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American Legion Willard Straight Post records

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Summary

Creator: American Legion. New York. Willard Straight Post No. 842

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Key Terms

Subjects

Aliens -- United States
Alliances
Housing -- Law and legislation -- United States
International organization
International relations
Minorities -- United States
Refugees -- Legal status, laws, etc -- United States
Veterans -- New York (State) -- New York -- Societies, etc
Veterans -- United States -- Political activity
Veterans -- United States -- Societies, etc

Titles

North Atlantic Treaty (1949)

Geographic Names

United States -- Politics and government -- 1945-1989

Names

American Legion. New York. Willard Straight Post No. 842
Bush, Henry McComb
Danfield, George
Engel, Irving M.
Frank, Maurice A
Jessup, Philip C. (Philip Caryl), 1897-
Johnson, Lewis
Patrick, Luther
Rothschild, Richard C. (Richard Charles), 1895-1986
Straight, Michael Whitney
Taylor, Telford
American Veterans Committee
United States. Congress. House. Committee on Un-American Activities