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MARGARET MAE BRYANT PAPERS

I

The papers of Margaret Mae Bryant, educator, author, and international authority on linguistics, were received as a gift by the Archives from Margaret Bryant on April 25, 1975.

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Scope and Content Note: **This collection consists of Dr. Bryant's professional and organizational files, biographical data, correspondence, and speeches. Most of the material relates to her publishing efforts, her work as a faculty member at Brooklyn College, and her involvement with professional organizations, especially the New York branch of the American Association of University Women. Most of the material extends from 1950-1975. A list of the more prominent individuals who corresponded with Margaret Bryant has been included as an appendix to the inventory. (For more extensive and comprehensive list of correspondents, see the list included in the collection control file.)**

Transfer of Items: Dr. Bryant's book reviews and publications were transferred to the Archives Faculty Publication File. (See disposition record in the Bryant collection control file for a more complete list of transfers.)

II

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

MARGARET MAE BRYANT

1900	Born, Trenton, South Carolina
1921	B.A., Winthrop College
1925-1931	M.A., and Ph.D., Columbia University
1921-1925	Teacher and principal of public and private schools, Kansas, West Virginia, New York, and South Carolina
1925-1926	Chairman of Department, Chowan College, North Carolina
1926-1933	Professor, Hunter College, New York
1930-1971	English Professor, Brooklyn College, New York City
1971	Professor Emeritus, Brooklyn College
1944-1945	President, New York Council of Teachers of English
1950-1951	Visiting professor of Upsala and Stockholm Universities
1958-1959	President, American Name Society
1955-1959	President, American Association of University Women, New York City
1958	Chairman of University Women's Forum

(For more information see biographical file in the collection and standard biographical dictionaries.)

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
1	1	BIOGRAPHICAL FILE Includes a news release by H. Hensell (nd), a map of Jocassee (where she began teaching in 1921), excerpts from standard biographical dictionaries, magazine clippings related to offices held in various organizations, an article by Nena Odom (1952) and an article from the Winthrop College Alumnae News(1942). In chronological order.	1934, 1940-1962, 1969-1975, nd
1	2-15	PAPERS RELATING TO THE NEW YORK BRANCH OF THE AAUW	
1	2	a) Minutes Meetings of the delegates to the University Women's Forum, Board of Directors, Committee on International Fellowships and General Committee. The minutes are arranged by board or committee and, thereunder, they are arranged in general chronological order.	1958-1975
1	2	b) Reports President's Annual Report and Report of the Nominating Committee. In chronological order.	1968-1969, 1975
1	3-7	c) Correspondence and Related Paper Includes correspondence relating to the Virginia Gildersleeve International Fund for University Women (VGIFUW), the Bryanton Nominating Committee for the VGIFUW, promotional literature, receipts of contributions, invitations, and notes of congratulation on various University Forums. The papers also include correspondence with speakers for the Women's Forums, with Judith Christ (film critic), with Eugene J. McCarthy (1974), with Mayor John Lindsey (1966), a biographical sketch of Katherine Koller, and news releases about the Women's Forums. In chronological order.	1945-1975, nd

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (cont.)

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
1	8	d) Programs The New York University of Women Forum, Woman of the Year Award, the Annual Luncheon, Annual United Nations Observance, Eightieth Birthday Celebration, Bridge, Metropolitan New York Area Conference, North Atlantic Regional Conference (includes proceedings of 1948 conference), the Twenty First Biennial Convention of the New York State Division, the New York Branch Christmas Party and programs for concerts sponsored by the AAUW. The programs are arranged by subject and, thereunder, they are in general chronological order.	1941-1948, 1952-1975, nd
2	9-12	e) Bulletins In chronological order.	1949-1975
2	13	f) Various Lists Membership list for the Nassau County Branch of the AAUW, the New York State AAUW programs by branches, the International Fellows, and an unidentified list. In general chronological order.	1951-1953, 1972-1974
2	14	g) Photographs Includes Dr. Beatrice Ayslop, Dr. Margaret Bryant, Eleanor Roosevelt, Fanny Hurst, Louise Bogan, and Marion Anderson (the 1958 Woman of the Year winner). All of the photos are identified. In general chronological order.	1958-1959, 1967, nd
2	14	h) Newspaper and Magazine Clipping File Clippings related to various aspects and projects of the AAUW. In chronological order.	1950-1975, nd
2-3	16-21	PAPERS RELATING TO TRIP TO SWEDEN Bryant was appointed a visiting professor to Upsala University, Sweden, 1950-1951.	1950-1951

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (cont.)

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
2	16	a) Upsala University Includes a calendar (?), a class schedule, list of American Fellows to Sweden and a description of the American Institute at Upsala. In general chronological order.	1950
2	17	b) Brochures and Postcards Memorabilia of trip and places visited. No arrangement.	1950-1951
3	18	c) Newspaper Clipping File Articles relating to Bryant. Taken from Swedish newspapers. In chronological order.	1950-1951
3	19	d) Programs The Fourth Nordic Conference of Linguistics, Drottingholms Palace Theatre, the opera, Doctors Promotion at Upsala, Swedish-American Society and unidentified programs. In general chronological order.	1949-1951
3	20	e) Correspondence and Related Papers Postcards and letters received while in Sweden, invitations from the Anglo-Swedish Society of Upsala and invitations to campus functions. In chronological order.	1950-1951, nd
3	21	f) Membership List of the Swedish- American Society	1951
3	21	g) Various Papers Cards of introduction (?), invitations, unidentified material. No arrangement.	1950-1951
3	22-24	PAPERS RELATING TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF TEACHERS OF ENGLISH (NCTE)	1942-1974, nd
3	22	a) Minutes Proceedings of the Second Conference on a proposed <i>Dictionary of Current American Usage</i> .	1951

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (cont.)

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
3	22	b) Programs Annual conventions and meetings. In chronological order.	1942, 1949-1963, nd
3	23	c) Correspondence and Related Papers	1942-1966, 1973, nd
3	24	d) Directories and Lists Directories and lists of the officers and committees. Only one of the directories is complete. Also includes a list of the members of the Language and Writing Committee and a list of guests for a breakfast. In chronological order.	1948-1951, 1960
3	24	e) Publications “Comparative Literature News-Letter” and agenda topics for the 1963 convention. In chronological order.	1944, 1963
3	25-27	PAPERS RELATING TO BROOKLYN COLLEGE	1944-1974
3	25	a) Minutes The Legislative Conference of Brooklyn College, New York. In chronological order.	1970
3	25	b) Reports Report on Articulation between the High Schools and the Municipal College, Brooklyn College Conference on the Status of Women. In chronological order.	1950, 1964
3	25	c) Lists Membership lists of the Brooklyn Heights Association and the University Graduate Council of City University of New York (Bryant represented Brooklyn College on the Council), committee lists, and lists of Doctoral Faculty in English. In general chronological order.	1961-1972, nd

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<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
3	26	d) Correspondence Includes correspondence relating to a library drive for Algiers, school business, appointments to committees and councils, leave of absence, recipients of Bryant scholarships. Also includes newsletters and memoranda. In chronological order.	1944-1945, 1955-1974
3	27	e) Publications and Brochures Faculty staff Bulletin and Notebook, information about Brooklyn College and the Legislative Council, and Alumni Bulletin. In general chronological order.	1960-1971, nd
3	27	f) Programs Inauguration of John William Kneller as President of Brooklyn college and functions honoring Brooklyn College's twenty-fifth anniversary. In general chronological order.	1955, 1970
4	28	PAPERS RELATING TO CEDAR CREST COLLEGE Includes programs, newspaper clippings, news releases, and some correspondence. The papers relate to Bryant's appearance at commencement, May 29, 1966. Also includes list of donors to Cedar Crest (1970-1973). In general chronological order.	1965-1966, 1973
4	29	PAPERS RELATING TO THE AAUP Correspondence (1 piece) and bulletins. In chronological order.	1951, 1957-1958
4	29	AMERICAN NAME SOCIETY PAPERS Includes correspondence and programs for the annual meetings and the Annual Names Institute. In chronological order.	1952-1975
4	30	MODERN HUMANITIES RESEARCH ASSOCIATION (MHRA) Correspondence and related papers, "MHRA Newsletter," annual bulletin, and programs of annual meetings. Some of the programs are incomplete. In chronological order.	1959-1973, nd

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (cont.)

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
4	31	MODERN LANGUAGE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (MLA) Correspondence, list of officers and committee members (1966) and programs of the annual meetings. In chronological order.	1942-1957, 1963-1968
4	32	INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN Programs, invitations to various functions at the conference, a magazine clipping report of the 1959 conference, and photographs. All of the photos are dated and identified. In general chronological order.	1953-1959
4	32	INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS Invitations, circulars, and summary of proceedings (1953). In general chronological order.	1953, 1965
4	33	INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS OF ENGLISH Programs, correspondence, invitations, and lists of members and guests. In chronological order.	1953-1965, 1974
4	34	INTERNATIONAL FOLK MUSIC COUNCIL Programs and brochures of annual conferences and functions and bulletins. In general chronological order.	1953-1964
5	35	INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS Reports of conferences, a list of delegates, and news releases. In chronological order.	1952-1953
5	36	PAPERS RELATING TO THE EAST AND WEST CONFERENCE Correspondence, programs of conference functions, invitations, and memorabilia. No arrangement.	1963
5	36	COMMITTEE TO PROTECT OUR CHILDREN'S TEETH Reports and correspondence. In chronological order.	1956-1957

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (cont.)

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5-7	37-50	GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE AND RELATED PAPERS Includes correspondence with publishers, the American Red Cross and other such organizations, Winthrop College, friends and business associates working overseas, various colleges, folklore societies, the National Conference on Women in the Defense Decade, the U.S. Armed Forces Institute, the Medieval Club of New York, the American Dialect Society (includes a report of the secretary-treasurer, 1943) and the Archaeo-Culture Institute. Also included are thank you notes from recipients of Bryant scholarships and correspondence relating to these scholarships and requests for Bryant as a speaker and as a visiting professor. Some personal correspondence from relatives. In chronological order.	1940-1975
7	51-53	PROGRAMS Arranged alphabetically and, thereunder, the programs are in chronological order.	1939, 1941-1965
7	51	a) American Dialect Society Annual Meetings	1943, 1946
7	51	b) American Folklore Society Annual Meetings	1954-1955, nd
7	51	c) Andiron Club of New York City Also includes a membership list.	1970-1975, nd
7	51	d) Annual Contest in the Reading of Poetry	1941, 1943
7	51	e) College Conference of English in Central Atlantic States	1944-1946, 1962
7	51	f) Columbia Alumni Day	1941
7	51	g) Columbia University Third Bicentennial Convocation	1954
7	51	h) Conference on College Composition and Communication	1956
7	51	i) Convocation Honoring the United Nations	1965
7	51	j) English Conference	1954

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7	51	k) English Teachers Conference	1956
7	51-52	l) Inaugurations Bryant represented Brooklyn College and other organizations at inaugurations of college presidents.	1951-1965, 1973
7	53	m) International Federation for Modern languages and Literature, International Conference	1963
7	53	n) International Folklore Conference	1947
7	53	o) International Linguistic Association Also includes nominees for officers (1969-1975).	1970-1975
7	53	p) Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting Also includes nominees for officers (1968-1969).	1939
7	53	q) Medieval Club of New York	1973-1975
7	53	r) Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools Annual Convention	1942-1944
7	53	s) New York Folklore Society Annual Meeting Also includes brochures of places visited by the Society.	1954-1955
7	53	t) New York State Teachers Association	1965
7	53	u) Service in Memory of Anna Eleanor Roosevelt	1962
7	53	v) University of Minnesota Language Arts Program Also includes a brochure about the program.	1955
7	53	w) Western Folklore Annual Conference	1950
7	53	x) Yeats International Summer School	1962

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7	54	SPEECH AND SCRIPT FILE Testimonial luncheon address for Don Wolfe (1973), speech given before the Arkansas Folklore Society (nd) and script for "Folk Songs for the Seven Million," a broadcast in which Bryant participated. Arranged in general chronological order.	1945, 1973, nd
8	55-56	ARTICLES, SPEECHES, AND BOOK REVIEWS BY OTHERS Includes article by Theodore M. Bernstein (1974), address by Queen Elizabeth II (1957), and articles by Oral S. Goad (nd) and Gustaf E. Karsten, both of whom mention Bryant in their articles. In chronological order.	1940-1968, 1974, nd
8	57-59	NEWSPAPER CLIPPING FILE Includes articles about Bryant, her work, activities, awards received, and scholarships she established. In chronological order.	1938-1975, nd
8	60	PHOTOGRAPH One unidentified photograph.	nd
8	60	MEMORABILIA Certificates of appreciation, awards and services rendered to public organizations, tickets from foreign countries, receipt of payment from the Commonwealth Bank of Australia and other material. In general chronological order.	1941-1973, nd

APPENDIX #1

**SELECT LIST OF CORRESPONDENTS
IN THE
GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE SERIES**

Gray, Wil Lou

Hand, Wayland D.

Malone, Kemp

Marhsall, Margaret and Roderick

Odom, Nena

Shellans, Herb and Harriet

Thurmond, Strom

Tolbert, Marguerite

Varagnac, Andre

Wolfe, Don