Guide to the Hubert Merrill Sedgwick Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 1233

CREATOR: Sedgwick, Hubert M. (Hubert Merrill), 1867-1950

TITLE: Hubert Merrill Sedgwick papers

DATES: 1884–1950

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.5 linear feet

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: Correspondence, clippings, memorabilia, photographs, and three books with flyleaf inscriptions relating to Hubert M. Sedgwick’s career as a journalist. Included are seventeen letters (1940-1950) from Connie Mack. Two of the books, one by and the other about Mack, contain inscriptions by him and others to Sedgwick. The third is a privately printed book of poetry and aphorisms by Harry Durant, Yale class of 1894. Also in the papers is a statement by William Howard Taft on tuberculosis.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:
b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access
The collection is open for research.
Biographical / Historical


Father, Butler Sedgwick, associated with Clark & Hastings, wholesale and retail meats, Palmer, Mass.; son of Otis and Almira (Converse) Sedgwick. Mother, Minerva Marsha (Hastings) Sedgwick; daughter of Rozel and Phoebe (White) Hastings. Yale relatives include a brother-in-law, Francis H. Todd ’95 S.

Worcester Academy; Westfield (Mass.) State Normal School. First colloquy appointment Junior and Senior years.

On staff New Haven Palladium 1894-98; organized sports department New Haven Register 1895, and sports editor 1908-17; executive secretary to Mayor Studley, New Haven, 1907-8, Mayor Rice 1910-17, and Mayor Campner 1917-18; correspondent New York Times, New York Tribune, Boston Transcript, Boston Post, and Chicago Tribune, 1920 until retirement in 1944; contributed to magazines; awarded Gold Key for distinguished service by Connecticut Sports Writers Alliance 1940 and Worcester Academy Shield 1942; secretary athletic committee U.S. Navy Commission on Training Camp Activities 1917-18; field secretary Connecticut Tuberculosis Association 1912-26 (in charge Christmas seal campaigns); president Collectors Club of New Haven 1938-39; secretary Young Men’s Institute 1935-41; member New Haven Civic Federation, Connecticut Society for Mental Hygiene, Second Company Governor’s Foot Guard, and Masonic order; vestryman St. Thomas’ Church (Episcopal), New Haven.

Married August 4, 1897, New Haven, Edith Webster, daughter of Theron Alfred and Hattie Emeline (Webster Todd. Children: Ruth (B.A. Vassar 1920; M.A. Yale 1925, Ph.D. 1936); Butler Todd (died in infancy).

Death due to coronary occlusion. Buried in Evergreen Cemetery, New Haven. Survived by wife and daughter.

From the Yale Obituary Record, 1949-51.

Scope and Contents

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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
Baseball
Journalists
Tuberculosis

Genres / Formats
Poems

Names
Durant, Harry, 1870-1957
Mack, Connie, 1862-1956
Phelps, William Lyon, 1865-1943
Sedgwick, Hubert M. (Hubert Merrill), 1867-1950
Taft, William H. (William Howard), 1857-1930

Corporate Body
Yale College (1887- ). Class of 1894