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Guide to the

## **Good Neighbor Foundation records**

1953-1954

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### **Summary**

**Creator:** Neal, Benjamin Edwards

**Title:** Good Neighbor Foundation records

**Date:** 1953-1954

**Size:** .1 linear feet (1 folder)

**Abstract:** The Good Neighbor Foundation was organized in 1933 by Benjamin E. Neal "with the express purpose of establishing a neighborly precedent by setting aside one day on which not one unemployed American would go hungry." By the 1950s, the aims of the foundation had expanded to encourage peaceful national and international relations "by promulgating the spirit and practice of the Golden Rule." Records consist of one folder of correspondence, congressional and gubernatorial proclamations, newsletters, and other related material documenting the creation and observation of Good Neighbor Day, and the local, national, and international objectives of the Good Neighbor Foundation.

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### **Scope and Content Note**

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## **Key Terms**

### **Subjects**

Civics -- Study and teaching -- United States

Cold War -- Social aspects -- United States

Neighborliness -- United States

Peace movements -- United States -- 20th century

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Newsletters

### **Names**

Good Neighbor Foundation