Finding Aid

Arthur P. Bedou, 1882-1966

Photographs, 1900-1988 and n.d.

0.8 linear feet (in 1 standard legal-size box and 1 oversize box)

Acc. No. 95-1

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University Archives and Special Collections Division

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Scope Note

The collection measures 0.8 linear feet and consists almost entirely of photographs by the leading black photographer in New Orleans in the early to mid-twentieth century, reflecting Mr. Bedou’s work for clients in the city and for Booker T. Washington on tour. There are five series as follows:

I. NEW ORLEANS
   Subseries A: Individuals
   Subseries B: Groups
   Subseries C: Buildings

II. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON
   Subseries A: Individual
   Subseries B: Groups

III. OTHER INDIVIDUALS

IV. OVERSIZE

V. NON-PHOTOGRAPHIC ITEMS
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Shelf List

Box 1 (standard legal-size)

SERIES I: NEW ORLEANS

Subseries A: Individuals
1/1* Arthur P. Bedou** (with biographical attachments)
1/2 John A. Clarke, 1915
1/3 Walter L. Cohen (4 items)
1/4 Isaiah Scott

Subseries B: Groups (See also Box 2 for oversize.)
1/5 Sisters of the Holy Family (3 items)
1/6 Grace African Methodist Episcopal Church
1/7 Unidentified Methodist Episcopal Church (2 items)
1/8 Dedication of Bienville (Wicker) School
1/9 Craig School Kinder Band (2 items)
1/10 Corpus Christi, groundbreaking for school, May 12, 1918 (4 items)
1/11 Corpus Christi, Second Solemn Communion, June 2, 1918 (4 items)
1/12 Corpus Christi, blessing of cornerstone of school, March 16, 1919 (5 items)
1/13 Corpus Christi, First Communion, June 22, 1919
1/14 Corpus Christi, men and boys in front of school (2 items)
1/15 Unidentified outdoor Roman Catholic ceremony
1/16 Straight University, teachers
1/16A Xavier University, graduates, 1929 (first college graduation class), and 1956 (2 items)
1/16B Xavier University, "Old Xavier" just before moving, 1932
1/16C Xavier University, spectators in bleachers, 1936
1/16D Xavier University, Archbishop Joseph Francis Rummel and others at the dedication
     of the University Library, 1937
1/16E Xavier University, marching band and others at the entrance to the Administration
     Building, ca. mid-1930's
1/16F Xavier University First Annual Summer School of Catholic Action, ca. 1930's
1/16G Xavier University, unidentified reception, ca. 1940's
1/16H Xavier University, Senior music recital, Mary Townsend accompanied on piano
     by Adrienne Martinez, May 1945
1/17 Teachers of unidentified school(s) of higher learning (3 items)
1/18 Graduates of unidentified school of higher learning
1/19 Dedication of Flint-Goodridge Memorial Hospital, ca. 1932
1/20 Goodridge School of Nursing (?)
1/21 National Medical Association
1/22 Eureka Grand Lodge of Freemasonry (?) (2 items)
1/23 Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity (2 items)
1/24 Walter L. Cohen with unidentified persons (See also 1/48.)

* Box 1, Folder 1.
**Except where noted, all items are n.d., and all folders contain only 1 item.
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Box 1 (continued)

SERIES I: NEW ORLEANS (continued)

1/25 Visit of President William McKinley, May 17, 1900 (2 items)
1/26 Visit of President William Howard Taft, ca. 1910 (3 items)
1/27 Deposition of Marcus Garvey, 1927 (2 originals, 2 copy negatives and positive print photographs, with 6 identifying attachments)
1/28 Edwin O. Moss Barber Shop, 1913
1/29 Red Cross Day parade (2 Items)
1/30 Unidentified bridal parties (2 items)
1/31 Unidentified (8 items)

Subseries C: Buildings (See also Box 2 oversize.)

1/32 Craig School
1/33 Leland University
1/34 New Orleans University
1/35 Pythian Temple (2 items)
1/36 Richardson Memorial Building of Gaudet Home
1/37 Straight University
1/37A Xavier University, Administration Building, ca. mid-1930's (2 items)
1/38 Unidentified demolition (of a plantation building?) (5 items and 1 attachment)
1/39 Exhibition of women's needlework, National Farm and Live Stock Show, November 1906
1/40 Great Mississippi Steamboat Race (copy photograph of a Currier and Ives lithograph)

SERIES II: BOOKER T. WASHINGTON

Subseries A: Individual

1/41 Washington at work, 1908 (2 items, with identifying press clipping)
1/42 Washington on a horse, Tuskegee, 1915

Subseries B: Groups (See also Box 2 oversize.)

1/43 At Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, 1907-1915 and n.d. (8 items and 1 half-tone reproduction)
1/44 At Dr. W. T. White's office, Paluka, Florida, 1913
1/45 Last tour of Louisiana, 1915 (11 items)
1/47 Burial of Washington, 1915 (3 items)
1/48 In New Orleans with Walter L. Cohen and Others
1/49 At Samuel Huston College, Austin, Texas
1/50 At Grant's Tomb., New York City (3 items)
1/51 Washington fishing with another man, Alabama
1/52 Unidentified (19 items)
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SERIES III: OTHER INDIVIDUALS

1/53 R. R. Moten
1/54 Theodore Roosevelt, 1915
1/55 Rusio C. Simmons, 1920 (3 items)
1/56 Unidentified (3 items)

Box 2 (oversize)

SERIES IV: OVERSIZE

2/1 Xavier University, F. E. R. A. Teacher Training School, Summer 1935 (N. O., Groups)
2/2 Xavier Preparatory School, graduates, 1932-1933, 1935 (4 items) (N. O., Groups)
2/3 Sisters of the Holy Family (N. O., Groups)
2/4 Corpus Christi, First Solemn Communion, June 7, 1917 (2 items) (N. O., Groups)
2/5 St. Joan of Arc Roman Catholic Church (2 items) (N. O., Buildings)
2/6 Theodore Roosevelt and Tuskegee Institute trustees, 1915 (Booker T. Washington, Groups)
2/7 Booker T. Washington with others at Tuskegee (3 items) (B. T. Washington, Groups)
2/8 Unidentified at Tuskegee (B. T. Washington, Groups)

SERIES V: NON-PHOTOGRAPHIC ITEMS

2/9 Correspondence, 1988