

Title: Federated Trades Council Collection

Reference Code: Mss-0348

Inclusive Dates: 1903 – 1911

Quantity: 0.4 cu. ft.

Location: LC, Sh. 012

Abstract: As part of the labor movement of the late 19th century, Frank Weber, a former shipyard carpenter, led the drive to form the Federated Trades Council (FTC) of Milwaukee in 1887. Affiliated with the American Federation of Labor and working closely with Milwaukee's Socialist Party, the FTC presented a unified lobbying on behalf of trade unions. By 1904, the FTC had nearly 13,000 members and 60 locals. In 1959, the FTC merged with the Congress of Industrial Organizations Council to form the Milwaukee County Labor Council.

Scope and Content: The collection consists of a minute book with newspaper clippings pertaining to the FTC.

Access and Use: No restrictions

Language: English