscellaneous topics]

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16 SERIES III: ADVISORY COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

ACIR Briefing Papers [taxation and revenues, metropolitan areas]

ACIR Docket Book for 5/25/60 Meeting [minutes of February 1960 meeting, real property tax, estate tax, recommendations]

ACIR Docket Book for 12/9—12/10/60 Meeting [minutes of May 1960 meeting, reports]

ACIR (1) [minutes, draft work plans]

ACIR (2) [food and drug regulations, grants-in-aid for public health services, description of programs for public health, maternal and child health, and crippled children's service]

ACIR (3)-(4) [minutes, resolutions, correspondence, memos, press releases]

ACIR Chronological File Jan.-June 1960

17 SERIES IV: DOUGLAS R. PRICE FILE

Subseries A: Subject File

Aging (1) [Dept. of Agriculture, Civil Service, Dept. of Commerce, HEW, Housing and Home Finance Agency, Dept. of Labor, Railroad Retirement Board, SBA, Dept. of Treasurer, Veterans Administration]

Aging (2) [Federal Council on Aging Report—1959)

Aging (3) [draft of 1959 report]

Aging (4) [Federal Council on Aging—agenda, correspondence]

Aging (5) [White House Conference on Aging]

Aging (6) [legislation, HEW publications]

Air Terminal, Casper, Wyoming

Allenwood, Pennsylvania Ordinance Depot

Confidential Report to the President, Republican Regional Conferences, April-May, 1957 [GOP goals, Democratic weakness, GOP organization]

Congressional Action on Federal Budget, 1959

Convict Labor, Executive Order on

Coordination of State and Federal Inheritance, Estate, and Gift Taxes [draft report]

Dade County, Florida Flood Area

Federal Expenditures, State by State

Florida—Application for Medical Research

Grand Rapids, Michigan Expressway

Investment of Idle Cash Balances by State and Local Governments [draft report 1960]

Local Government Workshop Conference-Albany, New York

Modification of Federal Grants-in-Aid for Public Health Services [draft report 1960]

New Jersey State League of Municipalities

New York and Tokyo as Sister Cities

Periodic Congressional Reassessment of Federal Grants-in-Aid to State and Local Governments [draft report 1960]

Port of New York Authority [newsclippings, correspondence]

Proposed Grant to Japanese Students [People-to-People]

Proposed Survey of Latin American Medical Facilities

Proposed Trip of City and County Managers to Russia

Puerto Rico Statehood [private study]

Rhode Island [correspondence]

State and Local Fiscal Matters

Unsatisfactory Rating Appeal—St. Louis Record Center

West Virginia—Unemployment and Flood Control

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Western Governors' Conferences 1959-1960 (1)-(3) [resolutions, summaries, health manpower needs, migratory labor, residence requirements for public assistance, interstate corrections compact, problem delinquents, memos]

1960 National Governors' Conference [resolutions, press releases]

Governors [correspondence, memos, biographical sketches]

Correspondence with Republican Governors

[Testimony on Oregon Dunes National Seashore, Speech by Gov. Mark Hatfield on "Role of the States," correspondence on numerous topics]

Subseries C: Miscellaneous

Samples of Outgoing Correspondence (1)-(3) [examples of 1956 White House correspondence with the general public on numerous issues]

21 SERIES V: PUBLICATIONS

"Health Statistics from the U.S. Nat'l Health Survey, Older Persons, Selected Health Characteristics," Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare, Sep. 1960

"A Case Study of a Senior Activity Center," Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare

"A Case Study of a Community Craft Program" Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare

"A Case Study of a Retirement Preparation Program" Dept. of Health, Education and

Welfare

- "A Case Study of a Senior Citizens Assn."
- "A Case Study of a Vocational Counseling Program for Older Workers," Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare
- "A Case Study of the Geriatric Program of a County Health Dept," Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Housing"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Federal Organizations and Programs"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Free Time Activities"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Local Community Organization"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Religion and Aging"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Nat'l Voluntary Services and Service Organizations"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Education for Aging"
- White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Social Services for the Aging"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Rehabilitation of Disabled Middle-Aged and Older People"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Research in Gerontology: Psychological and Social Sciences"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on State Organization"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Health and Medical Care"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Family Life, Family Relationships, and Friends"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Health and Medical Care"
- "White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Family Life, Family

Relationships, and Friends"

"White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on Role and Training of Professional Personnel"

"White House Conference on Aging, Background Papers on Income Maintenance"

"White House Conference on Aging, Background Paper on the Employment Security and Retirement of the Older Worker"

"Background Paper on Impact of Inflation on Retired Persons"

"Background Paper on Research in Gerontology: Medical"

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