



ArchivesSpace

a community served by  Lyrasis

Charles Lionel Chute papers 4078606

This finding aid was produced using ArchivesSpace on January 14, 2025.

Description is written in: English.

Describing Archives: A Content Standard

Rare Book and Manuscript Library

Butler Library, 6th Floor
Columbia University, Mail Code 1127
535 W. 114th St.
New York, NY 10027

Business Number: (212) 854-5153

Fax Number: (212) 854-1365

rbml@libraries.cul.columbia.edu

URL: <http://www.columbia.edu/cu/lweb/indiv/rbml/index.html>

Table of Contents

Summary Information	3
Biographical Note	3
Summary	4
Arrangement	5
Administrative Information	5
Controlled Access Headings	6
Collection Inventory	7
Series I: Child Labor	7
Series II: The Street Trades: Newsboys, Night Messengers	15
Series III: Industrial Accidents	18
Series IV: Welfare, Civic, and Educational Interests	19
Series V: Biographical Items	19

Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
Creator:	Chute, Charles Lionel, 1882-1953
Title:	Charles Lionel Chute papers
ID:	4078606
ID:	MS#0225
Date [inclusive]:	1899-1913
Physical Description:	1.5 linear feet 3 boxes
Language of the Material:	English .

Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); Charles Lionel Chute papers; Box and Folder; Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Biographical Note

Mr. Chute's long and successful career in social work began in 1910, soon after graduation from The New York School of Social Work, when he was appointed special agent for the National Child Labor Committee. Two years later he became executive secretary of the Pennsylvania Child Labor Association. During this period Mr. Chute drafted a uniform child labor law, and led many campaigns for the enactment of labor laws that would protect children from exploitation.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Biographical Note

The studies, and reports of investigations, include valuable source material. They represent primary sources, the factual data about child labor conditions, principally in glass, mining, and textile industries, and in the street trades. As might be expected, these investigations were carried on in highly industrialized states such as Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio, West Virginia, Indiana and Illinois, during the years 1911 - 1913.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Biographical Note

For students who may wish to trace evidence of early use of the community organization method, these documents will be an important historical source. It is indeed interesting that, fifty years ago, Charles L. Chute and other pioneer leaders who worked with him in the child labor movement, planned community-wide on state and local levels, to achieve social action goals. Specific references to the Pennsylvania campaign present evidence of the community planning process at work in 1913.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Biographical Note

To the research worker, the collection of 100 clippings will be a rich source of reporting on action and reaction trends during the Pennsylvania campaign of 1913. Mrs. Audrey S. Chute has written an excellent description and interpretation of these clippings, which is included in the annotated bibliography of the whole collection.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Summary

Reports, articles, case histories, and clippings representing a partial record of the anti-child labor movement. To a large extent, these documents are the work of Charles Lionel Chute.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Arrangement

Material is arranged into five series.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Administrative Information

Publication Statement

Rare Book and Manuscript Library

Butler Library, 6th Floor

Columbia University, Mail Code 1127

535 W. 114th St.

New York, NY 10027

Business Number: (212) 854-5153

Fax Number: (212) 854-1365

rbml@libraries.cul.columbia.edu

URL: <http://www.columbia.edu/cu/lweb/indiv/rbml/index.html>

Revision Description

xml document instance created by Carrie Hintz EAD was imported spring 2019 as part of the ArchivesSpace Phase II migration. 2012-12-06 2019-05-20

Restrictions on Access

This collection is located off-site. You will need to request this material at least three business days in advance to use the collection in the Rare Book and Manuscript Library reading room.

Restrictions on Access

This collection has no restrictions.

Terms Governing Use and Reproduction

Reproductions may be made for research purposes. The RBML maintains ownership of the physical material only. Copyright remains with the creator and his/her heirs. The responsibility to secure copyright permission rests with the patron.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Source of acquisition--Chute, Audrey S. Method of acquisition--Transferred from the New York School of Social Work, 1970, 1983; Date of acquisition--1959. Accession number--M-59.

Ownership and Custodial History

Gift of Audrey S. Chute to the New York School of Social Work, 1959; transferred in 1970 & 1983.

Processing Information

Surveyed Christina Hilton Fenn 05/03/89.

Processing Information

Collection processed by Audrey S. Chute, 1959. Previous finding aid written April 1959 by Margaret M. Otto, Librarian, The New York School of Social Work.

Accruals

Materials may have been added to the collection since this finding aid was prepared. Contact rbml@columbia.edu for more information.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Controlled Access Headings

- Child labor
- Child labor -- Law and legislation
- Children -- Social conditions
- Social problems
- Social work with children
- Case histories
- Photographic prints

- Social workers

Collection Inventory

Series I: Child Labor, 1904-1913

Scope and Contents

Empahsis on establishing and enforcing new laws which would protect children, employed mainly in industrial and commercial firms, by correcting the abuses inherent in bad working conditions, health hazards, lack of educational opportunities, etc.

Title/Description	Instances
<p>UNIFORM LAW FOR NIGHT WORK IN PENNSYLVANIA, by Charles L. Chute., 1904</p> <p>Scope and Contents</p> <p>(See The Survey, April 15, 1904 pp. 112-113. Article states that West Virginia and Pennsylvania, of all the states, did not exempt children under 16 from night work after 9 o'clock. Evils are especially great in the glass industry.)</p>	box 1
<p>ILLUSTRATED HAND-BOOK OF THE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBIT, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, December 8-15, 1906. (Under auspices of Pennsylvania Child Labor Committee, Consumers' League of Philadelphia, New Century Club, and The Civic Club. Published by Executive Committee of the Industrial Exhibit, 1906. 78 pp., December 8-15, 1906</p> <p>Scope and Contents</p> <p>(Contents include: Exhibit of Child-Labor and Sweatshop conditions; Seasonal Work and its Evils by Florence Kelley; Sweated Work in Philadelphia, by Florence Sanville; Child-Labor Situation in Pennsylvania, by Scott Nearling; Child-Labor in Eastern Pennsylvania, by Peter Roberts; Children in the Glass Industry in Pennsylvania, by Owen R. Lovejoy; Child-Labor in New York Tenements, by John Spargo; General Child-Labor Situation in the United States, by Samuel McCune Lindsay; and many photographs of child labor conditions.)</p>	box 1
<p>MANUFACTURERS AND CHILD LABOR: How the Eight-Hour Law for Children Operates in the State of Ohio. 4 pp. leaflet, n.d.(1909-11?)</p>	box 1

Scope and Contents

(A list of 20 glass manufacturers, giving opinions on the operation of this law.)

THE ANNUAL CHILD LABOR CONFERENCE-A REVIEW, by Charles L. Chute. In New Jersey Review of Charities and Correction, June -July, 1911 pp. 24-26. (Consult document No. 45), June -July, 1911 box 1

CHILD LABOR LAWS OF ILLINOIS UNCHANGED, by Charles L. Chute. In The Survey, May 27, 1911 pp. 332-333., May 27, 1911 box 1

Scope and Contents

(Child labor laws although threatened early in the 1911 legislative session, were left unchanged. Special reference to employment of children on the stage.)

COST OF THE CRANBERRY SAUCE, by Charles L. Chute. In The Survey. December 2, 1911 pp. 1281-1284., December 2, 1911 box 1

Scope and Contents

(Four suggestions made to improve the intolerable conditions under which little children live and work.)

CRANBERRY PICKERS OF NEW JERSEY: Report of an Investigation into Living and Working Conditions, with Special Reference to the Children, upon the Cranberry Bogs of New Jersey During the Picking Season, by Charles L. Chute, September, 1911. New York, National Child Labor Committee, 1911. 15 pp. typed manuscript. box 1

EFFECT OF LAWS LIMITING CHILD LABOR AT NIGHT, UPON THE GLASS INDUSTRY IN OHIO AND ILLINOIS: Report of an Investigation, by Charles L. Chute; with the assistance of Fred S. Hall in the preparation of tables, June, 1911. 37 pp. typed manuscript. box 1

Scope and Contents

(Discusses laws affecting boys under 16, enforcement of these laws, and manufacturers' reaction to new laws.)

THE ENFORCEMENT OF CHILD LABOR LAWS, by Charles L. Chute, 1911. typed manuscript, original copy, 8 pp.; box 1

Scope and Contents

(duplicate copy, 5 pp. Critical comments regarding enforcement.)

THE GLASS INDUSTRY AND CHILD LABOR LEGISLATION, box 1
by Charles L. Chute, Special Agent of the National Child
Labor Committee, New York City, June, 1911. 57 pp.

Scope and Contents

(schedules, typed manuscript. Report of an
investigation of the glass manufacturing industry
in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West
Virginia.)

THE GLASS INDUSTRY AND CHILD LABOR LEGISLATION, box 1
by Charles L. Chute. New York, National Child Labor
Committee, 1911. 11 pp. (Pamphlet No. 157).

Scope and Contents

(Reprinted from Proceedings of the Seventh Annual
Conference on Child Labor, Birmingham, Alabama,
March 9-12, as published in Supplement to the Annals
of the American Academy of Political and Social
Science, July, 1911. Article based on a comprehensive
study of the glass industry, begun in the fall of 1910
when the writer was pursuing graduate work at Ohio
State University.)

LETTERS (5) addressed to Charles L. Chute, February- box 1
March 1911

Scope and Contents

(congratulating Mr. Chute for his splendid work with
the legislators of West Virginia, which resulted in
passage of the child labor bill (Senate bill No. 138),
early in 1911.)

PENNSYLVANIA PROGRESSIVE, by Charles L. Chute. 1911. box 1
4 pp.

Scope and Contents

(typed manuscript. Approval of Pennsylvania's new
interest in better child labor legislation)

REVIEW OF LABOR LEGISLATION OF 1911. American box 1
Labor Legislation Review, Vol. 1, No. 3, October, 1911
entire issue., October, 1911

Scope and Contents

(Publication No. 14, American Association for Labor Legislation)

UNIFORM CHILD LABOR LAW, by Owen R. Lovejoy. 3rd edition, revised, December, 1911. New York, National Child Labor Committee, 1911. 24 pp. box 1

Scope and Contents

(Pamphlet No. 147) "Of 41 states holding legislative sessions in 1911 no less than 30 enacted new laws relating to child labor. These had been carefully considered, and some of their best provisions adopted in this draft, which was prepared through the valuable assistance of Charles L. Chute who thoroughly revised and brought up to date the text and references.11 Preface.)

UNIFORM CHILD LABOR LAWS, by Owen R. Lovejoy. 2nd edition, revised to August, 1911. New York, National Child Labor Committee, 1911. 24 pp. box 1

Scope and Contents

(Pamphlet No. 147) "This draft, with annotations was thoroughly revised and brought up to date by Mr. Charles L. Chute.")

UNIFORM CHILD LABOR LAWS: Proceedings of the Seventh Annual Conference of the National Child Labor Committee. Supplement to the Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science,, July, 1911 box 1

Scope and Contents

(Includes address by Charles L. Chute on "The Glass Industry and Child Labor Legislation," pp. 123-132. Among other well-known speakers at this Conference were: Florence Kelley, Owen R. Lovejoy, A.J. McKelway, Jane Addams, Lewis W. Hine, Edward N. Clopper, Fred S. Hall, and Richard K. Conant.)

WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN THE GLASS INDUSTRY, by Charles L. Chute. In The Survey, June 17, 1911 pp. 437-438., June 17, 1911 box 1

Scope and Contents

(Review of Vol. Ill of the monumental Government Report (19 vols.) on the Condition of Woman and Child Wage-Earners in the United States, authorized by a special act of Congress in 1907 and prepared

under the direction of the U.S. Commissioner of Labor,
1911. Volume III is devoted to the glass industry.)

ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF CHILD LABOR LAWS IN MASSACHUSETTS: Report by Charles L. Chute, January 22, 1912. 4pp. typed. box 1

Scope and Contents

(The work of 14 state Inspectors of Health under the State Board of Health is described as inadequate to the extent that their duties are concerned with the enforcement of labor laws only in factories and other establishments.)

ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF CHILD LABOR LAWS, NEW YORK STATE: Report by Charles L. Chute, January 23, 1912 3 pp. typed., January 23, 1912 box 1

Scope and Contents

(The system followed, and the routine work of the Factory Inspection Department, New York State Department of Labor, are described and evaluated.)

CHILD LABOR AND THE SCHOOLS, by Charles L. Chute. In The Luzerne Institute (Wilkesbarre, Pa.) Vol. 20, 1912 pp. 26-27., 1912 box 1

Scope and Contents

(New legislation was proposed which would raise educational qualifications in order to secure working permits. Enforcement of these laws is also important. Includes typed manuscript of this article.)

CHILD LABOR LAWS IN ALL STATES. Child Labor Bulletin (National Child Labor Committee), Vol. 1, No. 2, August, 1912. box 1

Scope and Contents

(Includes: The Enforcement of Child Labor Laws by Charles L. Chute, pp. 10S-113; Summary of State Laws; The Uniform Child Labor Law; Street Trades and Their Regulation, a Symposium.)

THE CHILD LABOR PROBLEM IN PENNSYLVANIA, by Charles L. Chute. In The Child; A Monthly Journal of Child Welfare (Children's Charities, Inc., Chicago, Illinois), Vol. 1, No. 8, October, 1912 pp. 9-12., October, 1912 box 1

Scope and Contents

(Evidence of the need for better legislation and greater educational opportunities in the state, which leads in those industries employing the most children.)

CHILDREN WHO WORK IN WEST VIRGINIA, by Charles L. Chute. In West Virginia School Journal, February, 1912 pp. 13-14., February, 1912 box 1

Scope and Contents

(Survey of 6 cities after new child labor and compulsory education laws had been passed.)

EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATES, NEW YORK STATE: Report by Charles L. Chute, January 23, 1912 1 p. typed., January 23, 1912 box 1

Scope and Contents

(Conditions under which employment certificates were issued in New York City, under provision of the state law.)

ON THE FIRING LINE: The Next Points of Attack in the Child Labor Battle, by Charles L. Chute. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Child Labor Association, May 1, 1912. 4 pp. illustrated. (Leaflet No. 29) box 2

Scope and Contents

(Facts about working children of the street (newsboys), little toilers of the mines, and the factory children. Conditions in Pennsylvania point to the need for more protection through child labor legislation, and/or better enforcement of existing laws.)

PENNSYLVANIA'S PROBLEM. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Child Labor Association, March, 1912. 14 pp. (Leaflet No. 28). box 2

Scope and Contents

(Publicity leaflet, interpreting "What the Pennsylvania Child Labor Association is doing and what it hopes to do.")

WORK OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, ALBANY, N.Y.: Report by Charles L. Chute, January, 1912 (?) 2 pp. typed., January, 1912 box 2

Scope and Contents

(Lack of cooperation between the Superintendent of Schools and the Factory Inspector, Department of Labor, had resulted in failure to enforce compulsory school attendance. A statement of "The Work of the New York State Education Department" (1 typed

page), relative to enforcement of attendance laws, is attached to the Albany report.)

WORK OF THE BUREAU OP HEALTH, ALBANY, N.Y.: Report by Charles L. Chute, January, 1912. 2 pp. typed. box 2

Scope and Contents

(Concerns the issuing of employment certificates. Mr. Chute states, "There is little if any cooperation between this Bureau and any other enforcing authority and children are not kept track of in any way after obtaining certificates.")

WORK OF THE BUREAU OF HEALTH, TROY, N.Y.: Report by Charles L. Chute, January 23, 1912. 2 pp. typed. box 2

Scope and Contents

(Comparison of methods used by the Albany and the Troy Bureaus, in issuing employment certificates.)

WORK OF THE MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT POLICE, INSPECTION DEPARTMENT; Report by Charles L. Chute, January 22, 1912. 1 p. typed. box 2

WORKING FOR THE FUTURE, by Charles L. Chute. 1912 (?) 7 pp. typed manuscript., 1912 box 2

Scope and Contents

(Emphasis on the need for constructive legislation "aimed at the education and development of efficient and happy men and women, out of the raw material of childhood.")

THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST CHILD LABOR: New Laws Proposed and What They Will Accomplish; Educating the Public to Demand Enforcement, by Charles L. Chute, January 15, 1913. box 2

Scope and Contents

(9 pp. typed manuscript. The problem is stated as inherent in the effort to adjust our economic system to the increasing demand that children shall be educated, protected, and given a fairly equal start in life.)

CHILD LABOR IN PENNSYLVANIA, by Charles L. Chute. In The Survey, January 25, 1913 pp. 541-542., January 25, 1913 box 2

Scope and Contents

(The lack of law enforcement in Pennsylvania again points to the importance of working for social reform

through legislation-a uniform child labor law, the proposed provisions of which are analyzed.)

CHILD LABOR STORIES FOR CHILDREN. New York, National Child Labor Committee, August, 1913. 81 pp. illustrated. (Child Labor Bulletin, Vol. 2, No. 2, August, 1913. entire issue)

box 2

Scope and Contents

(Pictures, poems, and stories have been reproduced and written ostensibly for children who do not have to work. Remarkable photographs, touching propaganda.)

NEXT STEPS IN THE CAMPAIGN FOR THE WORKING CHILDREN AND WOMEN . IN PENNSYLVANIA, by Charles L. Chute, January, 1913. 9 pp. typed manuscript.

box 2

Scope and Contents

(Article on child employment in mines, textile mills, theaters, as newsboys, and night messengers (for houses of prostitution as well as for regular service); also an appeal for citizen support of new labor laws and their enforcement.)

OUTLINE OF THE WALNUT CHILD LABOR BILL-House Bill Number 119, prepared by Charles L. Chute. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Child Labor Association, 1913 (?) 4 pp., 1913

box 2

Scope and Contents

(Describes the proposed Bill and compares the provisions with those in force at the time.)

PENNSYLVANIA'S INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION, by Fred S. Hall. In The Survey, July 19, 1913 pp. 519-520., July 19, 1913

box 2

Scope and Contents

(Creation of a Department of Labor and Industry, appointment of a qualified Department head, the non-political appointment of Chief Factory Inspector-all forward steps for the welfare of child workers. In accomplishing these gains members of the Pennsylvania Child Labor Association under the forceful leadership of its Executive Secretary, Mr. Charles L. Chute, were actively engaged.)

THE PROBLEM OF CHILD LABOR WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO PHILADELPHIA; and CHILD LABOR AND LEGISLATION IN PENNSYLVANIA. City Club Bulletin,, February5, 1913

box 2

Scope and Contents

(entire issue. Addresses on the first topic were delivered at a luncheon of the City Club, January 11, 1913. Speakers on several aspects of the second topic, at the City Club's evening meeting on the same day, included Miss Julia Lathrop, Mrs. Florence Kelley, Mr. Charles L. Chute, and Mr. Owen R. Lovejoy. Programme leaflet of both meetings (37a) attached to the Bulletin.)

SOME FACTS RELATING TO THE CHILD LABOR BILL-
now Before the Legislature of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania Child Labor Association, April 5, 1913.

box 2

Scope and Contents

(17 pp. (Pamphlet No. 33). Includes discussion of:
The Eight-Hours Day for Children; Hours Limited
Above Sixteen; Employment of Children at Night;
Street Trade Regulations; The Night Messenger;
Employment Certificates.)

SOME OF PENNSYLVANIA'S CHILD WORKERS, prepared
by Charles L. Chute. Philadelphia, Pa., Pennsylvania Child
Labor Association, June, 1913. 7pp.

box 2

Scope and Contents

(Pamphlet No. 36) Presents in graphic form, pictures
of typical child workers-in the textile mills, the coal
breakers, glass factories, as newsboys and night
messengers. An appeal for support of the Association
which is devoted to the work of studying these
problems, and of eliminating them.)

TO OUR MEMBERS: Open Letter from Charles L. Chute,
Executive Secretary, to members of the Pennsylvania Child
Labor Association, July 12, 1913.

box 2

Scope and Contents

(A report on reasons for defeat of the Walnut Child
Labor Bill by the 1913 State Legislature. The letter
closes with a clear statement of program and future
activity, towards enactment of a new child labor law.)

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Series II: The Street Trades: Newsboys, Night Messengers, 1899-1912

Title/Description	Instances
THE WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC, by Orrin B. Booth. New York, Florence Crittenton Rescue League, 1899. 27 pp.	box 2

Scope and Contents

(Extension series No. 1)Cases and records of houses of prostitution, showing accounts,payments to girls, police, etc.)

THE WHITE TRADE, SUPPLEMENT, by Orrin B. Booth. New York, Florence Crittenton Rescue League, 1899. 7 pp. box 2

Scope and Contents

(Extension series, No. 1, Supp.) Further statistics and details of girls serving in houses of prostitution.)

REPORTS OF AN INVESTIGATION OF THE NIGHT MESSENGER IN PHILADELPHIA, SCRANTON, WILKESBARRE, by Edward F. Brown, investigator. New York, National Child Labor Committee, November, 1910. box 2

Scope and Contents

(65 pp. typed manuscript (confidential). Information from boys in night messenger service; also case histories, and records of inmates of houses of prostitution.)

REPORT OF AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE MESSENGER SERVICE IN DETROIT AND CHICAGO, by Charles L. Chute. New York, National Child Labor Committee, April, 1911. box 2

Scope and Contents

(14 pp. typed manuscript (confidential). Boys as young as 12 had been assigned work in "districts". A law controlling age limit was suggested.)

THE SOCIAL EVIL AND ITS RELATION TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, by Thomas N. Gray. In New Jersey Review of Charities and Correction, June -July, 1911 pp. 5-14., June - July, 1911 box 2

Scope and Contents

(One of a series of lectures to the public, arranged by the Public Health Committee of the Essex County Medical Society.)

INVESTIGATION OF NIGHT MESSENGER SERVICE, Harrisburg, Pa., made by Charles L. Chute, July 22, 1912. box 2

Scope and Contents

(3 pp. typed. Attached is account of an interview with Postal Messenger boy, July 22, 1912 also in Harrisburg, Pa. 2 pp. typed.)

NIGHT MESSENGER SERVICE IN PENNSYLVANIA: Report of an Investigation Made for the National Child box 2

Labor Committee, by Edward F. Brown. New York, The Committee, May, 1912.

Scope and Contents

(47 pp. typed manuscript(confidential). Case histories of boys in night messenger service.)

PHILADELPHIA NIGHT MESSENGERS: Investigations by Charles L. Chute, February9, 1912. box 2

Scope and Contents

(2 pp. typed. Attached is statement of an interview with Postal Telegraph Company, Philadelphia, Pa., February17, 1912. 1 p. typed.)

PROTECTION FOR THE NEWSBOYS AND OTHER STREET WORKERS IN PHILADELPHIA, by Charles L. Chute. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Child Labor Association, June 5, 1912. box 2

Scope and Contents

(10 pp. (Leaflet No. 30)Offers a proposed ordinance relating to minors working in streets and public places.)

COLLECTION OF 100 MOUNTED CLIPPINGS, April, 1904-July, 1913 box 2

Scope and Contents

(This collection of clippings covering the years from 1904 through 1913 gives excellent insight into the history of the campaigns for humane legislation in behalf of children employed in the backward states of Pennsylvania and West Virginia. The leading issues involved were those of securing proper working hours for children sixteen and under (not to exceed eight hours a day), of obtaining sanitary and decently healthful working conditions, and for laws designed to free children in school from night work. Many of the 13,000 children employed in 1913in the glass industry trudged home at three in the morning, then struggled to keep awake during school hours. The collection contains marvelous cartoons, "Child-Exploiting-Industry," showing the fat industrialist ruthlessly sitting a-top the monied rocks, below, the children shown are being crushed under these, as they struggle to make the pile higher. There are prints of boy coal-breakers, and glass factory boys on strike. The clippings reveal the social work attitudes of the times and refer to various labor union policies. The reporters and editorial writers of the day were frequently (and delightfully) crude while defending the "poor" industrial capitalists against the "sentimental do-gooders" persecutions. Unfortunate amendments were added to the famous Walnut

Child Labor Bill, (Pa.) which would have effectively hampered its usefulness had it gone through. Mr. Walnut worked with sincere fervor, aiding the Pennsylvania's Child Labor Association and Mr. Chute to push the bill through. We are hardly prepared, however, to read in the morning press of June 28th that "Representative Walnut, sponsor of the bill fainted when announcement was made to the House that the bill was doomed." Another quotation from the press of the day in opposition to the whole campaign, adds to our respect for the sturdy persistence the pioneers in this field maintained when the very fundamentals of thinking in this field of education must have seemed abysmal. "There are doubtless a great many children employed in our factories who ought to be in school, but many of them if compelled to go to school would be wasting their time and forming habits that might ruin their lives." Description of the Clippings by Audrey S. Chute)

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Series III: Industrial Accidents, 1909-1910

Title/Description	Instances
<p>REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, by the Commission appointed under Chapter 518 of the Laws of 1909 to inquire into the question of employers' liability and other matters, pp. 1-4, Albany, N.Y., 1909., 1909</p> <p>Scope and Contents</p> <p>(Report concerned mainly with inquiries into the question of employers' liability.)</p>	<p>box 2</p>
<p>REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, by the Commission appointed under Chapter 518 of the Laws of 1909 to inquire into the question of employers' liability and other matters Appendix III, pp. 87-106, Albany, N.Y., 1909., 1909</p> <p>Scope and Contents</p> <p>(Investigation of 280 fatal industrial accidents which occurred in Erie County during 1907 and 1908 and in Manhattan borough during 1908 to discover the legal and economic outcome of each accident. The full tabulation of results, prepared by Charles L. Chute,</p>	<p>box 2</p>

appears in Appendix III of the Commission's 1909 Report.)

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS-A PROBLEM OF TO-DAY, by Charles L. Chute. In American Review of Reviews,, August, 1910 box 2

Scope and Contents

(pp. 218-222. A well-informed article on such matters as the causes of accidents, treatment of accident victims, what happens to the family? What is adequate compensation? The law's long delays, Proposed remedies, Voluntary compensation schemes, Legislation in the United States today (i.e. 1910).)

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS-A SOCIAL BURDEN. A thesis by Charles L. Chute, submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Master of Arts, in the Faculty of Political Science, Columbia University, April 15, 1910. box 2

Scope and Contents

(69 pp. appendices. Typed manuscript. This thesis is unique in that the area of investigation was limited to the field of social work. The author based this study of the social effects of industrial accidents upon analysis of 47 family records, selected from the files of the Charity Organization Society, and the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor. Information scheduled from these case histories was checked in follow-up interviews, and a comparison made with the findings in earlier, more general statistical studies.)

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Series IV: Welfare, Civic, and Educational Interests, 1907-1916

Title/Description	Instances
Collection of leaflets, cards, announcements, brochures.	box 2

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Series V: Biographical Items

Title/Description	Instances
Envelope containing articles, clippings, photographs.	box 3

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)