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Guide to the

**Dorothy Lockhart papers**

ca. 1922-1957

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## Summary

**Creator:** Lockhart, Dorothy, 1905-1985

**Title:** Dorothy Lockhart papers

**Date:** ca. 1922-1957

**Source:** Gift of Dorothy Lockhart, December, 1957

**Abstract:** Collection consists chiefly of correspondence from prominent theater and literary figures relating to Lockhart's work at the Annie Russell Theater. Includes correspondence regarding the 1931-1932 production of Hamlet and miscellaneous accounts for the construction of the theater.

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## Creator History

Dorothy Lockhart (1905-1985) studied voice at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia for four years. After completing her studies, she entered the professional theater in England, starting as a stage hand and working her way up to assistant producer. In addition to her five years in English theater, Lockhart spent three years in American theater, which included a job as assistant producer under Leslie Howard.

Miss Lockhart arrived in Winter Park, Florida in 1932 to help her friend Annie Russell put on the opening play in her newly completed theater at Rollins College. She was still there four years later when Russell died, at which time Lockhart became director of the Annie Russell Theater, a position she held for many years.

## Scope and Content Note

The Dorothy Lockhart papers are composed almost entirely of correspondence dealing with her work at the Annie Russell Theater. The correspondence, 1922-1957, is primarily from prominent theater and literary people, most of whom had been asked to lecture at the college. Among prominent correspondents in the collection are: producer and director Norman Bel Geddes, Annie Russell, Elmer Davis, Barret Clark and Otis Skinner.

Also in the collection is much correspondence with Norman Bel Geddes about a production of *Hamlet* he directed, 1931-1932, and miscellaneous accounts relating to the construction of the Annie Russell Theater.

## Key Terms

### Subjects

Theater -- Production and direction

Theater -- United States

Theaters -- Florida -- Winter Park

### Occupations

Theatrical producers and directors

### Names

Lockhart, Dorothy, 1905-1985

Clark, Barrett H. (Barrett Harper), 1890-1953

Davis, Elmer Holmes, 1890-1958

Geddes, Norman Bel, 1893-1958

Russell, Annie, 1869-1936

Skinner, Otis, 1858-1942

Annie Russell Theater

Rollins College (Winter Park, Fla.)

## Container List

- b. 1 f. 1 Adams, E.P. 1932 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 1 Anderson, Martin 1939, n.d. (2 items.)
- b. 1 f. 1 Arden, Cecil 1922 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 1 Atkins, Charles n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 1 Bacheller, Irving 1940 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 1 Baer, William Stevenson 1930 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 1 Bailey, Howard 1946 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 1 Bairnsfather, Bruce 1946-48 (10 items)
- b. 1 f. 1 Baldwin, Hanson W. 1952 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 1 Bauer, Harold 1942 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 2 Bel Geddes, Norman 1929-47, N.D (60 items)
- b. 1 f. 3 Bellah, James 1948 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Bickel, Karl August n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Bonneville, T.D. 1930 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Brand, Helen Burr n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Briggs, James A. 1957 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Brown, Heywood 1931 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Brown, John Mason 1955 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Caldwell, Woodward Halsted n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Call, Floyd M. 1950 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Carty, John Russell 1938-40, n.d (8 items. 5 from 1948-40, 3 n.d.)
- b. 1 f. 3 Casals, Pablo 1955 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Chandler, Thelma 1932 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Chester, Edmund A. 1951-52 (8 items)
- b. 1 f. 3 Childs, Marquis 1948-51 (4 items)
- b. 1 f. 3 Churchill, Winston 1946 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Clapp, Verner W. 1946 (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 3 Clark, Barrett H. 1929-39 (14 items separate folder)
- b. 1 f. 3 Coburn, Charles 1935-38, n.d (separate folder)
- b. 1 f. 3 Collier, Harriott S. 1953 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Collingwood, Charles 1949, 1951 (4 items)
- b. 1 f. 3 Costain, Ida n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Crane, C. Howard 1931 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Crawford, Cheryl A. 1929 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Crowell, S.L. 1935 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 3 Curie, Eve 1947 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 4 Davis, Elmer 1941-45 (15 items)
- b. 1 f. 4 Downes, Olin n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 4 Draper, Ruth n.d. (2 items)

- b. 1 f. 4 Eaton, Walter Prichard 1952 (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 4 Eichelberger, Robert 1950 (3 items)
- b. 1 f. 4 Emmet, Katherine n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 4 Farrar, Geraldine n.d. & 1929 (7 items)
- b. 1 f. 4 Felder, Irving 1952 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 4 Fischer, Louis 1948-50, n.d (11 items. 8 from 1948-50, 3 n.d.)
- b. 1 f. 4 Frederick, Pauline 1950-56 (9 items)
- b. 1 f. 4 Freedley, George 1957 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 4 Frohman, Daniel n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 4 Furness, Fairman 1931 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 4 Garson, Greer 1953 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 4 Gates, Thomas S. 1929 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 4 Gillmore, Margalo 1932 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 4 Gish, Lillian 1954 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 4 Grady, Henry 1953 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 4 Gray, Terence 1931 & n.d (5 items)
- b. 1 f. 4 Gregory, Paul 1952 (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 4 Gunn, Agnella M. 1945 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Halsband, Harriet 1956 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Hamilton, Clayton 1931-32 (3 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Hampden, Walter 1929 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Harbenson, John n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Harding, Ann 1924-39 (8 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Haring, Forrest C. 1934 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Harris, Julie 1955-57 (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Hayes, Helen 1955 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Henderson, Raymond 1935 (8 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Hempel, Frieda 1922 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Herridge, W.D. 1931 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Hersch, Joseph C. 1948 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Hight, Jean Warren 1930 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Hogeland, Ruth 1931 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Holmes, John Haynes 1931 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Holt, Hamilton 1942-47 (5 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Honass, Christopher O. 1931 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Hopkins, Arthur 1931 (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Horrell, Pam n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Howard, Leslie 1932, n.d. (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Howard, Ruth n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Howe, Mary n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Issacs, Edith R. 1931 (1 item)

- b. 1 f. 5 Johnson, Robert Underwood 1931 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Johnston, George C. 1947 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Kennard, Arthur 1952 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Kirkland, Alexander n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Kruse, Paul 1958 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Kuehn, Alice 1933 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 6 Lacher, George 1949 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Laughton, Charles 1952 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Le Gallienne, Eva n.d. & 1939 (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Lerner, Gertrude 1934 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Leseur, Larry 1951 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Lilienthal, David E. 1950 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Lochner, Louis P. 1948-49 (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Lockhart, Dorothy 1931-56 (4 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Mckay, Frederic 1930 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Mckean, Hugh F. 1952 & n.d. (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Macy, Gertrude 1939 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Marchand, Alice n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Marshall, Norman n.d. (7 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Mason, Clara R. 1930 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Matchabelli, Prince 1931 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Mathews, T.S. 1950 (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Milne, Alan Alexander 1930 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Moore, Erin O'Brien 1932 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Moriarty, James F. 1948 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Moschzisker, Anne von 1929 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Motley n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Murphy, John Daly 1932 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Murrow, Edward
- b. 1 f. 5 Nash, Ogden n.d. (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Neal, Harry Lee 1956 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Nevin, Anne P. 1931 (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Novins, Stuart 1951-52 (5 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Pandit, Vijaya Lekshmi 1949-50 (9 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Parker, Dorothy n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Pearson, Michael 1953, 1955 (2 items)
- b. 1 f. 5 Peasley, Harriet n.d. (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Pernice, Marion L. jr. 1952 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Pickford, Mary 1952 (1 item)
- b. 1 f. 5 Potter, Russell 1939 (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 1 Quatermaine, Leon n.d. (1 item)

- b. 2 f. 1 Quinn, Arthur 1930-31 (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 1 Rathbone, Basil 1951 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 1 Ray, Edward 1950 (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 1 Ray, Randolph 1931 (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 1 Reber, Howard J. 1929 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 1 Reed, Joseph Verner 1931 & n.d (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 1 Reilly, James F. 1930-33 (10 items)
- b. 2 f. 1 Rheinstrom, A.L. 1930 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 1 Rice, Elmer 1931-36 (1 items)
- b. 2 f. 1 Ridge, Harold C. 1930 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 1 Robinson, Francis 1940 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 1 Rollins College 1940 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 1 Roosevelt, Mary Lowe 1949 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 1 Russell, Annie 1932-35 (26 items)
- b. 2 f. 2 Salzedo, Carlos n.d. (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 2 Schilling, Felix E. 1931 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 2 Seldes, Gilbert (separate folder)
- b. 2 f. 2 Shollenberger, Lewis 1951-52 (3 items)
- b. 2 f. 2 Sillocks, H.L. 1952 (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 2 Singer, Jeanne 1950 (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 2 Skinner, Cornelia Otis 1956 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 2 Skinner, Otis 1930, 1935, 1938, n.d (13 items. 4 from 1930, 1 from 1935, 1 from 1938 and 7 undated)
- b. 2 f. 2 Smith, Andre 1935-40, n.d (15 items. 12 from 1935-40 and 3 n.d.)
- b. 2 f. 2 Smith, Rhea Marsh 1952 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 2 Smith, T.R. 1931 (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 2 Spachs, Robert n.d. (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 2 Speiser, Maurice J. 1930 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 2 Sprague-Smith, Isabella D. 1948 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 2 St. John, Robert, 1947, n.d. (4 items. 3 from 1947, 1 n.d.)
- b. 2 f. 2 Stokowski, Leopold 1931 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 2 Stowe, Leland 1948 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 3 Thomas, Lowell jr. 1951 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 3 Thorndike, Dame Sybil 1934-35 (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 3 Traum, William R. 1955 & n.d (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 3 Treacher, Arthur 1953 (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 3 Weddell, Alexander Wilbourne 1946-48 (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 3 Welty, Jeanne n.d. (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 3 Wiman, Dwight Deere 1934 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 3 Witherspoon, Blanche 1950 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 3 Wood, Clement B. 1930-31 (3 items)
- b. 2 f. 3 Woollcott, Alexander 1940 (4 items)

- b. 2 f. 3 Wrench, Kimbrough Mrs. 1947 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 3 Yorke, Oswald 1939 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 3 Young, James R. 1947 (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 3 Yurka, Blanche n.d. (2 items)
- b. 2 f. 3 Zacharias, Ellis M. 1948 (1 item)
- b. 2 f. 3 Unidentified
- b. 2 f. 4 *Correspondence re: production of Hamlet: Individuals A-Z* 1931-32
- b. 2 f. 4-5 *Correspondence re: production of Hamlet* 1931-32
- b. 2 f. 5 *Correspondence re: production of Hamlet: Form letters* 1931-32  
Form letters from Mr. Bel Geddes Miss Lockhart office
- b. 2 f. 5 Accounts
- b. 2 f. 5 Miscellaneous