

Albert Greenfield and Political Conventions

- Greenfield was a real estate broker, prominent Philadelphian, and an active participant in city and national politics throughout his career.
- In 1948 both the Republican and Democratic National Conventions were held in Philadelphia.
- Albert Greenfield, as a leader of the All Philadelphia Citizens Committee, led the effort to secure Philadelphia as the location of both party's conventions in the same year.
- HSP's collection holds material from the 1948 Republican National Convention and the Democratic National Convention as well as Greenfield's papers, which contain information on his work on hosting the conventions that same year.
- The Democratic National Convention is set to return to Philadelphia in June 2016.

Primary Sources:

Albert M. Greenfield papers 1918-1969, undated 1930-1950

The bulk of the collection is made up of incoming and outgoing correspondence, both personal and business related. "Select office files" refers to items such as minutes, financial information, newspapers clippings, blueprints, reports, pamphlets, booklets, maps, legal documents, press releases, publications, inter-office memoranda, architectural drawings, greeting cards, and other graphic material. Categories covered in the collection include business, personal, political, civic, philanthropic, Jewish affairs, and miscellaneous. As is standard with businesses records, the date order of material goes from the most recent date to the earliest.

Collection #1959

Finding Aid: <http://www2.hsp.org/collections/manuscripts/g/Greenfield1959.html>

Many digitized images and documents when searching "Albert M Greenfield" via the HSP Digital Archive

<http://digitallibrary.hsp.org/index.php/Search/Index?search=Albert+M.+Greenfield>

The official program of the 24th Republican National Convention: the fifth Republican National Convention held in Philadelphia, June 21, 1948

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Philco guide to the national political convention: Philadelphia, 1948

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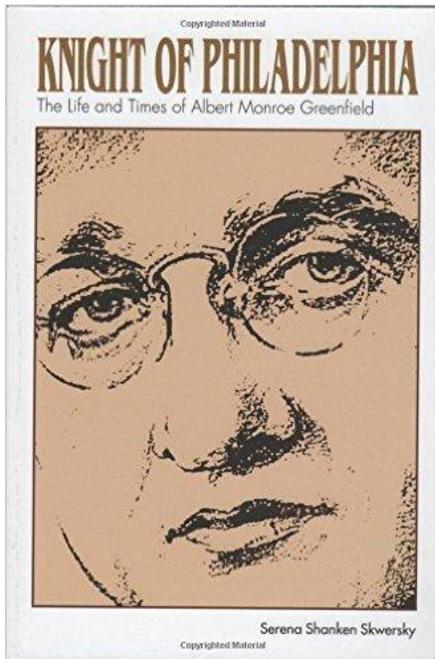
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*Permanent roll of delegates and alternate delegates to Republican National Convention:
Philadelphia, June 21, 1948*
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All Philadelphia Citizens' Committee for the Democratic National Convention
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Secondary Sources:



The Knight of Philadelphia: the Life and Times of Albert Monroe Greenfield

A biography of Albert M. Greenfield is a 50 year history of Philadelphia. Every president of the United States from Calvin Coolidge to Lyndon Baines Johnson called on him for advice at one time or another. He was "the stuff out of which emperors, autocrats, great minds, and the grand manner are made." "Few persons in the history of America have touched the lives of so many people and made so great a contribution to the welfare of humanity." Few have had such an unusual "front seat" in the history of our times.

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