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INTRODUCTION

The bulk of the records of the Reading Labor Advocate, which was the official organ of the Socialist Party of Berks County and the Federated Trades Council of Reading, cover the period 1932-1938. Prominent among the correspondents are Sarah Limbach, Executive Secretary of the Socialist Party of Pennsylvania, James Oneal, editor of the New Leader, and Clarence Senior, National Executive Secretary of the Socialist Party. Included among the correspondents are Daniel W. Hoan, Mayor of Milwaukee, Jaspas McLevy, Mayor of Bridgeport, Conn., Dr. Jesse Holmes of Swarthmore College, Dr. George W. Hartman, Professor of Educational Psychology at Penn State College, Radical newspaper and periodical editors and various Union Leaders. The correspondence of some individuals are filed both under the person's name and the organization they represent. For example, Limbach correspondence can be found under her name and under Socialist Party. Letters concerning a Local Branch of the Socialist Party are often filed under L for Local, (e.g. Local Branch Lehigh County) instead of the particular county.

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