

**McLean County Museum of History**

**Steve Vogel WJBC/WBNQ Collection**

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**Collection Information**

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 Box
COLLECTION DATES:	1972 - 1992
RESTRICTIONS:	None
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ALTERNATIVE FORMATS:	None
OTHER FINDING AIDS:	None
LOCATION:	Archives
NOTES:	See also

## Brief History

Steve Vogel worked at WJBC/WBNQ Radio in Bloomington beginning in 1972 in the news department, eventually becoming News Director. He hosted a popular call-in radio show called "Problems and Solutions" for more than 20 years.

## Scope

The collection includes typed script for a radio show Steve and Don Munson performed outlining the history of McLean County. Miscellaneous booklets and newspaper clippings/ supplements. Numerous letters (many from the White House) expressing regrets to interview invitations from Vogel. WJBC/WBNQ promotional folder.

## Box and Folder Inventory

### Box 1

#### Folder 1: Correspondence

- 1.1 Letter from Martha Mitchell declining invitation for a telephone interview. February 26, 1972. 1 page with envelope.
- 1.2 Letter from Reverend Fulton J. Sheen, Titular ArchBishop of Newport agreeing to a telephone interview. July 12, 1972, 1 page with envelope.
- 1.3 Letter from Ronald L. Ziegler, White House Press Secretary declining an invitation for President Nixon to participate in a call-in type of interview. April 26, 1974. 1 page and envelope.
- 1.4 Letter from Inge Geier, Nuremburg, regarding upcoming visit by Vogel. August, 1976. 1 page, 1 envelope.
- 1.5 Ron Nessen, Press Secretary to the President, inviting Vogel to a Press Conference at the White House on January 30, 1976. January 14 1976. 1 page and envelope.
- 1.6 Letter from Joseph Powell, Jr., Press Secretary to President Carter asking for input on how to make the government more open to citizens. January 28, 1977. 2 pages and envelope.
- 1.7 Letter from Patricia Yaroch Bario, Assistant Press Secretary, thanking Vogel for offering WJBC/WBNQ facilities to President. Includes index card with White House Press Office - Office of Media Liaison contact names and phone numbers. February 28, 1977. 1 page, 1 index card, and envelope.
- 1.8 Letter from Mary Finch Hoyt, Press Secretary to Mrs. Carter declining an invitation for Mrs. Carter to appear on Vogel's radio show. January 22m 1979. 1 page and envelope.
- 1.9 Letter from Mike Wallace CBS News, thanking Vogel for a note, April 12, 1979 1 page.
- 1.10 Letter from Jesse Sumner, at Menard Correctional Facility, declining an offer of a radio interview, May 1, 1979. 1 page and envelope.

- 1.11 Postcard from William Safire of the New York Times, Washington Bureau, thanking Vogel for response clarifying "Thank You Much", and "To Whom it May Concern." August 7, 1979.
- 1.12 Letter from White House Deputy Press Secretary Patricia Barrio declining invitation. August 8, 1979. 1 page and envelope.
- 1.13 Letter from White House Deputy Press Secretary Larry Speakes declining an invitation for an interview with the President. January 27, 1982. 1 page and envelope.
- 1.14 Letter from Alan J. Dixon thanking Steve for opportunity to be on talk-show. September 16, 1983. 1 page.
- 1.15 Letter from Senator Charles H. Percy thanking Steve for having him on the radio show. October 24, 1983. 1 page.
- 1.16 Letter from Senator Alan J. Dixon referring to a recent visit to Bloomington and meeting with Steve. October 26, 1988. 1 page.
- 1.17 Letter from Lyle Dean referring to recent opportunity to work with WJBC staff. November 1, 1988. 11 page.
- 1.18 Letter from Jim Edgar, Secretary of State that accompanied a copy of the Illinois Blue Book. March 26, 1990. 1 page.
- 1.19 Letter from E.S.J. (initials only in signature) thanking for Steve. September 25, 1990. 1 page.
- 1.20 Letter from Edward Madigan, Secretary of Agriculture, thanking Steve for his support. March 22, 1991. 1 page.

**Folder 2: Radio Scripts**

- 2.1 Typed in radio script format with key words circled. 96 pages. Not dated, but from 1980. One script with Vogel name and one with Munson name. (2 copies).

**Folder 3: Promotional Materials**

- 3.1 Pocket sized trifold sports schedule for Football for Illinois State, Illinois Wesleyan, Bloomington, Central Catholic, Normal Community, U-High. 1977.
- 3.2 Full page Pantagraph newspaper ad "WJBC & WBNQ We've Got You Covered Central Illinois". July 15, 1979.
- 3.3 Quarter page Pantagraph ad WJBC 1230 "Who are the ten most powerful men in McLean County?" April 25, 1980.
- 3.4 Single page flyers from Association of Commerce and Industry of McLean County highlighting WJBC. June, 1980.
- 3.5 Full page ad in The McLean County COMMUNITY NEWS, "Winning isn't everything..." about WJBC winning broadcast awards. May 11 - May 17, 1988.
- 3.6 One-page printed piece "Winning isn't everything..." announcing WJBC winning broadcast awards. Same as ad appearing in McLean County COMMUNITY NEWS, May 11 - May 17, 1988.
- 3.7 News release covering awards won by WJBC for best over-all radio news operation in Illinois and Indiana. April 3, 1989.
- 3.8 Letter to WJBC Gold Card holders from Don Munson, Station Manager, asking for input about station content, March 23, 1991.
- 3.9 Blank Questionnaire that accompanied the WJBC Gold Card letter from Don Munson, March 23 1991

- 3.10 Half-page ad in the Pantagraph announcing WJBC awards for consistent outstanding radio coverage. March 29, 1991.
- 3.11 Full page Pantagraph ad "Congratulations, Steve Vogel" celebrating 20 years hosting radio show Problems and Solutions. June 7, 1991 (2 copies).
- 3.12 Letter to Central Illinois Farmers from Art Sechrest Farm Director, announcing new radio crop report program. March 18 1992.
- 3.13 Press Release announcing WJBC receiving the National Headliner Award for 1992 for consistently outstanding news reporting in the United States. March 30, 1992.
- 3.14 News clip, the Pantagraph, "Bloomington radio station named tops across nation." April 3, 1992.
- 3.15 Two-page spread ad (3/4 page) celebrating WJBC's National Headliner Award. The Pantagraph, April 7, 1992.
- 3.16 Some Holiday Recipes from WJBC. Trifold piece with Christmas theme.
- 3.17 Promotional radio script for news correspondents Hanna Gutmann in Washington D.C. and Ben Kiningham in Springfield. n.d.
- 3.18 WJBC Action Line consumer companion printed piece listing who consumers should contact for help with complaints. n.d.
- 3.19 Pocket sized WJBC list of important numbers and show times. n.d.
- 3.20 Blank fingerprint card from WJBC, Bloomington Police Department and Normal Police Department, McLean County Sheriff's Department, and ISU Police Department. n.d.
- 3.21 One-page flyer promoting WJBC and Art Sechrest as Farm Broadcaster of the Year. 1992.
- 3.22 Bi-fold flyer "Catch the Spirit!" about WJBC National Headliner Award. n.d.
- 3.23 WJBC promotional packet in folder. Includes radio personalities with biographies and programming information. n.d.