

Guide to the Robert Wilbar Wilson Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 1900

CREATOR: Wilson, Robert W. (Robert Wilbar), 1893-1975

TITLE: Robert Wilbar Wilson papers

DATES: 1912-1975

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 2 linear feet (2 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The papers comprise correspondence, subject files, photographs, and memorabilia documenting aspects of Robert Wilbar Wilson's student years at Yale, his military service, and post-war business endeavors.

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

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

Robert Wilbar Wilson was born on August 25 or 26, 1893, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, the son of Edwin E. and E. Loretta Wilbar Wilson. He earned his B.A. degree from Yale in 1916. He joined the Army in May 1917, serving through 1922. He then entered sales promotion work in the pharmaceutical industry and rubber manufacturing. In June 1941, he rejoined the Army and was involved in planning the invasions of Normandy and Japan. Wilson was appointed deputy administrator of the Veterans Administration (VA) branch in Philadelphia on October 31, 1945, and later he became manager of the Philadelphia Regional Office of the VA. He retired from government service in 1953 and became a management consultant. He married Edith Miller in 1919. Wilson died in Tucson, Arizona, on February 13, 1975.

Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

The papers are arranged by topic and alphabetically therein.

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| b. 1, f. 1 | Autobiographical material | Undated |
| | Correspondence | |
| b. 1, f. 2 | Austin, E. | 1915 March |
| b. 1, f. 3 | Brewster, Kingman | 1970-1972 |
| b. 1, f. 4 | Thurmond, Strom | 1974 December |
| b. 1, f. 5 | <i>Wall Street Journal</i> | 1971 July-August |
| | Subject files | |
| b. 1, f. 6 | Employment | 1916-1917, 1931-1935 |
| b. 1, f. 7 | Memorials and condolences | 1975 February- March |
| b. 1, f. 8 | Newspaper clipping, <i>Philadelphia Inquirer Magazine</i> | 1959 May 17 |
| b. 1, f. 9 | Stopperless water bottle design | 1932 October- November |
| b. 1, f. 10 | "World War I Experiences" English Includes photographs and Army discharge papers. | Circa 1917-1922 |
| b. 1, f. 11-12 | World War II and post-World War II military service | 1943-1956 |
| | Yale College | |
| b. 1, f. 13 | Daily themes | 1915, undated |
| b. 1, f. 14 | "Self-Help at Yale" English | 1912-1918 |
| b. 2, f. 2 | Yale Bowl, photograph of spectators | Circa 1915 |
| b. 1, f. 15 | Yale Class Day program | 1916 June 19 |
| b. 2, f. 1 | Yale diploma | 1915 |
| b. 1, f. 16 | Yale-Princeton Game | 1915 |

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.

Names

Wilson, Robert W. (Robert Wilbar), 1893-1975

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