

The Clyde Griffen Collection

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Creators

unknown
Dr. Clyde Griffen

Extent

2 linear ft.

Dates

1913 – 1920

Conditions Governing Access

No Restrictions

Languages

English

Scope and Content

The Clyde Griffen collection consists of nine scrapbooks which feature news clippings that concern Poughkeepsie from 1913 until 1920. Much of the material was gathered from Poughkeepsie newspapers, with some selected from other regional papers and some from New York City papers. The subject of the clippings is often an identifiable Poughkeepsie landmark. Box 1 with four smaller scrapbooks is missing.

Historical Note

While the original creator is unknown, the collection of scrapbooks was donated by Dr. Clyde Griffen who was the Lucy Maynard Salmon Professor of History at Vassar College from 1957 until 1992. Dr. Griffen studied with Richard Hofstadter at Columbia University and focused on political and intellectual American history. Some pages are stamped Vassar College Library, and the inside cover of the scrapbooks are all stamped “withdrawn” from the Thompson Memorial Building, Vassar College Library. A separate sticker states that the scrapbooks are from the library of Clyde Griffen.

Provenance

The Collection was donated to the Dutchess County Historical Society by Clyde Griffen in 1995. The collections seems to have been withdrawn from the Vasser College Library.

Subject Headings

Scrapbooks; Landmarks

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Container List

Box 1

File	Contents	Date
Item 1	Poughkeepsie scrapbook; with written subject list	1905 October 16 – 1906 October 17
Item 2	Poughkeepsie scrapbook; with written subject list	1909 October 30 – 1911 September 9
Item 3	Poughkeepsie scrapbook; with written subject list	1911 September 13 – 1912 August 23
Item 4	Poughkeepsie scrapbook; with written subject list	1912 August 23 – 1913 April 29

Box 2

File	Contents	Date
Item 1	Poughkeepsie scrapbook; large, green cover; subject list in front cover (marked 1 of 5, 5 of original 9)	1913 April – 1914 March
Item 2	Poughkeepsie scrapbook; large, green cover; subject list in front cover (marked 2 of 5, 6 of original 9)	1914 March – 1916 May
Item 3	Poughkeepsie scrapbook; large, green cover (marked 3 of 5, 7 of original 9)	1916 May – 1917 October
Item 4	Poughkeepsie scrapbook; large, green cover (marked 4 of 5, 8 of original 9)	1917 October – 1918 December
Item 5	Poughkeepsie scrapbook; large, green cover (marked 5 of 5, 9 of original 9)	1918 November – 1920 June