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Name of Creator

Ariatti, B. Raynal

Administrative/Biographical History

B. Raynal Ariatti, also known as “Ray” or “Shorty” by friends and co-workers, was born on October 27, 1914 in New Orleans, Louisiana. Mr. Ariatti’s photographic career began while he was serving in the army during World War II, and for decades he was the official photographer for the Louisiana AFL-CIO and a staff photographer with the Loyola University Institute of Human Relations. At Loyola he worked closely with Louis J. Twomey, S.J as an advocate for racial equality and the underprivileged. A frequent attendee of civil rights rallies and marches, he participated in the 1963 and 1983 marches on Washington and the 1965 march in Alabama from Selma to Montgomery. He died on July 27, 1990 at Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans.

Scope and Content

The B. Raynal Ariatti Papers consist primarily of several hundred negatives that may complement or duplicate photographic material included in the **Louis J. Twomey, S.J., Papers** (Collection #2) relating to Father Twomey, the Institute of Industrial Relations/Institute of Human Relations, and the Inter-American Center. The collection

also contains a small amount of correspondence, pamphlets and papers involving Father Twomey's Memorial Mass and the dedication of Twomey Hall, photographs that include the Papal visit to New Orleans in 1987, The 1963 March on New Orleans, the 1965 March from Selma to Montgomery, a single audio reel, and three 3.5" floppy disks.

System of Arrangement

This collection has been arranged into four series, two of which have been further arranged into subseries. The folders of each series or subseries are arranged alphabetically. The arrangement scheme for the collection was imposed during processing in the absence of a usable original order.

Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open for research use.

Conditions Governing Reproduction and Use

Physical rights are retained by the J. Edgar and Louis S. Monroe Library, Loyola University New Orleans. Copyright is retained in accordance with U.S. Copyright Laws.

Language and Scripts of the Material

Collection is in primarily English, with some Spanish.

Processing Information

Finding aid written by James Clifford, 2013. Updated by Kure Croker, 2014.

Sources Used

The following sources were consulted during the preparation of the biographical note:

Pope, J. (1986, April 24). Marcher always had his camera. *The Times-Picayune*, pp. A-21, A-31.

(1986). Spotlight. *Blueprint for Social Justice*, December, 7.

Deaths. (1990, July 29). *The Times-Picayune*, pp. B-6.

Related Archival Materials

Related materials concerning Father Twomey may be found in the **Louis J. Twomey, S.J., Papers** (Collection #2) located in the Special Collections and Archives of the Monroe Library of Loyola University New Orleans.

Series Description

Series I Photographic Material

Subseries I-A Negatives

Hundreds of negative prints of photographs, the majority taken by Ray Ariatti. Arranged by subject. Primarily deals with Ariatti's activities with the Institute of Human Relations (IHR) and related groups such as the Inter-American Center. Also includes various photographs of Father Twomey and others, teaching classes, with other IHR staff, meeting Loretta Young, and with Walker Percy.

Subseries I-B Photographs

Positive prints of photographs, the majority taken by Ray Ariatti. Arranged by subject. Primarily deals with Ariatti's activities with the Institute of Human Relations (IHR), related groups such as the Inter-American Center, and the Pope's 1987 visit to New Orleans.

Series II Father Twomey Material

Subseries II-A Twomey Memorial Mass

Documents and letters related to the Memorial Mass held for Father Twomey on the 20th anniversary of his death. Also includes a small number of photographs intended to be used for invitation cards and pamphlets.

Subseries II-B Twomey Hall Dedication

Documents and pamphlets related to the dedication of Twomey Hall on July 7, 1986. Also includes news clippings of the event.

Subseries II-C Other Twomey Documents

Documents and publications containing biographical information about Father Twomey, as well as "A Valor Nominal", a Spanish language translation of "At Face Value" written by Father McNaspy. Also includes the incomplete pages of a thesis examining Father Twomey's 1958 radio speeches on race relations and an anti-Institute for Human Relations flyer.

Series III Correspondence

Primarily correspondence thanking Ray Ariatti for photographs, including a letter from George F. Lundy to Victor Bussie declining an invitation to the October 30, 1988 Labor Dinner of the Southeastern United States. Also includes a photograph frame backing with a Peter, Paul and Mary back stage pass and an invitation to the April 15, 1988 Jesuit Volunteer Corps: South Patron Party attached.

Series IV Miscellaneous

Other assorted material related to Ray Ariatti. Includes "About the Photograph", correspondence referencing a photograph of civil rights leaders taken during the 1965 March on Montgomery, photographs from the September 30, 1963 March on New Orleans, a magnetic audio tape titled "Jesuits in Connection #3", a copy of Edgar L. Chase III's speech for the Coalition for Human Dignity, and three 3.5" floppy disks, photographic portraits of Rev. Joseph Toomey, photograph of Pope Paul VI.

Container List

Series I: Photographic Material

Subseries I-A: Negatives

Box	Folder	Description
1	1	Civil Rights and Race Relations
	2	Father Twomey
	3	Father Twomey
	4	General and Miscellaneous
	5	General and Miscellaneous
	6	Inter-American Center (IAC) and Latin America
2	1	Inter-American Center (IAC) and Latin America
	2	Inter-American Center (IAC) and Latin America
	3	Job Training Programs
	4	Labor
	5	National Catholic Social Action Conference
	6	Repair and Renovation of Institute of Human Relations (IHR) Offices
	7	St. Joseph the Worker Mass
	8	Segregationists Picket Archbishop
	9	Testimonial Dinner

Subseries I-B: Photographs

Box	Folder	Description
3	1	Father Twomey
	2	General and Miscellaneous
	3	Holy Father, Main Altar, "The Consecration in Silhouette", September 12, 1987
	4	IAC and Latin America
	5	Loyola Graduation
	6	Notre Dame Campus, May 12-14, 1989
	7	Papal Visit, Saturday September 12, 1987

8 Ray Ariatti
9 Thomas Hall Chapel, Loyola Campus, Saturday
November 26, 1988

Series II: Father Twomey

Subseries II-A: Twomey Memorial Mass

Box	Folder	Description
3	10	Homily – Twomey Memorial Mass
	11	Invitation Letters – Twomey Memorial Mass
	12	Photographs for Twomey Memorial Mass
	13	Planning Notes and Receipts for Twomey Memorial Mass
	14	Programs and Invitation Cards – Twomey Memorial Mass
	15	Proposed Invitation – Twomey Memorial Mass

Subseries II-B: Twomey Hall Dedication

Box	Folder	Description
3	16	News Clippings – Twomey Hall Dedication
	17	Pamphlets and Photograph – Twomey Hall Dedication
	18	Speech for Twomey Hall Dedication

Subseries II-C: Other Twomey Documents

Box	Folder	Description
3	19	A Valor Nominal (At Face Value)
	20	A Valor Nominal (At Face Value)
	21	Blueprint – Twomey Hall Dedication / They Come from Everywhere
	22	The LaRouche Campaign – “Close Down Loyola’s Institute for Sub-human Relations!”
	23	Publications – Father Twomey
	24	Thesis on June 1958 Twomey Radio Speeches (Partial, Missing Pages)

Series III: Correspondence

Box	Folder	Description
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3	25	Correspondence, Reverend George F. Lundy to Victor Bussie, October 17, 1988
	26	Correspondence, Thank You Letters to Ray Ariatii, August 1968 – March 1969
	27	Correspondence, Thank You Letters to Ray Ariatti, September 1986 – June 1988 / Photograph, Pope John Paul II in New Orleans

Series IV: Miscellaneous

Box	Folder	Description
4	1	March 25, 1965 Civil Rights March on Montgomery photograph and “About the Photograph” correspondence
	2	Photographs from The March on New Orleans, September 30, 1963
	3	7” Reel-to-reel Audio Recording, “Jesuits in Connection #3”
	4	Award AFL-CIO Pamphlet
	5	Edgar L. Chase III Speech, Coalition for Human Dignity, September 27, 1988
	6	Floppy Disks
	7	Prayer Cards
	8	Photographic portraits of Rev. Joseph Toomey
	9	Photograph of Pope Paul VI