

Theodore Marburg Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: Theodore Marburg Papers

Span Dates: 1859-1940

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1893-1940)

ID No.: MSS31294

Creator: Marburg, Theodore, 1862-1946

Extent: 14 items; 6 containers plus 4 oversize; 3.8 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Abstract: Diplomat, publicist, civic leader, and peace advocate. Scrapbooks and correspondence relating to Marburg's civic activities in Baltimore, Maryland, his belief in internationalism and advocacy for peace before and after World War I, and his role as United States minister to Belgium from 1912 to 1914.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

People

Hull, Cordell, 1871-1955--Correspondence.

Ickes, Harold L. (Harold LeClair), 1874-1952--Correspondence.

Marburg, Theodore, 1862-1946.

Roosevelt, Theodore, 1858-1919--Correspondence.

Taft, William H. (William Howard), 1857-1930--Correspondence.

Wilson, Woodrow, 1856-1924--Correspondence.

Organizations

American Society for Judicial Settlement of International Disputes.

International Federation of League of Nations Societies.

League of Nations.

League to Enforce Peace (U.S.)

Maryland Peace Society.

Subjects

Civic improvement--Maryland--Baltimore.

Diplomatic and consular service, American--Belgium.

Internationalism.

Peace.

World War, 1914-1918--Peace.

Occupations

Diplomats.

Pacifists.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The papers of Theodore Marburg, diplomat, publicist, civic leader, and peace advocate, were given to the Library of Congress by his son, Charles Louis Marburg, in 1959 and 1963.

Processing History

The papers of Theodore Marburg were arranged and described in 1995. The finding aid was revised and expanded in 2009.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Theodore Marburg is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Theodore Marburg are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Theodore Marburg Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1862, July 10	Born, Baltimore, Md.
1880-1881	Attended Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.
1881	Withdrew from school to help run Marburg Brothers Tobacco Co., Baltimore, Md.
1889	Married Fannie Grainger
1898	Published <i>The War with Spain</i> . Baltimore: J. Murphy & Co.
1900	Published <i>Expansion</i> . Baltimore and New York: J. Murphy & Co.
1892-1893	Attended Oxford University, Oxford, England
1899	Vice president, Reform League, Baltimore, Md.
1910	Helped establish American Society for Judicial Settlement of International Disputes Helped found Maryland Peace Society
1911	Planned National Peace Congress, Baltimore, Md.
1912-1914	Minister to Belgium
1913	President, Maryland Peace Society
1913-1916	President, American Society for Judicial Settlement of International Disputes

1915	Helped found League to Enforce Peace Published <i>World Court and League of Peace</i> . Baltimore: American Society for Judicial Settlement of International Disputes
1925	Vice president, International Federation of League of Nations Societies
1946, Mar. 3	Died, Vancouver, British Columbia

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Theodore Marburg (1862-1946) span the years 1859-1940, with the bulk of the items concentrated in the period 1893-1940. The collection consists of letters and related matter mounted by Marburg or his family in scrapbooks that overlap chronologically. Topics include Marburg's civic activities in Baltimore, Maryland, his activities in the cause of internationalism and peace before and after World War I, and his role as American minister to Belgium, 1912-1914. Correspondents include Cordell Hull, Harold L. Ickes, Theodore Roosevelt, William H. Taft, and Woodrow Wilson. Among the organizations reflected in the papers are the Maryland Peace Society, the American Society for Judicial Settlement of International Disputes, the League to Enforce Peace, and the International Federation of League of Nations Societies.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged by volume number.

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