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Biographical Information

Joseph Yount (1765-1839) was born in York County Pennsylvania to Swiss immigrant Rudolph Yount and Frances Schaffner Yount. In 1794, Joseph Yount moved to Rockingham County, Virginia, with his parents and two brothers. After his marriage to Elizabeth Bowman in 1798, Joseph bought a farm in Augusta County, where the young couple began to establish their family. Descendants of Joseph Yount include brothers Stephens Russell Yount (1892-1959) and Glenn Ellyson Yount (1893-1968), who both served in the United States Air Service during World War I; Violette Belle Yount (1902-1992), an accomplished artist and songwriter who regularly wrote songs for J. Chas McNeil and Bob Carleton; and Joseph Byron Yount III (1939-2016), a former United States counterintelligence officer who later became the second youngest mayor in Waynesboro's history.

Scope and Content

Papers, 1808-2011, of the Yount Family consist of correspondence, photographs, account books, diaries, school notebooks, and scrapbooks, general papers, newsletters and newspapers, and ephemera. Much of the correspondence, newsletters, and newspapers were sent from Stephens Russell Yount and Glenn Ellyson Yount while they were serving in the military during World War I.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged into six series: I. Correspondence, II. Photographs, III. Ledgers, IV. General Papers, V. Newspapers and Newsletters, and VI. Ephemera.

Contents List

Correspondence, 1808-2011.

Boxes 1-8 (box)

Extent

Extent: 8 boxes.

Scope and Content

Correspondence, 1808-2011, is primarily comprised of letters to and from the Yount family, though some items are written to members of the related Stephens or Pelter family. This series contains various types of correspondence, including both handwritten and typed letters, invitations, postcards, birthday and holiday cards, and several telegrams and emails. Topics include daily life, financial and legal matters, and current events. Much of the correspondence originates from Virginia, with the notable exception of the World War I and II letters, which arrived respectively from France and California. Also included are several folders of empty envelopes.

Arrangement

Series is arranged alphabetically.

Correspondence, 1808-1889.

Box 1

Folder 1

Correspondence, 1890-1913.

Box 1

Folder 2

Correspondence, 1915-1919.

Box 1

Folder 3

Correspondence, 1920-1927.

Box 1

Folder 4

Correspondence, 1928-1930.

Box 1

Folder 5

Correspondence, 1931-1934.

Box 1

Folder 6

Correspondence, 1935-1939.

Box 2

Folder 1

Correspondence, 1939-1942.

Box 2

Folder 2

Correspondence, 1942-1943.

Box 2

Folder 3

Correspondence, 1943-1944.

Box 2

Folder 4

Correspondence, 1945-1952.

Box 2

Folder 5

Correspondence, 1953-1954.

Box 2

Folder 6

Correspondence, 1954-1957.

Box 3

Folder 1

Correspondence, 1959-1960.

Box 3

Folder 2

Correspondence, 1960-1961.

Box 3

Folder 3

Correspondence, 1961-1962.

Box 3

Folder 4

Correspondence, 1963-1964.

Box 3

Folder 5

Correspondence, 1965-1966.

Box 3

Folder 6

Correspondence, 1966.

Box 4

Folder 1

Correspondence, 1967.

Box 4

Folder 2

Correspondence, 1968.

Box 4

Folder 3

Correspondence, 1970-1979.

Box 4

Folder 4

Correspondence, 1980-2011.

Box 4

Folder 5

Correspondence, undated.

Box 4

Folder 6

Correspondence, undated.

Box 5

Folder 1

Correspondence, undated.

Box 5

Folder 2

Correspondence, undated.

Box 5

Folder 3

Correspondence, undated.

Box 5

Folder 4

Correspondence, undated.

Box 5

Folder 5

Correspondence, undated.

Box 5

Folder 6

Correspondence, undated.

Box 6

Folder 1

Correspondence, WWI, 1917-1918.

Box 6

Folder 2

Correspondence, WWI, 1918.

Box 6

Folder 3

Correspondence, WWI, 1918.

Box 6

Folder 4

Correspondence, WWI, 1918.

Box 6

Folder 5

Correspondence, WWI, 1918.

Box 6

Folder 6

Correspondence, WWI, 1918.

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Folder 7

Correspondence, WWI, 1918.

Box 7

Folder 1

Correspondence, WWI, 1918.

Box 7

Folder 2

Correspondence, WWI, 1919.

Box 7

Folder 3

Correspondence, WWI, 1919.

Box 7

Folder 4

Correspondence, WWI, 1919.

Box 7

Folder 5

Correspondence, WWI, 1919 and undated.

Box 7

Folder 6

Correspondence, WWII, 1943-1945.

Box 8

Folder 1

Envelopes, 1888-1954.

Box 8

Folder 2

Envelopes, 1954-1986 and undated.

Box 8

Folder 3

Photographs, 1955-2005.

Boxes 8-9 (box)

Extent

Extent: 2 boxes.

Scope and Content

Photographs, 1955-2005, are primarily comprised of photographs of the Ewing family, as well as images of Joseph B. Yount III and his sister JoAnn Yount. Photographs depict men, women, and children at reunions, parties, and graduations, and include a variety of formal and candid images. Also included in this series are two photograph albums.

Arrangement

Series is arranged alphabetically.

Addie Woods Photograph, undated.

Box 8

Folder 4

Army Reunion at 611 Photographs, undated.

Box 8

Folder 5

Chuck Perkett Photographs, 1967 and undated.

Box 8

Folder 6

Ewing Army Photographs, undated.

Box 8

Folder 7

Ewing and Laney Photographs, 1987 and 1994.

Box 8

Folder 8

Ewing Family Reunion Photographs, undated.

Box 8

Folder 9

Ewing Photographs, 1987, 2005 and unated.

Box 8

Folder 10

JBY and Jerry Balites RMS Photographs, 1955.

Box 8

Folder 11

JBY U.S. Army Photographs, undated.

Box 8

Folder 12

Jim Morgan and Richard Dulaney Photographs, 1991.

Box 9

Folder 1

Joanne Photographs, 1935 and undated.

Box 9

Folder 2

John and Nancy Ewing Photographs, undated.

Box 9

Folder 3

John Ewing Photographs, undated.

Box 9

Folder 4

John Ewing Wedding and Reception Photographs, undated.

Box 9

Folder 5

John Laney Army Photographs, undated.

Box 9

Folder 6

Miscellaneous Photographs, undated.

Box 9

Folder 7

Nancy Ewing Photographs, undated.

Box 9

Folder 8

Paul Williams Photograph, 1987.

Box 9

Folder 9

Perkett and Army Buddies Photographs, undated.

Box 9

Folder 10

RMS Grad JBY, 1956.

Box 9

Folder 13

RMS Graduation, 1956.

Box 9

Folder 14

Unidentified Group Photographs, undated.

Box 9

Folder 15

Unidentified Men Photographs, undated.

Box 9

Folder 16

Unidentified Women Photographs, undated.

Box 9

Folder 17

USP Aspen Photographs, undated.

Box 9

Folder 18

Ledgers, 1860-1983.

Boxes 10-14 (box)

Extent

Extent: 5 boxes.

Scope and Content

Ledgers, 1860-1983, include account books, diaries, school notebooks, and scrapbooks. Some of the diaries were written anonymously, while others were written by Yount and Pelter family members. Account books variously detail personal debts and the financial accounts of the Yount family farm. Also included in this series is an undated commercial calculator, an "In Memorium" notebook, and an anonymous notebook containing telephone numbers.

Arrangement

Series is arranged alphabetically.

Account Book, 1934-1950.

Box 10

Folder 1

Papers from Account Book, 1934-1950.

Box 10

Folder 2

Account Ledger, 1860.

Box 10

Folder 3

Blue Book of Telephone Numbers, undated.

Box 10

Folder 4

Diary, 1902.

Box 10

Folder 5

Diary, 1925-1927.

Box 10

Folder 6

Papers from Diary, 1925-1927.

Box 10

Folder 7

Diary, 1927-1929.

Box 10

Folder 8

Papers from Diary, 1927-1929.

Box 10

Folder 9

Diary, 1929-1932.

Box 10

Folder 10

Papers from Diary, 1929-1932.

Box 10

Folder 11

Diary, 1933-1935.

Box 10

Folder 12

Papers from Diary, 1933-1935.

Box 10

Folder 13

Diary, 1938-1944.

Box 11

Folder 1

Papers from Diary, 1938-1944.

Box 11

Folder 2

Diary, 1941-1945.

Box 11

Folder 3

Diary, 1945-1949.

Box 11

Folder 4

Diary, 1945-1950.

Box 11

Folder 5

Diary, 1950-1955.

Box 11

Folder 6

Diary, 1955-1956.

Box 11

Folder 7

Diary, 1957-1959.

Box 11

Folder 8

Diary, 1964-1969.

Box 12

Folder 1

Diary, 1974-1978.

Box 12

Folder 2

Papers from Diary, 1974-1978.

Box 12

Folder 3

Hazel Alice Yount Diary, 1946-1950.

Box 12

Folder 4

Papers from Hazel Alice Yount Diary, 1946-1950.

Box 12

Folder 5

Hazel Alice Young Diary, 1979-1983.

Box 12

Folder 6

Hazel Yount English Notebook, 1924.

Box 12

Folder 7

"In Memorium" Notebook, undated.

Box 12

Folder 8

Joe Yount III Notebook, 1972-1974.

Box 13

Folder 1

Joe Yount III Notebook, undated.

Box 13

Folder 2

Joe Yount III Notebook, undated.

Box 13

Folder 3

Mary Welsh Notebook, 1909.

Box 13

Folder 4

Ropp's Commercial Calculator, undated.

Box 13

Folder 5

Sampson Pelter Notebook, 1951-1955 and undated.

Box 13

Folder 6

Samuel W. Yount Diary, 1976-1981.

Box 13

Folder 7

Papers from Samuel W. Yount Diary, 1976-1981.

Box 13

Folder 8

School Notebook, undated.

Box 13

Folder 9

School Notebook, undated.

Box 14

Folder 1

Papers from School Notebook, undated.

Box 14

Folder 2

Scrapbook, 1942-1981.

Box 14

Folder 3

Scrapbook, undated.

Box 14

Folder 4

Violette B. Yount Diary, 1933-1942.

Box 14

Folder 5

Violette B. Yount Diary, 1950-1954.

Box 14

Folder 6

Papers from Violette B. Yount Diary, 1950-1954.

Box 14

Folder 7

Violette B. Yount Diary, 1964-1968.

Box 14

Folder 8

Papers from Violette B. Yount Diary, 1964-1968.

Box 14

Folder 9

Yount Farm Account Book, 1980.

Box 14

Folder 9

General Papers, 1836-1991 and undated.

Boxes 15-17 (box)

Extent

Extent: 3 boxes.

Scope and Content

General Papers, 1836-1991, of the Yount family include genealogical research material from Alexandria and Loudon County, numerous contracts and agreements, recipes, programs, newspaper clippings, the copyright registrations of many of Violette B. Yount's songs, speeches written by Joseph B. Yount III, memorandum from the Office of Air Service, as well as numerous miscellaneous writings, notes, and poetry. Also included in this series is some financial and business paperwork of Joseph B. Yount III from his time as city attorney.

Arrangement

Series is arranged alphabetically.

Accounts, 1836.

Box 15

Folder 1

Accounts, 1864-1865.

Box 15

Folder 2

Alexandria, VA Research, undated.

Box 15

Folder 3

Business and Membership Cards, 1945-1982 and undated.

Box 15

Folder 4

Certificates, 1923 and 1933.

Box 15

Folder 5

Christmas Lists, 1941-1986.

Box 15

Folder 6

Christmas Lists, 1942-1982.

Box 15

Folder 7

Collaboration Agreements, 1939.

Box 15

Folder 8

The Congressional Record, 1930-1931.

Box 15

Folder 9

Contracts, 1842-1946.

Box 15

Folder 10

Copyright Registrations, 1940-1973.

Box 15

Folder 11

Descriptive Introductory List #237, undated.

Box 18

Folder 1

Estate Tax Audit Paperwork, 1974.

Box 15

Folder 12

F + M Check Stubs, 1972.

Box 15

Folder 13

Genealogical Materials, 1949-1984 and undated.

Box 15

Folder 14

Household Inventories, 1977.

Box 15

Folder 15

Hair, 1890 and undated.

Box 15

Folder 16

Illustrations, undated.

Box 15

Folder 17

Insurance Paperwork, 1870-1922.

Box 16

Folder 1

JBY Speeches, 1977 and undated.

Box 16

Folder 2

J.R. Balderson, 1933-1940.

Box 16

Folder 3

Loudoun Co., VA Research, 1954-1967 and undated.

Box 16

Folder 4

Luke McLuke Book, undated.

Box 16

Folder 5

Materials in French, 1892-1919.

Box 16

Folder 6

Miscellaneous Notes, 1935-1942.

Box 16

Folder 7

Miscellaneous Papers, WWI, undated.

Box 16

Folder 8

Miscellaneous Writings, undated.

Box 16

Folder 9

Newspaper Clippings, 1963-1980 and undated.

Box 16

Folder 10

Obituaries, undated.

Box 16

Folder 11

Office of Air Service Memos, 1919.

Box 16

Folder 12

Pamphlets, 1927-1979 and undated.

Box 16

Folder 13

Pelter Family Research, 1953 and undated.

Box 16

Folder 14

Plat of the Lands of J.E. and Katie Fisher, South River District, August Co., VA, 1951.

Box 18

Folder 2

Poetry, undated.

Box 16

Folder 15

Political Materials, 1978.

Box 16

Folder 16

Programs, 1924-1975.

Box 16

Folder 17

Programs, 1976-1991.

Box 16

Folder 18

Quotes, 1979 and undated.

Box 17

Folder 1

Railroad Retirement Board, 1961.

Box 17

Folder 2

Receipts and Invoices, 1841-1968.

Box 17

Folder 3

Receipts, Insurance, 1980-1981.

Box 17

Folder 4

Recipes, undated.

Box 17

Folder 5

Richard Stephens Papers, 1858-1864.

Box 17

Folder 6

Schoolwork, undated.

Box 17

Folder 7

Scorecards, undated.

Box 17

Folder 8

Segregationist Materials, undated.

Box 17

Folder 9

Stationary, undated.

Box 17

Folder 10

Vehicle Paperwork, 1923-1975.

Box 17

Folder 11

Warranties, 1977 and undated.

Box 17

Folder 12

Waynesboro Public Library Press Release, 1968.

Box 17

Folder 13

Newspapers and Newsletters, 1918-1919 and undated.

Boxes 17-18 (box)

Extent

Extent: 2 boxes.

Scope and Content

Newspapers and newsletters, 1918-1919, include several full editions of the Stars and Stripes newspaper, as well as the unit newsletters of Stephens Russell Yount and Glenn Ellyson Yount from their military service during World War I. These newsletters include "The Hub", "The Mic", "The Steering Wheel", and "The Unit", and detail daily life of servicemen. These newsletters were sent by the Yount brothers from France to their family members in Virginia.

Arrangement

Series is arranged alphabetically.

"The Hub" Newsletter, Vol. 1, No. 1, 1919.

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"The Hub" Newsletter, Vol. 1, No. 4, 1919.

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"The Hub" Newsletter, Vol. 1, No. 5, 1919.

Box 17

Folder 16

"The Hub" Newsletter, Vol. 1, No. 8, 1919.

Box 17

Folder 17

"The Mic", Unit 306 Newsletter, 1919.

Box 17

Folder 18

Riviera American, No. 1, 1919.

Box 18

Folder 3

Stars and Stripes, Vol. 1, No. 38, 1918.

Box 18

Folder 4

Stars and Stripes, Vol. 1, No. 52, 1919.

Box 18

Folder 5

Stars and Stripes, Vol. 2, No. 5, 1919.

Box 18

Folder 6

Stars and Stripes, Vol. 2, No. 7, 1919.

Box 18

Folder 7

Stars and Stripes, Vol. 2, No. 12, 1919.

Box 18

Folder 8

Stars and Stripes, Vol. 2, No. 10, 1919.

Box 18

Folder 9

Stars and Stripes, Vol. 2, No. 9, 1919.

Box 18

Folder 10

Stars and Stripes, Vol. 2, No. 14, 1919.

Box 18

Folder 11

Stars and Stripes, Vol. 2, No. 15, 1919.

Box 18

Folder 12

"The Steering Wheel" Newsletter, Vol. 2, No. 5, 1919.

Box 17

Folder 19

"The Unit" Newsletter, 1919.

Box 17

Folder 20

"The Unit" Newsletter, Vol. 2, 1919.

Box 17

Folder 21

Ephemera, undated.

Box 17

Extent

Extent: 1 box.

Scope and Content

Ephemera, undated, of the Yount family is comprised of a wooden lid, a pocket day timer, and the trench mirror of Stephens Russell Yount from his service during World War I.

Arrangement

Series is arranged alphabetically.

Lid, undated.

Box 17

Folder 22

Pocket Day Timer, undated.

Box 17

Folder 23

Trench Mirror, undated.

Box 17

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