

MELLOR, MABEL: Papers, 1941-1962

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The papers of Mabel Mellor were deposited in the Eisenhower Library by Mellor in May 1981 and June 1983. Additional documents were received from Ruth McAdoo in April and May 1996.

Linear feet:	4 linear feet
Approximate number of pages:	7,000

Mabel Mellor signed an instrument of gift for the papers on May 15, 1981. Literary rights in the unpublished writings of Mabel Mellor in this collection and in all other collections of papers received by the United States government have been donated to the public.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Mabel M. Mellor was born on May 14, 1916 in Butler County, Kansas. After studying journalism at the University of Colorado and secretarial courses at the Wichita Business College, she took a job as a stenographer for Emmet Graham at his automobile finance company in Abilene, Kansas. During World War II she also assisted Charles Harger at the *Abilene Reflector Chronicle*.

During the war Mellor, Harger, and Graham, along with Sam Heller and others, began the initial planning to form an organization to honor General Dwight D. Eisenhower. Mellor served as secretary for the organization until 1956. At that time she took a job as a secretary, later and administrative assistant, at the Air Force Exchange for the 7100th Support Squadron. This unit was part of the 7480th Supply Group stationed in Wiesbaden, Germany. Mellor returned to the U.S. in 1962, moving to California where she worked at the Hollywood Academy of Medicine. She died on October 14, 1995 in Glendale, California.

Documents in this collection relate to her work with the Eisenhower Foundation and her time in Germany. Foundation materials include general correspondence, events held at the Eisenhower Museum, arrangements for Foundation members to attend the 1953 Inauguration, the 1952 Eisenhower homecoming, the 1952 election and local memorabilia. There are also inventory records for items received for Museum from 1947 through 1952.

From her years with the 7100th Support Squadron the collection contains memoranda, billeting information, regulations regarding Air Force publications and forms, an inspection report for the 7480th Supply Group, and her personnel file.

Approximately one third of the collection consists of newspaper clippings, both loose and in scrapbooks. Additional materials consist of memorabilia from Europe and personal correspondence.

FOLDER CONTENTS

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Folder</u>
1	Abilene High School Class of 1955 Reunion [includes poem "Song of the Monument" by Lyle C. Wilson]
	Anderson, Jacqueline (1)-(3) [1959-1960]
	Eisenhower Day, June 4-5, 1952 [plans, press information, guest passes]
	Eisenhower Foundation, 1945-1949 [June 22, 1945 Eisenhower Homecoming, guest register cards for international visitors in 1949, Kansas Junior Chamber of Commerce fundraising agreement, history of Abilene]
	Eisenhower Foundation, 1950-1954 [history of Abilene, clippings bureau, cornerstone laying ceremony, ordering "I Like Ike memorabilia, donated drawing and song, dedication of the museum, contributions to building fund]
	Eisenhower Foundation, 1955-1956 [general reference questions, museum lobby murals, models of the "Columbine"]
	Eisenhower Foundation, Appraisal of Museum Artifacts for Insurance, 1954-1956
	Eisenhower Foundation Museum Artifacts, 1941-1956 [lists, correspondence, gift cards]
	Eisenhower Foundation Museum Artifacts, n.d. [lists, notes, gift cards]
	Eisenhower Foundation Orders for Photographs (1)-(2)
2	Eisenhower Foundation Museum Inventory (1) [items received 1947-1953]
	Eisenhower Foundation Museum Inventory (2) [items received October 1953-June 1954]
	Eisenhower Foundation Museum Inventory (3) [items received September 1954-August 1955]
	Eisenhower Foundation Museum Inventory (4) [items received October 1955-January 1956]
	Eisenhower Foundation Museum Inventory (5) [items received March-April 1956]

Eisenhower Foundation Museum Inventory (6) [items received May-August 1956]

Eisenhower Foundation Museum Inventory (7) [insurance schedule exhibit items]

Eisenhower Foundation Museum Inventory (8) [code key for inventory numbers, potential gifts, descriptive information of items on exhibit, pylons, excerpts from press coverage, insurance schedule, museum furniture and fixtures]

3 Eisenhower Foundation Notes and Messages, ca. 1952-1956

4 Family Correspondence, 1957-1960 [primarily from her mother]

Home Furnishings [brochures & articles on furniture, china, decorating]

Inauguration (1)-(2) [arrangements for Foundation members to attend 1953 Inauguration, inaugural memorabilia]

Magazine Articles, no date

Magazine Articles, 1945-1951

Magazine Articles, 1952 (1)-(3)

Magazine Articles, 1953-1955

Magazine Articles, 1956-1960

Maps

Memorabilia [Oktoberfest menu; country club brochure; flag information; Headquarters Restaurant, New York]

Memorabilia, Abilene [tourist brochures and local information]

Memorabilia, Europe [picture postcards from Vienna, Salzburg, Rome, Spain; guide to Versailles; tag from vin du Bouquet de Provence; Danish menu]

Memorabilia, Germany [picture postcards; programs for church and Christmas events]

Memorabilia, Great Britain [guide to Madame Tussaud's; tourist information for Norwich, Norfolk]

- 5 Newspaper Clippings, 1945-1949 [see scrapbooks for additional clippings]
- Newspaper Clippings, ca. 1952 [no specific date given, see scrapbooks for January-June 1952 clippings]
- Newspaper Clippings, July 1952 (1)-(4) [Republican National Convention]
- Newspaper Clippings, August 1952 (1)-(3)
- Newspaper Clippings, September 1952 (1)-(3)
- Newspaper Clippings, October 1952 (1)
- 6 Newspaper Clippings, October 1952 (2)-(3)
- Newspaper Clippings, November 1952
- Newspaper Clippings, December 1952
- Newspaper Clippings, 1953
- Newspaper Clippings, 1954
- Newspaper Clippings, January-April 1955
- Newspaper Clippings, May-August 1955
- Newspaper Clippings, September-December 1955
- Newspaper Clippings, 1956
- Newspaper Clippings, 1957
- Newspaper Clippings, 1959
- Newspaper Clippings, January-November, 1960
- Newspaper Clippings, October-December, 1960 [also includes 1960 clippings with no specific date given]
- Newspaper Clippings, 1961
- Newspaper Clippings, 1962

- 7 Personal Correspondence, 1941-1956
- Personal Correspondence, 1957
- Personal Correspondence, 1958
- Personal Correspondence, 1959 (1)-(2)
- Personal Correspondence, 1960 (1)-(2) [includes some correspondence intended for Rosemarie Cowles and Dorothy Bath]
- Personal Correspondence, no date (1)-(2) [primarily greeting cards]
- Presidential Campaign, 1952 [summary of 1951 Gallup poll on Presidential candidates, campaign information pamphlets and memorabilia, includes pro-Taft]
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- 8 Publications: Air Staff Orientation No. 8, Pentagon Auditorium, 9-11 September 1953
- Publications: "Catholicity Does Not Mean Eclecticism" a Radio Talk by Duncan Phillips
- Publications: *The Diplomat*, Special Souvenir Inaugural Edition, February 1953
- Publications: *Downtown Wichita*, Vol. 19, No. 46, May 31, 1952
- Publications: Driving in Europe
- Publications: Going Back to Civilian Life, August 1945
- Publications: History was Made by Day, RMV Talks for the Eighth Air Force, May 1945
- Publications: If You Should Be Captured, War Department Pamphlet No. 21-7, May 1944
- Publications: Inaugural 1953 Complementary Guide Book
- Publications: Inaugural Edition of the Pictorial Directory of the 83rd Congress
- Publications: *Insignia and Decorations of the U.S. Armed Forces*, National Geographic Society, 1944

Publications: Life Story of "Ike" Eisenhower in Pictures

Publications: London, for the U.S. Armed Forces in U.K.

Publications: *The Mightiest Army* by Colonel Karl Detzer

Publications: *New Republican*, Vol. 4, No. 1, July 1952

Publications: *Parisian Weekly Information*, August 22nd to August 29th 1945

Publications: The Pentagon, Hub of National Defense

Publications: *Power in the Pacific, A Navy Picture Record*, compiled by Capt. Edward Steichen

Publications: The President's Birthday Party: Held in Hershey, Pennsylvania on October 13, 1953

Publications: A Short Guide to Great Britain

Publications: *To the Stars*, Kansas Industrial Development Commission [various issues 1952-1954]

Publications: *What America Means to Me*, You and Your USA Series No. 3, 1954

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Recipes

Republican National Convention, 1952 [program]

Report of General Inspection (Operational), Detachment 10, 7480th Supply Group, 9 February 1962

7100th Support Squadron, Air Force Regulations Regarding Distribution of Publications and Forms (1)-(3)

7100th Support Squadron, Alphabetical Index of AFEX and Class VI Functions (Current as of 31 March 1961)

7100th Support Squadron Billeting Office, Complaint Regarding Pet in Room

7100th Support Squadron Memoranda

7100th Support Squadron Personnel File

Schulz, Robert L., 1956-1960 [Schulz genealogy and family crest]

Snyder, Marilyn Fritz, 1955-1960

Snyder, Marilyn Fritz, no date

White House Correspondence, 1956-1960 [primarily thank you letters from President Eisenhower and Ann Whitman]

Additional Items Transferred to Audiovisual

- 10 Scrapbooks, 1945-1952
- 11 Scrapbook, November 1951- May 1952