

**A. W. CALHOUN MEDICAL LIBRARY.**  
**A. W. Calhoun Medical Library records, 1918-1987**

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** A. W. Calhoun Medical Library.  
**Title:** A. W. Calhoun Medical Library records, 1918-1987  
**Call Number:** Series No. 007  
**Extent:** 7.40 linear ft. (19 boxes)  
**Abstract:** Contains subject files documenting the history of the library, correspondence, budget records, annual reports, Grady Branch records, ephemera, and library publications.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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## Collection Description

### Biographical Note

The Abner Wellborn Calhoun Medical Library opened on January 1, 1924 and was housed in the Wesley Memorial Hospital, predecessor to today's Emory University Hospital. The library was established from funds provided by F. Phinzy Calhoun in memory of his father, A. W. Calhoun who was professor of Ophthalmology in the Atlanta Medical College and other Emory's predecessor medical schools from 1874 until his death in 1910.

The library replaced the medical school library which was housed in the Anatomy Building of the Medical School and had outgrown its space. It was intended to serve not only students in Emory's School of Medicine and doctors who practiced at Wesley Memorial, but all members of the medical profession. In 1924, Myrtle Tye was chosen as Emory's first full-time medical librarian. During her tenure as Librarian, she directed the steady growth of the collection. Despite financial limitations imposed by the economy in the early 1930s, she was able to raise funds to purchase a 1543 first edition of Andreas Vesalius' *De Humani Corporis Fabrica*.

Following Myrtle Tye's death in 1933, Mildred Jordan was appointed librarian and served until her death in 1965. Miriam H. Libbey served as library director from 1966 until her death in December or 1984, at which time Carol Burns, Director of Public Services for the library, was appointed to the position.

The A. W. Calhoun Medical Library was renamed the Robert W. Woodruff Health Sciences Center Library when it moved to new quarters in the Dental School Building in 1988.

### Scope and Content Note

The A. W. Calhoun Medical Library records consists of subject files documenting the history of the library, brochures, some committee records, correspondence pertaining to gifts to the library, budget records (1923-1987), annual reports (1923-1980), Grady Branch records (1931-1947), HEW training grant records (1959-1966), and library publications (1972-1984).

### Arrangement Note

Arranged according to record type.

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## Container List

### Subject Files

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Acquisition policy, undated
1	2	Announcement of opening, 1924
1	3	Building plans and furniture requirements, 1924-1931
1	4	Calhoun appreciation dinner, 1933
1	5	Calhoun coat of arms; Clan Calquhoun history, 1971, 1981
1	6	Calhoun presentation tea, 1954
1	7	Clippings, 1920-1956
1	8	Clippings, 1959-1969
1	9	Clippings, 1970-1983
1	10	Dedication of Elkin portrait, 1956
1	11	Donor lists, 1955-1963
1	12	43rd General Hospital, WWII exhibit
1	13	Goals, undated
1	14	"History of the A. W. Calhoun Medical Library," by Eloise Foster
1	15	"History of the A. W. Calhoun Medical Library," by Eloise Foster (copy 2)
1	16	History and annual report of the library, 1932
2	1	Library committee correspondence and minutes, 1919-1936
2	2	Library history from early school catalogs, undated
2	3	Library policies, 1922-1933, undated
2	4	Library regulations, 1933-1959, undated
2	5	Library self-study, 1961
2	6	MLA Southern Regional Group annual meeting, 1956
2	7	Markle Foundation grant proposal, 1961
2	8	Medical artifact information, 1923-1977
2	9	Mildred Jordan correspondence, 1933-1964
2	10	Mildred Jordan-Marcia C. Noyes award, 1923-1985
2	11	Mildred Jordan obituaries, 1965
3	1	National Library of Medicine Resource Grant application, 1966-1967
3	2	National Library of Medicine Resource Grant application, 1968-1969
3	3	Nurses' library, 1944-1945
3	4	Package library service, 1928-1929
3	5	Periodical collections, 1948-1963
3	6	Periodicals, 1922-1924
3	7	Photographs, undated
3	8	Planning document, [1950]

3	9	Preliminary work on the history of the A. W. Calhoun Medical Library, undated
3	10	Reference questions received, undated
3	11	Self-study, 1977
3	12	Statistics, 1918-1960
3	13	Union list of serials, 1925-1926
4	1	Vesalius articles, 1930
4	2	Vesalius binding information, 1949
4	3	Vesalius contributors, 1930
4	4	Vesalius correspondence, 1930
4	5	Vesalius exhibit materials, 1930, 1984
4	6	Vesalius information, 1930, no date
4	7	Vesalius presentation, 1930
19	1	Vesalius term paper [Restricted], 1981
4	8	Miscellaneous, 1923-1969, undated

### Brochures

14	1	1970-1985, undated
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### Committees

14	2	Advisory Library, 1977-1979
14	3	Advisory Library, 1980-1983
14	4	Advisory Library, 1984-1987

### Correspondence

14	5	Gifts, 1939-1948
14	6	Gifts, 1978-1985

### Reports

5	1	Budget, 1923-1929
5	2	Budget, 1930-1939
5	3	Budget, 1940-1946, undated
5	4	Budget, 1946-1947
5	5	Budget, 1947-1948
5	6	Budget, 1948-1949
5	7	Budget, 1949-1950
5	8	Budget, 1950-1951
5	9	Budget, 1951-1952
5	10	Budget, 1952-1953
5	11	Budget, 1953-1954
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7	5	Budget, 1983-1984
7	6	Budget, 1984-1985
7	7	Budget, 1985-1986
7	8	Budget, 1986-1987
8	1	Annual Reports-Library, 1923-1924
8	2	Annual Reports-Library, 1924-1925
8	3	Annual Reports-Library, 1925-1926
8	4	Annual Reports-Library, 1926-1927
8	5	Annual Reports-Library, 1927-1928
8	6	Annual Reports-Library, 1928-1929
8	7	Annual Reports-Library, 1926-1927, 1929-1930
8	8	Annual Reports-Library, 1930-1931

8	9	Annual Reports-Library, 1931-1932
8	10	Annual Reports-Library, 1932-1933
8	11	Annual Reports-Library, 1929-1930, 1933-1934
8	12	Annual Reports-Library, 1934-1935
8	13	Annual Reports-Library, 1935-1936
8	14	Annual Reports-Library, 1936-1937
8	15	Annual Reports-Library, 1934-1935, 1937-1938
8	16	Annual Reports-Library, 1938-1939
8	17	Annual Reports-Library, 1939-1940
8	18	Annual Reports-Library, 1940-1941
8	19	Annual Reports-Library, 1941-1942
8	20	Annual Reports-Library, 1942-1943
8	21	Annual Reports-Library, 1943-1944
8	22	Annual Reports-Library, 1944-1945
8	23	Annual Reports-Library, 1945-1946
8	24	Annual Reports-Library, 1946-1947
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8	29	Annual Reports-Library, 1951-1952
8	30	Annual Reports-Library, 1952-1953
9	1	Annual Reports-Library, 1953-1954
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10	8	Annual Reports-Library, 1974-1975
11	1	Annual Reports-Library, 1975-1976
11	2	Annual Reports-Library, 1977-1978
11	3	Annual Reports-Library, 1978-1979
11	4	Annual Reports-Library, 1979-1980
12	1	Annual Reports-Public services, 1973-1974
12	2	Annual Reports-Public services, 1976-1977
12	3	Annual Reports-Public services, 1977-1978
12	4	Annual Reports-Public services, 1978-1979
12	5	Annual Reports-Public services, 1979-1980
12	6	Annual Reports-Technical services, 1973-1974
12	7	Annual Reports-Technical services, 1976-1977
12	8	Annual Reports-Technical services, 1977-1978
12	9	Annual Reports-Technical services, 1978-1979
12	10	Annual Reports-Technical services, 1979-1980
12	11	Cataloging statistics, 1947-1948
12	12	Cataloging statistics, 1952-1953
12	13	Cataloging statistics, 1957-1958
12	14	Cataloging statistics, 1962-1963
12	15	Cataloging statistics, 1967-1968
12	16	Cataloging statistics, 1972-1973
12	17	Cataloging statistics, 1977-1978
12	18	Cataloging statistics, 1982-1983

**Grady Branch**

13	1	Committee minutes and reports, 1940-1943
13	2	Correspondence, 1931-1939
13	3	Correspondence, 1940-1947
13	4	Recommendations, undated
13	5	Rules, 1940-1947
13	6	Soma Weiss Collection, 1942
13	7	Statistics, 1943-1944
13	8	Statistics, 1944-1945
13	9	Statistics, 1945
13	10	Statistics, 1945-1946
13	11	Statistics, 1946-1947

**HEW Training Grant**

- 15 1 Application, 1959-1962
- 15 2 Application, 1962-1963
- 15 3 Application, 1963-1964
- 15 4 Application, 1964-1965
- 15 5 Application, 1965-1966
- 15 6 Article (proposed): "The Genesis and early development of the 'internship' in medical library education," 1963
- 15 7 Budget reports, 1962-1966
- 15 8 Correspondence-Biomedical library, University of California, 1959-1964
- 15 9 Correspondence-Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare, PHS, 1959-1962
- 15 10 Correspondence-General, 1962-1965
- 15 11 Correspondence-Requests for personnel, 1961-1963
- 15 12 Graduate school information, 1961-1962
- 15 13 Handbook for patrons, 1962, undated
- 15 14 History of medicine project, 1964
- 15 15 Information retrieval project, 1961-1962
- 15 16 List of interns, 1962
- 15 17 MLA application, 1961
- 16 1 Paper-Evanson, Catherine, "Bibliography on all aspects of medical librarianship," 1963
- 16 2 Paper-Evanson, Catherine, "Suggestions to the services to the public department," 1963
- 16 3 Paper-Sands, Joyce, "Microbiology cataloging project," 1962
- 16 4 Paper-Sands, Joyce, "Organization of the services to the public division," 1962
- 16 5 Paper-Watts, Camille, "Medical librarianship bibliography," 1963
- 16 6 Paper-Watts, Camille, "Reorganization of the services to public department," 1963
- 16 7 Paper-Whitten, N. E., "Bibliography on medical librarianship," 1963
- 16 8 Paper-Unidentified author, "Services to the public reorganization," 1963
- 16 9 Progress report, 1962
- 16 10 Progress report, 1962-1963
- 16 11 Progress report, 1963-1964
- 16 12 Progress report, 1964-1965
- 16 13 Progress report, 1966
- 16 14 Public Health Service policies
- 16 15 Publicity, 1961
- 16 16 Report on Services to the Public, 1963
- 16 17 Report on Services to the Public, 1965



- 16 18 Report on Services to the Public, 1966
- 16 19 Training program outlines, 1959-1963

**Publications and Bound Volumes**

- 17 1 Book Ends, 1972-1976
  - 17 2 Book Ends, 1977-1979
  - 17 3 Book Ends, 1980
  - 17 4 Book Ends, 1981
  - 17 5 Book Ends, 1982
  - 17 6 Book Ends, 1983
  - 17 7 Book Ends, 1984
  - 18 Periodical holdings, 1973
  - 18 Periodical holdings, 1982
  - 18 Library guest book
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