

**Inventory of the
William E. Towell Papers, 1941 - 1988**



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Descriptive Summary

Title:	William E. Towell Papers,
Dates:	1941 - 1988
Creator:	Towell, William E. (William Earnest), 1916-
Abstract:	<p>William E. Towell enjoyed a productive and distinguished career as a forester and conservationist, notably as director of Missouri Conservation Commission, executive vice president of the American Forestry Association, and director of numerous conservation organization boards. Towell also served as a part-time employee for the U.S. Forest Service and later private forestry consultant for a number of government agencies and professional organizations.</p> <p>The collection includes records kept by Bill Towell, a professional forester affiliated with many important forestry and conservation organizations. The record group contains both the personal and professional correspondence of Mr. Towell; copies of speeches and papers given by numerous individuals; news releases; newspaper and journal articles; and a variety of printed materials on a number of diverse subjects. Organizations represented include the American Forestry Association, Society of American Foresters, National Association of State Foresters, Bureau of Land Management (focused primarily on the Wild Horse and Burro Program), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, among others.</p>
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Biographical Note

William E. Towell enjoyed a productive and distinguished career as a forester and conservationist, notably as director of Missouri Conservation Commission, executive vice president of the American Forestry Association, and director of numerous conservation organization boards. Towell also served as a part-time employee for the U.S. Forest Service and later private forestry consultant for a number of government agencies and professional organizations.

William Earnest Towell was born June 11, 1916 in St. James, Missouri. Mr. Towell attended Drury College in Springfield and the University of Missouri before receiving in 1938 both a Bachelor of Science in Forestry and a Master of Science in Silviculture from the University of Michigan. He began his professional career in 1938 with the Missouri Department of Conservation as District Forester of Sullivan, Missouri. In 1940, he married Virginia Ruth Dotter, with whom he had two children, Jane and Linda.

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Towell slowly advanced his career with the Missouri Department of Conservation, becoming its director in 1957. In 1967, he resigned his directorship to become the Executive Vice President of the American Forestry Association (AFA), a post he held until 1979. Towell retired in January of 1979, becoming a private forestry consultant. As a consultant, he worked with the National Association of State Foresters (NASF) and the U. S. Forest Service to organize a series of regional conferences, the purpose of which was to gather input from timberland owners in order to create a national policy on nonindustrial private forest lands. In 1981, he returned to the work force, accepting the position of Executive Vice President of the Society of American Foresters (SAF). He held this position for two years before serving as President of SAF for one year. He returned to semi-retirement in 1984, but he continued to serve on numerous committees and advisory boards at local, regional, and national levels.

Widely respected in his field, Towell has been honored by several high awards. In 1976, he was named "Conservationist of the Year" by the National Wildlife Federation. In 1978, NASF awarded him the Lifetime Achievement Award, SAF awarded him the Sir William Schlich Memorial Medal, and the University of Michigan Natural Resources Alumni Society awarded him the first Distinguished Service Award. William Towell is listed in *Who's Who in America* and *Leaders in American National Wildlife Federation*.

Chronology List

1938-1967	Missouri Department of Conservation: District Forester (1938-1941), Farm Forester (1941), Assistant State Forester (1942-1956), Assistant Director (1956-1957), Director (1957-1967)
1967-1979	American Forestry Association: Executive Vice President
1981-1984	Society of American Foresters: Executive Vice President (1981-1983), President (1983-1984)

Collection Overview

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Collection Arrangement

The records are divided into six subgroups, each subgroup representing a specific group of organizational records. Boxes one and two contain records of the subgroup entitled AFA (the American Forestry Association). Boxes three and four contain records of the subgroup entitled SAF (the Society of American Foresters). Box five contains records of the subgroup entitled NASF (the National Association of State Foresters). Box six contains records of the subgroups BLM (the Bureau of Land Management) and NOAA (the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration). The final box contains miscellaneous records representing a number of different organizations; thus, box seven contains records of the subgroup entitled Miscellaneous.

Within each box, records are arranged in reverse chronological order in every file folder.

1. American Forestry Association, 1941-1987
2. Society of American Foresters, 1977-1987
3. National Association of State Foresters, 1978-1980

4. Bureau of Land Management, 1957-1987
5. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 1983-1987
6. Miscellaneous, 1969-1988

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Related Material

Oral History: William Towell

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Subject Headings

Ambrose, Stephen R.
American Forestry Association
Argyle, J. Dean
Barber, John C.
Blackwell, Lloyd P.
Borden, Thomas B.
Cooney, Timothy M.
Council for Agricultural Science and Technology
Dickerman, M. B. (Murlyn Bennet), 1912-
Fletcher, Richard A.
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Gordon, J. C. (John C.), 1939-

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Hagenstein, William D.

Jorgensen, C. Glen

Krugman, Stanley

McConnell, Jay M.

Missouri. Dept. of Conservation

Moll, Gary A.

National Association of State Foresters

Reidel, Carl H.

Renewable Natural Resources Foundation

Resler, Rexford A.

Schnell, Robert L.

Skok, Richard

Society of American Foresters

Moore, Spencer T.

Towell, William E. (William Earnest), 1916-

United States. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Detailed Description of the Collection

1. American Forestry Association, 1941-1987.

The American Forestry Association (AFA) was founded in 1875 as an independent, national conservation organization for the advancement of wise natural resources management practices. Bill Towell served as Executive Vice President of AFA from 1967 to 1979.

Includes chiefly records (or copies of records) Mr. Towell created or received while employed by the American Forestry Association. The first two files, "Personal Correspondence" and "Speeches and Papers," contain primarily biographical information about Bill Towell.

Folder 11 William E. Towell: Personal Correspondence, 1941-1978

Includes correspondence, announcements, articles, and pamphlets. Much of the information is biographical.

Folder 12 William E. Towell: Speeches and Papers, 1967

Includes a list of Towell's major speeches and presentations given from April 1967 to June 1967.

Note: Several speeches and papers are dispersed throughout the collection.

Folder 13 General Correspondence, March 27, 1987 to September 4, 1973

Box 1 Printed Materials

Folder 4 Policy and Position Statements, 1966, 1976, and undated

Folder 5 *American Forests* Magazine, April 1986-April 1987

Folder 6 Annual Meeting Brochures, October 1967 to October 1978

Folder 7 Miscellaneous Publications, 1975-1980 and undated

Folder 8 Awards, 1977-1987 and undated

Includes Annual Meeting Awards Banquet brochure; correspondence about awards; article on 1977 award winners; and lists of AFA awards and requirements.

Box 1 Forestry Management

Folder 9 Renewable Resources Extension Committee: Correspondence, May 14, 1979 to January 15, 1980

Includes correspondence about the Science and Education Administration's Joint Council Task Force on the implementation of Public Law 95-306, the Renewable Resources Extension Act of 1978.

Folder 10 Renewable Resources Extension Committee: Correspondence, February 1979 to May 7, 1979 and undated

Includes information on efforts within the forestry profession to establish a cohesive, working agenda for the management of nonindustrial private forest lands.

Folder 11 National Forum on NIPF: Correspondence, October to November 1983

- Folder 12 NIPF Steering Committee: Correspondence, December 15, 1978 to September 26, 1979 and undated
- Includes correspondence about plans for a national conference on nonindustrial private forest lands held in Washington, D.C. November 26-27, 1979.
- Folder 13 NIPF National Conference: Correspondence, November 1, 1979 to April 10, 1980
- Folder 14 NIPF National Conference: Correspondence, July 13, 1979 to October 31, 1979
- Folder 15 NIPF Regional Conferences: Correspondence, November 1, 1978 to April 22, 1979
- Folder 16 NIPF Regional Conferences: Correspondence, April 1978 to October 30, 1978 and undated
- Folder 17 Interagency Report on NIPF: *The Federal Role in the Conservation and Management of Private Nonindustrial Forest Lands*, March 23, 1978
- Folder 18 Natural Resources Reorganization, February 1979 to May 31, 1979
- Includes correspondence, newsletters, and reports discussing the transfer of the Forest Service out of the Department of Agriculture as well as the transfer of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration out of the Department of Commerce into an expanded Department of Interior to be redesignated as the Department of Natural Resources.
- Folder 19 Natural Resources Reorganization, February 1978 to January 31, 1979 and undated
- Folder 20 General Publications, April 6, 1977 to August 16, 1978
- Includes U.S. Committee Reports and various acts and bills dealing with the forestry industry.
- Folder 21 General Publications, March 1972 to October 22, 1976
- Box 1 Forest Management Legislation
- Folder 22 Areas of Agreement: Correspondence, October 1, 1975 to March 31, 1978
- The AFA Areas of Agreement Committee arose out of controversy over the "timber supply bill" of 1970 that pitted conservationists against forest industry representatives. The committee was created as an attempt to bridge the gap between the two groups and establish areas of agreement on common interests and needs in forestry legislation.
- Folder 23 Areas of Agreement: Correspondence, August 28, 1975 to September 25, 1975
- Includes correspondence chiefly related to the Monongahela Decision.
- Folder 24 Areas of Agreement: Correspondence, February 4, 1974 to August 12, 1975
- Folder 25 Areas of Agreement: Correspondence, January 29, 1973 to August 17, 1973
- Folder 26 Areas of Agreement: Correspondence, April 20, 1971 to November 15, 1972 and undated
- Folder 27 Areas of Agreement: Congressional Contacts, November 24, 1975 to April 23, 1976 and undated
- Includes correspondence indentifying those Congressional leaders that were the most influential and the most sympathetic to sound conservation legislation.

Folder 28	Areas of Agreement: Forest Legislation Recommendations, April 1976
	Drafts of official statement made to Congress, <i>National Forest Management Issue</i> .
Folder 29	Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978
	Includes materials related to the Act.
Box 2	Forest Management Legislation
Folder 30	Forest Taxation, January 23, 1978 to November 16, 1978
	Includes correspondence, mailgrams, newsletters, pamphlets, papers, statements before House and Senate Committees, press releases, and minutes of meetings of the Technical Advisory Subcommittee of the Forest Industries Committee on Timber Valuation and Taxation. Records discuss various tax laws affecting forestry, such as the Revenue Act of 1978, the Tax Reform Act of 1976, Capital Gains tax rates, and estate tax laws.
Folder 31	Forest Taxation, August 9, 1970 to October 28, 1977
Folder 32-33	Forest Taxation, undated
Folder 34	State and Private Forestry Bills, February 3, 1978 to September 20, 1978
	Includes correspondence, news releases, pamphlets, and copies of statements of various forestry organizations concerning the existing and proposed bills affecting forest management and forest research, such as the Renewable Resources Extension Act of 1978.
Folder 35	State and Private Forestry Bills, January 30, 1978 to February 2, 1978
Folder 36	State and Private Forestry Bills, May 4, 1977 to January 17, 1978
Folder 37	State and Private Forestry Bills, January 1977 to April 20, 1977
Folder 38	State and Private Forestry Bills, December 5, 1975 to November 11, 1976 and undated
Box 2	Urban Forestry
Folder 39	General, undated
	Includes booklets and pamphlets about urban forestry.
Folder 40	<i>American Forests</i> Excerpts, October 1983 to June 1986
Box 2	Michael Frome Affair
	Includes correspondence and newspaper and journal articles concerning Michael Frome, an outspoken conservation writer employed as a feature writer for <i>American Forests</i> magazine in the late 1960s and early 1970s. Feeling that the content of his writing was becoming far too political, the AFA Board of Directors fired him amidst a storm of controversy.
Folder 41	January 12, 1972 to March 1, 1976
Folder 42	March 24, 1971 to September 13, 1971 and undated
Folder 243	British Isles Trip, March to October 1975 and undated

Includes itinerary for post-convention tour of England, Ireland, and Scotland. Also contains booklets and pamphlets on the Forest and Wildlife Service of the United Kingdom and some of its numerous parks. Also contains business cards of contacts in Great Britain.

Folder 244 India Trip, November to December 1976

Includes itinerary for AFA/Wildlife Management Institute survey tour of India. Also contains business cards of contacts in India.

Folder 245 Christmas Greetings to Employees, 1958-1966

Box 2 Name/Address/Affiliation Cards

Folder 46 A-G

Folder 47 H-N

Folder 48 O-Z

2. Society of American Foresters, 1977-1987.

The Society of American Foresters (SAF) is a national organization representing all segments of the forestry profession in the United States, including public and private practitioners, researchers, administrators, educators, forest technicians, and forestry students. Bill Towell served as SAF Executive Vice President from 1981 to 1983 and President from 1983 to 1984.

Includes records generated, received, or collected by William E. Towell while associated with the Society of American Foresters.

Folder 349 General Correspondence, 1979-1986 and undated

Folder 350 Presidents' Goals and Targets, 1983-1984 and undated

Includes correspondence and statements about the goals and targets of various SAF presidents.

Folder 351 Office of Executive Vice President, 1977-1978 and 1983-1985

Includes correspondence regarding the responsibilities of the office and the searches for candidates to fill the office.

Box 3 SAF Council

Folder 52 Correspondence, 1982-1985 and undated

Folder 53 Minutes of Meetings, April 1983 to April 1985

Folder 54 Minutes of Meetings, December 1981 to November 1982

Notebook 1 Council Meeting: Bethesda, Maryland, November 11-12, 1984

Notebook 2 Council Meeting: Bethesda, Maryland, May 1-2, 1984

Notebook 3 Council Meeting: Bethesda, Maryland, April 25-26, 1983

Box 3 Printed Materials

Folder 55 Constitution and By-Laws, 1981-1982 and 1984-1986

Folder 56	SAF Manuals, 1982, 1985, and 1986
Folder 57	SAF Journals, 1979-1984
	Includes both miscellaneous issues and correspondence related to various SAF journal publications.
Folder 58	SAF Newsletters, 1984-1985
Folder 59	SAF Pamphlets, 1984-1987
Box 3	SAF Policies and Positions
Folder 60	General, 1982-1984
	Includes correspondence, statements, reports, and papers.
Folder 61	Published Materials, 1982-1985
Box 3	Regional and State Societies
Folder 62	General, February 1982 and undated
Folder 63	Alaska Society, June 1984
Folder 64	Appalachian Society, December 1983 to October 1984
Folder 65	Great Plains Society, July 1982 to September 1982
Folder 66	Intermountain Society, July 1984
Folder 67	Lentucky-Tennessee Society, October 1983 to May 1984
Folder 68	Louisiana Society, February 1984 to June 1984
Folder 69	Michigan Society, June 1984
Folder 70	New England Society, December 1983 to July 1984
Folder 71	Oregon Society, January to February 1984 and undated
Folder 72	Ozark Society, August 1984
Folder 73	Southeastern Society, July 1983 and October 1984
Folder 74	Washington State Society, March 1984
Box 4	SAF Committees
Folder 75	General, 1982-1984 and 1986
Folder 76	Committee on Accreditation, 1982-1984
	Includes charters and lists of appointments to committee.
Folder 77	Committee on Barrington Moore Memorial Award, 1982-1984 and 1986
	Includes charters, correspondence, and lists of committee members.
Folder 78	Committee on Communications, 1982-1984

		Includes charters, lists of appointments to committee, lists of committee members, and correspondence.
Folder 79	Committee on Continuing Education, 1982-1984	
		Includes charters and lists of appointments to committee.
Folder 80	Committee on Educational Policies, 1982-1984	
		Includes charters and lists of appointments to committees.
Folder 81	Committee on Ethics, 1982-1984	
		Includes charters and lists of committee members.
Folder 82	Committee on Financial Management, 1982-1984	
		Includes charters, lists of committee members, agendas for meetings, minutes of committee meetings, and correspondence.
Folder 83	Committee on Forest History, 1982-1984	
		Includes charters, lists of appointments to committee, and lists of committee members.
Folder 84	Committee on Forest Policy, 1982-1984	
		Includes charters, lists of committee members, and correspondence.
Folder 85	Committee on Forest Technology School Recognition, 1984	
Folder 86	Committee on Foresters' Fund, 1982-1984	
Folder 87	Committee on Forestry Employment	
Folder 88	Committee on Forestry Terminology	
Folder 89	Committee on Membership	
Folder 90	Committee on National Assembly Agenda, 1982 and 1984	
Folder 91	Committee on National Convention Arrangements, 1982	
Folder 92	Committee on National Convention Programs	
Folder 93	Committee on Natural Areas, 1982 and 1984	
Folder 94	Joint SAF-ACF Committee on Policies, 1982-1984	
Folder 95	Committee on Professional Recognition, 1981-1987 and undated	
		Includes charters, correspondence about nominations for SAF awards, memorandums from chairman of committee to SAF Council, lists of appointments to committee, lists of committee members, and minutes of meetings. Bill Towell was chairman of this SAF committee in 1986.
Folder 96	Committee on Publications, 1982-1984	
Folder 97	Committee on Registration and Licensing of Foresters, 1982-1984	

Folder 98	Committee on Student Affairs, 1982-1984
Folder 99	Committee on Women and Minorities, 1982-1984
	(Formerly Committee on Minority Action)
Folder 100	Committee on World Forestry, 1982-1984
Folder 101	Executive Committee, 1982-1984
Folder 102	Implementation Committee, 1983
Box 4	SAF Task Forces
Folder 103	General, 1982 and 1984
	Includes index of SAF task forces as well as materials relating to the NRCA Agricultural Task Force.
Folder 104	Below Cost Timber Sales Task Force, undated
Folder 105	Federal Taxation Task Force, undated
Folder 106	Steering Committee on Handbook of Forestry, 1978
Folder 107	Task Force on Clean Air Act Regulations, 1979
Folder 108	Task Force on Clean Water Act Regulations, 1978
Folder 109	Task Force on Commercial Timberland, 1981
Folder 110	Task Force on the Development of an SAF Certified Professional Forester Program, 1984
Folder 111	Task Force on International Forestry, 1985
Folder 112	Task Force on Membership Categories, Criteria, Policies, and Procedures, 1981
Folder 113	Task Force on 1985 Resources Planning Act Assessment and Program, 1983-1984
Folder 114	Task Force on Scheduling the Harvest of Old-Growth Timber, 1982-1984 and undated
Folder 4115	SAF Working Groups: General, 1982 and 1984
	Includes lists of working group officers and representatives and newsletters about SAF activities in the areas of science and technology.
Box 4	SAF Awards
Folder 116	General, 1984-1987 and undated
Folder 117	1984 Barrington Moore Memorial Award, 1984
	Includes correspondence about the requirements for the award and the candidates for the Barrington Moore Memorial Award, which is awarded annually in recognition of outstanding achievement in biological research leading to the advancement of forestry.
Folder 118	Barrington Moore Memorial Award, 1984
Folder 119	1987 John A. Beale Award, 1986

Includes nominations and supporting materials for candidates for the John A. Beale Award, which is awarded annually in recognition of outstanding continuing efforts in forestry through volunteer service to the Society of American Foresters.

Folder 120 1985 John A. Beale Award, 1985

Includes nominations and supporting materials for candidates.

Folder 121 1987 Gifford Pinchot Medal, 1986

Includes nominations and supporting materials for candidates for the Gifford Pinchot Medal, which is awarded in odd-numbered years for outstanding contributions by forestry professionals to the administration, practice and professional development in North American forestry.

Folder 122 Honorary Membership Awards, 1984-1985

Includes nominations and supporting materials for award candidates. Honorary Memberships are awarded to individuals who are not eligible for formal SAF membership but have rendered distinguished service to the forestry profession.

Folder 123 1986 Sir William Schlich Award, 1985 and undated

Includes nominations and supporting materials for award candidates for the Sir William Schlich Award, which is awarded in even-numbered years in recognition of broad and outstanding contributions to forestry with emphasis on, but not limited to, policy and national or international activities.

Folder 124 1986 Young Forester Award, 1986

Includes nominations and supporting materials for award candidates for the Young Forester Award is awarded to a forester under forty years of age in recognition of his or her development and promotion of an individual project or program benefitting the practice of forestry and SAF.

Box 4 Conferences and Conventions

Folder 125 1989 SAF National Convention, 1984

Folder 126 1987 SAF National Convention, 1983-1984

Folder 127 1986 SAF National Convention, 1982-1986

Folder 128 1985 SAF National Convention, 1984

Folder 129 1984 SAF National Convention, 1984 and undated

Folder 130 1983 SAF National Convention, 1982-1983 and undated

Folder 131 1982 SAF National Convention, 1982 and undated

Folder 132 SAF Leadership Conference (January 1984), 1983-1984 and undated

Folder 133 1984 and 1985 SAF Regional Technical Conferences, 1984

Folder 134 Western Forestry Conference (December 1984), 1984

Folder 135 1984 Supervisory Personnel Conference, 1984

Folder 136	1984 NASF Annual Meeting, 1984
Folder 137	1984 Indiana Governor's Conference on Forest Resources and Wood-Using Industries, 1984 and undated
Folder 138	1984 AAAS CAIP Annual Meeting, 1984
Folder 139	Consultation of Presidents of AAAS Affiliated Societies, 1984
Folder 4140	Accreditation, 1983-1984 and undated Includes correspondence concerning SAF's accreditation of institutions for the teaching of professional forestry.
Folder 4141	Certification/Licensing of Professional Foresters: Correspondence, 1984 and undated
Folder 4142	Continuing Education: Correspondence, 1984
Folder 4143	SAF Elections: Miscellaneous, 1981-1984 and undated Includes correspondence, news releases, and newsletters concerning the elections of Officers and Fellows. Also includes maps showing SAF voting districts.
Folder 4144	Ethics: Correspondence, 1982-1985 and undated
Folder 4145	Financial Records: Miscellaneous, 1982-1984 and undated
Folder 4146	Foundation for Professional Forestry: Miscellaneous, undated
Folder 4147	SAF Membership: Miscellaneous, 1981-1985 and undated
Folder 4148	Public Service Messages: Miscellaneous, 1983-1984 Includes memos, mock-ups of ads to be run in magazines, and correspondence. The ads concern clean air and clean water, primarily.
Folder 4149-153	RNRF-SAF Dispute: Miscellaneous, 1981-1987 and undated Includes correspondence and legal documents pertaining to a long dispute over cooperative responsibilities of each organization at Wild Acres, the site of the headquarters of both SAF and the Renewable Natural Resources Foundation.
Folder 4154	Forestry Management: Non-Industrial Private Forests, 1982-1984 and undated
Folder 4155	Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST): SAF Membership, 1982-1984 and undated

3. National Association of State Foresters, 1978-1980.

The National Association of State Foresters (NASF) is an organization that works closely with the United States Forest Service and other national forestry organization to promote legislative programs at the state and federal level. The association focuses on state and national adoption of reforestation policies and forestry management practices.

Includes records generated, received, or collected by William E. Towell while working in the late 1970s as a consultant for the U. S. Forest Service and National Association of State Foresters (NASF), sponsors of several regional conferences and one national conference concerning nonindustrial private forests. The federal Resources Planning Act of 1974 called for the submission of a five-year planning program for the management of private timberlands by 1980. Bill Towell was to coordinate the NIPF conferences in order to gather input from owners of private forest lands across the nation so as to create a national policy for their administration, as per the requirements of the RPA.

Folder 5156	General Correspondence, 1979-1980 and undated
Box 5	NIPF Conferences
Folder 157	General Correspondence, 1979 and undated
	See also records of the American Forestry Association in Box 1.
Folder 158	Northeast Regional Conference, February 6 to March 27, 1979
Folder 159	Northeast Regional Conference, February 8 to October 10, 1979 and July 20-21, 1978
Folder 160	Northcentral Regional Conference, 1978-1979
Folder 161	Southern Regional Conference/"Southern Forest Landowners Forum," April 5 to November 15, 1979
Folder 162	Southern Regional Conference/"Southern Forest Landowners Forum," February 3 to April 26, 1979
Folder 163-164	Southern Regional Conference/"Southern Forest Landowners Forum," undated
Folder 165	Western Regional Conference, 1978-1979
Folder 166	National Conference, 1979
Folder 167	Monitors, 1979
Folder 168	White Papers: Correspondence, 1979-1980
Folder 169	White Papers: Reports (Authors: Gray to Holley)
Folder 170	White Papers: Reports (Authors: Lewis to Wolf)
Folder 171	Expenses, 1979-1980

4. Bureau of Land Management, 1957-1987.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is an agency of the United States Department of the Interior. Its primary responsibility has been the management of public lands, and generally it has adapted the Forest Service's multiple-use principle to public lands.

Includes records collected, generated, or received by William E. Towell while serving on the advisory board of the BLM's Wild Horse and Burro Program in the mid-1980s.

Box 6	Wild Horse and Burro Program
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Includes materials related to the Bureau of Land Management's Wild Horse and Burro Program, a program by which wild horses and burros roaming the public lands were rounded up and sold to individuals having the proper facilities to care for the animals. The justification for removing the wild, free-roaming animals from the range was that there existed a severe overpopulation problem, thus many needed to be removed from the environment. Environmentalists and humane societies became concerned after the program was implemented that the BLM was rounding up too many of the wild animals, that there were not enough adequate facilities to hold them, and that sometimes the treatment of the animals did not appear humane.

- Folder 173 Wild Burro and Burro Advisory Board Meeting (December 4-5, 1986), 1986-1987
- Folder 174 Wild Burro and Burro Advisory Board Meeting (September 29-30, 1986), September to November 1986
- Folder 175 Wild Burro and Burro Advisory Board Meeting (September 3-5, 1986), July to September 1986
- Folder 176 Wild Burro and Burro Advisory Board Meeting, May to July 1986
- Folder 177 Management Options: General, June 1986 and undated
- Contains correspondence and reports concerning options for managing the wild horses and burros roaming free on public lands. Options such as adoption, contraception, and destruction are considered and discussed.
- Folder 178 Management Options: Adoption, 1983-1986 and undated
- Includes lists of adoption centers and the requirements set up by BLM for the adoption of wild horses or burros.
- Folder 179 Management Options: Contraception, June 1986 and undated
- Folder 180 Reports and Statements Regarding BLM Policy, 1982-1987 and undated
- Folder 181 Printed Materials, 1977-1986 and undated
- Folder 182 Statistics, 1986-1987 and undated
- Includes correspondence and reports concerning management costs, legal issues, research needs, and other issues incurred by the Wild Horse and Burro Program.
- Folder 183 Media Coverage of BLM Policy, May 1986 to June 1987 and undated
- Folder 184 Sharon Saare Controversy, September to November 1986 and undated
- Includes correspondence and petitions criticizing Sharon Saare of employing unethical practices while working for the BLM to give presentations on the Wild Horse and Burro adoption program.
- Folder 185 Resolutions, May 1957 to February 1986 and undated

5. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 1983-1987.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is an agency of the United States Department of Commerce. In the mid-1980s the NOAA sponsored a study to examine the effectiveness of the NOAA's implementation of the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act, which was passed in an effort to improve marine fisheries management. Bill Towell was a study panel member who worked with a number of peers who were experts in their respective fields. Mr. Towell represented Conservation interests while serving on the panel.

Includes records kept by Towell during his association with the Fishery Management Study.

Box 6	Fishery Management Study
Folder 186	General Correspondence, February 1986 to June 1987 and undated
Folder 187	Study Panel Meetings, February 1986 to Septemeber 1986 and undated
Folder 188	Preliminary Findings, March 1986 to March 1987
Folder 189	Preliminary Findings, February 1985 and undated
Folder 190	Final Report: Final Draft, June 30, 1986
Folder 191	Final Report: Third Draft, undated
Folder 192	Final Report: Second Draft, undated
Folder 193	Panel Members' Revisions of Report, May 1986 to September 1986 and undated
Folder 194	Suggestions from the Professional Community Regarding Final Report, September 1986 to October 1986
Folder 195	Suggestions from the Professional Community Regarding Final Report, April 1985 to August 1986 and undated
Folder 196	Summaries
Folder 197	NOAA Response to Panel's Final Report, April 1987
Folder 198	NOAA Comprehensive Report: Draft, May 19, 1987
	<p>This report combines the findings of the NOAA Fishery Management Study, the NOAA Council Task Group, and a report entitled "Proposed Regulations Implementing P.L. 99-659" into a single comprehensive report.</p>
Folder 199	Reports: General, 1987
	<p>Includes the published federal report entitled "Major Policy Initiatives," produced by the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President.</p>
Folder 200	Reports: General, 1986
	<p>Smith, Courtland. "Conservation and Allocation Decisions in Fishery Management."</p> <p>Hargis, W. J., Jr. "Data Needs For Fisheries Management."</p> <p>Hargis, W. J., Jr. "Environmental Matters."</p>

Harville. "Preparation, Review, and Approval of Fishery Management Plans and Amendments Thereto."

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Folder 7204

Boone and Crockett Club: Manual, 1978

Folder 7205

The "B," 1971-1976

Includes correspondence, minutes of meetings, membership lists, and a copy of the constitution of the Brotherhood of Venery (the "B"), an organization whose objective is to advance knowledge and protection of wildlife.

Box 7

Forest History Society

Includes materials related to the Forest History Society (FHS), a non-profit educational instituion with a mission of advancing historical understanding of man's interaction with the natural environment. Bill Towell served on the board of directors in the 1980s.

Folder 206

Board of Directors and Officers, 1983-1985

Folder 207 By-Laws: Revised, 1984 and 1987

Folder 208 Conference: "Forests, Habitats, and Resources: A Conference in World Environmental History", January 15, 1987

Folder 209 Financial Statements, 1986 and 1987

Folder 210 Correspondence: General, April 1979, October 1984 to April 1988, and undated

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Box 7 Land Between the Lakes

Includes articles of incorporation, reports, and a newsletter concerning Land Between the Lakes, a 170,000-acre peninsula located in western Kentucky and Tennessee between Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley. Bill Towell served as a trustee for the operation.

Folder 216 General Correspondence, June 1983 to May 1984

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Box 7 National Wildlife Foundation

Folder 218 Review of Weyerhaeuser Company's Forestry Operations in Arkansas and Oklahoma, June 1981 to March 1982

Includes correspondence and a report of NWF's Blue Ribbon Panel on wildlife and forestry concerning Weyerhaeuser's activities.

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Folder 7220 Natural Resources Defense Council: Forest Management, May 1978 to May 1979

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Folder 231 Virginia: General, undated

Includes an article on water resources in Fairfax County, Virginia.

Folder 7232 Miscellaneous Papers and Presentations, 1965-1984
Folder 7233-235 Miscellaneous Publications, 1969-1984
Folder 7236 Miscellaneous Correspondence, January to October 1984 and April 1987

Includes various business cards of people associated with the forestry profession and resume of Oscar Fugalli.