

**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION
CORRESPONDENCE
1959-1962**

RECORD GROUP 272

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INTRODUCTION

Record Group 272, Department of Finance and Administration, Correspondence, spans the years 1959 through 1962 with the majority of the records focusing on the years 1959 through 1961. The correspondence of two commissioners of the Department of Finance and Administration is represented in this collection. The commissioners were Edward J. Boling and Harlan Mathews. Edward J. Boling served from February, 1959 through August, 1961. Harlan Mathews was appointed commissioner in September of 1961. These records reflect the various activities connected with the administration of financial and budgetary matters of the Executive branch.

Original order was maintained during processing. These records were transferred to the archives in good condition in 1983. The original size of the collection was about eight cubic feet but was reduced to seven cubic feet by the elimination of duplicate copies and extraneous material. The collection was microfilmed and all documents were destroyed. There are no restrictions to access.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

Record Group 272, Department of Finance and Administration, Correspondence, spans the period 1959 through 1962, although the bulk of the collection is concentrated within the period 1959 through 1961. The collection consists of seven cubic feet of material that has been microfilmed and the originals were destroyed.

The original order of this collection was maintained during processing. The arrangement of this collection is chronological for the period of 1959 through 1960. The remainder of the collection is chronological, then alphabetical by topics. Broad topics such as Corrections, Education, and Governor's Office are broken down into sub-topics and arranged alphabetically, then chronologically. These records reflect an expansive range of topics that occurred during the administration of Governor Buford Ellington and involved funding that required the attention of the commissioner. Some of the correspondence in these files are letters to the Governor's Office that were forwarded to the commissioner for a response. Topics that generated reactions from constituents include the transfer of The Goodwin Institute property and the proposed use of the Joelton Air Force Base property. Correspondence representing the development of important projects includes a file on the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway Development Authority and Tennessee's participation in the New York World's Fair of 1964-1965. A considerable amount of material on the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB), of which Governor Ellington served as Chairman, is found in this collection.

The Department of Finance & Administration at this time was charged with the preparation and administration of budget, accounting for state revenues and expenditures, operating data processing equipment for computing state payrolls, supervising the preparation of plans and specifications for state buildings, operating a motor pool for assignment of state automobiles, coordinating programs that overlap departmental lines, and conducting a general planning program for the state. In addition to his duties as head of the department, the commissioner served as Secretary of the State Building Commission, member of the State Retirement Board, member of the State Funding Board, and member of the State Insurance Commission.

AGENCY HISTORY

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

1955 – Edward J. Boling appointed Budget Director.

1959 – Reorganization Act creates Division of Finance and Administration to consolidate functions previously carried out by Division of Accounts and Budget. Edward J. Boling appointed Commissioner and Harlan Mathews appointed Deputy Commissioner of Finance & Administration in February; serves until August 1961.

1961- Amendment to the 1959 act created cabinet level department. Harlan Mathews appointed Commissioner in September. Roy S. Nicks appointed Deputy Commissioner in September.

CONTAINER LIST

• Chronological Correspondence—1959-1960:

January, 1959
February, 1959
March, 1959
April, 1959
May, 1959
June, 1959
July, 1959
August, 1959
September, 1959
October, 1959
November, 1959
December, 1959
January, 1960
February, 1960
March, 1960
April, 1960
May, 1960
June, 1960
July, 1960
August, 1960
September, 1960
October, 1960
November, 1960
December, 1960

• Alphabetical Correspondence--1960-1961:

Accounts Sections
Adjutant General
Agriculture, Department of
Archives
Architectural Section
Area Redevelopment
Atomic Energy
Attorney General
Blue Book
Bill Wilkerson Speech & Hearing Center
Budget, Committee on--Research (NASBO)
Budget Section
Building Commission

Comptroller of the Treasury
Conservation & Commerce
Cordell Hull Foundation for International Education
Council of State Governments
Cordell Hull Foundation

- Corrections:

- Department of Corrections
- Estate of Elizabeth Hart Love
- Ft. Pillow State Farm
- Tennessee State Penitentiary
- Training & Agricultural School for Whit Girls-Tullahoma

Data Processing & Motor Pool Sections

- Education:

- Business Management Study
- Coordinating Committee on Higher Education
- Council for Financial Aid to Education
- Department of Education
- Higher Education
- A & I State University
- Austin Peay State College
- East Tennessee State College
- Memphis State University
- Middle Tennessee State College
- Tennessee Polytechnic Institute
- Tennessee Preparatory School
- Tennessee School for the Blind
- Tennessee School for the Deaf
- Vocational Rehabilitation

Employment Security, Department of
Federal Legislation

Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

Finance & Administration, Division of

Football Tickets--1960 Season

Fort Loudon Association

Game & Fish Commission

Goodwin Institute

Governor's Conference Committee on Roads & Highway Safety

- Governor's Office:

- Annexation Law, Knox County
- Congratulatory Letters
- Depressed Areas

Forestry Program Inquiries
General
James White Fort and Cabin
Legislation--82nd General Assembly
Legislation--Liquor
Legislation--Mental Health
Legislation--Proposed
Memos
Regional Library Programs
Medical Assistance to the Aged
Reapportionment
Veteran's Bonus

- Governor's Office--Trip Folders:

- Appalachian Governor's Conference
Appalachian Governor's Conference-Lexington, 1960
Appalachian Region-Washington, 1961
National Governor's Conference, 1961
National Governor's Conference-Hawaii, 1961
National Governor's Conference, 1961-Roads & Highway Safety
Secretary Abraham Ribicoff Visit-Washington, 1961

Grants In Aid

Health, Education, and Welfare, U.S. Department of
Highways, Department of
Historical Commission
Industrial & Agricultural Development Commission
Insurance & Banking
Insurance-Employees
International Business Machines
International Cooperation Administration-Washington, D.C.
Joelton Air Force Base
Labor, Department of
Legislative Council Committee
Library & Archives
Life Insurance Company-Income Tax Act of 1959
Manpower Resources Conference

- Mental Health:

- Department of Mental Health
Central State Hospital
Chattanooga Mental Health Hospital
Eastern State Hospital
Greene Valley Home

Memoranda--Extra Copies
Minutes of Meetings--General
Miscellaneous
National Association of State Budget Officers
National Association of State Budget Officers--Executive Committee meeting
National Association of Tax Administrators
National Legislative Conference
Old Age & Survivors Insurance
Planning Section
Personnel, Division of
Press Releases
Program Coordination Section
Property Services Section
Public Health, Department of
Public Works Section
Purchasing, Division of
Revenue, Department of
Regional Advisory Council on Nuclear Energy (RACNE)
Regional Advisory Council on Nuclear Energy--Budget
Retirement Board
Safety, Department of
South American Trip-Mr. Boling
Southern Governor's Conference, 1960
Southern Governor's Conference, 1960--Resolutions Adopted
Secretary of State
Speeches--Governor Ellington
Speeches--Commissioner Boling
State Boards
State Information, Division of
State Treasurer

- Southern Regional Education Board:

- Commission on Goals for Higher Education in the South
- Dr. Anderson's Resignation
- Appointments--Educational Plans & Policies Advisory Committee
- Appointments--Executive Committee
- Appointments--Finance Committee
- Governing Boards Conference
- Governor Ellington--Chairman
- Public Information Advisory Council
- Southern Regional Educational Board

State Retirement System

Tennessee Education Association

Tennessee Taxpayers Association

Tennessee Valley Authority

- Tuberculosis Hospital:

 - East Tennessee Tuberculosis Hospital

 - Middle Tennessee Tuberculosis Hospital, Nashville

 - West Tennessee Tuberculosis Hospital, Memphis

- University of Tennessee:

 - Board of Trustees

 - General

 - Martin Branch

Veterans Affairs, Department of

Welfare, Department of

- White House Conference on Aging:

 - Correspondence, 1960

 - Correspondence, 1960

 - Directory of Local Services to the Senior Citizens of Tennessee

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alphabetical Correspondence--1961-1962:
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 - Accounts, Division of

 - Architectural Services, Division of

 - Budget, Division of

 - Correction, Department of

 - Council of Southern Mountains

 - Council of State Governments

 - County Officials, National Association of--Meeting, January 31, 1962

 - Cotton States Property

 - Cumberland Law School

 - Data Processing Division

 - Democratic Drives

 - Education, Department of

 - Employment Security, Department of

 - Federal Legislation

 - Finance & Administration, Department of

 - Football Tickets

 - Health, Education, and Welfare, Federal Department of

- Higher Education:

- Higher Education

- Joint Committee on Higher Education--Meeting, March 14, 1962

- Joint Committee of State Board of Ed. & Board of Trustees, U.T.

- A & I State University

- Austin Peay State College

- Memphis State University

- Middle Tennessee State College

- Tennessee School for the Deaf

- Vocational Rehabilitation

Highways, Department of

Historical Commission

Industrial Development Commission

Insurance - Employees

Insurance & Banking, Department of

International Business Machines

Joelton Air Force Base

Motor Pool Division

President's Conference of Report of Commission on Goals for Higher Education

Planning Division

Program Coordination Division

Property Services Division

Public Health, Department of

Public Works Division

Safety, Department of

Service Awards Program

- Southern Regional Education Board (SREB):

- Commission on Goals for Higher Education in the South

- Commission on Goals for Higher Education--Meeting, Louisville, 11-30-61

- Meeting--Williamsburg, VA, 6-16-62

- General

- Governor Ellington, Chairman

Southern Regional Training Program

Speeches--Commissioner of Finance & Administration

Speeches--Governor Ellington

Tennessee Taxpayers' Association

Tennessee Valley Authority

Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway Development Authority

Treasurer, State

Unique Letters

- University of Tennessee:

- Board of Trustees, Meetings, etc.

- Board of Trustees, Meeting, Nov. 10, 1961

- Board of Trustees, UT Memphis, Meeting, 2-5-62

- Board of Trustees, Meeting, June 21, 1962

- Budget

- General

Welfare, Department of

White House Regional Conference, Nashville, Nov. 9 & 10, 1961

White House Conference Follow-up, Committee on Children & Youth, 3-29-62

Wilkerson, Bill--Speech & Hearing Center

World's Fair, New York, 1964