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A Guide to the Collections: Presidents' Papers Series

Overview

An assortment of papers generated by IIT's presidents, Armour Institute's presidents, and Lewis Institute's Directors are held by UASC. Notable past presidents include Frank W. Gunsaulus, noted preacher and founder of Armour Institute of Technology, George N. Carman, founder of Lewis Institute, and Henry Heald, who arranged the merger between Lewis Institute and Armour Institute of Technology in 1940 and subsequently oversaw much of IIT's early growth. Access to some of these collections may be restricted if it contains confidential information about IIT faculty or staff members.

Lewis Institute's Directors were George N. Carman (1896- 1935), Dugald C. Jackson (1935- 1938), and Clarence L. Clark and Fred A. Rogers as co-directors (1938- 1940.) Armour Institute of Technology's Presidents were Frank W. Gunsaulus (1892- 1921), Howard M. Raymond (1921- 1932), Willard E. Hotchkiss (1932- 1937), and Henry T. Heald (1937- 1940). After the merger in 1940, Henry Heald continued on as President of IIT until 1952. He was succeeded by John T. Rettaliata (1952- 1973), Maynard P. Venema (1973- 1974), Thomas L. Martin (1974- 1987), Meyer Feldberg (1987- 1989), Henry Linden (1989- 1990), Lewis Collens (1990- 2007), John L. Anderson (2007- 2015).

Materials in UASC

Processed Collections, Lewis Institute Directors

1992.003 *Lewis Institute Records*
Information on George N. Carman as founder

1998.003 *R.A. Mowat Papers*
Information on George N. Carman

1998.051 *M.A. Zink Collection*
Materials on George N. Carman

1998.009 *Buildings & Grounds Collection*
Materials on Dugald C. Jackson

1998.003 *R. A. Mowat Papers*
Materials on Clarence L. Clark & Fred A. Rodgers, as co-directors

024.04.04 *Heald Correspondence, 1940- 1951*
Some material on Clarence L. Clark & Fred A. Rodgers, as co-directors

032.03.06 *Deceased Donor Files- Part 1*
Files on George N. Carman, Clarence L. Clark, Fred A. Rogers

1998.017 *Lewis Institute Records*
Materials on all three Lewis Institute Directors: Carman, Jackson, Clark, and Rodgers.

Processed Collections, Armour Institute of Technology Presidents

1991.007 *Armour Mission Records*
Materials on Frank W. Gunsaulus

1998.024 *F.W. Gunsaulus Papers*
Correspondence and publications, including correspondence concerning the "Million Dollar Sermon"

1998.027 *Anita Anderson Papers*
Framed 8x8½" monochrome reproduction of 1920 portrait of Frank W. Gunsaulus by Arvid Nyholm.

1998.057 *F.W. Gunsaulus Papers*
Letter from Gunsaulus to his history concerning authenticating a William E. Gladstone signature.

1998.060 *F.W. Gunsaulus Papers*
Manuscripts of poems and other publications.

1999.036 *H. Knepler Papers*
"LLP: A Personal and Idiosyncratic History of the Humanities at IIT," written by Knepler in 1988, contains general reference to Gunsaulus.

1998.004 *J Finnegan Papers*
Box 2, Folder 5 contains correspondence with Howard M. Raymond
Box 1, Folder 12 contains correspondence with W.E. Hotchkiss

1998.028 *Brophy & Guralnick Papers*
See Box 1, Folders "Armour College of Engineering," "Armour Family/Correspondence," and "Armour Family" for information on Howard M. Raymond.

1998.033 *Faculty Biography Files*
See individual files for Frank W. Gunsaulus, Howard M. Raymond, Willard E. Hotchkiss, and Henry T. Heald

1998.032 *F.Jahnke Film*
Black and white film footage of Armour Institute. Primarily shows outdoor events (sports and games) in connection with the fraternities' annual Circus Day and Junior Week activities. Also includes some interior scenes of labs and science activities. Brief views of staff (President Willard Hotchkiss, Dean Henry Heald, John Schommer), trustees, and others.

024.04.04 *Heald Correspondence*
Contains some information on Willard E. Hotchkiss

1998.062 *W. Hotchkiss Papers*
Various materials believed to have come from the office of W. Hotchkiss

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1998.33 *Faculty Biography Files*
Contains files for Henry T. Heald. John T. Rettaliata, and Maynard P. Venema.

1998.004 *J.Finnegan Papers*
Box 1, No.11 correspondence with Henry T. Heald
Correspondence with Rettaliata

2000.38 *Galvin Library Records*
1) Materials sent to the library's director (David Dowell) from or about Thomas Martin as President, 1978–1987.
2) Materials sent to the library's director (David Dowell) from or about Meyer Feldberg as President-Elect and President, 1986–1989.
3) Materials sent to the library's director (Sohair Elbaz) from or about Lewis Collens as President, 1990–1992.

1998.32 F. *Jahnke Film*
Black and white film footage of Armour Institute. Primarily shows outdoor events (sports and games) in connection with the fraternities' annual Circus Day (?) and Junior Week activities.

1999.36 *H. Knepler Papers*
Monograph titled "LLP: A Personal and Idiosyncratic History of the Humanities at IIT by Henry Knepler"; Chicago, 1988. LLP stands for "Language, Literature and Philosophy," an earlier title of the humanities department at Illinois Institute of Technology, now known as the Lewis Department of Humanities. The account is a personal commentary which recounts and frequently analyses the workings of the department from the mid-1940s to mid-1970s. Mentions of Heald.

2000.34 *J. P. Makielski Papers*
Various printed materials related to the development of the Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago) campus including booklets, reprints, photographs, and campus plan images documenting "concepts of an emerging campus" (donor's quote). Relates to Henry Healds presidential tenure.

024.04.01 *Heald Papers, President*
The collection consists of correspondence, memos, reports, and other materials which constitute the administrative files of the of Henry T. Heald in his role as President of Armour Institute of Technology (Chicago), 1937-1940 and as President of Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago), 1940-1952.

024.04.02 *Heald Papers, Dean*
Appear to be the papers of Henry T. Heald in his roles as a faculty member and dean of Armour Institute of Technology prior to his appointment as president of AIT (and subsequent services as president of IIT). This collection has not been processed.

024.04.03 *Heald Papers, Misc*
Materials related to Henry T. Heald including manuscripts and a framed portrait.

024.04.04 *Heald Correspondence, 1940- 1951*

1999.47 *Crerar Library Records*
Merger Proposals, Folder 1: Includes correspondence to John T. Rettaliata

2001.25 *Audio Tape*
Two ¼" magnetic reel-to-reel audio tapes on 7" reels. One, as identified on the box: "IIT – JTR [John T. Rettaliata] Student Meeting May 8, 1970."

024.05.01 *John T. Rettaliata, General*
Materials pertaining to John T. Rettaliata, president of IIT from 1952 until 1973.

024.05.02 *John T. Rettaliata Papers*
Materials related to John T. Rettaliata during his tenure as the second president of Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago), 1948 – 1973.

024.05.03 *John T. Rettaliata Speeches*
Bulks with typescripts of speeches by John T. Rettaliata during his presidency at Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago), on campus and external. One lot of biographical materials – vita, press releases, news clippings, etc. including 1947 press release concerning civilian service to U. S. Navy during WWII (in Box 1, Folder 2).
Also contain some information on Maynard Venema.

024.05.04 *John T. Rettaliata Enrollment Figures*
Five lantern slides. Four show graphs of undergraduate, graduate and total enrollments at Illinois Institute of technology (Chicago) for day, evening, and combined programs, 1947 – 1959.

024.05.05 *John T. Rettaliata Office Files*
Believed to be the office files of Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago) President John T. Rettaliata.

024.05.06 *John T. Rettaliata Position Papers*
"IIT Position Papers" being identified as papers "on approaches to education for a technological age" by Dr. John T. Rettaliata, President of Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago). Printed as 4-page brochures, apparently for mass distribution. Series of 12 monthly papers identified as the complete run, 1965.

024.05.07 *John T. Rettaliata Calendar Revision*
Materials related to academic calendar revision proposed by Illinois Institute of Technology. Includes April 1969 memo by President John T. Rettaliata and nine-point "Notes on Calendar Revision."

024.05.08 *John T. Rettaliata Pullman Foundation*

Materials related to the George M. Pullman Educational Foundation, 1950 – 1962, and John T. Rettaliata's services as a member of the Board of Director.

024.05.09 *John T. Rettaliata Student Protest*
Photographs of student protests on campus at Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago) following the May 4, 1970 fatal shootings of four students at Kent State University (Kent, Ohio) by the Ohio National Guard.

024.05.10 *John T. Rettaliata Collection*
"Remarks on the Legacy of President John T. Rettaliata" by Sidney A. Guralnick

1999.033 *A. Jaques Papers*
Five books compiled by Alfred M. Jaques '59. Each volume contains several one-page biographies of IIT alumni representing a particular group – Hispanics (published in Spanish and English editions), African American, company presidents and CEOs, women. Privately published by donor. Includes Maynard P. Venema.

024.06.02 *M. P. Venema Collection*
Program for Dinner given for M.P. Venema "M.P. Venema and IIT: A Half Century Alliance" held on May 20, 1979

024.07.01 *Thomas L. Martin, Jr. Papers*
Materials related to Thomas L. Martin, Jr. during his tenure as the fourth president of Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago), June 1, 1974–June 1, 1987.

024.07.02 *Thomas L. Martin, Jr. Speeches*
Four folders contain the texts of sixty-nine oral reports, speeches, addresses, and press conferences made by Thomas L. Martin, Jr. as president and president emeritus of IIT.

024.07.03 *Thomas L. Martin Jr. Correspondence*
Correspondence to and from Thomas L. Martin, Jr., in his role as president of Illinois Institute of Technology. Includes a 1991 (post-presidency) vita and biographical sketch of Martin.

024.07.04 *Thomas L. Martin, Jr. 10th Anniversary*
35 mm slides, mostly black and white, identified as "Dr. Martin 10th Party"

036.04.04 *Films Collection*
100 Years of Educational Excellence: An Oral History, being a film by Ralph Brill concerning Chicago-Kent College of Law, IIT's law school, includes Meyer Feldberg and Lew Collens.

036.05.07 *Dan Ryan Papers*
Materials (identified as Box No. 3-81 when found) created or collected by Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago) staff member Dan Ryan, representing Public Relations' office files. Contains information on Meyer Feldberg.

024.08.01 *Meyer Feldberg Papers*
Materials related to the inauguration of Meyer Feldberg as president of Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago) in 1987.

1999.22 *Sara Stern Fishman/Mary Dawson Office Files*
Office files of the director and associate director of Public Relations, Sara Stern Fishman and Mary Dawson respectively. Concerns major activities and programs of University-wide concern having a real or potential PR impact. Includes reference to Henry Linden.

2001.14 *Promotional Video*
Eleven minute promotional film (videotape) entitled "Illinois Institute of Technology: Progress in Mind." Overview of major IIT programs for prospective students and trustee orientation. Includes Lew Collens, IIT President; Center for Excellence in Polymer Science, Professor Henry Linden.

024.09.02 *Henry R. Linden Collection*
Feature about Henry R. Linden in "Commerce" as this months business profile, February 1990.

2001.16 *Board of Trustees Records*
Audio-visual tape recordings of Nov. 20, 1996 Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago) Board of Trustees reception in Crown Hall at which the $120 million dollar Galvin-Pritzker challenge grant was announced. Includes interviews, introductions, and talks by Dirk Lohan, Lewis Collens, Bob Pritzker, Jay Pritzker, Bob Galvin, Riccardo Legorreta, John Madigan, Frank Gehry (slide presentation).

024.10.01 *Lewis Collens General*

024.10.02 *Lewis Collens Papers*
Papers of Lewis ("Lew") Collens in his role as President of Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago.

024.10.03 *Lewis Collens Papers-2*
Papers of Lewis ("Lew") Collens in his role as President of Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago.

024.10.04 *Lew Collens Retirement Celebration*
Audio-visual materials documenting the May 22, 2007 IIT "Celebration of the Career of President Lew Collens and the Collens Scholarship Program."

024.10.05 *Lewis Collens Photos*
Papers of Lewis ("Lew") Collens in his role as President of Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago. Includes two 8" x 10" photographs.

024.10.06 *Lewis Collens Presentations*
Six ring binders of materials and one spiral bound document from IIT president Lewis Collens

024.10.07 *Lewis Collens Papers- 3*
Records of Lew Collens in his role as President of Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago). Some of the file materials date from prior years when he served as Dean of Chicago-Kent College of Law (the university's law school).

024.10.08 *Lewis Collens Papers- 4*
Assorted materials.

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