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Collection Summary

Title: George Middleton Papers

Inclusive Dates: 1872-1970

Bulk Dates: 1911-1958

ID No.: MSS32839

Creator: Middleton, George, 1880-1967

Extent: 15,000 items

Extent: 85 containers plus 8 oversize

Extent: 36.6 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English, with some French

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: Playwright, author, and copyright specialist. Correspondence, literary manuscripts, subject files, and research material and documenting Middleton's career as a playwright, author, and copyright specialist at the Department of Justice. Also includes correspondence relating to the La Follette and Middleton families.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Barrie, J. M. (James Matthew), 1860-1937--Correspondence.
Belasco, David, 1853-1931.
Bolton, Guy, 1884-1979.
Brandeis, Louis Dembitz, 1856-1941--Correspondence.
DeMille, Cecil B. (Cecil Blount), 1881-1959--Correspondence.
Dos Passos, John, 1896-1970--Correspondence.
Duse, Eleonora, 1858-1924--Correspondence.
France, Anatole, 1844-1924--Correspondence.
Frankfurter, Felix, 1882-1965--Correspondence.
Garland, Hamlin, 1860-1940--Correspondence.
Hart, Moss, 1904-1961--Correspondence.
Kaufman, George S. (George Simon), 1889-1961--Correspondence.
La Follette family--Correspondence.
La Follette, Fola, 1882-1970--Correspondence.
La Follette, Fola, 1882-1970.
La Follette, Robert M. (Robert Marion), 1855-1925.
Lewis, Sinclair, 1885-1951--Correspondence.
Lilienthal, David Eli, 1899-1981--Correspondence.
MacKaye, Percy, 1875-1956--Correspondence.
Marquis, Don, 1878-1937--Correspondence.
Masefield, John, 1878-1967--Correspondence.
Masters, Edgar Lee, 1868-1950--Correspondence.
Mencken, H. L. (Henry Louis), 1880-1956--Correspondence.
Middleton family--Correspondence.
Middleton, George, 1880-1967.
Middleton, George, 1880-1967. These things are mine. 1947.
Nye, Gerald P. (Gerald Prentice), 1892-1971--Correspondence.
O'Neill, Eugene, 1888-1953--Correspondence.
Odets, Clifford, 1906-1963--Correspondence.
Rodgers, Richard, 1902-1979--Correspondence.
Roosevelt, Eleanor, 1884-1962--Correspondence.

Roosevelt, Franklin D. (Franklin Delano), 1882-1945--Correspondence.
Shaw, Bernard, 1856-1950--Correspondence.
Steffens, Lincoln, 1866-1936--Correspondence.
Tarkington, Booth, 1869-1946--Correspondence.
Wodehouse, P. G. (Pelham Grenville), 1881-1975--Correspondence.
Wood, Peggy, 1892-1978--Correspondence.

Organizations

Dramatists Guild.
Dutch Treat Club.
Players (Club)
United States. Department of Justice.

Subjects

Copyright--Performing rights.
Copyright.
Drama--Societies, etc.
Presidents--United States--Election--1924.
Theater.

Places

United States--Intellectual life--20th century.
United States--Politics and government--20th century.

Occupations

Authors.
Copyright specialists.
Dramatists.

Acquisition Information

The papers of George Middleton, playwright, author, and copyright specialist, were given to the Library of Congress by his wife, Fola La Follette, in 1969. Subsequent gifts, originally acquired as part of the La Follette Family Papers, were added to the collection by Mary La Follette, 1970-1971.

Processing History

The Middleton Papers were processed in 1970 by Julie Kyllonen, and expanded in 1977. The finding aid was revised in 1985 and again in 2010 by Michael McElderry. The finding aid was updated in 2023 by Maria Farmer as part of a division-wide remediation project by the Inclusive Description Working Group.

Transfers

Photographs have been transferred to the Prints and Photographs Division of the Library of Congress where they are identified as a part of these papers.

Related Material

Related collections in the Manuscript Division include the [La Follette Family Papers](#) .

Copyright Status

Copyright in the published and unpublished writings of George Middleton in these papers and in other collections of papers in the custody of the Library of Congress is controlled by Fola La Follette's heirs.

Access and Restrictions

The papers of George Middleton are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, George Middleton Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

Date	Event
1880, Oct. 27	Born, Paterson, New Jersey
1902	Graduated from Columbia University, New York, N.Y. First professional play, <i>The Cavalier</i> , produced
1903	Joined The Players, a club for representative members of the dramatic arts and other related professions
1911	Published <i>Embers</i> . New York: H. Holt and Co. (first volume of one-act plays) Married Fola La Follette
1913	Joined the Authors League of America Published <i>Tradition</i> . New York: H. Holt and Co. (second volume of one-act plays)
1915	Published <i>Possession</i> . New York: H. Holt and Co. (third volume of one-act plays) Produced <i>Hit-the-Trail-Holliday</i> , play coauthored with Guy Bolton, adapted by George M. Cohan
1917	Produced <i>Polly with a Past</i> , play coauthored with Guy Bolton
1919	Produced <i>Adam and Eva</i> , play coauthored with Guy Bolton
1920	Published <i>Masks</i> . New York: S. French., fourth volume of one-act plays
1922	Elected to the Dutch Treat Club
1927-1929	President, Dramatists Guild
1928	Represented Authors League at Congress of the International Confederation of Societies of Authors and Composers, Berlin, Germany
1929-1931	Associate producer and writer, Fox Film Corporation in Hollywood
1933	Published <i>Hiss! Boom!! Blah!!!</i> New York: S. French
1936	Published <i>That Was Balzac</i> . New York: Random House
1942-1958	Technical specialist in copyright law, Office of Alien Property, Justice Department
1947	Published autobiography, <i>These Things Are Mine</i> . New York: Macmillan Co.
1955	<i>Turnabout</i> in manuscript form the first American play copyrighted under the New Universal Copyright convention
1957	Sustained Superior Performance Award, Justice Department
1967, Dec. 23	Died, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of George Middleton (1880-1967) span the years 1872-1970 with the bulk of the material between 1911 and 1958. The collection is composed of correspondence and literary manuscripts organized into the following series: [Family Correspondence](#), [General Correspondence](#), [Business Correspondence](#), [Subject File](#), [Literary Manuscripts](#), [Miscellany](#), and [Addition](#). The material is in English, with some in French.

The [Family Correspondence](#) consists of letters written to his wife, Fola La Follette, and to his brother, nephew, and his wife's family about the many activities, places, and people he was involved with as a playwright and as a representative of the writing profession abroad. Events relating to the 1924 presidential campaign of Robert M. La Follette (1855-1925) are also chronicled in Middleton's correspondence with his wife and the La Follette family.

The [General Correspondence](#) contains letters from a broad segment of the theatrical, literary, and governmental communities. Among the correspondents are J. M. Barrie, Cecil B. DeMille, Eleanora Duse, Moss Hart, George S. Kaufman, Richard Rodgers, and Peggy Wood from the theatrical community; John Dos Passos, Anatole France, Hamlin Garland, Sinclair Lewis, Percy Mackaye, Don Marquis, John Masefield, Edgar Lee Masters, H. L. Mencken, Clifford Odets, Eugene O'Neill, Bernard Shaw, Lincoln Steffens, Booth Tarkington, and P. G. Wodehouse from the literary community; and Louis Dembitz Brandeis, Felix Frankfurter, David Eli Lilienthal, Gerald P. Nye, and Franklin D. Roosevelt and Eleanor Roosevelt in the governmental community.

The [Business Correspondence](#) documents the publication and production of Middleton's plays and articles, his collaboration with David Belasco and Guy Bolton, and his relationship with various agents, producers, and managers.

Of particular interest in the [Subject File](#) are papers relating to the Dramatists Guild, of which Middleton was a founding member, and the fight to protect foreign and domestic playwrights' monetary and literary rights in the production and publication of their works. Middleton's service as a copyright specialist in the Justice Department is documented under the headings "Office of Alien Property," "copyright legislation," and "copyrights." Middleton's social relationships with the theatrical community are documented in files relating to the Dutch Treat Club and to Players Club. Important biographical information about Middleton is contained in the "Who's Who" file.

The [Literary Manuscripts](#) series contains succeeding drafts, as well as final typescripts or printed versions, of all of Middleton's plays and of his autobiography, *These Things Are Mine*. In many cases photographs of stage sets and actors and actresses accompany the manuscripts. A large part of the autobiographical material consists of research material and family memorabilia that Middleton collected for his writings. Film scripts on which Middleton worked while a producer-writer with the Fox Film Corporation in 1929-1931 are also included. In addition to his books and plays, the series also documents Middleton's articles, book reviews, early literary writings, lectures, poetry, and stories.

The remainder of the collection consists of family photographs, miscellaneous papers, a card index that Middleton keyed to his correspondence, and his collection of Balzaciana. Scrapbooks include articles written by Middleton on the theater for various newspapers and journals, press reviews, publicity and programs for his plays, and letters of congratulations on his eightieth birthday.

An addition appended to the original arrangement in 1979 spans the period 1879-1970, with the major part dating from 1953 to 1967. Correspondence of George Middleton and Fola La Follette with members of the Middleton and La Follette families is included in the [Addition](#), as is Middleton's correspondence with various friends and associates. This material supplements that found in corresponding series in the main body of the collection.

Much of the material in the headings grouped under the subject file and miscellany subseries of the [Addition](#) relates to topics of a personal or family interest. Correspondence and printed matter pertaining to Middleton's involvement in theatrical and literary organizations such as the Dramatists Guild and the Authors League of America are also included.

Carbon copies of typescripts of poems are contained under the speeches and writings heading, as is a final typescript of Middleton's unpublished novel, "A Prisoner of Fame."

Organization of the Papers

The collection is arranged in seven series:

- Family Correspondence, 1872-1968
- General Correspondence, 1901-1967
- Business Correspondence, 1903-1967
- Subject File, 1901-1967
- Literary Manuscripts, 1874-1963
- Miscellany, 1898-1967
- Addition, 1879-1970

Description of Series

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BOX 1-2	<p><u>Family Correspondence, 1872-1968</u></p> <p>Letters received and copies of letters sent.</p> <p>Correspondence with wife, Fola La Follette, is arranged chronologically; the other correspondence is divided into two general sections, Middleton family and La Follette family, with some entries by name of correspondent.</p>
BOX 3-17	<p><u>General Correspondence, 1901-1967</u></p> <p>Letters received and copies of letters sent, memoranda, printed material, photographs, newspaper clippings, and other material relating to the correspondent.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent.</p>
BOX 18-23	<p><u>Business Correspondence, 1903-1967</u></p> <p>Letters received and copies of letters sent, contracts and copyright records, programs and publicity for plays, notes, printed material, and newspaper clippings.</p> <p>Arranged in three sections by name of agents and individuals and by titles of plays.</p>
BOX 24-36	<p><u>Subject File, 1901-1967</u></p> <p>Correspondence, reports, memoranda, manuscripts, printed matter, newspaper clippings, drafts of writings, contracts, certificates of award, and bound volumes.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by topic.</p>
BOX 37-70	<p><u>Literary Manuscripts, 1874-1963</u></p> <p>Notes, scenarios, drafts, manuscripts, typescripts reviewer's copies, printed material, correspondence, newspaper clippings and magazine articles, notebooks, photographs, contracts, and programs.</p> <p>Arranged by type of literary work and thereunder by title.</p>
BOX 71-87	<p><u>Miscellany, 1898-1967</u></p> <p>Photographs, articles and newspaper clippings, notes, printed material and memorabilia, card index, diplomas, and scrapbooks.</p> <p>Arranged by type of material.</p>
BOX 88-93	<p><u>Addition, 1879-1970</u></p> <p>Letters received from and copies of letters sent to family members, friends and associates, printed matter, financial records, newspaper clippings, literary typescripts, and notebooks.</p> <p>Arranged according to the series in the main body of the papers, including family correspondence, general correspondence, business correspondence, subject file, and miscellany.</p>

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BOX 1	Selected letters of George Middleton to his wife, Fola La Follette, 1921-1963, undated, and several letters from Fola La Follette to Middleton, 1924, 1935
BOX 2	La Follette family La Follette, Belle Case, letters sent and letters received, 1912, undated La Follette, Bronson, and family, 1963-1967 La Follette, Fola, 1918, 1968 La Follette, Joseph, and family, 1965-1966, undated La Follette, Philip, and family, 1936-1965 La Follette, Robert (1895-1953), and family, 1936-1960, undated Miscellaneous correspondence, undated Middleton family George Middleton's letters to his parents and grandmother, 1894, undated Letters received from parents and from grandmother and grandfather Middleton, 1894-1920 Letters from Middleton's grandfather to his father, George Middleton, Sr., 1872 Telegram to mother, Ida Blakesley Middleton, 1929 Letters received and copies of letters sent to brother, Scudder Middleton, 1928-1959, undated Letters received and copies of letters sent to nephew, David Middleton, 1936-1967 Middleton family correspondence, letters received from cousin, Mrs. John Jay Joyce, 1962 Letters received and copies of letters sent to cousins, Blakeslee Dunphy, his wife Virginia, and daughter Priscilla (and Charles Burlingham), 1939-1967
BOX 3-17	General Correspondence, 1901-1967 Letters received and copies of letters sent, memoranda, printed material, photographs, newspaper clippings, and other material relating to the correspondent. Arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent.
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Arbos, E. Fernandez
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Arnoux, Alexandre and Amelia
Atherton, Gertrude
Atkinson, Brooks
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"B" miscellany
Bacheller, Irving
Bacon, Leonard
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Baker, George Barr
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Barnsdall, Aline
Barrie, James M.
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Beach, Rex
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	Bernstein, Leonard
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	Blackwell, Alice Stone
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	Brady, William A.
	Bragdon, Claude
	Braithwaite, William Stanley
	Brandeis, Louis and Alice
	Brandt, Carl
	Brieux, Eugene
	Brooks, Van Wyck
	Brown, Francis
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	Bryner, Yul
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Chandler, Frank W.
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Chase, Joseph Cummings
Chevalier, Maurice
Churchill, Allen
Chute, Marchette and Joy
Claire, Ina
Clark, Barrett
Clark, Bennett C.
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Cleveland, Harlan
Cobb, Irvin S.
Coburn, Charles
Cohan, George M.
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Colum, Padraic
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Commager, Henry Steele
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	Hart, Moss
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	Henderson, Archibald
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	Higginson, Thomas Wentworth
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	Howard, Sidney
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	Kelly, George
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	Lasky, Jesse L.
	Latham, Harold S.
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	Palmer, Paul
	Payne, B. Iden
	Peirce, Waldo
	Pemberton, Brock
	Perkins, Frances
	Perry, Bliss
	Peyre, Henri M.
	Phelps, William Lyon
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	Reinhardt, Max
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	Rogers, Merrill
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	Spewack, Bella
	Stebbins, Rowland
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