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W. Lew Sterrett papers, 1936-1979

Overview

Creator:	Sterrett, Lew
Title:	W. Lew Sterrett papers
Dates:	1936-1979
Abstract:	Lew Sterrett served in Dallas County government for more than 50 years. Sterrett ran for County Judge in 1948 and won the election. He remains one of the county's most memorable historical figures.
Identification:	2015.23
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Biographical Note

Lew Sterrett served in Dallas County government for more than 50 years. Beginning his career as a Justice of the Peace, Sterrett ran for County Judge in 1948 and won the election. He was re-elected several times and served for 20 years helping to rid the county governmental offices of corruption. Lew Sterrett pioneered several changes while serving in his position.

Scope and Contents Note

Documents, clippings, audio, oversized items and scrapbooks marking historical events in Lew Sterrett's career.

Arrangement of the Collection

The collection is organized into one series:

Series 1: W. Lew Sterrett papers

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Index Terms

This collection is indexed under the following terms.

Subjects (Persons)

Sterrett, W. Lew, -- 1902-

Struwe, Bob --1959-

Decker, Bill

Harding, Warren

Jones, Clarence

Parkhouse, George

Roy, Mickey

Weinart, Herman "Doc"

Subjects

Dallas County (Tex.) -- Politics and government.
Dallas Fork and Knife Club
East Texas Club
First National Bank in Texas
Frank Reaugh Art Club
Kermis Club
Koch and Fowler
Scottish Rite
Texas Bank and Trust
Texas Federation of County Officials
The Mustang-SMU Alumni Association
Democratic Party

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation

Collections of the Dallas Historical Society, W. Lew Sterrett records.

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News copy items are in oversized folder, 1977-1979
