

# THEODORE ROOSEVELT CENTER

## Guide to the Theodore Roosevelt Centennial Celebration Collection

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Special Collections

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### **Provenance:**

Collected from the Theodore Roosevelt Symposium hosted by Dickinson State Teachers College in 1958. Many of the materials were given to Miss Stoxen by former Dickinson State Teachers College President Charles Scott.

### **History of the Theodore Roosevelt Centennial Celebration Collection:**

Theodore Roosevelt was born October 27, 1858. He was the 26<sup>th</sup> President of the United States. Roosevelt was the only United States' President to spend time in North Dakota as he lived for a few years in the North Dakota Badlands. He always recognized his time in the Badlands as a crucial experience in his life, having great impact on his presidency. To celebrate the Theodore Roosevelt Centennial year of his birth, a Theodore Roosevelt Centennial Commission was created by The House of Representatives and they worked with the Theodore Roosevelt Association to coordinate activities to commemorate the anniversary of Roosevelt's life. In observation of the centennial anniversary, Dickinson State University, then Dickinson State Teachers College, organized a symposium to honor his memory and give recognition to the role North Dakota played in Roosevelt's life. The symposium emphasis was Responsible Citizenship and the key note speakers included: Senator John F. Kennedy, Howard K. Beale, Hermann H. Hagedorn, Secretary of the Interior Fred A. Seaton, and Theodore Roosevelt McKeldin.

### **Scope and Content:**

The contents of this collection include: manuscripts, letters, pictures, newspaper articles, magazine clippings, comics, mementoes, speeches and books about the image, life and legacy of Theodore Roosevelt. Highlights in the collection are a copy of a handwritten autobiography and other manuscripts authored by Theodore Roosevelt titled: "The Home Ranch", "Frontier Types", "Sheriff's Work on a Ranch", "The Ranchman's Rifle on the Crag and Prairie".

The collection includes extensive documentation on the Theodore Roosevelt Centennial Symposium hosted by Dickinson State Teacher's College. Correspondence in the form of letters, postcards, meeting agendas and minutes document the occasion chronologically. Memorabilia from the symposium housed in the collection include: programs, setting place cards, and brochures. Text of symposium speeches include speeches by: Senator John F. Kennedy, Howard Kennedy Beale, Secretary of the Interior Frederick Seaton, and Maryland Governor Theodore Roosevelt McKeldin. There are also extensive correspondences regarding the symposium that appear to have been collected and donated by Governor McKeldin and Herman Hagedorn.

Photos of Theodore Roosevelt document his hobbies and career through events of an African hunting trip for big game as well as photos of Roosevelt working and giving public appearances. There are also cartoon sketches of Roosevelt drawn by various artists.

Within the collection are the newspaper clippings that follow the induction of the first Medora Musical that was previously referred to as the TR Drama, "Old Four Eyes".

In 2010 The North Dakota State Library permanently loaned The Theodore Roosevelt Center documents. Loaned materials include various materials on Theodore Roosevelt's life and many of these items are duplicates of materials already in the collection.

#### Series 1: Theodore Roosevelt: National Observation

##### Subseries 1: Photos

#### Series 2: Theodore Roosevelt Symposium, Addresses, Clippings, Promotion, etc.

##### Subseries 1: Governor McKeldin File

##### Subseries 2: Hagedorn Correspondence File

#### Series 3: Other Donations

Also of Interest: The physical collection contains an itemized inventory.

(Box/Folder)

#### **Series I** Theodore Roosevelt: National Observation

- 1/1 1884-1887
- 1/2 1888
- 1/3 Herman Hagedorn File
- 1/4 1903-1941, Clippings
- 1/5 1953-1957, Books
- 1/6 1957 Spring/Summer
- 1/7 1957 Fall/Winter
- 1/8 1958 January
- 1/9 1958 March

- 1/10 1958 April
- 1/11 1958 April/May
- 1/12 1958 June
- 1/13 1958 July
- 1/14 1958 Spanish
- 1/15 1958 September
- 1/16 1958 October
- 1/17 1958 Autumn
- 1/18 1958 Manuscripts
- 1/19 Magazine Articles
- 1/20 Misc. Promotion
- 1/21 Misc. Promotion Cont.
- 1/22 Brochures
- 1/23 Undated Clippings
- 1/24 Clippings
- 1/25 Old Four Eyes (clippings from regional papers about Medora Drama)
- 1/26 Bismarck Tribune 2005-2007
- 1/27 Mementoes
- 1/28 Waldera File
- 1/29 Zieman File

**Subseries I Photos**

- 1/1/1 Photo Boards
- 1/1/2 Photo Boards Cont.
- 1/1/3 Photo Boards Cont.
- 1/1/4 1896-1900
- 1/1/5 1904-1906

1/1/6 1909-1910

1/1/7 1912-1915

1/1/8 1917-1919

1/1/9 Undated Theodore Roosevelt

1/1/10 1959-1962

1/1/11 Undated Theodore Roosevelt Cartoons

**Series II** Theodore Roosevelt Symposium, Addresses, Clippings, Promotion, etc.

2/1 Theodore Roosevelt Symposium Programs

2/2 Symposium Memorabilia

2/3 Symposium Memorabilia Continued

2/4 January 1957

2/5 September 1957

2/6 October 1957

2/7 October 1957 Continued

2/8 November 1957

2/9 November 1957 Continued

2/10 December 1957

2/11 January 3-4, 1958

2/12 January 13-16, 1958

2/13 January 18-27, 1958

2/14 January 28-31, 1958

2/15 February 4-5, 1958

2/16 February 6-17, 1958

2/17 February 18-20, 1958

2/18 February 21-27, 1958

2/19 March 3-5, 1958

2/20 March 5-10, 1958  
2/21 March 11-13, 1958  
2/22 March 17-25, 1958  
2/23 April 1-9, 1958  
2/24 April Clippings  
2/25 April 15-17, 1958  
2/26 April 17-24, 1958  
2/27 May 3-21, 1958  
2/28 May 22-29, 1958  
2/29 June 2-3, 1958  
2/30 June 1958 - *The Dickinson Press*  
2/31 June 5-13, 1958  
2/32 June 18-19, 1958  
2/33 June 21-28, 1958  
2/34 July 7-24, 1958  
2/35 July 25-29, 1958  
2/36 News  
2/37 Hagedorn - *The Dickinson Press*  
2/38 August 7-13, 1958  
2/39 August 14-18, 1958  
2/40 August 20-29, 1958  
2/41 September 2-10, 1958  
2/42 Seaton Dickinson Press  
2/43 September 15-23, 1958  
2/44 September 27-29, 1958  
2/45 October 8-14, 1958

- 2/46 McKeldin- *The Dickinson Press*
- 2/47 October 22-November 21, 1958
- 2/48 November 25-27, 1958
- 2/49 August 17-November 9, 1961
- 2/50 John F. Kennedy Address
- 2/51 Washington Tribune
- 2/52 Misc. Correspondence
- 2/53 Memorabilia
- 2/54 Memorabilia Continued

**Subseries I Governor McKeldin File**

- 2/1/1 McKeldin March 25-April 1, 1958
- 2/1/2 McKeldin April 2-April 14, 1958
- 2/1/3 McKeldin May 5-May 26, 1958
- 2/1/4 McKeldin June 3-June 5, 1958
- 2/1/5 McKeldin June 12-August 18, 1958
- 2/1/6 McKeldin September 22-October 27, 1958

**Subseries II Hagedorn Correspondence File**

- 2/2/1 1919 Clippings
- 2/2/2 News Clippings
- 2/2/3 1957
- 2/2/4 Beale Correspondence
- 2/2/5 Hagedorn/Scott March 6-May 3, 1958
- 2/2/6 Mary Hagedorn/John Rouzie - May 1958
- 2/2/7 Scott/Hagedorn – June, 1958
- 2/2/8 Blackorby mentions momento
- 2/2/9 July – August, 1958

2/2/10 October – November, 1958

**Series III Other Donations**

- 3.1 N.D. State Library: TR Memorabilia 1957
- 3.2 N.D. State Library: TR Clippings-October-December, 1957
- 3.3 N.D. State Library: TR National Observation