Guide to the Robert Parmelee Wilder Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: RG 38

CREATOR: Wilder, Robert P., 1863-1938

TITLE: Robert Parmelee Wilder papers

DATES: 1840-1940

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 10 linear feet (25 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: Material documents the development of the Christian missionary movement

among students in the United States and Europe, 1886-1938. Family correspondence documents the missionary work of Wilder's parents in India, 1846-1875, as well as his work in India, 1893-1902. Robert Parmelee Wilder was born in India of missionary parents in 1863. He earned the A.B. and A.M. degrees from Princeton University (1886, 1888) and the B.D. degree from UnionTheological Seminary (1891). He was a founder of the Student Volunteer Movement (1886), missionary in India (1893-1902), traveling secretary for Student Christian Movements in Europe (1903-1916), secretary of Religious Work Department, YMCA (1916-1919), General Secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement (1919-1927) and Executive Secretary of the Near East Christian Council (1927-1933). He died on March 27, 1938.

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Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

Date	Event
1863	$_{\odot}$ Born in India of missionary parents: Royal Gould Wilder and Eliza Jane (Smith) Wilder
1886	o A.B., Princeton University
1886	$_{\odot}$ Instrumental in the founding of the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions at Mt. Hermon Conference
1886-1887	$_{\odot}$ Travel to colleges and universities throughout the U.S. on behalf of the Student Volunteer Movement
1888	o A.M., Princeton University
1891	o B.D., Union Theological Seminary
1891-1892	$_{\odot}$ Travel in Europe; instrumental in founding of British Student Volunteer Missionary Union
1892	$_{\odot}$ Married to Helene Sophie Olsson who became mother of his four daughters: Ruth, Grace, Elizabeth and Dorothy
1893-1897	$_{\odot}$ Work in India as secretary of the college department of the Y.M.C.A.
1897-1899	○ In the U.S.
1899-1902	$_{\odot}$ General Secretary of the Indian National Council of Y.M.C.A.'s. Forced to return from India due to ill health
1903-1904	$_{\odot}$ Traveling secretary for Student Christian Movement of Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Finland
1905-1916	 Work with the Student Christian Movement of Great Britain and Ireland as Traveling Secretary, London Secretary and Evangelistic Secretary. During this period Wilder also worked for the World Student Christian Federation, speaking at universities throughout continental Europe.
1916-1919	$_{\odot}$ Senior Secretary of Religious Work Department of International Committee of Y.M.C.A. (in U.S.A.)
1919-1927	o General Secretary of Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions
1927-1933	 Executive Secretary of Near East Christian Council
1934-1935	$_{\odot}\text{Spoke}$ at conferences for the Intervarsity Fellowship of Evangelical Unions in Great Britain
1938 Mar 27	⊙ Died

Biographical information taken from Who Was Who in America, Vol. 1, 1897-1942

Scope and Contents

I. Correspondence

II. Notebooks and Diaries

III. Writings

IV. Printed Material

V. Personal Items and Memorabilia

The majority of the letters are addressed to Wilder; they are primarily in manuscript form and several European languages are represented. Correspondence with John R. Mott was not included in the chronological sequence of the general correspondence because of the bulk and substance of these letters. The letters in the general section and those exchanged with John R. Mott are a valuable source of documentation for the researcher interested in the development of the missionary movement among students. Wilder was intimately involved in student missionary movements in the United States and Europe from their conception in the late nineteenth century through to the dissensions which arose between conservative and liberal elements in the movements in the 1920's and 1930's. The development of the Student Volunteer Movement in the United States can be traced from Wilder's first trip to colleges and universities in 1887 to his tenure as General Secretary of the Movement and in extensive correspondence with Jesse R. Wilson, his successor as General Secretary. The student missionary movement in Great Britain between 1905 and 1916 is documented by substantive correspondence reporting statistics and events. Outside of the field of student missionary work, Wilder's role in the development of the Near East Christian Council is documented in his correspondence from 1927 to 1933. Earlier letters from John N. Forman give informative accounts of missionary work in India, dealing with matters of method and policy.

The Family Correspondence in this collection is not extensive but does provide valuable insight into the early mission work of Wilder's parents in India. The elder Wilders sailed for India in 1846 as missionaries under the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. In 1852 they founded the Kolhapur (or Kolapoor) Mission where they engaged in educational work later independently and under the Presbyterian Board until 1875.

The notebooks and diaries of Series II date from 1880 to 1938. All were written by Wilder except two small volumes belonging to his mother and one written by John N. Forman, Wilder's colleague in Student Volunteer Movement work and a missionary in India. Entries in Wilder's diaries are somewhat sporadic and include descriptions of daily events and notes regarding discussions and meetings. Notebooks from Wilder's student days include notes from addresses heard at the Northfield, Massachusetts summer school in 1888, as well as class notes.

The writings of Series III are divided into three sections:

- A. Addresses, Bible study notes (1882-1935, n.d.)
- B. Published writings (1890-1935, n.d.)
- C. Reports, report letters (1888-1933, n.d.)

A major portion of Wilder's time was spent in speaking to audiences on various aspects of the Christian life. Wilder's addresses and notes for discussions are arranged topically with subjects ranging from prayer to work in India to the student missionary movement. Wilder's published writings covered many of the same subject areas and appeared in various European languages. The reports section of Series II provides an informative outline of Wilder's activities in association with the various organizations which he served.

The printed material in Series IV is also divided into three sections:

- A. Reviews of Wilder's publications (1899-1937, n.d.)
- B. Material related to the various organizations served by Wilder (1840-1937, n.d.)
- C. Miscellaneous

Series V, Personal Items and Memorabilia includes:

A. Genealogical material (1878-1926, n.d.) which documents Wilder's claim as a Mayflower descendant.

- B. Material related to Wilder's parents and sister (1840-1929, n.d.), including an interesting series of communications between Royal G. Wilder and government officials in India regarding a property dispute.
- C. Biographical material regarding Wilder (1887-1940, n.d.) including clippings and articles, publicity notices, and material gathered by Ruth Wilder Braisted in her preparations for writing a biography of her father.
- D. Photographs (1879-192S, n.d.), primarily of Wilder and family members.
- E. Miscellaneous personal items, including material such as Wilder's Bible and the notice of his engagement.

Arrangement

- I. Correspondence
- II. Notebooks and Diaries
- III. Writings
- IV. Printed Material
- V. Personal Items and Memorabilia

Collection Contents

Series I: Correspondence

A. General correspondence is arranged chronologically with notable correspondents indicated on the folder headings. One folder of undated and fragmentary correspondence follows the dated material.

B. Correspondence with John R. Mott is arranged chronologically.

Correspondence of John R. Mott located in the General Correspondence section consists only of copies of letters sent to Wilder by other correspondents.

C. Family correspondence is arranged by family members:

Royal G. and Eliza Jane Wilder (parents)

Grace Wilder (sister)

William Wilder (brother)

Helene Wilder (wife)

Ruth, Grace, Elizabeth and Dorothy Wilder (daughters)

Other family members.

The material is arranged chronologically within each of these sections.

Frequent or notable correspondents include:

Barbour, George,

Beach, Harlan P.,

Black, Howard,

Braisted, Paul,

Brown, Arthur Judson,

Forman, John N.,

Fraser, Donald,

Fries, Karl,

Frost, Henry W.,

Hallesby, Ole,

Henriod, Henry-Louis,

Holden, J. Stuart,

Johnson, Douglas,

Latourette, Kenneth Scott,

McBrier, Edwin M.,

McCosh, James,

McCulloch, William P.,

Mackie, Robert C.,

MacMillan, Hugh,

Miller, Francis,

Miller, Wlliam McE.,

Moltke, Count Joakim,

Moody, Dwight L.

Moorhead, Max Wood

Mott, John R.

Nicol, James H.

Nicolay, Baron Paul

Ober, Charles K.

Oldham, Joseph H.

Paton, William

Pelly, Richard Lawrence

Phildius, Eberhard

Pierson, Delavan

Porteous, Robert W.

Porter, David R.

Reid, David Rose, William Rutgers, H.C. Seton, Walter

Chronologically arranged correspondence

b. 1, f. 1	Various	1878-1880
b. 1, f. 2	Various	1881-1885
b. 1, f. 3	Incl. from: William P. Taylor; C.K. Ober; Luther D. Wishard	1886
b. 1, f. 4	Incl. from: John Forman; L.D. Wishard; C.K. Ober; Henry Clay Trumbull	1887 Jan-May
b. 1, f. 5	Incl from: J. Forman; L.D. Wishard; Robert Speer	1887 Jun-Dec
b. 1, f. 6	Incl. from: Samuel M. Zwemer; J. Forman; R. Speer	1888 Jan-Apr
b. 1, f. 7	Incl. from: S. Zwemer; R. Speer	1888 May-Jul
b. 1, f. 8	Incl. from: J. Hudson Taylor; S. Zwemer; R. Speer	1888 Aug-Sep
b. 1, f. 9	Various	1888 Oct-Dec
b. 1, f. 10	Incl. from: J. Forman; L. Wishard, R. Speer	1889 Jan-Apr
b. 1, f. 11	Incl. from: Karl Fries	1889 May-Jul
b. 1, f. 12	Incl. from: J. Forman; K. Fries; R. Speer	1889 Aug-Dec
b. 2, f. 13	Incl. from: R. Speer	1890
b. 2, f. 14	Incl. from: William G.T. Shedd; Dwight L. Moody; James McCosh	1891 Jan-Jun
b. 2, f. 15	Incl. from: L. Wishard; J. Moltke	1892
b. 2, f. 16	Incl. from: L. Wishard	1893
b. 2, f. 17	Incl. from: S. Zwemer; J. Moltke	1894-1895
b. 2, f. 18	Incl. from: J.N. Farquhar	1896-1897 Feb
b. 2, f. 19	Incl. to/from: R. Speer	1897 Mar-1898
b. 2, f. 20	Incl. from: H.N. Luce G.S. Eddy R. Speer	1899 Jan-Jul
b. 2, f. 21	Incl. from: R. Speer	1899 Sep-Dec
b. 2, f. 22	Incl. from: G.S. Eddy R. Speer	1900 Jan-Mar
b. 2, f. 23	Incl. from: G.S. Eddy	1900 Apr-May
b. 2, f. 24	Incl. from: G.S. Eddy; J. Moltke; R. Speer	1900 Jun-Aug
b. 2, f. 25	Various	1900 Sep-Dec
b. 3, f. 26	Incl. from: R.A. Hume	1901 Jan-Mar
b. 3, f. 27	Incl. from: G.S. Eddy	1901 Apr-May

Chronologically arranged correspondence (continued)

b. 3, f. 28	Incl. from: John R. Mott; G.S. Eddy	1901 Jun-Dec
b. 3, f. 29	Incl. from: G.S. Eddy J.R. Mott; K. Fries; J. Moltke; Paul Nicolay	1902
b. 3, f. 30	Incl. from: K. Fries; J. Moltke; P. Nicolay; Tissington Tatlow	1903-1904
b. 3, f. 31	Incl. from: P. Nicolay; T. Tatlow	1905 Jan-Sep
b. 3, f. 32	Incl. from: P. Nicolay; T. Tatlow	1905 Oct-Dec
b. 3, f. 33	Incl. from: J.R. Mott; Robert E. Speer; Karl Fries; J. Moltke; P. Nicolay	1906 Jan-Mar
b. 3, f. 34	Incl to/from: T. Tatlow	1906 Apr-Dec
b. 3, f. 35	Incl. from: T. Tatlow	1907 Jan-Jun
b. 4, f. 36	Incl. from: K. Fries; J. Moltke; T. Tatlow	1907 Aug-Dec
b. 4, f. 37	Incl. from: K. Fries; T. Tatlow	1908
b. 4, f. 38	Incl. from: P. Nicolay; T. Tatlow	1909
b. 4, f. 39	Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; P. Nicolay; T. Tatlow	1910
b. 4, f. 40	Incl. to/from: Wm. W. Borden; J.R. Mott; K. Fries; R. Speer; T. Tatlow	1911
b. 4, f. 41	Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; J. Moltke; T. Tatlow	1912 Jan-Jul
b. 4, f. 42	Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; Wm. W. Borden; K. Fries; P. Nicolay; T. Tatlow	1912 Aug-Dec
b. 4, f. 43	Incl. to: P. Nicolay; T. Tatlow	1913 Jan-Aug
b. 4, f. 43 b. 4, f. 44	Incl. to: P. Nicolay; T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; T. Tatlow	1913 Jan-Aug 1913 Sep-Dec
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b. 4, f. 44	Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; T. Tatlow	1913 Sep-Dec
b. 4, f. 44 b. 5, f. 45	Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; T. Tatlow Various	1913 Sep-Dec 1914 Jan-Mar
b. 4, f. 44 b. 5, f. 45 b. 5, f. 46	Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; T. Tatlow Various Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow	1913 Sep-Dec 1914 Jan-Mar 1914 Apr-May
b. 4, f. 44 b. 5, f. 45 b. 5, f. 46 b. 5, f. 47	Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; T. Tatlow Various Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow Incl. from: K. Fries	1913 Sep-Dec 1914 Jan-Mar 1914 Apr-May 1914 Jun-Jul
b. 4, f. 44 b. 5, f. 45 b. 5, f. 46 b. 5, f. 47 b. 5, f. 48	Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; T. Tatlow Various Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow Incl. from: K. Fries Incl. from: K. Fries; J. Moltke; T. Tatlow	1913 Sep-Dec 1914 Jan-Mar 1914 Apr-May 1914 Jun-Jul 1914 Aug-Dec
b. 4, f. 44 b. 5, f. 45 b. 5, f. 46 b. 5, f. 47 b. 5, f. 48 b. 5, f. 49	Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; T. Tatlow Various Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow Incl. from: K. Fries Incl. from: K. Fries; J. Moltke; T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow	1913 Sep-Dec 1914 Jan-Mar 1914 Apr-May 1914 Jun-Jul 1914 Aug-Dec 1915 Jan-May
b. 4, f. 44 b. 5, f. 45 b. 5, f. 46 b. 5, f. 47 b. 5, f. 48 b. 5, f. 49 b. 5, f. 50	Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; T. Tatlow Various Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow Incl. from: K. Fries Incl. from: K. Fries; J. Moltke; T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: T. Tatlow	1913 Sep-Dec 1914 Jan-Mar 1914 Apr-May 1914 Jun-Jul 1914 Aug-Dec 1915 Jan-May 1915 Jun-Dec
b. 4, f. 44 b. 5, f. 45 b. 5, f. 46 b. 5, f. 47 b. 5, f. 48 b. 5, f. 49 b. 5, f. 50 b. 5, f. 51	Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; T. Tatlow Various Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow Incl. from: K. Fries Incl. from: K. Fries; J. Moltke; T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; K. Fries; J. Moltke; P. Nicolay; T. Tatlow	1913 Sep-Dec 1914 Jan-Mar 1914 Apr-May 1914 Jun-Jul 1914 Aug-Dec 1915 Jan-May 1915 Jun-Dec 1916 Jan-Apr
b. 4, f. 44 b. 5, f. 45 b. 5, f. 46 b. 5, f. 47 b. 5, f. 48 b. 5, f. 49 b. 5, f. 50 b. 5, f. 51 b. 5, f. 52	Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; T. Tatlow Various Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow Incl. from: K. Fries Incl. from: K. Fries; J. Moltke; T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; K. Fries; J. Moltke; P. Nicolay; T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: P. Nicolay; T. Tatlow	1913 Sep-Dec 1914 Jan-Mar 1914 Apr-May 1914 Jun-Jul 1914 Aug-Dec 1915 Jan-May 1915 Jun-Dec 1916 Jan-Apr 1916 May-Jun
b. 4, f. 44 b. 5, f. 45 b. 5, f. 46 b. 5, f. 47 b. 5, f. 48 b. 5, f. 49 b. 5, f. 50 b. 5, f. 51 b. 5, f. 52 b. 5, f. 53	Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; T. Tatlow Various Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow Incl. from: K. Fries Incl. from: K. Fries; J. Moltke; T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: G.S. Eddy; K. Fries; J. Moltke; P. Nicolay; T. Tatlow Incl. to/from: P. Nicolay; T. Tatlow Incl. from: P. Nicolay	1913 Sep-Dec 1914 Jan-Mar 1914 Apr-May 1914 Jun-Jul 1914 Aug-Dec 1915 Jan-May 1915 Jun-Dec 1916 Jan-Apr 1916 May-Jun 1916 Jul-Dec
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b. 6, f. 58	Incl. from: David R. Porter; J.R. Mott; P. Nicolay	1919 May-Aug
b. 6, f. 59	Incl. to/from: J. Moltke; J.R. Mott; T. Tatlow	1919 Sep-Dec
b. 6, f. 60	Incl. to/from: S. Zwemer; J. Moltke; T. Tatlow	1920 Jan-Jun
b. 6, f. 61	Incl. to/from: J. Moltke; T. Tatlow	1920 Jul-Dec
b. 6, f. 62	Incl. to/from: J. Moltke; T. Tatlow	1921
b. 6, f. 63	Various	1922 Jan-Jul
b. 6, f. 64	Incl. from: J. Moltke	1922 Aug-Dec
b. 6, f. 65	Incl. to/from: S.W. Zwemer; Pierre Maury; J. Moltke; T. Tatlow	1923
b. 7 , f. 66	Incl. to/from: Kenneth Scott Latourette; J. Moltke; T. Tatlow	1924
b. 7 , f. 67	Incl. to/from: Arthur Judson Brown; J. Moltke; T. Tatlow	1925
b. 7, f. 68	Incl. to/from: Jesse R. Wilson; J. Moltke; R. Speer	1926
b. 7, f. 69	Incl. to/from: Jesse R. Wilson; R. Speer	1927 Jan-Jun
b. 7, f. 70	Incl. to/from: K.S. Latourette; J.R. Wilson	1927 Jul-Sep
b. 7 , f. 71	Incl. to/from: Arthur Judson Brown; J.R. Wilson	1927 Oct-Dec
b. 7, f. 72	Incl. from: J.R. Wilson	1928 Jan-Mar
b. 7, f. 73	Incl. to/from: J.R. Wilson; J. Moltke	1928 Apr-Sep
b. 7 , f. 74	Incl. to/from: J.R. Wilson J. Moltke	1928 Oct-Dec
b. 8, f. 75	Various	1929 Jan-Jun
b. 8, f. 76	Incl. to/from: J.R. Wilson	1929 Jul-Dec
b. 8, f. 77	Incl. from: Charles T. Studd; J.R. Wilson; T. Tatlow	1930 Jan-May
b. 8, f. 78	Incl. to: J.R. Wilson	1930 Jun-Dec
b. 8, f. 79	Various	1931 Jan-Jun
b. 8, f. 80	Incl. from: K. Fries	1931 Jul-Dec
b. 8, f. 81	Various	1932 Jan-Mar
b. 8, f. 82	Incl. to: K.S. Latourette; J.R. Wilson	1932 Apr-Oct
b. 8, f. 83	Incl. from: K.S. Latourette; S. Zwemer; R. Speer	1932 Nov-Dec
b. 8, f. 84	Incl. to/from: S. Zwemer; J.R. Wilson; K. Fries; J. Moltke; R. Speer	1933 Jan-Mar
b. 8, f. 85	Incl. to/from: J.R. Wilson; K. Fries; T. Tatlow	1933 Apr-Jun
b. 8, f. 86	Incl. to/from: J.R. Wilson; K. Fries; J. Moltke	1933 Jul-Aug
b. 8, f. 87	Incl. to/from: J.R. Wilson	1933 Sep-Dec

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b. 9, f. 88	Incl. to: J.R. Wilson	1934 Jan-Feb
b. 9, f. 89	Various	1934 Mar-Apr
b. 9, f. 90	Incl. from: J.R. Wilson	1934 May-Jun
b. 9, f. 91	Incl. from: J.R. Wilson	1934 Jul-Oct
b. 9, f. 92	Incl. to/from: T. Tatlow	1934 Nov-Dec
b. 9, f. 93	Various	1935 Jan-Apr
b. 9, f. 94	Incl. to/from: J.R. Wilson; K. Fries	1935 May-Dec
b. 9, f. 95	Incl. from: J.R. Wilson	1936
b. 9, f. 96	Various	1937-1938 Feb
b. 9, f. 97	Letters of sympathy following Wilder's death	1938 Mar
b. 9, f. 98	Letters of sympathy following Wilder's death	1938 Apr
b. 9, f. 99	Letters of sympathy following Wilder's death	1938 May-Dec
b. 9, f. 100	Fragments and undated	n.d.
b. 9, f. 101	Correspondence regarding personnel on SVM staff	1924-1926, n.d.
Co	orrespondence with John R. Mott	
b. 10, f. 102-115	Letters to/from Mott	1886-1920
		1886-1920 1921-1937, n.d.
b. 10, f. 102-115 b. 11, f. 116-124	Letters to/from Mott	
b. 10, f. 102-115 b. 11, f. 116-124	Letters to/from Mott Letters to/from Mott	
b. 10, f. 102-115 b. 11, f. 116-124	Letters to/from Mott Letters to/from Mott prrespondence: Family	1921-1937, n.d.
b. 10, f. 102-115 b. 11, f. 116-124 Co b. 12, f. 125	Letters to/from Mott Letters to/from Mott prrespondence: Family To/from R.G. and E.J. Wilder (parents)	1921-1937, n.d. 1841-1846
b. 10, f. 102-115 b. 11, f. 116-124 Co b. 12, f. 125 b. 12, f. 126	Letters to/from Mott Letters to/from Mott prrespondence: Family To/from R.G. and E.J. Wilder (parents) To/from R.G. and E.J. Wilder (parents)	1921-1937, n.d. 1841-1846 1847-1864
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b. 14, f. 145	R.P. Wilder	1905
b. 14, f. 146	R.P. Wilder	1906-1907
b. 14, f. 147	R.P. Wilder	1908-1909
b. 14, f. 148	R.P. Wilder	1910-1916
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b. 15, f. 150	R.P. Wilder	1916-1922
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b. 15, f. 153	Eliza Jane (Smith) Wilder; John N. Forman	1916

Series III: Writings

- A. Addresses, Bible study notes are arranged alphabetically by topic.
- B. Published writings are arranged chronologically.
- C. Reports, report letters are arranged chronologically.

Addresses, Bible Study Notes

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b. 16, f. 158	re: Miscellaneous subjects	1882-1935
b. 16, f. 159	re: Miscellaneous subjects	n.d.
b. 16, f. 160	re: Miscellaneous subjects	n.d.
b. 16, f. 161	re: Miscellaneous subjects/Fragments, outlines	1893-1929, n.d.
b. 16, f. 162	re: Miscellaneous subjects/Fragments, outlines	n.d.
b. 17, f. 163	re: Miscellaneous subjects/in Norwegian	1908-1935, n.d.
b. 17, f. 164	re: Miscellaneous subjects/in Norwegian	n.d.
b. 17, f. 165	re: Missions	1886-1935
b. 17, f. 166	re: Missions	n.d.
b. 17, f. 167	re: Missions	n.d.
b. 17, f. 168	re: Near East Christian Council	1929-1933, n.d.
b. 17, f. 169	re: Prayer/guidance	1894-1936
b. 17, f. 170	re: Prayer/guidance	n.d.
b. 17, f. 171	re: Spiritual regeneration and growth	1890-1933
b. 17, f. 172	re: Spiritual regeneration and growth	n.d.
b. 18, f. 173	re: Spiritual regeneration and growth	n.d.
b. 18, f. 174	re: Students/Student Volunteer Mvt.	1906-1926
b. 18, f. 175	re: Students/Student Volunteer Mvt.	n.d.
b. 18 , f. 176	re: Students/Student Volunteer Mvt.	n.d.
b. 26	Notes on index cards on a variety of topics	No date
	Published Writings	
b. 19, f. 177-182	Various	1890-1835, n.d.

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b. 20, f. 183-196 Of Wilder 1888-1933, n.d.

Series IV: Printed material

- A. Reviews of Wilder's books are arranged chronologically.
- B. Material related to organizations served by Wilder is arranged alphabetically by the name of the organization.
- C. Miscellaneous: one folder of material.

Reviews of Wilder's books

b. 21, f. 197	Various	1899-1937, n.d.
Material related to organizations served by Wilder		
b. 21, f. 198	Council of North American Student Movements	1920-1921
b. 21, f. 199	European Student Relief	1921-1923
b. 21, f. 200	Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America	1919
b. 21, f. 201	Indian National Council of Y.M.C.A.'s	1899-1901
b. 21, f. 202	Indian National Council of Y.M.C.A.'s	1902-1903, n.d.
b. 21, f. 203	Intervarsity Fellowship of Evangelical Unions	1928-1935, n.d.
b. 21, f. 204	Near East Christian Council	1926-1937
b. 22, f. 205	Student Christian Movement of Great Britain and Ireland (incl. Student Volunteer Mission ary Union)	1888-1934, n.d.
b. 22, f. 206	Student Volunteer Movements in Europe	1892-1904, n.d.
b. 22, f. 207	Student Volunteer Movement in India	1898,1901, n.d.
b. 22, f. 208	Student Volunteer Movement in U.S.A.	1886- 1933
b. 22, f. 209	Student Volunteer Movement in U.S.A.	n.d.
b. 22, f. 210	World's Student Christian Federation	1888- 1921
b. 22, f. 211	World's Student Christian Federation	1922-1930
b. 22, f. 212	World's Student Christian Federation	n.d.
b. 23, f. 213	World's Young Women's Christian Association	1931, n.d.
b. 23, f. 214	Young Men's Christian Association	1899-1933, n.d.
	Miscellaneous printed material	
b. 23, f. 215	Various	

Series V: Personal items and memorabilia

- A. Genealogical material: arranged chronologically.
- B. Material related to Wilder's parents and sister: arranged chronologically.
- C. Biographical material: each section arranged chronologically.
 - 1. Clippings and articles.
 - 2. Publicity notices, itineraries.
 - 3. Material gathered by Ruth Wilder Braisted.
- D. Photographs: arranged chronologically.
- E. Miscellaneous personal items: arranged chronologically.

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b. 23, f. 217	Various	1919-1926, n.d.
Ma	terial related to Wilder's parents and sister	
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b. 23, f. 219	Incl. regarding property dispute, Kolapoor Mission reports	1871-1874
b. 23, f. 220	Incl. regarding property dispute, Kolapoor Mission reports	1875–1877
b. 23, f. 221-222	Various	1883-1935, n.d.
Bio	graphical material	
b. 24, f. 223	Clippings, articles	1888- 1900
b. 24, f. 224	Clippings, articles	1903-1908
b. 24, f. 225	Clippings, articles	1910-1913
b. 24, f. 226	Clippings, articles	1914-1919
b. 24, f. 227	Clippings, articles	1920-1924
b. 24, f. 228	Clippings, articles	1925-1933
b. 24, f. 229	Clippings, articles	1934-1937
b. 24, f. 230	Clippings, articles	1938
b. 24, f. 231	Clippings, articles	n.d.
b. 24, f. 232	Clippings, articles, Autobiographical sketch	n.d.
b. 24, f. 233	Publicity notices, itineraries	1887-1909
b. 24, f. 234	Publicity notices, itineraries	1909-1912
b. 24, f. 235	Publicity notices, itineraries	1913-1916
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Biographical material (continued)

b. 24, f. 239	Publicity notices, itineraries	n.d.
b. 25, f. 240	Material gathered by Ruth Wilder Braisted	1924-1939 Aug
b. 25, f. 241	Material gathered by Ruth Wilder Braisted	1939 Sep-1940, n.d.
b. 25, f. 242	Material gathered by Ruth Wilder Braisted	n.d.
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	Miscellaneous personal items	
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Subjects

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Names

Eddy, Sherwood, 1871-1963
Forman, John N., -1967
Fries, Karl, 1861-1943
Latourette, Kenneth Scott, 1884-1968
Mott, John R. (John Raleigh), 1865-1955
Porter, David R. (David Richard), 1882-1973
Speer, Robert E. (Robert Elliott), 1867-1947
Tatlow, Tissington, 1876-1957
Wilder, Grace
Wilder, Robert P., 1863-1938
Wilder, Royal Gould, 1816-1887
Zwemer, Samuel Marinus, 1867-1952

Corporate Bodies

Near East Christian Council Student Christian Movement (Great Britain) Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions