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INTRODUCTION

The collection is comprised of the papers and collected materials of Philip Henry Callery (1880-1954) and Ida Hayman Callery (1886-1917), lawyers for the United Mine Workers of America, and Socialist lecturers and organizers. The collection consists of biographical materials, photographs, correspondence, and Socialist Party materials.

DONOR INFORMATION

Ann (Anabel) Callery Baxter, daughter of Philip and Ida Hayman Callery, donated the collection to the Leonard H. Axe Library on July 28, 1976.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Philip Henry Callery was born in September 1880 in Carthage, Missouri – the same year his father, Philip, died. His mother, Anna Callery, raised him with two brothers and a sister. Callery received his early education in the country schools near Carthage, Missouri, while helping his mother and siblings with their farm. His early introduction to the study of law was from Judge A.L. Thomas of Carthage, Missouri.

In 1903 Callery graduated from the International School of Social Economy in Argentine, Kansas. He married Ida Belle Hayman in 1909 in Durant, Oklahoma. Their only child, Anabel, was born to them a year later.

In 1913 Philip Callery became the executive secretary to George R. Lunn, the first Socialist mayor elected in New York in Schenectady. While working for Mayor Lunn, Philip Callery also took correspondence courses at the LaSalle University of Law. He was later admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court of Kansas and then to the bar of the Supreme Court of the United States.

In 1915 the law firm of Callery and Callery was established in Pittsburg, Kansas. Ida Callery was Philip Callery's first law partner until her death in 1917. They were the official lawyers for the United Mine Workers of America, District 14. In 1921 Philip Callery defended Alexander Howat, District 14 president, who ordered miners to strike in February 1921 in violation of the Kansas Industrial Court Law. Callery's defense was unsuccessful and Howat was sentenced to six months in jail. Callery appealed to the Supreme Court but was again defeated. Despite this loss, Callery was known as a capable defense lawyer and was later selected to argue the first arbitration law in the Supreme Court.

Callery was also very active in the Socialist Party. He was known as a leading orator and lyceum lecturer of the Socialist party. Callery was selected to present Eugene V. Debs as the presidential nominee at the 1908 Socialist National Convention. Callery himself ran for office twice in his lifetime. He was an unsuccessful candidate for Congress on the Socialist ticket and later, in 1926, for the Republican Party. It was said that Callery took "great pride in the fact that both Republicans and Democrats asked him to enter the race" in 1926.

In the late 1920s James E. Callery, Philip's brother, became a law partner at Callery and Callery. This firm continued until James' death and Philip's retirement in

1944. Philip Callery divided his time visiting family and friends until his death from a heart ailment on May 4, 1954, at the age of 73.

Ida Belle Hayman Callery was born on October 23, 1886, in Caldwell, Sumner County, Kansas. Ida was the eldest of eight children born to William B. Hayman and Emma Belle Hayman. William, a wheat farmer, was very active in local politics and it was through her highly political father that Ida received her early political education.

Ida Callery attended elementary schools around Marshall and Mulhall in Oklahoma territory. Her high school education was at Harrison High School in Harrison, Arkansas. In 1906 she received a teaching certificate from Bacone Normal School in Muskogee, Oklahoma, and afterwards taught elementary education in federal Indian schools in Oklahoma. During this period she first became involved in Socialist Party activities. In 1908 she was elected the state secretary for Oklahoma's Socialist Party.

In 1909, Ida Hayman married Philip Callery, a socialist lawyer, in Durant, Oklahoma. The following year, 1910, they had their first and only child, Anabel. From 1911 to 1914 Ida Hayman Callery was the state secretary of the Arkansas Socialist Party. It was there that her reputation as a skilled, grassroots organizer was solidified. She served as a delegate to the 1912 National Socialist Party Convention and represented Arkansas on the Socialist Party's National Committee.

In 1914 the Callerys moved to Kansas where Ida continued her legal studies. In February 1915 she moved to Norman, Oklahoma, and attended law school at the University of Oklahoma. She later became a member of the Kansas State Bar.

The law firm of Callery and Callery was established in Pittsburg, Kansas, in 1915 and ran until 1944. The Callerys served as the official counsel for the United Mine Workers of America in District 14. Their law office became a refuge for miners in Kansas and Ida Callery, particularly as a labor secretary, often provided workers with free legal assistance. Ida Hayman Callery died on April 14, 1917, in Pittsburg, Kansas, of peritonitis at the age of thirty.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Philip and Ida Hayman Callery Collection consists primarily of personal and professional letters, photographs, newspaper clippings, Socialist Party materials, and other items relating to the lives and careers of the Callerys from 1880 up to 1976. The collection is arranged into six series: **Biographical, Correspondence, Photographs, Legal, Socialist Party, and Campaign/Election.** The Correspondence Series and the Photographs series are the most comprehensive and provide the best overview of Philip and Ida Hayman Callery's lives and careers.

The **Biographical** series consists of Philip Callery's baptismal certificate and a biographical sketch of his grandfather, Edward Galligan's life. The series also includes an academic essay written by Neil Basen about Ida Hayman Callery, newspaper articles about Philip Callery, obituaries of Ida and Philip Callery, and a recorded interview of Anabel Callery Baxter, the daughter of Philip and Ida, by Neil Basen.

The **Correspondence** series contains personal and professional correspondence from 1908 to 1954. This series is arranged chronologically with undated letters at the end. Correspondence with Anna Callery, Philip's mother, and Anabel Callery Baxter offers a glimpse into Philip Callery's family life. Correspondence from Kansas City lawyer, Redmond S. Brennan, and Washington, D.C. lawyer, John F. McCarron, provide information about the August Dorchy, Plaintiff in error, vs. The State of Kansas case that reached the United States Supreme Court in 1923. Notable correspondents in the series include Mary "Mother" Jones. The series includes typed transcriptions of a few letters. Additional correspondence can be found in the Legal series.

The **Photographs** series contains Callery, Hayman, and Galligan family photographs and portraits. The series is arranged alphabetically with the oversized and unidentified photographs at the end. Additional photographs in the collection are part of the Socialist Party series.

The **Legal** Series contains affidavits, correspondence, and a letter of recommendation relating to Ida Hayman Callery's state board law examination. The correspondence in this series is arranged chronologically. The series also includes the 1923 Supreme Court of the United States report of Charles Wolff Packing Company, Plaintiff in error, vs. Court of Industrial Relations of the State of Kansas and the 1924 Supreme Court of the United States report of August Dorchy, Plaintiff in error, vs. The State of Kansas. Philip Callery served as the defense attorney in these cases.

The **Socialist Party** series contains a 1908 Socialist Party ticket, newspaper clippings, a synopsis of two lectures by Philip Callery, lyceum bureau programs, a Socialist lyceum course containing an article by Philip Callery, and photographs relating to the Socialist Party. Notables in the photographs include George D. Brewer, Eugene V. Debs, Walter Thomas Mills, and Julius A. Wayland.

The **Campaign** series contains a campaign broadside from Philip Callery's run for Congress under the LaFollette-Norris Progressive Program, on the Republican ticket, in 1926.

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