Herbert Welsh/Indian Rights Association

- Indian Rights Association was established by Welsh in 1882
- Became one of the most important organizations establishing and influencing American Indian policy in the 20th century
- Original mission was to “bring about the complete civilization of the Indians and their admission to citizenship”
- Became the primary source of information for non-Indian audiences on Native American affairs.

Primary Sources

*Indian Rights Association records, 1830-1986*
Contains correspondence, organization records, various printed material and news clippings, papers of Herbert Welsh, research notes, maps and papers, photographs, audio-visual materials, Council on Indian Affairs minutes and correspondence, and administrative and financial records.
Collection #1523
http://www2.hsp.org/collections/manuscripts/i/IRA1523.html

(Mr & Mrs. Patrick High Star, White River, South Dakota, Indian Rights Association records, Collection #1523, Box number 234, Digital Archive item #7796)

*Herbert Welsh Collection, 1759-1935*
Contains correspondence, financial and legal documents, essays, speeches, activist files, journals, diaries, scrapbooks, broadsides, serials, brochures, pamphlets, photographs, prints, drawings and more. Also contains materials he collected regarding the Armenian Genocide
Collection #702
http://www2.hsp.org/collections/manuscripts/w/Welsh0702.html

Address
"In the Old Moravian Chapel, Bethlehem, Pa., Wednesday evening, November 19, 1913. A good attendance. Topic of the speaker, 'The present needs of the Indian.' Points of lecture."
by Herbert Welsh
Call number: PAM E 98.C89 W461 1913

(Photograph of Herbert Welsh, taken by F. Gutekunst, Leach Portrait Collection, Collection #V77, Digital Archive item #6816)
Secondary Sources

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by William Thomas Hagan, published 1985
Call number: E 93 .H34 1985