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Descriptive Summary

Title: C.L. Marquette Collection

Dates: 1924-2004

Collector: Marquette, C. L. (Clare Leslie), 1904-2004

Physical Extent: 15 boxes (7.5 linear feet)

Repository: University of Mississippi. Department of Archives and Special Collections. University,

MS 38677, USA

Identification: MUM00284

Location: General Special Collections

Language of Material: English

Abstract: The C.L. Marquette Collection consists of numerous letters and newspaper clippings,

thesis research materials, miscellaneous items, photographs, and memorabilia related to his days as a history professor at the University of Mississippi. Professor Marquette kept

daily journals from 1942 to 2004; they are also included in the collection.

Administrative Information

Processing Information

Collection processed by Archives and Special Collections staff. Original finding aid mounted by Chatham Ewing, 2005. EAD encoding completed by Kathryn Michaelis, May 2012.

Additions

No further additions are expected to this collection.

Subject Terms

Marquette, C. L. (Clare Leslie), 1904-2004 University of Mississippi -- Faculty University of Mississippi. Dept. of History College integration -- Mississippi -- Oxford

Formats

correspondence clippings photographs journals (periodicals) diaries

Biographical Note

Clare Leslie Marquette was born January 1, 1904 in Kendall, Wisconsin. He received both his Master's and Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin. After completing his graduate studies, Marquette taught at Oconto High School from 1928 to 1930 and at Appleton Senior High School from 1930 to 1936. He began his professional career in higher education at Northland College in Ashland, Wisconsin, where he taught from 1940 to 1946.

After leaving Northland College, Marquette and his wife, Lena Mitchell, moved to Mississippi where he assumed a faculty position at the University of Mississippi in the Department of History. Professor Marquette was admired by his students, but at the same time, he was perceived as a controversial and ultra-liberal individual by some in the campus community. Because of the position he held on various issues, Marquette often became the target of harsh criticism in student publications.

Marquette experienced the turbulence of the 1960s while on faculty at UM. In September 1962, James Meredith became the first African-American to integrate the university. In October 1962, Marquette's American history course was the first class Meredith attended. Professor Marquette remained on faculty until his retirement in 1972. He kept an ongoing relationship with the university and was later named Professor Emeritus of History.

C.L. Marquette died at his home in Louisville, MS in June 2004. He was 100. He was preceded in death by his wife, Lena, but to preserve her memory, Professor Marquette established a scholarship endowment fund prior to his death to be awarded to a deserving student.

Scope and Content Note

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Mississippi. Professor Marquette kept daily journals from 1942 to 2004; they are also included in the collection. The collection contains 15 boxes that are arranged by theme: correspondence, which has been placed in chronological order; personal documents, which have been placed in chronological order; items from Professor Marquette's professional years, which have been placed in order by content and chronologically if dates are provided; photocopied newspaper clippings, which have been placed in chronological order; miscellaneous items; research materials; and daily journals, which have also been placed in chronological order.

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Separated Material

This collection contains 59 photographs, which are stored in Collection Photographs Box 43. Researchers interested in using this collection's photographs must contact <u>Archives and Special Collections</u> at least two business days in advance of their planned visit.

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