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**Introduction**

The papers of Ada B. Carroll span the years of 1930 to 1962 and include correspondence, literary productions, news clippings, recital programs, and photographs. The materials were discovered in the trash behind her Wilmore home following her death in 1981. The correspondence mainly involves Miss Carroll's years at ATS and her family. The photographs, largely unidentified, are family or music related.

There are no restrictions on the research use of these materials.

**Biographical Sketch**

Ada B. Carroll was born in Spring Garden, Illinois July 1, 1891 to McDaniel and Mary Elizabeth Carroll. She graduated from Ruskin Cave College, Nashville in 1921 with a Bachelor of Music. Miss Carroll also trained at the Chicago Musical College and the American Conservatory of Music. Some of her teachers were Karlton Hackett, David Bispham, and Oscar Saenger. From 1918 to 1921 she was Professor of Voice at Olivet College. From 1921 to 1924 she taught at Trevecca College, from 1924 to 1927 at Marion College, from 1927 to 1928 at McKendree College, and from 1928 to 1929 at Des Moines University.

In the summer of 1930 Miss Carroll traveled to Europe to study voice and painting in France, Germany, England, Switzerland, Italy, and Holland. In 1935 she joined the Asbury College faculty teaching voice and remained there until 1943 when she became

Assistant Professor of Music and Speech at Asbury Theological Seminary. Dr. Frank Bateman Stanger, who taught preaching with Miss Carroll, said that he concentrated on what the students said while she was concerned with their delivery. In 1962 she retired and continued to live in Wilmore. She lived her last months at Lexington Country Place where she died September 5, 1981. She was buried in Mt. Vernon, IL.

### **Scope and Content**

The Ada B. Carroll collection, spanning the years 1928 to 1962, includes correspondence, photos, programs, and daily diaries. The correspondence includes very few letters written by Miss Carroll, but mostly consists of letters she received. The letters from her brother, sisters, and parents offer insight into her background and nature. The remaining correspondence deals largely with Miss Carroll's life at ATS. Recital programs from Asbury College, the diary entries, and some of the photographs are all that the collection contains concerning her music students.

Additional information on Miss Carroll, available in the papers of Frank B. Stanger, includes a cassette tape of the Memorial Service in Estes Chapel and some correspondence.

### **Series Description**

#### Correspondence

##### Series

Correspondence

1930-1953

Arranged alphabetically

Includes letters from faculty, administration, and board members of Asbury College and ATS contains family correspondence.

#### Reports

##### Series

Reports

ND

Grade Book

#### Literary Productions

##### Series

Literary Productions

1940-1941

Arranged alphabetically

Includes a daily diary for 1940-1941 and some undated notes

## Scrapbook Materials

### Series

News clippings

1938-1941

Arranged chronologically

## Printed Materials

### Series

Programs

1928-1962

Arranged alphabetically

Includes music programs from the Asbury College School of Music, Glee Clubs, and the Retirement Dinner program for Ada Carroll and Ruth Warnock

## Photographic Materials

### Series

Photographs

ND

These are unidentified but include shots of Miss Carroll with vocal groups as well as some family photographs.

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**Box/Folder Inventory**

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Series</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>1</b>	1.	Correspondence	ATS	1943-1948
	2.	Correspondence	Butler, Walter H.	1948
	3.	Correspondence	Carroll, B. D. (brother)	ND
	4.	Correspondence	Family	1939-1953
	5.	Correspondence	General	1930-1946
	6.	Correspondence	Johnson, Z. T.	1937
	7.	Correspondence	Larabee, Mr. and Mrs. Fred H.	1943
	8.	Correspondence	Leggett, Frank L. Student Debt	1947-1948
	9.	Correspondence	Morrison, Bettie	1943
	10.	Correspondence	Savage, William E.	1948
	11.	Reports	Grade Book	ND
	12.	Lit. Productions	Daily Diary	1940
	13.	Lit. Productions	Daily Diary	1941
	14.	Lit. Productions	Notes	ND
	15.	Scrapbook Materials	News clippings	1938-1941
	16.	Printed Material	Music Programs	1928-1938
	17.	Printed Material	Music Programs: Asbury College School of Music	1935-1940
	18.	Printed Material	Music Programs: Asbury College School of Music	1936-1943
	19.	Printed Material	Recital Programs: Asbury College School of Music	1938-1945
	20.	Printed Material	Retirement Dinner Program for Miss Carroll and Ruth Warnock	5/12/1962

	21.	Photographic Material	Photographs	nd
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