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GOVERNOR ELMO SMITH ADMINISTRATION

Record Descriptions

Summary of Records

The records of Governor Elmo Smith consist of administrative and general correspondence, extradition records, parole and pardon records, press releases, reports and project records, and speeches.

The records document communications and reports about subjects which include tax issues, water projects, higher education financing, economic growth, government organization, a Lane County jury tampering investigation, extraditions, pardons, paroles, and pending or proposed legislation.

Administrative correspondence, 1954-1957

1.5 cu. ft.

Containers 1 - 3

Arrangement: Alphabetical by subject.

Records include interagency correspondence, condolence letters, invitations, pledge letters, and memorandum. Also includes some interfiled executive orders and proclamations. Subjects include the Senate presidency, unemployment, public utilities, higher education, a jury tampering investigation, voting privilege restoration, and hydro- electric power.

Extradition records, 1956 - 1957

.5 cu. ft.

Container 1

Arrangement: Alphabetical by county

Records are correspondence to and from the Oregon Department of Justice, district attorneys, other states, and law firms. Also included are telegrams, other states' requisitions, Waiver of Extradition Proceedings court documents, and a Department of Justice Annual Report.

Parole and pardon records, 1956

.25 cu. ft.

Container 2

Arrangement: Alphabetical by surname

Records include correspondence to the Parole Board, correspondence to and from inmates regarding requests for parole, and full pardons with related correspondence and court orders.

Press releases, 1956

.25 cu. ft.

Container 3

Arrangement: Chronological by release date

Records (5 folders) are a comprehensive collection of press releases from the Governor's Office for 1956. Each press release has the date of release, a subject heading, and the text of the announcement.

Reports and project records, 1956

.25 cu. ft.

Containers 1 - 3

Arrangement: Alphabetical by subject

Records are reports, studies and correspondence re: John Day Project, Capitol Area Office Space Committee, Middle Snake River Project, Oregon School Building Needs Study, Umatilla River Project, Upper Columbia River Basin Project, Beaver Marsh project, Fish and Game Resource Management report, Crooked River project, Fiesta del Pacifico, Industrial Accident Commission reports, Capitol Area Office Space Committee report, and a Claim of State of Oregon for U. S. Congressional Appropriation (re: Vincent Creek forest fire).

Speeches, 1956

.25 cu. ft.

Container 3 and 4 audio tape reels

Records include speeches, speech drafts, notes, quotations, outlines, and sound recordings. Subjects include agriculture, getting out the vote, tourists, economy, forestry, the Tillamook Burn, Higher Education, and the lack of a need for a lieutenant-governor office. The four audio tapes are from (1) Jackson County - Lincoln Club meeting, introduction; (2) Jackson County - Lincoln Club meeting, conclusion; (3) Japanese - American Citizens League, Ontario; and (4) Beaverton Kiwanis.

Administrative Correspondence Container List

Container 1

Appointments to the Oregon Supreme Court (Latourette vacancy), 1956 Appointments to the Oregon Supreme Court (Tooze vacancy), 1956 - 1957 Attorney General opinions, 1956 Beaver Marsh project, 1956

Business and industry, 1956

Board of Control, 1956

Capitol Planning Commission, 1956

Capitol visitors reports, 1956

Civil Defense, 1956

Condolence letters, 1956

Council of State Governments, 1956

Crooked River project, 1956

Education, 1956

Education, higher, 1956 - 1957

Extradition hearings, 1956

Extradition miscellaneous, 1956

Extradition nonsupport act, 1956

Extradition penitentiary, 1956

Extradition waivers, 1956 - 1957

Extradition - Clackamas County, 1956

Extradition - Douglas County, 1956

Extradition - Jackson County, 1956

Extradition - Josephine County, 1956

Extradition - Klamath County, 1956

Extradition - Lane County, 1956

Extradition - Linn County, 1956

Extradition - Marion County, 1956

Extradition - Multnomah County, 1956 - 1957

Extradition - Umatilla County, 1956

Fiesta del Pacifico in San Diego, CA, 1956 Fish and Game, 1956 Forestry, 1956 Government, 1956

Container 2

Governor's Conference, 1956 Highway, 1956 - 1957 Highway - Safety Division, 1956 Hospital, State, 1956 Hydroelectric power, 1956 - 1957 Industrial Accident Commission - Financial Reports, 1956 Institutions - State, 1956 - 1957 Invitations, 1956 John Day project, 1956 Labor/Unemployment, 1956 - 1957 Lane County - jury tampering investigation, 1956 Legislature - Highway Committee (46th session), 1951 Legislature - House and Senate bill log, 1955 Legislature - 48th Session, Senate President, 1954 - 1955 MacLaren School, 1956 Middle Snake River project, 1956 Multnomah County investigation, 1956 - 1957 Natural Resource Committee, 1956 Pardons, 1956 Parole Board, 1956 Parole requests, 1956

Container 3

Penitentiary, 1956 Pledge letters for Senate presidency, 1954 Press Releases, 1956 Proclamations and Executive Orders, 1956 Public Employees Retirement System, 1956 - 1957 Public Utilities Commission, 1956 Republican Party, 1956 Restoration of voting privileges, 1956 Safety, 1956 Siletz River project, 1956 Suislaw River project, 1956 Speeches, 1956 Taxes, 1956 - 1957 Umatilla River project, 1955 - 1956 **Unemployment Compensation Commission**, 1956 Upper Columbia River Basin Project committee, 1956 Vocational Rehabilitation, 1956 Welfare, 1956