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# Hilton M. Briggs Papers

## Collection Summary

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IDENTIFIER

UA 53.37

TITLE

Hilton M. Briggs Papers

DATES

1935-2001

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

14.84 linear feet [11 record boxes, 1 half document case, 2 oversize boxes]

NAME OF CREATOR(S)

Briggs, Hilton M. (Hilton Marshall), 1913-2001

LANGUAGE

English

REPOSITORY

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ABSTRACT

Hilton M. Briggs was president at South Dakota State University from 1958 to 1975. The collection is composed of material related to his retirement, recognition, and his life after retirement. Included are biographical materials, clippings, correspondence, writings, photographs, and scrapbooks.

## Biographical Note

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In 1958, Hilton M. Briggs was appointed president at South Dakota State. He served in that capacity for 17 years, the longest tenure in the presidential office. He received his B.S. from Iowa State University, M.S. from North Dakota State University, and Ph.D. from Cornell University. He held positions as professor and associate dean of agriculture at Oklahoma State University and dean of agriculture at the University of Wyoming. During his tenure, the South Dakota State College of Agricultural and Mechanical Arts became South Dakota State University, divisions became colleges, and the campus grew to match its increasing status. The number of departments grew, enrollment increased by more than half, and the number of buildings on campus almost doubled. Briggs was also

instrumental in beginning the social fraternities and sororities on campus and initiating women's intercollegiate athletics. He also guided the campus through the controversy and activism of the 1960s and 1970s. The Faculty Association became the Academic Senate with decision-making capacity under Briggs' leadership, and the Student Association also took on more responsibility. Upon his retirement in 1975, he was designated a Distinguished Professor of Agriculture, taught for two years, and was appointed director of International Programs. He was involved in the development of the Botswana Africa Project, a United States Agency for International Development program for teaching, research, and agricultural extension in that country.

## CONTENT and ARRANGEMENT

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### CONTENTS NOTE

This collection is composed of the personal papers of Hilton M. Briggs. It is composed of material related to his retirement as president of South Dakota State University and his life after his retirement. It also contains recognition materials in the form of plaques, certificates, and trophies. Included are many files related to his induction to the Saddle and Sirloin Club portrait collection. Also included are biographical materials, clippings, correspondence, writings, photographs, and scrapbooks.

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UA 1, President's Office Records, South Dakota State University Archives and Special Collections, Hilton M. Briggs Library, Brookings, South Dakota.

### ONLINE CONTENT

SDSU President's Collection, Digital Library of South Dakota,  
<https://explore.digitalsd.org/digital/collection/p17102coll2/search>

### PUBLICATIONS

Modern Breeds of Livestock, Hilton M. Briggs, New York, Macmillan, 1949. Archives: SF105.B68m

Seventeen years: a report from South Dakota State University, South Dakota State University, 1975.  
Archives: S537.S6 S6095

## Subject Headings

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- Briggs, Hilton M. (Hilton Marshall), 1913-2001

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2	15	Writings: Apparent Relationship of the Protein Content of Native Hay to its Nutritive value	1945
2	16	Writings: The Apparent Digestibility of Prairie Hay of Variable Protein Content with some Observations of Feral Nitrogen Excretion by Steers in Relation to their Dry Matter Intake	1948
2	17	Writing: Autobiography, An Interesting Journey	1999
2	18	Writings: College Herds and College Youth	1962
2	19	Writings: Comparative Effect on Vitamin A Metabolism in Sheep of Urea, Soybean, Oil Meal, and Cottonseed Meal as sources of Protein	1951
2	20	Writings: The Comparative Value of Hydraulic, Expeller, and Solvent processed Oil Meals for Ruminants	1950
2	21	Writings: Control of Parasites and Diseases of Sheep	1949
2	22	Writings: Design for Luck	1966
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2	27	Writings: The Effect of Adding Large Amounts of Cottonseed Meal to a Lamb Fattening Ration	1942
2	28	Writings: Effect of Orally Administered Urea on the Ammonia and Urea Concentration in the Blood of Cattle and Sheep, with observations on Blood Ammonia Levels Associated with Symptoms on Alkalosis	1948
2	29	Writings: Evaluating a Pedigree	1955
2	30	Writings: Excretion of Creatinine and Creatine by Beef Steers	1949
2	31	Writings: Fattening Lambs on Corn and Cottonseed Meal and on Alfalfa and Prairie Hays	1941
2	32	Writings: Feeds, Animals	1951, 1965
2	33	Writings: Fifty Years of Growth and Progress	1958
2	34	Writings: Following in His Steps	1995
2	35	Writings: From the Director in Reports 61 of the Agricultural Experiment Station	1950-1951
2	36	Writings: The Horse Stages a Comeback	undated
2	37	Writings: Improvement in the 70s	1970
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2	40	Writings: The Influence of Nutrition on the Reproduction of Ewes	1942
2	41	Writings: International Pig Breed Encyclopedia	1983
2	42	Writings: Metabolism Stalls for Wethers on Steers	1949
2	43	Writings: The Minimum Phosphorus Requirement of Lambs for Phosphorus Equilibrium	1950
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2	59	Writings: Tolerance of Lambs for Blackstrap Molasses	1945
2	60	Writings: Undeveloped Potentials in South Dakota	undated
2	61	Writings: Urea as an extender of protein when fed to cattle	1947
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2	64	Writings: The use of Cottonseed meal in the ration of Pregnant Ewes	1943
2	65	Writings: The use of Silica as a reference Substance in Digestion trials with Ruminants	1945
2	66	Writings: The Utilization of Feed as Affected by Grinding	1941
2	67	Writings: Uses and Abuses of the Show	1981
2	68	Writings: The Value of Urea in Protein Supplements for Cattle and Sheep	1949
2	69	Writings: Wheat Pasture for fattening Lambs	1947
2	70	Writings: Yield and Feeding Value of Prairie Hay Cut at Different Stages of Maturity	1946
2	71	Writings: The yield and Feeding Value of Prairie as Related to time of Cutting	1948
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<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>
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3	2	Appreciation Award from Inter Collegiate Athletics	undated
3	3	Appreciation Award From FarmHouse Fraternity	1967
3	4	Dean's Club College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences	1989-1998
3	5	FFA Appreciation Plaque	undated
3	6	People to People of the United States	undated
3	7	President's Club Old North	1968
3	8	President's Club Solberg Hall	1971
3	9	Remote Sensing Institute Appreciation Award	1978
3	10	SD President's Council Plaque	undated
3	11	SDPOA Plaque	1975
3	12	SDVMA Service for Research Plaque	1990
4	1	Iowa State University 1984 Alumnae Day Class of 1934 (Photograph)	1984
4	2	Litton Charolaise Ranch Plate	undated
4	3	Scholarship Donor Plaque	undated
4	4	Recognition: MSHA Futurity Horse Show Commemorative Plate	1989
4	5	SDSHA Fall Show Plate	undated
4	6	Award Distinguished University Benefactor	1996
4	7	Recognition: South Dakota Association Future Farmers of America Distinguished Service Plaque	undated
4	8	Book with Author's Note "Animal Science and Industry"	1971
4	9	Book with Dedication "Feeds and Feeding - Abridged"	1978
5	1	Saddle Horse Holiday Trophy	undated
5	2	Parade Marshall	1981
5	3	Open Class First Place	1998
5	4	Silver Ram Award	1978
5	5	Desk Plaque	undated
5	6	Farmers Foundation Philanthropy Laurite Award	2000
5	7	4H Desk Statue	undated
5	8	Key (1958-1975)	undated
5	9	Certificate of Recognition - National Institute of Animal Agriculture	1968
5	10	Honorary State Farmer	undated
5	11	4-H Alumnae Award (Pendant)	undated
6	12	Federal Land Bank Golden Anniversary Medal	undated
6	13	Plaque of Appreciation from St. Louis SDSU Alumni Association	undated

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>
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6	15	4H Medallion Bookend	undated
6	16	Faculty Advisor Hanging Plaque	1949
6	17	Appreciation Award SDSU Geography Club	1974
6	18	South Dakota County Agent Association - Gridiron Banquet Champion Water Fighter	1976
7	1	Agriservices Foundation Plaque	1981
7	2	Continental Dorset Club Past President Plaque	undated
7	3	MSA - SDSU Appreciation Plaque	1999
7	4	Outstanding Citizen Award	1990
7	5	Recognition: East River Electric Power Cooperative Service	undated
7	6	Recognition: Jackrabbit Century Club (Plaque)	1975-1980
7	7	Recognition: SDSU Black and Bridle Honorary Member (Plaque)	1992
7	8	Recognition: SDSU Foundation for Distinguished University Patrons (Plaque)	1999
7	9	Recognition: South Dakota State Fair (Plaque)	1998
7	10	Recognition: South Dakota State Geography Convention Art and Science Lecture (Plaque)	1982
7	11	Recognition: SDSU President's Club (Plaque)	1969
7	12	Retirement: SD Legislature Resolutions recognizing Briggs' Service	1975
7	13	Reserve Overall Hi-Point Halter Champion	1989
8	1	American Polled Hereford Association - Special Recognition Award	undated
8	2	Honorary SD American Saddlebred Horse Association	1981
8	3	Horse Person of the Year	1995
8	4	Most Versatile Saddlebred	1986
8	5	Plaque for Outstanding Support of College of Engineering	undated
8	6	President's Club Coughlin Campanile	1973
8	7	President's Club Lincoln Library	1970
8	8	President's Club Wecota Hall	1972
8	9	Recognition Plaque from Phoenix Alumni Chapter	undated
8	10	Various Buttons and Lighters	undated
8	11	50 Years of Progress, American Society of Animal Production - 50 Years Anniversary Medal Tri State Milling Co.	undated
9	1	CLCS Award	undated
9	2	Recognition: Eminent and Distinguished Native of Cairo, Iowa	1995

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>
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9	5	Album - Hilton and Lillian Briggs (May 4)	1975
10	19	Campanile Society Membership	1996
10	20	SDSHA Overall Driving Champion - Campus Zephyr	1990
11	21	52nd Annual Dakota Minnesota Saddle Horse Holiday (Red Ribbon)	1998
11	22	52nd Annual Dakota Minnesota Saddle Horse Holiday (Blue Ribbon)	1998
11	23	Horse Show - 1st Place (Red Ribbon) - Sioux Empire Fair	undated
11	24	Horse Show - 2nd Place (Blue Ribbon) - Sioux Empire Fair	undated
11	25	Award of title - "Director Emeritus" (Western Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors)	1966
11	26	4H Alumni Recognition Award	1958
11	27	A tribute to Hilton M Briggs (From His Former Students at Oklahoma A & M College)	undated
11	28	Recognition: Service to Animal Agriculture	1980
	1	Underwood Typewriter	early 20th Century
	2	Pendulum Clock	1975
12	1	Travel Photographs: Alaska	undated
12	2	Travel Photographs: China	undated
12	3	Travel Photographs: England, Spain	undated
12	4	Travel Photographs: France, Switzerland, Rome, Haiti	undated
12	5	Travel Photographs: India, Japan, Hawaii, Afghanistan	undated
12	6	Travel Photographs: Jackson Hole, University of Wyoming	undated
12	7	Travel Photographs: Mt. Rainer, Iceland, Hobo Day, Briggs Library	1977, undated
12	8	South America	undated