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**New York State Joint Legislative Committee to Investigate  
Seditious Activities Investigation Subject Files L0039**

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## Overview of the Records

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<b>Repository:</b>	New York State Archives
<b>Summary:</b>	This series of records generated or collected by the committee, known as the "Lusk Committee" for its chairman Clayton R. Lusk, includes correspondence, pamphlets, leaflets, testimony, news clippings, and other records on individuals and organizations. Topics center on anarchism, birth control, African-American activities, the 1919 Steel Strike, and the investigation of Socialist Party members elected to the State Assembly.
<b>Creator:</b>	New York (State). Supreme Court of Judicature (New York)
<b>Title:</b>	Joint Legislative Committee to Investigate Seditious Activities investigation subject files
<b>Quantity:</b>	14 cubic feet
<b>Quantity:</b>	28 microfilm rolls 35mm
<b>Inclusive Date:</b>	1919-1920
<b>Series:</b>	L0039

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## Arrangement

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Alphabetical by subject.

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## Scope and Content Note

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This series contains material on various topics of concern to the committee which were collected as part of their investigation into suspected radical groups and individuals. These records include correspondence, testimony, investigative reports, copies of legislation, journal articles, pamphlets, broadsides, clippings, photographs, and other material.

Topics with the most material in the records include: birth control (with significant amounts of material about Margaret Sanger), events in India and Ireland, anti-seditious legislation in other states, African-American activities, the 1919 Steel Strike and 1920 Railroad Strike, the trial of

Socialist members of the New York State Assembly, and various anti-radical activities of the United States government. Photographs of many socialists are included.

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## Use of Records

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### Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of this material.

### Alternate Formats AvailableAlternate Formats Available

Microfilm is available at the New York State Archives.

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## Administrative Information

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### Custodial History

This series was originally accessioned as box 7 of old collection #281, accessions -236 and -237.

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## Access Terms

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- Ireland--History--20th century
- Korea--History--20th century
- Anti-communist movements--New York (State)
- New York (State)
- Steel Strike, U.S., 1919-1920
- Investigating communism
- Emigration and immigration
- Great Britain--History--20th century
- Anarchism--United States
- Socialism--United States
- India--History--20th century
- Birth control--United States
- Investigating radicalism

- Investigating socialism
- Radicalism--United States
- Soviet Union--History--Revolution, 1917-1921
- National security--United States
- New York (State)--Politics and government
- New York County (N.Y.). Clerk's Office
- Sanger, Margaret, 1879-1966.