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Collection Summary

Title: A. B. MacDonald Papers

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

Summary: Journalist. Scrapbooks, diaries, clippings, correspondence, photographs, legal reports, ephemera, and other papers relating to A. B. MacDonald's career at the *Kansas City Star* and other publications, his family life and history, and his personal interests. Includes material concerning his coverage of the Leo Frank lynching of 1915, diaries documenting MacDonald's time with Billy Sunday's evangelical campaigns from 1917 to 1918, and his coverage of the A. D. Payne murder case that won him the Pulitzer Prize in 1931.

Selected Search Terms

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People

Frank, Leo, 1884-1915--Trials, litigation, etc.

Frank, Leo, 1884-1915.

MacDonald family.

MacDonald, A. B. (Alexander Black), 1871-1942.

MacDonald, Malcolm, 1911- Malcolm MacDonald papers.

Payne, A. D. (Alfred Day), Sr., 1892-1930--Trials, litigation, etc.

Payne, A. D. (Alfred Day), Sr., 1892-1930.

Sunday, Billy, 1862-1935.

Subjects

American newspapers--Missouri--Kansas City.

Chautauquas.

Crime and the press--United States.

Evangelicalism.

Journalism--United States.

Lynching--Georgia--Marietta.

Murder--Georgia--Atlanta.

Murder--Texas--Amarillo.

Pulitzer Prizes.

Reporters and reporting--United States.

Revivals.

Trials (Murder)--Georgia--Atlanta.

Trials (Murder)--Texas--Amarillo.

Titles

Alexander Black MacDonald papers

Kansas City star.

Occupations

Journalists.

Administrative Information

Provenance

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Processing History

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1861, May 6	Born, New Brunswick, Canada
Circa 1890	Immigrated to the United States (became a naturalized citizen in 1896)
1892-1900	Staff reporter, <i>Kansas City Times</i> , Kansas City, Mo.
1893	Married Mary “Mamie” Larkin (died 1937)
1894	Birth of son, Donald MacDonald (died 1952)
1896	Birth of son, Frank MacDonald (died ?)
1897	Birth of daughter, Mary J. MacDonald (died 1939)
1900-1937	Staff reporter, <i>Kansas City Star</i> , Kansas City, Mo., with an eight-year absence from 1920-1928
1902	Birth of son, Arthur MacDonald (died 1948)
1911	Birth of son, Malcolm MacDonald (died ?)
1915	Reported on Leo Frank case, Atlanta, Ga.
1917-1918	Toured with Billy Sunday’s evangelical campaign
1920-1928	Staff writer, <i>The Country Gentleman</i> and <i>Ladies’ Home Journal</i>

1924	Published with Fred Ellsworth Sutton <i>Hands Up! Stories of the Six-Gun Fighters of the Old West</i> . Indianapolis: The Bobbs-Merrill Company
1926-1927	Lectured at Chautauqua summer assemblies
1930	Reported on A. D. Payne case, Amarillo, Tex.
1931	Awarded Pulitzer Prize, Reporting, for work on the A. D. Payne case
1942, Apr. 9	Died, Kansas City, Mo.

Scope and Content Note

The A. B. MacDonald papers date from 1878 to 1976 with the bulk of the material dating from 1893 to 1942. The collection documents MacDonald's career as a reporter for the *Kansas City Star* and other publications, his family life and history, and his personal interests. The collection is organized into six series: [Professional Materials](#), [Investigative Journalism](#), [Speaking Tours](#), [Personal and Family Papers](#), [Other Interests](#), and [Oversize](#).

The [Professional Materials](#) series dates from 1894 to 1939 and largely consists of copies of MacDonald's writings for the *Kansas City Star*, *The Country Gentleman*, *Ladies' Home Journal*, and other publications. The series includes scrapbooks, diaries, clippings, correspondence, ephemera, and photographs. The scrapbooks were compiled by MacDonald and provide comprehensive documentation of stories he wrote over the course of his career in tandem with correspondence and ephemera related to his work. The diaries document the final years of his career and include entries of a professional and personal nature. Diaries documenting his life in retirement are located in the [Personal and Family Papers](#) series. Other notable material in the series includes correspondence from William Rockhill Nelson and a letter from Booth Tarkington responding to a request for an interview.

The [Investigative Journalism](#) series, dated from 1913 to 1944, documents two of the most well-known crime cases MacDonald reported on, the Leo Frank murder trial and lynching case (1915), and the A. D. Payne murder investigation (1930). MacDonald was awarded the Pulitzer Prize in 1931 for his help solving the Payne case. Materials include a scrapbook, correspondence, legal reports, and clippings. The Leo Frank scrapbook documents MacDonald's role as one of the first reporters to speak out against Frank's murder conviction and includes correspondence with Frank and his lawyers. The material also includes copies of legal arguments in the case and editorials about the case from various other sources. The A. D. Payne material includes correspondence from Gene Howe (*Amarillo Globe-News*) asking MacDonald to consult on the case, a signed deposition from A. D. Payne's mistress, Verona Thompson, numerous articles about the case and MacDonald's help solving it, and correspondence and ephemera related to MacDonald's Pulitzer Prize win.

The [Speaking Tours](#) series, dated from 1917 to 1935, contains materials related to MacDonald's association with evangelical preacher, Billy Sunday, and his participation in the Chautauqua lecture circuit. The series primarily consists of scrapbooks containing writings, clippings, correspondence, photographs, advertisements, and ephemera. The Billy Sunday materials document MacDonald's reporting on and participation in Sunday's campaigns from 1917 to 1918 and their continued association until Sunday's death in 1935. The diary entries included in the scrapbooks provide a firsthand look inside the campaigns and detail people and places MacDonald encountered. The Chautauqua scrapbooks document MacDonald's two summer seasons on the Chautauqua lecture circuit where he lectured on topics relating to prohibition and temperance.

The [Personal and Family Papers](#) series dates from 1878 to 1976, with the bulk of the material dating from 1893 to 1942, and documents A. B. MacDonald's family life and history. Material includes correspondence, scrapbooks, diaries, photographs, and ephemera. Material in this series was most likely compiled and preserved by MacDonald's son, Malcolm MacDonald, and includes material created by him before and after A. B. MacDonald's death. The bulk of the correspondence in this series is to Malcolm MacDonald and includes letters from his father, mother, siblings, and family friends. The letters, especially those from A. B. MacDonald, provide insight into the MacDonald family's life. The diaries were written by both A. B. MacDonald and Malcolm MacDonald and document the last few years of A. B. MacDonald's

life. The photographs document the MacDonald family's life at home, their travels, and their genealogy. Other materials related to genealogy include family trees, obituaries, and miscellaneous research.

The [Other Interests](#) series dates from 1909 to 1942 and includes materials MacDonald collected relating to the Old West and Abraham Lincoln, both topics of special interest. Materials include correspondence, photographs, clippings, and scrapbooks. Information and ephemera about outlaws and other prominent figures feature heavily in the materials about the Old West. Also included are documents related to MacDonald's book (co-written with Fred Ellsworth Sutton), *Hands Up! Stories of the Six-Gun Fighters of the Old West*. In addition, this series includes three scrapbooks of clippings and ephemera MacDonald compiled about Abraham Lincoln and his legacy.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged in six series:

- [Professional Materials, 1894-1939](#)
- [Investigative Journalism, 1913-1944](#)
- [Speaking Tours, 1917-1935](#)
- [Personal and Family Papers, 1893-1976](#)
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Description of Series

Container

BOX 1

Series

Professional Materials, 1894-1939

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Material types include scrapbooks, diaries, clippings, correspondence, ephemera, and photographs.

Arranged in two sections: Writings and Correspondence and ephemera. The Writings section is divided into Scrapbooks and Miscellaneous writings. Sections are arranged in chronological order.

BOX 1-3

Investigative Journalism, 1913-1944

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Material types include a scrapbook, correspondence, legal reports, and clippings.

Arranged in two sections: the Leo Frank case and the A. D. Payne case. The Leo Frank case section is arranged chronologically. The A. D. Payne case material is arranged in three sections, Case material, Press about the case, and Pulitzer Prize material, then chronologically.

BOX 3

Speaking Tours, 1917-1935

The Speaking Tours series, dated from 1917 to 1935, contains materials related to MacDonald's association with evangelical preacher Billy Sunday and his participation in the Chautauqua lecture circuit.

Material types include scrapbooks containing writings, clippings, correspondence, photographs, advertisements, and ephemera.

Series is arranged in two sections: Billy Sunday and Chautauqua. Sections are arranged chronologically.

BOX 3-7

Personal and Family Papers, 1878-1976

The Personal and Family Paper series dates from 1878 to 1976, with the bulk of the material dating from 1893 to 1942, and documents A. B. MacDonald's family life and history.

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Material types include correspondence, scrapbooks, diaries, photographs, and ephemera.

Series is arranged in five sections: Correspondence, Diaries and scrapbooks, Photographs, Family history and genealogy, and Miscellany. Sections are arranged chronologically.

BOX 7-8

Other Interests, 1909-1942

The Other Interests series dates from 1909 to 1942 and includes materials MacDonald collected relating to the Old West and Abraham Lincoln, both topics he had a special interest in. Also includes documents related to MacDonald's book (co-written with Fred Ellsworth Sutton), *Hands Up! Stories of the Six-Gun Fighters of the Old West*.

Material types include correspondence, photographs, clippings, and scrapbooks.

Series is arranged in two sections: Old West material and Abraham Lincoln material. Sections are arranged chronologically.

BOX OV 1-31

Oversize, 1893-1942

The Oversize series, dated 1893-1942, includes scrapbooks, diaries, photo albums, and certificates.

Arranged and described according to the series, containers, and folders from which the items were separated. Some of the items are physically grouped and housed by size.

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