

Governor Crosby

RG1 NEBRASKA. GOVERNOR
SG34 Crosby , Robert Berkev, 191 1 -
Papers, etc. : 1952-1959
State Governor: Lincoln, Nebr.
Cu. ft.: 21
Approx. no. of items: 24,000

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Robert B. Crosby, the son of Mainard E. and Cora May (Berkev) , was born in North Platte, Nebraska on March 26, 1911. He graduated from North Platte High School, received his B. A. from the University of Minnesota in 1931 and his LL.5. Degree in 1935 from the Harvard University Law School. After briefly practicing law in Omaha, Nebraska, he returned to his native North Platte where he established a law practice in 1937. He served in the Nebraska State Legislature from 1941 -1 945 and was chosen Speaker of the Unicameral in 1943. After volunteering for service in the United States Navy (April 1944 to April 1946) from which he was honorably discharged with the rank of Lieutenant, he was elected Lieutenant Governor for the term of 1947-1949. In 1952, Crosby, a Republican, overwhelmingly defeated Walter R. Raecke, a Democrat, for the Governorship of Nebraska. After serving one term as Governor, Crosby attempted to become the Republican's nominee for Senator but was defeated by Carl T. Curtis in the primary. He then returned to private law practice in 1955, where he became the senior member of Crosbv, Pasning, Guenzel & Binninn of Lincoln, Nebraska. In addition to his law practice he has been one of the primary lobbyist in the Nebraska State Legislature since 1955. A lifetime Republican, he has served as precinct committeeman, and county chairman, on the State Finance Committee and as Assistant State Chairman. In addition he was a member of the platform committee of the National Republican Convention in 1956,1960 & 1964. Active in social affairs, the former governor has served as director of the North Platte Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club and is a member of the Elks Club and the American Legion. Professionally, he is a member of the Nebraska and American Bar Associations. He married Elizabeth Daisy Ehler on November 29, 1934. Their two children are Robert M. and Susan M. (Mrs. Frank D. Smith).

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This subgroup consists of the official papers of Governor Robert Berkey Crosby in 12 paige boxes arranged in four series: (1) Correspondence and Special Subject Files of the Office of Governor, 1953-1954; (2) Records and Correspondence of State Agencies and Departments, 1953-1954; (3) Financial Records, 1953-1954; and (4) Miscellany, 1952-1954. This subgroup consists primarily of official correspondence relating to Robert B. Crosby's term as Governor of Nebraska, 1953-1954. Series one contains General Correspondence organized alphabetically with topical files immediately thereafter. Series two relates to Departmental and Agency functions while Series three includes financial records of the Governor's Office. Series four contains a small amount of material from his campaigns for Governor and United States Senator.

Correspondents include: Eva Bowring; 1954; Hugh Butler, 1953-1954; Carl T. Curtis, 1953-1954; Dwight Griswold, 1953-1954; Robert D. Harrison, 1953-1954; Roman L. Hruska, 1954; A.L. Miller 1953-1954; and Samuel W. Reynolds 1953-1954. Governor's Crosby's filing system retained whenever possible although minor alterations were made as needed for the sake of clarity. This collection was RESTRICTED until Dec. 7, 1979.

SERIES ONE CORRESPONDENCE AND SPECIAL SUBJECT FILES, 1953-1954

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- Folder 13-18 Ca-Cz
- Folder 19 Curtis, Carl T. (Congressman)
- Folder 20-30 Da-Gz
- Folder 31 Griswold, Dwight (Senator)
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- Folder 39 Hruska, Roman L. (Congressman)
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- Folder 100-106 Legislature--Proposed Legislation (Jan.-Oct)
- Folder 107 Milford Home Sale
- Folder 108 Missouri River State Committee
- Folder 109 Nebraska Mother
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- Folder 111 "Operation Honesty"
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- Folder 114-119 Roads, (Jan.-Nov.)

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Folder 121 Road Petitions
Folder 122 Safety
Folder 123 School Retirement
Folder 124 State-Owned Cars
Folder 125 War Dead 1954
Folder 126-128 Az-AZ
Folder 129 Abel , Hazel (senator)
Folder 130-137 Ba-Bz
Folder 138-139 Bowring , Eva (Senator)
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Folder 193 Reynolds, Sam W. (Senator)
Folder 194-214 Sa-Z
Folder 215 Appointments (not statutory)--Educational T.V. Committee
Folder 216 Human Relations Committee
Folder 217 Inter-Governmental com.
Folder 218 Appointment--Butler-Reynolds
Folder 219 Appointment--Griswold-Bowring
Folder 220 Appointments--Miscellaneous
Folder 221 Boy Scouts
Folder 222 Centennial for 1954
Folder 223 Constitutional Amendment Proposals (General)
Folder 224 Constitutional Amendment (Petitions)
Folder 225 Council of State Governments
Folder 226 Custodian--Building Commission & Mural Commission
Folder 227-228 Economy & Efficiency contest

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Folder 229-234 Endorsements
Folder 235 Explosives, Transportation of
Folder 236 Floods
Folder 237 Governor's Conference
Folder 238 Governor's Conference on Administrative Procedures
Folder 239 Governor's Conference on community Recreation
Folder 240-242 Human Relations Committee
Folder 243 Indian Affairs
Folder 244 Interstate Oil Compact Commission

Folder 245 Interstate Oil Compact Commission Meeting-Sept.9-11,195?
Folder 246 Korean Foundation
Folder 247 Legislature--Proposed Legislation
Folder 248 Legislature-Special Session
Folder 249 Missouri River State Committee

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Folder 250 National Rivers & Harbors Congress May 25-26,1959
Folder 251 Nebraska Mother
Folder 252 Nebraska Reclamation Assoc.
Folder 253 Pick-Sloan Plan 1953-1954
Folder 254 Press Releases
Folder 255-256 Proclamations-Letters
Folder 257 Refuge Relief Committee
Folder 258 Reorganization of State Government
Folder 259 Republican National Committee
Folder 260 Republican Party--State

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Folder 261 Requests not granted
Folder 262 Roads
Folder 263 Roads--North Platte
Folder 264 Roads--Omaha Access Road
Folder 265 Roads--Wayne-Wakefield Road 1953-1954
Folder 266 Rules and Regulations
Folder 267 Safety--Governor's Traffic Safety Conferences
Folder 268 Safety--Occupational
Folder 269 Safety--Women's Division, July 8, 1954 meeting
Folder 270 Salaries--Maintenance Employees
Folder 271 State Cars
Folder 272 State Flag
Folder 273 Watershed Protection Act(and committee)

SERIES TWO RECORDS & CORRESPONDENCE OF STATE AGENCIES &
DEPARTMENTS, 1953-1953

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Folder 6-7 Aeronautics
Folder 8-10 Agriculture
Folder 11-14 Attorney General
Folder 15-16 Banking
Folder 17 Auditor
Folder 18-20 Board of Control
Folder 21 -22 Custodian (Includes Mural Commission)

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Folder 23-25 Educational Lands & Funds

- Folder 26 Board of Equalization
- Folder 27-28 Fire Marshall
- Folder 29 Fulbright Scholarship Committee
- Folder 30-31 Game Commission
- Folder 32-36 Health
- Folder 37-38 Highway Commission
- Folder 39 Historical Commission
- Folder 40-41 Insurance
- Folder 42-43 Labor
- Folder 44 Law Library
- Folder 45 Legislature Council
- Folder 46 Legislature
- Folder 47 Library Commission
- Folder 48-49 Liquor Commission
- Folder 50 Merit System Council
- Folder 51 Nebraska Advisory Defense Committee
- Folder 52-53 Normal Board

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- Folder 54 Board of Pardons & Paroles
- Folder 55 Penitentiary Medical Board
- Folder 56 Racing Commission
- Folder 57 Railway Commission
- Folder 58-60 Roads & Irrigation
- Folder 61 Rules & Regulations
- Folder 62-64 Secretary of State
- Folder 65-66 Sheriff
- Folder 67 Statements to Department Heads
- Folder 68 Superintendent of Public Instruction
- Folder 69 Supreme Court
- Folder 70-71 Tax Commissioner
- Folder 72 Treasurer
- Folder 73 Turnpike Authority
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- Folder 78-81 Adjutant General
- Folder 82-83 Aeronautics
- Folder 84-86 Agriculture
- Folder 87-90 Attorney General

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- Folder 91 Auditor
- Folder 92-93 Banking
- Folder 94-97 Board of Control
- Folder 98-107 County Notary Public Applications (Cass-Dodge Co.)
- Folder 108 Custodian
- Folder 109 Board of Education

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Folder 112-113 Fire Marshall
Folder 114-115 Game Commission
Folder 116-119 Health
Folder 120 Historical Society
Folder 121-122 Insurance

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Folder 123-124 Labor
Folder 125 Law Library
Folder 126 Legislative Council
Folder 127 Legislature-Special Session (message form Governor)
Folder 128 Library Commission
Folder 129-1 30 Liquor
Folder 131 Mental Health Committee
Folder 132 Merit System Council
Folder 133 Normal School Board
Folder 134 Board of Pardons & Paroles
Folder 135 Penal Committee
Folder 136 Penitentiary Medical Board
Folder 137 Physically Handicapped Committee
Folder 138 Racing Commission
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Folder 145-147 Secretary of state
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SERIES THREE FINANCIAL RECORDS, 1953-1954

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Folder 1 Mansion Vouchers
Folder 2 Payroll & Expense Vouchers
Folder 3 Vouchers Paid
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Folder 5 Mansion Vouchers
Folder 6 Payroll s

SERIES FOUR MISCELLANY

Folder 1 Campaign Data 1952-1954

ADDED ENTRIES:

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
Bowring, Eva Kelley, 1892-?
Butler, Hugh Alfred, 1878-1954
COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS
Curtis, Carl Thomas, 1905-
FLOODS. NEBRASKA
Griswold, Dwight Palmer, 1893-1954
Harrison, Robert D. ,1897-
HEBRON, NEBRASKA--HISTORY--TORNADOS--1953
Hruska, Roman Lee,1904-
INDIANS OF NORTH AMERICA--GOVERNMENT RELATIONS
Miller, Arthur Lewis, 1892-1969
MOTHER OF THE YEAR--NEBRASKA
NEBRASKA--CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS
Reynolds, Samuel Mi 11iams, 1890-
U. S. HISTORY--KOREA CONFLICT
NEBRASKA. ADJUTANT GENERALS
NEBRASKA. AERONAUTIC
NEBRASKA. BOARD OF CONTROL
NEBRASKA. BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL LANDS FUNDS
NEBRASKA. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION & ASSESSMENTS
NEBRASKA. BOARD OF PARDONS
NEBRASKA. CAPITOL MURAL COMMISSION
NEBRASKA. DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS
NEBRASKA. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
NEBRASKA. DEPARTMENT OF BANKING
NEBRASKA. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
NEBRASKA. DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
NEBRASKA. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
NEBRASKA. DEPARTMENT OF ROADS & IRRIGATION
NEBRASKA. DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S AFFAIRS
NEBRASKA. FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
NEBRASKA. GAMES, FORESTATION & PARKS COMMISSION
NEBRASKA. HIGHWAY COMMISSION
NEBRASKA. LAW LIBRARY
NEBRASKA. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
NEBRASKA. LEGISLATURE
NEBRASKA. LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION
NEBRASKA. MERIT SYSTEM COUNCIL
NEBRASKA. NEBRASKA ADVISORY DEFENSE COMMITTEE
NEBRASKA. NEBRASKA TURNPIKE AUTHORITY
NEBRASKA. PENITENTIARY MEDICAL BOARD
NEBRASKA. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMISSION
NEBRASKA. SECRETARY OF STATE
NEBRASKA. STATE AUDITOR
NEBRASKA. STATE FIRE MARSHALL
NEBRASKA. STATE RACING COMMISSION

NEBRASKA. STATE RAILWAY COMMISSION
NEBRASKA. STATE SHERIFF
NEBRASKA. STATE TREASURER
NEBRASKA. SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
NEBRASKA. SUPREME COURT
NEBRASKA. TAX COMMISSIONER
NEBRASKA. UNIVERSITY
NEBRASKA. VOCATIONAL EDUCATIONAL BOARD
Crosby, Robert Berkey , 1911-