

Visual materials from the Booker T. Washington papers



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Collection Summary

Title: Visual materials from the Booker T. Washington papers

Dates: 1889-1935

Bulk Dates: bulk 1897-1915

Call No.: LOT 13164

Physical Description: 701 items (chiefly photographic prints); 57 x 41 cm. or smaller.

Location: Prints & Photographs Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Summary: Photographs document the activities of Booker T. Washington as a leader and agrarian organizer in the South at the turn of the century. Many depict Booker T. Washington's speaking engagements at such places as Ocala, Tallahassee, and Daytona, Fla.; Mound Bayou, Miss.; and Baton Rouge, La. The collection also includes photographs that document classes and activities at the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., including a parade for the celebration of the visit of President Theodore Roosevelt on October 24, 1905; celebrations for the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Institute in 1906; and students building dormitories and other facilities. Also includes a group portrait of the faculty of the Institute in 1897, as well as a few images of such faculty members as Frederick Douglass, Emmett Scott, and George Washington Carver. In addition, the collection contains portraits of other African Americans, including Blanche K. Bruce, Henry O. Tanner, John R. Lynch, Richard T. Greener, and John M. Langston, as well as alumni of Tuskegee Institute. Also includes portraits of African American students at other schools in the South. Many images are unique because of personal inscriptions to Booker T. Washington.

Language: Collection material in English

Note:

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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

Bedou, A. P. (Arthur P.), 1882-1966, photographer.

Johnston, Frances Benjamin, 1864-1952, photographer.

Washington, Booker T., 1856-1915, collector.

Washington, Booker T., 1856-1915.

Organizations

Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute--1880-1940.

Subjects

African Americans--1880-1940.

Buildings--1880-1940.

Educational facilities--United States--1880-1940.

Floats (Parades)--Alabama--Tuskegee--1900-1910.

Public speaking--1900-1920.

School children--1880-1940.

Schools--United States--1890-1940.

Students--1890-1940.

Universities & colleges--United States--1890-1940.

Women--Education--United States--1880-1940.

Women--Education--United States--1880-1940.

Form/Genre

Albumen prints--1880-1920.

Gelatin silver prints--1890-1940.

Group portraits--1880-1940.

Photomechanical prints--1890-1940.
Portraits--1880-1940.

Administrative Information

Provenance

Transfer; Manuscript Division (Booker T. Washington papers); 1973 (DLC/PP-1973:148), 1995 (DLC/PP-1995:013).

Restrictions

No known donor restrictions. Rights status of individual images not evaluated. For more information see reference aid: [Copyright and Other Restrictions Which Apply to Publication and Other Forms of Distribution of Images: Sources of Information.](#)

Additional form available

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Surrogates

Six original film negatives are stored offsite under the filing series designation LC-W2723-1 through LC-W2723-6. One glass lantern slide is stored under the filing designation LC-W2733-1. Surrogates for these images in the form of color laser photocopies have been interfiled within the LOT.

The LOT also includes original damaged photoprints which have been reformatted as digital surrogates for access purposes. These digitized images were printed and have been interfiled within the LOT for reference purposes. The original damaged photographs cannot be served.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Booker T. Washington was born into slavery in 1856 and after Emancipation grew up in the Kanawha Valley of West Va. At the age of 16 he enrolled in the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, Va. In 1881, on the recommendation of staff of the Hampton Institute, he was hired to found a school for African Americans in Tuskegee, Ala. Booker T. Washington became a prominent leader as the result of his fund-raising efforts for Tuskegee. By 1895, Washington had a reputation as a public speaker which is reflected in this collection. He gained the respect of Theodore Roosevelt, who became a trustee of Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute in 1910. Washington died at Tuskegee on November 14, 1915 shortly after a speaking engagement in the Northeast.

Scope and Content Note

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African American students at other schools in the South. Many images are unique because of personal inscriptions to Booker T. Washington.

Organization of the Papers

Arranged by subject and size into twelve sub-groups as follows: Booker T. Washington portraits and memorials (LOT 13164-A); Washington at public speaking engagements (LOT 13164-B); Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute (LOT 13164-C); Portraits (LOT 13164-D and LOT 13164-E); Colleges & Universities (LOT 13164-F); Canning & Poultry Club Conference, Caroline Co., Va., Aug. 8, 1913 (LOT 13164-G); YMCA buildings and facilities (LOT 13164-H); Identified and unidentified buildings (LOT 13164-I and LOT 13164-J); Agricultural workers (LOT 13164-K); Miscellaneous (LOT 13164-L).

Description of Series

Container

Series

Portraits, statues, and memorials of Booker T. Washington and his family ca. 1890-1935

LOT 13164-A

Box 1 (F size) and Box 6 (H size)

Also includes group portraits of Washington family members; a reproduction of a landscape painting by Mrs. Frank R. Hill entitled "Mt. Booker Washington," (1904); a design for a memorial portrait group designed and copyrighted by photographer C.M. Battey (c1911); one portrait of Margaret Murray Washington.

Washington at public speaking engagements ca. 1900-1914

LOT 13164-B

Box 1 (F size) and Box 6 (H size)

Includes Washington addressing large crowds at locations in Arkansas, California, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia as well as other unidentified locations. Also views of crowds gathered at the various venues; Washington traveling by coach, automobile, and train to locations; some group portraits, including one of Washington posing with Mary McCloud Bethune.

Arranged alphabetically by city.

Tuskegee Institute 1890-1910

LOT 13164-C

Box 2 (F size), Box 6 (H size), and Box 8 (OH size)

Includes campus views of buildings and monuments, student portraits, campus events, including a celebration and parade for President Theodore Roosevelt in 1905 and a 25th anniversary ceremony. Also includes portraits of faculty and alumni; students attending classes.

Portraits of Washington's associates ca. 1889-1914

LOT 13164-D

Box 3 (F size) and Box 6 (H size)

Arranged alphabetically by sitter's surname.

Unidentified portraits ca. 1890-ca. 1915

LOT 13164-E

Box 4 (F size) and Box 7 (H size)

Includes men, women, and children. Also group portraits.

Colleges and schools (excluding Tuskegee) ca. 1900-1916

LOT 13164-F

Boxes 5 (F size) and Box 7 (H size)

Includes public schools and colleges primarily in the South; school buildings and group portraits of students standing in front of school buildings; campus views; students attending classes. Also two portraits of Hawaiian school children; one portrait of Japanese school children.

Arranged alphabetically by school name.

Canning & Poultry Club Conference, Caroline Co. Aug. 8, 1913

LOT 13164-G

Box 5 (F size)

YMCA 1912-ca. 1915

LOT 13164-H

Box 5 (F size)

Includes buildings and activities at YMCA facilities in Arundel-on-the-Bay, Md., Bexton, Iowa, Chicago, Ill., Columbus, Ga., Indianapolis, Ind., Philadelphia, Washington, D.C. Arranged alphabetically by city.

Buildings ca. 1900-ca. 1915

LOT 13164-I

Box 5 (F size)

Residences, commercial buildings, and churches. Includes the Frederick Douglass home in Anacostia, Washington, D.C. Includes views in Alabama, Florida, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Virginia. Arranged alphabetically by city.

Unidentified buildings ca. 1900-ca. 1915

LOT 13164-J

Box 5 (F size)

Exterior views of dwellings and commercial buildings.

Agricultural workers ca. 1905-ca. 1915

LOT 13164-K

Box 5 (F size)

Children and adults working or posing in gardens. One group portrait of two aged women posing in front of a tent.

Miscellaneous subjects ca. 1900-ca. 1910

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Altiers, Genoiro 1906 Puerto Rico

Amos, Moses, Dr. 1904 Gate City, Georgia

Arkansas Business Mens League

Baldwin, William

(H size)

Borchers, [Edw. ?] 1903

Bromet, M.S. 1904 Paris

Brooks, A. L., Major

Brown, E. S. Cambridge, Massachusetts

Bruce, Blanche K.

(H Size)

Campbell, C. Durham

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Contents

Chase, Henry W. Washington, D.C.
Coleman, Henry F. Mt. Vernon, Iowa
Cooley, Elizabeth Cooley, Elizabeth
Cooley, Elizabeth San Antonio, Texas
Dowling, Oscar, Dr.
Drouillard, Geo. Cliff. Georges Creek
Douglass, Frederick
Ellison, Geo. S.
Evans, [Z?] T. The Corning Mattress Works
Fisher, Isaac Branch Normal College
Floyd, W. D. Hawkinsville, Alabama
Forrester, Stephenie
Freeman, Julius Wilson, North Carolina
Gibbs, M. W. [Washington, D.C.]
Greener, Richard T.
(H size)
Griggs, E. M. [Texas]
Guy, Ira O. [Kansas]
Haas, Henry Hubert, L.L.D. 1906 Roanoke, Virginia
Hardin, Mrs. G. C., and little Margarete
Harford, Mark A.
Herren, John W. Atlanta, Georgia
Jackson, and Emmett J. Scott
James, Jim 1911 West Point City
Johnson, James W.
(photos filed under Moton, Robert R.)
Jones, Acie 1911 Thomasville, Georgia
Jones, Lula H. 1914
Langston, John Mercer
(H size)
LeBeouf, Miss
Lucas, Dora [Ohio]
Lynch, John R.
(H size)
Lyon, Ernest (Consul-General to the Republic of Liberia), and Emmett J. Scott 1909
Marr, J. M. Moundbayou, Mississippi
Martin, Isaac D. [Alabama]
(2 poses)
Mason, [W. G.]
Maxwell, Minnie P. Zenia, Ohio
Maytes, A. L. Chicago, Illinois
Millers Wonderful Musical Family of Washington, D.C.
Millie & Christine (Siamese twins)
Mitchell 1906 [Illinois]
Monteria Silva, F. R. 1907 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
Morris, S. L.
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Payton, J. W. [South Carolina]
Plummer, D. J. Bournemouth, England
Powell, Annie M. Washington, D.C.
Pratt, Lawton L. [1913]
Reid, William Cooper 1903 Fulton, Mississippi
Roosevelt family
Roosevelt, Theodore 1908
Sanghorne, Edw. T. [1910]
Scott, Emmett J.
(2 poses)
Sheridan, James Jay 1903 Chicago
Simons, H. L. Columbia, South Carolina
Soga, A. Kirkland East London, South Africa
Swann, J. Richard
Tanner, Henry O.
(H size)
Terborg, William Surinam
Terry, Matt
[Toicard, C.?] 1905 Haiti
(2 poses)
Walker, S. C. [California]
Watkins, son of Lee W.

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Index to Photographers in LOT 13164

Names of photographers and studios--and the cities and states in which they operated-- are noted below as they appear on the photographs. Studio names appear in direct order; personal names in invented order (i.e., filed by surname).

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Bell, J.S., Portland, OR

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Bilbrey, Tuskegee, AL

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Bilbrey, G.M., Tuskegee, AL

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Connel-Irwin, Martins Ferry, OH

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Cox Brothers, Tuskegee, AL

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Killick, J. H., London, England
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Lingwood & Jakins, East London, South Africa
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Livingston, Chas. S., Montgomery, AL
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McMullan, C.H., Greenville, AL
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Macon Art Gallery, Macon, GA
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Marshall-Jackson Company, Chicago, IL
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Maury, Salem [VA]
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Partridge, Geo. H., Chicago, IL
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