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Summary Information

Compiled By:	Flora Smith
Creator:	Larry Corbett; Noel W. Baker
Date:	1972-1996; Bulk, 1974-1977
Physical Description:	1.668 linear feet. The collection consists of 41 folders and 8 books in 4 document boxes.
Language:	English

Abstract

Larry E. Corbett is a farmer in Alicia, Arkansas who worked together with Noel Baker (who was also a farmer) to improve farm legislation, particularly rice allotment legislation. This collection consists of transcripts of testimony given before various Congressional subcommittees, schedules of Congressional hearings, copies of Congressional farm bills, correspondence with members of Congress, correspondence with other farmers, press releases, newspaper clippings, and farm publications.

Acquisition

Materials in this collection were donated by Larry Corbett on May 17, 2004. No further additions to this collection are expected.

Processing Information

This collection was processed by Flora Smith.

Conditions Governing Access

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Biographical Note

Larry Corbett was born in 1943 in Alicia, Arkansas to Herbert Corbett and Cleney Faye Waddell Corbett. Larry and his wife Loretta have one son, Larry David Corbett, and still live in Alicia, Arkansas and manage

Corbett Farms. During the 1970's Corbett worked with Noel W. Baker to reform legislation affecting the agricultural industries, particularly rice farming, in Arkansas.

Scope and Content Note

The Larry Corbett Collection primarily consists of materials documenting the activities taken by Larry Corbett and legislators, and other farmers to amend federal agricultural legislation in the 1970s. These activities include statements and testimony by Larry Corbett, Noel Baker, and other farmers given before various Congressional subcommittees, schedules of Congressional hearings, copies of Congressional farm bills, correspondence with members of Congress, correspondence with other farmers, press releases, newspaper clippings, and farm publications.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged in sixteen (16) series.

Series 1: Oilseeds and Rice Subcommittee of the House Agriculture Committee. The "Oilseeds and Rice Subcommittee of the House Agriculture Committee" series is comprised of transcripts of testimony given before the Oilseeds and Rice Subcommittee of the House Agriculture Committee.

Series 2: Subcommittee on Family Farms and Rural Development. The "Subcommittee on Family Farms and Rural Development" series contains transcripts of testimony given before the Subcommittee on Family Farms and Rural Development.

Series 3: Committee on Agriculture U.S. House of Representatives. The "Committee on Agriculture U.S. House of Representatives" series is comprised of transcripts of testimony given before the Subcommittee on Agricultural Production, Marketing, and Stabilization of Prices.

Series 4: Subcommittee on Agricultural Production, Marketing and Stabilization of Prices. The "Subcommittee on Agricultural Production, Marketing and Stabilization of Prices" series is comprised of transcripts of testimony given before the Subcommittee on Agricultural Production, Marketing, and Stabilization of Prices.

Series 5: Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The "Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry" series is comprised of transcripts of testimony given to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry in the years 1975 and 1977.

Series 6: Congressional Information. The "Congressional Information" series contains press releases given by congressional members, schedules of hearings, information related to congressional bills, correspondence, newspaper clippings, and copies of a proposed farm bill.

Series 7: Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation. The "Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation" series contains administrative documents from the Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation.

Series 8: Correspondence. The "Correspondence" series contains correspondence between Larry Corbett or Noel Baker and various congressional members.

Series 9: House Agriculture Committee. The "House Agriculture Committee" series contains correspondence and petitions for farm bill support.

Series 10: Memorabilia. The “Memorabilia” series contains items Corbett kept from trips to Washington, DC.

Series 11: U.S. Army Corp of Engineers. The “U.S. Army Corp of Engineers” series contains information related to permit regulation and rice allotments.

Series 12: Legislation. The “Legislation” series contains copies of House and Senate agriculture bills.

Series 13: Farm Publications. The “Farm Publications” series contains publications and newspaper clippings related to farming.

Series 14: Rice Production. The “Rice Production” series contains rice farming statistics and information on rice allotments.

Series 15: Personal. The “Personal” series contains personal items including church programs, thank you notes, receipts, and handwritten notes.

Series 16: Congressional Books. The “Congressional Books” series is comprised of 19 softbound books, in two boxes, related to congressional rice legislation and congressional records.

Related Materials

Researchers interested in this collection may also wish to consult the following resource in Archives & Special Collections holding:

- Noel W. Baker Papers: A collection documenting efforts made by Noel Baker to reform federal rice legislation.

Other materials in Archives & Special Collections holdings may relate to this topic. Please contact Archives & Special Collections at archives@astate.edu for further research assistance.

Subjects

- Agricultural laws and legislation
- Bills, Legislative
- Correspondence
- Family Farms
- Family farms--United States
- Government publications
- Legislative hearings--United States
- Legislators
- Legislators--United States
- Legislators--United States--Correspondence
- Publications
- Rice
- Rice--Arkansas
- Rice--laws and legislation
- Rice--United States
- Speeches, addresses, etc.

- Witnesses

Names

- Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation
- United States. Congress. House
- United States. Congress. House. Committee on Agriculture
- United States. Congress. House. Committee on Agriculture. Subcommittee on Family Farms and Rural Development
- United States. Congress. House. Committee on Agriculture. Subcommittee on Soybeans and Oilseeds
- United States. Congress. Senate
- United States. Congress. Senate. Committee on Agriculture and Forestry
- United States. Congress. Senate. Committee on Agriculture and Forestry. Subcommittee on Agricultural Production, Marketing, and Stabilization of Prices
- United States. Congress. Senate. Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
- Washington (D.C.)
- Alexander, Bill, 1934-
- Baker, Noel W.
- Bumpers, Dale
- Corbett, Larry
- Hammerschmidt, Larry

Collection Inventory

Series 1: Oilseeds and Rice Subcommittee of the House Agriculture Committee

Box 1:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
1	Statements	1975 April, 1977 March, undated
	Scope and Content: This folder contains transcripts of statements made by farmers, leaders of farm organizations, and agricultural committee leaders before the Subcommittee on Oilseeds and Rice.	
2	Statements by Congressmen	1975 February – 1975 April
	Scope and Content: This folder contains speeches given by members of Congress before the Subcommittee on Oilseeds and Rice.	

Series 2: Subcommittee on Family Farms and Rural Development

Box 1:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
3	Testimony	1977 February 24
	Scope and Content: This folder contains statements from leaders of farm associations given before the Subcommittee on Family Farms and Rural Development.	

Series 3: Committee on Agriculture U.S. House of Representatives

Box 1:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
4	Statements	1977 February 24 – 1977 March 3, undated
	Scope and Content: This folder contains statements given before the House Agriculture Committee by leaders of farmers' organizations.	

Series 4: Subcommittee on Agricultural Production, Marketing and Stabilization of Prices

Box 1:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
5	Testimony	1975 November 14
	Scope and Content: This folder contains statements given by farmers and leaders of farmers' organizations before the Subcommittee on Agricultural Production, Marketing, and Stabilization of Prices.	
6	Testimony by Congressmen	1975 November 14
	Scope and Content: This folder contains testimony given by members of congress before the Subcommittee on Agricultural Production, Marketing, and Stabilization of Prices.	

Series 5: Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry

Box 1:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
7	Statements	1975 February 21
	Scope and Content: This folder contains statements given by farmers and the CEO of Riceland Foods	

	before the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry in 1975.	
8	Senator Testimony	1975 February, 1975 November 13
	Scope and Content: This folder contains transcripts of statements given by members of Congress before the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry in 1975.	
9	Statements	1975 February 23 – 1977 March 3
	Scope and Content: This folder contains statements given by farmers and leaders of farmers' organizations before the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry in 1977.	

Series 6: Congressional Information

Box 1:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
10	Press Releases	1976 January 22, 1977 January 17
	Scope and Content: This folder contains copies of two press releases related to Food and Agriculture.	
11	Schedules	1975-1977
	Scope and Content: This folder contains schedules of hearings before committees and subcommittees as well as lists of witnesses to be called.	
12	Bills	undated
	Scope and Content: This folder contains explanations for Senate Bills 275 and 203.	
13	Increasing Rice Support	Circa 1974-1977
	Scope and Content: This folder contains information on parliamentary procedure, form letters to be sent to congressmen, information on how to garner support, newspaper clippings, letters to newspaper editors, lists of news services, and contact information for senators and government departments.	
14	Proposed Farm Bill	1977 February, undated
	Scope and Content: This folder contains comments by Bill Alexander concerning the farm bill, proposed changes to the 1977 farm bill, and a pamphlet mailed out by Bob Dole.	

Series 7: Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation

Box 1:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
15	Administrative Documents	1975 October – 1976 January, 1977 February 2, undated
	Scope and Content: This folder contains financial reports, agendas, and minutes for meeting held by the Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation. It also contains pamphlets providing information on the Farm Bureau Rice Division Action Committee.	

Series 8: Correspondence

Box 1:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
16	Congressional	1974-1977
	Scope and Content: This folder contains correspondence between Larry Corbett and Noel Baker with members of Congress such as Bill Alexander, Larry Hamerschmidt, Dale Bumpers, and James P. Johnson and includes signed photographs from Bill Alexander and Dale Bumpers.	
	Conditions Governing Access: Gloves must be worn to handle photographs.	

Series 9: House Agriculture Committee

Box 2:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
17	Support Letters	1974 November – 1975 October, undated
	Scope and Content: This folder contains letters sent to congressmen asking for support for the 1975 Farm Bill.	
18	Petitions	Circa 1975
	Scope and Content: This folder contains notes and rough drafts of letters of support to congressmen, petitions for support of Senate Bill S.2260 rice bill 1975, and suggested program changes.	

Series 10: Memorabilia

Box 2:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
19	Washington, DC Trips	1975 February – 1976 February
	Scope and Content: This folder contains memorabilia kept by Larry Corbett from his frequent trips to Washington, DC including an American Airlines boarding pass, visitor's passes to US House of Representatives and Congressional Chambers, a map of Capitol Hill, and postcards of Washington, DC.	

Series 11: U.S. Army Corp of Engineers

Box 2:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
20	Federal Register	1972 March, 1974 December – 1975 October, 1976 October
	Scope and Content: This folder contains information from the US Army Corp of Engineers concerning irrigation pipelines, navigable waters, Section 404 PL 92-500, allotments, and flooding.	

Series 12: Legislation

Box 2:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
21	House Bills	1974 December – 1975 July, 1977 February
	Scope and Content: This folder contains copies of five House bills related to agriculture.	
22	Senate Bills	1975 April – 1975 July, 1977 January, undated
	Scope and Content: This folder contains copies of three Senate Bills related to agriculture and a list of provision for proposed legislation.	

Series 13: Farm Publications

Box 2:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
23	Miscellaneous	1975
	Scope and Content: This folder contains articles kept from various farm publications and newspapers such as Agri Business Bulletin,	

	American Farmer, Landhandler, Progressive Farmer, the Rice Review and the Jonesboro Sun.	
24	Farm Bureau News	1975 January 6 – 1977 February 14
	Scope and Content: This folder contains Farm Bureau News publications from the year 1975 and 1977 in the months of January and February.	
25	Farm Bureau Press	1974 December – 1975 January
	Scope and Content: This folder contains the Farm Bureau Press from December 1974 and January 1975.	
26	Washington Riceletter	1975 February – 1975 March
	Scope and Content: This folder contains the Washington Riceletter Volume 1 numbers 2 and 4.	

Series 14: Rice Production

Box 2:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
27	Statistics	1973-1977
	Scope and Content: This folder contains statistics related to rice production and acreage from 1960-1977.	
28	Rice Market	1976 February, 1977 January – 1977 February
	Scope and Content: This folder contains copies of Rice Market News from January and February of 1976 and 1977. This publication provided statistical information related to rice farming.	
29	Allotments	1975-1976
	Scope and Content: This folder contains information related to the Rice Allotment Program including program data, news articles, lists of applicants, and statistical data.	

Series 15: Personal

Box 2:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
30	Church	1975 May 22, 1975 September 18, 1977 March 2, 1996 March 15, undated
	Scope and Content: This folder contains information of a personal nature concerning Larry	

	Corbett including church programs, thank you notes, and a page from the Arkansas Baptist News Magazine.	
31	Miscellaneous	1977, undated
	Scope and Content: Miscellaneous items are in this folder including receipts for copies, handwritten notes, phone numbers, lists of names, drawings, and a vehicle registration.	

Series 16: Congressional Books

Box 3:

Book Title	Publication Dates
Proposed Changes in Peanut and Rice Program: Hearings Before the Full Committee and the Subcommittee on Oilseeds and Rice of the Committee on Agriculture, House of Representatives, Ninety-Third Congress, Second Session on H.R. 11259, H.R. 15263, H.R. 15755, and H.R. 15757	1974
Digital version can be accessed at https://hdl.handle.net/2027/mdp.39015078148536	
Agriculture and Anti-Depression Act of 1975: Hearings Before the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, United States Senate, Ninety-Fourth Congress, First Session, Part 1	1975 February 3 – 1975 February 7
Digital version can be accessed at https://hdl.handle.net/2027/uc1.a0000448068 and https://hdl.handle.net/2027/mdp.39015078061085	
Agriculture and Anti-Depression Act of 1975: Hearings Before the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, United States Senate, Ninety-Fourth Congress, First Session, Part 2	1975 February 17 – 1975 February 21
Digital version can be accessed at https://hdl.handle.net/2027/uiug.30112104079253	
Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service United States Department of Agriculture: Compilation of Statutes Relating to Soil Conservation, Set Aside, Acreage Diversion, Marketing Quotas and Allotments, Wheat Certificates, Commodity Credit Corporation, Price Support, Export and Surplus Removal, Public Law 480, Crop Insurance, Sugar Payments and Quotas, Marketing Agreements and Orders, School Lunch, Child Nutrition, Food Stamp, and Related Statutes as of January 1, 1973	1973 March
Digital version can be accessed at https://hdl.handle.net/2027/uva.x030492816	
Proposed Changes in the Rice Program: Hearing Before the Subcommittee on Oilseeds and Rice of the Committee on Agriculture, House of Representatives, Ninety-Third Congress, First Session, November 13, 1973	1974

Digital version can be accessed at

<https://hdl.handle.net/2027/mdp.39015078062547>

General Farm Bill: Hearings Before the Committee on Agriculture, House of Representatives, Ninety-Fifth Congress, First Session, Part 1 1977

Digital version can be access at

<https://hdl.handle.net/2027/mdp.39015078589960>

Proposed Changes in the Rice Program: Hearing Before the Subcommittee on Oilseeds and Rice of the Committee on Agriculture, House of Representatives, Ninety-Fourth Congress, First Session on H.R. 201, H.R. 4741, and H.R. 6326 1975

Digital version can be access at

<https://hdl.handle.net/2027/mdp.39015076082349>

Rice Programs: Hearing Before the Subcommittee on Agricultural Production, Marketing, and Stabilization of Prices of the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, United States Senate, Ninety-Fourth Congress, First Session on S. 1645..., S. 2260..., and S. 2385... November 14, 1975 1975

Digital version can be access at [https://hdl.handle.net/2027/uc1.\\$b392671](https://hdl.handle.net/2027/uc1.$b392671)

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
32	United States House of Representatives Legislative Calendar: Committee on Agriculture, Ninety-Fourth Congress, First Session	1976 January 15
33	Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, United States Senate, Legislative Calendar, Ninety-Fifth Congress, First Session	1977 February 11

Box 4:

Folder Number	Folder Name	Dates
34	Congressional Record	1975 October 29
	Scope and Content: Vol. 121, No. 158	
35	Congressional Record	1975 December 10
	Scope and Content: Vol. 121, No. 182	
36	Congressional Record	1975 December 16
	Scope and Content: Vol. 121, No. 186	
37	Congressional Record	1976 January 28
	Scope and Content: Vol. 122, No. 8	
38	Congressional Record	1976 January 29
	Scope and Content: Vol. 122, No. 9	

39	Congressional Record	1976 January 30
	Scope and Content: Vol. 122, No. 10	
40	Congressional Record	1976 February 2
	Scope and Content: Vol. 122, No. 11	
41	Congressional Record	1976 February 3
	Scope and Content: Vol. 122, No. 12	