Anne Wheeler Young and William Young scrapbooks
1934-1953

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Descriptive Summary

Identification: MSS 093, Item 003
Creator: Young, Anne Wheeler.
Title: Anne Wheeler Young and William Young scrapbooks
Inclusive Dates: 1934-1953
Extent: 9 volumes (5 clamshell boxes)
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

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Biographical Notes

Anne Wheeler Young was a Philadelphia resident with an interest in the sensational news events of the first half of the 20th century.

Young was born on December 22, 1902, and raised in Massachusetts. During the 1930s and 1940s, she resided in the suburbs of Philadelphia and maintained an avid interest in current events. Anne Wheeler Young's son, William Young, was a graduate of Eddystone High School and attended the Philadelphia Conservancy to pursue a musical career. After obtaining his degree from the Conservancy, he served in the U.S. Navy and obtained a B.S. in Education from Temple University in 1958. Mr. Young taught vocal and instrumental music at several schools in Wilmington, Delaware: Howard High School, Wilmington High School, Delcastle Tech High School, The Tatnall School, and Tower Hill School. Mr. Young also obtained a MEd in music from West Chester University and was passionately active in the Wilmington music community.

Sources:

**Scope and Content Note**

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These nine 20th-century American scrapbooks, periodical issues, and loose clippings are organized into four series. The scrapbooks in Series I and II were assembled by Anne Wheeler Young. Series I consists of scrapbooks 1 through 5, which document the arrest of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, a German-born American carpenter, for the abduction and murder of Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr., in 1934. The scrapbooks contain news clippings from Philadelphia-area newspapers chronicling Hauptmann’s arrest, trial, and subsequent execution.

Series II documents British royalty, particularly King Edward VII. Scrapbooks 6 through 8 record Edward’s ascension to the throne following the death of his father, King George V, Edward’s abdication of the throne, and his marriage to Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson.

Series III consists of a scrapbook compiled by Mrs. Young’s son, William Young, for an eighth-grade American history assignment in 1944. Finally, Series IV includes periodical issues collected by Anne Wheeler Young related to the ascension of Queen Elizabeth II to the throne in 1952.
Selected Search Terms

Personal Names


George V, King of Great Britain, 1865-1936.


Elizabeth II, Queen of Great Britain, 1926-


Topical Terms

Monarchy--Great Britain--History--20th century--Sources.

Geographic Names

Great Britain--History--Edward VIII, 1936.

Great Britain--History--Elizabeth II, 1952-

Great Britain--History--George V, 1865-1936.

Great Britain--Kings and rulers--Biography.

Form/Genre Terms

Scrapbooks.

Magazines (periodicals)

Clippings (information artifacts)

Personal Contributors

Young, William.
Arrangement

I. Lindbergh Kidnapping, 1935-1937
II. British Royalty and King Edward VIII, 1936-1937
III. William Young scrapbook, 1944
IV. Periodicals related to Queen Elizabeth’s coronation, 1952-1953
Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I. Lindbergh Kidnaping, 1935-1937 5 volumes and 3 folders

Five scrapbooks and two folders of loose clippings related to the Lindbergh Kidnaping, including the arrest, trial and execution of Bruno Richard Hauptmann.

Lindbergh Kidnaping and Hauptmann trial, 1934 October 28-1935 January 16 [Box 1 Volume 1]

1 volume

Articles cover the start of the trial of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, the attempts made to discover an accomplice, and up to day twelve of the trial.

Hauptmann trial, 1935 [Box 5 F1]

1 folder of loose clippings originally laid in scrapbook Vol. 1.

Articles covering the trial of Bruno Richard Hauptmann.

Hauptmann trial, 1935 January 17-1935 February 2 [Box 1 Volume 2]

1 volume

Articles covering the trial, including stenographic records of testimony.

Hauptmann trial, 1935 February 2-1935 February 13 [Box 2 Volume 3]

1 volume

Articles include the stenographic records of testimony, the conclusion of testimony and closing statements, and the beginning of jury deliberations.

Hauptmann trial, 1935 February 14-1936 January 17 [Box 2 Volume 4]

1 volume

Articles cover the jury’s verdict of death and the Lindbergh’s subsequent move to England as well as the beginning of the appeal process.

Hauptmann trial and execution, 1936 January 18-1937 June [Box 2 Volume 5]

1 volume

Includes articles on the appeal process, the involvement of New Jersey Governor Hoffman, the execution of Bruno Hauptmann, and the case of Ellis Parker, Sr., and Ellis Parker, Jr., accused of torturing a confession from Paul Wendel regarding the Lindbergh Kidnaping. Also includes articles on the Hindenberg disaster.
Series I.

Hauptmann trial and execution, 1936-1937 [Box 5 F2]
1 folder of loose clippings
Clippings related to Hauptmann's trial and execution which were originally laid in scrapbook Vol. 5.

Hauptmann trial and execution, 1935-1937 [Box 5 F3]
1 folder of loose clippings
Oversize clippings related to Hauptmann's trial and execution which were originally laid in scrapbooks Volumes 1-5.

Series II. British Royalty and King Edward VIII, 1936-1937 3 volumes and one folder
The scrapbooks and loose clippings cover the death of King George V and the ascension of Edward VIII, as well as Edward VIII's abdication, self-imposed exile, and marriage to Wallis Warfield Simpson. Also chronicles the coronation of King George VI.

Death of King George V and the ascension of Edward VIII, 1936 January 23-1936 September 29 [Box 3 Volume 6]
1 volume
Scrapbook containing clippings regarding the death of King George V and the ascension of Edward VIII.

Death of King George V and the ascension of Edward VIII, 1936 [Box 5 F4]
1 folder of loose clippings
Clippings regarding the death of King George V and the ascension of Edward VIII.

Abdication of King Edward VIII and the coronation of King George VI, 1936 October 7-1937 March 18 [Box 3 Volume 7]
1 volume
Scrapbook containing clippings regarding the abdication of King Edward VIII, the coronation of King George VI, and Edward VIII’s self-imposed exile and speculation regarding his upcoming wedding.

Marriage of Edward VIII to Wallis Warfield Simpson, 1937 April 12-1937 October 3 [Box 4 Volume 8]
1 volume
Articles related to the marriage of Edward VIII to Wallis Warfield Simpson.
Series III. William Young scrapbook, 1944 1 volume

Scrapbook created by William Young.

William Young scrapbook, 1944 [Box 4 Volume 9]

1 volume

Scrapbook created by William Young for an eighth-grade assignment for an American History class in 1944. The scrapbook includes information regarding the United States from discovery until the election of Franklin D. Roosevelt as president in 1933. Also includes information regarding the history and design of the flag of the United States.

Series IV. Periodicals related to Queen Elizabeth’s coronation, 1952-1953 4 items

Four periodical magazines reporting the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II in 1953.

Illustrated, 1953 May [Box 5 F5]

1 item

Magazine for the week ending May 2, 1953, plus pages from magazines for January 3, 1953, and December 13, 1952. The focus is Queen Elizabeth II's Coronation.


1 item

Coronation number, consists largely of photographs of the coronation and genealogy of the royal family.

Picture Post, 1953 June 13 [Box 5 F7]

1 item

Special coronation souvenir number (Vol. 59, No. 11).

Life, 1953 June 15 [Box 5 F8]

1 item

Issue featuring the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.