Guide to the Anne Weymouth Deirup Collection on the Desegregation of Berkeley Schools

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Collection Summary

Collection Title: Anne Weymouth Deirup Collection on the Desegregation of Berkeley Schools,
Date (inclusive): 1954-1979
Collection Number: BANC MSS 2002/214 c
Creator: Deirup, Anne Weymouth, 1918-2003
Extent: Number of containers: 5 cartonsLinear feet: 6.25 linear feet
Repository: The Bancroft Library.
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Abstract: The Anne Weymouth Deirup Collection on Desegregation of Berkeley Schools, 1954-1979, consists of reports, newsletters, pamphlets and materials relating to the integration of Berkeley public schools and the fight for racial justice and social change. The collection includes Deirup’s correspondence, notes, and statements made at public meetings regarding education, integration of schools, and student rights. The collection includes publications from local community organizations, parent-teacher associations, and the Berkeley Unified School District.
Languages Represented: Collection materials are in English.
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**Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

- School integration--California--Berkeley.
- Affirmative action programs--California--Berkeley.
- Schools--California--Berkeley.
- Juvenile justice, Administration of--California.
- Students--Civil rights.
- Parent-teacher relationships--California.

**Acquisition Information**

The Anne Weymouth Deirup Collection on Desegregation of Berkeley Schools was purchased by The Bancroft Library from Noyo Hill House on August 18, 2001.

**Processing Information**

Preliminary processing by Lauren Lassleben in 2002 and final processing by Lucy Allen and Jocelyn Saidenberg in 2005.

**Biography**

Anne Weymouth Deirup (1918-2003), dedicated activist for social change, worked to improve public education in the Berkeley Unified School District (BUSD) from the 1950s through the 1970s. She was an outspoken advocate for school integration, rights of students, and racial justice. She was active in Berkeley politics promoting racial and social equality and represented the rights of school children as an active member of the Parent Teacher Association and BUSD planning committees. In such work, Deirup collected materials documenting these efforts; these materials now make up the Anne Weymouth Deirup Collection on Desegregation of Berkeley Schools.

In 1960, she was called before the House Un-American Activities Committee, declined to answer any questions, and delivered the following message:

"I consider the members of this committee to be dedicated people, and I would very much like to cooperate with this committee. But...I'm even more convinced that you're dedicated to the destruction of the freedom of thought, the freedom to speak and of assembly and of association. You are dedicated to the preservation of white supremacy and of segregation and of lynchings.

"I, too, am a dedicated, principled individual, dedicated to the preservation of democracy, freedom of thought and association, equality and dignity, for all our people! I am dedicated to the promotion of better education for all of our children. And for peace!"

**Scope and Content of Collection**

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The materials are arranged alphabetically by subject.

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**Affirmative Action 1973-1978, n.d.**


At the Board Meeting 1972-1975


Berkeley Day Nursery 1965-1966


Berkeley School News 1969-1971

Berkeley School Reconstituted Master Plan Committee 1967-1974

Berkeley School Reports 1966-1973


BUSD, building projects 1957, 1974-1975

BUSD, directories 1968-1974

BUSD, Emergency School Aid Act Proposal 1973-1976


BUSD, individual schools 1954-1974, n.d.


Berkeley Young Women's Christian Association 1960-1964, n.d.


The Bud, BUSD publication 1968-1969

CARE (Community Against Racism in Education) 1976, n.d.

Center for Open Learning and Teaching n.d.


Community for New Politics 1967-1968


Elementary and secondary education 1965 Nov.


Housing 1963-1964, n.d.


IEP, Intercultural Exposition 1964


Minority employment 1958

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