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Series 31 John Oldham Personal Papers

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Biographical History: John Oldham was born June 22, 1923 in Hartford, Kentucky to Carlisle and Ruth Oldham. After a stint in the Navy, he attended WKU where he stood out as a member of the basketball team. He received his BS in 1949 and MA in 1951.

After college Oldham was drafted into the NBA and played two years for the Fort Wayne Pistons. He returned to Bowling Green to coach at College High, then moved on to Tennessee Tech where he coached from 1955 to 1963.

He returned to Western to become basketball coach in 1965 upon E.A. Diddle's retirement. The WKU Hilltoppers were integrated Oldham's tenure. In 1971 he was named athletic director, a position he held through 1986.

Description: Records created by and about John Oldham.

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	Records created by and about John Oldham.	

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Description	Brewer, Jerry. One Call May Have Paved 'Glory Road,' Louisville Courier-Journal, 2006. https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/fac_staff_papers/20 Kuharsky, Paul. The Bummer of '63, The Tennessean, March 16, 2005. https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/fac_staff_papers/21 Miss Maurine Morgan of Mayfield and John Oldham of Hartford, np, April 13, 1947. Montieth, Mark. Old-Timers Get Their Due, The Indianapolis Star, February 28, 2007. Pickens, Jim. Western Should Honor Oldham, Messenger-Inquirer, nd. Schroader, Nina. Her Son's Team is Playing Today at the Astrodome, Ohio County News, nd. Thamel, Pete. Recalling Forward Thinking, New York Times, March 27, 2008. https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/fac_staff_papers/19			
Box 1	6	Oldham, John	1966	NCAA Tournament Telegrams

Box 1	7	Oldham, John	1999-2003	Teaching Evaluations
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