



Archives Finding Aide

Mason H. Dobson Beloit Daily News Files

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Size: 2.5 linear feet

Condition: Fair

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Donor: Unknown-maybe Dobson

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Processing following: Alphabetical Order of titles

Ownership: Beloit Historical Society

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HISTORY

Mason H. Dobson (1891-1952) was an editor, column writer and co-owner of the Beloit Daily News. (Not to be confused with his son, Mason C. Dobson, Beloit Daily News reporter) He worked there in 1913-1949. "Dobson was a deputy director of civilian war relief for the Red Cross in the Mediterranean theater during World War II" (According to his obituary) Dobson was inducted into the Beloit Historical Hall of Fame in 1978.

Scope of Collection

A collection of files from Mason H. Dobson, from his work at the Beloit Daily News. The files are kept under the names given by Dobson, but the physical folders have been replaced with non acidic archival folders. One original folder has been preserved as its own item ('editorials' the last folder in Box 3). The folders were not in any clear order when they arrived, so they have been placed in alphabetical order by title. The one exception is the two files labeled "Colored People" and "Human Rights" which contain similar material about African Americans in Beloit. The two folders have been left as received, and placed together under 'Equal Rights /Civil Rights Issues'.

Container List

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CONTAINER	FOLDER	DATE	TITLE	SUBJECTS
Box 01	1	1939	Amlie, Thomas R.	
Box 01	2	1948	CH Besly and Co.	Unions Beloit-Industry (foundry, steelworks, etc)
Box 01	3		Bolles, Stephen	Newspaper National Politics
Box 01	4	1942	Capital Times	
Box 01	5	1942	Censorship Information-WWII	Military Newsletter Censorship

Box 01	6	1930s	City Affairs (Byron Meech Picture noted)	Beloit-City of Beloit High School Newspaper School
Box 01	7	1949	CIO- Local 1533	Beloit-Industry (foundry, steelworkers, etc) Unions Newspaper
Box 01	8	1939	Coakley (Senator Maurice)	Newspaper National Politics
Box 01	9	1940s	Correspondance	Newspaper
Box 01	10		Democratic	National Politics Newspaper
Box 01	11		Economics	
Box 01	12		Equal Rights /Civil Rights Issues	Beloit High School Beloit-City of Racism Civil Rights Segregation
Box 01	13	1940s	Fairbanks Morse	Beloit-Industry (foundry, steelworkers, etc) Fairbanks Morse Newspaper Unions
Box 01	14	1930s	Features	Newspaper
Box 01	15	1937	Freeman Shoe	Freeman Shoe Shoes Unions
Box 02	1		Gerald Smith, Director-Christian Nationalist Crusade	Newspaper Racism National Politics Hate Groups
Box 02	2	1942	Heil-Governor Julius	WI Politics
Box 02	3		Hilton, Harold F.	Newspaper
Box 02	4	1947	Hospital (Beloit)	Medicine--Practice Newspaper Nurses Hospital
Box 02	5	1945	Italy	
Box 02	6		Letters to Editor	Beloit-City of Newspaper
Box 02	7		Meade Vs Branigan (Letters from the people)	Unions Newspaper
Box 02	8		Merrill, Taylor -Beloit College History Dept. (Re: War Department Casket Purchase)	Military Newspaper
Box 02	9		Milk Prices	Farmers
Box 02	10	1945	Office Price Administration	
Box 02	11		Page and Paper Consumption-Daily Reports	
Box 02	12		Perkins, Robert A. Beloit Schools Teacher	Beloit High School
Box 02	13	1937	Police Pay Cuts	
Box 02	14		Standards of Practice-Radio Station WBNB	Radio
Box 02	15	1936	Relief (Rock Co) For Families	
Box 02	16		Riley, Thomas (Letter to the Editor)	National Politics

Box 02	17		ROTC (Beloit High School)	Beloit High School Military
Box 02	18		Small Loan (National Housing Agency)	Beloit-Industry (foundry, steelworkers, etc)
Box 02	19	1948	Smith, Congressman Lawrence H.	National Politics
Box 02	20	1930s	Social Security (Unemployment Compensation)	WI Politics
Box 02	21	1940s	Stewart, Douglas M.	Newspaper
Box 02	22	1946	Strike (Fairbanks Morse)	Beloit-Industry (foundry, steelworkers, etc) Fairbanks Morse Unions
Box 02	23		Townsend Pension (Social Security Proposal)	National Politics Newspaper
Box 02	24	1945	Tuberculosis	Medicine
Box 02	25	1940s	Union (Daily News)	Newspaper Unions
Box 03	1		Veterans of Future Wars	Military
Box 03	2	1940s	War Bond Campaign-Beloit	Fundraiser Military Newspaper
Box 03	3	1943	War Manpower Commission	Wartime-WWII Beloit-Industry (foundry, steelworkers, etc) Beloit-City of Newspaper
Box 03	4		Wisconsin Centennial (Planning Committee)	WI Politics
Box 03	5		Yates-American Machine Co (Unfair Labor Practice-Alvin Haas-General Mar.)	Beloit-Industry (foundry, steelworkers, etc)
Box 03	6		Dobson Personal Items	
Box 03	7		Loose Papers-Other Newspaper Clippings	Newspaper
Box 03	8		Loose Papers-Article Ideas and Notes	
Box 03	9		Loose Papers-Beloit Daily News-Layout and News Flash	Newspaper
Box 03	10		"Editorials"	

