

# Inventory of the Rev. Samuel Huntting Sayre, Jr. Papers 1874-1989

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## Overview of the Collection

### Identification:

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### Abstract:

Personal, family and ministerial correspondence of Rev. Samuel H. Sayre. His personal diaries from 1918 to 1963, his sermons and notes are included in this collection. There are family and other personal photographs and many postcard and tourist packet photographs from his trips to Europe and his automobile trips from California to Virginia. Publication material includes church bulletins, news clippings, tourist pamphlets, magazines and others. His family correspondence possibly has more personal information than his diaries. His diaries are often a day by day recap of what he did, sometimes about how he felt about people, places or things and rarely about any personal struggles. The family files contain genealogical information of the Sayre, Renison, Carmalt and Morris Families. His ministry work is detailed in his letters, diaries and other materials.

**Creator:**

Sayre, Samuel Huntting, Jr., December 18, 1893 to after 1980 Sayre, Marjorie Renison, March 27, 1920 to unknown arrangement

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6.00

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## Biographical Note

Samuel H. Sayre, Jr. was born in Hampton, Virginia, the son of Annie Woolsey Morris and Samuel H. Sayre, Sr. He is descended from Lewis Morris, a Signer of the Declaration of Independence. He served in the Hospital Corp Service of the Navy until August 28, 1919 when he began his studies to be an Episcopal priest. On September 18, 1919, he entered St. Stephen's College, Annandale-on-Hudson and graduated in spring 1922. Between September 26, 1922 and spring 1925, he studied at the General Theological Seminary in New York City as a candidate for the ministry and as a postulant of Bishop Burleson, spending the summers in the Mission field of South Dakota.

He served as a priest in South Dakota, Chicago, Pennsylvania, California and Virginia. He married Marjorie Mae Renison on January 13, 1934 in St. John's Church, Hampton, Virginia. His parish of St. Barnabas in Eagle Rock, Los Angeles, California was begun by his wife's Grandfather, Canon Renison, as a Mission Church and Rev. Sayre took over the Parish from his Father-in-Law, Rev. George Edward Renison.

Dates and Parishes:

August 2, 1925 to April 1927

St. James Mission in Mobridge, South Dakota (Rev. Sayre's first parish),

April, 1927 to January 31, 1928

St. Paul's Church in Kenwood, Chicago,

April 1, 1928 to September 30, 1938

St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Williamsport, Pennsylvania and The Church of Our Savior in Montoursville, Pennsylvania,

October 1, 1938 to October 1, 1939

St. John's Episcopal Church, Bellefonte, Pennsylvania,

October 15, 1939 to January 15, 1961

St. Barnabas' Church, Eagle Rock, Los Angeles, California,

February 1, 1961

Kingston Parish, Mathews, Virginia and

by April 3, 1966

St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Colonial Beach, Virginia.

He is a 32nd degree Mason, member of the Royal Arcanum and Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternities. Other

honors include Dean of Convocation of Pasadena, 1955-1959 and Chaplain to Bishop Bloy of Los Angeles, 1951-1961.

## Scope and Contents

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## Index Terms

This Collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

### Family Name:

Carmalt Family  
Morris Family  
Renison Family  
Sayre Family

### Genre/Form of Material:

Clippings  
Correspondence  
Diaries  
Genealogies  
Pamphlets  
Photographs  
Postcards  
Programs  
Sermons

### Topical Term:

Episcopal Church--Clergy  
Episcopal Church--Virginia--Clergy--20th century.

## Arrangement of Materials

Some of the material was already arranged by Rev. Sayre and his order was maintained. The rest of the collection was grouped into Correspondence, Family, Photographs, Travel, Personal, Ministry, Sermons and Diaries. When possible, material was organized chronologically.

## Detailed Description of the Collection

### Box 1

#### Correspondence, 1890-1989,

#### Box 1

#### Scope and Content

Rev. Sayre grouped some of his correspondence and these groups were kept as he organized them.

Loose correspondence found in the collection was gathered and grouped according to subject: ministry, family or personal.

**Envelopes and Stamps, 1929, 1954-1964,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 1**

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**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 1**

**Folder 1**

**Family Correspondence, 1940, 1952, 1954-1959, 1975,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 2**

**Scope and Content**

Correspondence between family members of Rev. Samuel Sayre.

**Mrs. Marjorie Sayre, 1940, 1952, 1956 and 1959,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 2**

**Folder 2**

**Scope and Content**

Letters to, from and about Mrs. Samuel H. Sayre (Marjorie).

Letter from Marjorie to her Mother. September 1940.

Thank you letter from the Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of Our Saviour to Mrs. Sayre for her talk. October 9, 1952.

Letter from Bishop Francis Eric Bloy of Los Angeles to Mrs. Samuel H. Sayre telling her she is a recipient of the Bishop's annual award for outstanding laymen of the diocese. October 1, 1956.

Invitation from Chaplains Service Corps to a tea honoring Mrs. Samuel H. Sayre, President of the Chaplains Service Corps. February 24, 1959.

**Trips Abroad, 1954-1958,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 2**

**Folder 3**

**Scope and Content**

Letters to and from Family Members of Samuel H. Sayre.

**Visit to Sierra Vista, Arizona, October to December 1975,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 2**

**Folder 4**

**Scope and Content**

These are letters Samuel H. Sayre or his wife, Marjorie Sayre, wrote to his sisters, Ruth and Margaret, from Sierra Vista, Arizona. They go into great detail about his day to day activities. He writes about his family, particularly Ted and Margaret Morris who live in Sierra Vista, Grassfield, and the church. These letters were organized by Samuel H. Sayre.

**To and From Family Members,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 2**

**Folder 5**

**Scope and Content**

These letters were found loose during accessioning and grouped A-Z by last name.

**Family, Early Years, Correspondence, 1906, 1910-11, 1932,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 3**

**Scope and Content**

These letters were tied together with a red ribbon. They are early family correspondence between Samuel H. Sayre and his family and between members of his family.

**Summer 1906,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 3**

**Folder 6**

**Scope and Content**

In an envelope postmarked 1906 are postcards and letters from Samuel H. Sayre, Jr. to his family while he is visiting relatives in Germantown, Pennsylvania and at Camp Choconut in Friendsville, Pennsylvania during the summer of 1906.

**Winter 1910 and 1911,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 3**

**Folder 7**

**Scope and Content**

Letters and post cards from Samuel H. Sayre, Jr. to his family while visiting Aunt Caroline Morris and Aunt Minnie (Mary Cox Morris) in Washington, D.C. Tells about his sightseeing trips, visits to friends and other activities in and around Washington D.C. December 1910 and January 1911

**Undated,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 3**

**Folder 8**

**Scope and Content**

Envelope with note: "Answers from Alice May Berry when I asked her if she loved me"; Spring or summer of 1932 at ten years of age."

**Family, Marjorie Sayre, Correspondence, 1928-1930, 1932-1934, 1963-1964,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 4**

**Scope and Content**

These are letters to Rev. Samuel H. Sayre from his wife, Marjorie Sayre. This group of correspondence is filed in chronological order.

**1928,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 4**

**Folder 9**

**Scope and Content**

Marjorie is in Eagle Rock, California and Samuel is in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

**1929,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 4**

**Folder 10**

**Scope and Content**

Marjorie is in Eagle Rock, California and Samuel is in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

**1930,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 4**

**Folder 11**

**Scope and Content**

Marjorie is in Eagle Rock, California and Samuel is in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

**1931,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 4**

**Folder 12**

**Scope and Content**

Marjorie is in Eagle Rock, California and Samuel is in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

**1932,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 4**

**Folder 13**

**Scope and Content**

Marjorie is in Eagle Rock, California and Samuel is in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

**1933,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 4**

**Folder 14**

**Scope and Content**

Marjorie is in Eagle Rock, California and Samuel is in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

On September 1, 1933, Marjorie writes that her family and others "fell quite in love with you" and asks how he liked his first trip to California.

On December 23, 1933, Marjorie writes of wedding plans for Saturday, the 13th.

**1934,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 4**

**Folder 15**

**Scope and Content**

Marjorie is in Eagle Rock, California and Samuel is in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

April 15, 1934 Marjorie talks about how difficult it is to leave her Mother and come East.

**December, 1963,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 4**

**Folder 16**

**Scope and Content**

Marjorie wrote these letters on her trip to Eagle Rock, California to see her ill Mother. Samuel is in Mathews, Virginia.

**January, 1964,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 4**

**Folder 17**

**Scope and Content**

Marjorie is in Eagle Rock, California visiting her ill Mother in the hospital. Her Mother is buried on Friday, January 24. Samuel is in Mathews, Virginia.

**February - March 1964,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 4**

**Folder 18**

**Scope and Content**

Marjorie is in Eagle Rock, California until mid-March. Samuel is in Mathews, Virginia.

**Family and Family Matters Correspondence, 1890-1989,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 5**

**1890-1899,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 5**

**Folder 19**

**Scope and Content**

To Annie (Mrs. S. H. Sayre, Jr.) c/o Thos (Thomas) Moore in Fairfax Courthouse, Virginia, from Papa in Hampton, Virginia May 6, 1891.

To Annie (Mrs. S. H. Sayre, Jr.) c/o Thos (Thomas) Moore in Fairfax Courthouse, Virginia, from (Papa). May 7, 1891.

To Nancy, From unknown in Wilmington, North Carolina. November 13, 1898.

**1900-1909,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 5**

**Folder 20**

**Scope and Content**

Empty envelope from S.H. Sayre, Jr. of Hampton, Virginia to Miss Caroline P. Morris in Scarsdale, New York. Postmarked January 3, 1909.

**1910 -1919,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 5**

**Folder 21**

**Scope and Content**

Some of these letters are between other members of the family.

Letters from Samuel H. Sayre's Mother and Father, his Aunt Caroline P. Morris, Aunt Minnie, Aunt Mary Cox Sayre, Morris Sayre, Uncle Charles R. Sayre, Frances R. Vance of Department of Charities in Los Angeles, California.

Letter to Samuel H. Sayre from his brother, Morris Sayre, where Morris gives advice to Sam about what his next step in life should be, particularly pursuing the ministry. May 7, 1914.

**1920-1929,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 5**

**Folder 22**

**Scope and Content**

Some of these letters are between other family members or letters that Samuel H. Sayre wrote to family members. Correspondents include Samuel H. Sayre's Mother, his brother, Morris Sayre and Aunts Minnie and Caroline. Most letters do not have envelopes, but in 1923 Samuel H. Sayre was living in Hampton and at the General Theological Seminary in New York City.

In July 10, 1922 letter to Aunts (Aunt Minnie) while he is in Dupree, South Dakota, Samuel H. Sayre talks in depth of his experience with the Indians.

A group of letters from late 1924 and early 1925 with his brother, Morris Sayre, are labeled "arguments and correspondence with Morris 1924-25" and concern their philosophy on what is needed to be a good minister.

Letter from Morris Sayre to Samuel H. Sayre where he congratulates Sam on his upcoming ordination. March 13, 1926

November 24, 1926 wedding invitation of Aileen Harriet Elizabeth Renison to Armistead Claiborne Leigh, Jr. at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Eagle Rock, California.

**1930-1939,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 5**

**Folder 23**

**Scope and Content**

Letters from Samuel H. Sayre's Mother , Morris Sayre, Marjorie Sayre, Read Sayre

Letter from Read Sayre enclosing a typed poem The Passing of the Backhouse by James Whitcomb Riley. October 23, 1933

Letter from Samuel H. Sayre's Mother about Marjorie's visit. April 17, 1934.

A letter from someone in Hampton, either a child or a mentally handicapped person, to his mother. April 30, 1939. (Possibly Rev. Sayre's younger brother, Daniel, who was institutionalized).

McClellan Wilson, Jr., M.D. wrote to Rev. Sayre about the death of Rev. Sayre's brother, Daniel Sayre. September 12, 1939.

**1940-1949,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 5**

**Folder 24**

**Scope and Content**

Many letters are from Samuel Sayre's Mother who is partially, then almost totally blind.

Some of the 1946 and 1947 letters between Samuel Sayre and his brother, Morris Sayre, concern their disagreement on their Mother's care by their sister, Margaret, and their basic philosophical differences about church and Christianity.

**1950 to 1959,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 5**

**Folder 25**

**Scope and Content**

Letter from Samuel H. Sayre where he describes the death, on January 17, 1951, and the funeral of Rev. George E. Renison, Marjorie's father. January 30, 1951.

Letter from Eleanor Searle to Sis and Ruth and to Sam and Marjorie about the death of Aunt Mary. July 1952.

Letters from Read Sayre and about Read Sayre's death on July 9, 1952.

Letter to Marjorie Sayre from Margaret Sayre Ransone, about Morris Sayre's funeral with attached note from Nancy Sayre, Morris Sayre's wife. March 20, 1953.

From Bill to Mrs. Taylor Ransome (Marg) about the guardianship money of Aunt Caroline P. Morris. December 23, 1953.

Church Bulletin from Saint Luke's Church, Montclair, New Jersey where it mentions the Memorial Windows Given By Sayre Family in memory of the late Senior Warden, Morris Sayre. September 19, 1954 and September 21, 1952.

Letter from Bob Sayre about death of his mother, Mary Thomas Sayre, an aunt of Samuel H. Sayre. January 4, 1957.

Letter from Mrs. Morris Sayre (Nancy) to Samuel H. Sayre where she talks of her deceased husband, Morris Sayre. (about 1958).

Letter from Samuel H. Sayre where he notes on the top margin "experiences in (concerning) England and across U.S. on our return". September 23, 1958.

## **1960 to 1969,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 5**

**Folder 26**

### **Scope and Content**

Letter from Samuel H. Sayre where he notes on the top margin, "concerning my call to Kingston Parish, Mathews, VA." November 18, 1960

Letter from Samuel H. Sayre where he notes on the top margin, "last days in Eagle Rock, Calif(ornia) and trip east to Mathews-". June 9, 1961

Letter from Samuel H. Sayre where he comments that he went to "Old Church" outside of Richmond whose rector is the grandson of Carter Braxton Bryan who baptized Samuel Sayre in 1894 and that he was elected President of the Thomas Nelson Chapter of the SAR on June 9, 1966. August 11, 1964.

Letter from Samuel H. Sayre where he describes his past ministry and his new parish, St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Colonial Beach, Virginia. April 3, 1966.

Letter from Samuel H. Sayre where he noted on top margin of letter "The beginning of the building of our new home". November 13, 1968.

## **1970-1979,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 5**

**Folder 27**

### **Scope and Content**

Letters to Samuel H. Sayre from William M. Sayre (Bill), Ruth Sayre, Chabela (a niece), and Bob and letter from Samuel H. Sayre to his family.

## **1980 - 1989,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 5**

**Folder 28**

### **Scope and Content**

One Letter to Samuel H. Sayre from William M. Sayre (Bill), his nephew. August 25, 1980.

## **Undated,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 5**

**Folder 29**

### **Scope and Content**

Easter card from Ruth Sayre.

Letter from Samuel H. Sayre's Mother.

Post card from Morris Sayre in Turkey.

## **Ministry Correspondence, 1917-1980,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 6**

### **Scope and Content**

Each folder in this group was either organized by Samuel H. Sayre, or it was artificially organized during the accession process. Some of the correspondence was found loose in different locations and the processor felt that gathering all the correspondence together would benefit researchers.

## **Church of Our Saviour, Montoursville, Pennsylvania, undated,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 6**

**Folder 30**

## **Kingston Parish - Call and Acceptance, 1960-1961,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 6**

**Folder 31**

### **Scope and Content**

These are letters from and to fellow priests and parishioners about his call to Kingston Parish in Mathews, Virginia. They are in chronological order. Most of this material was organized by Samuel H. Sayre, but a few pieces of correspondence congratulating him were found loose and added.

Correspondents include The Rt. Rev. Robert F. Gibson of Virginia, Suffragan Bishop Samuel B. Chilton of Virginia, Bishop Coadjutor Robert F. Gibson, John Warren Cooke, Senior Warden of Kingston Parish, Bishop Francis Eric Bloy of Los Angeles, John L. E. Collier, Arthur C. Coons of Occidental College, Glenard P. Lipscomb, Bob Sayre, Rev. Richard I. S. Parker, Franklyn D. Josselyn, Margaret Sayre Ransone and the Vestry of St. Barnabas' Church.

In a letter to The Rt. Rev. Robert F. Gibson, D.D., Rev. Sayre tells Rev. Gibson of his decision to "end up my ministry in Virginia". This letter also includes information about Rev. Sayre's career and Marjorie Sayre's family history. ( June 14, 1960).

## **Ministry, 1970-1980,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 6**

**Folder 32**

### **Scope and Content**

These letters are with fellow priests, parishioners, and others associated with the ministry work of Samuel H. Sayre. They were organized by Rev. Samuel H. Sayre and are in chronological order.

Correspondents include Valerie Scudder, Edward Aupperle, Dr. Edwin D. Woodhouse, Louis L. Turner, Lillie Anthony Sutton, Marjorie M. Schmidt, Mrs. George C. Silzer, Los Angeles Council No. 1489 - Royal Arcanum, Boys' Home in Covington, Virginia, Bishop Stevens about Consecration of St. Barnabas' Church, Rev. Sumner Walters, Margaret H. Cook, Rev. R. G. Bannen, Rev. Theodore S. Will, Christ Church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Norman Stockett, Adele Brueninghausen, Bishop Frank DeMoulin, Bishop Beverley D. Tucker of Norfolk, Virginia, Margaret C. Thomas, W. Blair Roberts, C. E. Tolkien, Rev. Arthur C. Thomson, Rev. William P. Remington, G. Frank Shelby, Ethel Plass, Presiding Bishop of Michigan, Mrs. Skipper, The Brotherhood of St. Andrew in the United States, Mrs. James Stoughton, George H. Streaker, Mrs. William Vincent and Rev. George H. Thomas.

## **Ministry and Professional Correspondence, 1916-1980,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 7**

### **Scope and Content**

Received in a green file box with correspondence in alphabetical order.

Most correspondents' names are noted, but some are either too difficult to read or do not appear on

the letter. The content and date of some letters have been noted. Even though there are a few family letters, most of the correspondence concerns Rev. Samuel H. Sayre's ministry, his church related activities, his professional activities or other personal concerns not related to his family.

**A - E,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 7**

**Folder 33**

**Scope and Content**

Correspondents include Gertrude Jean Baker, George B. Baldwin, Barbara Barth, Harry Beal, L. Nelson Bell, Dan M. Budy, Cary R. Blain, Rt. Rev. F. Eric Bloy, Mrs. John Brearton (Virginia), Harry A. Brenner, Frank R. Brandenburg, Rt. Rev. Hunter Wyatt Brown, Bishop of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, G. Braxton Bryan, Rev. John S. Bunting, Hugh L. Burleson, Bishop of South Dakota (Includes on heading: Rev. Wm. A.R. Goodwin, D.D. Rector, St. Paul's Church, Rochester, New York), John Burt, Uncle James Carmalt, brother of William H. Carmalt, MD, Samuel H. Sayre's Great- Uncles March 16, 1916, William H. Carmalt to Annie Sayre (Mother of Samuel H. Sayre. Dated August 7, 1928) and Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States (Carbon Copy. Dated March 26, 1953).

**F - Q,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 7**

**Folder 34**

**Scope and Content**

Correspondents include Howard L. Hamilton (made Samuel Sayre the Honorary Chaplain of the Virginia Society in 1979), Venerable Paul E. Langpaap, J.C. Morris (Transcript of letter written from Grassfield in March 1876 with two attachments: a December 21, 1874 financial document where citizens of Friendsville give sums for the erection of a Protestant Episcopal Church and an "Order of Exercises" for the Laying of the Corner Stone of The Church of the Holy Spirit in Friendsville, Pennsylvania on June 7, 1876), The Rt. Rev. Austin Pardue, D.D. Retired, Arthur C. Patterson, Jr., A.H. Patterson, Pi Alpha Fraternity and H. Boone Porter of The Living Church.

**R - Z,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 7**

**Folder 35**

**Scope and Content**

George H. Randall concerning Brotherhood of St. Andrew in the United States, William P. Remington, Mrs. Ringsdorf, Reliable Furniture Company, W. Blair Roberts, Albert Rose, Royal Arcanum and Paul Rusch.

**Ministry and Professional Correspondence, 1915 - 1979,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 8**

**Scope and Content**

Received in a green file box with correspondence in alphabetical order.

When Group 1 was accessioned, the seller had removed, and filed separately, letters that were written by well known people, such as Harry F. Byrd, a Virginia Senator and President Franklin D. Roosevelt. These letters were returned to the file in A-Z order, but they are noted in the list of correspondents. Most correspondents' names are noted, but some are either too difficult to read or do not appear on the letter. The content and date of some letters have been noted. Also, some letters have a note by Rev. Samuel H. Sayre along the top margin where he gives an explanation about the letter or letter writer. These notes appear to have been added at a later date rather than at the time of receipt. Possibly, Rev. Sayre went through his professional correspondence and kept items that reflect the variety of his ministry.

Even though there are a few family letters, most of the correspondence concerns Rev. Samuel H. Sayre's ministry, his church related activities, his professional activities or other personal concerns not related to his family.

**A,****Box 1****Sub-Series 8****Folder 36****Scope and Content**

Correspondents include John H. Allen and John M. Allin.

**B,****Box 1****Sub-Series 8****Folder 37****Scope and Content**

Correspondents include Rev. John Baden, Rev. Carroll C. Barbour, Bard College, Eugene F. Barnes, Wallace T. Bennett, Estelle Billups, Francis E. Bloy, Wyatt Brown, John Burt, Harry F. Byrd, U.S. Senator from Virginia and James F. Byrnes, Governor of South Carolina.

**C,****Box 1****Sub-Series 8****Folder 38****Scope and Content**

Correspondents include Hester Campbell, Uncle James Carmalt (brother of W. H. Carmalt, M.D., Samuel H. Sayre's Great Uncle) This letter includes some family history in an attached letter to Samuel H. Sayre's Mother from W.H. Carmalt, Edwin R. Carter, Samuel B. Chilton, Church Periodical Club, C. M. Clement, George H. Clendenin, J. Morris Coerr, J. H. H. Coleman, Maurice M. Copebaack (difficult to read), Charles Cove, II, Rev. Charles S. Cook, Jr., John Warren Cooke, Ruth Cotter (Mrs. Richard Comfort Cotter), Earl S. Cox, H. H. Cowan and Betty Healy Cutler.

**D,****Box 1****Sub-Series 8****Folder 39****Scope and Content**

Correspondents include Pierre Daltour, Thomas C. Darst, Bishop George Davenport, George M. Day, Whitney Diggs, Thomas N. Downing, Charles B. Dubell and Frank Du Moulin.

**E and F,****Box 1****Sub-Series 8****Folder 40****Scope and Content**

Correspondents include Mrs. William S. Edgar (Cousin Debbie Edgar), Eagle Rock Ministerial Association, Kenny and Frances Ferguson, David Lincoln Ferris, Rev. Frank Foote and Gordon M. Fothergill.

**G,****Box 1****Sub-Series 8****Folder 41****Scope and Content**

Correspondents include Roy S. Gaskill, General Theological Seminary in New York, Bob Gibson, Barry Goldwater, U.S. Senator from Arizona, Rev. Robert Burton Gooden (Bishop), Bishop Gore, Rt. Rev. John J. Gravatt and George P. Gunn.

**H, I and J,****Box 1****Sub-Series 8****Folder 42****Scope and Content**

Correspondents include Thomas J. Haldeman, Rev. J. D. Hall (a January 22 letter where he recommends The College of William and Mary), Francis J. Hall, Robert B. Hall, E. H. Halton, David S. Hamilton, Rick Hammond, Blake B. Hammond, Earl W. Haney, Bert H. Harper, M.D., Justice Albertis S. Harrison, Jr., Isaac Hartshorne, M.D., The Very Rev. J. Thomas Heistand, Gladys Hill, Hillspeak, Joan Hunley, Charles A. Junken, Edith Junken and Elizabeth Junken (note says, "my earliest sweetheart").

**K and L,****Box 1****Sub-Series 8****Folder 43****Scope and Content**

Correspondents include Richard Kennedy, George Edwin Kidd, James Jackson Kilpatrick, Mrs. (Ellen) Stanley King, Mabel P. Knapp, Paul H. Kratzip, Russell Lamson, Mary Florence Lawson, Charles E. Levering, Little, Glenard P. Lipscomb, The Living Church and Los Angeles Dean of Pasadena Convention.

**M,****Box 1****Sub-Series 8****Folder 44****Scope and Content**

Correspondents include Raymond C. Mackay, Bill Major, Rev. Thomas R. Marshall, H.C. Martin, Mathew County (Virginia) Historical Society, George N. Maybe, Rickard H. McKee, Lucy Mehl, Polly Meredith, Rev. Newton Middleton, Rev. John Miles, Phil Moore, R. Walton Moore, H. A. Mosher and Gladys M. Murray.

**M - Morris,****Box 1****Sub-Series 8****Folder 45****Scope and Content**

Includes a group of 1901 letters concerning Miss Mary C. Morris and a letter from Grandmother Morris. Correspondents include Grandmother Morris, Clara L. Morris - Cousin of Samuel H. Sayre who lives in Australia in 1957, Aunt Minnie Morris (Mary Cox Morris), Aunt Caroline Morris and Dwight B. Morris from Tombstone, Arizona.

**N and O,****Box 1****Sub-Series 8****Folder 46****Scope and Content**

Correspondents include David C. Narver, National Association of Manufacturers, Rev. Frederick W. Neve, New Age, Occidental College, Mrs. Robert W. Orrell and Edgar C. Outten who encloses an obituary of Miss Mary Sims, Postmaster at Hampton Virginia 1952.

**P, Q and R,****Box 1****Sub-Series 8****Folder 47**

### **Scope and Content**

Rev. E. Moray Peoples, Jr., Pi Alpha Fraternity, Ronald Reagan, Governor of California (dated 1974 and during 1980 Presidential Campaign), Robert A. Robertson, Harold Barrett Robinson, Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States (dated September 23, 1935) and Royal Arcanum.

**S,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 8**

**Folder 48**

### **Scope and Content**

Correspondents include Saint John's Church, Hampton, Virginia (signed by Francis W. Hayes, Jr.), Society of the Cincinnati, New York State, C. J. Sanford, William L. Scott, Senator of Virginia, Valerie Scudder, C. Vernon Spratley, Margaret Matoaka Sims and Stratford Hall.

**T - Z,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 8**

**Folder 49**

### **Scope and Content**

Dorothea Taft, Mrs. Charles E. Tolkien, Governor and Mrs. George C. Wallace, Governor of Alabama, Mrs. R. E. White, George Wickersham and Bishop S. Walters (note in letter from Mrs. Mordecai L. Marsh, Jr. dated April 16, 1947).

**Empty Envelopes, 1927,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 8**

**Folder 50**

### **Personal Correspondence, 1912-1944,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 9**

#### **Scope and Content**

Commerce, Assistant Secretary of State about recommendation for Dr. Wilson Leon Godshall; Lewis Tepel; Don Kaufman; Rev. Charles Friend, the Pastor during Samuel H. Sayre's Father's illness and death; Frances R. Vance (Mother Vance), the mother of Edward Vance, who writes about Samuel H. Sayre's help to her son while her son was dying in the military hospital. They correspond for many years; Van (St. Clair Vannix) from Vermillion, South Dakota who wrote his nine page letter as a poem; Rev. E. B. Woodruff; Harvey from Maine, Samuel H. Sayre's roommate at Saint Stephen's College; Don, a friend from school; Winifred Vogan, Aunt of Stuart Gast; The Secretary of the President of the United States who says The President cannot meet with Samuel H. Sayre on the date mentioned; Wm. T. Christian, secretary of the Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrews; W. Floyd Reams who encloses a Supreme Council Badge from Richmond, Virginia; Lechner Family; and "In Memoriam" poems for Bishop Burleson by Mrs. Dora Claire Vannix.

**Personal Correspondence, 1912-1944,**

**Box 1**

**Sub-Series 9**

**Folder 51**

**Box 2**

### **Family History and Documents, 1908-1979,**

**Box 2**

#### **Scope and Content**

Most of this group of papers was found loose during processing, except where noted. This series includes

most of this group of papers was found loose during processing except where noted. This series includes genealogy information for the Sayre, Morris, Carmalt and Renison families, plus obituaries, news articles, legal records and biographies of members of these families.

### **Book of Remembrance, undated,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 1**

#### **Scope and Content**

A day by day book, published in December 1914 for the Members of the Bible Class of the St. John's Church, Hampton, Virginia. Rev. Samuel H. Sayre noted family birthdays, wedding anniversaries and important events of his family.

### **Sarah Carmalt photograph, Undated,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 2**

### **Genealogy - Renison Family, 1928,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 3**

#### **Scope and Content**

Letter from George T. Renison of Great Britain to Revd Canon Renison concerning Renison family. August 30, 1928

### **Genealogy - Sayre Family, 1927, 1936, 1938, 1948, 1967, 1968 and 1970,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 4**

#### **Scope and Content**

Letter from George T. Renison of Great Britain to Revd Ganon Renison concerning Renison family. August 30, 1928.

This group includes letters, charts and notes on the genealogy of the Morris Family, the Sayre Family and the Carmalt Family.

Carbon copy of a typed letter written from Butternuts by Jacob, son of Lewis Morris, Signer of the Declaration of Independence. January 1, 1838

Post card with a picture of the signers of the Declaration of Independence (1927)

Genealogy of the Annie Morris Sayre branch of the Morris Family from Lewis Morris, the Signer of the Declaration of Independence (1937)

Letter to Mrs. Annie Morris Sayre from "Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence" conferring "Complimentary Membership", dated June 17, 1937.

Envelope, postmarked November 2, 1959, with notes to Bill Sayre probably by Samuel H. Sayre. Attached is a family history of the "Sayre Family" beginning with John Sayre born June 4, 1938 in New York City. There is also a photo of Morris Sayre from a publication dated 1948.

Letter to William M. Sayre and others from John of Drinker, Biddle and Reath of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania regarding the attached A History of Choconut Lake Cemetery Association which began in 1827 by Caleb Carmalt. October 24, 1967.

Carmalt Family notes on envelope dated April 15, 1968.

Letter to Bill Sayre from Margaret Sayre about the Morris Family, particularly Annie Woolsey Morris Sayre. Christmas 1970.

List of photographs of Morris ancestors from Margaret Sayre Ransone to Samuel H. Sayre. Undated.

### **Obituaries, 1937, 1948, 1964 and undated,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 5**

#### **Scope and Content**

Mrs. George Edward Renison, Mother of Marjorie Renison Sayre, died January 22, 1964.

Dr. Lewis Rutherford Morris undated.

Mary Cox Morris (Aunt of Samuel Sayre and sister to his mother) undated.

Annie Woolsey Morris Sayre (Mother of Rev. Samuel H. Sayre, Jr.) 1948. Includes her obituary from various newspapers which tell of her involvement in DAR.

James W. Carmalt (Great Uncle of Rev. Samuel H. Sayre, Jr.) 1937.

### **Margaret Sayre Ransone, 1976, 1978 and 1979,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 6**

#### **Scope and Content**

Newspaper article on Margaret Ransone, sister of Rev. Samuel H. Sayre, when she became 1976 Peninsula Woman of the Year by the Junior Women's Club 1976.

Program from the University of Chicago Alumni Association giving an Award Citation to Margaret Sayre Ransone, A.M. 1929 May 20, 1978.

Bulletin from St. John's Church in Hampton, Virginia with note by Margaret S. Ransone. March 11, 1979.

### **Annie Woolsey Morris Sayre Estate, 1948,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 7**

#### **Scope and Content**

Final Report of Charles Read Sayre, Executor of Estate of Mrs. Annie M. Sayre, Deceased. (November 30, 1948).

### **Mrs. Annie Woolsey Morris Sayre - Life History of Annie Morris Sayre, 1943, 1948 and undated,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 8**

#### **Scope and Content**

This group of letters, photographs, and obituaries were grouped by Rev. Samuel H. Sayre and were accessioned in a used manila envelope with the handwritten note: Life History of Annie Morris Sayre. This folder contains the following:

Editorial about Mrs. Samuel H. Sayre from the July 31, 1948 Daily Press, Newport News, VA.

Obituaries of Mrs. Annie Woolsey Morris Sayre (1948)

Notice of funeral service for Mrs. Annie Woolsey Morris Sayre. (1948)

Society news about where the Sayre families are going after being in Hampton (Virginia) because of the death of their Mother, Mrs. S. H. Sayre. (1948)

Copy of a photograph of Caleb Carmalt with a separate note: "Caleb Carmalt in his own handwriting. A print copy of the only likeness he ever sat for or allowed to be taken. About the early 1840's."

Letter from Morris Sayre to Sam Sayre, dated December 16, 1943, enclosing:

Letter to Morris Sayre from Margaret S. Ransone about their Mother, Anna Woolsey Morris Sayre, gleaned from conversations, memories and their Mother's diary, dated November 18, 1943 and photographs of portraits of Governor Lewis Morris, 1st Lord of the Manor, Chief Justice of New York, First Governor of New Jersey; Lewis Morris, 2d Lord of the Manor, Judge of the High Court of Admiralty, General Lewis Morris; 3d Lord of the Manor, Signer of the Declaration of Independence and Mary Walton, Wife of General Lewis Morris, "The Signer".

### **Samuel Huntting Sayre, Sr., 1915,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 9**

#### **Scope and Content**

Grand Council Royal Arcanum of Virginia announcement of the death of Samuel Huntting Sayre, Sr., the thank you letter of Samuel Hunting Sayre, Sr. for the kindness of the members during his illness and copy of the Royal Arcanum Bulletin about Samuel Huntting Sayre, Sr.'s death.

**Thomas Sayre Will,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 10**

**Scope and Content**

Copy and transcript of the 1669 will of Thomas Sayre.

**Eleanor Sayre Searle - Estate - Assets, 1966 and 1967,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 11**

**Scope and Content**

Stock information, real estate, life insurance and copy of the death record of Eleanor Sayre Searle.

**Eleanor Sayre Searle - Estate - Legal Papers, 1937, 1938, 1952 and 1966,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 12**

**Scope and Content**

Material on estate of Mary E. Sayre, including her assets and will. Eleanor Sayre Searle was one of the administrators of Mary E. Sayre's will. Includes life insurance policy for Eleanor Sayre.

**Eleanor Sayre Searle - Estate - General, 1938, 1942, 1943, 1959, 1962, 1964 - 1967,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 13**

**Scope and Content**

Deeds, Death Record, Wills of Eleanor S. Searle and William B. Searle, Tax Information, Life Insurance, stock information, December 23, 1966 Wall Street with last market quotations before Eleanor Searle died on December 24, 1966, empty envelopes - some with notes, bank statements, power of attorney from Eleanor Sayre Searle to William Baum Searle, dated August 22, 1966 and other legal documents. Her lawyer was Richard C. Cotter of Mathews, Virginia.

**William B. and Eleanor Searle, 1964 and 1965,**

**Box 2**

**Folder 14**

**Scope and Content**

Deed, Lawyers Title Insurance and correspondence.

**Box 3**

**Photographs, 1955 and undated,**

**Box 3**

**Scope and Content**

This series includes photographs of Rev. Sayre's family, his churches, his parishioners and friends.

**Church Groups, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 1**

**Churches, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 2**

**Rev. (Charles) Dubell, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 3**

**Scope and Content**

Rev. Charles Dubell.

**Dupree, South Dakota, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 4**

**Family, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 5**

**Family - Ancestors, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 6**

**Friends, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 7**

**Bill and Jackie Frost, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 8**

**David C. Narver, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 9**

**Scope and Content**

Includes Funeral Program and letter for C. Lee Narver, 1955.

**Negatives, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 10**

**St. Barnabas, Alab, Bontoc, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 11**

**St. Barnabas Church, Eagle Rock, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 12**

**St. John's Church, Bellefonte, Pennsylvania and St. Mary's Church, Williamsport, Pennsylvania, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 13**

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 14**

**Unknown, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 15**

**Travel, 1948, 1954-58, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Scope and Content**

This series contains Rev. Sayre's bills, receipts, brochures, guidebooks, schedules, church bulletins, newspapers, cruise information and other material from his trips to Europe and across the United States.

**Bills and Receipts, 1954 and 1958,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 16**

**Brochures and Guidebooks - England 1 of 4, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 17**

**Scope and Content**

Includes maps, railroad schedules, bus schedules, airline schedules, hotel pamphlets, brochures and guidebooks.

**Brochures and Guidebooks - England 2 of 4, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 18**

**Scope and Content**

Includes maps, railroad schedules, bus schedules, airline schedules, hotel pamphlets, brochures and guidebooks.

**Brochures and Guidebooks - England 3 of 4, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 19**

**Scope and Content**

Includes maps, railroad schedules, bus schedules, airline schedules, hotel pamphlets, brochures and guidebooks.

**Brochures and Guidebooks - England 4 of 4, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 20**

**Scope and Content**

Includes maps, railroad schedules, bus schedules, airline schedules, hotel pamphlets, brochures and guidebooks.

**Brochures and Guidebooks - France, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 21**

**Brochures and Guidebooks - Germany, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 22**

**Brochures and Guidebooks - Scotland and Wales, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 23**

**Brochures and Guidebooks - United States, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 24**

**Scope and Content**

Brochures about The White House, Abraham Lincoln and The Rolfe Property, plus a hotel sign, "If you smoke in bed please tell us Where to send your ashes!"

**Church Bulletins, 1958 and undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 25**

**Scope and Content**

St. Paul's Church in Toronto, St. Paul's Cathedral in London and Westminster Abbey in London, Church of the Annunciation in London, The Cathedral Church of Christ, Canterbury, 1958.

**Cunard Cruise - Montreal to London, 1954 and 1958,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 26**

**Scope and Content**

Includes Cunard Line route, menus and a list of passengers on trip from Montreal to Europe, June 27th, 1958.

**Newspaper Clippings - England, 1958,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 27**

**Scope and Content**

Newspaper issues and newspaper clippings published in London including the Daily Telegraph and Morning Post, Church Times, London Times, the London Observer and The Sunday Express.

**Notes on Churches by Rev. Sayre, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 28**

**Postcards, Slides and Packet Photographs, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 29**

**Scope and Content**

Includes a packet of etchings of places in England.

**Publications, 1958, 1967 and 1968,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 30**

**Scope and Content**

The Countryman Winter 1967/68

Historic Houses and Castles in Great Britain and Northern Ireland 1958

**Publications - National Geographic, 1948 and 1949,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 31**

**Scope and Content**

April 1948 National Geographic article "Founders of Virginia".

April 1949 National Geographic with article "The British Way".

**Publications - Religious, 1957 and 1958,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 32**

**Scope and Content**

What to Look for in an Old Church by J. Hope Urwin 1957

Twice Upon a Time by Brother Edward undated

Anglican Life, Vol. 19, No. 3 April 1958

**Publications - Travel Information, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 33**

**Stationery, undated,**

**Box 3**

**Folder 34**

**Scope and Content**

Stationery from different hotels.

**Box 4**

**Personal, 1921-1978 and undated,**

**Box 4**

**Scope and Content**

These items were found loose in the collection, but focus mainly on his personal life. The folders include his address book, financial records, memorabilia and other personal items.

**Personal - Addresses, undated,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 1**

**Personal - Insurance Receipts and Bank Receipts, 1927-1957 and undated,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 2**

**Scope and Content**

Insurance Receipts for Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. Empty envelopes from West Bank and Trust Co.

**Personal - Memorabilia, 1956 and undated,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 3**

**Scope and Content**

Paper signs that were put on Samuel Sayre's door when he was sick. Undated

Cutout of a rabbit.

Placemat of State Flowers.

Receipt and shipping label for a group of sculptures from Switzerland. July 1956.

**Personal - New York Phi Association of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Inc., 1921,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 4**

**Scope and Content**

Two \$10 Shares dated 1921.

**Personal - Newspaper Clippings, 1958, 1961 and undated,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 5**

**Scope and Content**

Includes April 27, 1961 Gazette-Journal of Gloucester and Mathews Garden Week Issue.

**Personal - Quotes, undated,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 6**

**Personal - Tombstone Arizona Material, 1973 to 1976, 1978,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 7**

**Scope and Content**

These items accessioned in a manila envelope with "Tombstone Arizona Material" written across the top and include newspapers, newspaper clippings and a menu.

Menu from Wagon Wheel Restaurant, Tombstone, Arizona

These articles have not been copied for preservation.

Shades of 1881, Britain's Own Wyatt Earp Planning Visit To Haunts of Namesake, The Tombstone Epitaph, August 23, 1973

Souvenir Edition, The Tombstone Epitaph, 1974

Bisbee Review, April 10, 1975. Column by Don Pelon is circled.

Helldorado Fever Strikes Old Camp, The Tombstone Epitaph, October 17, 1975. Handwritten note by (Rev. Samuel H. Sayres) "I conducted a communion service here on October"!

Copper Runs Out but Mining Town Refuses to Die, byline from Bisbee, Arizona, Los Angeles Times, March 8, 1976.

Helldorado celebration draw crowd of thousands, byline from Tombstone, from Herald-Dispatch, Sierra Vista, Arizona, October 20, 1975.

1978 Special Helldorado Edition, The Tombstone Epitaph, October 13, 1978.

**Personal - The Village Gossip Clippings, undated,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 8**

**Ministry, 1903-1979,**

**Box 4**

**Scope and Content**

This series includes material related to Rev. Sayre's ministry, such as church bulletins, employment information, professional organizations, information on his parishes and parishioners, news clippings and printed or published material that relate to his position as a rector.

**Ministry - Ammidon and Company, 1948 and 1950, undated,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 9**

**Scope and Content**

Clippings of the column by Horace L. Varian and Horace L. Varian, Jr. of Ammidon and Company from The Living Church publication.

**Ministry - Church Bulletins,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 10**

**Ministry - Church Bulletins - Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Preaches Sermon, 1978,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 11**

**Scope and Content**

St. John's Church, Richmond, Virginia March 19, 1978

St. John's Church, Elizabeth City Parish, Hampton, Virginia March 19, 1978

**Ministry - Church Pension Fund, 1941-1956,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 12**

**Ministry - Employment Documents and Correspondence, 1917, 1919, 1930, 1938 and 1965,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 13**

**Scope and Content**

Includes correspondence and material concerning employment and ministerial related matters and organizations such as contracts, retirement, resignations, salaries and licenses. Correspondence concerning his ministerial work, whether personal or business, has been filed under Correspondence - Ministry Related.

Lay Reader's License Authorization to conduct services in Norfolk Navy Yard to United States Navy seamen. December 13, 1917.

Lay Readers License from the Diocese of New York for Samuel H. Sayre. November 7, 1919.

To Rev. Lewis Nichols, Diocese of Harrisburg (Pennsylvania) from Rev. Samuel Sayre, St. Mary's Church Rectory in Williamsport, Pennsylvania . September 6, 1930.

Rev. Samuel Sayre submitting resignation as Secretary of the Diocese of Harrisburg.

Resignation as Secretary of the Diocese of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. October, 1930.

Employment correspondence with St. John's Church of Bellefonte, Pennsylvania. July 1938.

Letters to the Vestry of the Church of Our Saviour, Montoursville, Pennsylvania and the Vestry of St. Mary's Church in Williamsport, Pennsylvania from (Samuel H. Sayre) where he severs official relations with them. July 21, 1938.

Vestry of Kingston Parish resolution that the Reverend Samuel Huntting Sayre will reach the canonical age of mandatory retirement in the Protestant Episcopal Church. December 18, 1965.

**Ministry - Gutenberg Bible Print, undated,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 14**

**Scope and Content**

Adaptation of a page from the 1455 Gutenberg Bible.

**Ministry - Kingston Parish, Mathews, Virginia, 1964, 1971 and 1983,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 15**

**Scope and Content**

Picture of 1964 Confirmation Class

1971 Treasurer's Report

Photo of girls in capes and banners from Kingston Parish. September 1983

**Ministry - Lambeth Conference in England, July 1958,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 16**

**Ministry - Los Angeles Diocese General Church Program, 1937,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 17**

**Scope and Content**

List of Payments for all the churches in the Los Angeles Diocese.

**Ministry - News Clippings, 1903, 1961, 1974, 1975 and undated.,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 18**

**Scope and Content**

An Open Letter to Boys and Girls in view of Children's Sunday, 1903 by Fred. Stuart Kirkness,

Convention Daily in Detroit Michigan, September 25, 1961,

The American Legion Magazine. Article on surrender ceremonies of Japan on the USS Missouri. August 1975,

The Episcopal Review. The main article is about the induction of Rt. Rev. Robert Claflin Rusack as the fourth Bishop of Los Angeles. February 1974.

**Ministry - News Clippings about Samuel H. Sayre, 1925, 1954, 1961, 1978 and undated,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 19**

**Scope and Content**

Farewell Sermon and Ordination as Deacon at St. John's in Newport News, Virginia. 1925.

Appointment as Dean of the Pasadena Convocation of the Diocese of Los Angeles. 1954.

Resignation from St. Barnabus' Church in Eagle Rock and new appointment to Kingston Parish, Mathews, VA. 1961.

California Clergyman Takes Mathew Paris. 1961.

Rev. Samuel H. Sayre is Chaplain of the Sons of the American Revolution and received a Silver Good Citizenship Medal from SAR. 1978.

Mother's Day Sermon. undated.

Sayre Guest at St Luke's in Richmond, Virginia for month of August. No year.

**Ministry - Obituaries, undated,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 20**

**Scope and Content**

Obituary of William E. Zimmer.

**Ministry - Ordinations and other Highlights of Rev. Samuel H. Sayre's Ministry, 1915, 1925-1926,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 21**

**Scope and Content**

This group includes invitations, church bulletins, news clippings, church publications and telegrams.

Elizabeth City Parish News and Bible Class Bulletin with notice that Bishop Mathews gave Samuel Sayre a Lay Readers license. December 15, 1915.

The Weekly Letter of St. John's Church, Hampton, Virginia April 19th to April 26th, 1925.

Under Notes an announcement that Samuel Huntting Sayre will be ordained as Deacon.

Invitation by the Bishop of South Dakota and the Rector and Vestry of Saint John's Church, Hampton, Virginia to the Ordering as Deacon of Samuel Huntting Sayre. First Sunday After Easter, 1925.

Order of Service Bulletin of St. John's Church, Hampton, Virginia, First Sunday After Easter, 1925.

Ordering of Samuel Huntting Sayre as Deacon.

Congratulatory telegrams from Katherine Maycock and C.C. Morris. April 25, 1925.

Press Clippings about March 18, 1925 Ordination.

St. John's Bible Class Bulletin which mentions

Samuel Huntting Sayre Ordained as Deacon on April 19, 1925 at St. John's Church, Hampton, Virginia. Photo of Rev. Sayre on front of Bulletin. May 10, 1925.

The Weekly Letter, St. John's Church, Hampton, Virginia. Under Notes, an announcement that Rev. Samuel Sayre will preach his farewell sermon to St. John's Church, Hampton. July 12th to July 19th, 1925.

The Weekly Letter, St. John's Church, Hampton, Virginia. March 14th to March 21st, 1926. Under Notes, an announcement that Rev. Samuel Huntting Sayre will be ordained to the Priesthood in St. John's Church on Thursday, March 18th.

Formal invitation to the ordination of The Rev. Samuel Hunting Sayre, Priest on March 18, 1926.

Order of Service Bulletin of St. John's Church, Hampton, Virginia, March 18, 1926. Ordering of Samuel Huntting Sayre as Priest.

The Weekly Letter of St. John's Church, Hampton, Virginia, March 21st to March 28th, 1926. Under Notes, an announcement that Rev. Samuel Huntting Sayre will hold his first celebration of the Holy Communion at the early Service this morning.

### **Ministry - Poems, 1921, 1948, 1970,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 22**

#### **Scope and Content**

Poems from Rev. Newton Middleton of Church of the Good Shepherd in Norfolk, from The Living Church and from Rev. John Gaynor Banks of the Fellowship of St. Luke in San Diego, California.

Poems of Life and Love by Emily Pinter Asher given to Marjorie Sayre by Emily Asher.

### **Ministry - Publications, 1942, 1944, 1945, 1951, 1952, 1968,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 23**

#### **Scope and Content**

Christian Nurture Series sheet with a list and descriptions of work books for Junior and Junior High School Pupils. Undated.

Brochure of the Historic Saint Peter's Protestant Episcopal Church in New Kent County, Virginia. Undated.

The Holy Catholic Church on The Doctrines of the Apostles' Creed by Theodore O. Wedel. Undated.

Ours is the Responsibility, an address given at the National Convention of the Girls' Friendly Society at Berea, Kentucky. June 27, 1942.

Fiftieth Anniversary of the Laying of the Foundation Stone of St. Margaret's Protestant Episcopal Church in New York. 1944.

If I Marry a Roman Catholic by National Council of the Churches of Christ. 1945.

Chapter DA of P.E.O. in Eagle Rock, California. 1951-52.

Lest We Forget by Robert B. Watts. October 1968.

### **Ministry - Published Material written by Samuel H. Sayre, 1922, 1925, 1926, 1952, 1973, 1978 and 1979,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 24**

#### **Scope and Content**

Part of a St. John's Church Bulletin that has a picture of and an article by Samuel H. Sayre concerning his summers in the West. January, 15, 1922.

The Living Church article by Samuel H. Sayre entitled "The Church and Government Hospitals." April 25, 1925.

St. Andrew's Cross article by Samuel Huntting Sayre, "Wanted: A Man" about needing people for

missions in the West. (1926).

The New Age article "The Word "Catholic" in June 1952 issue.

The Living Church editorial published August 19, 1973.

The Living Church, January 29, 1978

Per note on cover, the important items in this issue are "a letter to Aunt Josephine and my letter to the Editor".

The Living Church editorial, "The Old Days in South Dakota" published April 9, 1978.

The Living Church editorial, "Loves TLC" published February 25, 1979.

### **Ministry - St. Barnabus Church, 1939, 1944, 1952 and undated,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 25**

#### **Scope and Content**

1939 Easter Communicant List

Photographs, Easter 1941.

1944 label offering reduction of Parish debt

1952 invitation.

Addresses of Parishioners from St. Barnabus Church.

### **Ministry - St. James Mission, 1926,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 26**

#### **Scope and Content**

Letter from Rev. William Westover about the history of St. James Mission in Mobridge, South Dakota.

### **Ministry - St. Mary's Church, 1930,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 27**

#### **Scope and Content**

July 1, 1930 letter about St. Mary's Church 50th Anniversary.

### **Ministry - Tau Delta Alpha Sorority and Pi Alpha Fraternity, undated.,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 28**

#### **Scope and Content**

Notation on front of manila envelope says "This should be kept in case that Pi Alpha Fraternity and Tau Delta Alpha should ever be reinstated as a national church organization. Pi Alpha ritual book str in box in pump house."

Guide entitled Ritual of the Tau Delta Alpha Sorority undated.

Authorization for St. Barnabas Church, Eagle Rock, Los Angeles, California to be part of the Los Angeles Alpha Chapter. Undated.

### **Ministry - Woman's Auxiliary, 1952,**

**Box 4**

**Folder 29**

#### **Scope and Content**

1952 Annual Report of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, Diocese of Los Angeles.

1952 Officers' Handbook of Diocese of Arkansas

### **Sermons, 1905, 1924, 1932, 1934, 1936, 1939 and 1975 and undated,**

**Box 4**

## **Scope and Content**

This series has been divided into sermons given by Rev. Sayre and sermons given by other ministers.

### **Sermons by Samuel H. Sayre, 1905, 1924, 1932, 1934, 1936 and undated,**

**Box 4**

**Sub-Series 1**

#### **Scope and Content**

Rev. Sayre's sermons arrived loose, and have been grouped by date, if dated, by number, if numbered, and by size of paper if undated. The sermons by others might include some sermons by Rev. Sayre.

#### **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Sermons (Dated), 1905, 1924, 1932, 1934, and 1936,**

**Box 4**

**Sub-Series 1**

**Folder 30**

#### **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Sermons (Notes), Undated,**

**Box 4**

**Sub-Series 1**

**Folder 31**

#### **Scope and Content**

Notes by Rev. Samuel H. Sayre.

#### **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Sermons (Numbered), undated,**

**Box 4**

**Sub-Series 1**

**Folder 32**

#### **Scope and Content**

These sermons have been numbered by Rev. Sayre.

#### **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Sermons, Undated,**

**Box 4**

**Sub-Series 1**

**Folder 33**

#### **Scope and Content**

Folder one of two that contain undated sermons.

#### **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Sermons, Undated,**

**Box 4**

**Sub-Series 1**

**Folder 34**

#### **Scope and Content**

Folder two of two that contain undated sermons.

### **Sermons by Others, 1935-1939, 1975 and undated,**

**Box 4**

**Sub-Series 2**

#### **Scope and Content**

These papers appear to be notes, outlines and full copies of sermons given by other ministers. Some of them could possibly be sermons given by Samuel H. Sayre. Some of the papers have a topic written along the top margin and note hymns sung. It is difficult to tell if the original order was by these topics, by date order, or another order, but they have been placed in date order.

Because of the fragile condition of the paper on which these notes are handwritten, some of them have

been photocopied. The originals are filed with the photocopies.

Some of the names on the papers who are noted as deliverers of a sermon include Rev. Belliss, Rev. Bonacker, Rev. Holmes, Rev. Walker, Rev. White and others. Rev. F.C. Benson Belliss, Rev. Ralph Bonacker and Rev. Pierce Butler were the clergy for St. Paul's Church in Chicago, Illinois in the Summer of 1938.

**1935,**  
**Box 4**  
**Sub-Series 2**  
**Folder 35**

**1936,**  
**Box 4**  
**Sub-Series 2**  
**Folder 36**

**1937,**  
**Box 4**  
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**1975 and undated, undated,**  
**Box 4**  
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**Scope and Content**

Sermon entitled "An Instructed Eucharist", undated but "received 10/31/1975".

Sermon by Rev. Conrad H. Goodwin at St. John's in Hampton, Virginia on August 18, but no year noted.

**Box 5**

**Diaries, 1918-1952 and 1959-1963,**  
**Box 5**

**Scope and Content**

The 1918 to 1963 diaries tell mainly of Rev. Sayre's day to day activities and usually include letters he has written and received, where he gone, when he naps, and people he meets if they include family and close friends. He often notes where he eats his meals, what time he rises, and what he is reading. After his marriage in 1938, his entries become a little fuller. When he is visiting his family, he goes into a little more detail, but still sticks to the facts. His train and automobile trips across country are usually interesting. Very rarely does he share his feelings, though he might comment if a letter was wonderful, a meal great, a death hard on a family or how great it is to be back at college or at his old home or with Marjorie after a separation. There are addresses, notes, accounts, Christmas lists and book lists in the

back of many of the early diaries. In most of the diaries, he will note in the top margin if he changes locations, particularly for an overnight stay or a trip and when he moves. Years 1953 to October 1, 1959 are missing.

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1918,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 1**

**Scope and Content**

He is in the U.S. Naval Reserve Force, stationed near Hampton, and is discharged on August 28, 1919. Throughout the year, he has dental problems plus has his appendix removed in June.

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1919,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 2**

**Scope and Content**

He begins college at St. Stephens on August 18, 1919. He tells about his classes and grades and his membership in Tu Sigma Alpha Epsilon. St. Stephens College is now Bard College.

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1920,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 3**

**Scope and Content**

He is at St. Stephens during the school year and goes to Camp Houghteling and Mobridge, South Dakota during the summer.

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1921,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 4**

**Scope and Content**

He is at St. Stephens during the school year and completes his studies. He goes to Mobridge and Fort Yates, South Dakota during the summer.

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1922,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 5**

**Scope and Content**

September 26, 1922, Rev. Sayre enters the General Theological Seminary in New York City as a candidate for the ministry under Bishop Burleson and spends his summer in Sioux Falls, South Dakota doing missionary work.

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1923,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 6**

**Scope and Content**

He is at General Theological Seminary in New York City during the school year and at Church of Incarnation, Dallas, South Dakota during the summer. He preaches his first sermon on June 24, 1923.

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1924,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 7**

**Scope and Content**

He is at General Theological Seminary in New York City during the school year and spends the summer in Hampton and visiting relatives.

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1925**

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**Box 5**

**Folder 8**

**Scope and Content**

He is at General Theological Seminary in New York City during the school year. On April 19, 1925 he is ordained a Deacon at St. John's Church in Hampton, Virginia by Bishop Burleson, the bishop of South Dakota. August 2, 1925 is his first Sunday in his First Parish in Mobridge, South Dakota. He meets Marjorie Renison, his future wife, sometime in the fall.

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1926,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 9**

**Scope and Content**

On March 6, 1926 he mentions his feelings for "Miss Renison". He is ordained by Rt. Rev. Arthur Conover Thompson at St. John's Church in Hampton, Virginia on March 18, 1926. At St. John's Church, he celebrates his first Holy Eucharist as a Priest on March 21, 1926. He writes on April 5 that he "sealed his engagement with Miss Marjorie Renison".

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1927,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 10**

**Scope and Content**

In April he left South Dakota to go assist Dr. George Thomas of St. Paul's Church in Kenwood, Chicago, Illinois. On April 7, 1927 he notes on top margin, "Important - my ideas";"

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1928,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 11**

**Scope and Content**

January 31 was Rev. Sayre's last day at St. Paul's Church.

March 5 Rev. Sayre received official call from St. Mary's Church, Williamsport, Pennsylvania and The Church of Our Saviour in Montoursville, Pennsylvania.

April 1 Rev. Sayre began at St. Mary's Church and The Church of Our Saviour.

Continues to write Marjorie Renison, but doesn't visit.

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1929,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 12**

**Scope and Content**

Notes his daily schedule which includes visits to hospital, where he ate dinner, and who he writes, but doesn't mention parishioners names unless he does something socially with them.

Continues to write Marjorie Renison, but doesn't visit.

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1930,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 13**

**Scope and Content**

Notes his daily schedule which includes visits to hospital, where he ate dinner, and who he writes, but doesn't mention parishioners names unless he does something socially with them.

Continues to write Marjorie Renison, but doesn't visit.

**Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1931,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 14**

### **Scope and Content**

Notes his daily schedule which includes visits to hospital, where he ate dinner, and who he writes, but doesn't mention parishioners names unless he does something socially with them.

Continues to write Marjorie Renison, but doesn't visit.

Rev. Sayre's 38th Birthday is on December 18.

### **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1932,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 15**

#### **Scope and Content**

Notes his daily schedule which includes visits to hospital, where he ate dinner, and who he writes, but doesn't mention parishioners names unless he does something socially with them.

Continues to write Marjorie Renison, but doesn't visit.

### **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1933,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 16**

#### **Scope and Content**

A May 27, 1933 program "Historical Pageant" "Events in the History of the Episcopal Church in The United States of America" given at Christ Church, Media Pennsylvania is in front of diary.

On August 18, Rev. Sayre arrives in Eagle Rock, Los Angeles, California where Marjorie Renison and her family live. Rev. Sayre and Marjorie Renison go to Laguna Beach together and stay almost a week. Rev. Sayre writes "It's wonderful to be here alone with Miss Renison" and on August 19th, Rev. Sayre writes "I kissed and hugged Marjorie in the gallery."

On August 30, Rev. Sayre visits Edward Vance's grave, the young man who died while Rev. Sayre cared for him when he was in the Naval Reserve Force.

### **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1934,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 17**

#### **Scope and Content**

This folder also has newspaper clippings of the September 1933 engagement and the January 13, 1934 wedding in St. John's Episcopal Church in Hampton, Virginia of Rev. Samuel H. Sayre and Marjorie Renison. On June 19th, Marjorie goes on a visit to California and returns September 26. Rev. Sayre goes to conference in Virginia in early July, then to Hampton until mid August. On October 11, Rev. Sayre changed his Life Insurance policies over to Marjorie and borrows money to furnish living room.

### **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1935,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 18**

#### **Scope and Content**

Slips of sheet music are in the back of the diary.

### **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1936,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 19**

#### **Scope and Content**

Post cards and addresses are in front of the diary.

On March 18th the town of Williamsport flooded, including downtown, churches and homes. He goes into detail about the damage on March 20th. On August 3, at the end of a trip to Colorado, Marjorie heads to Los Angeles and Rev. Sayre drives to Pennsylvania. Marjorie returns November 24th.

## **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1937,**

**Box 5**

**Folder 20**

### **Scope and Content**

Rev. Sayre includes January 1 through 9, 1938 at end of diary. A letter from Charles Lavery, enclosing a carbon copy of his letter to Rt. Rev. Irving Peake Johnson, is with the diary plus a few news clippings, a list of publications, possibly ones that Rev. Sayre receives and a letter that accompanied a salary check.

## **Box 6**

## **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1938 and 1939,**

**Box 6**

**Folder 21**

### **Scope and Content**

Beginning in 1938, Rev. Sayre uses a journal instead of a one year diary.

In front of the diary are news clippings, notes, articles, letters and flyers. One flyer is for Altar Wines from James Moroney of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and one clipping announces his resignation from St. Mary's Episcopal Church on October 1 to become rector of St. John's Church, Bellefonte and gives a brief biography of his ministry up to that point.

He begins the new larger diary "giving a fuller and more detailed account of my daily activities of my personal impressions of people, places and things and events, too"

Rev. Sayre then summarizes his other diaries, beginning with 1917. He divides the earlier diaries into "Babyhood", "Boyhood", "Youth" and "Young Manhood" periods.

He gives more detail of events that he recorded in these early diaries, such as a conflict with Dr. George Thomas of St. Paul's Church in Kenwood, Chicago and the effects of the Depression on St. Mary's Church in Pennsylvania. On Page 10, he gives a wonderful description of Marjorie Renison Sayre, his wife.

The 1938 diary begins his "Manhood" period.

His early entries are more in depth and personal, even giving detail of things that happened in the past, or people, such as his Mother, but he quickly reverts to just telling of his daily activities with few personal touches.

Rev. Sayre mentions listening to the new presiding Bishop, Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker of Virginia, on the radio on New Year's Day, 1938.

He writes "Rev. Dr. W.A.R. Goodwin of Williamsburg, Virginia" on January 10, 1938 and spends the day with him on April 27, 1938.

Gives resignation to St. Mary's Church and The Church of Our Saviour and meets with Vestry of both churches on July 21, 1938. On September 29, 1938, Marjorie and Samuel Sayre move to Bellefonte, Pennsylvania where he is the new Priest of St. John's Episcopal Church.

June 8, 1939 Rev. Sayre receives official call to become rector of St. Barnabas Church, Eagle Rock, California where he would succeed his father-in-law, Rev. George E. Renison. On June 13th, he talks to his Mother about it. He hands in his resignation at the St. John's Vestry meeting on July 31, 1939. His last service was on Sunday, October 1 and he began October 15th at St. Barnabas. Grandmother Renison is to live with them in the Parish House per October 23rd entry.

On August 18, 1939, Rev. Sayre and his family, while he is visiting Newport News, learn that his brother, Dan, who has been in the State Institution in Pennhurst near Spring City, Pennsylvania due to a brain injury at birth, is ill. He dies on August 19, 1939.

Talks about his parents on January 20, 1937.

## **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1940 to 1942,**

**Box 6**

**Folder 22**

### **Scope and Content**

This volume has postcards of hotels and other notes scattered throughout it.

Begins on January 1, 1940 where he writes of eventually wanting to retire in Virginia. He gives detail of his cross country trip to Virginia in the summer of 1940. He mentions first blackout in Los Angeles, California on December 10, 1941, a few days after Pearl Harbor on December 7.

## **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary 1943 to April 29, 1946,**

**Box 6**

**Folder 23**

### **Scope and Content**

The folder includes a sermon, letters, clippings, list of people's names with death and baptismal dates, church bulletins, and programs from the Occidental College Art Series. They have been placed in a separate folder in front of the diary and the date where they were located noted.

On March 4, 1945, Rev. Sayre writes that St. Barnabas' Church was consecrated. He mentions on August 14, 1945 that Japan accepted the surrender terms of the Allies and the city went wild. He had a "Vision After Victory" special service on August 19, 1945. On January 28, 1946, Rev. Sayre writes that his Mother and sister Margaret and husband returned to Hampton where they rented an apartment. They had lived in Salem, Virginia during the war years to be away from the Atlantic Coast.

## **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary May 1, 1946 to August 31, 1949,**

**Box 6**

**Folder 24**

### **Scope and Content**

Rev. Sayre's Mother dies on July 29, 1948 while he is at Orkney Springs, Virginia. On this date, Rev. Sayre inserted a copy of a letter to Marjorie's parents where he talks of the funeral.

In late July and August, the Sam and Marjorie Sayre travel along the west coast. Many postcards and flyers were inserted between these pages.

## **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary May 1, 1946 to August 31, 1949, Insertions,**

**Box 6**

**Folder 25**

## **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary September 1, 1949 to December 31, 1952,**

**Box 6**

**Folder 26**

### **Scope and Content**

There is a hole (mouse nibble) between pages 109 and 195, but very little writing is affected. On December 3, 1950, there is a dedication service for the Canon Robert Renison Memorial Parish House, named in honor of Marjorie's grandfather. Marjorie's father, Rev. George E. Renison, died on January 17, 1951.

## **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary September 1, 1949 to December 31, 1952, Insertions,**

**Box 6**

**Folder 27**

## **Rev. Samuel H. Sayre Diary November 1, 1959 to October 31, 1963,**

**Box 6**

**Folder 28**

### **Scope and Content**

Rev. Sayre receives a call to become rector of Kingston Parish, Mathews, Virginia on September 6, 1960.

On November 15, 1960, Rev. Sayre notes that he "tendered his resignation as rector of St. Barnabas' Church" as of January 16, 1961 because of a call from Kingston Parish, Mathews, Virginia. On January 21, 1961, Rev. Sayre renewed his priesthood vows at St. Barnabas. His last Sunday as Rector was February 12, 1961. Rev. Sayre writes about everything he and Marjorie did as they prepared to move to Virginia such as packing and the last vestry meeting, then writes of their trip and all the things they did when they finally arrived in Mathews. November 19, 1962, Rev. Sayre tells about a disappointing Vestry meeting. He is 69 on December 18, 1962.