

Lord, Victor A.; Papers

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Summary Information

Repository: M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives

Title: Lord, Victor A.

English.

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Date [inclusive]: 1950-1980

Physical Description: 5 cubic ft.

Physical Location: The materials are located onsite in the department.

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Material:

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[Collection]:

Abstract: This collection contains the papers of Victor A. Lord.

Preferred Citation

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Identification of specific item, series, box, folder, Victor A. Lord Papers, 1950-1980. M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University at Albany, State University of New York (hereafter referred to as the Lord Papers).

Historical Note

Victor A. Lord, Jr., a native of Schenectady, New York, obtained a law degree from Yale University after serving time overseas in World War II. In 1951 he returned to the Albany area and joined the law firm of McNamee, Lochner, Titus, and Williams. Lord also joined the Junior Chamber of Commerce, which indirectly led to an eye-opening view of Albany's Democratic Machine. His activities with the Chamber introduced him to his future wife, who would also be his partner in promoting social and political change in Albany. Together they became involved with reform groups like the Albany Independence Movement (AIM) and the Citizens United Reform Effort (CURE), both of which were foundations for the Albany Liberal Party. He also worked closely with the Brothers, an organization fighting for racial equality in

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Albany, NY. Lord and his colleagues worked to end corruption in local and state government, promoting an end to the five-dollar vote, end to racial prejudice, and greater variety of voices in political matters.

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Scope and Contents

The collection contains Lord's notes, correspondence, speeches, brochures and booklets on matters of social reform, and many fliers, pamphlets, and news clips regarding voting, Albany public schools, urban renewal, race issues, the Albany police and fire departments, and the elections of Dan Button to Congress and John Haith Jr. to local politics.

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Arrangement of the Collection

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Acquisition Information

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- Correspondence.
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