

General Rafael E. Melgar Collection Guide

General Rafael E. Melgar Collection, 1913-1959 (Collection 151) Scope of the Collection

1913-1959. Extensive collection (42 linear feet) of personal and political papers of General Rafael E. Melgar (1887-1959), who fought in the Mexican Revolution (1910-1920) and subsequently entered politics to serve in various offices including Congressional Representative from Oaxaca, campaign manager in the Yucatán for Lázaro Cárdenas, Governor of the Territory of Quintana Roo, Senator from Oaxaca, and Mexican Ambassador to the Netherlands. The collection documents the military and political career of this Mexican statesman during the decades of consolidation of the modern state. Born in 1897 in Yanhuitlán, Oaxaca, Rafael E. Melgar epitomizes a new generation of career politician that came of age during the Mexican Revolution, and left its mark on Mexican social life and political institutions to this day. The collection consists of official correspondence, government documents, press releases, accounts, ledgers, manuscripts, photographs, pamphlets, newspapers, newspaper clippings, books, and various forms of printed ephemera documenting the planning, development, and realization of Melgar's political ambitions, ideology, professional relationships, and numerous activities on the international, national, state, and municipal levels. The collection touches on every aspect of Rafael Melgar's political life: the administration and practice on a regional and national level of the plans of the Cárdenas regime; development of the predominant political parties in twentieth century Mexico (Partido Nacional Revolucionario and Partido Revolucionario Institucional), Alianza Nacional de Agrupaciones Revolucionarias, and others; campaign and election processes; economic and commercial development; expansion and modernization of Mexico; and the formation of modern Mexican national identity.

Collection Arrangement

I. Papers and Activities

The items described below refer solely to loose, unbound items. These materials are complemented by:

- 28 bound green volumes on the Campaña Nacionalista that contain copies of correspondence, photographs, reports, posters, musical scores, invitations, transcripts of radio programs, and other internal and public documentation on the Nationalist Campaign. (19,000 pieces)
- 28 bound red volumes containing Rafael E. Melgar's correspondence collected during his tenure as governor of the Territory of Quintana Roo which include other accompanying printed materials like receipts, photographs, and other ephemera. (18,200 pieces)
- 6 bound blue volumes of the *Diario de los debates de la Cámara de Senadores de los Estados Unidos Mexicanos* (1952 – 1957) that document the congressional

- sessions of the Senate including a record of the debates and decisions reached on individual acts of legislation. (2,400 pieces)
- 10 bound scrapbook volumes containing newspaper clippings, photographs, and printed ephemera documenting highlights in Rafael E. Melgar's political career during the period between 1930 and 1960. (7,200 pieces)

A. Military Papers

Box 1: Military Career in the Mexican Revolution, 1910-1920s (Folders 1 – 10)

Folder 1

Orders and promotion issued to Rafael E. Melgar in 1916 by the Commander of the Central District and letters with J. F. Dávila and other municipal leaders. (4 pieces)

Folder 2

Military service record (*Hoja de servicio*). (1 piece)

Folder 3

Documents concerning military matters from October 1921 to October 1923; internal military orders, 1922. (11 pieces)

Folder 4

Testimonials of Melgar's service by Isaac M. Ibarra (2 copies) and Enrique Breña (3 copies); 1922 memoranda to Obregón and others; statement of nomination as distinguished member of the *Soldados Genuinos de la Revolución*. (8 pieces)

Folder 5

Discharge papers, 1923-1924. (5 pieces)

Folder 6

Discharge documents that allow Melgar to leave the military to enter politics; related correspondence; a pair of train tickets. (8 pieces)

Folder 7

Documents regarding Melgar's leave of absence from the legislature to fight a rebellion in Veracruz; letters from Melgar requesting a leave of absence from Congress; assorted telegrams from Héctor López and Germán Gay Baños 1929. (7 pieces)

Folder 8

Proof of military record requested in 1952; miscellaneous correspondence. (7 pieces)

Folder 9

Documents and inventories of arms relating to the *defensa social* of various

municipalities in Oaxaca. (11 pieces)

Folder 10

Miscellaneous documents. (2 pieces)

B. Early Political Career (1924 – 1933)

Box 2: Political Correspondence from 1924-1935 (Folders 1 – 12)

Folder 1

Miscellaneous correspondence from 1925 - 1929, including communication with municipal presidents on the federalization of the school system. (77 pieces and 1 photograph)

Folder 2

1925 directory for the *Cámara de Diputados* of the 31st Mexican Congress, signed by Miguel Lima on the cover; list of *diputados* and *suplicantes* from Oaxaca for the 32nd Mexican Congress. (2 pieces)

Folder 3

Correspondence regarding Melgar's election in 1930 as the congressional representative (*diputado*) of Oaxaca's 10th electoral district [A – V].

Amaya, Félix Aquino,
Celso Alvarado, Juan G.
Castroreyes, Moisés (3 pieces)
Escobar, Enoch
? Haces, Municipal President
Mendoza, Ricardo P. (2 pieces)

Morales, José Antonio
Ortíz, Alfonso Sánchez,
Guillermo
Santiago, Manuel (12 pieces)
Téllez, Arturo (4 pieces) Viloría,
Gustavo (9 pieces)

Folder 4

Correspondence regarding Melgar's 1931 gubernatorial campaign in Oaxaca and the federalization of schools [A – Z].

Alvarado, Eligio (2 pieces) Amaro,
Joaquín
Baños, Juan J. (2 pieces)
Bravo, Genobio (3 pieces)
Bretón, Arturo
Calderón, Manuel R. (4 pieces)
Colmenares, Víctor Manuel
Colorado, Alfonso
Cristo, Adolfo A. (3 pieces)
Fernández, Carlos

García García, Carlos
Gonthier, Jesús Gonzáles
Gonzáles Rubiera
de Gyves, Leopoldo (8 pieces)
Hernández, Francisco V.
Maldonado, Manuel (2 pieces)
Ornelas, Filomeno (2 pieces)
Ortíz, Nicandro
Ramírez, Margarito
Ramírez, Patricio

Romero Ybáñez, Manuel Ruíz P.
Ezequiel Santiago, Manuel,
Secretario de Industria, Comercio, y
Trabajo
Venustiano Sosa, C., Presidente
Municipal de Tlaxiaco, Oaxaca

Toledo, Anastasio García
Toledo, Antonia
Vázquez, Rafael (7 pieces)
Velasco Carreño, Franciso
Zárate Silva, Amado
Zárate, Ernesto

Folder 5

Diverse correspondence related to rural schools in the State of Oaxaca, the federalization process, and requests for aid, 1931-1932. (123 pieces and 1 photograph)

Folder 6

Correspondence relating to aid for people and businesses in Melgar's district affected by a series of earthquakes in Oaxaca during January of 1931 [A – V].

Avandano, Luis
Coudurier, Francisco, Secretaría de
la Confederación de Cámaras de
Comercio
Cruz Sánchez, Teofilo (2 pieces)
Dueñas, Blas (2 pieces)
Enríquez, Ing. Raymundo E. (2
pieces)
García, Juan Corres
Gómez, Alejandro (5 pieces)
Guerrero, Silvestre (2 pieces)
Isario, Zeferino (2 pieces)
Lagunas, Sola de Vega
López Cortés, Francisco (2 pieces)
Luna, José R. y Cruz, Guadalupe J. (3
pieces)
Martínez, Manuel et al. (4 pieces)
Mérida, Bibiano (2 pieces)
Morales, José Antonio (4 pieces)

Montes, Felipe V. (2 pieces)
Ortíz, Angel Fernando
Ortíz Rubio, Pascual
Pani, Alberto J.
Pesqueira, Walterio (2 pieces)
Ramírez, Patricio (2 pieces)
Rangel, Federico (2 pieces)
Razo, José J., Vice Presidente de la
Confederación de Cámaras de Comercio
(2 pieces)
de Rivera, Antonio N.
Rosado, Julian
Sánchez, Félix (2 pieces)
Sánchez Lira, Rafael Téllez,
Arturo (2 pieces) Toro,
Alfonso (2 pieces)
unidentified Valis,
Fernando Vélez,
Adalberto

Folder 7

Miscellaneous correspondence relating to infrastructure projects in Oaxaca and Melgar's run for office as Congressional Representative (*diputado*) from Oaxaca's 7th electoral district, including campaign irregularities [A – Z].

Abrego, Adalberto
Abrego, Gonzáles

Alvarado Gálves Avendaño,
Angel B., José E.

Bennette, Enrique
Bueno Franco, José
Casas Pérez, Enrique
Casas, Fidel
Casas, José (6 pieces)
Castillo, Antonio (4 pieces)
Ceballos, Manuel
Cao Romero, Gildardo (2 pieces)
Cao Romero, Laura
Cruz, José N.
Cruz, Francisco M.
Cruz Guzmán, Austraberto
Díaz, Abelardo (2 pieces)
Echazaneta, Eugenio
Fernández Martínez, Enrique (2 pieces)
García Ibáñez, Rutilio, Partido
“Único 4 de Septiembre de 1932,
Paz y Progreso”
Gaticia Neri, Leopoldo
Gonzalo Abrego, Partido “Redención
del Indio”
González, Samuel (3 pieces)
de Gyves, Leopoldo, Partido Político
“Proistmo” (6 pieces)
Guevara, Francisca
Lorenz, Joaquín (2 pieces)
López Cortes, Francisco (5)
López, Rafael
Mendoza Gómez, Felix
Ortiz Rubio, Pascual
[unclear], “Partido Liberal
Socialista”
Osorio, Aureliano and López Lena,
Romeo
Pablo, Juan
Paní, Alberto J.

Patiño, Rafael (3 pieces)
Peña, Hermanio E.
Presidente del Comité Ejecutivo
Nacional del Partido Nacional,
Revolucionario (3 pieces)
Pantoja, José M
Peral, David C
Peral Martínez, José
Pérez Treviño, Manuel (2 pieces)
Rangel, Federico
Rendon, Moisés G. (2 pieces)
Reynoso, José J. (2 pieces)
Robles, [?] (2 pieces)
Robles, Belisario
Rodríguez, Abelardo L.
Rosas Reyes, Ramón
Rubio Oviedo, Manuel
Ruíz, Rodolfo from Genaro V.
Vásquez
Sánchez y Díaz, Alfonso
Sánchez Lira, Rafael
Sánchez, Policarpo T. (4 pieces)
Santiago, Manuel (17 pieces) Solano
Luna, Aniceto (2 pieces) Presidente
Municipal of Tlaxiaco,
Oaxaca
Trejo Guerra, Federico
Unidentified; regarding federal
schools
Vázquez, Francisco
Velasco, Daniel
Velasco, Ignacio
Velasco, Felix (2 pieces)
Victoria, Gilbert (3 pieces)
Viloria, Gustavo
Vivas, Manuel (2 pieces)
Zarate Silva, Amado (5 pieces)

Folder 8

Correspondence related to Melgar’s election in 1932 as the congressional representative (*diputado*) for Oaxaca’s 7th electoral district [A – Z].

Abrego, Gonzalo
Arias, Bartolo (6 pieces)
Avendano, Angel (2 pieces)

Ayala, Delfino
Ayala, Emilio
Ayala, José M.

Casas, José (2 pieces)
Castillo, Antonio (5 pieces)
Castillo Bazán, Antonio
Cruz, Joel Herminio (4 pieces)
García, Gregorio
García Ibáñez, Rutilio (5 pieces)
Gómez, Eleazer
Gómez, Florentino
Gómez Lobato, E.
González, Samuel
Hernández, Avelino
Jefe de la Oficina Telegráfica
Jiménez, Antolin
Juárez, Maximino
Martinez, Manuel (2 pieces)
Mendoza Gómez, Felix
Moctezuma, Fernando (2 pieces)
Olvera, Victorino J.
Osorio, Aurelio (3 pieces)
Pantoja, Abraham

Peral Martínez, José (5 pieces)
Pérez, Juan Evencio (2 pieces)
Pérez, Manuel S. (2 pieces)
Municipal President of Huajuapán
Municipal President of Nochixtlán
Municipal President of Santo Domingo
Rojas, Ignacio (2 pieces)
Santiago, Manuel (8 pieces)
Santos Alonso, José
Silva y Castillo, O. (3 pieces)
Solano Luna, Aniceto (2 pieces)
Solano, Lauro (3 pieces)
Teodoro, Onofre A. (2 pieces)
Velasco, Longinos
Velasco, Roque
Victoria, Gilberto
Zárate, Leopoldo R.
Zárate Silva, Amado (4 pieces)

Folder 9

Correspondence to Melgar regarding the Partido Nacional Revolucionario and personal requests for aid. (4 pieces)

Folder 10

Miscellaneous correspondence from the 1930s. (2 pieces)

Folder 11

Rules of the National Association of Horsemen [Asociación Hípica Nacional] and Melgar's membership cards for 1931 and 1932 in the National Association of *Charros* with associated correspondence. (3 pieces)

Folder 12

Miscellaneous correspondence involving the National Association of Horsemen between Melgar and political, military, and business acquaintances and colleagues inviting them to become members, sending them tickets to attend an upcoming horse race, or charitable fundraising at horseraces. (42 pieces)

Box 3: Nationalist Campaigns (Folders 1 – 13)

Folder 1

General catalogue of Mexico City's Grand "Year's End" Nationalist Fair in December, 1932. (1 piece)

Folder 2

Honorary Album—Nationalist Campaign. Book of photographs and short articles about the Nationalist Campaign, 1932-1933.

Folder 3

Honorary Album—Nationalist Campaign. Book of photographs and short articles about the Nationalist Campaign, 1932-1933. Green felt bound copy with letter of dedication to Rafael E. Melgar from the Secretaría de Comercio de México D.F.

Folder 4

Typewritten transcript of the dedication letter to Rafael E. Melgar in the Honorary Album from the Secretaría de Comercio de México D.F. (4 copies)

Folder 5

Pamphlet titled, *Campaña Nacionalista Mexicana*, published in 1933 by the General Committee of the Nationalist Campaign and dedicated to President Abelardo L. Rodríguez describing the Mesoamerican symbols painted alongside his portrait on a piece of hide in the style of some pre-Columbian painted manuscripts. (2 copies)

Folder 6

Typewritten transcripts of documents, telegrams, and newspaper clippings regarding a trip made by a delegation of the Nationalist Campaign to countries in Central America to encourage more international commerce with Mexico. (8 pieces)

Folder 7

Sheet music written for General Rafael E. Melgar and the Nationalist Campaign. (18 pieces)

- “Gral. Rafael E. Melgar, Marcha para Piano” by Antonio de P. Mendoza. published in the *La Semana Nacionalista*, number 5:25- 27 (1932). (2 copies)
- “Gral. Rafael E. Melgar Marcha Militar” by Antonio de P. Mendoza. (3 copies)
- “El Himno Nacionalista” by Antonio de P. Mendoza sheet music. (10 copies)
- “Canto a Juárez” by Professor Teresa Luna Vargas. (2 copies)
- “Las Mañanitas” by Ricardo García de Arellano.

Folder 8

Typewritten text for various calendar dates to be published as part of a Nationalist Calendar and a letter of support from President Lázaro Cárdenas. (14 pieces)

Folder 9

A 1940 copy of the Nationalist Calendar. (1 piece)

Folder 10

Miscellaneous documents including letterhead for the Nationalist Campaign and loose pages from transcripts of newspaper articles. (3 pieces)

Folder 11

Unsigned typewritten document honoring the work of Melgar for launching the Nationalist Campaign accompanied by two examples of newspaper articles published in the *El Nacional*, 1931-1934. (3 pieces)

Folder 12

Newspaper clippings of articles publicizing events of the Nationalist Campaign and honoring Melgar, 1931 – 1934, 2001. (6 pieces)

Folder 13

Typewritten transcripts of essays, speeches, and articles published in various newspapers concerning Nationalist Campaign economic projects aimed at stimulating increased industrialization in Mexico (1932-1934). (Sub-folders 1 – 16)

1. "Relaciones con Centroamérica: la visita de la excursión de comerciantes mexicanos ha sido todo un gran éxito." [incomplete]
2. "Hay que buscar en el país remedio a nuestros problemas. Declaraciones del Primer Magistrado en la Campaña Nacionalista. Ningunas hostilidades hacia los extranjeros." *Excelsior*, July 29, 1932 (3 copies)
3. "La tendencia nacionalista es de todas las grandes naciones," by Licenciado Rafael Sánchez Lira in the *El Pan Nuestro*. (3 copies)
4. "Los límites del nacionalismo," by Carlos Díaz Dufoo in the *El Nacional*. (3 copies)
5. "Cómo salvar a México: proyecto para industrializar a la República," published March 24, 1932 in Mexico City. (6 copies)
6. "El plan industrializador y sus bases constitutivas" by General Manuel Pérez Trevino, May 16, 1932.
7. "Consejo nacional de fomento industrial y agrícola del país," *El Nacional*, March 25, 1932. (3 incomplete copies)
8. "Nacionalismo," by Licenciado Alfonso J. Ramírez. (2 copies)
9. "La Campaña Nacionalista," published in San Antonio, Texas on February 28, 1933. (4 copies)
10. "El día de la industria, la agricultura, y el comercio nacionales," in *El Diario de Yucatán*, Merida, July 26, 1934. (3 copies)
11. "Superan las exportaciones de México a las importaciones," *El Universal*, November 10, 1932.
12. "Exposición de motivos que imponen la necesidad de formular un proyecto para someterlo a la consideración del Sr. Diputado Rafael Melgar para que se dictan las leyes necesarias."

13. "Ideario. El Consejo Nacional de Fomento Industrial y Agrícola," March 26, 1932. (3 copies)
14. "La industrialización del país," April 22, 1932. (4 copies)
15. "Ideario. Nuestro problema industrial," *El Nacional*, November 7, 1932. (4 copies)
16. "Campana Nacional se encauzará hacia la industrialización de toda la República," *Excelsior*, March 25, 1932. (4 copies)

Box 4: Telegrams and other correspondence regarding the Manifiesto Cardenista and the 1933 presidential campaign for General Lázaro Cárdenas [A - T]

Manifiesto Cardenista and list of *diputados* agreeing to write a letter of support (1 Folder)

Aguirre Rubio, Carlos	Hernández, Luis (2 pieces)
Alayola B., César	Israleiva, Luis
Antuña López, Alejandro,	León Montero, José (2 pieces)
Presidente del Comite Estatal del	Márquez Bonequi, Gustavo, Partido
P.N.R.	Ferrocarrilero Salina Cruz (3 pieces)
Arrieta, Atanasio	Martínez Alcocer, Víctor (2 pieces)
Aradillas, Manuel	Mijares V., Manuel
Barba González, Silvano (2 pieces)	Mijares Palencia, José (3 pieces)
Ballesteros, Francisco y Vallejo,	Moctezuma, Fernando (3 pieces)
Armando	Moreno y Anda, José M.
Bonilla, Adolfo (2 pieces)	Monsivales, Alfredo
Cárdenas, Francisco	Mugica, Francisco J.
Cárdenas, Lázaro (4 pieces)	Munguía Cavazos, Rafael (2 pieces)
Castillo, Angel	Nachón, Salvador H.
Cervantes, Aníbal M. Cruz,	Negron Pérez, Mario (4 pieces)
[?]	Olivares, David
Cruz, Carlos M. (2 pieces)	Orozco, Emilio (2 pieces)
Dávila, José María	Ortega, Melchor
Diputados al Congreso de la Unión	Ortíz Acoste, Dionisio
Durán, Manuel (2 pieces)	Ortíz Carza, Nazario (4 pieces)
Escobar, Enoch	Pareyón, Armando R.
Espinosa, Pedro	Peralta, Rafael
Fonseca, Rafael, Partido Liberal de	Pérez Treviño, Manuel
Esmeralda	Pola, Roberto G.
García, Aurelio, Club "Francisco J.	Posada, Angel (3 pieces)
Mujica" (2 pieces)	Quevedo, Rodrigo M. (5 pieces)
Garrido Canabal, Tomás (3 pieces)	Ramírez, Margarito
González, Francisco J. (4 pieces)	Real, Carlos (6 pieces)
Guevara, Gabriel R. (2 pieces)	Riva Palacio, Carlos (3 pieces)
Guzmán, Aristeo V.	Rochin, Conrado C. (3 pieces)
Heredia Aceves, Rafael (3 pieces)	Rodríguez, Francisco

G. Rodríguez, Filoberto M. (2
pieces)
Romero E., Benjamín (3 pieces)

Ruelas, Juan
Talamantes, Gustavo L. (3 pieces)

Box 5: Telegrams, documents, and other correspondence regarding the 1934
presidential campaign for General Lázaro Cárdenas [A – V]

Academia de Estudios Políticos y
Sociales
Ake, Marcos
Alayola Barrera, César (6 pieces)
Amaro, José D., Sindicato de
Albañiles Manuales de Yucatán
Alcocer, Crescencio, Federación
Obrera de Progreso
Alcocer, Ernesto
Alfaro González, Encarnación
Allende, Sebastián (4 pieces)
de Ancira, María N.
Ancira, Alfonso
Aranda Osorio, Efraín
Ariola Sosa, E.
Barranco, Agapito (2 pieces)
Bernard, Luis, Gran Partido Popular
Revolucionario Pro-Cárdenas
Cárdenas, H.S., Empresa Editora
Revolucionaria (2 pieces)
Cárdenas, Francisco (2 pieces)
Cárdenas, Lázaro (24 pieces)
Carrillo, Gualberto (7 pieces)
Carr[unclear], Eduardo Castillo,
Manuel (2 pieces)
Castillo, Francisco Luis
Contreras, Miguel
Cebada T, Rafael, Liga Central de
Resistencia
Díaz, Alfredo R. (2 pieces)
Domínguez, Juan (3 pieces)
Enríquez, Jorge
Escobar, Enoch
Estrada Cajigal, Vicente (3 pieces)
García Ramos, José
García Ramírez, Constantino
Gil[?], Serafín

González, Francisco M.
Guerrero, Silvestre (2 pieces)
Gutiérrez, [?]
Guillermo R, Pedro, Unión de
Baratilleros de Yucatán
Jacobo, Ignacio (2 pieces)
Jala, Javier
Llanes Marin, Elmar
Martín, [?]
Manjarrez, Froylan G.
Mediz Bolio, Antonio
Melgar, Rafael E. (3 pieces)
Moreno y Anda, José M.
Negrón Pérez, Mario (12 pieces)
Ojeda, Nabor A.
Olachea, Agustin (2 pieces)
Olmos, Francisco J.
Ortega, Melchor (5 pieces)
Osornio, Enrique (3 pieces)
Pacheco, Álvaro
Pallares, Porfirio, Federación Regional de
Obreros y Campesinos de Yucatán
Pagola, Arturo (2 pieces)
Pérez, José
Pérez de Salazar
Pérez Mendoza, Ricardo
Pérez Morteo, Tomás
Pérez Berzunza, Alfonso, Liga
Central de Resistencia
Puentes, Simón
Quevedo, Rodrigo M.
Quiroz, Ramón
Ramos, Matias
Ramos, Genaro y Carlos Bernardino
Real, Carlos
Riva Palacio, Carlos (10 pieces)
Rivas Güemes, Fernando

Rodríguez, Juan B., Segundo Gran Congreso Obrero y Campesino
Romero M, Guillermo (2 pieces)
Romero Esquivel, Benjamin
Rosas Romero, Eugenio, Campaña Nacionalista Comité en Yucatán (3 pieces)
Ruíz Solís, Daniel (4 pieces)
S. Sánchez V.
Salgado, Rufino, Partido Socialista Guerrerense “Plutarco Elías Calles” (3 pieces)
Sánchez Anaya, Pascual (2 pieces)
San Luis Potosí, Gobernador
Santos, Jesús
Santana Rodríguez, Odilon, Comité Directivo Organizador en la Zona

Norte del Estado de Veracruz Pro-Cárdenas (3 pieces)
Serrano Suarez, Alfonso, Partido Amado Nervo
Serrano, Santiago
Silva, Amado Zarata
Sobrino Canto, José
Talamantes, G.I.
Tejero, Diederó (2 pieces)
Tellez, Antonio (2 pieces)
Valerianes, J. Carmen
Vásquez, Gabino
Vázquez Esteva, Alberto, Gran Partido “Popular Revolucionario” Pro-Cárdenas (2 pieces)
Velasco, Luis E.

C. Mid Political Career (1935 – 1949)

Box 6: Governorship of Quintana Roo (1935- 1941) (Folders 1 – 12)

Folder 1

Gubernatorial correspondence and documents, 1935. (8 pieces)

Folder 2

Miscellaneous correspondence to Melgar regarding a possible run for the governorship of Oaxaca and requests for aid by constituents in Oaxaca, 1937-1939. (5 pieces)

Folder 3

State government reports and plans for legislative implementation, 1936-1937, 1940. (4 pieces)

- Report by Luis Escontria Salín on a 1937 expedition launched by the Melgar Administration to assess the military character of Central America and the Territory of Quintana Roo. (1 piece)
- Plan of regimenting the *Ley de Hacienda* in Quintana Roo for fiscal year 1936. (1 piece)
- Government budget proposals for the Territory of Quintana Roo for fiscal years 1936 and 1940. (2 pieces)

Folder 4

Pamphlet titled, "Biografía de D. Andrés Quintana Roo y de Da. Leona Vicario," (1939) by Lic. Onésimo González with a typewritten manuscript copy, plus a typewritten manuscript titled, "La verdad sobre la muerte del General Salvador Alvarado," (1926) by el Teniente Coronel, Ex-Jefe del Estado Mayor de Brigada, Manuel Antonio Romero. (3 pieces)

Folder 5

Documents, correspondence, and newspaper articles relating to the 1939 boundary dispute between the Territory of Quintana Roo and Campeche. (15 pieces)

Folder 6

Small book, *Límites entre Campeche y Quintana Roo* R.E. Enríquez (Mérida, Yucatán:Impresora Popular, 1940). Several maps are included in the back of the book. (1 piece)

Folder 7

Table of contents for the materials relating to the 1937 investigation of illegal timber exploitation along the shared border between the Territory of Quintana Roo and British Honduras and a notecard with a handwritten reference to Ben Stuart. (2 pieces)

Folder 8

Documents, inventories, correspondence, notes, and judicial orders regarding the investigation of illegal timbering along the border of Quintana Roo and British Honduras, 1937. (19 pieces)

Folder 9

Documents, inventories, receipts, and correspondence regarding the arrangements and accounts involved in the investigation of illegal timbering along the border of Quintana Roo and British Honduras, 1937. (49 pieces)

Folder 10

Documents, notes, correspondence, and map relating to the outcome of the investigation into illegal timbering along the border of Quintana Roo and British Honduras, 1937. (9 pieces)

Folder 11

"Rapsodia Mexicana" (1938) by Efraín Villegas Zapata and published in Chetumal, Quintana Roo. (1 piece).

Folder 12

Miscellaneous documents, correspondence, and sheet music, 1937-1939. (7 pieces)

Folder 13

Miscellaneous pamphlets given to Rafael E. Melgar several of which have personal dedications written in them. (4 pieces)

- *Sonido 13* by Julián Carrillo
- *El Caso Oaxaca* by Leopoldo de Gyves, Rufino Pineda G., Abelardo Márquez Galán, Macedonio Hernández, J. Sosa Gutiérrez, Constantino Jiménez, and Rafael Melchor (1932)
- El problema económico social de los trabajadores de la Palma en las Mixtecas by Ing. Ignacio Ruiz Martínez (1939)
- *Algunas reflexiones acerca de la acción social de la academia* by Dr. Ramón Pardo (1931)

Box 7: Establishment of Cooperatives in the Territory of Quintana Roo by the Melgar Administration, 1935-1940 (Folders 1 – 5)

Folder 1

Documents related to *chicleros* and cooperatives—essays, memos, and correspondence, 1935-1941. (19 pieces)

Folder 2

Records of payments made by various cooperatives to the treasury of the Territory of Quintana Roo during the months of January through August of 1938 and one record for 1941. (39 pieces)

Folder 3

Audits for the years 1935 – 1941. (7 pieces)

Folder 4

Melgar's correspondence on chicle contracts and business relationships with the Wrigley Chewing Gum Company, 1939. (66 pieces)

Folder 5

Articles on construction agreements, chicle subsidies, and other miscellaneous internal business, 1940s. (21 pieces)

Box 8: Transcripts of newspaper articles, mostly published in *La Marcha*, on the accomplishments and highlights of Melgar's governorship of Quintana Roo, 1935 – 1940 (Folders 1 – 39)

- Hoja No. 7: Description of the favorable qualities of Tamalcao and Cozumel.
- Expedición Científica Mexicana: Summary of an expedition undertaken in Quintana Roo by Luis Rosado Vega & Co., n.d.

- 8-page untitled article about Melgar's work in Quintana Roo, n.d. (2 copies)
- 2-page untitled article on Melgar's tenure in Quintana Roo, n.d.
- Closing remarks from José María Dávila, March 31, 1940
- Visit of Lázaro Cárdenas to Quintana Roo, n.d.
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- "Significativo Mensaje del Señor Comodoro" –*En Marcha* por Roberto Gómez Maqueo, July 15, 1940 (3 copies)
- "Reseña del discurso pronunciado por el Sr. General Heriberto Jara, Presidente del P.N.R." –*En Marcha*, March 31, 1940 (3 copies)
- Speech by Gabriel Polanco to honor Gral. Melgar: January 5, 1941
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- "En Quintana Roo se Erigió el Primer Monumento a la Bandera" –*El Universal*, por Federico Pérez Gómez, February 24, 1946
- "Sarabia, Condecorado: los esfuerzos del tenaz piloto mexicano son premiados con honrosa distinción" (3 copies)
- "Interesante vuelo de Mexico a Los Angeles. Lo llevará a cabo el aviador Francisco Sarabia en un menoplano Gee Bee" (3 copies)
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- "Una Obra de Progreso en Quintana Roo" "Tres Días Vistió Ciudad Chetumal de Gala con la Visita del Sr. Contramirante Othon P. Blanco." –*En Marcha*, Fundador de Payo Obispo, June 30, 1940 (3 copies)

- “Impresiones de mi viaje” –*En Marcha*, Teodoro Hernández, July 18, 1940 (3 copies)
- “Cozumel, Q. Roo, octubre 29 de 1940: C. Gral. De Div. Manuel Ávila Camacho...” Notes visiting towns of Quintana Roo with General Melgar, *En Marcha*, October 31, 1940 (3 copies)
- “El Presidente del Partido” –*En Marcha*, March 31, 1940 (3 copies)
- “Cómo se juzga la obra del Gral. Melgar” –*En Marcha*, October 31, 1940 (3 copies)
- “Formidable Hazaña del Aviador Sarabia” –*En Marcha*, March 10, 1939 (4 copies)
- untitled speech by José María Dávila, *En Marcha*, March 31, 1940
- “Interesantes fragmentos del discurso pronunciado por el Lic. Ignacio García Téllez, Secretario de gobernación el 29 de septiembre de 1939, en el teatro al aire libre de la escuela Belisario Domínguez, en Ciudad Chetumal, capital del Territorio de Quintana Roo” –*En Marcha*, September 30, 1939 (2 full copies)
- “Viaje del Gobernador Sr. Gral. Melgar a Bacalar” –*En Marcha*, January 15, 1939 (2 copies)
- “Manifestación y mitín en defensa del territorio—Las declaraciones del candidato a la Presidencia de la República” –*En Marcha*, March 31, 1940 (3 copies)
- “El acomodamiento de todas las clases sociales—El cooperativismo *En Marcha*” por Rafael E. Melgar (3 copies)
- note about Cárdenas, the flag, and workers, January 17, 1935
- “El Primer Congreso de Cooperativas Obreras y Campesinas de Quintana Roo” por Teodoro Hernández
- “Los refugiados en Cozumel” –*En Marcha* por María Refugio Escobar, November 15, 1938 (6 copies)
- “Contestación del señor Presidente de la República al ofrecimiento hecho por el señor General Melgar en unión de los demás gobernadores del país, con motivo del asunto petrolero.” –*En Marcha*, May 1, 1938 (2 copies)
- “Perímetros libres en nuestro territorio: Acuerdo presidencial beneficia a las cooperativas” –*En Marcha*, June 30, 1939 (3 copies) “Quedó terminada la brecha límite entre México y Honduras Británica” –*En Marcha*, July 31, 1938
- “El General Rafael E. Melgar deja el gobierno de Quintana Roo” –*El Universal*, December 19, 1940. (2 mimeographs, 1 newsprint)
- Miscellaneous newspaper clippings (6 pieces)

Box 9: Melgar’s Political Correspondence from 1941-1944 (Folders 1 – 4)

Box 10: Correspondence and *actas* supporting Melgar’s candidacy for Governor of Oaxaca in the upcoming election in 1944 and the Guelaguetza Festival (Folders 1 – 4)

Folder 1

Correspondence regarding Melgar's candidacy for Governor of Oaxaca, mostly from individuals pledging support, 1942-1944.

Folder 2

1943 Letters from towns supporting Melgar's candidacy.

Folder 3

1943 Letters from towns supporting Melgar's candidacy for Governor, continued.

Folder 4

"Puntos extractados de un programa de trabajo que puede desarrollar el gobierno del estado de Oaxaca en el periodo de 1944-1950," by Rafael E. Melgar, 1944. (4 copies)

Box 11: Guelagueta festival in Mexico D.F., 1944-1945 (Folders 1 - 4)

Folder 1

Typed manuscripts for newspaper articles reporting on the Guelagueta festival organized by a committee led by Melgar in Mexico City, 1944. Clipping of one newspaper article included. (8 pieces)

Folder 2

Program for the Guelagueta at Cerro Santa Isabel, Mexico D.F., 1944. (1 piece)

Folder 3

Journal titled *Oaxaca en Mexico*, Tomo IV (57), August 1944, covering the Guelagueta festival. Original and one bound photocopy version. (2 pieces)

Folder 4

Newspaper clipping and program for the 1945 Gran Baile de Trajes Regionales Oaxaqueños at the Casino Militar in Mexico D.F. that was organized by Melgar's Committee for the Fiesta del Cerro y de la Guelagueta in honor of General Lázaro Cárdenas and his wife. (2 pieces)

Box 12: Documents related to Melgar's appointment as Ambassador to the Netherlands in 1946 (Folders 1 - 7)

Folder 1

Documents, correspondence, ephemera, and newspaper clippings related to Melgar's appointment as Mexican ambassador to the Netherlands in 1946 and to his departure in 1949.

Folder 2

Social correspondence.

Folder 3

An issue of *Las Triands Instituciones Francesas: Revele L'IFAL* (1945) dedicated to Rafael E. Melgar.

Folder 4

Undated ambassadorial correspondence and documents.

Folder 5

Correspondence and informational pamphlet concerning the award of the Great Cross in the Order of Orange Nassau to Rafael E. Melgar on September 4, 1948. (4 pieces)

Folder 6

Books and pamphlets related to Melgar's ambassadorship as well as his passports and other documentation.

Folder 7

Invitation cards to Ambassador Melgar and his wife inviting them to attend social events and dinners in Amsterdam.

Box 13: Ambassadorial correspondence, 1946- 1947 (Folders 1 – 9)

Folder 1

Social correspondence.

Folder 2

Social correspondence, A - E.

Folder 3

Social correspondence, E - H.

Folder 4

Social correspondence, I - N.

Folder 5

Social correspondence, O - Z.

Folder 6

Personal correspondence, A - E.

Folder 7

Personal correspondence, I - L.

Folder 8
Personal correspondence, M - R.

Folder 9
Personal correspondence, S - Z.

Box 14: Ambassadorial correspondence, 1947- 1949 (Folders 1 – 7)

Folder 1
Personal correspondence, 1947.

Folder 2
Personal correspondence, 1947, continued.

Folder 3
Personal correspondence, 1948.

Folder 4
Personal correspondence, 1948, continued.

Folder 5
Personal correspondence, 1948, continued.

Folder 6
Personal correspondence, 1949.

Folder 7
Miscellaneous undated personal correspondence.

Box 15: Research and essays on cooperatives in the Netherlands, 1950s (Folders 1 – 5)

Folder 1
Translated and transcribe articles, reports, and book chapters concerning cooperatives in the Netherlands.

Folder 2
Translated and transcribe articles, reports, and book chapters concerning cooperatives in the Netherlands, continued.

Folder 3
Translated and transcribe articles, reports, and book chapters concerning cooperatives in the Netherlands, continued.

Folder 4

Research and essays on cooperatives by Rafael E. Melgar.

Folder 5

Research and essays on cooperatives by Rafael E. Melgar, continued.

Box 16: Melgar's essay on cooperatives in the Netherlands, Europe, and abroad and its impact on politics, economics, and foreign affairs (Folders 1 – 4)

Folder 1

Cooperatives in the Netherlands.

Folder 2

Cooperatives, politics, and foreign affairs.

Folder 3

Cooperatives in the Netherlands and a treaty with Indonesia.

Folder 4

Cooperativism vs Communism.

D. Late Political Career (1950 – 1959)

Box 17: Rafael E. Melgar's election to the Mexican Senate representing Oaxaca, 1950s
(Folders 1 – 7)

Folder 1

Letter from the electoral commission certifying the election of Melgar and the petition from his challenger for a re-count.

Folder 2

Political correspondence, 1952.

Folder 3

Political correspondence, 1952, continued.

Folder 4

Declarations of political support, 1952.

Folder 5

Miscellaneous correspondence, 1952.

Folder 6
Miscellaneous correspondence and memoranda, 1950 -1954.

Folder 7
Condolence letters to other politicians, 1953-1954.

Box 18: Senatorial correspondence, 1953 (Folders 1 – 7)

Folder 1
Correspondence, A – F.

Folder 2
Correspondence, G – O.

Folder 3
Correspondence, P – S.

Folder 4
Correspondence, T – Z.

Folder 5
Miscellaneous correspondence, January – March.

Folder 6
Miscellaneous correspondence, April – July.

Folder 7
Miscellaneous correspondence, August – December.

Box 19: Senatorial correspondence, 1954 - 1956 (Folders 1 – 6)

Folder 1
Correspondence, A – F.

Folder 2
Correspondence, G – M.

Folder 3
Correspondence, N – S.

Folder 4
Correspondence, T – V.

Folder 5
Correspondence, V.

Folder 6
Correspondence, Y – Z.

Box 20: Correspondence asking Senator Melgar for political favors, support, or employment, 1954 - 1955 (Folders 1 – 4)

Folder 1
Correspondence, A – G.

Folder 2
Correspondence, H - O.

Folder 3
Correspondence, P - T.

Folder 4
Correspondence, T – Z.

Box 21: Senatorial correspondence, 1955 – 1959 (Folders 1 – 6)

Folder 1
Correspondence, 1955.

Folder 2
Correspondence, 1956.

Folder 3
Correspondence, 1956, continued.

Folder 4
Correspondence related to financial aid to constituents, 1956 – 1957.

Folder 5

Correspondence, 1957.

Folder 6

Miscellaneous correspondence and documents, 1958 – 1959.

Box 22: Melgar's senatorial projects in the 1950s (Folders 1 – 7)

Folder 1

Senate employee file, 1952.

Folder 2

Miscellaneous senatorial documents, 1953.

Folder 3

Documents related to potable water projects in various Oaxacan cities, 1953-1956.

Folder 4

Documents concerning public education and rural schooling, 1953-1957.

Folder 5

Documents regarding the construction of a school in Yanhuitlán and other rural schools in Oaxaca, 1955-1959.

Folder 6

Documents concerning road and highway construction in Oaxaca, 1953-1955.

Folder 7

Correspondence relating to Melgar's consideration for a run for Governor of Oaxaca, 1956.

Box 23: Senatorial documents and correspondence, 1950s (Folders 1 – 4)

Folder 1

Various documents related to Senate bills and the Proyecto de Ley legislation, 1953-1956.

Folder 2

Correspondence with the governor of Oaxaca about various public works projects.

Folder 3

Documents related to the Silk Industry Project.

Folder 4
Correspondence regarding student grants.

Folder 5
Copy of the *Diario Oficial* Tomo CCVI, número 5, September 6, 1954.

Box 24: Manuscripts written by Rafael E. Melgar during the early 1950s (Folders 1 – 9)

Folder 1
Research materials and typewritten sections of a manuscript regarding Oaxaca sovereignty.

Folder 2
Research materials and typewritten sections of a manuscript regarding Oaxaca sovereignty, continued.

Folder 3
Typewritten chapters of a manuscript concerning the Campaña Nacionalista.

Folder 4
Research materials and typewritten sections of a manuscript on Melgar's political career.

Folder 5
Typewritten draft chapters on the Melgar's years working under the Cárdenas administration.

Folder 6
Various typewritten essays on cooperativism in the Netherlands, war, and foreign affairs.

Folder 7
Essay drafts with annotations.

Folder 8
Essays and research on the coat-of-arms of the Netherlands royal family.

Folder 9
Book manuscript by José Manuel López (1957) entitled, "Campaña Nacionalista."

E. Papers of the Alianza Nacionalista de Agrupaciones Revolucionarias (ANAR) party

Box 25: ANAR membership pages, 1951 (Folders 1 – 4)

Folder 1

Directory of committees and their leaders by state, 1950s.

Folder 2

General directory of groups and leading delegates for the ANAR party, 1951.

Folder 3

Membership for the following: Delegation in Puebla, Revolutionary Group, Chalcotoguan Revolutionary Front, Confederation and Organization of the Popular Sector, United Party of Mexico, Philosophical Institution General Miguel Aleman, 40th State District of Mexico, and Female Groups of Democratic Action.

Folder 4

Membership for the Frente Unificador Estudiantil.

Box 26: Bills and receipts for 1951 (Folders 1 – 3)

Folder 1

November

Folder 2

December

Folder 3

General spending from October, November, and December.

Box 27: Correspondence for 1951 (Folders 1 - 5)

Folder 1

Propagandists and delegates from: Aguascalientes, San Luis Potosi, Zacatecas, Nayarit, Nueva Leon, and Coahuila.

Folder 2

Correspondence from: Tamaulipas, Puebla, Mexico City, Sonora, Querétaro, Jalisco, and Morelos.

Folder 3

Member additions and official acts of state from: Hidalgo, Sonora, Veracruz, Chihuahua, Quintana Roo, Michoacán, and Coahuila.

Folder 4

Member additions and official acts of state from: Mexico, San Luis Potosí, Morelos, Sinaloa, and Jalisco.

Folder 5
Member additions and official acts of state from Oaxaca.

Box 28: Correspondence for 1951, continued (Folders 6 – 11)

Folder 6
Member additions and official acts of state from: Guerrero, Guanajuato, Tlaxcala, and Tamaulipas.

Folder 7
Member additions and official acts of state from Sinaloa.

Folder 8
General correspondence , September – December.

Folder 9
Telegrams

Folder 10
Minutes of the 1951 ANAR meetings.

Folder 11
Nationalist Campaign

Box 29: Press bulletins, convention documents, and correspondence, 1951 (Folders 1 – 5)

Folder 1
Convention transcript and speeches from the delegates, October 1, 1951.

Folder 2
Speeches made during the 1951 convention.

Folder 3
Press bulletins.

Folder 4
Correspondence, Manifiesto of ANAR and procedure, and member lists.

Folder 5
El Nacionalista (año 1, número 1). (2 copies)

Box 30: ANAR Membership pages, 1952 (Folders 1 – 5)

Folder 1
Members by association (i.e. PRI).

Folder 2
Membership for the League of Revolutionary Veterans.

Folder 3
Membership for the League of Revolutionary Veterans, continued.

Folder 4
Membership for the Agrupacion Civica Aquiles Serdan.

Folder 5
Assorted memberships.

Box 31: ANAR Membership pages, 1952, continued (Folders 6 – 9)

Folder 6
Assorted memberships.

Folder 7
Assorted memberships, continued.

Folder 8
Assorted memberships, continued.

Folder 9
Assorted memberships, continued.

Box 32: ANAR Membership pages, 1952, continued (Folders 10 – 13)

Folder 10
Membership for the United Student Front and Legionnaires of Santa Clara, Mexico.

Folder 11
Membership for the Legion of Honor.

Folder 13
Membership for the Legion of Honor, continued.

Box 33: ANAR Membership pages, 1952, continued (Folders 14 – 17)

Folder 14
Membership for the following: Special Revolutionary Front of the Youth of the Colonies of Martin Carrera and Estanzuela, Civic Committee of Unification, Revolutionary Group, Military Sector, and Yucatecan Civil Union.

Folder 15
Membership for the Democratic Worker's Union and the Democratic Action.

Folder 16
Membership for the Renters' Political Front.

Folder 17
Membership for the Renters' Political Front, continued.

Box 34: Bills and receipts for 1952 (Folders 1 – 4)

Folder 1
January

Folder 2
February

Folder 3
March

Folder 4
May

Box 35: Bills and receipts for 1952, continued (Folders 5 – 9)

Folder 5
June

Folder 6
July

Folder 7
General Spending, January

Folder 8
General Spending, February – March

Folder 9
General Spending, May

Box 36: Bills and receipts for 1952, continued (Folders 10 – 11)

Folder 10
General Spending, April

Folder 11

General Spending, June

Box 37: Correspondence for 1952 (Folders 1 – 4)

Folder 1

Propagandists and delegates from: Hidalgo, Guanajuato, Michoacán, Colima, Puebla, and Chihuahua.

Folder 2

Propagandists and delegates from: Veracruz, Quintana Roo, Durango, Sinaloa, Baja California, Sonora, Mexico, Morelos, Oaxaca, and Querétaro.

Folder 3

Propagandists and delegates from Mexico City.

Folder 4

Assorted correspondence.

Box 38: General correspondence, minutes, and ideology (Folders 1 – 3)

Folder 1

Minutes of the 1952 meetings.

Folder 2

Documents outlining the party ideology.

Folder 3

General correspondence, January – February.

Box 39: Frente Revolucionario de Acción Social party (FRAS) (Folders 1 – 3)

Folder 1

Assorted 1953 correspondence.

Folder 2

Minutes of the 1953 ANAR meetings.

Folder 3

ANAR Frente Revolucionario de Acción Social (1954).

F. Later life

Box 40: Later projects, personal correspondence, and the legacy of Rafael E. Melgar (Folders 1 – 9)

Folder 1

Documents relating to Melgar's manuscript, "Iluminación Nacionalista."

Folder 2

Essays and correspondence on the Melgar family, including research on a coat of arms, 1950s.

Folder 3

2 copies of the journal, *La Republica*, number 280, April 1965.

Folder 4

Documents, correspondence, and newspaper clippings related to Daniel L. Melgar's refutation of a journalistic attack on Rafael E. Melgar's legacy, 1990s.

Folder 5

Typewritten manuscript outlining the important biographical facts about the life of Rafael E. Melgar.

Folder 6

Correspondence regarding a pension, 1965.

Folder 7

Examples of the various letterheads used by Rafael E. Melgar during his lifetime.

Folder 8

Miscellaneous documents, 1950s.

Folder 9

Miscellaneous newspaper clippings including an article about the ex-Convento in Yanhuitlán. (5 pieces)

G. Scrapbooks, notebooks, and newspapers

The items described in this section are bound scrapbooks, notebooks, and newspapers that complement the unbound documents described in the previous section.

Box 41: Scrapbook and notebook

1. Campaña presidencial Gral. Lázaro Cárdenas – Representación P.N.R. en el estado de Yucatán

This volume is a scrapbook of 107 pages containing newspaper clippings,

photographs, and printed ephemera documenting the campaign work of Rafael E. Melgar and the Partido Nacional Revolucionario in Yucatán to help elect Cárdenas to the presidency of Mexico, through to his election, and ends with a brief post-election reaction.

2. Frente Unificador Estudiantil de ANAR

This volume is a notebook in which the Frente Unificador Estudiantil delegation of ANAR declares itself an active membership group within the ANAR party. On pages 3 – 8 of the notebook, the secretary records the time and place of the *Acta*, the group's *lema*, lists elected officers, establishes the delegation's mission statement and resolutions, and the final page contains all of the signatures of those present who would constitute the initial membership of the delegation. Inserted in the notebook was a list of names for a luncheon.

Box 42: Quintana Roo scrapbooks

1 – 3. Quintana Roo scrapbooks

These three volumes are scrapbooks containing newspaper clippings recounting major events in the Rafael E. Melgar's governorship of the Territory of Quintana Roo. The first volume is labeled "Visita Presidente Lázaro Cárdenas" and it contains 47 pages of clippings from Mexican newspapers concerning this event in addition to other projects including visits to the archaeological site of Tulum. The second and third volumes contain 42 and 43 pages of clippings dating to 1938 and 1939, respectively. The topics of the newspaper articles vary, but the scrapbooks include sections on hurricanes, political meetings and presidential visits, chicle cooperatives and accords, and the flight of Francisco Sarabia and award ceremonies to commemorate his achievement.

Box 43: ANAR notebooks

1. Frente Revolucionario Orientador Nacionalista (FRON) notebook

This volume is a notebook in which Rafael E. Melgar establishes the FRON party in June of 1951 as part of his second stage of the Nationalist Campaign to front a candidate for the upcoming presidential election in 1952. On pages 1 – 2, the secretary records the time and place of the party's *Acta*, the party's *lema*, lists elected officers, establishes the party's mission and resolutions, and on the following pages 2 – 28 are the signatures and addresses of those present who would

constitute the initial membership of the party.

2. Alianza Nacional de Agrupaciones Revolucionarias (ANAR) notebook

This volume is a notebook in which Rafael E. Melgar along with the leaders of several other political organizations listed on pages 2 -4 establish the ANAR political party in September of 1951 in order to sponsor a candidate in anticipation of the upcoming presidential election in 1952. On pages 4 - 5, the secretary records a list of resolutions for all of the participating organizations and their memberships to attend a nominating convention and on the following pages 6 - 31 are the signatures and addresses of those present who agreed to the stipulations of the *Acta*.

3. Political party address and membership book

This volume is an oversized address book that contains the names, addresses, phone numbers, signatures, and registration numbers of persons who are likely members of one of the polity parties or organizations created by Rafael E. Melgar. There is no party name given to the membership list contained in this volume but it is likely to relate to ANAR or one of its constituent delegations or member organizations.

Box 44: *El Nacional*

A bound volume of the *El Nacional Diario Popular*, Edición Monumental, November 20, 1931.

II. Photographs

The items described in this section include loose photographs, oversize photographs, and photograph albums many of which complement or repeat the photographic materials found in the bound volumes.

H. Prints

Box 45: Photographs highlighting major events in the political life of Rafael E. Melgar

pp. 1 - 3, Melgar as a youth, views of the ex-convento in Yanhuitlán, and portraits of Rafael E. Melgar with compatriots and colleagues

pp. 4 - 30, Nationalist Campaign

pp. 30 - 39, Presidential campaign for Lázaro Cárdenas

pp. 40 – 43, Guelaguetza festival in Oaxaca, November 16, 1944
pp. 44 – 47, Ambassadorship to the Netherlands
pp. 48 – 55, ANAR
pp. 56 – 63a, Campaign in Oaxaca for Senator
pp. 63b – 64, Public works projects in Oaxaca

Box 46: Photographs of the Adolfo Ruiz Cortines campaign rallies (85 pieces)

1. REM stands with a group of supporters at an ANAR campaign rally for Adolfo Ruiz Cortines.
2. A young woman speaks at an ANAR campaign rally for ARC.
3. A young boy plays his guitar for REM at an ANAR campaign rally for ARC.
4. REM and other organizers listen to a man speaking at an ANAR campaign rally for ARC.
5. REM having a lunch with ANAR collaborators and party members.
6. REM having a picnic lunch with collaborators and party members in Teposcula, Oaxaca.
7. Palacio de gobierno, Monterrey, Mexico.
8. Speaker at a luncheon for ANAR members. REM sits to his left.
9. Speaker at a luncheon for ANAR members. REM sits to his right.
10. ANAR
11. REM attending the inauguration of a Benito Juarez monument in Tamazulapan, Oaxaca, May 23, 1952.
12. REM attending the inauguration of a Benito Juarez monument in Tamazulapan, Oaxaca, May 23, 1952.
13. REM poses with a group of associates and their family members in a private home in Nochixtlán, Oaxaca, May 27, 1952.
14. REM poses with a group of associates and their family members in a private home in Nochixtlán, Oaxaca, May 27, 1952.
15. Adolfo Ruiz Cortines speaking at a campaign reception in Zacatecas, Zacatecas, April 27, 1952. Standing to his right is Sr. D. Leobardo Reynoso and Sr. D. Álvaro Rueda Ruiz who was the ANAR delegate from Zacatecas.
16. REM and ANAR party associates pose in a road outside of Nochixtlán, Oaxaca, April 26, 1952.
17. Thermal spring alongside the Isthmus of Tehuantepec highway. Signed dedication to REM.
18. REM poses with a group of ANAR party associates in Yanhuatlán, Oaxaca, May 27, 1952.

19. REM poses outside a building with ANAR party associates in Nochixtlán, April 28, 1952.
20. REM and associate tour a farm.
21. REM poses with a group of palm straw hat weavers.
22. REM speaks with a weaver of palm straw hats.
23. REM poses with a group of palm straw hat weavers.
24. Inauguration of an ANAR campaign rally in support of ARC.
25. REM greeting supporters as he enters an ANAR campaign rally for ARC.
26. REM stands in line along a city street waiting to vote.
27. Banquet given to honor REM at Las Margaritas by farmers from the states of Veracruz, Puebla, and Oaxaca who are affiliated with ANAR, September 31, 1952.
28. Group portrait of local ANAR organizers and associates with REM in a town plaza.
29. REM voting.
30. REM speaking in the Mexican Senate.
31. REM at an ANAR party luncheon being serenaded by mariachis.
32. REM stands in a crowd during an ANAR campaign rally, May 4, 1952.
33. REM stands in a crowd during an ANAR campaign rally, May 4, 1952.
34. Comité Estudiantil Unificador group of ANAR.
35. ANAR campaign rally for ARC in Xochitenango, August 13, 1952.
36. Comité Regional Petrolero ANAR campaign rally in an auditorium.
37. Comité Regional Petrolero ANAR campaign rally out in a city street.
38. Comité Regional Petrolero ANAR campaign rally out in a city street.
39. Group portrait including REM on the occasion of his being honored by the residents of Nochixtlán, Oaxaca.
40. Outdoor ANAR campaign rally by the Juventudes Revolucionarias group, May 4, 1952.
41. Supporters at the ANAR campaign rally by the Juventudes Revolucionarias group, May 4, 1952.
42. Supporters of the ANAR Juventudes Revolucionarias group march down a street, May 4, 1952.
43. Pro-Ruiz Cortines campaign rally.
44. Outdoor ANAR rally to support presidential candidate Miguel Aleman.
45. Pro-Ruiz Cortines campaign rally assembled in an outdoor venue.
46. Pro-Ruiz Cortines supporters at an outdoor campaign rally, April 13, 1952.
47. Pro-Ruiz Cortines supporters at an outdoor campaign rally, April 13, 1952.
48. Pro-Ruiz Cortines supporters at an outdoor campaign rally, April 13, 1952.
49. Pro-Ruiz Cortines supporters at an outdoor campaign rally, April 13, 1952.
50. Small town pro-Ruiz Cortines campaign rally.

51. Pro-Ruiz Cortines supporters march in procession through a small town.
52. 18 small photographs of the 12th district Pro-Ruiz Cortines campaign rally organized by the Juventudes Revolucionarias group.
53. REM and other organizers watch on as a man speaks at an ANAR pro-Ruiz Cortines campaign rally.
54. Organizers including REM of an ANAR pro-Ruiz Cortines campaign rally pose for a group portrait.
55. Organizers including REM of an ANAR pro-Ruiz Cortines campaign rally listen to a speech.
56. Overhead view of supporters and organizers including REM of an ANAR pro-Ruiz Cortines campaign rally.
57. Organizers of an ANAR pro-Ruiz Cortines campaign rally leave the stage. REM appears at center right.
58. Overhead view of supporters and organizers including REM of an ANAR pro-Ruiz Cortines campaign rally in a town plaza.
59. Overhead view of supporters and organizers including REM of an ANAR pro-Ruiz Cortines campaign rally in a town plaza.
60. Outdoor ANAR rally to support presidential candidate Miguel Aleman at the Las Margaritas retreat.
61. Group portrait of organizers and participants at an outdoor ANAR rally to support presidential candidate Miguel Aleman at the Las Margaritas retreat.
62. Group portrait of organizers and participants at an outdoor ANAR rally to support presidential candidate Miguel Aleman at the Las Margaritas retreat.
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67. REM at a campaign rally centered at a small town gazebo.
68. Organizers of a campaign rally speak from a small town gazebo.
69. REM and other ANAR collaborators sit at a desk.
70. Woman speaking at an ANAR meeting with REM and other collaborators looking on.
71. REM standing beside ANAR collaborators at a party meeting.
72. Woman speaking at an ANAR meeting with REM and other collaborators looking on.
73. REM and collaborators at an ANAR meeting.

74. REM and collaborators at an ANAR meeting.
75. Man speaking at an ANAR meeting with REM and other collaborators looking on.
76. REM speaking at an ANAR meeting.
77. Man speaking at an ANAR meeting with REM and other collaborators looking on.
78. REM with ANAR collaborators at a post-meeting luncheon.
79. Audience of party members at an ANAR convention in support of Miguel Aleman.
80. Organizers of an ANAR party convention. REM is in the center.
81. REM and other organizers at an ANAR party convention.
82. Man speaking at an ANAR party convention.
83. Organizers at an ANAR party convention.
84. REM bears the Mexican flag during an event in honor of Miguel Hidalgo in Oaxaca. General Isaac Ibarra stands to the left of REM.
85. REM is accompanied by his wife among friends and colleagues.

I. Photograph albums

Box 47: Campaña Nacionalista (101 pieces)

Tooled and painted leather covers with the emblem of the Mexican flag on the front. The album was commissioned by the Organizing, Programming, and Planning committees of the Nationalist Campaign and the first seven pages carry the signatures of members of these committees. Numbered photographs indicate the pages on which they were found. A number of the photographs were contained loose within the album.

Box 48: Rafael E. Melgar's tours of the Territory of Quintana Roo, c. 1930s

Box 49: Establishing the frontier between the Territory of Quintana Roo and British Honduras, c. 1930s

I. Oversize photographic materials

Box 50 (oversize): Mounted photographs

1. Portrait of Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands who reigned from 1890 to 1948.
2. Poder Ejecutivo, Presidente Constitucional Lázaro Cárdenas, 1935.
3. Cámara de Diputados: Marfano Morelos, Leonardo Matamoros, Miguel Bravo,

- and Hermenegildo Galeana.
4. Mexico 1930-1931 Senadores Cámara de Diputados del XXXIV Congreso de la Unión.
 5. Cámara de Diputados 1928-1929: Congreso de la Unión.
 6. Mexico 1927 Cámara de Diputados del XXXII Congreso de la Unión.
 7. Cámara de Diputados 1925: Congreso de la Unión.

Box 51 (oversize): Loose photographs

1. Group portrait of congressmen, including Rafael E. Melgar, probably members of the Bloque Nacional Revolucionario de la Cámara de Diputados.
2. General Rafael E. Melgar shaking hands with a colleague in front of reporters.
3. General Rafael E. Melgar and Adolfo Ruiz Cortines.
4. General Rafael E. Melgar and Adolfo Ruiz Cortines in front of reporters.
5. General Rafael E. Melgar and Adolfo Ruiz Cortines along with three other gentlemen pose for a portrait in the Secretaría de Gobernación.
6. General Rafael E. Melgar, President of the Alianza Nacional de Agrupaciones Revolucionarias, accompanied by other members of ANAR, visit Don Adolfo Ruiz Cortines in the Secretaría de Gobernación on the occasion of launching his candidacy for the presidency of Mexico. (2 copies)
7. Portrait of Francisco Castillo Najera dedicated to Rafael E. Melgar, July 1946.
8. Melgar at a dinner party.
9. State governors and President Manuel Ávila Camacho, included among them is Governor Rafael E. Melgar of the Territory of Quintana Roo, 1940.
10. Portrait of Adolfo Ruiz Cortines with a dedication to Rafael E. Melgar.
11. Image of Agustín Melgar as a student in the Colegio Militar and is remembered as one of the cadets who died defending Chapultepec from an American invasion on September 13, 1847.
12. Image of a pen and ink caricature done by M.S.O. for Gral. Rafael E. Melgar as a momento of his time as the chief congressional representative (*diputado*) from Oaxaca to the 33rd Mexican Congress.
13. Group portrait of the Alianza delegates from Baja California, included among them is Rafael E. Melgar and Adolfo Ruiz Cortines.
14. Rafael E. Melgar in the Senate chamber taking the oath of office.
15. Gonzalo N. Santo and Rafael E. Melgar dressed as *charros* during a Campaña Nacionalista event in front of the Palacio Nacional, September 15, 1932.
16. Rafael E. Melgar on horseback dressed as a *charro*.
17. Rafael E. Melgar and the aviator, Francisco Sarabia. (2 copies)
18. Portrait of Manuel Ávila Camacho dedicated to Rafael E. Melgar, February 8, 1946.
19. Motorcade on the occasion of the election to the presidency of Pascual Ortiz Rubio on February 5, 1930. Rafael E. Melgar is one of the passengers in the lead vehicle along with President elect Ortiz Rubio.
20. Rafael E. Melgar to the right of Pascual Ortiz Rubio during a Nationalist Campaign event.

21. Group portrait of President Lázaro Cárdenas with state governors and ministers at Chapultepec.
22. President Lázaro Cárdenas followed by Rafael E. Melgar and other state governors and ministers at Chapultepec.
23. Trophies to be awarded for a Nationalist Campaign event on display in the Cámara de Diputados.

Box 52 (oversize): Loose photographs

1. Cámara de Diputados con Rafael E. Melgar, segundo de la derecha.
2. General y diputado Rafael E. Melgar, representante por los distritos de Nochixtlán y Tlaxiaco, Oaxaca instalando la 33^a legislatura congreso de la unión.
3. Group portrait of President Lázaro Cárdenas with the state governors of Mexico. Rafael E. Melgar is seated fifth from the left; Cárdenas is in the middle with Miguel Alemán standing behind him.
4. Group portrait of congressmen with Lázaro Cárdenas (center left), Efraín Calles (center), and Rafael E. Melgar (center right) taken the day before Cárdenas wins the nomination to run for president over Calles.
5. Group portrait of congressmen, Rafael E. Melgar, and President Abelardo Rodríguez Luján on the initiation of the Nationalist Campaign.
6. Rafael E. Melgar at his desk, c. 1940s.
7. Portrait of Francisco Serabia in front of his airplane, "Conquistador del Cielo," and dedicated to Rafael E. Melgar on May 15, 1939.
8. Rafael E. Melgar, delegates, and supporters of the Alianza Nacional de Agrupaciones Revolucionarias (ANAR) party on a balcony during a public demonstration in support of Adolfo Ruiz Cortines by the Frente Unificador Democrático Damasista de Michoacán, c. 1951.

Folder 1

Color prints from digital files representative of images from throughout Rafael E. Melgar's political career. (46 pieces)

Oversized panorama photographs, Rolls 1 – 3 and #4.

III. Oversized Materials

The items described below are loose pieces of oversized documents, printed ephemera, artwork, and maps that complement materials found in the bound volumes and unbound papers.

K. Oversize documents

Box 53 (oversize): Loose documents

1. Document naming Rafael E. Melgar as “jefe político” or military commander of the Nochixtlán district of Oaxaca by the Governor of Oaxaca, José Inés Dávila, April 7, 1915.
2. Campaign flyer supporting the election of Rafael E. Melgar as *diputado* of the 10th district in Oaxaca, n.d.
3. Program for the horse races scheduled by the Asociación Nacional Hípica [National Horsemen Association] for May 18, 1932.
4. Broadside titled, “El Sr. General y diputado Rafael E. Melgar en su onomástico, México D.F.,” October 24, 1932.
5. Blank certificate, issued by the Campaña Nacionalista del Bloque Nacional Revolucionario de la Cámara de Diputados.
6. Broadside from the Comité Ejecutivo del Estado del P.N.R. en Yucatán, “Bases definitivas de unificación de los diversos sectores del Partido Socialista del Sureste,” June 13, 1934.
7. Certificate given to Rafael E. Melgar from the functionaries and employees of the Territory of Quintana Roo government, June 8, 1935.
8. Diploma de honor given to Rafael E. Melgar by the town of Nochixtlán for the construction of a school, May 1944.
9. Honorary degree awarded to Rafael E. Melgar from the Atemo de Ciencias y Artes del Estado de Tlaxcala, May 30, 1944.
10. Diploma de honor given to Rafael E. Melgar from the Mexican Red Cross Association, November 23, 1945.
11. Campaign poster, General Rafael E. Melgar, Candidato a Senador de la República por el Estado de Oaxaca ANAR/PRI. (3 copies)
12. Diploma de honor given to Rafael E. Melgar by the town of Nochixtlán, Oaxaca, May 1951. (2 copies)
13. Diploma of Gratitude given to General Rafael E. Melgar from the town of Yanhuatlán, Oaxaca, May 27, 1951.
14. Broadside printed in the *Prensa* titled, “Llamamiento al pueblo de Mexico newspaper,” by Rafael E. Melgar among others concerning the second phase of the Nationalist Campaign, August 2, 1951.
15. Broadside from the Bloque de Profesionistas e Intelectuales Revolucionarios de Oaxaca. (2 copies)
16. *Dictámenes* printed for the Cámara de Senadores (December 1954) (4 pieces); *Dictámenes* printed for the Cámara de Senadores and *Proyectos* printed for the Cámara de Diputados, including the Proyecto de Ley (December 1956) (16 pieces).
17. Three-page broadside from the Comité Pro-Arbortantes titled, “Corte de Caja,” about the progress of fundraising efforts to beautify the town of Juchitán, Oaxaca, September 1954. (3 pieces)
18. Broadside titled, “Testimonio de Simpatía para Don Adolfo Ruiz Cortines,” put out by the Junta de Mejoramiento Moral, Cívico, y Material de Tehuacán; Cámara Nacional de Comercio; Cámara de Propietarios; Asociación Pequeña de Agricultores; and Asociación de Hoteles in support of the Ruiz Cortines

- candidacy and a highway project , c. 1952.
19. Broadside from the Partido de Unidad Oaxaqueña urging voters to approve a *planilla* formed to unite political factions in Oaxaca under a single *Ayuntamiento* (1956-1959), September 1956.
 20. Political flyers put out by the Alianza Nacional de Agrupaciones Revolucionarias (ANAR) during the Cortines campaign, 1951. (4 pieces)
 21. Copy of the *Alianza* newspaper (año1, número 1), December 10, 1951
 22. Copy of the *Atisbos* newspaper (año2, número 200), March 29, 1952 with a reprint of a full page article from the *El Universal* by Rafael E. Melgar on the election of Miguel Alemán to the presidency of Mexico.
 23. Photocopy of sheet music for a march titled, "General Rafael E. Melgar," music and lyrics by Juan José Laboriel who was the father of three renowned singers and musician, respectively: Johnny, Ella, and Abraham Laboriel.

L. Printed ephemera and artwork

Flat File 1

Folder 1 (5 pieces)

- Watercolor caricature of General Y Diputado Rafael E. Melgar as founder of the Nationalist Campaign by Manuel Aquiles Cáceres, c. 1931.
- Campaign poster for PNR (Partido Nacional Revolucionario) and the Socialist Confederation Party of Oaxaca (CPSO) candidates for the July 6 elections in the 10th district featuring Genaro V. Vazquez as the senatorial candidate and Rafael E. Melgar for the congressional seat.
- Campaign poster for Rafael E. Melgar's run for governor of Oaxaca put out by the Frente Orientador Oaxaqueño, 1940-1944.
- Broadside put out by the Bloque de Profesionistas e Intelectuales Revolucionarios de Oaxaca supporting Adolfo Ruiz Cortines for the presidency of Mexico and Rafael E. Melgar as Senator from Oaxaca, February 12, 1956. (2 copies)
- Half page a reprint of an article from the *El Universal* by Rafael E. Melgar on the election of Miguel Alemán to the presidency of Mexico, March 28, 1952. (3 copies)

M. Maps

The items described below come from the materials relating to Rafael E. Melgar's later political career when he served as Governor of the Territory of Quintana Roo and Senator for the state of Oaxaca. It was during these years that he administrated and/or helped to initiate public works projects that concerned basic infrastructure construction projects and building of public schools in underserved areas.

Flat File 1

Folder 2 (12 pieces)

- Geographic map of Mexico at 1:2,500,000 scale surrounded by pictures of all of the state governors of Mexico and the current president, Lázaro Cárdenas. Rafael E. Melgar is shown as governor of the Territory of Quintana Roo, c. 1935 - 1940.
- Zona de Turismo del Territorio de Quintana Roo: Arqueología, Caza, y Pesca (1935) drawn by A.E. Guerra. Geographic map of the Territory of Quintana Roo highlighting areas of the territory targeted for tourism development.
- Carta General del Territorio de Quintana Roo (1936). Map of the Territory of Quintana Roo recording the name changes to various towns instituted by Governor Melgar. (2 copies, paper original and laminated copy)
- Blueprint, Plan of the Mexican-British Honduras Frontier between Latitude 17° 49' 8" and Blue Creek, May 7, 1938.
- Architectural plan for the construction of a rural school to be named, "18 de Marzo," in the outlying town of Rio Verde of S.B. Soyaltepec, Oaxaca (March 1955) drawn by J. M. López.
- Pencil on velum drawing of an interior floor plan for an unidentified school.
- Engineering plan drawn a Secretaria de Recursos hydraulic project that would lay down the piping needed to deliver potable water to the towns of Yodocono, Sinaxtla, and Nochixtlán, Oaxaca, July 1955.
- Electrical blueprint for the construction of the Escuela Enseñanzas Especiales in Yanhuítlán, Oaxaca, April 29, 1958.
- Engineering plan (1:250,000) for a use road to be built between the towns of Huajapán de León and Agua Fría, Municipio de Juxtlaúaca, Oaxaca, drawn by M. Cruz Yralda.
- Engineering plan (1:20,000) of the lands partitioned from the Pedregal of Santo Domingo and Montserrat, Coyoacán, Mexico for the construction of University City for the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM). (2 copies)