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Biographical Note:

“He was and has always remained way ahead of his time, not only in race relations, but also in a deep commitment to make sure that every citizen of South Carolina was given an opportunity for good education and health care.”

~ Former president Jimmy Carter, speaking of John C. West in 2003

John West served his state and nation as a soldier during World War II, as a member of the South Carolina Senate, as lieutenant governor, as governor, and as United States ambassador to Saudi Arabia. His public service throughout his career was characterized by thoughtful and progressive activism.

Born on August 27, 1922 to Shelton J. West and Mattie Ratterree West, John Carl West



grew up on a farm in the Charlotte Thompson community near Camden, South Carolina. West’s father was among the seventy-seven people killed in the Cleveland School fire of May 23, 1923. In an unpublished memoir, West noted, “The loss of 77 persons from this small community was a disaster from which there was never a recovery....That event changed the course of the community and the West family.”
(The school is pictured at left)

Mrs. West gave up teaching to run the 220-acre family farm and to raise John and his older brother, Shelton. In recalling his childhood during a 1996 oral history interview, West described working on the farm and “going out early on Saturday morning, picking flowers or sometimes picking vegetables, and taking them in to the community club market and selling them for whatever we could get.”

In 1938, West was awarded the Camden Scholarship to The Citadel, which allowed him to fulfill his mother’s goal of sending both her sons to college. While at The Citadel, West participated in many organizations and activities, including the school newspaper and literary magazine, the International Relations Club, and working in the public relations office of the Citadel. He was also captain and manager of the debating team, and traveled across the country for competitions, sharpening speaking skills which would later benefit him in his political career. On May 30, 1942, West graduated from The Citadel with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and a commission as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army.



On June 10, 1942, West began his military career at the Antiaircraft Training Center at Camp Stewart in Georgia. He and his unit were soon sent to Boston for anti-aircraft duty around the shipyards and dry docks in the area. In late August, West married childhood sweetheart Lois Rhame, then a student at Winthrop University, at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. He spent that fall at Ohio State University, taking a training course in aircraft recognition. He then returned to Boston to serve as Battery Commander before training a replacement unit and returning to Camp Stewart. In November 1944, West was given a prestigious assignment to the Military Intelligence Division in Washington, D.C. He spent almost a year at the Pentagon evaluating intelligence reports on the Japanese Army. During this time, he also took law classes at George Washington University. In September 1945, he was appointed to the U.S. Strategic Bombing Survey, a presidential committee which set out to analyze and evaluate the effects of the war on Japan. The committee spent forty days touring Nagoya and Osaka.

West returned to South Carolina in 1946 and entered law school at the University of South Carolina. While studying law, West also worked as a political science instructor at USC. Upon his admission to the bar in 1947, he formed a practice, Murchison and West, with Camden attorney Allen Murchison. Murchison had been a neighbor and father figure to the young John West. After Murchison's death, the practice was renamed West, Holland, Furman, and Cooper.



West's political career began with his appointment to the South Carolina Highway Commission in 1948, a position which he held until 1952. In 1954, West managed Edgar Brown's ill-fated campaign to succeed Burnet Maybank in the U.S. Senate. Brown was defeated by write-in candidate Strom Thurmond. West's real entrance into politics resulted from his concern about the cramped and inadequate facilities of the Camden hospital,

which came to his attention in 1952 when his three-year-old son was taken there with convulsions.

West agreed to join a committee devoted to upgrading or replacing the existing hospital. When the effort ran into opposition, West ran for the state Senate in 1954 on the hospital issue, winning his seat by only three votes.

As senator, West's areas of emphasis included improving the public school curriculum, advancing state-supported junior colleges, developing better nursing programs, encouraging industrial development, and revising the state's 1895 constitution. West, along with a number of his colleagues in the General Assembly and Governor Ernest F. Hollings, believed that industrialization and education could work together for the benefit of South Carolina and its citizens. If South Carolina could provide technical training for its potential workforce, then industry would be attracted to the state. West wrote legislation that resulted in the establishment of the Technical Education program, a landmark in South Carolina's move toward a modern industrial economy. West also helped to bring in industries such as the Elgin Watch Company, which located in his home county of Kershaw.

After twelve years as senator, West ran for lieutenant governor in 1966. In the Democratic primary, he faced fellow senator Roger Scott of Dillon, as well as Dero Cook, a lumber man from Conway and convicted moonshiner. While Scott and Cook entertained crowds with their humor, West emerged as a more serious candidate, with both experience in public office and a solid platform emphasizing education, industrial development, and health care delivery. He easily won the Democratic nomination, garnering more than twice as many votes as his two opponents combined.

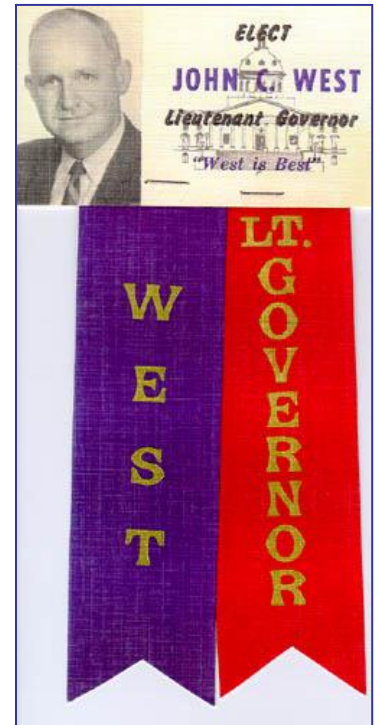
In the 1966 general election, West was opposed by Republican Marshall Mays, an attorney and a former member of the South Carolina House of Representatives from Greenwood County. States' rights constituted a major portion of Mays' platform. West went on to defeat Mays handily.

As lieutenant governor, West worked closely with Governor Robert McNair and continued to focus on three issues he believed most affected the future of South Carolina: education, industrial and economic development, and the need for a revised state constitution. In addition, he fought to retain adequate tariff protection for the textile industry in South Carolina and advocated establishing a second medical college.

In 1970 West was unopposed for the Democratic nomination for governor, though Columbia mayor Lester Bates had considered seeking the nomination. The general election, however, offered two very different candidates and visions for South Carolina's future. West was opposed by Republican Congressman Albert Watson. Watson had been elected to Congress in 1962 as a Democrat, but supported Republican Barry Goldwater in the 1964 presidential campaign. As a result, the Democratic House leadership stripped him of his seniority.

Watson resigned his seat, switched to the Republican Party, and, in the June 1965 special election to fill the vacancy caused by his own resignation, he was re-elected to Congress as a Republican.

Watson was a fiery campaigner. His campaign literature proclaimed him "A man of courage, character, and conviction for a time of crisis." His campaign emphasized his opposition to busing to achieve racial integration in public schools, his fiscal conservatism, "selectivity" in industrial development, and support for textiles and agriculture. However, Watson's campaign was tarnished by an incident occurring in Lamar, South Carolina, located in Darlington County, which had been ordered by federal



courts to integrate its schools in January 1970. In late February, Watson appeared at a rally supporting “freedom of choice” in Lamar, telling the crowd, “Every section of this state is in for it unless you stand up and use every means at your disposal to defend against what I consider an illegal order of the Circuit Court of the United States.” A few days later, on March 3, school buses carrying black children were attacked and overturned by a mob in Lamar. Many saw Watson’s speech as a factor in inciting the violence.

The bitter campaign highlighted strong ideological differences between the two candidates. Indeed, West campaigned with the slogan, “Elect a Good Man Governor.” West won the office, receiving approximately fifty-three percent of the ballot.



John West became governor during a time of change and racial conflict. As Lieutenant Governor, West had dealt with racial problems in Lamar and Orangeburg as well as the process of public school integration statewide. His election as governor was seen by many, including West himself, as a repudiation of divisive, racial politics. In his inaugural address, January 19, 1971, West declared, “we can, and we shall, in the next four years eliminate from our government any vestige of discrimination because of race, creed, sex, religion, or any other barriers to fairness for all citizens. We pledge minority groups no special status other than full-fledged responsibility in a government that is totally color-blind.” To help fulfill this promise he created the state’s Commission on Human Relations. West was also the first governor in over a century to appoint an African-American to an official state position when he named James E. Clyburn assistant to the governor for Human Resource Development.

Among West’s major accomplishments as governor were the passage of mandatory automobile insurance for all drivers; the creation of the Advisory Council for Comprehensive Health Planning, the Coastal Zone Planning and Management Council, the Housing Authority, and Human Affairs Commission; and the reorganization of the governor’s office and the Departments of Labor and of Wildlife and Marine Resources.



After leaving office, West returned to private law practice with the goal of building a statewide firm with national and international interests. However, the election of his friend Jimmy Carter to the presidency in 1976 spurred rumors that West might return to public life, perhaps with a seat in Carter’s Cabinet as a reward for West’s strong support and as an acknowledgment of the esteem Carter had for West. Instead, West, who had become active in Dean Rusk’s Southern Center for International Studies, expressed an interest in the Foreign Service generally and

Saudi Arabia specifically. In May 1977, President Carter appointed West Ambassador to Saudi Arabia.

Historically, Saudi Arabia had not been the site of a major trade or military presence for the United States, but that changed with the energy crisis and with the Saudis' importance as a moderating influence in the Arab-Israeli conflict. As governor, West had established business relationships in the Middle East, particularly with Kuwaiti investors who purchased Kiawah Island. In 1976, he had led a State Development Board trade mission to the Middle East, and established a firm to assist American companies in breaking into Middle Eastern markets. To supplement this knowledge, West spent about two months in Washington receiving briefings on Saudi Arabia and the Middle East before departing for his post. In his remarks at his ambassadorial swearing-in ceremony, West proclaimed, "Saudi Arabia is the key to energy, capital and to peace in the Middle East." Earlier, President Carter had noted that the two nations "share a common purpose...we share a heritage that is completely compatible.... We know that this is an important period of a search for peace, and our visits today and tomorrow will be designed to accommodate that search in the face of tremendous challenge, but at the same time tremendous opportunities."

As ambassador, West maintained the same basic approach he had followed as governor and in his private dealings with the Middle East, an approach he frequently summed up as "Good business makes good politics." The Wests spent four eventful years working to strengthen the links between the United States and this vital Middle Eastern nation.

Despite the fact that he was the first political appointee, rather than career diplomat, to serve as ambassador to Saudi Arabia, West's tenure was generally viewed, particularly by the Saudis, as successful. West, in his oral history interview, pointed to the Saudis' respect for his close friendship with Carter and to his willingness to work around bureaucracy to get things done as the keys to his success: "I just did what I thought needed to be done. I knew it was unconventional, but the Saudis loved it." In 1994, Edward J. Wunder of the United States/Saudi Arabia Standards Cooperation Program wrote to West, "It's well known that you have been the best, the most effective, productive, respected, admired and well liked U.S. Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. With the arrival of our new Ambassador Raymond Mabus, I'm sure the Royal Family requested a political ambassador based on your outstanding record of achievement some years ago." Similarly, West commented in his oral history that "when Ray Mabus was appointed, [King] Fahd told the Secretary of State, Warren Christopher, 'Send me another John West,' which was one of the biggest accolades I ever got."



Returning from Saudi Arabia in 1981, West settled on Hilton Head Island and returned to the practice of law. He maintained his interest and involvement in the Middle East,

particularly in business, and worked sporadically as a consultant to American firms looking to partner with Saudi investors or sell to Saudi markets. West also became Distinguished Professor of Middle East Studies at the University of South Carolina and a frequent guest lecturer in other political science courses. He served for a time as Chairman of the Board of the Seibels Bruce Insurance Company and continued his work in a number of philanthropic enterprises. He passed away on March 21, 2004.

Scope and Content Note:

The John C. West Collection consists of 52.5 feet of material, bulk 1942-2004, arranged in five series: Public Papers; Personal Papers; Speeches; Audio-Visual Records; and Clippings.

Public Papers:

Public Papers are arranged according to the office held by West.

The **Highway Commissioner** file contains the certification of West's election, signed by the Secretary of State on June 1, 1948.

South Carolina Senate papers, chiefly 1962 to 1965, consist mainly of correspondence and topical files on a variety of issues, including technical education, teacher salaries, nursing school facilities at USC, atomic energy, and local government. West's "Legislative



Column," 1957 to 1964, appeared in the *Camden Chronicle* and provided weekly updates of the issues before and actions of the legislature. Also of interest is material on West's efforts to foster industrial development in South Carolina, particularly in Kershaw County.

Lieutenant Governor

records, 1967 to 1971, are divided into General Papers, Press Releases, Schedules, and Topical Files. Lieutenant Governor Press Releases consist of

releases, statements, and newsletters from West. Many summarize West's speeches to local groups or organizations. Schedules consist of West's pocket calendar from 1970 as well as typed memos of his activities for various weeks from May to December 1970. Press releases and schedules from West's 1970 campaign for governor can be found in Personal Papers, Campaigns.

The bulk of the correspondence, which was originally arranged by the addresses of the

correspondents by county, has been incorporated into topical files. Lieutenant Governor Topical Files cover a variety of issues and endeavors undertaken by West. Issues include the regulation of alcohol, school desegregation, the gasoline tax, Communism, auto liability insurance, reapportionment, industrial growth, and pollution. South Carolina State College files provide a detailed look at an incident, generally known as the "Orangeburg Massacre," which resulted in the deaths of three black students on February 8, 1968. Included is correspondence between West and students at S.C. State. Of particular interest is a letter of April 8, 1968, from West to Congressman Bryan Dorn describing the presentation to the General Assembly of a student petition requesting an open hearing on the incident. West commented, "The racial pressures and tensions have certainly created problems which seem literally to try men's souls, as well as their wisdom. If we can resist the temptation to make mass denunciations of the many for the actions of a few and unite as citizens of good will, working together, the problems of race can be solved in our time by this generation."



The Human Rights Commission file reflects West's concern about the state of race relations in South Carolina. In his final year as Lieutenant Governor, he researched the need for a state human rights commission in South Carolina and studied as a model Kentucky's Human Rights Commission. He concluded that such a commission was an "essential step in the maintenance and improvement of race relations in S.C." and announced his intention to create one as governor.

Other topical files concern economic growth and development, technical education, industry, medicine, pollution, a proposed BASF plant in Beaufort, highway safety, automobile



liability laws, teachers' pay raises, and retention of adequate tariff protection for textiles (including correspondence with Hubert Humphrey). The "Moody Report" file pertains to the 1968 report, commissioned by Governor McNair, assessing South Carolina's greatest areas of need, including the need to upgrade health care, improve transportation systems, and provide better educational facilities in order to attract higher quality industry.

Gubernatorial papers, 1971 to 1975, are divided into General, Press Releases, Schedules, Topical Files, and papers of Mrs. Lois West as First Lady. Gubernatorial Press Releases consist of news releases, statements, and newsletters. The bulk of the releases, 1971, report on West's speeches, future engagements, thoughts on popular issues, and appointments to commissions or offices. Schedules detail West's meetings, travel plans, and prearranged events and functions during 1971, the final months of 1972, and 1973.

Gubernatorial Topical Files relate to issues such as the energy crisis, highways, health care, tourism, and West's efforts to encourage Kuwaiti and other investment in South Carolina. West's commitment to improving state government is reflected in the extensive files of the Management Review Commission (MRC), which he established. This commission recruited members of the business community to devise a plan for streamlining state government and making it more efficient. The MRC unveiled its report of over 170 pages in January 1972. West formed an Implementation Task Force to carry out the MRC's suggestions. Many of the Task Force memos and meeting minutes are present. Other issues of interest on the state and local level include the labor situation at the State Ports Authority, conditions at Charles Towne Landing, drug abuse at the Central Correctional Institution, investment in new industry, pollution control, and the energy crisis. Files regarding Charles D. ("Pug") Ravenel chiefly consist of correspondence from citizens concerning the September 1974 State Supreme Court ruling that Ravenel, Democratic nominee for governor in 1974, was ineligible for the office. Many Ravenel supporters called for West to reconvene the General Assembly for a special session to consider amending the state constitution's residency requirements. West ultimately declined to call the session, feeling that there was not sufficient support for the amendment among the legislators.



Mrs. Lois West's papers from her time as First Lady of South Carolina include correspondence and schedules. Among Mrs. West's activities as First Lady was an active involvement with the Muscular Dystrophy Association, including working at an annual summer camp for children with the disease. Mrs. West also established a horticulture program for the mentally disabled, which provided flower arrangements to decorate the State House and

Governor's Mansion. She also oversaw the completion of the renovation of the Lace House on the Mansion grounds.

Ambassador to Saudi Arabia files, 1977 to 1981, are divided among General, Schedules, and Topical Files. Files on West's appointment and resignation are also present. General papers comprise the bulk of the ambassadorial papers and consist chiefly of correspondence, memos, reports, and cables. Subjects include West's efforts on behalf of American business, the Arab-Israeli conflict, and OPEC and oil production. Included is extensive correspondence with President Jimmy Carter, Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, and officials in the Saudi Arabian government, including King Khalid and Crown Prince (later King) Fahd. West reported regularly to President Carter with his assessments of people and events in Saudi Arabia and the Middle East, often in handwritten letters, many of which are present in the papers. Ambassadorial Topical Files include a Lois West File which contains congratulatory letters, correspondence with Rosalynn Carter, and one visitor's impressions of economic relations with Saudi Arabia. "Death of a Princess" was a PBS docudrama, aired in May 1980, which dramatized the story of a Saudi Arabian princess recently executed for adultery. Many who were knowledgeable about Saudi Arabian politics and culture, including West, criticized the film as inaccurate. The ambassadorial papers were reviewed by the State Department in 1989-1991 and again in 2005-2006, and some documents and portions of documents have been withheld for security reasons.



Personal Papers:

Personal Papers are divided into eight sub-series: General, Business and Financial Records, Campaign Records, Diary and Memoirs, Family, Military Service, Schedules, and Topical Files.

Personal **General** Files chiefly hold correspondence, 1938 to 2004, with friends and associates from throughout West's life and career, relating to his personal, business, and political activities. This material includes both incoming and outgoing letters, many of the latter handwritten by West, a prolific correspondent. The files also contain tributes to friends and public figures who were retiring, as well as remembrances of friends who had passed away. Also of note are letters and cards received by West in 2003, when many friends and admirers, having learned that West was ill, wrote to express what he meant to them. Additional correspondence appears under Personal, Topical, in the Persons files. Among those represented in the Persons files are Presidents Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton.

Business and Financial Records document West's work with Donaldson, Lufkin, & Jenrette, Seibels Bruce, and his legal practice. The sub-series also includes material relating to his charitable donations and his investments in real estate and in communications.

Campaign Records relate to West's 1954, 1966, and 1970 campaigns as well as the presidential campaigns of Hubert Humphrey, 1968; Jimmy Carter, 1976; and Michael Dukakis, 1988. There is also material pertaining to Marshall Parker's 1962 campaign for lieutenant governor. Campaign records are divided into General, Financial Records, Organization Files, Publicity, and Topical Files.



West's successful campaign for Lieutenant Governor is well documented. General files consist chiefly of correspondence detailing support and opposition across South Carolina, discussions of campaign strategies, letters of congratulations, and correspondence between West and Earle E. Morris, Jr., Chairman of the state Democratic Party.

Organization files contain correspondence between Harry Lightsey, West's campaign manager, and his county chairmen across the state and provide accounts of results by precinct. Included in these files are details of the county organizational structure of West's various volunteer and support groups. The publicity files contain correspondence between West, Lightsey, and the Bradham Advertising Agency exploring ideas and strategies for ad campaigns, as well as copy for television advertisements. The Marshall Mays Topical File contains brochures and other material from Mays's campaign, a biography, his 1960 legislative record, and correspondence concerning Mays' questionable involvement with the Pulp Paper Company. Of interest are Mays' allegations that West distributed campaign money from the National Democratic Party for Lyndon Johnson during his 1964 presidential campaign.

The 1968 Hubert Humphrey Presidential Campaign files chiefly consist of correspondence and campaign materials from both Humphrey's campaign and that of his rival for the Democratic nomination, Eugene McCarthy. West and Humphrey had a warm friendship, as documented by letters in the files, and West maintained his support for Humphrey throughout the campaign season.

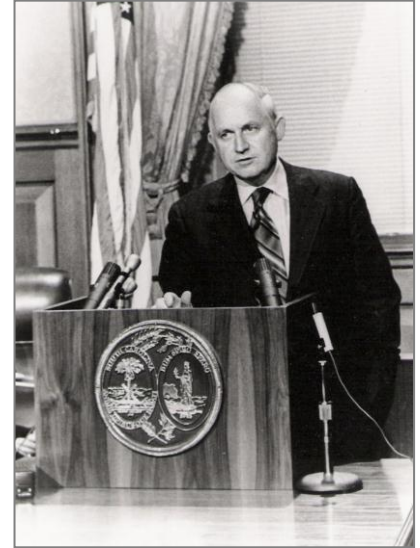


West's 1970 gubernatorial campaign is also well documented. General files contain correspondence regarding current issues, campaign events, and suggestions for and assessments of the success of the campaign. Of particular interest are letters concerning the incident in Lamar, and a letter, February 24, 1970, from Hubert Humphrey, who wrote, "I hope and pray that your friendship with me will not be a political liability in your state." West replied on March 3: "My public support for you was the right thing to do and I will never feel other than proud of it."

Gubernatorial organization files contain information on county organization, chairman's manuals, and the state campaign organization. Also included is information about "South

Carolínians for West,” a group of West’s supporters who allowed their names to be used in advertisements for West across the state; lists of volunteers; and voter registration comparisons. Of particular interest is correspondence from members of the Strategy Committee regarding West’s and Watson’s strengths and weaknesses. Press Releases contain announcements of West’s campaign activities and excerpts from his speeches. Several were issued by West supporters. Schedules, August 1969 to November 1970, list the many campaign events in which West participated.

Topical Files concern subjects such as the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, textile imports, and school desegregation. Files also relate to West opponent Albert Watson and potential opponent Lester Bates. The Bates file includes analyses of his success as mayor of Columbia, Bates quotes, and his announcement of his decision not to run for governor. The Watson file contains newsletters, quotes, and information West requested on Watson’s travel expenditures as a member of Congress.



Jimmy Carter’s 1976 presidential campaign is documented by General files consisting chiefly of correspondence on the progress of the campaign, fundraising, and the shaping of Carter’s foreign policy positions. Beginning in 1975 West worked actively in Carter’s campaign. While leading the 1976 South Carolina trade mission to the Middle East, West collected campaign contributions for Carter. He also wrote Carter on May 10, 1976, with some observations about the region, concluding: “Since I feel the Mid-East will be one of the key areas of your concern when you are elected, I would like the opportunity of sitting down with your foreign policy advisors and giving them the information and ideas which we



gleaned during our trip.” As a result of his letter, West met with Cyrus Vance, who became Carter’s Secretary of State, and Zbigniew Brzezinski, who became National Security Advisor. He later worked closely with both men in his role as ambassador.

Carter Campaign Topical Files consist of appointment and talent files containing West’s recommendations for positions within Carter’s

administration. The appointment file contains the recommendations of those candidates who Carter chose for a position. The talent files contain West’s recommendations of unsuccessful candidates. Among those recommended by West was Marshall Mays, his former opponent in the lieutenant governor’s race. Despite some contentious exchanges during the race, West and Mays were able to remain on friendly terms afterwards, with West suggesting to Carter

that Mays be retained as leader of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation. West wrote that "Both before and after that election I have considered him to be a gentleman and a friend." Mays returned the favor by writing the State Department in 1977 to support West's nomination as ambassador.

Michael Dukakis' 1988 presidential campaign file chiefly regards West's fund-raising efforts on behalf of Michael Dukakis.

West's **diary**, 1967, 1971 to 1975, and 1977 to 1981, is composed of the transcripts of tape recordings dictated by West each evening, chiefly during his terms as governor and ambassador, discussing the day's appointments and events. Portions of the diary dating from the ambassadorial period which have been judged by the State Department to contain classified information have been removed and/or redacted.

West endeavored on at least two occasions to write a memoir. A short outline of a memoir of his time as ambassador bears the tentative title, "Don't Forget to Pack the Grits!" Drafts of a longer, untitled memoir largely cover West's childhood, military service, and early legal and political career, including his retelling of a tense and dangerous confrontation with the Kershaw County Ku Klux Klan in 1958.

Personal **Topical** Files cover issues and projects in which West was interested or involved as a private citizen. Middle East files, circa 1974 to 2003, consist chiefly of correspondence with businessmen, diplomats, and personal friends, as well as with American and Saudi Arabian government officials. Following his years as ambassador, West's continuing interest in the Middle East, its business opportunities, culture, and conflicts, is reflected in his ongoing correspondence with various Saudi citizens and officials, including members of the royal family. From the time of his return to South Carolina in 1981 until his death in 2004, West was frequently called upon as an expert in Middle Eastern affairs, whether for interviews with local or national media or as a special envoy of the State Department. West corresponded with a number of diplomats and State Department colleagues, offering advice to his successors in Foreign Service in the Middle East. The files also include West's response to *The American*

House of Saud: The Secret Petrodollar Connection, a 1985 book by Steven Emerson.

West's business interests in the Middle East included involvement with the Saudi American Business Roundtable and consulting work. His interest prior to becoming ambassador is depicted in substantial files relating to the 1976 South Carolina Trade Mission to the Middle East led by West. The Mission was designed to promote closer economic ties with the region. The group principally visited Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.



Other Personal Topical files reflect groups and institutions in which West was involved, such as the Presbyterian Church, the Southern Council on International and Public Affairs, and the Education Commission of the States' Task Force on Responsible Decisions about Alcohol, which West chaired. The Democratic Party files demonstrate West's involvement in the party throughout his life. Of particular interest is a confidential analysis of the political situation in South Carolina co-authored by West a few months before the 1960 presidential election. This report was written for the Democratic National Committee. Separate files on Political Candidates include information on West's endorsements of and contributions to both Democratic and Republican candidates, particularly in South Carolina races.



One of West's longtime endeavors was an effort to improve education in South Carolina, particularly at his alma maters, The Citadel and the University of South Carolina. There are extensive Personal Topical files on West's fundraising efforts for and involvement at the two schools. Among these are files on The Citadel's close-knit class of 1942, which included numerous well-known South Carolinians; in addition to

West, other members of the class were Ernest F. Hollings and future Citadel presidents George M. "Obbe" Seignious and James A. "Alex" Grimsley. Further demonstrating West's commitment to education are files on the West Foundation, a non-profit corporation established in 1974 and designed to sponsor educational programs through grants both to institutions and to individual students. As a result of the Foundation's efforts, the John C. West Professorship of Government and International Relations was established at The Citadel. The Foundation has also distributed scholarships to undergraduates and sponsored numerous lecture series and seminars on international issues. More recently, the West Foundation helped bring into existence the University of South Carolina's John C. West Forum on Politics and Policy, an initiative of the Department of Political Science (formerly the Department of Government and International Studies). West's longstanding support of USC and work for the department as a lecturer led to the naming of the Forum in his honor; according to the original proposal included in the West Forum files, the Forum's mission is to "promote and promulgate the civic values and political leadership exemplified in the career of Governor West." Also included in the files on USC is material relating to the Forum, as well as correspondence, lecture outlines, and research materials related to West's position as Distinguished Visiting Professor of Mid-East Studies at the University of South Carolina.

Family papers include correspondence with various family members, as well as files relating to West's mother, Mattie Ratterree West, and her interest in genealogy. Several nineteenth-century documents included seem to have belonged to ancestors, including an autograph album (c. 1857) and a copybook (c. 1840s). West himself took an interest in genealogy and corresponded with relatives, close and distant, throughout the country. Essays on West family history were apparently written by John West as a schoolboy.

Military Service records document West's military career, starting in 1942 when he began active duty as an Antiaircraft Artillery Battery Commander. Records trace West's rise in the military to Captain and later to Major. Military records are arranged chronologically and include West's special orders and other correspondence about his military career.

Schedules, 1966, 1976 to 1977, 1981 to 1998, and 2003, include invitations, information about appointments, and travel plans. Blank calendar pages have been removed. Materials relating to conferences and other events indicate West's continued involvement as an advisor to political leaders, state officials, and educational entities, as well as his popularity as a speaker, particularly on matters pertaining to South Carolina government and to the Middle East.

Speech files, 1950 to 2002, consist chiefly of texts, drafts, and outlines of speeches, related correspondence, and programs. Undated speeches, chiefly from his years as state senator, lieutenant governor, and governor, are found at the end of the collection. The speech index, at the end of the finding aid, only lists speeches that have texts or outlines, and does not list speeches which are only referred to in correspondence or programs.



Audio-Visual records include photographs, c.1898 to 2003, audiotapes, a film, and videotapes. Taglines and Transcripts consists of transcripts of five editions of "Report by Lieutenant Governor John West to the People of South Carolina," c. October 1970, and three Albert Watson interviews, 1970. It also contains suggested remarks for radio announcers to use when introducing taped statements by West.

Clippings, 1940 to 2003, contain newspaper and magazine articles about West and issues with which he was involved.

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- May
- June – Aug.
- Oct.
- Nov.
- Dec. and c. 1967

1968:

- Jan. – Feb.
- Mar. – Apr.
- May
- June
- July – Aug.
- Sept. – Oct.
- Nov. – Dec. and c. 1968

1969:

- Jan. – Feb.
- Mar.
- Apr. – 13 May
- May:
 - 17-19
 - 21-31
- June
- July
- Aug.
- Sept.
- Oct.:
 - 1-13
 - 16
 - 18-23
- Nov.:
 - 9-11
 - 12-29
- Dec.
- c. 1969

1970:

- Jan.:
 - 5-16
 - 19-30 and c. Jan.
- Feb.
- Mar. – Apr. and c. Mar. – Apr.
- May:
 - 1-20
 - 25-30
- June – July
- Aug.
- Sept. – Oct.
- Nov.
- Dec. and c. 1970

c. 1967-1970

1971:

- Jan.
 - 19 Jan., Inaugural Address
 - 27 Jan., State of the State Address
- Feb.
- Mar.:

11-15
16-24
26
Apr.:
5-23
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25-26
28-30
May:
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12-20
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June:
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17-23 and c. June

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Sept.:
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Oct.:
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Nov.:
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11-19
28-30
Dec.:
2-3
4-11
c. 1971 and 1971 Speech List
1972:
Jan.
Mar. – Dec.
1973:
Jan. – Feb.
Apr. – Dec. and c. 1973
1974
1975 and c. 1971-1975
1976-1981
1982:
Jan.
Feb. – Dec. and c. 1982
1983 and c. 1983
1984-1985
1986-1987
1988-1991
1992-1994
1995

1996-1997, Sept.
1997:

Box 35

Box 36

23 Oct.
 2 Dec. (2)
 1998:
 12 May (2)
 Sept. – Oct.
 1999-2000
 2001-2002
 No date (3)

Audio-Visual:

Box 36 cont.; Box 37

Audio Tapes: [7"reels, Box 36; 3 ¼", 3 5/8", 4", 5" reels, cassettes, Box 37]

[See also: Taglines and Transcripts]

1966, West for Lieutenant Governor Campaign Ads, 3 ¼" [See also: Taglines and Transcripts]

1968, June 19, Constitutional Revision Meeting and Southern Governor's Conference (2 reels), 7"

1970:

Apr. 28:

Press Conference, Jerris Leonard, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, U.S.

Department of Justice: impending school desegregation in South Carolina; introduced by State Superintendent Cyril Busbee and "Chairman Welch," 7"

Press Conference, J. Stanley Pottinger, Director of Civil Rights, Department of Health,

Education, and Welfare: impending school desegregation in South Carolina, 7"

July 2, News Release by West on School Desegregation "Higher Education Commission 7/2/70," 5"

Sept. 25, Albert Watson WESC Greenville Interview, Tape 1, 7"

Oct.:

12, News Release by West, re Fiscal Responsibility, 5"

13, News Release by West, re "More and Better Jobs," 5"

c. Oct.:

"Report by Lieutenant Governor John West to the People of South Carolina":

Automobile Insurance, 5"

Crime, 5"

Drug Problem, 5"

Senior Citizens, 5"

Tourism, 5"

c. 1970:

Albert Watson Interviews (3 cassettes)

News Releases:

Mendel Rivers Endorses West for Governor, 5"

West Commends People of Horry County for Conway Regional Campus of USC, 5"

West re Senior Citizens Program, 5"

South Carolina Democratic Party Campaign Ads for West and Morris: "Cuts 1 & 2 – Thurmond's

Political Talk (Both cuts – 60 seconds) Cook/Ruef & Associates," 7"

West:

#3 Agriculture, 5"

#4 Integration, 5"

#5 Drugs, 5"

#6 Teacher Salaries, 5"

#7 South Carolina Economy, 5"

#8 College Violence, 5"

"Lt. Gov. John West Reports to the People of South Carolina," cassette

1971:

Jan.:

25, Press Conference, West, Dr. Ellis, and Jim Clyburn, re Food Stamps Program, 7"

29, "First Press Conference": "I. Announcement of McGowan - Labor Comm. II. Changes in ABC Comm. III. Industrial Prospects IV. Teacher pay raises V. Meetings Open to press VI. Tax Exemption – Pol[lution] Control Bd.; etc.," 7"

Feb.:

11, Press Conference, "Announcement of College Leadership Conference (several gen. questions)," 7"

18, Announcement of Commission on Human Resources, 7”

Mar.:

9, Press Conference: includes Reapportionment, Teacher Salaries, POWs, etc., 7”

15, Press Conference, Dr. Roger Egeberg, Deputy Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, Re Health Care in South Carolina, 7”

Apr.:

7, Joe Frazier News Conference, 7”

20, Press Conference, “POW-MIA Program, Supreme Court Decision on Meck[lenburg] Co[unty] Busing, Magistrates, Traffic Safety, Liquor Laws – Char[leston] Co[unty], Revenue Sharing Plan, Teacher Pay Raise, Governor and Constitutional Officers’ Pay Raise, Freedom of Information Measure,” 7”

June:

11, Press Conferences, 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m., 7”

21, Highway Adv. Comm., and 2 Nov., Commission Meeting, 7”

July 12, Press Conference: “Trip to Europe (June 25-July 7), POW-MIA Project, Lander College-TEC Transfers, Piedmont Panorama Study-Greenv[ille], New Medical College, Liquor Laws – SC ABC Commission, Gasoline Tax, USC-Tec, Community Colleges, Adult Education, Teacher Pay, Revenue Sharing, Special Fall Session,” 7”

Aug. 16 and 17, Governor's Statement on Nixon and Busing; Press Conference: “Housing Authority Commission, Drug Program, Medical College, Teacher-S[tate] Employees’ Pay Raises, Reapportionment, Dr. Bortallatto—TEC, Higher Education Plan, PRT—Greenville Tri-Cent[ennial] Center, Human Relations Commission”; “Pawley’s Island, Ike McLeese,” 7”

Sept. 17, Press Conference: “Teacher Pay Raises, Nat[ional] Gov[ernors] Conf[erence], Billboard Legislation,” 7”

Oct.:

12, “General News Conference,” 7”

14, “Appt. Announcement Thomas Bendorf; European - State Travel,” 5”

Nov.:

[2: See 21 June]

3, Press Conference, re Wildlife Resources Commission, Management Review Commission, Billboard Bill, 7”

11, Press Conference, re Reapportionment Bill, Child Developmental Program, etc., 5”

15, Press Conference, re Announcement of Mayer and Cie, Textile Machinery Manufacturers in Orangeburg, 5”

Dec. 23, Press Conference, 5”

1972, Jan. 28:

Press Conference, re Announcing Recommendations by Management Review Commission, 7”

Meeting of Governor's Committee on State Evaluation of Departments, 7”

1977, June 16, “Swearing-in of Governor John C. West as Ambassador,” 4”

1982, Jan. 25, “The Importance of the Middle East,” cassette

1983, May 9, Saudi American Business Conference (2), cassettes

No date:

Meeting of Constitutional Study Committee (2), 7”

West Comments on Pollution, 3 ¼”

Unlabeled, 3 5/8”

Films:

1966, 12 Oct., Candidate West at Eastern Carolina Agricultural Fair, Florence, SC

1977, June, “Ambassador West Sworn In,” U.S.I.A.

Box 38

Photographs [Negatives filed with other negatives in file cabinet; see also: Oversized]

Box 39

General:

c. 1938 – c. 1963

1964

1967 – 1970 and c. 1967 – 1970

1971 – 1975

c. 1971 – 1975 (2)

1976 – 1981 and c. 1976 – 1981

1992 – 1998

- 2000 – 2003 and c. 2000 – 2003
 - No date (2)
 - Campaign, 1966:
 - General
 - Campaign Headquarters Opening
 - Family:
 - c. 1898 – 1925
 - c. 1960s – 1970s
 - Governor's Mansion:
 - General
 - China and Silver
 - Lace House
 - Housing Tour, Feb. 1971
 - Inauguration, 1971 [including WIS scrapbook]
 - International Textile Manufacturers' Association Machinery Exhibition, 1967
 - Portraits:
 - 1936 – c. 1940s
 - c. 1950s – 1994
 - Slides, images of West family c. 1971 in Governor's Mansion and fishing
 - Taglines and Transcripts
 - Videotapes: Box 38 cont.
 - c.1977? "Public Affairs, Seven Thirty—Gov. West" SCETV [documentary on West becoming ambassador?] ¾" Umatic format
 - 1977, June 24, SCETV Documentary, Gov. John West (VHS)
 - 1994, *Freedom and Justice: The Struggle for Civil Rights* (4) (VHS)
 - 2000, University of South Carolina Alumni Awards (VHS)
 - 2002, South Carolina Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony (VHS)
 - 2003, Feb., *Orangeburg Massacre: The Survivors Tell Their Stories* (VHS)
 - NAACP March, Interviews, and Response March, Raw Footage (2) (VHS)
- Clippings:** Box 40
- 1940-1961
 - 1962, Elgin Watch Company
 - 1965
 - 1966:
 - General
 - Campaign:
 - General:
 - Jan - Sept. 15
 - Sept. 16 - Nov.
 - Election Results
 - Persons, Mays, Marshall
 - 1967-1968:
 - General
 - Education
 - 1969-1970:
 - General
 - Campaign
 - General:
 - 1969 - Oct. 1970
 - 1970, cont., Nov. and c. 1970
 - Persons, Watson, Albert
 - Education
 - 1971:
 - General:
 - Jan.
 - Feb.
 - Mar.

Apr.
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Dec.

“A People Concerned for Their Prisoners of War and Missing in Action”

1972:

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June
July-Oct.
Nov.-Dec.

1973:

Jan. - Feb.
Mar. - Aug.
Sept. - Dec.

1974:

Jan. - Mar.
Apr. - May
June - Dec.

c. 1971 - 1974

1975:

General
Foreign Investment (2)

1976

1977

1978

1979

1980

1981

1982-1983

1984-1989

1990-2002

2003

No date

Box 41

Scrapbooks [of clippings]:

c. 1961 – 1967, kept by Mrs. Mattie West; SC Senate and family clippings

1967, Lieutenant Governor

1967 – 1968, Lieutenant Governor

1970, campaign clippings, most pertaining to Albert Watson

1970, campaign clippings, most pertaining to West

1971, “Du Peuple de l’Etat de la Caroline du Sud,” “A People Concerned for Their Prisoners of War and Missing in Action”

1977 – 1979, ambassadorial

Oversized

Speech Appendix

- 1950, May 7, "Christ or Communism"
- 1952, May 31, Address to the Graduating Class at Andrews High School, Andrews
- 1957:
- May 14, Fourth District Women of the Presbyterian Church, Edisto Island
 - c. 1957, "Our Educational Problem"
- 1960:
- Feb. 19, Sertoma Club, Honoring International President Tucker Weston, Gov. Ernest F. Hollings, and Lt. Gov. Burnet R. Maybank
 - Mar. 25, "Pointing the Direction for School Lunch Expansion," School Lunch Division of the S.C. Educational Association
 - Sept. 12, "The Future of Women in Politics"
 - Oct. 24, "Our Political Structure," Methodist Men's Club
 - Nov. 8, Kiwanis Speech: Election Day
- 1961:
- May:
- 12, Agricultural [Education?] Banquet, Clemson
 - 31, "The Role of the State of South Carolina in Developing Vocational [Education?]," Carolina Counselor's Conference/Thirteenth Annual Carolina Industrial Trainers Conference, Clemson College
- June:
- 5, "Proposed Speech--Camden Military Academy," Commencement Address
 - June 12 - July 11, Rotary Club and to Florence Lions Club
- Oct. 3, Lions Club, Bamberg
- 1962:
- Jan. 23, Chamber of Commerce
- May 24, "Communism vs. Americanism," Sertoma Club, Beaufort
- June 2, speech written by West for Burnet Maybank, gubernatorial candidate
- Sept.:
- 6, Pageland Chamber of Commerce
 - 27, "Communism vs. Americanism," Women of Bethany Baptist Church
- Oct.:
- 1, "A Legislator Looks at Education in South Carolina," Hartsville PTA
 - 3, "Mission to Men," Bishopville Presbyterian Church
 - 8, Christian Life Conference Speech
- 1963:
- Feb. 18, "The Exploding World," Sertoma Club, Columbia
- Mar.:
- 16, Hibernian [Society, Charleston, probably St. Patrick's dinner]
 - 28, "Importance of Education," Edmunds High School
- May:
- 1, Law Day, YMCA-YWCA, USC
 - 6, Sumter Sertoma Club [revised for Ladies Coffee Club, June 24, 1965; possibly also Oct. 13, 1964]
- Aug.:
- 5, "The Challenge of Education," Rotary Club, Sumter
 - 15, Midland Production Credit Association
 - 26, Chesterfield County School District #1
- Oct.:
- 4, Dedication, Tri-County Technical Education Center, Pendleton
 - 23, Sumter Regional Municipal Association
- Nov. 14, National Fox Hunters' Association
- Dec.:
- 2, Cheraw PTO
 - 9, "Politics and Politicians," Bishopville Lions Ladies' Night [later revised for Ladies' Night, Mt. Moriah, Pageland]
 - 10, "A Legislator Looks at Education in South Carolina," South Carolina Society of Engineers

1964:

Jan.:

- 15, S.C. Council for Common Good, Columbia
- 18, Spartanburg Lions Club [also Columbia Lions Club, Nov. 30, 1964?]
- 19, Rock Hill Jaycees Bosses' Night [also Lancaster Jaycees Bosses Night, Oct. 22, 1964?]
- 23, Jaycees Bosses' Night, Bennettsville

Feb.:

- 6, "The 1964 Legislature," Kiwanis Club
- 6, Hillcrest PTA

Mar.:

- 12, Newberry College Young Democrats
- 16, "Legislation of Interest to Education," Camden PTA

Apr. 6, "Education and Future," Aiken Lions Club [also Winnsboro Rotary Club, Apr. 16, 1964?]

May 30, Elgin Post Office Dedication, Elgin

July 24, Aiken American Legion

Aug.:

- 11, "Politics and Politicians," North Charleston Kiwanis Club
- 14, Lynch[es] River Electric Cooperative, Pageland

Nov. 11, Veterans Day, McBee

Dec. 8, Barnwell Lions Club Ladies' Night

1965:

Jan.:

- 7, "It's a Young Man's World," Jaycees Annual Winter Board Meeting
- 25, Langley-Bath-Clearwater Lions Club [also Winnsboro Rotary Club, May 1, 1965, Conway Kiwanis Club, Feb. 9, 1964?, and Florence Kiwanis Club, May 17, 1965]

Feb.:

- 3, Rock Hill Kiwanis Club
- 7, S.C. Jaycees Winter Board Meeting

Mar. 17, "Progress in South Carolina," Anderson Jaycees Industrial Exposition Opening

Apr.:

- 2, Spartanburg Sertoma Club
- 6, Nurses Speech
- 13, "What's Wrong with Our State," Senate floor
- 20, Spartanburg Rotary Club

May:

- 6, Union Lions Club Ladies' Night
- 7, Commencement Address, Conede College, Park Circle School, North Charleston
- 18, Rotary Club, Winnsboro
- 20, "Responsibility in Today's Society," Veterans Administration Voluntary Service Workers, Columbia

June:

- 3, "Accomplishments of 1965 Legislature," Hartsville Lions Club [also Sumter Kiwanis Club, June 4, 1965, Charleston Lions Club, June 7, 1965, and Bamberg Lions Club, July 6, 1965]
- 11, Spartanburg Hospital School of Nursing [also Graduating Class of the Columbia School of Nursing]
- 14, Columbia Rotary Club [also West Columbia-Cayce Chamber of Commerce, July 28, 1965 and Spartanburg Kiwanis Club, July 29, 1965]
- 24, Coffee Club Seneca Ladies' Night, Clemson
- 25, State Convention of Rainbow Girls, Columbia

July 29, "Our State Government, Present and Future," Spartanburg Kiwanis Club

Aug.:

- 1, "Responsibilities of Our State Government - 1965," Florence Rotary Club
- 11, Columbia Optimist Club [also used for Cheraw Civitan Citizen of the Year, Sept. 16, 1965]

Sept.:

- 16, "People and Pine Trees," Joint Meeting of S.C. Forest Industries Committee and its Tree Farm Committee, Litchfield Beach
- 26, "South Carolina's Future—Problems and Responsibilities," S.C. Association of Credit Bureaus, Hawaiian Village Motel, Myrtle Beach
- 29, Licensed Independent Small Loan Association of S.C., Columbia

Oct.:

- 7, Charleston Kiwanis Club [also Allendale Lions Club, Oct. 11, 1965, and Greenwood Jaycees, Oct. 28, 1965]
 11, Allendale Lions Club
 26 [28?], S.C. Press Association, Columbia
- Nov.:
- 1, Patt B. Coggin Post #91, Blackville
 5, "The Nursing Profession's Responsibility to the Public," SC Nurses' Association, Charleston
 8, Charleston Lions Club [also Aiken Lions Club, July 18, 1966]
 9, Sumter Lions Club [also Hartsville Civitan Club, Dec. 3, 1965]
 13, "Responsible Citizenship," DAR., Greer
 16, Lexington Municipal Association
 17, Greenville Life Underwriters
 18, "Problems of 1966 Gen Assembly," Hartsville Lions Club
 19, Florence Lions Club [also used for Aiken Lions Club, July 18, 1966]
 22, "Reapportionment," Bishopville Rotary Club
 24, "Human Relations: A Politician's Point of View" [written by Blease Graham]
- Dec.:
- 9, Bishopville Legion Ladies' Night [also used for Lexington Legion, Jan. 8, 1966]
 13, Brooklyn [Brookland]-Cayce Band Parents' Club, Farm Bureau Building
 13, Columbia Kiwanis Club
 16, Sumter Baptist Church
- 1966:
- Jan.:
- 20, "State Taxes," National Association of Public Accountants, Columbia Chapter
 24, "Christian Stewardship in American Public Life," Men of the Lutheran Church of the Incarnation, Columbia
- Feb.:
- 1, "Challenges Now Before the General Assembly," Churchman's Legislative Seminar, Trinity Episcopal Church, Columbia
 15, Management Conference, S.C. Savings and Loan Association, Wade Hampton Hotel, Columbia
 25, "The Responsibilities of Young People as Future Citizens," Irmo High School [also Mid-Carolina High School, Newberry, Apr. 12, 1967]
 28, "Legislative Reapportionment," American Association of University Women, Aiken Health Center
- Mar.:
- 1, Rotary Auxiliary, Charleston [also Cayce-West Columbia Sertoma Club, Mar. 4, 1966?]
 5, S.C. Association of Launderers and Cleaners
 14, Columbia Exchange Club [also Gaffney Kiwanis Club, Apr. 4, 1966, and Bennettsville Rotary Club, Apr. 5, 1966]
 17, Pee Dee Milk Producers Association
- Apr.:
- 7, "The Effect of Reapportionment on S.C. Government," Greenville Kiwanis Club
 7, "Politics and Politicians," Turbeville Ruritan Club Ladies' Night
 10, Gallivants Ferry Stump Meeting ["Opening political speech of 1966 campaign"]
 17, S.C. Coin Operators Association, Florence
 18, "Christian Ethics in American Public Life," Episcopal Women's Club at St. John's Church
 19, Student Government Banquet, Clemson
 20, "On Politics and Politicians," S.C. Student Legislature, Elks Club, Columbia
 26, Campaign Meeting, Florence
 27, Beaufort Rotary Club
 28, "Politics and Politicians," Sertoma Club, Beaufort
 31 [May 1?] May Family Reunion, Saluda
- May:
- 4, "S.C. Government and Politics," Citadel Cadets, Charleston
 6, Campaign Meeting, Anderson
 10, Campaign Meeting, Winthrop College, Rock Hill
 17, Chiropractors' Convention, Florence [also Tri-County Employees, Anderson, May 19, 1967?]
 19, Editors of Jewelry Publications, Guests of the Elgin National Watch Co., Columbia
 20, Charleston Sertoma Club

- 23, Campaign Meeting, Charleston
- 26, Commencement Address, McBee High School
- 30, Memorial Day Speech

June:

- 7, S.C. Fireman's Association, Charleston
- 8, "Understanding the Evils of Communism," Palmetto Girls' State, Columbia
- 10, Campaign Meeting, Columbia
- 12, Formal Dedication of the Horry-Marion-Georgetown Technical Education Center
- 28, Liberty Lions Club Ladies' Night, Pickens County Country Club

July:

- 16, Opportunity School Graduation
- 17, "Religion and Our Government," Camp Greenville
- 26, "Tomorrow Belongs to the Educated," Charleston Optimist Club

Aug.:

- 1, Aiken Rotary Club
- 2, "The 1966 General Assembly," Kiwanis Club
- 5, Clerks of Court, Myrtle Beach
- 12, Lancaster Rotary Club
- 14, Graduating Class of the S.C. Baptist Hospital School of Nursing
- 17, Easley Rotary Club
- 19, Graduation Address, York County Technical Center

Sept.:

- 8, Upper S.C. State Fair Political Rally
- 12, Moderator, "What's Ahead for U.S. 1?" U.S. No. 1 Highway Association
- 15, "Education: A Necessity, Not a Luxury," KCoEA [Kershaw County Education Association?]
- 16, Five Points Rotary Club, Columbia
- 19, Myrtle Beach Rotary Club
- 23, National Federated Craft No. 136 [also Square and Compass Club, Charleston AFB, Oct. 16, 1966]

Oct.:

- 3, North Charleston Rotary Club
- 4, Union Rotary Club
- 12, Columbus Day, Convention, S.C. Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Columbia
- 18, Chester Rotary Club
- 20, Sumter Jaycees
- 21, Statement answering Republican charge of West receiving cash from national Democrats in 1964 election, Charleston

Nov.:

- 20, Dedication of Darlington Court House
- 21, "What's Ahead for South Carolina," Columbia Rotary Club
- 22, Columbia Chamber of Commerce Pre-Legislative Forum
- 23, Charleston Chamber of Commerce Pre-Legislative Forum
- 29, Greenville Chamber of Commerce Pre-Legislative Forum

Dec. 20, Charleston County Young Democrats

c. 1966:

- Speech Honoring Dr. [A.G.D.?] Wiles of the Citadel
- "The Importance of One Vote" [speech material]
- Tuomey Hospital School of Nursing
- "Speech at Charleston": "Politicking over the whole state of South Carolina..."

c. 1964-66 Nomination Speech of Ray Alexander for Governor, Carolinas District, Camden, South Carolina Club

c. 1965-66, May 2, Rotary Club

1967:

Jan.:

- 3, Business and Professional Women's Club and AAUW, Anderson
- 19, Remarks upon Assuming Position of Presiding Officer of the Senate
- 26, Cheraw Jaycees
- c. Jan., "Lt. Gov. West Cites Needed Adjustments," Columbia Rotary Club

Feb.:

- 1, Augusta Road PTA, Greenville

- 10, Mobile Home Association of the Carolinas
 - 11, "Patriotism," Knights of Columbus
 - 15, Colonial Night Signs
 - 15, S.C. Dairy Association
 - 16, St. John's Episcopal Church
 - 19, Annual Mid-Winter Meeting of Charleston Jaycees
 - 22, "Freedom Week," Florence Sertoma Club
 - 23, National Engineering Society
 - 23, Lions Club Ladies' Night, Lake City
 - 27, Hire Handicapped Program
- Mar.:
- 2, Providence Progressive Club Ladies' Night, Providence
 - 3, Jasper Chamber of Commerce [also Moncks Corner Chamber of Commerce, Apr. 12, 1967]
 - 8, Easter Seal Society
 - 9, Campus Christian Life Crusade, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Spartanburg
 - 13, Patriotism Week, Eau Claire High School, Columbia
 - 19, Spring Meeting, Associated Credit Bureaus of S.C.
 - 24, Farmers' Co-op
- Apr.:
- 3, Retired N.C.O.s, Fort Jackson
 - 3, "South Carolina on the Move," Greenwood Kiwanis Club [also South Carolina Auto Dealers, Apr. 4, 1967, and Industrial Developers Association, May 4, 1967]
 - 8, Pickens County Scholastic Awards
 - 11, Marlboro Electric Co-op, Inc. Annual Meeting
 - 15, "South Carolina Government and Politics," S.C. Political Science Association at the Citadel
 - 20, Greenville Arts Festival
 - 22, "South Carolina's Role--Responsibility in Tomorrow's Education," Columbia College AAUP
 - 29, Speech for the Greater Issues Series, the Citadel
- May:
- 1, 40th Anniversary, Charles McGee Byrd Post 120, American Legion, Seneca
 - 1, "Responsibilities of Christian Leadership in Today's World," Baptist College, Charleston
 - 12, "Wade Hampton," Rivers Bridge Confederate Memorial Association 91st Annual Celebration
 - 14, "Education in South Carolina Today," Marion PTA
 - 19, SCMHA [South Carolina Mental Health Association?] Awards Meeting
 - 20, Ruritan First Annual Convention [also Greenwood Civitan Club, May 24, 1967]
 - 25, Father-Son Banquet, Fairview Presbyterian Church, North Augusta
 - 28, Baccalaureate Service, North Charleston High School, First Baptist Church, North Charleston
 - 29, Commencement, Carlisle Military Academy, Bamberg
 - 30, Memorial Day 1967
- June:
- 1, Anderson Kiwanis Club
 - 2, Telephone Pioneers of America, Chapter 61, Myrtle Beach
 - 7, Palmetto Boys State, Charleston
 - 8, Graduation Speech, Palmer College, Charleston
 - 8, Palmetto Boys State, Charleston
 - 12, Sertoma, Stan Smith Towne House
 - 12, Richland Tech Graduation
 - 15, Moncks Corner Rotary Club
 - 21, Licensed Independent Small Loan Association of S.C. Convention
- July:
- 4, Peach Festival, Gilbert
 - 10, Palmetto Sertoma Club [also Cayce Rotary Club, August 1, 1967]
 - 24, Adult Basic Education Administrators
 - 28, National Honor Society, Russell House [USC?]
- Aug.:
- 9, S.C. National Guard Association [Greenville]
 - 13, St. John's Methodist Church Ladies' Night, Rock Hill
 - 14, In-Service Education Drive-In for Adult Educators

- 15, Commencement, Adult Education Program of Union County
- 18, Spartanburg Tech Graduation
- 19, Greenville Tech Graduation
- 21, "Politics and the Young Lawyer," Columbia Lawyers' Club
- 27, S.C. School and College Relations Committee, Charleston

Oct.:

- 1, Fall Board Meeting, Federation of BP & W Clubs [Business and Professional Women?]
- 17, Annual Civic Night Program, Columbia BP&W [also possibly Pee Dee Foundation for the Handicapped, Oct. 26, 1967?]
- 18, Senior Citizens' Day at the S.C. State Fair
- 22, "The Importance of Quality Education to South Carolina," Fall Conference of School Superintendents, Myrtle Beach

Nov.:

- 2, Ninety-Six Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting
- 6, "The Foreign Tourist Market," Ocean Highway Regional Conference, Charleston
- 6, S.C. Plant Food Educational Society, Columbia
- 7, "The Foreign Policy of South Carolina," Spartanburg Rotary Club
- 8, S.C. Restaurant Association, Columbia
- 9, Darlington County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting
- 10, "Problems and Promise for South Carolina in the Next Two Decades," Clemson BSU [Baptist Student Union?] Senior Forum
- 10, Abbeville High School
- 16, "Education, Enterprise, and Government--A Triad of Progress," Carolina Trainers Association
- 16, Walterboro Press and Standard's Correspondents' Association
- 21, "International Trade and Tourism--A Bright Spot in South Carolina's Future," Propeller Club, Charleston

Dec.:

- 1, "A South Carolina Politician Looks at Human Relations," People-to-People Week, Florence
- 4, Walterboro Lions Club
- 5, American Legion, Johnston Memorial Post
- 15, "Proposed Remarks for the Governor at the Presentation of the Quality Award by Montgomery Ward Company to Skyline Manufacturing Company"
- 18, Ruritan Ladies' Night

c. 1967:

- "Points for Caucus" [proposed constitutional amendment]
- Twenty-eighth Annual Convention, S.C. Beer Association
- Charleston [constitutional revision]
- World War II and Communism
- Richland County Legislative Delegation

1968:

Jan.:

- 8, "South Carolina Needs a New Constitution," Columbia Lions Club
- 15, "Today's Challenge to Education in S.C.," Aiken PTA Council
- 16, Union County Adult Education Graduation
- 18, Farmer of the Year, Citizen of the Year, Kingstree Chamber of Commerce
- 20, "The Young Lawyer's Role in S.C. Today," Young Lawyers' Club, Charleston
- 29, Mental Health Association, Beaufort - Jasper County Annual Meeting
- 30, Dedication of Beaufort Health Center

Feb.:

- 2, "Leadership," Alpha Phi Omega
- 8, Pickens Jaycees DSA [Distinguished Service Awards?] and Bosses' Night
- 12, "Education on Statewide Level," J. L. Mann PTA [Greenville?]
- 15, Freedom Week, Charleston Sertoma Club
- 19, National Peach Association, 27th Annual Meeting, Charleston
- 20, CLU [S.C. development and education]
- 22, Four Holes Gin Company, Inc. Customer Appreciation Supper, Orangeburg
- 25, Dedication of Hessie Morrah and Lawrence Hester Cottages at John De La Howe School
- 26, West Columbia Jaycees DSA [Distinguished Service Awards], Cayce

Mar.:

- 7, Chester Girls' Club
- 11, "The South Since World War II," Coker College
- 13, Memorial Service for Senator Raymond Love "Buck" Gamble
- 21, Lions Club Ladies' Night, Williston
- 21, CCI [Central Correctional Institution] Jaycees, S.C. State Penitentiary
- 22, Charleston Chamber of Commerce
- 24, Charleston Action Council
- 28, Georgetown Chamber of Commerce

Apr.:

- 4, Remarks on the Opening of the South Carolina Health and Science Fair, Greenville
- 5, "Participation," St. Andrews Council of Civic Clubs
- 5, Howard Speaks Bridge [Dedication]
- 9, Dedication of Hystron Fibers, Inc., Spartanburg
- 18, Greenville Humane Society Annual Dinner Meeting
- 19, STAR (Student-Teacher Achievement Recognition), Columbia
- 23, Men's Club, Eastminster Presbyterian Church [Columbia?]
- 25, "Enlightened Sanitation Personnel," Interstate Sanitation Seminar, Charleston
- 25, Fountain Inn Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting
- 26, South Carolina County Administrators Association, Clemson
- 29, "Plans and Development in Education in South Carolina," York County Education Association
- Apr., Groundbreaking for U.S. Steel and Aluminum Products Corporation

May:

- 3, Barnwell High School Law Day Program
- 6, Chapin Ruritan Ladies' Night
- 6, Woodruff Rotary Club
- 6, Dedication of Bendix Corporation's Columbia Plant
- c. 7, "Economics in State Government," Omicron Delta Epsilon of USC
- 8, Richland Soil and Water Conservation District
- 13, Irmo High School Boosters' Club
- 14, Inman Merchants' Bureau
- 14, Kiwanis Club
- 17, Revco Announcement [new Lexington County facility]
- 18, South Carolina Textile Manufacturers' Association, Sea Island, GA
- 18, SCBA Convention, Introduction of Lt. Gov. George Nigh of Oklahoma
- 19, Dedication of James F. Byrnes Academy, Quinby
- 26, Memorial Day Speech
- 30, Commencement Speech, Columbia Commercial College, Allendale Salkehatchie Regional Campus

June:

- 4, Palmetto Girls State
- 6, "I Need A Doctor," Medical College of South Carolina Graduation, Charleston
- 7, Palmetto Boys State
- 20, "Response of the State to Community Needs," Research Forum V, USC
- 25, Bennettsville Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting

July:

- 9, Anderson County Medical Association, Anderson
- 11, Dedication of Wallace D. Connor Bridge, Kingstree
- 11, Creation of Mental Retardation Department
- 15, Columbia Rotary Club
- 16, Darlington Jaycees' DSA and Ladies' Night
- 25, South Carolina Hospital Association Annual Summer Meeting, Myrtle Beach

Aug.:

- 6, St. Matthews Lions Club
- 12, "The Moody Report," Charleston Kiwanis Club
- 23, Annual Meeting of the Savings and Loan Association, Freeport, Bahamas [also S.C. Labor Council, Sept. 7, 1967] [Possibly Aug. 23, 1967?]

Sept.:

- 11, "Community Service," St. Eugene Hospital Jubilee, Dillon

- 11, DAR Speech [Constitution]
- 13, "The Resource of the Human Spirit," Columbia College Opening Convocation
- 18, Governor's Statewide Fire Conference
- 19, Military Order of World War
- 25, Greenville Women's Club
- 27, "The Christian Community's Responsibility," Christian Action Conference

Oct.:

- 13, Elementary-Secondary Education Administrators Fall Conference
- 16, DeMolay, Greenville
- 17, Frank Sloan Night [Albert Watson's Democratic opponent for Congress]

Nov.:

- 1, NAACP Banquet Honoring National Executive Director Roy Wilkins, Manning
- 5, "Leadership, Scholarship," Beta Club
- 11, Veterans Day Address, Lancaster
- 13, First Infantry Division, South Carolina Chapter, Inaugural Meeting
- 13, S.C. Library Association Trustees' Workshop
- 26, Col[umbia?] C[hamber?] of Com[merce?]

Dec.:

- 4, Masons' Annual Meeting, Landmark Lodge
- 9, "The Change...from Agriculture to Industry"
- 11, "Understanding," Boy Scout Leaders

c. 1968:

- "A South Carolina Politician Looks at Human Relations"
- "Notes for Lt. Gov. West" [concerning export promotion]
- Barbecue King, Inc. of Greenville, S.C.
- Introduction of Miss Eve Adams, 29th Director, U.S. Mint
- Columbia Citadel Club
- Richland Kiwanis Club
- Twenty-third Annual Meeting of the South Carolina State Employees Association
- Moody Report
- Bennettsville Kiwanis Ladies' Night Honoring Law Enforcement Officers
- Wofford College Young Democrats [Moody Report]
- DAR Constitution Week

1969:

Jan.:

- 14, "Issues Before the General Assembly," Charleston
- 24, Seneca Jaycees' DSA
- 27, "Community Development," Ware Shoals Jaycees
- 27, American Business Club

Feb.:

- 6, "Moody's and Mental Health," Annual Meeting of the Mid-Carolina Mental Health Association, Columbia
- 10, Exchange Club, Clinton
- 23, Buffalo Baptist Church

Mar.:

- 6, Social Welfare Forum, Greenville
- 7, "The Challenge of Higher Education in S.C.," Social Survey Club Speech
- 8, "Citizenship—It's Up to Youth to Care," Future Homemakers of America, Camden
- 10, Clemson American Legion Post
- 12, Argument before Supreme Court, B.C. Moore v. S.C. Tax Commission
- 17, Association of the United States Army
- 22, Crusade of the Americas Prayer Breakfast
- 23, First United Methodist Church, Myrtle Beach
- 27, Greenville Lions Club Ladies' Night
- 28, State National Honor Society, Conway
- 31, "Leadership," ODK [Omicron Delta Kappa?] President's Banquet

Apr.:

- 1, "Justice and Equality Depend Upon Law and You," Presbyterian College, Law Day USA

- 12, Centenary Missionary Conference, Board of Missions, United Methodist Church
 - 26, Teenage Democratic Clubs of South Carolina
 - 28, "The Industrial Growth in South Carolina..." AVCO Lycoming Management Club, Charleston
- May:
- 2, "Future of the Democratic Party and South Carolina," Catawba Society
 - 4, Dedication of Greenwood Vocational Facility [also used for Dedication of Camden Vocational Facility, May 11, 1969]
 - 6, Charleston Business and Professional Men's Association
 - 6, Remarks by Gov. Robert E. McNair to Pineland Conference, Faith Chapel, Crafts-Farrow Hospital [possibly given by West on behalf of McNair?]
 - 9, "Vocational Education," Annual Banquet of Greenville FHA and FFA
 - 10, Cedar Springs School, South Carolina Association of the Deaf and Blind
 - 10, Governor's Conference on the Arts
 - 13, National Rehabilitation Association, Region IV, Charleston
 - 17, American Academy of Achievement
 - 18, Commencement Exercises, Limestone College, Gaffney
 - 19, Regional Beautification/Litter Prevention Conference, Keep America Beautiful/Parks, Recreation and Tourism, Columbia
 - 21, Commencement Exercises, Morris College, Sumter
 - 26, Charleston Lions Club
 - 26, Graduation, Socastee High School, Myrtle Beach [also used for Cross High School Graduation, June 1, 1969]
 - 29, Fairfax Lions Club Ladies' Night
 - c. 30, Memorial Day 1969
 - c. 30, Memorial Day 1969, Greenwood
 - c. 30, Memorial Day 1969, Abbeville
 - 31, Commencement, Florence Regional Campus, USC
- June:
- 1, Commencement, Spartanburg Regional Campus, USC
 - 2, Sumter Rotary Club
 - 4, Palmetto Boys State, the Citadel
 - 9, "Commitment to Youth," Columbia Rotary Club
 - 9, Fireman's Association State Convention, Spartanburg
 - 11, South Carolina Forestry Association
 - 18, "Our Social Conscience—Its Existence—Its Implementation," Southern Regional Institute of the National Association of Social Workers, Charleston
 - 19, Florence Kiwanis Club, Florence
 - 24, Bosses' Night, American Business Women's Association, Anderson Chapter
- July:
- 3, Convention of the Blind
 - 4, Portion of Speech for Patriotic Day, Trenholm Park, Columbia
 - 7, Hampton Rotary Club Ladies' Night
 - 11, Greenwood Kiwanis Club [also used for Anderson Lions Club, July 17, 1969]
 - 15, Sheriff's Association
- Aug.:
- 3, "The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit"
 - 3 [?], Opening Session, Pentecostal Holiness Church Camp Meeting
 - 5, Young Democrats
 - 10, "The Resurrection"
 - 12, League of Women Voters of South Carolina, Columbia
 - 13, South Carolina Association of Probate Judges, Camden
 - 18, Trinity Methodist Church, Spartanburg
 - 22, Graduation, Florence-Darlington Technical Education Center
 - 25, "Constitution," North Charleston Rotary Club
- Sept.:
- 5, "Professionalizing the Police"
 - 16, "Thrusts for Orderly Development," Governor's Conference on Water Resources, Charleston
 - 19, Haven of Rest, Anderson

22-24, European Speech Made at London and Brussels Luncheons
29, Catawba Valley Hosiery Association, North Carolina

Oct.:

1, Orangeburg County Education Association
8, "South Carolina on the Move," Spartanburg Firemen
13, Pee Dee Region Comprehensive Survey, Florence
16, "South Carolina Government—The Executive," Converse College, S & H Institute on State and Local Government and Constitutional Revision
18, S.C. School Food Service Association, Columbia
20, Aiken Lions Club
23, S.C. Forestry Association

Nov.:

4, Carolinas Council of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, Raleigh, NC
6, College Business Symposium, State Fair Grounds
9, Dedication of North Augusta High School
10, Associated General Contractors, Carolinas Branch, Hollywood, FL
11, Veterans Day Speech, Aynor
11, Kiwanis Club, Conway
11, Gallivants Ferry
20, Opening of the Regional Office, S.C. Safety Council, Greenville
24, Dedication of George Warren Lake

Dec.:

3, Governor's Conference on Industrial Manpower, Columbia
8, Marion Rotary Club
8, Announcement, Timken Roller Bearing Company, Gaffney
9, Westminster Rotary Club
9, Oconee County Speech
c. 22, Engineers Society Ladies' Night

c. 1969:

"Preliminary Suggestions for the Development of McClellanville, S.C., as a Transient Tourist Destination"
Agriculture
Basic Speech, Moody Report, Florence
Foundation Seed Association
Recreation
"Financial Responsibility Law and Uninsured Motorists Funds"
Proposed Statements for Royal Consumer Products [Dedication?]
Tourism, South of the Border, Dillon
Sumter County Mental Health Association

1970:

Jan.:

5, South Carolina Probation and Parole Institute, SLED Academy, Columbia
6, Suggested Remarks, Groundbreaking for Midland-Ross Corporation, Georgetown
12, Mauldin Jaycees Distinguished Service Awards and Bosses' Night Banquet
15, Annual Merchants' Association Ladies' Night
16, Delinquency Prevention Conference, Columbia College
19, "Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow in South Carolina--Political Responses to State Problems," Wofford College, Spartanburg
23, "Not Culture--Courage," Red Carpet, Charleston
23, Telephone Company, Charleston
25, Dedication Address for Chesterfield - Marlboro Technical Education Center, Cheraw
29, Kershaw County Mental Health Association, Camden
30, "Partners in Progress for South Carolina," Charleston Industrial Education Center Graduation
Jan., News Conference on Implied Consent Program [Blood alcohol testing for drivers]

Feb.:

5, Low Country Retired Officers' Association, Beaufort
12, Anderson County Education Association, Anderson
18, Greenwood Education Association
19, Chester Jaycees' DSA Banquet

- 20, Greenville Telephone Employees
 - 22, "Why the Layman Should Become Involved in Politics," St. Martin's-in-the-Fields
 - 23, Columbia Exchange Club [gubernatorial announcement]
 - 23, Sales and Marketing Executives of Greenville
 - 27, General Session of the S.C. Home Economics Association, Charleston
 - 27, "Engineers v. Politics," Society of Professional Engineers, Catawba Chapter
- Mar.:
- 6, Sigma Xi, Clemson
 - 8, North Myrtle Beach Civitan Club First Annual Governmental Prayer Breakfast
- Apr.:
- 6, Student Council, High School of Charleston, Patriotism Week
 - 6, Cayce-West Columbia Jaycees [drug problem]
 - 8, "Implications of Budget Bureau Circular A-95 for Comprehensive Health Planning," Seminar for Comprehensive Health Providers and Planners, Columbia
 - 14 [16?], "109,500 Days (300 Years)," Dillon County Historical Society, Lake View
 - 17, Remarks, Georgetown [Groundbreaking or Dedication for Georgetown Steel, Korf Industries?]
 - 22, "Assignment from Society: Legislative Assets of the Moody Report"
 - 23, Press Release Concerning Drug Abuse, with speech notes
- c. Mar.-Apr., Young Democrats, Erskine College, Due West
- May:
- 1, Freedom Shrine Dedication, Deer Park Baptist School, Goose Creek
 - 2, "State Government and the Metropolitan Problem," The Citadel
 - 6, Sediment Conference, Columbia
 - 12, Mayer & Cie (USA), Inc. Announcement, Orangeburg
 - 16, District Exchange Clubs, Myrtle Beach
 - 20, Testimony before the Ways and Means Committee, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. [textile industry]
 - 25, "Education," North Spartanburg Rotary Club
 - 28, Annual Meeting, Mid-Carolina Chapter, Muscular Dystrophy Association of America, Columbia
 - 29, Wade Hampton High School Commencement Speech, Hampton
 - 30, Commencement Address, The Citadel [West receives honorary Doctor of Laws degree]
- June:
- 5, Graduation, Columbia Industrial Education Center
 - 5, Palmetto Boys State [not used]
 - 30, "Profiles of Involvement in Land and Water Resource Issues," Keynote Address, Fourth National Conference of Federal and State Water Officials, Charleston
- July:
- 9, Kiwanis Club [Clinton?]
 - 21, Optimist Club
 - 22, Groundbreaking Speech, International Modular Systems of S.C., Inc., Winnsboro
 - 30, "Health Care in South Carolina--Crisis or Challenge," S.C. Hospital Association, Myrtle Beach
- Aug.:
- 11, Annual Vocational Teachers Conference, Clemson University
 - 20, St. Andrews Rotary Club
 - 27, Lions Club, Moncks Corner
- Sept.:
- 13, "The Hellenistic Age and Our Own," Sunday School Lesson
 - 20, Salley Manufacturing Company Dedication
- Oct.:
- 16, Announcement of General Electric Company Communication Systems Division Mobile Radio Department, Florence
 - 26, Charleston Lions Club
 - 26, Medical University
 - 28, Seminar on Housing
 - c. Oct., Education and Desegregation
- Nov.:
- 18, 1970 Highway Patrolman of the Year
 - 20, Mafco Textured Fibers Dedication, McBee

- 30, Chamber of Commerce Dinner, Columbia
Dec. 15, Propeller Club, Charleston
c. 1970:
Clean Campaign, Issues, Textiles, Negatives
Marion County Education Association
Five Minute TV Speech—Schools
Spartanburg Fund Raising
“Textile Imports and South Carolina”
Industrial Development, Pollution Control
“Vocational Education”
Speech at Francis Marion College?
Civitan, Charleston
“New jobs and new payrolls...” Campaign speech on education, Spartanburg
c. 1967-1970:
Dec. 4, “The Beneficial Use of Our Natural Resources: Prepared in Mind and Resources,” S.C.
Association of Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors
Mauldin
Hospital Dedication
Groundbreaking Ceremonies for Charleston County Self-Help Housing Project
Darlington Veneer Co., Inc.
Announcement, Becton-Dickinson Plant, Sumter
Announcement, Hanes Hosiery Plant, Hartsville
“Response of the State to Community Needs”
Camden Kiwanis Legislative Report
Orangeburg Secretaries
Clyde Graham Appreciation Night
Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States
Lexington Jaycees DSA Banquet, Lexington High School
1971:
Jan.:
5, remarks on coming term as governor
19, Inaugural Address
27, State of the State Message
28, Youth Training Session, State Economic Opportunity Office, Columbia
30, Commencement Speech, USC
Feb.:
2, Convention of the South Carolina Association of School Boards, Columbia
10, S.C. College Council, Columbia
18, Address to Joint Session of the General Assembly [automobile liability insurance]
18, S.C. Industrial Developers Association, Columbia
24, Testimony before Senate Subcommittee on Employment, Manpower and Poverty, Washington, D.C.
Mar.:
11, Annual Governor's Conference on Travel
15, Testimony before Subcommittee on Flood Control & Internal Development, Committee on
Public Works, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.
16, Statement before Special Subcommittee on Economic Development, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.
23, Dedication of Francis C. Jones Bridge
24, Unveiling of Portrait of L. Mendel Rivers, S.C. House of Representatives
26, S.C. Association of School Administrators at the S.C. Education Association Convention
26, S.C. Education Association Convention
Apr.:
5, Southern Area Meeting, National Association of State Boards of Education, Charleston
15, Statement to Subcommittee on Oceans and Atmosphere, Senate Committee on Commerce,
Washington, D.C.
16, S.C. Association of Counties, Columbia
20, Clemson Fellowship Club, Clemson
23, Dedication of Verona Corporation Plant, Bushy Park, Charleston

- 24, National Convention, Guild of St. Barnabas for Nurses, Greenville
- 24, Municipal Association, Myrtle Beach
- 26, Beaufort Chamber of Commerce, Beaufort
- 26, Carolinas Council of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, Francis Marion Hotel, Charleston
- 26, Churchmen's Conference on Hunger, Columbia [see May 7, 1971]
- 28, Annual Spring Conference, Southeastern States Boating Law Administrators, Charleston
- 28, Cayce-West Columbia Chamber of Commerce, Swain's Restaurant, Cayce
- 30, S.C. Bar Association, Myrtle Beach
- 30, Statement before Subcommittee on Oceans and Atmosphere, Committee on Commerce, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.

May:

- 3, S.C. Coroners Association, Columbia
- 3, Fiftieth Anniversary Dinner, Spartanburg General Hospital, Spartanburg
- 4, Meeting of Statewide Electric Cooperative Executives, Columbia
- 5, Dedication of New South Wing, Archives Building, Columbia
- 5, Dedication of Williamsburg Manpower Center
- 7, Churchmen's Conference on Hunger, Columbia [see April 26, 1971]
- 10, Interprofessional Meeting of Architects, Engineers, Planners, and Landscape Architects, Columbia
- 12, Meeting of S.C. Magistrates, Columbia
- 20, Dedication of Robinson Nuclear Unit, Hartsville
- 21, S.C. Textile Manufacturing Association, Sea Island, GA

June:

- 1, State Chamber of Commerce Directors
- 7, Girls State, Columbia
- 7, S.C. State Fireman's Association, Greenville
- 8, Governor's Dinner, Greenville
- 11, Boys State
- 11, S.C. Public Health Association, Myrtle Beach
- 13, Adult Education Coordinators Conference, Myrtle Beach
- 16, S.C. Law Enforcement Officers Association Convention, Florence
- 17, Southern Textile Association Annual Meeting, Asheville, N.C.
- 21, Union County Chamber of Commerce, Union
- 23, TEC Leadership Conference, Columbia
- June [?], Greater West Columbia-Cayce Chamber of Commerce

July:

- 11, "Mixing Politics and Religion," Sunday School Lesson [?]
- 14, Regional CAMPS (Cooperative Area Manpower Planning Systems) Conference, Jacksonville, FL
- 16, National Conference of Lieutenant Governors, Sun Valley, Idaho
- 22, Festival of Flowers, Greenwood
- 28, Probation, Parole and Pardon Board and Officers-in-Service School, Columbia

c. June-July, Management Study Speech

Aug.:

- 7, Laymen's Weekend, Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Bonclarken Assembly Ground, Flat Rock, N.C.
- 20, S.C. Association of Counties, Columbia
- 20, Annual Convention, Homebuilders Association of S.C., Myrtle Beach
- 23, Charleston Lions Club

Sept.:

- 1, Faculty and Staff Workshop, Columbia College, Columbia
- 18, Dedication of the E. Roy Stone, Jr. War Veterans Pavilion, Columbia
- 21, North Greenville Junior College, Tigerville
- 21, Governor's Conference on Water Resources, Columbia
- 23, Testimony before U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, Subcommittee on Rural Development
- 24, Charleston Sertoma Club

Oct.:

- 12, Fall Rally, Men of the Piedmont Presbytery, Central Presbyterian Church, Anderson
- 13, Town and Gown Club, Columbia

- 15, "Taking Christ Seriously in the 70's," Presbyterian Governors' Panel, Presbyterian Convention, Atlanta, GA
- 29, Dedication of William James Gooding Bridge, Highway 95, Santee
- 29, Officers Banquet, 363rd Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, Shaw Air Force Base, Sumter
- Nov.:
- 1, Sumter Chamber of Commerce
 - 3, Governor's Conference on Student Volunteerism, Columbia
 - 4, Governor's Conference on Education, Columbia
 - 5, Timken Roller Bearing Company Plant Dedication, Gaffney
 - 11, Governor's Conference on Land Use Planning, Columbia
 - 12, Trustee Meeting, S.C. Foundation of Independent Colleges, New York City
 - 13, Fall Luncheon, S.C. Democratic Women's Council, Columbia
 - 19, Symposium on the Rural South: Problems and Possibilities, Erskine College and Erskine Theological Seminary, Due West
 - 28, Carolighting Ceremony
 - 29, Dedication of Waste Treatment Plant, Charleston
 - 30, Address to St. Andrews Society, Charleston
- Dec.:
- 2, Annual Meeting, Association of Electric Cooperatives, Columbia
 - 3, Groundbreaking Ceremonies, Pee Dee Regional Center, S.C. Department of Mental Retardation, Florence [not delivered due to weather]
 - 4, National Achievement Week Observance, Omega Phi Psi Fraternity, Carolinas Chapters, Columbia
 - 7, Byliner Awards Dinner, Sigma Delta Chi, Columbia
 - 11, Twenty-fifth Anniversary Dinner, S.C. Air National Guard
- c. 1971:
- Address at Frankfurt, Germany
 - "The Challenge of Crime to Probation and Parole," Parole Board
 - STAR Program [Student Teacher Achievement Recognition], Cheraw
 - Report of Human Resources Committee, Southern Governor's Conference Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA
- 1972:
- Jan.:
- 12, State of the State Message
 - 28, Acceptance of Management Review Study, Columbia
- Mar. 29, Introduction of Wendell Ford, Democratic Party State Convention
- Apr., "Methods of Financing Public Education," Japan
- May 14, Sunday School Lesson, Rock Hill Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church
- July 14, Address to S.C. General Assembly [Close of session]
- Sept. 20, Eulogy for Senator J. P. (Spot) Mazingo, Darlington
- Oct.:
- 2, Liquor Laws
 - 26, Introduction of R. Sargent Shriver, Democratic Candidate, State House, Columbia
 - 27, Dedication of Freedman Workshop Activities Center, Freedman Vocational High School, Aiken County [?]
- Nov. 26, Carolighting Service, State House, Columbia
- Dec.:
- 1, Annual Banquet, S.C. Association of Colleges, Clemson University, Clemson
 - 4, Coastal Plains Human Development Coordinating Council, Columbia
- 1973:
- Jan.:
- 5, Dedication, Calhoun-Orangeburg Vocational Educational Center
 - 16, State of the State Message
 - c. Jan. 22, Office of Economic Opportunity
- Feb. 26, Greater Charleston Home Builders Association, Charleston
- Apr. 13, Air Force ROTC Dining-In, The Citadel, Charleston
- Aug. 5, "Politics and Religion," First Baptist Church, Easley
- Sept. 18, Trustee Meeting, S.C. Foundation of Independent Colleges, University Club, New York City
- Oct. 18, Student Nurses Association of S.C., USC, Columbia
- Dec. 3, Address to Special Session, S.C. General Assembly, Charleston [200th Anniversary of founding of

General Assembly]

c. 1973:

Drayton Hall Plantation
 "S.C.'s Number One Hero" [Introduction of Charles Duke, astronaut]

1974:

Jan. 9, State of the State Message

May:

5, Winthrop College Commencement, Rock Hill

26, Erskine College Commencement, Due West

Sept.:

3, Southern Innkeepers Association, Hilton Head Island

26, Statement on Disqualification of Charles D. (Pug) Ravenel as Gubernatorial Candidate

1975:

Jan. 8, 50th Anniversary Dinner, Duke Endowment, Columbia

May 5, National Association of State Boards of Education, Scottsdale, AZ

June 29, Memorial Service for Senator Edgar A. Brown, S.C. Senate, Columbia

Oct. 12, "200 Years of Christian Influence in (on) Our Government," North Charleston United Methodist Church

1975, Commencement Speech

c. 1971-75:

"One Nation, Indivisible..." [Poverty and economic development; Southern Governors' Conference?]

"Welcome to Sigma Delta Chi"

Press Briefing

Third Annual Meeting, S.C. Association of United Funds and Councils

"The Christian Ethic in Politics"

ARP [Associate Reformed Presbyterian?] Laymen's Weekend

Meeting of Japanese-American Governors

Campus Christian Life

Address at USC Spartanburg?

1976:

Jan. 29, Association of Trial Lawyers of America, Las Vegas, NV

Mar. 25, Thinktime Program, Rural Health Services, USC, Santee State Park

May 20, Third International Trade Conference, "South Carolina—Portal to the Middle East: Iran, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia," Charleston

Sept. 22, S.C. District Export Council, Greenville

Oct. 11, Richland Sertoma Club

[1977, April 30, Introduction of King Hussein at the Southern Center for International Studies, Atlanta:

See Personal, Topical, Southern Council on International and Public Affairs]

1978, Nov. 6, Illinois Oil Jobbers Association, Hilton Head

1979, Apr. 12, Forum Club of Houston

1980:

Mar. 18, Economic Conference, Athens

Apr. 9, Spartanburg Chamber of Commerce

Nov. 24, "A Saudi Look at the U.S.," Southern Gas Association, Palm Beach, FL

1981:

Jan. 20, American Businessmen of Riyadh

Sept.:

8, Governor's Banking Conference on Local Development Financing

17, "Legal Implications of Doing Business in the Arab Peninsula," Seminar – "Trading with the Arabian Peninsula," USC-Spartanburg

Oct. 28, H. H. Presbyterian

Nov.:

18, The Patent Law Association of Chicago, Chicago, IL

22, Eighth Annual Investment Conference, National Committee for Monetary Reform, New Orleans, LA

c.1981, "Outline Speech – HRH" [Possibly draft talking points by West for member of Saudi royal family?]

1982:

Jan. 12, Arab-Israeli Relations, John West Lecture Series, The Citadel, Charleston

Feb. 13, G.E. Science and Technology Exhibition, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

- Mar. 17, Sea Pines
Apr.:
 16, Saudi Arabian Investment [?]
 17, Tribute to the Hon. Solomon Blatt, Democratic Convention, Columbia
May:
 14, Second International Conference on Development of the Arabian Peninsula
 22, Naval Academy Foreign Affairs Conference
 Aug. 2, Boston Institutional Services (Citibank)
 Sept. 2, S.C. Textile Manufacturers Association, Kiawah Island
 Oct. 5, "The Middle East and American Policy," "Politics for Better or Worse," Presbyterian College, Clinton
Nov.:
 6, Davidson College
 11, Spring Valley High School, Columbia
 15, "U.S. Diplomatic Policy Toward the Middle East," Middle East Economic Outlook Conference
 c. Nov., Brezhnev's Death
Dec.:
 13, Council of Twenty-One, Appointed by the Alabama Higher Education Commission, Selma, AL
 25, "The Importance of the Middle East," The Citadel [possibly Jan. 12, 1982]
 c.1982, Dinner Honoring the Hon. Daniel R. McLeod
 c.1981-1982, Saudi Arabia [partial]
1983:
 Jan. 12, "Saudi Arabia: The Geopolitical Outlook," National Foreign Trade Council Foundation, New York
Mar.:
 4, "A Crisis of Confidence and Credibility on Both Sides," American-Arab Affairs Council
 17, S.C. Industrial Developers Association, Hilton Head
 20, "The Need, the Challenge, the Faith," Congaree Presbytery, Rally for Presbyterian Home in Columbia
June 23, "The Mid-East: the U.S.'s Economic and Political Dilemma," California Society of CPAs, Maui, HI
July 31, Summer Invitational Conference of Community Colleges for International Development, Cable, WI
Aug. 19, Presentation of Portrait of Judge A. Lee Chandler, S.C. Trial Lawyers
Nov.:
 21, "Update on Mid-East," Metrolina World Trade Club, Charlotte, NC
 29, Hilton Head Bar Association
Dec.:
 5, St. Luke's United Methodist, Lancaster (Elgin)
 14, "New Approach to Quality Education in S.C."
 c.1982-1983, U.S. and the Middle East
1984:
 Mar. 5, Palmetto Business Forum, Columbia
 Apr. 12, "The Current Mid-East Situation," Presbyterian Men's Club
 May 16, "New Beginnings: Past and Present," Spartanburg [honoring Dick Tukey?]
June:
 14, "The Crisis in the Mid-East," Control Data Lawyers, Venice
 17, "The Age of Crises: Crises in the Mid-East," The Citadel Alumni College
 20, Litton Data Command Systems, San Fernando Valley, CA
Aug:
 12, "Current Situation in Mid-East," Men of the Church Fellowship Breakfast, First Presbyterian Church, Hilton Head
 16, "An Overview of Trade Opportunities in the Middle East," Southern Growth Policies Board Annual Meeting
Sept. 16, "The U.S. Stake in the Mid-East," International Trade Center Luncheon
Oct. 9, "Persian Gulf Oil: Now and into the Next Century," S.C. Energy Forum
Nov. 10, Presentation to Waste Management Board
 c.1984 The U.S. and Saudi Arabia
1985:
 Jan. 14, "Use and Abuse of Power: The Nature of Leadership (My Experiences & Observations from Four Years in Saudi Arabia)," Wofford College
 Feb. 12, "Political Dynamics and Economic Development of S.C.," Foreign Service Institute

- Apr. 10, Presbyterian Men's Club
Oct. 1, Governor's Council on Rural Development Awards Banquet
Nov. 26, Memorial Service for Sen. I. DeQuincey Newman, S.C. Senate Chamber
Dec. 3, Foreign Service Institute
c.1985 Colloquium – "U.S. - Arab Relations: The Diplomatic Dimension," Duke University, Durham, NC
- 1986:
- Feb.:
- 17, Founders Day, USC Spartanburg
 - 20, "U.S. and Middle East Peace Process," Mini-Model U.N. Program, Georgia Southern College
- Apr.:
- 10, "Oil and Terrorism," Presbyterian Men's Club
 - 22, Scholarship Patron Day, Presbyterian College
- Sept.:
- 29, "The Arab-Israeli Controversy," Calhoun Lecture Series, Clemson University
 - 30, "America's Stake in the Mid-East," President's Fall Convocation, Calhoun Honors Program, Clemson University
- Oct. 26, Fifteenth Anniversary of Charles Lea Center, Spartanburg
- 1987:
- Jan. 21, Founder's Day, Winthrop College, Rock Hill
- Mar.:
- 20, Phi Kappa Phi, The Citadel, Charleston
 - 31, "Reorganization Efforts for HHC and Long Range Plans for Trustee," Hilton Head Bar Association
- Apr. 9, "Two Crises," Presbyterian Men's Club
- Sept.:
- 12, Dedication of Fritz Hollings Chair in Constitutional Law, University of South Carolina
 - 16, "Toast to the Constitution"
 - 28, "Impediments to U.S. - Arab Economic Relations: Progress in the Midst of Crises," The National Center for Export-Import Studies, Georgetown University
- 1988:
- Jan.:
- 14, Men of the Church, First Presbyterian
 - 28, Acceptance of Sgt. William Jasper Award, S.C. State Chamber of Commerce, Columbia
- Feb. 17, Swearing-In Ceremony as Ambassador, Chester E Norris, Jr., Washington, D.C.
- Nov. 10, Pitts Lecture, "Mid-East Week," St. Catherine's, Richmond, VA
- 1989:
- Mar. 8, "The Relationship between Saudi Arabia - Past, Present, and Future," Fletcher School
- Apr. 19, Presbyterian Men's Club
- Nov.:
- 16, Camden Dinner Club
 - 28, International Business Appreciation Luncheon, Greenville Chamber of Commerce
- 1990:
- Feb. 9, "Saudi Arabia—How Different from a Woman's Standpoint?" Ladies' Night, First Presbyterian Church, Hilton Head [?]
- July:
- 10, Introduction of Dr. Frank Harrington, First Presbyterian Church
 - 18, Dedication of the Robert E. [Jack] David Building
- Nov. 6, "Crisis in Mid-East," Birmingham Kiwanis Club, Birmingham, AL
- 1991:
- Jan. 23, Executive Managers Conference, Hilton Head
 - Mar. 19, "War and Peace in the Mid-East," Men's Club of the Seabrook, Hilton Head
 - May 4, "Politics in 1991 and Beyond - Should You Be Involved?" Leadership Hilton Head
 - June 20, Youth in Government, Institute of Public Affairs, USC/Greenville YMCA, Columbia
 - Aug. 21, S.C. Reinsurance Facility
 - Sept. 10, "What is Leadership?" Leadership Hilton Head
 - Nov. 9, Fall Rally, American Legion, Hilton Head
- 1992:
- Mar. 25, Dedication of Gen. William Childs Westmoreland Bridge, Charleston

- Apr.:
- 7, Presbyterian College Student Body
 - 22, "International Investment as a Part Of S.C.'s Economic Development, 1962 - 1992," Hilton Head Preparatory School
- May 13, "Charge to Class," Leadership Hilton Head
- June:
- 1, Annual Convention, Canadian Paper Box Manufacturers Association, Hilton Head
 - 8, Donald Holland Appreciation Night
 - 13, Charles Fraser Birthday Celebration
- 1992, Honoring Pres. Alex Grimsley, The Citadel
- 1993:
- Feb. 21, Christianity and Islam, Bethesda Presbyterian Church
 - June 6, State Museum Founders' Day
 - Sept. 11, "American Government—20 Years of Change, S.C. Textile Manufacturers' Association, Human Resources Div., Hilton Head
- 1994, April 23, Ellenton Agriculture Club 100th Anniversary, Barnwell
- 1995:
- May 21, "Your Challenge—Our Government" Wofford College Commencement, Spartanburg
 - Aug. 22, Labor Market Information Division (S.C. Employment Security Commission), Users' Conference, Charleston
- 1996, Aug. 24, "Politics of Insurance," Designated Agents, Myrtle Beach
- 1997:
- Jan. 14, "Oil, the Mid-East and Saddam Hussein," Columbia World Affairs Council, Columbia
- June:
- 19, Anniversary of Marine Resources Center, Fort Johnson, Charleston
 - 30, "Life in Kershaw County, 1900-1975"
- Aug. 22, Conversations with Three Governors, South Carolina Executive Institute, State Budget and Control Board, Columbia
- Sept. 9, Public Hearing on Opposition to Low Country Health Application for Certificate of Need
- Oct. 23, Human Affairs Commission 25th Anniversary, Columbia
- Dec. 2, The Citadel Leadership Address, Greater Issues Series, Charleston
- 1998:
- May 12, Global Entrepreneurial Conference, Jim Moran Institute, Florida State University, Orlando, FL
 - Oct. 15, "Debate—Hollings (JCW) v. [Bob] Inglis," Beaufort
- 1999:
- Jan. 2, "If these were my last remarks..." Renaissance [Weekend, Hilton Head?]
 - Mar. 12, Citadel Lawyers, Columbia [?]
 - June 2, A Celebration of 50 Years of Public Service, Senator Ernest F. Hollings, Columbia
 - Aug. 19, Unveiling of portrait of Harry M. Lightsey, Jr., USC Law School, Columbia
 - Oct. 12, Introduction of Phil Lader, The Citadel, Charleston
- 2000:
- Jan. 28, "Public Policy and the Small Foundation," Association of Small Foundations, Charleston
 - Mar. 3, Forum Club, Hilton Head Island
- June:
- 3, Commencement Address [Governor's School of Science and Math?]
 - 16, "Seniority, Sex, and Saudi Arabia," Sex and Law After Sixty, Senior Lawyers Division, S.C. Bar Association, Hilton Head
- 2001:
- Apr. 20, Annual VA Research Day, Columbia
- May:
- 11, Eulogy for Nettie Bryan
 - 19, Presentation of Order of Palmetto to Harvey S. Teal, Columbia
- 2002, Oct. 3, "The Mid-East: Iraq—The Current Crisis," Palmetto Forum, Columbia
- No date and fragments: (3 folders)
- "Speech to Rotary," surplus, tax relief, spending, penitentiary, etc.
 - "A Legislator Looks at Education in S.C."
 - "Speech—St. Matthews, 1) Public Education—Adam & Eve"

“Speech—1) Mountaineer w/ 12 boys”
 May 7, Rock Hill Kiwanis, “People oriented,” “Bond issues”
 “I. Jokes II. Reapportionment III. Age of Change,” etc.
 Walter Miller Crowe Eulogy
 “School Problem”
 Teacher of the Year, Chester
 “What is the Food Industry?”
 Masonic Ladies’ Night, Cameron
 Address to Agriculture Leaders
 “South Carolina as a Conscious Entity”
 “Lincoln said it all in seven minutes...”
 Allendale Legion Post 36
 South Carolina Firemen’s Association
 May 31, Annual Banquet, Citadel Alumni
 “We need new concepts in education”
 Hartsville Rotary

Farm issues: “I. Introduction—Dropout from society [?] II. Future of farm from politicians...”
 May 12, Horry Electric Cooperative Annual Meeting
 S.C. Association of Counties
 Jaycees, DSA awards: “XI. Devil’s auction—prejudice, envy, malice...”
 Nov. 21, Columbia Executives Club
 Communism: “XIII – What is the answer—a) Know Your Enemy...”
 Commencement: “The conventional theme of a commencement address seems...”
 Church and State: “Much impressive evidence has been marshaled to prove that God’s Hand has guided...”
 Women’s Finance Forum, Columbia College
 Health: “IX. In Camden today—115 beds—nursing home...”
 Handicapped Awards Program
 Woodland Elementary School PTA
 Wofford College Commencement, Spartanburg [fragment; after 1974]
 5th Annual Convention, State Association of Assessing Officials
 Cooperative and the Horry Telephone Coop., Inc.
 “I. Introduction II. We Build III. Knowledge explosion...”
 Adult Education Center Graduation
 Regional Curriculum Project
 Commencement: “VI. There are still secrets just as revolutionary, just as useful as the airplane or the telephone...”
 “Future Trends in School Lunch Program”

“Modern Politics,” YWCA
 Gamecock Press
 Endorsement of new Greenville foundation and “Project 50”: “Thank you, Mr. Dave Partridge...”
 Mar. 4, Fifth Annual Meeting, S.C. Social Welfare Forum, Columbia
 “As you know there is an almost complete lack of understanding between the Orient and the Occident...”
 Gold Star Mothers
 “Individual Involvement and Participation in Government,” Woman’s Club, Rock Hill
 “Our faith in the American system...”
 St. Phillip’s Hospital, 25th Jubilee, Dillon
 Charleston Magistrates
 “VIII. It is because the attainment of these [?] of our technological revolution...”
 “X. But negro vote is maturing...”
 “Not as definite as a fighting man’s commitment—but just as essential to our freedom and way of life...”
 Commencement: “...Education with responsibility is the key to success in today’s world.”
 Charleston County Democratic Executive Committee
 “The Family in Changing World”
 “The Future in S.C.—A Challenge and An Opportunity,” American Business Women’s Association, Greenville
 Baptist Brotherhood Ladies’ Night, Kingstree
 Tri-County Tech

South Carolina Association of County Governments
“South Carolina: Facing the 21st Century”
Kershaw County Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center
The Lifter v. the Leaner [fragment]
Democratic v. Republican Party [fragment]
List of anecdotes? “What’s lower than Senator...”
List of issues and elections settled by margin of one vote