Guide to the Wilson-McAdoo Collection, ca. 1859-1967

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Wilson-McAdoo Collection

Dates: ca. 1859-1967

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Collection size: 10 linear feet (21 boxes, 2 oversize boxes, and 3 sound recordings).

Repository: University of California, Santa Barbara. Library. Dept. of Special Collections
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Physical Location: Boxes 1-16 (SRLF); Boxes 17-21 (Del Norte); Boxes 22-23 (Del Norte Oversize); sound recordings (Annex 2).

Abstract: Three series: (1) Personal papers and records of President Woodrow Wilson's daughters Eleanor Wilson McAdoo, her husband William Gibbs McAdoo, and their two children Ellen Wilson McAdoo Henshaw and Mary Faith McAdoo Haddad; (2) Personal papers and records of President Woodrow Wilson, his first wife Ellen Axson Wilson, and their two children Margaret Woodrow Wilson and Jessie Woodrow Wilson Sayre; (3) Correspondence, newspaper clippings, and photographs of the Wilson family, and typescripts of Eleanor Wilson McAdoo's three books.

Languages: English, French

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Preferred Citation
Biography


Margaret Woodrow Wilson (1886-1944). Eldest daughter of Woodrow and Ellen Louise Axson Wilson. Spent several years in India, late 1930s-early 1940s, as a follower of Sri Aurobindo.


Arrangement


Series I: Eleanor Wilson McAdoo (boxes 1-7, 18-20). The largest series in the collection, containing family, personal, and professional correspondence, as well as material relating to publications, radio broadcasts, and speeches by EWA. Also includes some financial records and personal ephemera.

Series II: Ellen Wilson McAdoo (box 7). Contains a small amount of family, personal, and professional correspondence.

Series III: Mary Faith McAdoo (box 7). Contains a small amount of family and personal correspondence.

Series IV: William Gibbs McAdoo (box 8). Includes family, personal, and professional correspondence, as well as some financial and legal records.

Series V: Ellen Axson Wilson (box 9). Contains family correspondence, including cablegrams to Woodrow Wilson (1904) and photostatic copies of other correspondence to Woodrow Wilson.

Series VI: Jessie Woodrow Wilson (box 9). Contains correspondence to sister Margaret, ca. 1910-1930.

Series VII: Margaret Woodrow Wilson (boxes 9-13). Includes correspondence to Woodrow Wilson and material relating to her stay Sri Aurobindo's ashram in India, from the late 1930s to early 1940s.

Series VIII: Thomas Woodrow Wilson (boxes 14-15). Contains a small amount of outgoing personal, family, and professional correspondence, some as photostatic copies. Also includes a Wilsoniana section, with correspondence, unpublished and published material, about Wilson.

Series IX: Wilson Family Ephemera (box 15). Includes early (1859-1929) Axson family correspondence, as well as correspondence among other family members.

Series X: Wilson Family Clippings (box 16). Contains material relating to various family members, including Woodrow Wilson and Eleanor Wilson McAdoo.
Series XI: Wilson Family Photographs (box 17). Contains photographs of various family members, including Woodrow Wilson, Ellen Axson Wilson, and Eleanor Wilson McAdoo.

Series XII: McAdoo Family Childrens Collection (box 21). Includes correspondence among several family members.


Series XIV: Audiovisual Materials. Includes sound recordings, in various formats.

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

McAdoo, Eleanor Wilson, 1889-1967 -- Archives.
McAdoo, Ellen Wilson, 1915-1946.
McAdoo, William Gibbs, 1863-1941.
Wilson, Ellen Axson.
Sayre, Jennie Woodrow Wilson, 1887-1933.
Wilson, Margaret Woodrow, 1886-1944.
Wilson, Woodrow, 1856-1924.
McAdoo family -- Archives.
Wilson family -- Archives.
Presidents -- Family.

Related Materials
Manuscript Sources:


Published Sources:


Series I: *Eleanor Wilson McAdoo*
Series I: Eleanor Wilson McAdoo

Family Correspondence, Outgoing
Box 1: 1
1899-1907
Box 1: 2
1908-1927
Box 1: 3
1942-1946
Box 1: 4
Undated

Personal Correspondence, Incoming
Box 1: 5-12
A-Z (arranged alphabetically by surname of correspondent), ca. 1922-1964
Box 1: 13
Unidentified

Professional Correspondence
Box 2: 1
Outgoing, 1927-1950
Incoming (arranged alphabetically by surname of correspondent, mostly dealing with writings and speeches), ca. 1914-1965
Box 2: 2-7
A-J
Box 3: 1-5
K-S
Box 4: 1-2
T-Z
Box 4: 3
Unidentified
Box 4: 4
Office of War Information, 1943-1944

Works
Box 4: 5
Articles, and Reminiscences (includes "Statement" re Woodrow Wilson's last thoughts about League of Nations)
Books
Box 18
*Julia and the White House* (novel about a young girl growing up in the White House), TSS, 1946
*The Priceless Gift*
Box 4: 6-7
Holographic and typescript partial drafts
Box 19
TSS
Box 20
*Galley Proofs, 1962*
*The Woodrow Wilsons*
Box 4: 8-9
Typescript drafts of chapters, with holographic corrections
Box 5: 1
Typescript drafts of chapters, with holographic corrections
Other Writings
Box 5: 2
*Julia* and other (partial typescript and holographic drafts)
Box 5: 3
Short Stories (typescript drafts)
Box 5: 4
Publicity Book (includes biographical sketch, with comments and radio scripts, and typed copies of letters and speeches concerning Woodrow Wilson), n.d.
Radio Broadcasts
Box 5: 5
April-July 1941
Box 5: 6-7
Unidentified, n.d.
Box 5: 8
Radio Broadcasts and Speeches (unidentified holographic drafts), n.d.
Box 5: 9
Speeches (holographic and typescript drafts), ca. early 1940s

Records - Financial
Box 6: 1
Incoming Correspondence, 1923-1951
Banking Records
Box 6: 2
Los Angeles, 1947-1951
Box 6: 3
New York, 1950-1951
Box 6: 4-5
Receipts, 1926-1951

Personal Ephemera
Box 7: 1
Address Books and Diary (re trip to Europe), n.d.
Box 7: 2
Biographical Material (includes 1967 obituaries)
Box 7: 3
Invitations and Distinctions
Box 7: 4
Lecture Advertisement (includes biographical sketch; spoke on the topics of: "The Peacemakers-1918 and 1945," "Women as a Force for World Peace," "The San Francisco Charter," and "The Battle-Scarred Road to Peace")
Box 7: 5
Notes
Box 7: 6
Publications and Papers (by other writers)
Box 7: 7
Typescript articles and papers (by other writers)
Box 7: 8
Miscellaneous Writings (holographic copies, apparently by EWM)
Series I: Eleanor Wilson McAdoo

Box 7: 9  Unidentified TSS and MSS (including list of achievements of League of Nations during its first 25 years)
Box 7: 10  Wedding Gift Book, 1914

Series II: Ellen Wilson McAdoo

Box 7: 11  Family Correspondence, Outgoing (to mother and Mary Faith McAdoo), 1928-1935
Box 7: 12  Personal Correspondence, Incoming, 1923-1933
Box 7: 13  Professional Correspondence, Incoming, 1915, 1932
Box 7: 14  Personal Ephemera, 1913, 1931

Series III: Mary Faith McAdoo

Box 7: 15  Family Correspondence, Outgoing (to mother), 1933-1938
Box 7: 16  Personal Correspondence, Incoming, n.d.

Series IV: William Gibbs McAdoo

Family Correspondence
Box 8: 1  Outgoing (to wife, EWM), 1929
Box 8: 2  Outgoing (to EWM), 1936
Box 8: 3  Incoming - Outgoing (financial matters re Ellen Wilson McAdoo), 1938
Box 8: 4  Personal Correspondence, Incoming (includes telegrams of condolences re Woodrow Wilson's death in 1924), 1922-1931

Professional Correspondence
Box 8: 5  Outgoing (includes letters while Secretary of the Treasury and Chairman of the Democratic National Committee), 1912-1913
Box 8: 6-9  Incoming (arranged alphabetically by surname, mostly about statement to Senate committee, and intention to move to California), 1922-1923

Records
Box 8: 10  Financial, 1920-1931
Box 8: 11-13  Legal, 1921-1922, 1942
Box 8: 13  Personal Ephemera (includes obituary), ca. 1916-1941

Series V: Ellen Axson Wilson

Family Correspondence, Outgoing
Box 9: 1-2  To Woodrow Wilson
Box 9: 3  Photostats (apparently used by EWM for her book Priceless Gift; originals at Princeton University), ca. 1885-1904
Box 9: 4  Letters (while on trip to Italy), 1904
Box 9: 5  Telegrams (while on trip to Italy), 28 Mar-19 Aug. 1904
Box 9: 6  To Eleanor Wilson (daughter), 1911
Box 9: 7-8  Professional Correspondence, Incoming, 1914

Series VI: Jessie Woodrow Wilson

Family Correspondence, Outgoing - to Margaret (sister), n.d., 1911-1930

Series VII: Margaret Woodrow Wilson

Family Correspondence, Outgoing
Box 9: 9  To father (Woodrow Wilson), ca. 1894-1923
Box 9: 10  To mother (Ellen Axson Wilson), ca. 1901-1909
Box 9: 11  To sister (Eleanor Wilson McAdoo), ca. 1936-1940
Box 9: 12  To others, n.d., ca. 1939-1942

Personal Correspondence
Outgoing
Box 10: 1  To Sri Aurobindo, ca. 1938
Box 10: 2-4  A-Z (arranged by name of correspondent, often forename, many written from or about India), ca. 1939-1942
Box 10: 5-6  Incoming, A-Z (arranged by name of correspondent, often forename), ca. 1916-1942

Professional Correspondence
Series VII: Margaret Woodrow Wilson

Box 10: 7 Outgoing, n.d., 1936-1942
Box 10: 8-9 Incoming, n.d., ca. 1939-1942
Box 10: 10 Solicitations of Sri Aurobindo's books, 1940
Box 10: 11 Unidentified Correspondence, ca. 1938-1942

Works
Box 11: 1-5 Gospel of Ramakrishna (TSS drafts)
Box 11: 6 "The School House as a Community Center" (printed pamphlet), 1916
Box 11: 7 Speeches, n.d.

Records
Financial
Box 12: 1 Correspondence, Outgoing, 1938-1942
Box 12: 2 Correspondence, Incoming, 1938, 1940
Box 12: 3 Banque de l'Indochine, 1940-1943
Box 12: 4-5 Imperial Bank of India, 1941-1944
Box 12: 6 National Metropolitan Bank, 1938-1941
Box 12: 7 Miscellaneous Receipts
Box 12: 8 Legal (Will of Willa Boord), ca. 1938-1940

Personal Ephemera
Box 13: 1 Diary, 1939
Box 13: 2 Miscellaneous Correspondence by other writers
Box 13: 3 Miscellaneous Notes
Box 13: 4 Personal Memorabilia (includes address book, clippings, and envelopes)
Box 13: 5 Publications and Papers by Sri Aurobindo (including partial corrected typescript draft of The Life Divine)
Box 13: 6 Publications and Papers by other writers
Box 13: 7 Notebook (in French)
Box 13: 8 Portrait of Sri Aurobindo (b/w framed photo)
Box 13: 9 Recital Scrapbook, 1917

Series VII: Thomas Woodrow Wilson

Family Correspondence, Outgoing
Box 14: 1 To Eleanor Wilson McAdoo - 2 TLS, 1919, 1923
To Ellen Axson Wilson (photostats; apparently used by EWM for her book Priceless Gift; originals at Princeton University)
Box 14: 2 ca. 1884-1896
Box 14: 3 1913
Box 14: 4 Personal Correspondence, Outgoing
Additional Note
1 ALS to Lucy Marshall Smith, 15 Sept. 1897 and 1 TLS to Arthur Brisbane, re the Espionage Bill before Congress, 25 April 1917.

Box 14: 5 Professional Correspondence, Outgoing
Additional Note
1 ALS to Mrs. John Lyon Gardiner, 14 Feb. 1901 and 1 TLS to General John J. Pershing, introducing Wilson's brother-in-law, Dr. Stockton Axson, 13 Sept. 1918

Box 14: 6 Works - Baccalaureate Address, 13 June 1909
Box 14: 7 Personal Ephemera (includes Woodrow Wilson autograph and 1920 Democratic National Convention ticket)

Wilsoniana (material relating to Woodrow Wilson)
Box 14: 8 Inaugural Day (program and invitation, addressed to EWM), 5 Mar. 1917
Box 14: 9 Memorials (for Woodrow Wilson and Ellen Axson Wilson)
Box 14: 10 Miscellaneous Correspondence -Incoming, 1919-1966
Box 14: 11-12 Miscellaneous Published Material (mostly articles about Woodrow Wilson)
Box 15: 1 Miscellaneous Unpublished Material (includes dedications, essays, and songs)
Box 15: 2 Woodrow Wilson Foundation (includes minutes and reports), ca. 1944-1965

Series IX: Wilson Family Ephemera
Box 15: 3  Axson Family Correspondence, 1859-1929
Box 15: 4  Axson, J. S. K., Jr. - Notebook, ca. 1884
Box 15: 5  Bones [?], Helen - To Margaret Wilson, 1914, 1927
Box 15: 6  Hoyt Family Correspondence, n.d., 1859
Box 15: 7  McAdoo, Molly - To Eleanor Wilson McAdoo, ca. 1935-1937
Box 15: 8  McAdoo, Robert H. - Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1918, 1923
Box 15: 9  Sayre, Francis B. - To Eleanor Wilson McAdoo, 1966
Box 15: 10  Woodrow, James - To Eleanor Wilson McAdoo, ca. 1963
Box 15: 11-12  Wilson Family - Miscellaneous Correspondence, ca. 1900-1946
Box 15: 13  Miscellaneous Ephemera (primarily cards and envelopes), ca. 1893-1950

Series X: Wilson Family Clippings

Box 16: 1  Eleanor Wilson McAdoo - Wedding Scrapbook, 1914
Box 16: 2  Biographical Articles, ca. 1914-1956
Box 16: 3  Reviews of The Woodrow Wilsons, 1937
Box 16: 4  Reviews of The Priceless Gift, 1962, 1967
Box 16: 5  William G. McAdoo - Biographical Articles (includes death notices), ca. 1917-1941
Box 16: 6  Margaret W. Wilson - Biographical Articles (includes death notice), ca. 1917-1944
Box 16: 7  Thomas Woodrow Wilson - Biographical Articles (includes death notices), ca. 1913-1964
Box 16: 8  Miscellaneous Family Clippings, ca. 1915-1963
Box 16: 9  Miscellaneous Historical Clippings, ca. 1915-1953

Series XI: Wilson Family Photographs

Box 17: 1  Eleanor Wilson McAdoo
Box 17: 2  William G. McAdoo
Box 17: 3  Ellen and Mary Faith McAdoo
Box 17: 4  Ellen Axson Wilson (11 items)
Box 17: 5  Jessie and Margaret Woodrow Wilson
Box 17: 6  Margaret Woodrow Wilson
Box 17: 7  Thomas Woodrow Wilson (25 items)
Box 17: 8  Wilson Homes and Monuments
Box 17: 9  Miscellaneous and Unidentified Photographs

Series XII: McAdoo Family Childrens Collection

Box 21: 1-2  Correspondence (includes Ellen McAdoo, Eleanor McAdoo, Mary Faith McAdoo, William G. McAdoo, and Sally McAdoo as correspondents), ca. 1925-1936

Series XIII: Oversize Wilson Family Ephemera

Box 22  Scrapbook with articles about Woodrow Wilson's death in 1924; other newspaper articles, ca. 1917-1956
Box 23  Photographs (black and white, mostly of Eleanor Wilson McAdoo)

Series XIV: Audiovisual Materials

A/V No.  78 rpm sound recording - Star Spangled Banner, sung by Margaret Woodrow Wilson
A0312/D12 (A Panama Pacific International Exposition Souvenir Record), 1915
A/V No.  Acetate sound recording - Democratic National Committee, Interview with Eleanor
A0313/D16 McAdoo, 11 Oct. 1948
A/V No.  LP sound recording - Adlai Stevenson in Conversation with Arnold Michaelis, 19 June
A0314/D12 1956