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**PAUL V. MCNUTT
PHOTOGRAPHS AND PRINTED MATERIALS, 1910s-1960s**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 box photographs; 1 box OVA photographs; 1 OVC folder photographs; 1 folder color photographs; 1 box manuscripts

COLLECTION DATES: 1910s-1960s

PROVENANCE: Sequitur Books, Boonsboro, Maryland, January, 2018

RESTRICTIONS: Items listed as being in cold storage need at least four hours to acclimate, so patrons are advised to call ahead of their visit if they wish to view those items to allow for thawing time.

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ALTERNATE FORMATS:

RELATED HOLDINGS: Paul, Kathleen, and Louise McNutt Collection M 1171; Paul, Kathleen, and Louise McNutt Addition, M 1282.

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2018.0018

NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Paul V. McNutt was born in Franklin, Indiana, but soon moved and was raised in Martinsville, Indiana. He graduated from Indiana University in 1913 and he received his law degree from Harvard in 1916. After practicing law with his father he entered the U.S. Army as an officer near the end of World War I. While serving with the Army in Texas he met Kathleen Timolat whom he soon married. Their daughter, Louise, was born in 1921. After his release from service, McNutt joined the law faculty at IU and became dean of the law school in 1925. McNutt gained political recognition from his involvement with the American Legion arguing for veteran's benefits and serving as Indiana Commander in 1927 and National Commander in 1929. McNutt was elected Governor of Indiana in 1932 and served from 1933–1937. As Governor he streamlined the government and used New Deal legislation to provide jobs for numerous Hoosiers. At this time state law did not allow a governor to serve more than one term in office so for his political loyalty Franklin Roosevelt appointed him High Commissioner of the Philippines. After a shaky start in the position, McNutt rebounded and helped improve the Philippine economy and became quite popular before leaving in 1939. Of note was his and Philippine President Manuel Quezon ability to get the State Department to allow 1,000 Jews per year to enter the country to escape Nazi persecution. That number was raised to 1,200 in 1939. McNutt returned to the United States in 1939 and was appointed head of the Federal Security Agency. There was speculation that McNutt would run for President in 1940 if FDR decided not to seek a third term in office. When Roosevelt did run for a third term, McNutt emerged as one of the leading candidates for Vice-President. Roosevelt rejected the idea and McNutt loyally withdrew his name from nomination. McNutt continued to administrate the FSA until 1945 as well as serving as chairman of the War Manpower Commission from 1942–1945. McNutt served as the first ambassador to the newly created Philippine Republic from 1946–1947. In 1947 he retired from government service and resumed his law practice as well as being involved in several life insurance companies. In 1950 McNutt became chairman of the United Artists Corporation. Paul McNutt died from cancer in 1955.

Sources:

Previous McNutt collection guides

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection is chiefly comprised of photographs relating to Paul McNutt's time as High Commissioner of the Philippines both in 1937 and 1945, his role in the 1940 Democratic National Convention, and his work as head of the War Manpower Commission, 1942-1945.

Materials from his tenure as High Commissioner of the Philippines include photographs of his arrival in 1937 and activities related with his position as well as photograph album of events and peopled compiled by the Philippine government and presented to him upon his arrival in 1937. There is also a folder of personal snapshots, ca.1938, and a photograph of the McNutt and Quezon families autographed by President Quezon, May, 1939, as the McNutts were preparing to return to the United States. Items from his second tenure as High Commissioner and later ambassador are photographs of his arrival by airplane and being greeted by Douglas MacArthur, photographs of him working in his office, a copy of the Executive Order naming High Commissioner in September, 1945, and formal invitations to the inauguration of President Manuel Roxas, 4 July 1946.

Political and government service related items include photographs and newspaper clipping from the 1940 Democratic National Convention in Chicago, July 1940, photographs pertaining to the War Manpower Commission, 1942-1945, and photographs dealing with his involvement with the American Legion, ca. 1920s-1930s.

Additional items in the collection include photographs and newspaper clippings pertaining to Louise McNutt; photographs of Kathleen McNutt; and general photographs and newspaper clippings.

SERIES CONTENTS

Series 1: Philippines, 1937-1939; 1945-1946

CONTENTS

Photograph Album Presented to Paul McNutt, 1937

Philippine Photographs, ca. 1937

Manila, 1938

Snapshots, ca. 1938

Loose Album Page, ca. 1938

Quezon and McNutt Families, May, 1939

U. S. Embassy, Manila, ca. 1945

Philippines, 1946

Executive Order, High Commissioner, September, 1945

Bolling Field Newsletter, Washington D.C., May, 1946

Manuel Roxas Inauguration, 4 July 1946

Series 2: Government and Politics

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Radio Address, ca. 1939

Democratic National Convention Photographs, July, 1940

CONTAINER

OVA Photographs:
Box 1

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 1

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 2

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 3

OVC Photographs:
Folder 1

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 4

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 5

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 6

Manuscripts:
Box 1, Folder 2

Manuscripts:
Box 1, Folder 3

Manuscripts:
Box 1, Folder 4

CONTAINER

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 7

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 8

Democratic National Convention Newspaper
Clippings, July, 1940

Manuscripts:
Box 1, Folder 1

War Manpower Commission

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 9

American Legion, ca. 1920-1930s

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 10

Series 3: Famous People

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Photograph with Will Rogers, ca. 1930s

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Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 11

Photographs with FDR, ca. 1940s

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 12

Photograph with Eleanor Roosevelt, ca. 1940s

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 13

Lady Bird Johnson, Signed Portrait, ca. 1960s

Cold Storage, Color
Photographs, Folder 1

Series 4: Family and General

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Paul McNutt Portraits, ca. 1910s-1940s

CONTAINER

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 14: OVC
Photographs, Folder 1

McNutt Family, ca. 1939

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 15

Louise McNutt, ca. 1940s

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 16

Louise McNutt, Telegrams and Greeting Card, 1940s-
1950s

Manuscripts:
Box 1, Folder 5

Louise McNutt, Newspaper Clippings, 1933-1956

Manuscripts:
Box 1, Folder 6

Kathleen and Louise McNutt, 1947

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 17

Kathleen McNutt, 1930s-1940s, (1 of 2)

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 18

Kathleen McNutt, 1930s-1940s (2 of 2)

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 19

John C. McNutt (father)

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 20

General Photographs, 1930s-1950s

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 21

General Newspaper Clippings, 1930s-1940s

Manuscripts:
Box 1, Folder 7

Unidentified non-McNutt Photographs

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 22

