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Papers, 1910-1955**

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C. Undated Walker Correspondence; Unsigned or Undesignated Letters; Fragments

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## II. UMWA Reorganized, 1930-1931

### Box 40

A. Constitution

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B. Convention Proceedings

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C. Policy Committee Meeting Minutes, March 1930; Executive Board Meeting Minutes,  
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D. Vice Presidential Papers

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- Walker letters (outgoing correspondence)
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- 2. Circulars received
  - Folder 413
- 3. Miscellaneous information sheets
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## E. Secretary-Treasurer Papers

- 1. Reports
  - a. Local unions reporting to the Reorganized movement
    - Folder 415
  - b. Organizer's weekly reports
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    - F. Bender
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    - W. Daech
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    - P. Hapgood
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    - J. Johnston
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c. Monthly reports  
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## 3. Financial Records

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- a. Secretary-treasurer's semi-annual report, March-September 1930  
 Folder 626
- b. Secretary-treasurer's monthly financial statements, March 1930-March 1931  
 Folder 627
- c. Auditor's reports, March 15, 1930-April 7, 1931  
 Folder 628
- d. Traveling auditor's reports, District 12  
 Folder 629

## Box 60

- e. Field worker expense account sheets (alphabetical)  
 Folders 630-650
- f. District income amounts, donations, miscellaneous expense sheets  
 Folder 651

## Box 61

- g. Local union membership figures and per capita taxes  
 Folder 625v

## Box 84

- h. Reorganized UMWA income  
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## Box 62

- i. Personnel expenses  
 Folder 654v
- j. Daily expenditures  
 Folder 655v
- k. Receipt books

## Box 63

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Folder 657b

## Box 65

- l. Bank statements and notices

Folders 658-659  
 m. Canceled checks, saving accounts books, check books  
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Box 66

n. Bills and receipts: utilities, printing, building rental, telegram,  
 organizers' receipts  
 Folders 666-676

Box 67

4. Legal Papers
  - a. Court decisions  
Folder 677
  - b. Contract agreements  
Folder 678
  - c. Depositions  
Folder 679
  - d. Bonds  
Folder 680
5. Local Union Relations

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a. Record book of transfer cards, charters, and seals  
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- b. Organizers commissions  
Folder 682
- c. List of locals affiliated with Reorganization movement  
Folder 683
- d. Circulars issued  
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- e. Circulars received  
Folder 685
6. Union Elections
  - a. Report of tellers: nominations and elections for District 12, December 1930; nominations for sub-District 17 election, 1930  
Folder 686
  - b. Ballot nominations for secretary-treasurer, UMWA, February 1931  
Folder 687
7. Walker Addresses and Articles  
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8. Miscellaneous Materials
  - a. Resolutions  
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  - b. Anti-Lewis statements and information sheets  
Folder 690
  - c. News clippings, March 1930-March 1931; undated  
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Folders 694-695

d. Reports, statements, lists, unidentified

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F. Secretary-Treasurer, Local 6000, National Headquarters

1. Correspondence

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2. Transfer cards

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3. Transfer cards record books

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4. Financial ledger

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5. Receipt books (2), savings account books, canceled checks

Folder 701b

G. Pamphlets

"An Answer to a False Analysis of the First Semi-Annual Report of J.H. Walker, Secretary-Treasurer of UMWA," by International Executive Board, UMWA

"John L. Lewis Files His Answer to Harry Fishwick's Injunction," by John L. Lewis

"Message to the Coal Miners of Northern West Virginia," by Fred Mooney

"Report of Cases Handled by Officers of Sub-District 7 of District 12, UMWA, for Months of September and October 1930, and the Disposition of Same," by James Mason

"The Wrecking of the Miners Union," by Frank Farrington

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### III. UMWA District 12, 1931-1933

A. Executive Board Meeting Minutes, 1931-1933

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B. Presidential Correspondence

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1. Harry Fishwick

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2. John H. Walker

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Names Starting with G (Includes Governor's Commission on  
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C. Financial Records

1. Checks and receipts  
 Folder 748

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Folders 749-754

2. Dues receipts, savings account books, and miscellaneous  
Folder 755b
3. Check books: Ridgely Farmers State Bank, Springfield Maine Bank  
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- D. Legal Papers
  1. Arbitrator's decisions, District 12, 1931-1933  
Folder 757v
  2. Court papers - depositions, affidavits, summons, warranty deeds  
Folder 758
- E. Union Relations
  1. Relations of District 12 with International Organization  
Folder 759
  2. Circulars  
Folder 760
- F. Miscellaneous
  1. District 12 records
    - a. Revised Constitution of Sub-District 9, District 12 UMWA, 1931
    - b. Tellers Reports of Nominations for Sub-District 9, District 12, UMWA, 1933  
Folder 761
  2. Mining conditions in Illinois - reports and statements on unemployment, wages, and coal production  
Folder 762
  3. Wage scale reports, contract discussion  
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  4. Resolutions  
Folder 764
  5. News clippings  
Folder 765
  6. Miscellaneous statements, information sheets  
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#### IV. Legislative Activities

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- B. Old Age Pensions, 1920-1929  
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- C. Workmen's Compensation, 1923-1929  
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- Folders 775-776
- D. Unemployment Insurance, 1923-1930  
Folder 777
- E. Women's Eight-Hour Bill

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 F. Miscellaneous Legislative Bills and Information Sheets  
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## VI. Speeches, Articles, and Statements

A. John H. Walker, 1923-1945, undated  
 Folders 780-782  
 B. Various Authors and Unknown, 1898-1944, undated  
 Folder 783

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## VI. Pamphlets

"Adult Beginner's Work for Natives and Foreign-Born Pupils," by Dr. George R. Crissman  
 "Agreement Governing Wages and Working Rules of the Federation of Flat Glass Workers," 1935  
 "Agreement of United Cement Workers Union No. 2066," 1936  
 "The American Federation of Labor: A Discussion Outline for Trade Union Groups," by Mollie Ray Carrol, 1935  
 "The American Hebrew," October 17, 1930  
 "Braceville-Gardner Soldiers' Memorial Dedication program," May 30, 1926  
 "Bulletin of the Stable Money Association," November 1928  
 "The Canadian Co-Operator, A Magazine of Social and Economic Progress," October 1938  
 "Constitution of the International Seamen's Union of America," 1930  
 "The Decline of Production of Illinois Coal," September 22, 1931  
 "Ethics of Trade Union Membership," by Richard J. O'Halloran, 1924  
 "Forum," December 1930  
 "Impact of the War on Employment," USDL Bureau of Labor Statistics, 1944  
 "Labor Age," September 1930  
 "Labor Age," October 1930  
 "The Labor Bulletin," March 1930  
 "The Labor Bulletin," January 1932  
 "Labor and Its International Problems," by J.G. Bennema, 1931  
 "Labor Market Trends: An Analysis of Labor Market Conditions in Illinois," Department of Labor, U.S. Employment Service, Illinois, 1946  
 "Labor Unity," February 1929  
 "The Literary Digest," January 24, 1931  
 "Men Teachers' Union of Chicago, Twenty-first Anniversary," 1934  
 "Old Age Security Herald," March 1930  
 "Proposed Code of Fair Competition for the Dog Food Industry," 1934  
 "Special Convention of the Illinois United Mine Workers of America," November 1916  
 "Special Report and Recommendations Parole System of Illinois," by Hinton G. Clabaugh, 1927  
 "Stable Money Essential to Prosperity: An Interview with Norman Lombard," 1929  
 "Tinkling the Bell," by Norman Lombard, December 1928

"What is the NRA? A Guide for Study and Discussion," 1934

"Why the Principle of Arbitration Cannot be Sacrificed: The Position of the Railroads in Reference to the Wage Demands of the Freight and Yard Train Service Employees," by Samuel Rea, 1916

Folders 785-787

## VII. News Clippings, 1910-1948, undated

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Folders 788-793

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Newspaper clippings on Mother Jones's death and burial, 1930 (folder 1 of 2)

Oversize folder h002

Newspaper clippings on Mother Jones's death and burial, 1930 (folder 2 of 2)

## VIII. Subject File

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### A. UMWA (except District 12, 1931-1933)

1. Executive board meeting minutes, District 12, 1925-1926

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2. Mining reports

Walker appeal of President Lewis's ruling, 1920

Report of Arbitration Committee concerning industrial court controversy in Kansas, 1921-1924

UMWA International executive board report on misconduct in District 12, Franklin Co., 1929

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3. 1916 UMWA presidential election

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4. 1918 UMWA presidential election

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5. Rosiclare, Illinois Strike, 1916

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6. Panama, Illinois Scandal, 1918

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7. Circular letters, received 1916-1931, undated

Folder 800

8. Published pamphlets

"Report of the State Board of Tellers, District 12, UMWA Election," December 12, 1916

"Report of the State Board of Tellers, District 12, UMWA election," December 11, 1917

"Forty-seventh Quarterly Report of Sub-District No. 7 of District 12, UMWA, January-March 1930," by Jas. Mason. Secretary-Treasurer

Folder 801

9. Salary, contract information sheets, undated

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## B. Other Labor Papers

1. Walker expense accounts and receipts, ISFL, 1916, 1920-1926, 1929-1930  
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2. Legal papers, 1916-1944, undated  
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3. Material on labor injunctions, 1910-1933, undated  
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4. Contract proposals and statements, 1926-1933, undated  
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  5. Resolutions, 1898-1934, undated  
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  6. Circular letters, received and sent, 1913-1945, undated  
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  7. Cooperatives, 1917-1932, financial reports and news items  
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  8. Memoranda  
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  9. Lists  
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  10. Certificates, membership cards, etc.  
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## C. Related Activities

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2. Springfield Zoning and Plan Commission, 1923-1924  
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3. Governor's Commission on Unemployment and Relief, Reports of Activities, September 1931-June 1932  
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4. University of Illinois, Conference on Collegiate Education for Business, 1926  
Folder 818
5. Pardons and paroles, 1920s  
Folder 819
6. Michael Igoe Affair, 1929  
Folder 820
7. Political elections  
Folder 821
8. Leaflets, handbills  
Folder 822
9. Reports  
Brickmaking Industry Conference, Chicago, May 1916  
U.S. Commerce Department, The International Coal Trade Situation,  
September 16, 1930

Illinois Department of Labor, Reports of Division of Statistics and Research, 1932 8

University of Chicago, Report on Supervisor Training Center, August 1934

Illinois Department of Mines and Minerals, Casualty Report and Recommendations, September 1934

University of Chicago Educational Research Projects, 1934 3

U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics Reports, 1943-1944 6  
Report on Albert Thomas, undated

Folder 823

10. Various reports and information sheets

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## IX. Personal

A. Financial Papers

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B. Photographs

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John H. Walker portrait by Herbert Georg of Springfield (additional unmatted prints in box 81, folder 826), undated

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C. Abraham Lincoln Memorabilia

Folder 827

D. Abraham Lincoln Daily Calendar, 1859, 1860, News clippings

Folder 828

E. Poetry

Folder 829

F. Miscellaneous (biographical statement, maps, photostat, steno book, etc.)

Folder 830

## X. Artifacts

Box 83

A. Four Gavels

B. Three Stamps: Ridgely Farmers State Bank, Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank, Reorganized UMWA

C. Two Seals: United Mine Workers of America, Reorganized United Mine Workers of America