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Box 1
Correspondence, 1933 - 1995
1. Correspondence to Oliver Benson from World Unity magazine, May 16, 1933.
2. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, May 29, 1935 - February 1, 1938.
3. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, February 15, 1938 - November 8, 1938.
4. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, November 14, 1938 - July 27, 1940.
5. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, September 17, 1943 - November 20, 1946.
6. Correspondence between Oliver Benson, friends, and colleagues, December 10, 1945 - October 18, 1950.
7. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, January 20, 1947 - February 23, 1952.
8. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, March 6, 1952 - November 4, 1955.
9. Correspondence to Oliver Benson from colleagues, June 6 - 26, 1950.
12. Correspondence to Oliver Benson from Northwestern University, 1954 - 1955.
13. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, December 1, 1955 - November 30, 1960.


19. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, February 20, 1961 - July 17, 1963.

20. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, December 20, 1963 - November 1965.

21. Correspondence to Oliver Benson from the Joint War Games Agency, December 13, 1965.

22. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, February 2, 1966 - March 24, 1967.

23. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, November 7, 1966 - June 2, 1967.

24. Correspondence to Oliver Benson from Dr. Richard W. Chadwick, January 1967.


27. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, April 20, 1967 - August 3, 1968.

28. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, January 16, 1968 - March 27, 1968.

29. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, April 12, 1968 - December 22, 1968.

30. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, February 17, 1969 - December 29, 1969.


33. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, July 26, 1971 - May 5, 1972.
34. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, September 21, 1972 - April 30, 1974.
35. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, April 30, 1974 - December 31, 1979.
36. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, January 23, 1980 - November 17, 1980.
37. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, March 6, 1981 - December 26, 1988.
39. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, November 2, 1990 - February 5, 1995.
40. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, n.d.
41. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, n.d.
42. Correspondence to and from Oliver Benson, n.d.
44. Envelopes, n.d.

**Course Materials, 1936 - 1979**
45. Class records, 1936 - 1939.

**Box 2**

**Course Materials, 1936 - 1979 (continued)**
4. Grades, course agendas, course changes, and proctor assignments, 1941 - 1969.
5. Political Science C-41, quizzes 1, 2, 3, April 15 - May 13, 1955.


b. Department of Political Science: notification of floor changes, April 3, 1964.
d. Student research paper for Political Science, Spring 1967 - 1968.

14. Student research paper, June 1, 1966.


31. Political caricatures for use on exams, n.d.


33. a. Syllabus #1: Graduate Seminar in International Relations, n.d.
b. Government 1, n.d.


**Box 3**

**Course Materials (continued)**


3. Political Science 5953, student papers, n.d.

b. Political Science 399: Methods, n.d.
c. Political Science 5953, final examinations, n.d.
d. Political Science 5993, final examinations, n.d.

b. June and Oliver Benson Awards in Political Science, n.d.
c. Political Science 248A - 249A draft workbook, n.d.

b. Government 363, China, n.d.

7. *Political Science Laboratory*: answers to quantitative exercises, n.d.
c. Government 363, test on India, n.d.
d. Political Science change of grade slip, n.d.
e. Department of Political Science, University of Minnesota, n.d.
f. Political Science, student paper, n.d.

d. Political Science 5993: final examination, n.d.

9. a. Sequence in International Politics D40, n.d.
b. Government 50: Review terms-Chapter 1-6, n.d.
c. Political Science 399: Methods, n.d.
d. Political Science 5953: final examination, n.d.
e. Political Science 5993: final examination, n.d.
f. Course Rationale: International Relations, n.d.

e. Change of enrollment request, n.d.


b. Government 1, large section, n.d.
d. Government 50, selected list of books for review, n.d.
e. Government 155, instructions on preparing a report, n.d.
g. Political Science 395, permit to attend class, n.d.
h. Political Science 395: Behavioral Lab, n.d.
i. Change of enrollment request, n.d.
k. Government 450, text books exemplifying various approaches to the study of international relations, n.d.

b. Political Science Laboratory: answers to quantitative exercises, n.d.
c. Government 1, makeup quiz, n.d.
d. Political Science 5953, midterm examination, n.d.
e. Political Science 5953, homework exercise-crosstab statistics, n.d.

b. Political Science 5953, final examination, n.d.

15. a. Institutions, Processes and Behavior, Ph. D. examination, n.d.
b. General examinations in comparative politics, n.d.

17. a. Government 150, worksheet on international law, n.d.
b. Political Science 363, terms on India, n.d.
c. Political Science 5953, midterm examination, n.d.

18. a. Political Science 399: supplementary note on Chapter 9, n.d.
b. Sequence of Events, n.d.

19. A student paper sponsored by Oliver Benson for Political Science contest, n.d.

20. Course information for marketing, journalism, speech, plant science, music education, and government, n.d.

21. a. Political Science C-41: American Foreign Policy, n.d.
d. Political Science 450, bibliography, n.d.


b. Comparative Politics, n.d.
c. Political Method and Theory, n.d.


25. a. Civil Engineering, n.d.
b. Marketing, n.d.
c. Metallurgical Engineering, n.d.
d. Industrial Management Engineering, n.d.
e. Chemical Engineering, n.d.
f. Political Science 399 and 395, n.d.
g. Political Science 440, n.d.


**Personal Papers, 1932 - 1999**

27. a. The Memorial of Premier Tanaka, 1932.
b. Personnel form of Oliver Benson, May 27, 1942.
c. Oliver Benson’s membership to the National Geographic Society, February 17, 1950.
d. Personal data form of Oliver Benson, October 20, 1955.

29. Military papers, April 11, 1938 - September 19, 1944.

   b. Field notebook of Oliver Benson during the initial U. S. occupation force landing in the
      Truk Atoll, September 30 - October 8, 1945.


33. Military case write-ups by Oliver Benson, July 17 - August 28, 1944.

34. Military papers, October 6, 1931 - August 31, 1944.

35. a. Official transcript of Oliver Benson from the University of Oklahoma, January 29, 1934.


    the Diplomatic Looking-Glass*, November 4 - 29, 1939.

    the Diplomatic Looking-Glass*, December 3 - 10, 1939.


    the Diplomatic Looking-Glass*, January 12, 1940 - April 7, 1968.

41. a. Gazette of the Japanese Empire, August 1943.

42. Military papers authorizing Oliver Benson’s release from active military duty and transfer
to the Retired Naval Reserves, mileage receipts, authorization to award Oliver Benson
with the WWII medal of Victory, 1943 - 1953.
43. Lectures delivered at Naval War College, June 30, 1946 - June 8, 1955.

44. Navy: Sea Power magazine, discharge forms and moving forms of Oliver Benson, November 26, 1942 - October 1, 1956.

Box 4
Personal Papers, 1932 - 1999 (continued)


   b. Loan application, September 23, 1964.
   e. Deposit slip, June 30, 1971.

   b. Invoice, May 2, 1951.


10. A newspaper interview with Oliver Benson discussing his 50 years at the University of Oklahoma as a student and as a professor, and his retirement, October 24, 1979.


12. a. Advanced Programs Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, October 7 - 12, 1968.
    d. Calendar, 1983.


16.  a. Newspaper clippings on or by Oliver Benson, March 13, 1940 - November 11, 1970.  
     b. Certificates of merit awarded to Oliver Benson, January, October 1985.

     g. Lease Agreement, March 31, 1980.  
     h. Notice to Oliver Benson, May 17, 1980.  
     i. Recognition award to Oliver Benson, November 11, 1994.

     b. College papers written by Oliver Benson, n.d.  
     c. Handwritten notes, n.d.  
     d. Maps of Tokyo, n.d.


20.  Oliver Benson’s course notebook, n.d.


     b. Account information of Oliver Benson, n.d.

     b. Poem “Tout Va Trés Bien” by Madame la Marquise, n.d.

24.  Biographical summary on Oliver Benson, n.d.

25.  Typed and handwritten notes, class, work, and various reports, n.d.


29. a. Home construction receipt, n.d.
c. Policies governing the formulation of the University of Oklahoma calendar, n.d.
d. Retirement information, n.d.
e. Oliver Benson’s resume, n.d.
b. College paper written by Oliver Benson, n.d.
32. College papers written by Oliver Benson, n.d.
33. Papers presented at the Naval War College, n.d.
34. a. Organization of the Japanese Army, n.d.
b. *Comparative Analysis of the American and British Manuals of Military Governments and Administration*, n.d.
35. Military documents, n.d.
36. *Advanced Programs in Governmental Studies*, n.d.
37. a. Blank copies of a certificate with Norman High School and Owen Stadium pictured, n.d.
b. Kinko’s receipt, n.d.
38. Oliver Benson’s vitae, bulk mailings to Oliver Benson, n.d.
40. Awards, certificates, military reports, and newspaper clippings about Oliver Benson, n.d.
42. a. Newspaper clipping containing a photo of Oliver Benson, n.d.
b. Handwritten notes on teaching political science, n.d.
c. Folded sheets of paper labeled “Mrs. O. E. Benson,” n.d.
b. Naval School of Military Government and Administration Alumni roster, n.d.
44. a. Newspaper clipping of Benson Awards given at OU, n.d.
b. Chinese script, n.d.
c. San Juan Lease Agreement, n.d.
e. John M. Leek Memorial Fund, n.d.
f. Blank certificates for the June and Oliver Benson Award in political science, n.d.
g. Christmas card list, n.d.

45. Birthday banner printouts and bulk mailings, n.d.

46. Oliver Benson’s Vitae, n.d.

47. Mass mailings to Oliver Benson, n.d.

Publications and Manuscripts, 1933 - 1978

b. Changing Patterns of Policy Formation and Implementation in Communist China, Oliver Benson, two copies, September 1959.

49. Papers and reports by Oliver Benson on the political aspects of international and U.S. policies and diplomacy, April 1, 1938 - April 2, 1964.

50. Reports by Oliver Benson on international and U.S. diplomacy and actions taken during World War II, August 1940 - May 1941.

Box 5

Publications and Manuscripts, 1933 - 1978 (continued)


2. Reports by Oliver Benson on international and U.S. diplomacy and actions during World War II, June 1941 - June 1942.


c. A review by Charles G. Bell on Oliver Benson’s Political Science Laboratory and Understanding Political Variables, 1969.


10. a. An essay by Oliver Benson on *De Wilson à Roosevelt: Politique extérieure des États-Unis, 1913-1945* by Jean-Baptiste Duroselle, n.d.
    b. Order form for *Through the Diplomatic Looking-Glass* by Oliver Benson, two copies, n.d.


    b. Book reviews by Oliver Benson, n.d.
    c. Benson, Oliver. *The Foreign Policy of the Eisenhower Administration*, n.d.

13. Reports and articles on political theories and issues, n.d.


15. a. An order form for *Through the Diplomatic Looking-Glass* by Oliver Benson, n.d.
    b. Chapter Sixteen: Simulation of International Relations and Diplomacy, n.d.
    c. Outline for *A Simple Diplomatic Game*, n.d.

16. Reports and articles on political issues written by Oliver Benson, n.d.

17. Reports by Oliver Benson on governments and a rising appeal toward international studies, n.d.

**Research Materials**


28. The American Academy of Political and Social Science Meeting, April 5 - 6, 1968.


**Box 6**

**Research Materials (continued)**

1. Historical research materials regarding Mary Pray correspondence, January 18, 1647 - April 13, 1761.


c. The 12th Annual Oklahoma Institute of International Relations, June 12 - 17, 1949.

b. University of Virginia Institute of Public Affairs, June 14 - 24, 1940.

9. a. The Southwestern Social Science Association, April 11 - 12, 1941.

10. A copy of *Postulates, Principles, and Proposals* (second draft), January 1, 1943.

e. Court cases, January 9 - 18, 1978.


b. Brookings Institute Seminar on problems of United States foreign policy, September 4 - 10, 1952.


22. Regional Conference on University and World Affairs, December 12 - 14, 1952.


d. Proposed Revision of program in the psychology department, February 1958.


32. Northwestern University conference on analytic systems, June 14 - 17, 1955.


34. Publications lists in the Far East, and booklets on international law and international governments, 1958.


37. a. Pauker, Guy J. *The Role of Political Organization in Indonesia*, September 4 - 6, 1958.
b. Sondermann, Fred A. *The Linkage Between Foreign Policy and International Politics*, September 4 - 6, 1958.
c. Political articles printed in the *Social Sciences* magazine, 1927 - 1961.


b. Further notes on the faculty and student survey of expected benefits accruing to students attending OU, October 18, 1977.

41. Articles written by people other than Oliver Benson, research notes, and statistical calculations, 1963 - 1977.

c. New and recent titles, April 1984.
43. a. League of Women Voters, August 1964.

Box 7
Research Materials (continued)

2. Typescripts from the National Archives, August 15 - September 6, 1938.

3. a. The Oklahoma Institute of International Relations, June 15, 1941 - June 10, 1951.

4. a. Topic List No. 1: For Social Science Research on Southeast Asia, April 17, 1953.
   b. Topic List No. 2: For Social Science Research on China, Japan, Korea, September 15, 1953.

5. Articles written by various authors, research notes, and statistical calculations, September 13, 1965 - November 12, 1960.

6. a. International Relations Program at Northwestern University, October 1964.


8. a. Case research, June 3, 1952.
   b. Fliess, Peter J. The Impact of World Affairs on Undergraduates Courses in International Relations, December 12 - 14, 1952.
   e. Booklet on colleges, December 1957.

   c. Eulau, Heinz, et al. “Role as a Basic Unit of Analyst.” American Political Science


b. Typescript of *The Stature of the American in the World Community* by Oliver Benson, July 1968.


25. Loose notes on political and statistical concepts, 1974.


29. Burgess, Philip M. and Lawrence E. Peterson. *An Introduction to Quantitative Analysis in*
International Politics, 1969.


Box 8
Research Materials (continued)
1. Typescripts of articles, speeches, and letters dealing with political topics, 1803 - 1867.

2. Typescripts of articles dealing with political topics, 1872 - 1896.

3. Typescripts of reports, articles, and laws dealing with political issues, November 1900 - November 1930.

4. Typescripts of articles and reports dealing with political issues, 1931 - 1932.

5. Reprints of political speeches and articles, April 1931 - August 1933.


7. Reprints of political speeches and articles, September 1933 - October 1936.

8. Articles written by people other than Oliver Benson, research notes, and statistical calculations, May 1937 - February 1958.


11. a. Newspaper clippings about domestic and international politics, 1938 - 1942.
    b. Two booklets about political issues in India, January 15 - April 15, 1949.

    b. The Daily Oklahoman, August 11, 1951.

13. Reprints and pamphlets on political science, October 1940 - December 1967.
b. Class size in preliminary credit hour analysis, Fall 1956 - 1957.
22. San Francisco State College course information, July - August, 1958.
d. Political caricature, 1968.
25. a. Text titled *A Basic Course in International Relations: Outline and Description*, July 1958.
c. Several copies of a speech given by Oliver Benson at a conference on comparative and international politics, April 2 - 4, 1964.


29. Handwritten notes and printouts on political science theories and application, n.d.

30. Typescripts of articles, reports, and a constitution dealing with legal and political issues, n.d.

b. Class handout template, n.d.
d. Analysis of covariance for two-by-two tables, n.d.
e. Effects of a control variable, n.d.

32. Multivariate Analysis, n.d.

**Box 9**
**Research Materials (continued)**

1. a. Handwritten mathematical calculations, n.d.
b. Calculations routine simulations, n.d.

2. Papers consisting of mathematical calculations and political topics, n.d.

3. New text for *Political Science Laboratory*, n.d.


5. Math and computer computations, n.d.


9. Photocopies and handwritten notes on political science theories, n.d.

10. Fund allocation reports and handwritten notes, n.d.
11. Handwritten flowcharts, mathematical calculations, and computer programming data, n.d.
12. India elections, n.d.
13. Handwritten notes and mathematical calculations, n.d.
    b. *Nickname and Shadow-Name Filings in Oklahoma Primary Elections*, n.d.
17. Computer printouts, programs, mathematical calculations, and handwritten notes on political science theories, n.d.
    b. *How Large a Sample?*, n.d.
22. SPSS program, n.d.
    b. Computations, n.d.
    b. Guttman, Lewis. *A Basis for Scaling Qualitative Data*, n.d.
25. Handwritten flowcharts and statistical notes, n.d.
26. Handwritten notes and compilation of materials for Oliver Benson’s *Political Science Laboratory* books, n.d.

b. Benson, Oliver. *Indicators of Unrest: Two Tentative Models*, n.d.
c. Coleman, James S. *Social Simulation*, n.d.

b. Attitude survey, n.d.

31. Printouts of statistical programs, handwritten notes and mathematical calculations, n.d.

32. *Political Methods and Problems in International Relations* notes, n.d.

33. a. Coplin, William D. *Inter-Nation Simulation and Contemporary Theories of International Relations*, n.d.
b. OSIRIS program for construction of 5 x 2 tables from raw data, n.d.
c. SPSS program for constructing 5 x 2 tables, n.d.

34. Notebooks containing mathematical calculations and notes, n.d.


36. a. A proposal for a project on models of world politics and the concept of problem-relevance by Oliver Benson, n.d.

Box 10
Research Materials (continued)
e. Public Documents Bibliography, n.d.

b. Typed papers and reports of flowcharts and statistical data, n.d.


5. Rayes, Riad N. *IBN Khaldun’s Methodology and Political Sociology*, n.d.

6. MacRae, Duncan, Jr. *A Method for Identifying Issues and Factions from Legislative Votes*, n.d.


   b. Reprints of political articles, n.d.

10. Laboratory workbook notes, n.d.

    b. Course notes for syllabi, n.d.
    c. Handwritten mathematical calculations, n.d.

    b. Handwritten statistical calculations, n.d.


    b. Southwest Social Science Association Foundation, n.d.
    c. Final report of the Southern Assembly, n.d.

15. Bibliography on foreign policy, n.d.


17. Prospectus for an annual paperback book on world politics, n.d.

18. a. Proposals on change of courses, n.d.
    b. Handwritten notes on political science, n.d.

    b. Elections on alumni and honorary membership, n.d.
c. Persons elected to honorary membership by the Alpha of Oklahoma Chapter, n.d.

   b. *Calculator Notes (Gini Index)*, n.d.


22. a. *Indices of Qualitative Variation and Political Measurement*, n.d.


25. a. Political caricatures used for examinations, n.d.
   b. Outline of syllabi for Political Science 399, n.d.
   c. Statistical notes, n.d.

26. Handwritten notes on political science, n.d.

27. Handwritten and typed computer program notes, n.d.


29. Statistical calculations, chart, and diagram printouts, n.d.


32. Reference forms and handwritten notes on the Dominican Republic, n.d.

33. June Benson material, n.d.

Box 11

Research Materials (continued)


2. a. Handwritten computer programming notes, n.d.
   b. A copy of the St. Thomas Treaty, n.d.
   c. Mathematical calculations, n.d.

3. Photocopies of statistical theories and computer printouts, n.d.


7. a. Chapter Sixteen: Simulation of International Relations and Diplomacy, n.d.
b. Model Final Examination for Political Science 5953, n.d.
c. LAMBDA: Topic 1, n.d.
e. *Goodman and Kruskal’s Tau for Nominal Variables, Topic 2*, n.d.
g. Computing formulas for Chi-Square, n.d.
h. *Kendall’s W: Multiple Rank Correlation*, n.d.
i. *Bivariate Correlation and Regression Summary of Basic Calculations*, n.d.
j. Flowchart, n.d.

8. Three glossy prints of cartoons, n.d.

9. Cover page and list of figures, n.d.


11. Doolittle and Finley’s tornado predictions, n.d.


14. Laboratory workbook notes, n.d.

15. *Political Science Laboratory*: Chapters One and Two, unlabeled figures and statistical data, n.d.

16. *Political Science Laboratory*: Chapter Three Part One, charts and graphs (figure 1-18), n.d.

17. *Political Science Laboratory*: Chapter Three Part Two, charts and graphs (figure 19-46), n.d.

18. *Political Science Laboratory*: Chapter Four, statistical figures and cartoons, n.d.
19.  
   b. Chapter Nine, statistical figures and definitions of political concepts, n.d.  

20.  
   Negative of New Yorker cartoon for Chapter six, n.d.  

21.  
   b. Handwritten notes, n.d.  

22.  
   Handwritten computer programming notes, n.d.  

23.  
   Mathematical calculations and statistical notes, n.d.  

24.  
   d. Introduction to the science of Law, n.d.  
   e. Oklahoma Women in Civil Defense, n.d.  
   g. Duty, n.d.  
   h. Some Questions for UNESCO, n.d.  
   j. Handwritten notes, n.d.  

25.  
   Laboratory workbook notes, n.d.  

26.  
   Laboratory workbook notes, n.d.  

27.  
   a. Appendix: Political Science Laboratory workbook, n.d.  
   b. Metal toy gun, n.d.  

28.  
   Chapter Seven: Scaling, n.d.  

29.  
   Chapter Eight: Content Analysis, n.d.  

30.  
   Chapter Nine: Effects of a control variable, n.d.  

31.  
   Chapter Ten: Reporting Your Project, first draft, n.d.  

**Box 12**  
**Research Materials (continued)**  
1.  
   Computer program printouts of mathematical calculations, n.d.  

2.  
   Computer program printouts and mathematical calculations, n.d.
3. Computer program printouts and mathematical calculations, n.d.
   b. *Civil Source Reform*, n.d.
5. Computer program printouts and mathematical calculations, n.d.
7. Handwritten notes and computer printouts, n.d.
8. Typescripts of articles, reports, and book chapter dealing with political issues, n.d.
   b. *Newberry vs. the United States*, n.d.
11. Reports and typescripts of articles written by people other than Oliver Benson, n.d.
13. Political science papers, n.d.
15. Computer program printouts, n.d.

**Box 13**

**Research Materials (continued)**

1. a. Attendance list of conferences, n.d.
   b. Questionnaire, n.d.
   c. Handwritten statistical formulas, n.d.

   b. Prospectus on the *World Handbook of Political Survey Research* edited by Oliver Benson, n.d.


4. Information on the war in the Pacific and the Pacific Basin, n.d.


7. a. Model for Political Science 399 and 395, final examinations, n.d.

8. Book reviews by Oliver Benson, n.d.

9. Reports by Oliver Benson on politics in Asia, n.d.


12. Papers and notes on China and Japan, n.d.

13. Handwritten and typed mathematical calculations and analysis, n.d.


15. Survey for Oliver Benson’s *Political Science Laboratory*, n.d.

16. Bibliographies on Foreign policy and international relations, n.d.
17. Chapter Four: Biological and Social Kinetics, n.d.
18. Mathematical calculations and statistical notes, n.d.
19. Papers on simulations, computer printouts, and student elections, n.d.
22. Bound political science notes, n.d.
23. Bound political science notes, n.d.
25. Bound political science notes, n.d.