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Biographical Sketch

Dr. Marvin L. Michael Kay was born in New York on Sept. 13, 1927. He served in the U.S. Marines from August 1945 to August 1946. After his military service, Dr. Kay attended Marysville College where he received his B.A. in 1950 and met his future wife Elizabeth (Betty) Ruth Bryan in 1952. They married in 1953 and together they had five children. While raising his family, Kay continued his education, and received a Ph.D. in American History from the University of Minnesota in 1962.

Dr. Kay was employed at San Jose State College as an Assistant Professor from 1959 to 1962. When he received his Ph.D., he became a lecturer in Australia at the University of Queensland from 1962 to 1966. In 1966, Kay returned to the U.S. and taught at Alfred University (NY) until 1968, and at West Chester State College (PA) from 1968 to 1970 as an Associate Professor before arriving at The University of Toledo in 1971. He remained an Associate Professor until 1979 when he earned the rank of Professor in History.

During his career, Dr. Kay published many scholarly works in different journals, including *The William and Mary Quarterly*, and in 1995 published a book with fellow UT history professor Lorin Lee Cary, *Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775*, through the University of North Carolina Press. He was active in the AFT (American Federation of Teachers), the AAUP (American Association of University Professors), the AHA (American Historical Association), Columbia Seminar for Early Americans, and the OAH (Organization of American Historians). Dr. Kay also attended many conventions, conferences, and symposiums during his career. He retired on June 12, 1992, although his papers indicate that he still had affiliations here at UT until as late as 1998.

Dr. Marvin L. Michael Kay passed away May 31, 2014 while a resident at the Kendal at Oberlin retirement home.

Sources: Canaday Center Faculty index, Google.com,
Michael Kay Paper Manuscripts, UM-113

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Scope and Content Note

The papers of Dr. M.L. Michael Kay document his professional career as a historian, from his early years at San Jose State College to his more-than twenty-five years at the University of Toledo. Included are many published works researched and written by Dr. Kay, including extensive files on the collaborative research of Dr. Kay and Dr. Lorin Cary, also of the UT Department of History. Correspondence with friends, colleagues, publishers, and research institutions follow. A large part of the collection consists of exams, lecture notes, and readings for at least four of the courses Dr. Kay taught at UT. Materials from the Faculty Senate and the teachers unions in which Dr. Kay was involved comprise the next series, followed by legal documentation of a case filed while he was a professor at West Chester State College. Miscellaneous materials that do not pertain largely to any other category include mailing lists and personal documents. Personnel records illustrate Dr. Kay's efforts at obtaining promotion, and include sabbatical leave requests, certificates of appointment, research grant requests, and salary recommendations, as well as his curriculum vitae. Finally, there are a few folders of published material not authored by Dr. Kay and include newspaper clippings, magazine articles, off prints of essays, and newsletters.

Series List

- S1 Authored Works**
1960-1998, 2 linear feet
Arranged alphabetically within subseries
Series contains articles, essays, and books written by Dr. Kay. It is broken down into three subseries: Kay only, Kay and Cary, and Kay and Price.
- S2 Correspondence**
1970s-2000, .25 linear foot
Arranged chronologically within subseries
Series contains several pieces of correspondence, including memos, written by and to Dr. Kay, and is divided by incoming, outgoing, and UT-related.
- S3 Course Materials**
1956-1999, 2 linear feet
Arranged alphabetically within subseries
Series contains assigned readings, lecture notes, and exams of four courses taught by Dr. Kay at UT, as well as off-campus lectures, graduate exams, and copies of papers he wrote as a student.
- S4 Faculty Organizations**
1971-1998, 1 linear foot
Arranged alphabetically and then chronologically within subseries
Series contains documents relating to Dr. Kay's involvement in the Faculty Senate, the American Association of University Professors (AAUP), the American Federation of Teachers (AFT), the Department of History, and the Student and Faculty Commission on Peace.
- S5 Legal Documents**
1968-1977, 3 folders
Arranged chronologically
Series pertains largely to a case of wrongful termination of Dr. Kay while an Association Professor at West Chester State College.
- S6 Miscellaneous**
1975-2000, 4 folders
Arranged alphabetically by type of material
Series contains items that don't fit in the other series and includes mailing lists and personal documents.
- S7 Personnel Documents**
1968-1995, .25 linear foot
Arranged alphabetically
Series contains records relating to appointments, salary, and promotion.
- S8 Published Material**
1964-1995, .25 linear foot
Arranged chronologically
Series contains printed materials not written or published by Dr. Kay and include newspaper clippings, newsletters, off-prints of essays, and magazines.

Folder List

Box	Folder	Item Description
		S1. Authored Works
		Kay Only
1	1	American National Biography, 1991-1992
1	2	Article and Essay Manuscripts, 1960, 1965, 1969
1	3	Reviews, 1973, 1977, 1987-1988
1	4	Reviews, 1992-1994, n.d.
1	5	Works Cited, n.d.
		Kay and Cary (Lorin Lee)
1	6	"Class, Mobility, and Conflict in North Carolina on the Eve of the Revolution", 1978
1	7	"A Demographic Analysis of Colonial North Carolina with Special Emphasis Upon the Slave and Black Populations", 1981
1	8	"Marriage and the Family Among North Carolina Slaves, 1748-1775", 1988
1	9	"The Planters Suffer Little or Nothing: North Carolina Compensations for Executed Slaves, 1748-1772", 1974
1	10	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Annotated Draft, Chapters 1-3
1	11	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Annotated Draft, Chapters 4-5
1	12	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Annotated Draft, Chapters 6-Conclusion
1	13	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Annotated Drafts, Chapter 1
1	14	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Contracts, Copyright, and Royalties, 1994, 2000
1	15	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Correspondence, 1983-1984
1	16	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Correspondence, 1992-1998
1	17	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Correspondence with Lorin Lee Cary, 1984, 1992-1995
1	18	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Deleted Tables
1	19	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Editorial Notes, 1994
1	20	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Galleys (folder 1 of 2)
1	21	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Galleys, (folder 2 of 2)
2	1	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Manuscript, Introduction-Chapter 2
2	2	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Manuscript, Introduction-Chapter 3
2	3	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Manuscript, Chapters 3-5
2	4	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Manuscript, Chapter 4-Conclusion
2	5	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Manuscript, Chapters 6-8
2	6	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Manuscript, Footnotes
2	7	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Manuscript, Tables
2	8	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Microfilm
2	9	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Proofing Grant, 1994
2	10	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Publicity, 1995-1998
2	11	<i>Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775</i> , Reviews

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3	1	“They Are Indeed the Constant Plague of Their Tyrants: Slave Defence of a Moral Economy in Colonial North Carolina, 1748-1772”, 1985 Kay and Price (William S., Jr.)
3	2	“To Ride the Wood Mare: Road Building and Militia Service in Colonial North Carolina, 1740-1775”, 1980 S2. Correspondence
3	3	Haverford/Queensland “Book Affair”, 1973
3	4	Incoming, 1970s-1980s
3	5	Incoming, 1990-1995, 1999-2000, n.d.
3	6	Outgoing, 1970s-1990s
3	7	University of Toledo, 1970s-1990s S3. Course Materials
		HIST 103 – America to 1865
3	8	Exams, 1987-1999
3	9	Lecture Notes (folder 1 of 2)
3	10	Lecture Notes (folder 2 of 2)
3	11	Readings HIST 324 – Colonial Foundations
3	12	Exams, 1988-1992
3	13	Lecture Notes
3	14	Readings (folder 1 of 3)
3	15	Readings (folder 2 of 3)
3	16	Readings (folder 3 of 3) HIST 420 – American Revolution
3	17	Bibliographies (folder 1 of 3)
3	18	Bibliographies (folder 2 of 3)
3	19	Bibliographies (folder 3 of 3)
3	20	Exams, 1988-1991
4	1	Lecture Notes (folder 1 of 2)
4	2	Lecture Notes (folder 2 of 2)
4	3	Readings (folder 1 of 3)
4	4	Readings (folder 2 of 3)
4	5	Readings (folder 3 of 3) HIST 421 – Slavery in America
4	6	Exams, 1996-1999
4	7	Lecture Notes (folder 1 of 3)
4	8	Lecture Notes (folder 2 of 3)
4	9	Lecture Notes (folder 3 of 3)
4	10	Miscellaneous
4	11	Readings (folder 1 of 6)
4	12	Readings (folder 2 of 6)
4	13	Readings (folder 3 of 6)
4	14	Readings (folder 4 of 6)
4	15	Readings (folder 5 of 6)
5	1	Readings (folder 6 of 6) Off-Campus Lectures

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5	2	BGSU Firelands (folder 1 of 2)
5	3	BGSU Firelands (folder 2 of 2)
5	4	Berrigan Case (Harrisburg Seven)
5	5	Black Power and the White Radical
5	6	Brisbane, Australia
5	7	Miscellaneous
5	8	Pacifism
5	9	Radical Professors and Political Repression
5	10	U.S. Involvement in Vietnam
		Other
5	11	PhD Exams
5	12	School Work, 1956
		S4. Faculty Organizations
		AAUP (American Association of University Professors)
5	13	Bulletins, 1991-1992
5	14	Correspondence, 1971, 1975, 1979-1981, 1990-1992
5	15	Correspondence, 1994-1998 (folder 1 of 4)
5	16	Correspondence, 1994-1998 (folder 2 of 4)
5	17	Correspondence, 1994-1998 (folder 3 of 4)
5	18	Correspondence, 1994-1998 (folder 4 of 4)
5	19	Miscellaneous
5	20	Notes
5	21	Proposals, 1996-1998 (folder 1 of 9)
5	22	Proposals, 1996-1998 (folder 2 of 9)
5	23	Proposals, 1996-1998 (folder 3 of 9)
6	1	Proposals, 1996-1998 (folder 4 of 9)
6	2	Proposals, 1996-1998 (folder 5 of 9)
6	3	Proposals, 1996-1998 (folder 6 of 9)
6	4	Proposals, 1996-1998 (folder 7 of 9)
6	5	Proposals, 1996-1998 (folder 8 of 9)
6	6	Proposals, 1996-1998 (folder 9 of 9)
		AFT (American Federation of Teachers)
6	7	Agendas and Minutes, 1977, 1979-1980
6	8	Correspondence, 1976-1980, n.d.
6	9	Faculty Questionnaire, 1980
6	10	Information Papers, 1977-1981, n.d.
6	11	Miscellaneous
6	12	Public Teachers Strike, 1978
		Faculty Senate
6	13	Agendas and Minutes, 1980-1981, 1990-1993
6	14	Collective Bargaining Committee, 1974, 1981
6	15	Miscellaneous
		History Department
6	16	Correspondence, 1978
		Other
6	17	Student and Faculty Commission on Peace, 1971-1972

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S5. Legal Documents

- 6 18 West Chester State College, 1968-1972
- 6 19 West Chester State College, 1974
- 6 20 West Chester State College, 1975-1977

S6. Miscellaneous

- 6 21 Daoust Financial Campaign, 1975
- 6 22 Issue 2, 1997
- 7 1 Mailing Lists, n.d.
- 7 2 Personal Documents, 1995, 2000

S7. Personnel Documents

- 7 3 Annual Reports on Professional Activities, 1971-1991
- 7 4 Certificates of Appointment, 1971-1992
- 7 5 Evaluations, 1976, 1995
- 7 6 Miscellaneous
- 7 7 Promotion, 1975-1976
- 7 8 Promotion, 1977
- 7 9 Promotion, 1978-1979, 1982-1983, n.d.
- 7 10 Sabbatical and Research, 1971, 1976-1977, 1984
- 7 11 Salary Recommendations, 1971-1976, 1980-1987, 1990
- 7 12 University of Illinois Appointment, 1971
- 7 13 West Chester State College Appointment, 1968

S8. Published Materials

- 7 14 1964, 1969, 1970-1971
- 7 15 1972
- 7 16 1973-1979
- 7 17 1980, 1985-1989
- 7 18 1990-1995, n.d.