

Guide to the Luigi Antonini Papers

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Summary Information

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Creator Antonini, Luigi, 1883-1968

Title Luigi Antonini Papers

Date [inclusive] 1906-1969

Extent 3.0 Linear feet in 3 boxes.

Language English

Language of Materials note Materials are in English and Italian.

Abstract Luigi Antonini (1883-1969) was born in Italy in 1883. He emigrated to the United States in 1908 and joined the Italian American labor movement by becoming a member of Local 25 of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union. Later he helped found Local 89, which under his able leadership, rose to a position of power and prominence within the American labor movement. The collection consists of personal diaries, scrapbooks of clippings, original merit awards, publications, photographs documenting his public and private life, and personal documents including his passport, army discharge notice, police clearance papers and other documents.

Preferred Citation note

Center for Migration Studies of New York; Luigi Antonini Papers (CMS 017); Box; Folder.

Biographical/Historical note

Luigi Antonini (1883-1969) was born in Italy in 1883. He emigrated to the United States in 1908 and joined the Italian American labor movement by becoming a member of Local 25 of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union. Later he helped found Local 89, which under his able leadership, rose to a position of power and prominence within the American labor movement. Luigi Antonini also played an important role in the United States politics and foreign relations.

Scope and Contents note

This small collection of private memorabilia belonging to the labor leader Luigi Antonini. The collection consists of personal diaries, scrapbooks of clippings, original merit awards, publications, photographs documenting his public and private life, and personal documents including his passport, army discharge notice, police clearance papers and other documents.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Center for Migration Studies

Revision Description

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Conditions Governing Access note

Open to researchers by appointment.

Conditions Governing Use note

Copyright is owned by the Center for Migration Studies. Permission to publish materials must be requested before use.

Immediate Source of Acquisition note

Gift of Nana Fumarola, niece of Luigi Antonini.

Processing Information note

In 2015, this collection was entered into the Archivists' Toolkit in compliance with DACS.

Related Materials

Related Archival Materials note

<http://rnc.library.cornell.edu/EAD/htmldocs/KCL05780-023.html>

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union. Local 89 (New York, N.Y.).

Occupation(s)

- Clothing workers |z United States
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Other Finding Aids note

The original inventory is available in print upon request.

Collection Inventory

	Box
Personal materials 1906-1969	1
Scope and Contents note	
<p>This box contains three personal diaries, two pertaining to his travels to Europe in 1935 and one to his South American trip in 1939. A scrapbook of newspaper clippings on the 1951 Tour of Italy; miscellaneous personal letters and documents including greetings, invitations, thank you notes (1937-1965), his dues card, passport, Italian army discharge (1906), and police clearance papers including his fingerprints. It also includes materials related to his 80th birthday celebration (1963) and death (1969). There are also Italian merit awards and presidential inauguration invitations (1937, 1961).</p>	
Photographs 1945-1951	2
Scope and Contents note	
<p>This box contains two laminated citations and photographs from a visit of Gen. Mark W. Clark to the Italian Labor Council on June 6, 1945, with Italian and American political leaders. It also includes family photographs and photographs from a 1951 trip to Italy.</p>	
Oversize 1934-1956	3
Scope and Contents note	
<p>This box contains specialized or limited edition publications as follows: <i>The Democratic Book</i>, 1936 (autographed by Franklin Delano Roosevelt); <i>La Nostra Vecchia Trieste</i>, 1955 (inscribed by the Mayor of Trieste); <i>I.L.G.W.U. Illustrated</i>, ca. 1938 (a pictorial history); <i>Thirtieth Anniversary, Italian Dressmakers' Union Local 89, ILGWU, AFL</i></p>	

and Testimonial to Luigi Antonini, 1919-1949; Trieste Nostra, 1953 (inscribed by the Mayor of Trieste); *Ultra* (commemorative volume published 1934 for Local 89). *"48" Libro Ricordo* (Commemorative volume published 1941 for Local 48 ILGWU); *Luigi Antonini His Influence on Italian-American Relations*, by John Stuart Crawford, 1950; *Al Generale Mark W. Clark, L'Uomo e il Soldato*, by Michael A. Musmano, 1946 (inscribed by Gen. Clark); *Finito, the Po Valley Campaign, 1945* (inscribed by Gen. Clark); *Vito Marcantonio, the Man on the Flying Trapeze*, by Luigi Antonini, ca. 1937.

Also included in this box is a plaque commemorating the Progressive Dress Club Award presented to Antonini in 1956; several photographs; miscellaneous citations; merit awards, and framed memorabilia regarding inauguration of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.