

**DAISY KIDD CLARK PAPERS**

Ms. 3304, 3905

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**SUMMARY**

<b>Size.</b>	1 linear ft.
<b>Geographic locations.</b>	Baton Rouge, Louisiana
<b>Inclusive dates.</b>	1841-1975.
<b>Bulk dates.</b>	1940-1958.
<b>Language.</b>	English
<b>Summary.</b>	The collection is comprised of personal papers, printed items, photographs, and badges and lapel pins relating to Daisy Kidd Clark of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and the genealogy of her family. The collection also relates to the activities of Delta Beta Chapter of the Delta Omicron fraternity. Photographs consist mostly of family photographs. Badges and lapel pins are those of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Woodsman of the World.
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<b>Related collections</b>	William P. Kidd Papers, Mss. 1844, Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, LSU Libraries, Baton Rouge, La
<b>Citation.</b>	Daisy Kidd Clark Papers, Mss. 3304, 3905, Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, LSU Libraries, Baton Rouge, La.
<b>Stack locations.</b>	9:77-78, OS: C, J:31, Vault: 1, Vault: 72.

**BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE**

Daisy Kidd Clark was the daughter of William Patton Kidd, Sr., and Louisa Betz Gruenwald of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She married Frank G. Clark of Baton Rouge on August 1, 1913. Frank Clark was employed as general superintendent of the Louisiana operations of the Standard Oil Corporation. Clark also built the only all-steel constructed house in the South at the time, a house in which he and Daisy resided. Daisy was an active member of the Delta Beta Chapter of the Delta Omicron fraternity. She was also an avid gardener, with a particular interest in growing daylilies; she was an active member of the Baton Rouge Garden Club and American Hemerocallis Society. Daisy died in 1977. She and Frank had no children.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

The collection consists of personal papers, printed items, photographs, and badges relating to the activities of Daisy Kidd Clark, family members, and the genealogy of the Kidd family and allied Betz and Gruenwald families. Personal papers and printed items also include material that relates to the Delta Omicron fraternity, the American Hemerocallis Society, and the independent Order of Odd Fellows. Printed material contains death notices and obituaries, and newspaper clippings relating to social activities and club events. Photographs contain cabinet cards, tintypes, snapshots, and group photographs of family members spanning more than a century. These include members of the William P. Kidd family and allied Grunewald and Betz families. Photographs also include the work of Andrew D. Lytle, Jasper E. Ewing, and Fonville Winans. Lapel pins and badges are of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Grand Lodge of Louisiana, and Woodsmen of the World, W.O.W.

**LIST OF SERIES**

- Series I.        Personal Papers, 1841-1975, undated.**
- Series II.       Printed Items, 1862, 1884-1973, undated.**
- Series III.      Photographs, ca. 1861-1975, undated.**
- Series IV.      Badges and Lapel Pins, 1896-1905, undated.**

## **SERIES DESCRIPTIONS**

### **Series I. Personal Papers, 1841-1975, undated.**

Personal papers consist of family records, correspondence, scrapbook, loose scrapbook pages, and genealogical material. Family records include copies of marriage and baptismal records, including the marriage license of Frank G. Clark and Daisy Kidd (1841-1921). Several of these records are “true copies” which were reproduced in 1953 and 1975. Correspondence of Frank G. Clark is of a business nature. In correspondence with John D. Rockefeller, Jr., references are made to the “Industrial Representation Plan” (1937-1941). The plan offered limited participation by employees in rules and regulations that governed them. Notable is the sale of a ten-year-old mulatto girl who had been born to a slave imprisoned in the Louisiana Penitentiary, East Baton Rouge (May 4, 1861).

The papers of Daisy Kidd Clark relate to the business of the Delta Omicron fraternity, and the Delta Beta Chapter, and to Daisy’s participation in the Baton Rouge Garden Club and American Hemerocallis Society. Later papers pertain to a memorial for Frank G. Clark and to Daisy’s donation of funds and artifacts to St. James Episcopal Church, the Rural Life Museum, and the Daughters of the American Revolution (1965-1975). Genealogical material relates to Daisy’s family history, as well as the Gruenwald and Stroud families (undated). Some material relates to William P. Kidd, Sr. There is also a small notebook in Swedish (undated).

A scrapbook and loose scrapbook pages contain correspondence, family photographs, newspapers clippings, and ephemera pertaining to family history and the Daisy’s participation various organizations (1908-1975). Scrapbook photographs include images of family homes on North Blvd., and a store at the corner of North Blvd and Convention in Baton Rouge (ca. 1902-1975).

### **Series II. Printed Items, 1862, 1884-1973, undated.**

Printed items are comprised of newspaper clippings, ephemera, scattered issues of *Wheel of Delta Omicron* quarterly (Jan. 1941-1958), and a three-dollar bill issued by the State of Louisiana during the Civil War (Feb. 24, 1862). Clippings provide obituaries, and reports on social activities and club events. Several clippings relate to the activities of Delta Omicron fraternity, and Daisy’s interest in growing daylilies. There is also an issue of *The Covenant*, a newspapers published by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows (June 10, 1908). Ephemera contain leaflets of reproductions of works of art, including lithographs, engravings. Ephemera also contain death notices and programs for social musical recitals and social events. Of note is a 19<sup>th</sup> century Japanese block print, possibly the work of Utagawa Toyokuni (undated).

### **Series III. Photographs, ca. 1861-1975, undated.**

Photographs contain cabinet cards, carte-de-visite, photographic prints, and tintypes of family members spanning more than a century. These include members of the Kidd family and allied Gruenwald and Betz families. Of note are cabinet card and cartes de visite by Andrew D.

Lytle, a photograph by Fonville Winans of large ice floes floating on the Mississippi River at Baton Rouge (Jan. 1940), and photographs of the *Sprague*, a steam powered towboat on the Mississippi River near Baton Rouge by Jasper E. Ewing (1926). A group photograph of Confederate soldiers shows Charles Betz in uniform (ca. 1861-1864), and another group photograph of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, IOOF, shows William P. Kidd, Sr., holding the organization's banner (ca. 1905 ). An image of a water fountain adjacent to the old State Capital in downtown Baton Rouge shows frozen water in midair (1894).

**Series IV. Badges and Lapel Pins, 1896-1905, undated.**

This series consist of lapel pins and badges of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Grand Lodge of Louisiana (1896, 1901, 1903-1905) and Woodsmen of the World, W.O.W (1905, undated). Of interest is a label pin showing an image of the Old State Capital in Baton Rouge complete with turrets (undated).

**INDEX TERMS**

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CONTAINER LIST

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9:77 OS:C Vault: 1 Vault:72	1	12-26 1	<b>Series II. Printed Items, 1862, 1884-1973, undated.</b> <i>Weekly Extra</i> , Jan. 23, 1884, <i>The Covenant</i> , June 10, 1908, <i>The Greatest War</i> , ca. 1917. State of Louisiana three-dollar bill, Feb. 24, 1862 (restricted access, use photocopy). 19 <sup>th</sup> century Japanese print (restricted access, use photocopy at OS:C, folder 1).
9:77 9:78	1 2	27-43	<b>Series III. Photographs, ca. 1861-1975, undated.</b> Tintypes
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