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Guide to the

W.E.B. Du Bois research material

ca. 1930s

Sc MG 197

Summary

Creator: Broderick, Francis L

Title: W.E.B. Du Bois research material

Date: ca. 1930s

Size: 2.21 linear feet (3 boxes)

Source: Gift of Francis L. Broderick, 1983.

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Abstract: This collection consists of notes taken by Francis L. Broderick, who was preparing to write a biography of Du Bois. The notes came from W. E. B. Du Bois's letters and other documents in his personal library.

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Creator History

Francis L. Broderick was an author and historian. He earned his doctorate in history from Harvard University and served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He became the director of Peace Corps in Ghana in 1964, and taught at universities including Princeton University. Broderick passed away in 1992.

William Edward Burghardt (W. E. B.) Du Bois (February 23, 1868 – August 27, 1963) was an American civil rights activist, leader, Pan-Africanist, sociologist, educator, historian, writer, editor, poet, and scholar. In 1909, Du Bois was among the founders of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP); from 1910 to 1934, he served as director of publicity and research, a

member of the board of directors, and founder and editor of *The Crisis*, its monthly magazine. Du Bois organized a series of Pan-African congresses around the world from 1919-1927. Additionally, in 1948, he was cochairman of the Council on African Affairs; in 1950, he served as chairman of the Peace Information Center and ran for the U.S. Senate on the American Labor party ticket in New York. Du Bois taught at various universities, including the University of Pennsylvania and Atlanta University, and published numerous books (including two novels, essays, and histories of Black people.)

Scope and Content Note

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Key Terms

Subjects

African American authors
African American sociologists
Authors, Black
Autobiography -- African American authors
Pan-Africanism

Occupations

Civil rights activists.

Names

Broderick, Francis L.
Du Bois, W. E. B. (William Edward Burghardt), 1868-1963
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

Container List

- b. 1 Index cards
- b. 3 Typed notes in two boxes organized by topics including "Relations with Hampton", "Niagara Movement", NAACP, "Negro newspapers", "Harvard", "Atlanta period", "Atlanta University conferences", "Research on Negro", and "Germany", among others.
- b. 2 Notebooks and loose notes
Includes spiral notebooks with handwritten notes and loose pages, with handwritten and typed notes.