

MARCUS M. WILKERSON PAPERS

Mss. 1606

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SUMMARY

Size	3 linear ft.
Geographic Locations	Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Inclusive Dates	1923-1958
Bulk Dates	1930-1952
Languages	English
Summary	The Marcus M. Wilkerson Papers consist of correspondence, reports, speeches, photographs, newspaper articles, and class and lecture notes relating to his professional life as professor of journalism at Louisiana State University (LSU) and as director of the LSU Press.
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Stack Location(s)	OS:W, X:94-96

BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

Marcus M. Wilkerson (1896-1953) was a professor of journalism at Louisiana State University (LSU) in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He also served as the director of the LSU Press.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Marcus M. Wilkerson Papers consist chiefly of correspondence, reports, lectures, and class and lecture notes pertaining to Wilkerson's professional life as professor of journalism at LSU and as director of the LSU Press. The papers also include charters, rosters, bylaws, and other items documenting his involvement in LSU honor societies and fraternities, such as the LSU chapters of Sigma Chi and Phi Kappa Phi fraternities; and Baton Rouge civic and social organizations, such as the Rotary Club in Baton Rouge and the Baton Rouge Country Club.

Other items in the papers include newspaper articles dating from 1923 to 1928 that describe the new LSU campus; photographs of the campus from the same period; a genealogical history of the Crowell family (1944); a complete list of books in the LSU Journalism Library (1940); and an undated list of newspapers in the LSU main library.

Of particular interest is a letter by Caroline Dorman in which she discusses the adverse comments relative to the publication of her book (September 12, 1941; box 1, folder 2) and Helen Wilkerson's speech for Adlai Stevenson, presidential nominee for the Democratic Party (1952; box 1, folder 40).

Note: See Container List for a folder-level description of the collection.

INDEX TERMS

Materials relating to these people, places, and things can be found throughout the entire collection; some materials can be found at specific locations.

Country Club of Louisiana (Baton Rouge, La)	Box 1, folders 3-5
Crowell family.	Box 1, folders 10-15
Journalism--Study and teaching (Higher)--Louisiana--Baton Rouge.	Entire collection
Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College--School of Journalism.	Entire collection
Phi Kappa Phi--Louisiana State University Chapter.	Box 1, folder 19
Rotary Club (Baton Rouge, La.)	Box 1, folder 3
Sigma Chi Fraternity--Gamma Iota Chapter (Louisiana State University)	Box 1, folder 18

CONTAINER LIST

<u>Stack</u>	<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Contents (with dates)</u>
X:94	1	1-9	Letters and related items, 1924-1953, 1958, undated
		10-15	Crowell history, 1944, undated
		16-17	Photographs and newspaper articles, 1923-1928
		18	Sigma Chi fraternity, 1925-1950
		19	Phi Kappa Phi, 1934-1942
		20	Complete list of books in the LSU Journalism Library, 1940
		21	Newspaper collection in the LSU Library, undated
		22	M. M. Wilkinson report of the press for the LSU Board of Supervisors, 1940
		23	LSU Press: Myra Clark Gaines, 1946
		24	Letter to Dr. Stoke on the press, 1947
		25	University Press, report to publications committee, 1948
		26	Spanish-American War, paper read before ASDJ, 1931
		27	Rogge speech, New Orleans, 1940
		28	Copeland speech on George Wilkins Kendall, New Orleans, 1940
		29	Outlined talk on the University Press, circa 1941
		30	Outlined talk on propaganda and the war, 1943
		31	Copy of Memorial Day address, May 30, 1946
		32	Introductory speech, 1947
		33	Commencement speech, St. Francisville, Louisiana, 1947
		34	Copy of Lindley speech, 1948
		35	Outline of speech before District Advertising Convention, 1949
		36	Copy of speech for J. M. McLemore, 1947
		37	Paper on Louisiana libel for Press Association, 1950
		38	AHA speech, December 29, 1850
		39	Paper delivered before graduate classes, Association of Land Grant Colleges, November 14, 1951
		40	Helen Wilkerson's speech for Adlai Stevenson, 1952
		41	Commencement address, McKowen High School, 1952
		42	Material for speech on libel, 1947, 1950, undated
		43	Introductory remarks on speakers, undated
		44-45	LSU thesis by Mary Alice Hebert, "Louisiana Journalism in the Civil War Period," 1937
		46	Newspaper collection, 1931-1934
		47	Clippings and photograph, 1953
		48	Journalism bulletins, 1935-1936
		49-50	Periodicals: <i>LSU Alumni News</i> (1947-1953); <i>Register</i> (1949)
		51-52	History 116, 1929-1931

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X:94	1	53-54	History 141, 1930
		55	Journalism 2 and 3, 1929
		56	Journalism 202 (University of Wisconsin), 1929
		57	British history outline, undated
		58	Modern European history outline, undated
		59	History 2 (Modern European History), 1930-1931
		60	History 139, 1930-1931
		61 62-66	History 124, 1928-1929 History 143, 1930-1931
X:95	2	1-3	History 116, 1929-1930
		4-5	History 124, 1928-1929
		6	History 250, 1930-1931
		7-15	History 252, 1930-1931
		16	History 111, 1930-1931
		17-18	History 141, 1930-1931
		19-20	History 118, 1928-1929
		21	Journalism 202, undated
		22	Journalism 1, assignments, 1932-1933
		23	Journalism 1, lectures, undated
		24	Journalism 1, exam questions, 1942-1945
		25	Journalism 2 (University of Wisconsin), assignments, 1927-1929
		26	Journalism 1, copies of assignments, undated
		27	Journalism 1, work material, undated
		28-29	Journalism 1-2, exam questions, 1943-1944
		30-33	Journalism 51-52, 1938, undated
		34	Journalism 52, lectures, undated
		35	Journalism 12, 1939
		36	Journalism 107, undated
		37	Journalism 142, undated
		38-42	Journalism 181, 1927-1953, undated
		43-45	Freedom of the press semester, 1932
		46-50	Journalism 182, 1938-1952, undated
		51	Old lectures: Law of the Press, undated
		52-56	Journalism 182, 1929-1952, undated
X:96	3	1	Copy of libel speech, 1938
		2	British report on the Law of Defamation, 1948
		3	Journalism 201, 1924-1933
		4	Journalism 204-205, undated
		5-11	Journalism 205, 1934-1945
		12	Journalism 205-206, 1944-1948
		13-16	Journalism 205, 1947-1952

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X:96	3	17-20	Journalism 205-206, 1937-1940, undated
		21-32	Journalism 206, 1933-1954
		33	Journalism 207, 1944-1945
		34	Journalism 336, 1941
		35-37	Journalism 346, circa 1941-1942
		38-39	Journalism 336, undated
		40	Lecture notes on propaganda, undated
		41-46	Propaganda Analysis, Volumes I-III, 1938-1941
		47	German propaganda, 1932
		48	War debts, 1932
		49	Ideas for graduate student program lectures, 1952-1953
		50	Lecture for graduate students, December 3, 1951
		51	Report on reporting assignments, 1938
		52	Agricultural news writing, undated
		53	Copies of syllabus, circa 1932
54	Outline of courses, 1939-1940		
OS:W	4	1-8	Newspaper collection (oversize), 1931-1938