



## GUIDE TO THE MARY GILMORE PAPERS

### DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

<b>Title:</b>	Mary Gilmore Papers
<b>Collection dates:</b>	1917 - 1963
<b>Creator:</b>	Gilmore, Mary Cameron, 1865-1962
<b>Languages represented:</b>	English
<b>Repository:</b>	Rare Books and Special Collections, University of Sydney Library <a href="https://library.sydney.edu.au/collections/rare-books/">https://library.sydney.edu.au/collections/rare-books/</a>
<b>Extent:</b>	1 box
<b>Genre and Forms:</b>	Material including manuscripts; typescripts; press clippings; photographs; correspondence; biographical notes; poetry.
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Mary Gilmore Papers consist chiefly of correspondence and annotated typescripts of her poetry.

### ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

#### Provenance

Unknown

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**Biographical note**

Gilmore, Dame Mary Jean (1865-1962) was a writer who supported the New Australia movement and lived with the Cosme community in Paraguay for almost three years. Politically active, she was generous in her support of causes, which included at one time the financial support of an ailing publication. Her literary topics ranged across natural, historical, religious, indigenous and political themes. Gilmore's fiction about pioneering Australia and her poetry concerning war fostered public respect and furthered her success.

Reference: Australian dictionary of biography. Melbourne : Melbourne University Press; London ; New York : Cambridge University Press, 1966-2000. Volume 9, pp.14-16.

**Scope and content note**

The Mary Gilmore Papers comprises manuscripts and typescript by Mary Gilmore and correspondence.

**Local Catalogue Headings**

Gilmore, Mary Cameron, Dame, 1865-1962.

**DESCRIPTION OF SERIES**

Box	Envelope	Contents
<b>Manuscripts and typescripts</b>		
1	1	Mary Gilmore: biographical notes, undated Typescript, 5ff.
1	2	Donald Cameron and Marianne Beattie, undated Typescript, 7ff.
1	3	Recollections: Henry Lawson, undated Typescript, 3ff.
1	4	Mary Gilmore biographical notes, undated Typescript, 3ff. + 9ff.
1	5	Sketch of a letter to Mr. Hughes + signed carbon copy. 03/03/1940 Typescript, 1ff. + manuscript, 2pp.
1	6	A birthday party in honour of Dame Mary Gilmour. [Programme]. 22/08/1942 Leaflet, 3pp.
<b>Correspondence</b>		
1	7	35 replies to birthday party invitations addressed to Miss Eileen Buckley, Hon.Sec., Henry Lawson Literary Society.1942Bannan, Elizabeth M. Bennet, H.J. Broadfoot, E.C. Bunstek-Robinson, Hope M. (2) Cayley, Neville Cousins, W.G. Croll, R.H. (2) Downing, Brownie Drummond, D.H. Dunlea, T.V. Heathcote, Wyndham Hume, C.L. Johnston, Robert Jones, B.W.King, Mary Truby Lane, E.H. Lawson, Neil MacCallum, A. Macinante, Olivia Moore, Jay Moore, William Morrison, Douglas O'Leary, L. Peters, Charles H. Sawyer, E.M. Elizabeth Smith, Fargan Stone, Abbie Summers, George Watkins, G.W. Webb, Yvonne Whelan, Phil & Edith (2) Signature illegible Letters
1	8	Dame Mary Gilmore's 91 <sup>st</sup> birthday party: correspondence, notes, minutes, etc.
1	9	10 autograph or typescript letters by Mary Gilmore to: 22/08/1942 Mr. Reeve 05/10/1928 Eileen ? 18/06/1942 Editor, Sunday Sun 28/08/1942 Mr. Cox 03/09/1942 Anon. [Last page only and name of recipient] 08/05/1943 Eileen Buckley 16/06/1943 President, Henry

		Lawson Literary Society 17/06/1943 Mr. Vincent 18/06/1943 Miss Buckley 22/09/1943 Manager, Perpetual Trustee Co. 01/06/1944 Letters
1	10	Letters to Mary Gilmore or concerning her: Buckley, Eileen and Curtin, John; 1 letter and 2 telegrams about Mary Gilmore's autobiography 31/01/1942 - 01/01/1943 D?, Jean; 1 letter to Mary Gilmore 09/18/1942 Hayball, Doris; 1 letter to Mary Gilmore 14/08/1942 Moore, Ivy; 1 letter to Mary Gilmore 17/18/1942 Randwick Girls' High School; 1 letter to Mr. J. Vincent 06/12/1965 Letters
<b>Newspaper clippings</b>		
1	6	Seventy-seventh birthday. Sydney Morning Herald. 24/08/1942 Newspaper clipping
1	15	8 newspaper clippings.1942-1962 Newspaper clippings
1	16	Newspaper clippings about the death of Dame Mary Gilmore. December 1962 Newspaper clippings
1	17	Assorted newspaper clippings. 1930 -1963 Newspaper clippings
<b>Miscellaneous</b>		
1	11	Broadcast for Australian Labor Party. Station 2KY Women's session. 08/05/1941 Typescript, 3pp.
1	12	Coronation Ode. [Names and addresses on verso] Undated Typescript, 5pp.
1	13	Speech by John Curtin in honour of Dame Mary Gilmore and her reply. Undated Typescript, 4pp.
1	14	Recollections : Henry Lawson. 10/02/1941 Typescript, 3pp.
1	27	In memoriam Lucy Maria Cassidy. 26/02/1968 Autograph book
<b>Photographs</b>		
1	18	Photographs. Undated Photographs (5)
<b>Poetry</b>		
1	19	Hunger. Inscribed by Mary Gilmore. 12/12/1958 Printed ephemera
1	19	No foe shall gather our harvest. (2 copies) Inscribed by Mary Gilmore. Christmas 1942 and 01/01/1943 Printed ephemera
1	19	We stand four square. (2 copies) Inscribed by Mary Gilmore. 26/12/1942 Printed ephemera
1	20	The Ancient. 23/08/1917 Typescript
1	21	For Lucy Cassidy. 2 facsimiles of the autograph poem. 1961 Facsimile
1	22	I buried a child. 17/02/1942 Typescript with ms note

1	22	They were my boys. 10/11/1940 Autograph
1	23	To Hugh McCrae. 19/11/1944 Typescript with ms note
1	24	Verses by my little son Billy. 25/10/1943 Autograph
1	25	Fourteen men. No date 64 leaves of poetry, typescript with autograph. Press cuttings.
1	26	Nostalgia for beauty. 1p. No date Holograph ms.
1	28	The men of Eureka. October 1954 Printed and signed