

**Title:** Bohn, John L. Papers

**Call Number:** Mss-0120

**Inclusive Dates:** 1893 – 1953

**Bulk:** 2.2 cu. ft.

**Location:** ER, Sh. G006 (2.0 cu. ft.)  
RC2, Sh. 004 (0.2 cu. ft.)  
OS SM “B” (6 items)  
OS LG “B” (4 items)  
WHS (1 book)

**Abstract:** John Louis Bohn was born in 1872 in Two Rivers, WI. He was involved in the hotel and restaurant business in Michigan and Wisconsin, but his career turned to politics. He served on the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors from 1898 to 1902, and in 1916 he was elected to the Common Council. He was council president when Mayor Carl Zeidler resigned in 1942 to serve in the U.S. Navy, and Bohn became acting mayor. In 1944, he was elected to a full term as mayor. Bohn passed away in April 1955.

**Scope and Content:** The collection consists of correspondence, scrapbooks, newspaper clippings, programs and other ephemera documenting primarily Bohn’s political activities.

**Administrative Note:** Material was added to the collection on Feb. 7, 1996 and was processed by Steve Daily. The collection was reprocessed on Jan. 17, 2001 Kevin Abing.

<b>Contents</b>	<b>Box #</b>	<b>Folder #</b>
Correspondence 1893-1945	1	1
Correspondence 1946-53	1	2
Congratulatory telegrams, 1940, 1942, 1944, 1948	1	3
Bohn campaign material	1	4
1943 Colby list of supporters	1	5
Inaugural ceremonies of Milwaukee City Officials, 1944	1	6
Post War planning, 1944	1	7
Speeches by or about Bohn , 1934-1948	1	8
Radio Scripts Delivered by Bohn or His Representatives, 1947	1	9
Presentation Scrapbook of Common Council Resolutions Introduced by Bohn,1916-28	1	10
Presentation Scrapbook of Common Council Resolutions Introduced by Bohn,1928-39	1	11
Election Certificates, Awards and Citations Received., 1894-1948	1	12
Invitations, Membership Cards, and Christmas cards	1	13
Programs, Miscellaneous	1	14
Programs, Veterans and Military-Related	1	15

Mayor's Guest book, 1940-1948	1	16
Miscellaneous Material	1	17
Newspaper Clippings, 1900-1942	1	18
Newspaper Clippings, 1943-1946	1	19
Newspaper Clippings, 1947-1948	1	20
Newspaper Clippings, Undated (1 of 2)	1	21
Newspaper Clippings, Undated (2 of 2)	1	22
<b>Scrapbooks</b>	<b>Box #</b>	<b>Folder #</b>
Travelogue-Alaska Trip, 1925/Clippings,1926-30m	2	1
Clippings re: Centurama, 1946, & Other Events, 1944-1951	2	2
Clippings, 1923-26	2	3
Clippings, 1944-45	2	4
Clippings, 1940-41	2	5
Clippings, 1942	2	6
Clippings, 1943	2	7
Clippings, 1937-40	2	8
Clippings, 1901, 1916-1924	2	9
2 colored birds eye views of Duluth, MN	2	Loose in box
Colored panoramic view of Mt. Vernon, VA	2	Loose in box
Clippings 1901-38		RC 2, Sh. 4
#1. Clippings, 1943-1945	2	Missing
#2. Clippings, 1932-1936	2	Missing
#3. Clippings, 1946-1949	2	Missing
<b>Oversize Items</b>	<b>Location</b>	
Sunday Morning Breakfast Club merit award to Bohn for years of service to Milwaukee, 1949	OS SM "B"	
Diploma from the Missouri College of Hunting & Fishing, 1947	OS SM "B"	
Greetings from Beloit College on Milwaukee's Centennial, 1946	OS SM "B"	
Certificate commemorating Bohn's 20 <sup>th</sup> anniversary as alderman, 1936	OS SM "B"	
Certificate of Distinctive Civic Service from Marquette University, 1943	OS SM "B"	
Citation commemorating Bohn's birthday, n.d	OS SM "B"	
Honorary Life Membership given to Bohn from National Avenue Advancement Association, 1948	OS LG "B"	
Common Council tribute to Bohn upon retirement, 1948	OS LG "B"	
Advisory Council recognition of Bohn's service, 1948	OS LG "B"	
Certificate naming Bohn honorary captain for Pennsylvania-Central Airlines, July 2, 1945	OS LG "B"	
<b>Books</b>	<b>Location</b>	
Caesar, Irving. <i>Sing a Song of Friendship</i> . 1946. New York, NY: I. Caesar.	WHS	