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Scope and Contents

Personal correspondence, manuscripts, and miscellany; clippings, correspondence regarding the National States' Rights Party, 1948-1950, and its Washington Bureau headed by Mayerhoff, a former newsman; photographs; newspapers; scrapbook; tapes of meetings and speeches. Also included is a tape of a campaign speech made by Theodore Bilbo during his last Senate campaign in 1946.
Biographical Data

Full name of person about whom biographical data is needed:

Charles Francis Mayerhoff

Date and place of birth:

Nov. 12, 1910 Lauderdale County, Meridian, Mississippi.

Date and place of death:


Names of parents, wife or husband, children, or other family relationships:

Parents: Charles Wesley and Ada Adkins Mayerhoff
Children: None
Sisters: Marilynn Mayerhoff Cates and Edith Mayerhoff Campbell

His occupation, activities, and place or places where he flourished:

Journalist, editor, public relations editor

-Born in Meridian, Ms.; lived on farm near Mayerhoff Springs, Clarke County, Mississippi.
-Reporter for the Meridian Star; edited his own weekly paper, The City News.
-Handled publicity for the campaigns of Ross Collins (1936), Paul B. Johnson, Sr. (1939), Theodore Bilbo (1940, 1946), and James Eastland (1942).
-Director of publications and editor of Market Bulletin, Mississippi Department of Agriculture (1939)
-Director of public relations, Mississippi State tax Commission (1940), Educational Department, Mississippi State Forest Service (1942-1943)
-World War II veteran, Army Air Force
-Bureau chief, International News service, Jackson, Mississippi.
-News editor, Radio Station WRBC, Jackson, Mississippi (1947-1949)
-Executive assistant and Washington bureau head, National States’ Rights Committee (1949-1950)
-Director (temporary), Economic stabilization Agency Mississippi bureau (1951)
-Director of public relations and field operations, Mississippi Safety Commission
-Reporter, Jackson State Times, Columbus Commercial Dispatch, Memphis Commercial Appeal, Vicksburg Evening Post (retired 1973)
-Lived in Jackson, Mississippi, 1938-1978

Memberships: Jackson Press Club, National Press Club, Forestry Commission, Board of Citizens’ Councils, First Baptist Church
Titles of books or other sources where further information can be found:
Mayerhoff collection, Folder 9; see also Godwin Advertising Agency collection

Name and address of person supplying data (and relation to biographee):
Neita (Mrs. Charles F.) Mayerhoff

Date: May 14, 1979
Inventory

Series 1. Folders.

1. Correspondence, 1938-1946

2. Correspondence, 1948-1950

3. Correspondence, 1951-1952


5. Correspondence, Neita Mayerhoff to Frank Mayerhoff, 1944-1951


7. Manuscripts, including poetry


9. Clippings by and about Mayerhoff

10. Certificates, programs, nametags, and membership cards. Among items are program of dedication of Bilbo statue in 1954, program for Spiro Agnew fund-raising dinner in 1969, and Mississippi Press Association nametag and ribbon.


13. Clippings concerning the National States' Rights Party, the Truman administration, the FEPC, and related topics, 1949-1950.

14. Clippings concerning Ohio elections, particularly the Taft reelection campaign, labor unions, and related topics, 1949-1950. Also includes five issues of the Hamilton County Republican Executive Committee publication, The American Worker, 1949-1950.

15. Clippings concerning Leander Perez of Louisiana. Includes article written by Hodding Carter.

17. Miscellaneous clippings.

**Series 2. Scrapbook.**

Contains clippings, 1949-1950, concerning the Truman administration, the FEPC, and the National States' Rights Party.

**Series 3. Newspapers.**

- **New York Journal-American**, July 12, 1948
- Philadelphia Evening Bulletin, July 12, 1948
- Philadelphia Inquirer, July 13, 14, 1948
- Chattanooga News-Free Press, July 15, 1948
- Chattanooga Daily Times, July 15, 1948
- The New York Times, July 15, 1948
- Jackson Daily News, July 16, 1948
- Birmingham Post, July 17, 1948
- Birmingham News, July 17, 1948
- Atlanta Journal, July 25, 1948
- The States' Righter, May 1 (2 copies), 15, 1950
- Vicksburg Evening Post, September 14, 28, 1962  (Integration of University of Mississippi)

**OS 2** Tearsheet: "Vigilance is the Safeguard of Freedom", undated.
Series 4. Tapes.

Tapes are listed chronologically, with description followed by number of tape in parentheses. All tapes are reel-to-reel.

Senator Theodore G. Bilbo. Campaign speech for reelection, 1946. (#4)

Governor Fielding Wright. Inaugural address, Jackson, Mississippi, January 17, 1948. (#8-9)

Mississippi Democratic Meeting, called by Governor Wright, Jackson, Mississippi, February 12, 1948. (#6-7)

"Speeches preliminary to Governor Fielding Wright ['s speech], February 25, 1948." (#12)

President Harry S. Truman. "Talk on Civil Rights March", March 17, 1948. (#13)

Governor Fielding Wright. May 9, 1948. (#5)

Interviews with Governors Fielding Wright, Strom Thurmond, and Ben Laney, and Mrs. Thurmond. Following States' Rights Meeting, Jackson City Auditorium, [May 10, 1948] (#14)

Governors Strom Thurmond and Fielding Wright. Acceptance speeches, States' Rights Meeting, August 11, 1948. (Houston, Texas) (#2) (brittle – can't be used)

Governor Fielding Wright. Neshoba County Fair, Philadelphia, Mississippi, August 18, 1949. (#1)

Governor Fielding Wright. Neshoba County Fair, Philadelphia, Mississippi, August 2, 1951. (#10-11)

Dedication of Memorial Statue of Theodore G. Bilbo, Jackson, Mississippi, April 12, 1954(#3)
Separation Sheet

Oversize Manuscripts Box 2

The following item has been routed to the above unit for appropriate disposition:

Broadside: "Vigilance is the safeguard of freedom", undated.