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## Background on Don Ogden

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# Scope of collection

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In addition to anti-war protests, Ogden's collection includes materials concerning "None of the Above," a Pioneer Valley Pro-Democracy Campaign, which would allow voters to reject all candidates in office. As a member, Randy Kehler wrote an article on this topic and submitted it to the *Boston Globe. The Insurgent*, a Newsletter of the Committee to Fight Repression, and *The Valley Advocate* each discuss the events of the Ohio 7 who were put on trial for Seditious Conspiracy. *The Daily Hampshire Gazette* follows the story of the Yankee Rowe Anti-Nuclear Plant Campaign from the plant's plan to renew its license, to the increase in awareness of the dangers of the plant, to the Board of Directors' decision to permanently shut the plant down.

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### Administrative information

#### Access

The collection is open for research.

#### Provenance

Acquired from Don Ogden, September 2005.

## **Processing Information**

Processed by Kimberly Wells, October 2005.

#### **Related Material**

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