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Foreword

The General Services Administration, through the National Archives and Records Service, is responsible for administering the permanent noncurrent records of the Federal Government. These archival holdings, now amounting to more than 1 million cubic feet, date from the days of the First Continental Congress and consist of the basic records of the legislative, judicial, and executive branches of our Government. The Presidential libraries of Herbert Hoover, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman, Dwight D. Eisenhower, John F. Kennedy, and Lyndon B. Johnson contain the papers of those Presidents and many of their associates in office. While many of the archival holdings document events of great moment in our Nation’s history, most of them are preserved because of their continuing practical use in the ordinary processes of government, for the protection of private rights, and for the research use of scholars and students.

To facilitate the use of the records and to describe their nature and content, archivists prepare various kinds of finding aids. The present work is one such publication. We believe that it will prove valuable to anyone who wishes to use the records it describes.

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Preface

Special lists are published by the National Archives and Records Service (NARS) as part of its records description program. The special list describes in detail the contents of certain important records series; that is, units of records of the same form or that deal with the same subject or activity or that are arranged serially. Its form and style are not fixed but vary according to the nature of the records to which it relates. Its distinguishing characteristic is that it goes beyond the general description contained in a record group registration statement, a preliminary inventory, or an inventory and describes records in terms of individual record items.

In addition to lists and other finding aids that relate to particular record groups, NARS issues publications that give an overall picture of materials in its custody. A new, comprehensive Guide to the National Archives of the United States will be issued. A guide devoted to one geographical area—Guide to Materials on Latin America in the National Archives (1961)—has been published. Reference information papers analyze records in the National Archives of the United States (hereafter called the Archives) on such subjects as transportation, small business, and the Middle East. Records of the Civil War are described in Guide to Federal Archives Relating to the Civil War (1962), Guide to the Archives of the Government of the Confederate States of America (1968), and Civil War Maps in the National Archives (1964); those of World War I in Handbook of Federal World War Agencies and Their Records, 1917-1921 (1943); and those of World War II in the two-volume guide Federal Records of World War II (1950-51). Genealogical records are described in Guide to Genealogical Records in the National Archives (1964). In the Archives are large quantities of audiovisual materials received from all sources: Government, private, and commercial. The Guide to the Ford Film Collection in the National Archives (1970) describes one of the largest private gift collections. The extensive body of maps and charts is described in the Guide to Cartographic Records in the National Archives (1971).

Many bodies of records of high research value have been microfilmed by NARS as a form of publication. Positive prints of these microfilm publications, many of which are described in the current List of National Archives Microfilm Publications, are available for purchase. For other publications, see the most recent Select List of Publications of the National Archives and Records Service, General Information Leaflet No. 3.

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Introduction

This special list catalogs the printed hearings of the U.S. House of Representatives that have been found among its committee records in the Archives covering the period 1789-1958. The list, however, does not include all the printed hearings issued during that period by the House because its committee files in the Archives lack copies of many hearings and because no methodical effort has been made to list the committee hearings that are printed as parts of committee reports or House documents, although some of those hearings are in the list.

The congressional committee system, although the Constitution makes no provision for it, dates from the very first session of the National Legislature, in 1789, in New York City. “The [legislative] committee concept was borrowed from the British Parliament and transmitted to the New World by way of the colonial legislatures, most notably those of Pennsylvania and Virginia.”

In the early years the House created select committees, as occasions required, to handle particular concerns during the term of each Congress. For example, a select committee in the 2d Congress conducted the first investigation on the part of the House: the circumstances of the defeat of Maj. Gen. Arthur St. Clair at the hands of Indians in 1791. Standing committees, however, gradually superseded select committees. By 1800 the House had established four standing committees: the Committee on Elections in 1789, the Committee on Claims in 1794, and in 1795 the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce and the Committee on Revival and Unfinished Business. There were 11 standing committees functioning in 1820, and the number of them has varied since then with 21 in existence today. On the other hand, select committees have continually been created by the House to carry out special studies and investigations and, on infrequent occasions, the House has joined with the Senate in forming joint committees to handle questions of common interest. The House committee has been styled “the eye, the ear, the hand, and very often the brain of the House,” by Thomas B. Reed, who served as its Speaker in the 51st, 54th, and 55th Congresses. “Freed from the very great inconvenience of numbers, it can study a question, obtain full information, and put the proposed legislation into shape for final action.”

The term “hearing” is commonly used for the record of witnesses’ testimony and of the exhibits received in evidence during the sessions of a congressional committee as well as for the formal proceeding in which a congressional committee exercises its factfinding functions in discharge of its powers to study proposed legislation, conduct investigations, and weigh other legislative matters. The published hearings in the files of the House are of three types: prints, handwritten transcripts, and typewritten transcripts. The transcripts are original documents, and from them the printed versions of hearings were made. Some prints and transcripts are incomplete. The earliest hearing located among the committee records of the House is dated 1824.

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Congressional committees conduct hearings in sessions open to the public or in closed (executive) sessions. Committees sometimes hold hearings outside Washington, but most House hearings have been held in the committee rooms in the Capitol or in the House Office Buildings. "Here in these spacious chambers with their frescoed domes and swinging chandeliers, their walls adorned with the portraits of former chairmen, the cushioned chairs... the visitor sees... the spokesmen for all the competing interests of American society [testifying]: the lobbyist and the expert, the captain of industry and the labor official, the military men from the Pentagon and the financiers from Wall Street, the Cabinet member and the bureau chief, the merchant and the farmer, the lawyer and the judge...

The value of committee hearings to the student of the Congress and of national issues has long been recognized. The historian, the lawyer, the economist, the political scientist, the journalist, and every other researcher upon whose topic congressional action has had a bearing can scarcely dispense with committee hearings in the documentation of their studies. The remarks of authorities on the value of congressional hearings are noteworthy. George B. Galloway, a student of congressional procedure, termed congressional hearings a goldmine of information about all the public problems of the United States. Ernest S. Griffith, former head of the Legislative Reference Service of the Library of Congress, remarked that congressional hearings are mines of information that furnish background for much of our current writing—editorial, economic, and other.

In addition to this list, there are other finding aids to congressional hearings. NARS has issued Special List No. 32 showing the hearings among the records of the Senate, and of joint committees, in the Archives, 38th-78th Congresses. Both the Senate library and the House library have published books of indexes to the hearings among their holdings. Harold O. Thomen has compiled a checklist of hearings up to the 67th Congress that are found at the Library of Congress and other institutions. The document catalogs published by the Government Printing Office provide indexes to hearings.

This special list classifies hearings according to the congressional sessions to which they relate, and then it lists, for each Congress, its hearings under the names of the committees that produced the hearings. Where there are hearings of both standing and select and special committees listed for a particular Congress, the hearings of select and special committees are listed after the entries relating to the standing committees.

The entries in the special list comprise the titles of the hearings, indicate the bills and resolutions involved, if any and if known, the dates of the hearings, and usually the number of pages of the documents.

The titles of the hearings are often the same as those used by the committees, but many titles have been altered to shorten them or to place the key word or words at the beginning of the titles for easier comprehension. Some of the titles relate to hearings of joint and Senate committees, interspersed among the committee records of the House.

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5Stokes Lectures on Politics at New York University, 1951.
Hearings

18TH CONGRESS, 1823-25
First Session, December 1, 1823-May 27, 1824
Second Session, December 6, 1824-March 3, 1825

Select Committee on the
Address of Ninian Edwards

Crawford, William H., Secretary of the Treasury,
investigation of the charges preferred against by
Ninian Edwards. 1824. ca. 250 p.

19TH CONGRESS, 1825-27
First Session, December 5, 1825-May 22, 1826
Second Session, December 4, 1826-March 3, 1827

Select Committee To Investigate
the Conduct of John C.
Calhoun as Secretary of War

Calhoun, John C., investigation of the conduct of as
Secretary of War: H. res. of Dec. 29, 1826. Jan. 3-
31, 1827. ca. 300 p.

20TH CONGRESS, 1827-29
First Session, December 3, 1827-May 26, 1828
Second Session, December 1, 1828-March 3, 1829

Manufactures
Imports, duties on. 1828. 300 p.

Select Committee To Investigate
the Assault Upon the Honorable John Adams

Adams, Hon. John, private secretary to the President
of the United States, investigation of the assault
upon by Russell Jarvis. 1828. ca. 40 p.
22D CONGRESS, 1831-33
First Session, December 5, 1831-July 16, 1832
Second Session, December 3, 1832-March 2, 1833

Select Committee on the Bank of the United States

Select Committee To Investigate the Assignment of a Contract of Supplies for Emigrating Indians
Eaton, John E., late Secretary of War, inquiry into whether he attempted to give fraudulently to Samuel Houston a contract for supplying rations to emigrating Indians: H. res. of May 14, 1832. 1832. ca. 100 p.

23D CONGRESS, 1833-35
First Session, December 2, 1833-June 30, 1834
Second Session, December 1, 1834-March 3, 1835

Select Committee on the Assault Upon the Honorable John Ewing by Lt. John F. Lane

Select Committee on the Affairs of the Post Office Department
Post Office Department, investigation of the condition and proceedings of: H. res. of June 26, 1834. 1834-35. ca. 1,300 p.

24TH CONGRESS, 1835-37
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Thuston, Buckner, Associate Judge of the Circuit Court of the District of Columbia, investigation of the charges of official misconduct against: H. res. of Jan. 31, 1837, 1837. ca. 400 p.

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Select Committee To Inquire Whether Banks for Deposit of Public Moneys Have Agents at the Treasury Department
Banks for deposit of public moneys, inquiry into whether they have agents at the Treasury Department: H. res. of Jan. 4, 1837. 1837. ca. 1,400 p.

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25TH CONGRESS, 1837-39
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Second Session, December 4, 1837-July 9, 1838
Third Session, December 3, 1838-March 3, 1839

Select Committee on Defalcations of Public Officers


26TH CONGRESS, 1839-41
First Session, December 2, 1839-July 31, 1840
Second Session, December 7, 1840-March 3, 1841

Select Committee To Investigate the Alteration of House Document 185, 26th Congress, 1st Session, Relating to the Amistad Case

Falsification of H. Doc. 185, 26th Congress, 1st Session, relating to the Amistad case. 1841. 20 p.

Select Committee on the Fight in the House of Representatives Between Messrs. Bynum and Garland


Select Committee on the Public Printing


27TH CONGRESS, 1841-43
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Second Session, December 6, 1841-August 31, 1842
Third Session, December 5, 1842-March 3, 1843

Select Committee on Coast Survey


Select Committee on Finishing and Furnishing the New York Custom-house

New York Customhouse, inquiry into the circumstances of finishing and furnishing: H. res. of May 13, 1842. 1842. ca. 130 p.

Select Committee on the Removal From Office of Henry H. Sylvester


Select Committee on Retrenchment

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29TH CONGRESS, 1845-47
First Session, December 1, 1845-August 10, 1846
Second Session, December 7, 1846-March 3, 1847

Select Committee To Investigate
Certain Charges Against the
Honorable Daniel Webster

Webster, Daniel, Secretary of State, investigation of
certain charges of misconduct made against by the
Honorable Charles J. Ingersoll: H. res. of Apr. 27,
1846. 1846. ca. 200 p.

30TH CONGRESS, 1847-49
First Session, December 6, 1847-August 14, 1848
Second Session, December 4, 1848-March 3, 1849

Patents

Burke, Edmund, Commissioner of Patents, investiga-
tion of the charges preferred against by Thomas G.
Clinton. 1848. ca. 350 p.

31ST CONGRESS, 1849-51
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Second Session, December 2, 1850-March 3, 1851

Select Committee To Investigate
the Charges Against the Speaker

Cobb, Howell, Speaker of the House, investigation of
the charges made against by the Honorable Preston

Select Committee To Investigate
the Connection of the Honorable G. W.
Crawford, Secretary of War, With
the George Galphin Claim

Crawford, Hon. G. W., Secretary of War, investigation
of: H. res. of Apr. 3, 1850. 1850. ca. 50 p.

32D CONGRESS, 1851-53
First Session, December 1, 1851-August 31, 1852
Second Session, December 6, 1852-March 3, 1853

Select Committee To Investigate the
Connection of the Honorable Thomas Corwin
With the Gardiner Claim

Corwin, Hon. Thomas, Secretary of the Treasury,
investigation of: H. res. of Aug. 23, 1852. Aug. 25-
35TH CONGRESS

33D CONGRESS, 1853-55
First Session, December 5, 1853-August 7, 1854
Second Session, December 4, 1854-March 3, 1855

Select Committee on the Charges
Preferred by B. E. Green Against
the Honorable T. H. Bayly


Select Committee on Colt’s
Patent and Other Bills


34TH CONGRESS, 1855-57
First Session, December 3, 1855-August 18, 1856
Second Session, August 21-30, 1856
Third Session, December 1, 1856-March 3, 1857

Select Committee on the Alleged
Assault Upon the Honorable Amos P. Granger


Select Committee To Investigate
Certain Alleged Corrupt Combinations
of Members of Congress


Select Committee To Investigate the
Troubles in the Territory of Kansas

Kansas affairs, investigation of: H. res. of Mar. 19, 1856. 1856. ca. 2,000 p.

35TH CONGRESS, 1857-59
First Session, December 7, 1857-June 14, 1858
Second Session, December 6, 1858-March 3, 1859

Select Committee on Charges Against
a Member of the Committee on Accounts


Select Committee on Naval
Contracts and Expenditures


Select Committee on the Purchase of the
Banking House of the Bank of Pennsylvania


Select Committee To Inquire into the
Expenditures of Money for the Purpose of
Influencing the Passage of the Tariff of 1857

Select Committee To Investigate Nathan Darling and R. B. Hackney, Late Doorkeepers of the House of Representatives


Select Committee To Investigate the Accounts of the Late Superintendent of Public Printing


Select Committee To Investigate the Purchase of Land at Wilkins, or Willetts, Point for Fortification Purposes

Wilkins, or Willetts, Point, N.Y., investigation of the purchase of a tract of land at in 1857 for fortification purposes: H. res. of Feb. 9, 1858. May 12-29, 1858. ca. 300 p.

Select Committee To Investigate William Cullom, Late Clerk of the House


36TH CONGRESS, 1859-61
First Session, December 5, 1859-June 25, 1860
Second Session, December 3, 1860-March 2, 1861

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Public Expenditures


Select Committee on the Abstraction of Books From the Library


Select Committee on the Naval Force of the United States


Select Committee To Inquire into an Alleged Secret Organization in the District of Columbia

39TH CONGRESS

37TH CONGRESS, 1861-63
First Session, July 4-August 6, 1861
Second Session, December 2, 1861-July 17, 1862
Third Session, December 1, 1862-March 3, 1863

Expenditures on Public Buildings

Select Committee on Government Contracts
Cataline, investigation of the chartering by the Executive of the steamer: H. res. of July 10, 1861. Aug. 28, 1861-Dec. 23, 1862. ca. 6,000 p.


Select Committee To Investigate the Official Conduct of the Honorable J. M. Ashley

38TH CONGRESS, 1863-65
First Session, December 7, 1863-July 4, 1864
Second Session, December 5, 1864-March 3, 1865

Public Expenditures

Select Committee To Investigate Charges Against the Treasury Department
Treasury Department, investigation of charges against the: H. res. of Apr. 30, 1864. 1864. ca. 1,200 p.

39TH CONGRESS, 1865-67
First Session, December 4, 1865-July 28, 1866
Second Session, December 3, 1866-March 2, 1867

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Select Committee on Internal Revenue Frauds

Select Committee on New Orleans Riots
Select Committee on the Memphis Riots

Memphis riots and massacres, investigation of: H. res. of May 14, 1866. 1866. ca. 1,350 p.

Select Committee on the Murder of Union Soldiers in South Carolina


Select Committee on the New Orleans Customhouse


Select Committee To Investigate Southern Railroads


40TH CONGRESS, 1867-69
First Session, March 4-December 2, 1867
Second Session, December 2, 1867-November 10, 1868
Third Session, December 7, 1868-March 3, 1869

Select Committee on Reconstruction


Select Committee on Retrenchment


Select Committee on Soldiers Bounties

Soldiers' bounties, investigation of the delay in payment of: H. res. of July 18, 1867. Nov. 22-Dec. 6, 1867. 175 p.

Select Committee on Southern Railroads


Select Committee on the Treatment of Prisoners of War and Union Men


41ST CONGRESS, 1869-71
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Second Session, December 6, 1869-July 15, 1870
Third Session, December 5, 1870-March 3, 1871

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Education and Labor

Howard, Gen. O. O., investigation of the charges against by Hon. Fernando Wood (Freedmen's Bureau affairs): H. res. of Apr. 6, 1870. 1870. ca. 2,600 p.

Elections

Louisiana, investigation of contested elections in: H. res. of Mar. 5, 1869. 1869. ca. 4,500 p.
Foreign Affairs

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Post Office and Post Roads

Select Committee on the Postal Telegraph Lines

42D CONGRESS, 1871-73
First Session, March 4-April 20, 1871
Second Session, December 4, 1871-June 10, 1872
Third Session, December 2, 1872-March 3, 1873

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Select Committee on Credit Mobilier No. 2
Credit Mobilier and Union Pacific Railroad investigation: H. res. of Jan. 6, 1873. 1873. ca. 1,500 p.

Select Committee To Inquire into the Administration of the Affairs of the Navy Department
Navy Department, investigation of charges against the: H. res. of Mar. 11, 1872. 1872. ca. 900 p.

Select Committee To Investigate the Alleged Credit Mobilier Bribery

43D CONGRESS, 1873-75
First Session, December 1, 1873-June 23, 1874
Second Session, December 7, 1874-March 3, 1875

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Ways and Means

44TH CONGRESS, 1875-77
First Session, December 6, 1875-August 15, 1876
Second Session, December 4, 1876-March 3, 1877

Foreign Affairs
Schenck, Robert, U.S. Minister at the Court of St. James's, investigation of the relationship of with the directory of the Emma Mine: H. res. of Feb. 7, 1876. May 2, 1876. 113 p.
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Select Committee on the Recent Election in the State of Louisiana

Louisiana, investigation of the 1876 election in: H. res. of Dec. 4, 1876. 1876-77. 1,000 p.

45TH CONGRESS, 1877-79
First Session, October 15-December 3, 1877
Second Session, December 3, 1877-June 20, 1878
Third Session, December 2, 1878-March 3, 1879

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Customs duties illegally exacted, claims for. Apr. 18, 19, and 20, 1878. 198 p.

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State Department, expenditures in the. Feb. 8, 1878-Feb. 21, 1879. 956 p.

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Sugar, tariff on. 1879. ca. 400 p.

Select Committee on Alleged Frauds in the Presidential Election of 1876


46TH CONGRESS, 1879-81
First Session, March 18-July 1, 1879
Second Session, December 1, 1879-June 16, 1880
Third Session, December 6, 1880-March 3, 1881

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District of Columbia

Commissioners of the District of Columbia, investigation of certain charges against: H. res. of Feb. 27, 1880. 1880. ca. 1,000 p.
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Hoop iron, duty on. Mar. 19, 1880. 100 p.


Select Committee on the Interoceanic Ship Canal


47TH CONGRESS, 1881-83
First Session, December 5, 1881-August 8, 1882
Second Session, December 4, 1882-March 3, 1883

Commerce

Interstate commerce, arguments and statements on certain bills proposing congressional regulation of. 1882. ca. 600 p.


Foreign Affairs

Chile and Peru (investigation as to certain papers missing from the Department of State): H. res. of Feb. 24, 1882. 1882. ca. 1,000 p.


Ways and Means

Alcohol and proof spirits to be used in industrial pursuits, withdrawal from distillery warehouses without tax of: H.R. 5082. Apr. 4, 1882. 38 p.

China, porcelain, and stoneware, duties on. June 8, 1882. 38 p.

Cigarettes, tax on. Apr. 11, 1882. 11 p.


Oleomargarine, the taxation of the manufacture of: H.R. 142. Apr. 25 and May 9, 1882. 38 p.


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48TH CONGRESS, 1883-85
First Session, December 3, 1883-July 7, 1884
Second Session, December 1, 1884-March 3, 1885

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Expenditures in the Department of Justice

First Comptroller of the Treasury, certain alleged improper allowances in the office of, in accounts pertaining to the Department of Justice. Dec. 11-17, 1884. 137 p.
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