

Preliminary Guide to the Marian King Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 211

CREATOR: King, Marian

TITLE: Marian King papers

DATES: 1935-1973

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 6 linear feet (6 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The papers consist of correspondence, writings, research material, photographs, and other papers relating to King's books. Much of the correspondence consists of letters from celebrities acknowledging receipt of copies of her books. Among the research material is a substantial amount relating to the White House Conference on Children (1970). The major portion of the papers consists of drafts, galley proofs, photographs, and other materials connected with the publication of her books.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Marian King, 1955-1973.

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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Preferred Citation

Marian King Papers (MS 211). Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

Other Finding Aids

For a partial index of correspondents with Marian King, consult the [Correspondents Index](#).

Biographical / Historical

Marian King, author, studied abroad and began writing children's books in 1928. From 1940-1945, she served with the British Supply Missions in Washington, D.C.

Scope and Contents

The Marian King Papers is an unprocessed collection of autograph letters, correspondence, printed matter, typescripts, manuscripts, research materials, photographs, and other papers pertaining to the author Marian King and to her various children's books. The materials have been roughly grouped by type but are otherwise completely unorganized.

Approximately one-quarter of the collection consists of correspondence. Included here are autograph letters from politicians, authors, actors, and other celebrities, for the most part acknowledgments of free copies of King's books, and in some cases signed by secretaries. A partial list of names is appended to this inventory. There is also general correspondence concerning King's writings and research, and her participation in the 1970 White House Conference on Children. There are also greeting cards and printed invitations. Other printed matter and photographs are also mixed in with the correspondence, while further correspondence is probably mixed in with the research materials and printed matter.

Another quarter of the collection consists of printed matter. There is a substantial amount dealing with the White House Conference on Children; there are also copies of four of King's books (*What Would You Do?*, 1962; *A Gallery of Children*, 1967; *Mico and Piccolino*, 1972; *The Star of Bethlehem*, 1968) and autographed copies of other authors' books. There are also pamphlets and leaflets on such topics as Mary Baker Eddy, Abraham Lincoln, and the John F. Kennedy Memorial, and newspaper clippings about King and her books. There is also a commonplace book containing both printed matter and manuscript notes about Ireland.

The final half of the collection is made up of manuscripts, typescripts, and galley proofs of a number of King's works, accompanied by notes, research materials, photographs used for illustrations, and related materials.

These papers have been given to Yale University by Marian King in a series of over eighty separate gifts since 1955.

Partial List of Correspondents

Bailey, Albert E., 1871-1951
Benny, Jack, 1894-1974
Booth, Shirley
Brown, J. Carter, 1934-2002
Burger, Warren, 1907-1995
Burnett, Carol, 1933-
Cantor, Eddie, 1862-1964
Clark, Kenneth
Daniels, Jonathan
Davis, Bette, 1908-1989
De la Mare, Walter, 1873-1956
Dennis, Wesley
Einstein, Albert, 1879-1955
Eisenhower, David
Ford, Henry III
Galbraith, John K., 1908-2006
Gesell, Dr. Arnold, 1880-1961
Harris, Julie
Hayes, Helen
Hoover, Herbert, 1874-1964
Hoover, J. Edgar, 1895-1972
Hull, Henry
Humphrey, Hubert, 1911-1978
James, Fleming
Janeway, Elizabeth, 1913-2005
Kennedy, John F., 1917-1963
Kennedy, Joan, 1936-
Lunt, Alfred, 1892-1977
McNamara, Margaret
Marceau, Henri, 1896-1969
Marshall, Gen. George Catlett, 1880-1959
Martin, Mary
Michener, James A., 1907-1997
Moore, Marianne, 1887-1972
Neale, John Ernest, 1890-1975
Nixon, Richard, 1913-1994
Oursler, Charles Fulton, 1893-1952
Pederson, Rachel Field, 1894-1942
Price, Vincent, 1911-1993
Rickover, H. G., 1900-1986
Robinson, Edward G., 1893-1973
Rodgers, Richard
Roosevelt, Eleanor, 1884-1962
Rusk, Dean, 1909-1994
Temple, Shirley, 1928-2014
Trevelyan, George Macaulay, 1876-1962
Wouk, Herman, 1915-2019

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b. 1	Autobiographical sketch	[ca. 1960]
b. 1	Autograph letters and general correspondence	Circa 1935-1973
b. 2	Autograph letters and general correspondence	Circa 1935-1973
b. 2	White House Conference on Children: printed matter and memorabilia	1970
b. 2	Printed matter	undated
b. 2	Newspaper clippings	Circa 1935-1973
b. 3	Printed matter	Circa 1937-1973
b. 3	Commonplace book re: Ireland	undated
b. 4	Typescripts, manuscripts, galley proofs, notes, photographs, and other research materials for writings	Circa 1935-1973
b. 5	Typescripts, manuscripts, galley proofs, notes, photographs, and other research materials for writings	Circa 1935-1973
b. 6	Typescripts, manuscripts, galley proofs, notes, photographs, and other research materials for writings	Circa 1935-1973

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Children
Children's literature
Women authors

Genres / Formats

Autographs

Occupations

Authors

Names

King, Marian