



Collection Name:

Det Norske Selskap i Amerika papers, 1903-1976

Collection Number:

P0564

Extent:

2.4 cubic feet (5 archives boxes)

Abstract:

Correspondence, reports, and records of a Norwegian society organized on January 28, 1903, for the preservation and the promotion of Norwegian culture in America. Treats subjects such as the Sigvald Quale declamatory contests, folk festivals, Norwegian literature, memorial monuments, and Norwegian-American history. The society published a journal, "Kvartalskrift" (1905-1922), edited by Waldemar Ager. The society was merged with the Norwegian-American Historical Association in 1976. In 1977 NAHA published "Cultural Pluralism versus Assimilation," edited by Odd S. Lovoll, a volume of essays translated from "Kvartalskrift".

Box	Folder	Descriptions
1	1	Correspondence, 1905-1929
1	2	Correspondence, 1923-1942
1	3	Correspondence, 1940-1943
1	4	Correspondence, 1930-1939
1	5	Correspondence, 1942-1959
1	6	Correspondence, 1944-1959
1	7	Pamphlets, 1903-1941
1	8	Clippings, 1903-1922
2	1	Reports and contest programs, 1910-1919 Includes: Sigvald Qvale Declamatory Contest.
2	2	Reports and contest programs, 1920-1929 Includes: Honorary degree of Doctor of Literature citation for Waldemar Ager, presented by C.A. Mellby representing St. Olaf College (1929); Agreement between Paul Fjelde and the Heg Monument Committee (1924); Contributors to the Col. Heg monument fund (1925); Sigvald Qvale Declamatory Contest.
2	3	Reports and contest programs. 1930-1939 Includes: Sigvald Qvale Declamatory Contest.
2	4	Reports and contest programs, 1940-1983 Includes Bill of Sale and Deed (1942); Sigvald Qvale Declamatory Contest; By-Laws of Det Norske Selskap I Amerika (ca. 1944); sketch of W. Ager's tombstone.
2	5	"Radio Course, Norwegian Language" manuscript, undated



2	6-8	Course in Norwegian Literature manuscript, 1949
2	9	Reports, bill of sales, certificate of incorporation, annual reports, and treasurer's annual report, 1942-1957
3	1	Miscellaneous, 1903-1938 Includes "Det Norske Selskabs Aarbog" (annual report), 1903", 2 copies; "Det Norske Selskab" booklet, Decorah, Iowa, April 13, 4 copies; "Kvartalskrift" booklet, October 1910 and April/July/October 1919, Eau Claire, Wisconsin; "Deklamationshefte" Sigvald Qvale Memorial Contests booklet: volume 1, 1911, 6 copies; volume 2, 1912, 7 copies; volume: "Minutes and Kvartalskrift, 1903-1938"; 2 volumes of membership lists: 1903-1924, 1924-1929; Sigvald Qvale Medal Cut; Det Norske Selskab i Amerika Corporate Seal paper press.
3	2	Clippings, 1902-1914
4	1	Merger with Norwegian-American Historical Association (NAHA), 1976
4	1	Correspondence, 1960-1976
4	2	Annual, special and board meetings, 1963-1975
4	4	Miscellaneous, Clippings, etc., 1949-1974 Includes: Address given by Dr. E. Klaveness when presenting the statue of Leif Erikson to the State of Minnesota (Oct. 9, 1949).
4	5	Scholarships and gifts, 1960-1974
4	6	Financial reports, 1942-1975
4	5	Membership lists, 1947-1974
4	5	Teachers' Conference, 1965-1966
4	6	Secretary's Book (report), 1939-1970
4	5	Treasurer's Book and bank books, 1926-1976
4	5	Tax returns, 1961-1975
5	1	Account book, 1903-1938