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Creator

Cooke, C. Ernest (Charles Ernest), 1898-1975

Extent

0.8 Cubic Feet 2 boxes

Repository

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

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Biographical Note

Charles Ernest Cooke (1898-1975) was a professor of English and Art History at Virginia Intermont College from 1930 to the 1960s. He also taught courses at other universities and colleges during his career, including some courses at Virginia Tech. Cooke was originally from Owensboro, Kentucky, and received his degrees from the University of Richmond and Harvard University. Cooke was a playwright and artist as well as an educator.

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A Tabulated Biographical History of English Literature Correlated with the History of World Culture, Compiled by C. Ernest Cooke

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