The Subject Series of the Fred Seaton Papers arrived at the Eisenhower Library in cartons labeled “Interior Department Subject Files” but it became apparent in processing that, while the bulk of the topics related to the Interior Department or Seaton’s role as a Cabinet member, there are also materials interfiled from the Defense Department and White House periods. The series is about 15,000 pages long (19 boxes) and spans the years 1955-1961 with a few items from as early as 1953. It includes correspondence, memos, reports, clippings, and notes on a wide range of topics predominantly related to the Interior Department: Alaskan statehood, Interior Department personnel and budget, fish and wildlife policies, public power policy, Hawaiian statehood, U.S. territories, Indian affairs, and national parks and monuments.

The folders in this series are arranged alphabetically by subject from “Aandahl” to “National Park Service.” At this writing (March 1979) it is believed that the remainder of the series is still in Hastings, Nebraska, in the custody of Mrs. Fred Seaton, who will turn it over to the Eisenhower Library at a later date.
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