

# WILPF Archives

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### London School of Economics

- **Content:**
  - Eight deposits were made to the archive between **1971 and 2012**.
  - The archive holds 879 files, including: WILPF constitutions and rules; British section committee records; Annual reports; Circular letters; WILPF correspondence, reports and papers of Catherine Marshall; Press cuttings, publications and publicity material; International, British section and local branch records; WILPF publications; Women's National Commission papers; United Nations papers; WILPF campaigns and projects; WILPF correspondence with the UK and international governments; General correspondence; Seminar and conference papers; Mary Nuttall papers; Edith Ineson papers; Minutes; International congresses; Papers relating to individual members; International executive committee papers; Photographs; Audio visual recordings; Elisabeth Goffe papers; Margot Miller papers; Other peace organisations records.
- **Copyright/Access:**
  - Copyright is held by the depositor (depositors are WILPF, Mary Nuttall, Edith Ineson, Margaret Turner, and unknown).
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Further information on the LSE WILPF collection can be found [here](#).

### University of Colorado Boulder

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom Records. University of Colorado Boulder Libraries, Special Collections and Archives.

- **Content:**
  - The archive holds materials from **1915 to 1998**. The broad range of materials are identified under five general headings: Executive Committee Files, Correspondence, Section and Country Files, Topics, and Printed Matter or Publications.
  - The Swarthmore College Peace Collection Accession in microfilm
  - See the 'University of Colorado Boulder' file in 'Indexes, Accession Surveys, etc' in 'WILPF Archives' (Tresorit)
- **Copyright/Access:**

- They provide copies for ‘private study, scholarship or research’ but cannot provide permission for other uses. The patron is responsible for other uses. We need to check what the gift agreement is for WILPF.
- Access:
  - [Finding aid](#) – most items have not been digitized yet. This can be done at a fee either by members of the archive team or by hired local researchers.
- **Contact:**
  - Special Collections & Archives  
University Libraries - Norlin Library  
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303-492-6144

### [Swarthmore College](#)

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) Records (DG 043),  
Swarthmore College Peace Collection.

- **Content:**
  - The materials collected in the archive cover the period from **1915 to present**. The archive contains 258 linear feet of manuscript material up to the year 2000, later files have yet to be processed.
  - Swarthmore College also has collections on [Jane Addams](#) and the [Women's Peace Party](#).
- **Copyright/Access:**
  - You can find the contents of the collection here: <https://www.swarthmore.edu/library/peace/DG026-050/dg043wilpf/index.htm>. If there is anything you would like to have scanned, here is who you can contact:
    - Low resolution scans for online use: Peace Collection  
<[peacecollection@swarthmore.edu](mailto:peacecollection@swarthmore.edu)>
    - High resolution scans for print: Victoria Russo <[vrusso1@swarthmore.edu](mailto:vrusso1@swarthmore.edu)>
  - The rights to WILPF-US Section records have been transferred to the Peace Collection. Copyright permission for material produced by WILPF-US Section can be granted by Peace Collection staff. There is a request form that you can get by emailing Vicki Russo ([vrusso1@swarthmore.edu](mailto:vrusso1@swarthmore.edu)).
  - International WILPF records are deposited at [the University of Colorado at Boulder](#) and you can contact them for permission to use.
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- **Contact:**
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URL: <http://www.swarthmore.edu/Library/peace/>

### [New York Public Library](#)

The Schwimmer-Lloyd Collection.

- **Content:**
  - The collection is a repository of early WILPF and WWI newspaper clippings, reports and photographs assembled by two pacifists and founding members of WILPF, Rosika Schwimmer of Hungary and Lola Maverick Lloyd. It consists

mainly of correspondence and papers from Schwimmer and Lloyd and their associates (Jane Addams, Anita Augspurg, Emily G. Balch, etc.).

- The 1650 linear feet of collected materials cover the period between **1890 and 1960**.
- [Index](#)
- **Copyright/Access:**
  - Unspecified.
  - Advance notice is required to use the materials
- **Contact:**
  - The archive can be contacted directly from the [website](#).

#### [Atria, Institute on Gender Equality and Women's History](#)

- **Content:**
  - Archive contains 7.65m of material on the Dutch department of WILPF for the following time periods: **1916-1919, 1937-1940, 1981-2013**.
  - The material includes: Documents concerning the International Congress of Women The Hague 1915; register of incoming and outgoing documents of the Dutch Committee of Women for Sustainable Peace 1916-1919; photo album congress Zurich 12-17 May 1919; minutes of plenary and annual meetings 1983-1992; minutes of meetings of the 1984-1989 core group; 1987-1994 annual reports; incoming documents 1985-1989; member lists 1985-1987; documents concerning the 'Stop all nuclear tests' campaign (CTBT action) 1986-1989; documents concerning the United Nations and the European Parliament 1987-1989; documents concerning Nairobi 1984-1986; documents concerning the 23rd congress of the WILPF held in 1986 in Woudschoten 1984-1987; documents concerning congresses and study days 1985-1989; Documents concerning WILPF International Headquarters in Geneva and WILPF in other countries 1981-1989.
- **Copyright/Access:**
  - Limited consultation.
- **Contact:**
  - The archivist can be contacted at [s.neugebauer@atria.nl](mailto:s.neugebauer@atria.nl)

#### [UN Archive Geneva](#)

- **Content:**
  - The archive holds the Women International League for Peace and Freedom collection of documents on microfilm, and the correspondence exchanged between the WILPF and the Secretariat of the League of Nations between **1919 and 1946**.
- **Copyright/Access:**
  - The United Nations Archives at Geneva holds the copyright for all archival materials produced by the organization and by the League of Nations (that is the case for all the correspondence exchanged by the WILPF and the League of Nations).

- The United Nations generally does not own rights to secondary or external materials in its collections and cannot give or deny permission to publish or otherwise distribute these materials. It is the patron's obligation to determine and satisfy copyright or other use restrictions when publishing or otherwise distributing materials found in the Archives' collections (that is the case for the collection of the WILPF documents on microfilm).
- It is planned for all materials to be soon digitally accessible.
- **Contact:**
  - Contact [archives@unog.libanswers.com](mailto:archives@unog.libanswers.com)

#### [University of Michigan, Bentley Historical Library](#)

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Ann Arbor - Ypsilanti Branch records, Bentley Historical Library, University of Michigan.

- **Content:**
  - The archive contains 1 linear foot of files from **1938-2005**.
  - The records of the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti branch of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom document the various causes espoused by the League, notably its opposition to the Vietnam conflict and to the Gulf War. Locally, the group promoted education with its Jane Addams Book Award, worked closely with UNICEF, and fought for fair housing practices. These activities are also documented within the files. The League records show the group's continuous community involvement. The records are arranged into three series, Alpha File, Michigan Branch and Other Michigan Branches.
  - The material includes: Correspondence, minutes, newsletters and newspaper clippings concerning activities of the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti branch of WILPF; also collected materials from the state chapter and from local branches in Detroit, Ingham County, Oakland County, Rouge Valley, and Traverse City, Michigan.
  - [Finding aid](#)
- **Copyright/Access:**
  - Donor(s) have transferred any applicable copyright to the Regents of the University of Michigan – we can probably use anything created by the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti chapter at no fee- but the collection may contain third-party materials for which copyright was not transferred. Patrons are responsible for determining the appropriate use or reuse of materials.
  - Items have not generally been digitized but they may make pdfs for one or two items upon request
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Home Page: <http://www.bentley.umich.edu/>

### [University at Buffalo, Archival and Manuscript Collections](#)

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, 1933-1941. Elizabeth Olmsted Smith papers, Subseries A. University Archives.

- **Content:**
  - The collection contains 13.5 linear feet of material that covers the period from 1933-1941.
  - The materials include: Correspondence, reports, notes, drafts of speeches, and printed material from the Buffalo Branch and the United States Section of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) collected by Elizabeth Smith in her capacity as an active member and as an officer of the Buffalo Branch. Included are records of two movements closely allied with the Buffalo Branch of WILPF, the Emergency Peace Campaign and the Peoples' Mandate to Governments to End War. Elizabeth Smith's correspondence with government officials and speech drafts have been included in this series although some may have been written or delivered in her capacity as a private citizen or as a member of a different organization.
- **Copyright/Access:**
  - The bulk of the Elizabeth Olmsted Smith Papers are open for research and/or non-publication purposes. Restricted folders are marked as such. Please see the University Archivist for specific restrictions.
  - Researchers can ask for material they would like to view from the [Elizabeth Olmsted Smith papers](#) or the [Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Buffalo Branch, records](#) – the material can then be turned into a PDF by staff at cost of \$0.29 per page to be paid by credit card.
    - *“Copyright of papers in the collection may be held by their authors, or the authors' heirs or assigns. Researchers must obtain the written permission of the holder(s) of copyright and the University Archives before publishing quotations from materials in the collection.”*
    - the University Archives is operating under a fee schedule at which high-resolution scans for publication purposes are \$30.00 per image.
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Buffalo New York 14260-1674 US  
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[lib-archives@buffalo.edu](mailto:lib-archives@buffalo.edu)

### [National Library of New Zealand](#)

- **Content:**
  - The collection consists of materials from the Aotearoa Section from **1974 to 2002**, it is made up of 80 items.
  - The materials include: minutebook, 1982-1989; correspondence, 1979-1999; papers relating to meetings of the International Executive Committee; papers

relating to international congresses of the League and to the United Nations and Non-Government Organisations meetings in Beijing, 1995; international reports and newsletters and membership and mailing lists. Also, Wellington Branch minutes, 1985-1987 and 1994-1997 and serials published by the League in New Zealand and internationally.

- **Copyright/Access:**
  - No access restrictions – copies can be made at cost of \$1.00 per page – any use of these materials must first have the written permission of the League – 2 hour time limit for research by archivists – however, a local researcher can be hired through [Phanza](#), [Student's Jobs](#), or [Victoria University of Wellington](#).
- **Contact:**
  - [Ask A library Channel](#)

#### [University of British Columbia Library Rare Books and Special Collections](#)

- **Content:**
  - The collection is made up of 1.31 m of textual records, 16 photographs, 9 videocassettes and other materials from the Canada Section from the period of **1934-2012**.
  - The fonds consists of correspondence, much of it by or addressed to Sheila Young, concerning various international issues. Among the addressees are Prime Ministers Trudeau, Pearson, and Diefenbaker; various cabinet ministers; international heads-of-state; the United Nations; newspapers, commissions and organizations; government departments and agencies, and businesses. The fonds includes records of the 11th, 13th-18th, and 20th International Congresses of the W.I.L.P.F., as well as printed material on military expenditures, the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, peace, and the polar regions, and also contains evidential records pertaining to W.I.L.P.F. operations. An accrual was added in 2007 containing printed material, minutes, correspondence from 1988-1997, financial and other operations records, ephemera, and records relating to the creation of the Canadian section and the drafting of its constitution. An additional accrual was added in 2015 including video recordings of W.I.L.P.F. and affiliated organizations events, and other organizational records.
  - [Finding aid](#)
- **Copyright/Access:**
  - Unspecified - as part of the organization these records originate from, the use of the material should be straight forward, unless there are third party privacy considerations
  - No material digitized – reproductions can be requested
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### State and University Library of Hamburg (Stabi)

- **Content:**
  - Holds the microfilm of the International Secretariat records of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (1st Accession and Swarthmore College Peace Collection Accession)
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  - Unspecified
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### Henry Madden Library, California State University, Fresno

- **Content**
- The WILPF records measure 11.5 linear feet and date from 1965 to 2004. The collection is arranged in six series: Administration, Audiovisual materials, Publications, Scrapbooks, Subject files, and Photographs.
  - The **Administration** series (1965-2004) contains the files pertaining to the operations and proceedings of the Fresno WILPF branch. It includes items such as awards, newspaper clippings, correspondence, and events flyers. Key events that the group has participated in consist of community events, International Women's Day, Peace Train, Year of Peace, and peace camps. The branch's programs, reports, history, manuals and policies, membership, meetings information and minutes are also contained in this series. One example of the branch's programs is "Women's Budget," which is an appeal to focus government spending on social issues rather than the military. This series also contains information regarding the structure of WILPF including information on and correspondence with both the International and U.S. sections. The materials folder includes handouts, bumper stickers, and promotional items pertaining to the branch.
  - **Audiovisual materials** (1981-1982, 1987) includes items such as a slide show, cassette tape, and VHS tapes. There are four VHS tapes. Two showcase the group's activities: "Arise Ye, Women of This Day" and "WILPF Crossing Borders." The others represent their interests: "We Won't Go Back" and "Proposition 174-No." The two Beridox tapes are from 1982 pertaining to Stop The Arms Race (STAR).
  - The **Publications** series (1965-2002) includes several published works of the organization. The publications are arranged by the level which produced them: Fresno branch, International WILPF section, and the U.S. WILPF section. The *Catalyst* is the WILPF Fresno branch newsletter spanning from 1973 to 2001, with several issues per year. The newsletters generally contain an events calendar, legislative report, current events, and a coalition work section. *Pax et Libertas* was the International WILPF section publication, encompassing 1972 to 1994, which combined with *International News* in 1995 to form *International Peace Update*. *International Peace Update* was originally published bi-monthly but was later produced quarterly. The years included in the records are 1995 to 2002. *Pacific Vision* is produced quarterly as an organ



of International WILPF and the Asia-Pacific Committee of the U.S. Section. Its intention is to connect WILPF sections to the issues of this region. *Four Lights*, 1965 to 1968, was published by the WILPF U.S. Section containing information on current issues, missions, and political opinions. It was reformatted and renamed *Peace and Freedom*, which spans the years 1971 to 2002, with varying numbers of issues per year. This series also contains the newsletters of other WILPF branches as well as miscellaneous publications that pertained to the Fresno branch's interests.

- The **Scrapbooks** series (1968-2001) contains compilations including photographs, newspaper clippings, essays, and correspondence. They depict the branch's history, concerns, and events. This series also contains a scrapbook from the Visalia branch of WILPF which contains newspaper clippings, a poll, photographs, and some activity information.
- The **Subject files** series (1965-2004) contains items that are pertinent to the organization's interests and activities. Their interests include the economy, education, human rights, military and nuclear conflict, peace, politics, prejudice, and women's rights. These files are made up of newspaper clippings, correspondence, handouts, and information sheets. The largest topic in this series is the military and nuclear conflict section which contains topics such as Latin America, the Balkans, the Middle East, and the arms race. This series also includes information on the United Nations and the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Declaration of Human Rights.
- The **Photographs** series (1976-2004) contains group photographs with images of events and assemblies. The largest section in this series is meetings and gatherings. This section is grouped chronologically and contains photographs from many events the branch participated in. There are undated photos at the conclusion of this section which also includes negatives. Large events such as the branch's annual craft fair and travel have their own folder.
- [Index list](#)
- See the 'California State, Fresno, Henry Madden Library' file in 'Indexes, Accession Surveys, etc' in 'WILPF Archives' (Tresorit)
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- **Copyright/Access**
  - Copyright has been transferred for the material donated to Fresno State but they generally allow usage of items by original donors (or donating organizations) without usage fees
  - None of the WILPF material has been digitized – material can be digitised upon request but there are fees associated.
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    - Special Collections Research Center  
Henry Madden Library  
California State University, Fresno  
[\(559\) 278-2595](tel:(559)278-2595)

## [University of Washington Special Collections](#)

- **Content**
  - Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Seattle Branch records, 1940-2000
  - Contains records of the Seattle branch of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, including correspondence, minutes, subject files, newsletters, speeches and writings, nominations, photographs, slides, exhibit material, video cassettes, audio cassettes, ephemera and scrapbooks, 1940-2000. Also includes records of Seattle Women Act for Peace, 1973-1995.
  - [Inventory](#)
- **Access/Copyright**
  - No access/copyright terms regarding these documents
- **Contact**
  - Special Collections  
University of Washington  
Box 352900  
Seattle, WA 98195-2900 USA
  - [Chat with a librarian service](#)

## [University of Duke – Rubenstein Library](#)

- **Content**
  - Branch of an international peace advocacy organization founded in 1915; formerly known as the Chapel Hill Branch (N.C.). Contains meeting agendas and minutes, directories, conference reports, group organizing information, correspondence including some with Senators Jesse Helms, John Edwards and David Price, Peace and Freedom, the magazine of the WILPF, legislative bulletins, clippings, an oral history interview with founding member Charlotte Adams, song lyrics, newsletters, videos, photographs, and other material documenting their efforts. A few of the newsletters document the activities of the Triangle Branch of WILPF. The collection also includes information files on activism for nuclear arms control, nuclear disarmament, and bans on nuclear testing that continue to document WILPF's activities to promote world peace. Also includes correspondence among WILPF members; meeting agendas and minutes for both WILFP and the Orange County North Carolina Peace Coalition; national petitions against nuclear weapons; and issues of Peace and Freedom, and the branch's newsletter. The collection also includes comprises newsletters, clippings, committee minutes, fundraising files, publicity materials for WILPF events and other groups' events, and incoming and outgoing correspondence with politicians and groups similar to the WILPF. Also includes videocassette tapes, photographs, and scrapbooks and a journal compiled by Charlotte Adams and documenting earlier years of the organization (1938-1964).
- **Access/Copyright**
  - Copyright/permissions for the WILPF materials in our collection are retained by the Chapel Hill (North Carolina) chapter of WILPF. We can facilitate

scanning/access to the materials, and connect you with current WILPF leadership if needed, but we don't manage the permissions.

- **Contact**
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  - Kelly Wooten ([kelly.wooten@duke.edu](mailto:kelly.wooten@duke.edu)).

### [San Diego History Center](#)

- **Content**
  - This collection includes papers related to the San Diego branch of the Women's International League of Peace and Freedom (WILPF) throughout its existence from 1925 to 1991. It contains administrative, financial and membership documents as well as correspondence and ephemera related to WILPF local, national and international events and causes. Items of note include the personal correspondence of Helen Marston Beardsley and Florence Stevens, an original signed letter by Cesar Chavez, and photographs of Beardsley and other prominent San Diegans.
- **Access/Copyright**
  - Collection open for research
  - The San Diego History Center (SDHC) holds the copyright to any unpublished materials. SDHC Library regulations do apply. Oral history interview of Florence Stevens by Richardo Moran is restricted to research use only and may not be reproduced except by Ricardo Moran's permission.
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