



Kittredge family papers, ca. 1888-1958.

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Containers 25/12-22

Creator: Kittredge, Benjamin

Description: ca. 5.25 linear ft.

Biographical/Historical Note: Author, of Charleston, S.C. Benjamin Rufus Kittredge, Jr. was the son of Benjamin R. Kittredge of New York and Elizabeth Maynard Marshall of Charleston, S.C. He published a novel, *Crowded Solitude*, in 1930.

Scope and Content: Collection contains correspondence, manuscripts of mostly unpublished writings, college notebooks, financial papers, a photo album (1899-1909), and other materials, including a French translation of Kittredge's novel, *Crowded Solitude* (1930). Includes letters to his parents Benjamin Rufus (1859-1951) and Elizabeth Maynard (Marshall) Kittredge, concerning his activities at St. George's School, Newport, R.I., Harvard University, and Oxford University; his service with the U.S. Navy during World War II as assistant military attaché to governments in exile; and the purchase of Dean Hall Plantation (1907) and its transformation into Cypress Gardens, which he later donated to Charleston, S.C. Includes correspondence and other papers of Benjamin R. Kittredge, Sr., including letters of H.W. Duryea concerning cattle raising in southeastern U.S. and the Kittredge family winery in California; correspondence and diaries (1910-1938) of Elizabeth Kittredge; and correspondence of Carola Kittredge relating to family and friends.

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Kittredge, Carola de Peyster Kip, d. 1975.

Kittredge, Elizabeth Maynard Marshall, 1873-1955.

Kittredge family.

Harvard University.

St. George's School (Newport, R.I.)

Cattle -- Southern States.

Diplomatic and consular service, American.

Gardens -- South Carolina -- Charleston.
Governments in exile.
Plantations -- South Carolina -- Berkeley County.
Private schools -- Rhode Island.
Real property -- South Carolina -- Charleston.
Schools -- Rhode Island -- Newport.
Universities and colleges -- Great Britain -- Oxford.
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Wineries -- California.
Women -- South Carolina -- 19th-20th centuries.
World War, 1939-1945 -- Governments in exile.
Charleston (S.C.) -- History.
Cypress Gardens (S.C.)
Dean Hall Plantation (S.C.)
United States -- Foreign relations -- 1933-1945.
Albums.
Diaries.
Authors, American -- South Carolina.
Businessmen -- United States.
Military attachés -- United States.

Container list:

25/12/1-7 Duryea, H.W. d. ca 1915

Letters, ca. 1901-1916. ca. 150 items

Tennessee and French horse rancher and pioneer cattle raiser in Southeastern US. Letters (ca. 1902-1916) of H.W. Duryea to Benjamin R. Kittredge Sr. Letters from Paris and elsewhere in France, New York NY, and Hickory Hills TN regarding horse ranching in the French countryside, Paris France, horse racing, automobile trips, business matters, personal concerns, London England, drying out and scattered mention of cockfighting. Much material regarding the financing of a horse ranch and raising horses.

25/12/8-9 Kittredge Family, 1887-1912

Misc. family papers, 1887-1912. Approx 30 items

Dean Hall, New York and California family. Correspondence (1888-1912) of Benjamin R. Kittredge Sr. and Elizabeth M.M. Kittredge with S. Dana Kittredge, Benjamin R. Kittredge Jr., R.M. Marshall, and others from Charleston, Stockton CA, and elsewhere regarding family matters, California wine growing and other matters.

25/12-14 Kittredge, Benjamin R., Jr. d. 1981

Correspondence, 1913-1919. ¾ ft.

Student at St. George's School, Newport RI. Correspondence of Benjamin R. Kittredge Jr. with his mother Elizabeth M.M. Kittredge at Carmel, NY. Letters also from Dean Hall, Charleston Co., Cambridge MA and from Benjamin R. Kittredge Jr.'s western tour of Banff, Canada. Letters regarding family, school, and travel matters.

25/14-16 Kittredge, Benjamin R, Jr. d. 1981

Letters, 1920-1941 + n.d., ¾ ft

Harvard and Oxford student, world traveler. Mostly letters (1920-1944) of Benjamin R. Kittredge Jr. to his mother, Elizabeth M.M. Kittredge regarding family matters, travel, education at Oxford and Harvard, jet setting and many other matters. Letters from Flagstaff, AZ (1920), Aiken, SC (1921), Paris, France, Venice Italy(1932), London Eng, Rome Italy, Cody Wyoming, (1923, 1941), Miles City Montana (1923), Oxford England, Madrid Spain (1928) voyage near Greece and Italy (1929); Santa Fe and elsewhere in New Mexico (1930), Santa Barbara, New Mexico (1930), Freiburg, Germany (1930s); Istanbul Turkey (1934) Hollywood CA (1935-1936), Hungary (1935), and elsewhere on ships and land. Letters (1920-1941) from Elizabeth M.M. Kittredge to her son Benjamin R. Kittredge Jr. and Anna and S. Dana Kittredge regarding family matters at Dean Hall, Charleston Co. and Carmel NY and Benjamin R. Kittredge's friends in Florence Italy (1922-1924), Calcutta India (1925-1926) and elsewhere regarding personal and travel matters. Also invitations to parties and letters of congratulation upon Benjamin R. Kittredge's engagement to Carola DeP. Kipp (1936-1937). Many undated letters also.

25/16-17 Kittredge, Benjamin R. Jr., d. 1981

Correspondence, 1942-1955. ¾ ft.

Assistance military attaché, author and donor of Cypress Gardens to Charleston. Correspondence (1942-1944) of Benjamin R. Kittredge Jr. in London, England at the American Embassy Office of Naval attaché to governments in exile for which Polish, Belgian and US government decorated him; Carola De Peyster Kipp Kittredge in Washington DC and Elizabeth M.M. Kittredge and Dean Hall, Charleston Co. and Carmel NY. Letters regarding family, World War II, personal and other concerns. Letters (1947-1955) of Benjamin R. Kittredge to EMMK from London and elsewhere regarding travel and family matters.

28/18-19 Kittredge, Benjamin R., Jr. d. 1981

Writings, ca. 1910-1920s. ¾ ft.

Clubsman, world traveler, student, writer. Student and unpublished writings of Benjamin R. Kittredge, Jr. Also includes French ms. version and letters about the English version of Benjamin R. Kittredge Jr.'s novel, Crowded Solitude. Also untitled, unpublished 467 pages of mss. of novel, and various short stories.

25/19/11-14 Kittredge, Benjamin R. Jr. d. 1981

School notes, ca. 1916-1923. 4 notebooks

Student at St. George, Newport RI, Harvard and Oxford. School notebook (ca. 1916-1923) for history, Italian art history, zoology, French, and other classes.

25/20/1-5 Kittredge, Benjamin R. Jr. d. 1981

Diaries, 1934-1958. 21 items

World traveler, clubsman, hunter. Diaries or appointment books of (1934-1958) of Benjamin R. Kittredge Jr. regarding hunting, dinner invitations, travel, and other personal concerns.

25/20-22 Kittredge, Elizabeth M.M., 1873-1955

Diaries, 1910-1938. 22 items.

Wife of Benjamin R. Kittredge Sr. and mistress of Dean Hall, Charleston Co. Diaries (1910-1938) of Elizabeth M.M. Kittredge. Included are personal, family matters and travel.

25/22/3-4 Kittredge family, 1900-1930s

Photographs, 1900-1930s. 1 vol., approx 30 loose items

Dean Hall Charleston Co., Carmel NY residents. Family photographs (1900-1930s) of the Kittredges including an album of their Stockton, California winery and house.