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Summary Information

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Biographical / Historical

The papers of George Walbridge Perkins, 1862-1920, financier and industrialist. Perkins was a vice president of the New York Life Insurance Company, and a partner in the financial firm of J.P. Morgan; he also took an active part in the formation of the International Harvester Company, and the Northern Securities Company, and in the management of the U. S. Steel Corporation. The collection, which reflects these associations, includes correspondence, financial records, memoranda, papers, speeches, and newspaper clippings, relating to the history of life insurance, banking, industrial development, and politics in the early 20th Century.

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Arrangement

Correspondence and manuscripts cataloged

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Administrative Information

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Revision Description

PDF replaced, container list and cataloged correspondence added. kws 2019-11-01

Restrictions on Access

Cataloged correspondence and manuscripts are on-site. The remainder of the collection is located off-site. You will need to request this material at least three business days in advance to use the collection in the Rare Book and Manuscript Library reading room.

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Processing Information

Cataloged Christina Hilton Fenn 08/--/1989.

Accruals

Materials may have been added to the collection since this finding aid was prepared. Contact rbml@columbia.edu for more information.

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Related Materials

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The collection was used as the basis for a biography of Perkins written by John A. Garraty and published by Harpers in 1960.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Steel industry and trade -- United States
- Banks and banking -- United States -- History
- Chemical warfare -- United States

- Insurance companies -- United States
- Life insurance -- History
- Agricultural machinery industry
- Industries -- United States
- World War, 1914-1918
- World War, 1939-1945
- Palisades Interstate Park
- United States -- Politics and government -- 20th century
- Industrialists
- Executives
- Capitalists and financiers
- Perkins, George W (George Walbridge), 1862-1920
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization -- : Officials and employees
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization -- : United States
- Palisades Interstate Park Commission

Collection Inventory

Catalogued Correspondence	
Title/Description	Instances
Abbott, Lyman Scope and Contents Folders: 3	box CC 1
Astor, Vincent Scope and Contents Folders: 2	box CC 1
Baker, Newton Diehl Scope and Contents Folders: 1	box CC 1
Baruch, Bernard !1. Scope and Contents Folders: 1	box CC 1
Beard, Charles A.	box CC 1

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Belmont, August

box CC 1

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Beveridge, Albert J.

box CC 1

Scope and Contents

Folders: 114

Bliss, Cornelius N., Jr.

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Borah, William Edgar

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

Borglum, Gutzon

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 13

Brisbane, Arthur

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

Bruère, Henry

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 5

Burton, Theodore E.

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Butler, Nicholas Murray

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 6

Carnegie, Andrew

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 12

Cleveland, Grover

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Cortelyou, George B.

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 18

Cravath, Paul D.

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

Cutting, R. Bayard

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 4

Cutting, Robert Fulton

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 22

Davies, Joseph E.

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Dawes, Charles G.

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 9

Dean, Bashford

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

Deering, William

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Depew, Chauncey M.

box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Derby, Ethel Carow Roosevelt (Mrs. Richard) box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

Derby, Richard box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Dix, John Alden box CC 2

Scope and Contents

Folders: 4

Dodge, Cleveland H. box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 34

Dodge, Marcellus Hartley box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 4

Dodge, William E. box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 14

Edison, Thomas Alva box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

Elkins, Stephen Benton box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Fairbanks, Charles W. box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 7

Field, Marshall box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Fish, Stuyvesant box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Fosdick, Raymond B. box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 14

Frick, Henry Clay box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 12

Garfield, James Rudolph box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 5 (NOTE: Two of the letters are addressed to
Cyrus H. McCormick)

Gary, Elbert Henry box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 5

Gaynor, William Jay box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Goethals, George W. box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

Greene, Jerome D. box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Grosvenor, Charles H. box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Hanna, Marcus Alonzo box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 27

Harriman, Averell box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

Hay, John box CC 3

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

Hearst, William Randolph box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Herrick, Myron T. box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 4

Hewitt, Abram. S box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Higgins, Frank W. box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Hobart, Garret A. box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Holmes, John Haynes box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Holt, Hamilton box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Hoover, Herbert box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Hughes, Charles Evans

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 18

Hylan, John F.

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Ickes, Harold L.

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 5

Isaacs, Stanley M.

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Kellor, Frances A.

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Lane, Franklin K.

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Lee, Ivy Ledbetter

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Le Gallienne, Richard

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 4

Lincoln, Rnbprt Todd

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Lindsay, Samuel McCune

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 10

Lodge, Henry Cabot

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

Low, Seth

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 28

Lowell, Abbott Lawrence

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

McAneny, George

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

McCormick, Cyrus H.

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 39

McKinley, William

box CC 4

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Macy, V. Everit

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 5

Marks, Marcus M.

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Mather, Samuel

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 7

Mills, Ogden L.

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Mitchel, John Purroy

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 7

Mitchell, John

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 4

Morgan, John Pierpont

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Morgan, John Pierpont, Jr.

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 8

Morgenthau, Henry

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 5

Mott, John R.

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 34

Munsey, Frank A.

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Murphy, Franklin

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

O'Brien, Morgan J.

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 4

Ochs, Adolph S.

box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Odell, Benjamin B. box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Olmsted, Frederick Law box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Parsons, William Barclay box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Peabody, George Foster box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Perkins, Frances box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Perkins, George W. box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Polk, Frank Lyon box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 14

Prendergast, William A. box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Pritchett, Henry S. box CC 5

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Redfield, William C. box CC 6

Scope and Contents Folders: 1	
Riis, Jacob A.	box CC 6
Scope and Contents Folders: 1	
Rockefeller, John D.	box CC 6
Scope and Contents Folders: 4	
Rockefeller, John D., Jr.	box CC 6
Scope and Contents Folders: 75	
Rockefeller, William	box CC 6
Scope and Contents Folders: 3	
Roosevelt, Archibald B.	box CC 6
Scope and Contents Folders: 2	
Roosevelt, Edith Kermit	box CC 6
Scope and Contents Folders: 11	
Roosevelt, Theodore	box CC 6
Scope and Contents Folders: 27	
Roosevelt, Theodore (cont.)	box CC 7
Scope and Contents Folders: 79	
Roosevelt, Theodore, Jr.	box CC 7
Scope and Contents Folders: 4	
Root, Elihu	box CC 7

Scope and Contents

Folders: 10

Rousseau, Theodore

box CC 7

Scope and Contents

Folders: 4

Schieffelin, William Jay

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Schiff, Jacob H.

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 5

Schiff, Mortimer L.

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Selfridge, H. Gordon

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 6

Shaw, Albert

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Shaw, Leslie Mortier

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Smith, Alfred E.

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 5

Stetson, Francis Lynde

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Stokes, Anson Phelps, Jr.

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

Studebaker, John Mohler

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Taft, William Howard

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 8

Thwing, Charles F.

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Vanderbilt, Cornelius

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Vanderlip, Frank A.

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 6

Wanamaker, John

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

Warburg, Felix M.

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 3

Warburg, Paul M.

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

White, Alfred T.

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 1

White, William Allen

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 12

Whitman, Charles S.

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 9

Wickersham, George W.

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 10

Willard, Daniel

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 5

Wilson, Woodrow

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 5

Wise, Stephen S.

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 2

Wood, Leonard

box CC 8

Scope and Contents

Folders: 7

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Title/Description	Instances
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Hughes, Charles Evans	box CC 8
Roosevelt, Theodore	box CC 8
Whitman, Charles Seymour	box CC 8
Wilson, Woodrow	box CC 8

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Title/Description	Instances
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General File, 1892-1898	box 3
General File, 1899-June 1900	box 4
General File, July 1900-1902 (general)	box 5
General File, 1902 (assorted)-September 1905	box 6
General File, 1905-March 1906	box 7
General File, April 1906-1907	box 8
General File, 1907-June 1909	box 9
General File, July 1909-1910	box 10
General File, 1911	box 11
General File, 1912- March 1913	box 12
General File, April 1913-1914	box 13
General File, 1915-1916	box 14
General File, 1917-February 1918	box 15
General File, March 1918- December 1918	box 16
General File, 1919-1920	box 17
Obituaries, 1920	box 18
Post-1920 Correspondence; clippings, etc.; Perkins Estate Book; G.W. Perkins Jr. - A Biography of G.W. Perkins Sr.	box 19
Printed and Duplicate Materials, 1900-1920	box 20
Printed and Duplicate Materials, 1913-1920	box 21
Columbia College Address "The Modern Corporation" (1908) Correspondence; Harvard School of Business Administration Speech "Some Things To Think About" (1910) Correspondence	box 22
Atlanta, Youngstown, and Houghton, Mich., Speeches, 1911- Corresp.	box 23
"New York's Responsibility" -1911-Correspondence; Detroit Speech, 1911- Correspondence A-H	box 24

Detroit Speech, 1911- Correspondence H-S	box 25
Detroit Speech, 1911- Correspondence S-Z; "Business and Government, 1912" - Correspondence; Economic Club of New York Speech, 1915- Correspondence; Mrs. Hinkley Correspondence, 1899-1918	box 26
U.S. Steel Profit Sharing, 1901-1915; Early U.S. Steel Correspondence, 1902-1903	box 27
Hudson-Fulton Commission, 1905-1911; Hudson Monument Fund, 1908-1918	box 28
G.W. Perkins Testimonial Week, 1905; New York Life Insurance Agency Directors' Account 1906-1908	box 29
New York Life Insurance Agency Directors' Account, 1904-1908	box 29A
New York Life Insurance Agency Directors' Account, 1909-1913	box 30
Pere Marquette Railroad Correspondence, 1910-1912	box 31
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, 1910-1920; Unemployment Committee, 1915 A-Z	box 32
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Scope and Contents	
Note: Flat files taken from Box 35 located in mapcase 15-H-4	
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New York Trust Company Investment Account (A-J)	box 37
New York Trust Company Investment Account (K-Z)	box 38
J.P. Morgan Account Investments; Miscellaneous undated material	box 39
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YMCA-YWCA	box 42
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Palisades Park Commission Correspondence, 1912-1913	box 46
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Palisades Park Commission Correspondence, 1915 S-Z — 1917 A-G	box 48
Palisades Park Commission Correspondence, 1917 H-Z — 1918 A-K	box 49
Palisades Park Commission Correspondence, 1918 L-Z — 1919 (misc.)	box 50
Palisades Park Commission Correspondence, 1919	box 51

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Letterbooks (Many dismantled)

Title/Description	Instances
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2June 3, 1895-March 1, 1897	box 52
3March 1, 1897-Feb. 1, 1899	box 52
4Feb. 1, 1899-July 18, 1900	box 53
5July 20, 1900-April 14, 1901	box 53
6April 15, 1901-May 6, 1904	box 53
7Jan. 16, 1907- Oct. 16, 1909	box 53
8Oct. 16, 1909-Nov. 2, 1910	box 54
9Nov. 2, 1910-Dec. 31, 1910	box 54
10, May 4, 1889-April 13, 1892	box 54
11. Letters and statements on food matter	box 35
12. Cables, Dec. 1918-Aug. 1919	flatbox 606
13. Congratulations to G.W. Perkins	box 54
14. Typescripts of Interviews	box 55
15. Cash Book No. 2, Cleveland, July 1, 1882-July 31, 1885	flatbox 607
16. Journal, Cleveland, May 1883-July 1885	flatbox 607
17. Potatoes Account Book	box 55
18. Potatoes	box 55
19. Potatoes	box 55
20. Potatoes	box 55

21. 1917 Potato Contracts	box 55
22. Agreements re: Potatoes	box 56
23. Potatoes	box 56
24. Clubs	box 56
25. Associations and Societes: Member of	box 57
26. Director of: United States Steel Corp.; Florida East Coast Railway; International Harvester; International Merchant Marine Co.; German-American Insurance Co.; German Alliance Insurance Co.`	box 57
27, January-June 1910	box 57
28. Pictures of G.W. Perkins' Office at J.P. Morgan & Co.	box 57
29. Central Park, 1910-1911, 1916	box 58
30. Princeton Glacier, Alaska, 1910-1911	box 58
31. Equitable Life Assurance Society, 1906, 1909, 1911	box 58
32. Republican National Convention, St. Louis, 1918	
Scope and Contents	
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33. Correspondence relating to G. W. Perkins' investments	box 58
34. Loans made by G.W. Perkins which have been repaid	box 59
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37. Manuscript of G. W. Perkins Biography	box 59

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Title/Description	Instances
Clippings on the \$170,000,000 YMCA Campaign	flatbox 606
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Personal Scrapbooks

Title/Description	Instances
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71906-1907	box 64
81909-1911	box 64
91911	box 65
10, 1911	box 65
11, 1911-1912	box 65
12, 1912	box 66
13, 1912	box 66
13A, 1912	box 66
13B, 1912	box 66
13C, 1912	box 67
14, 1912-1914	box 67
15, 1914	box 67
16, 1914	box 68
17, 1914-1915	box 68
18, 1915	box 68
19, 1915-1916	box 69
20, 1916-1917	box 69
21, 1917	box 69
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23, 1918-1920	box 70
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Insurance Investigation Scrapbooks

Title/Description	Instances
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Constitutional Convention Scrapbook, 27 April-23 November 1915	box 74

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Insurance Business Scrapbooks

Title/Description	Instances
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21891-1892	box 75
31892-1894	box 75
Palisades Park Commission Scrapbooks	box 75
Palisades Park Commission Scrapbooks	box 76
Roosevelt, Theodore, Cartoon Scrapbooks	box 75
George Walbridge Perkins: In Memoriam	flatbox 605
Printed Miscellany	box 61
Papers on appeal: State of New York Supreme Court, Appellate Div., 4th Judicial Dept. Egbert H. Dudley and George Dudley Repondents vs. executors of last will and testament of George W. Perkins, deceased, appellants. Volumes 1-7 and index (printed)	box 62

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