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WILLIAM GIBBS McADOO

(1863 - 1941)

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Because Mr. McAdoo was Secretary of the Treasury in 1913, and hence the first Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board (a post which he occupied for 5 years), his papers should contain material of interest to students of the System's early years.

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## Biographical Note

1863, Oct. 31	Born, near Marietta, Georgia
1885, Nov. 18	Married Sarah Houstoun Fleming (d. 1912) (5 children)
1914, May 7	Married Eleanor Randolph Wilson - daughter of Woodrow Wilson (2 children)
1935, Sept. 14	Married Doris I. Cross
1882	Deputy clerk, U. S. Circuit Court for Southern Division, Eastern District of Tennessee
1885	Admitted to bar
1885-92	Practiced law in Chattanooga
-1903	Practiced law in New York
	President, Hudson and Manhattan R. R. Co.
1913-18	Secretary of Treasury in cabinet of Woodrow Wilson
1914-17	Chairman, Federal Reserve Board
	Many times delegate to Democratic National Convention
1933-39	U. S. Senator from California
1939-41	Chairman board, American President (Steamship) Lines
1941, Feb. 1	Died
Author of:	<u>The Challenge -- Liquor and Lawlessness versus Constitutional Government.</u> 1928. <u>Crowded Years</u> (autobiography). 1931.

See: Who Was Who in America, 1897-1942, vol. I, Marquis.