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Descriptive Summary

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Unit Date

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Language

The materials in the collection are in English.

Abstract

William Bradford Alwood was a professor of horticulture, entomology, and mycology at Virginia Tech (1891-1904) and fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. His collection includes research papers, theses, brochures, and notebooks on such subjects as cider, wine making, grapes, and pellagra.

Creator

Alwood, William Bradford, 1859-1946

Extent

1.9 Cubic Feet 5 boxes and 6 oversized folders

Repository

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

Administrative Information

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Source of Acquisition

The William Bradford Alwood Collection were acquired by the library prior to 1960. An addition to the collection was donated to Special Collections and University Archives in 2007.

Processing Information

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Biographical Note

William Bradford Alwood was born August 11, 1859 in Delta, Ohio. He attended Ohio State University and George Washington University. He also received training at the Royal Pomology School in Germany, and the Pasteur Institute in France. Alwood served as the Vice-Director of the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station from 1888 to 1904. During this time he served as Professor of Horticulture, Entomology, and Mycology at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

After leaving VPI in 1904, Alwood moved to Charlottesville where he established an enological laboratory which was later incorporated into the USDA Bureau of Chemistry; he was named Chief of Enological Investigations. He continued his relationship with VPI by donating several books and papers to the library and kept in touch with old colleagues. He was awarded a certificate of merit by VPI in 1923. Alwood died April 13, 1946.

Scope and Content

The collection mainly consists of pamphlets and papers relating to various subjects including wine making, apples, pears, grapes, bacteriology, and fungi. Research papers and theses are also present in the collection. The collection also included 15 notebooks containing notes relating to Alwood's research.

Related Archival Materials

Special Collections and University Archives also has a painting of William Bradford Alwood in the Art Collection.

Keywords

Faculty and staff

History of Food and Drink

Science and Technology

University History

Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College (1872-1896)

Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute (1896-1944)

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Arrangement

The collection is divided into three series:

- Series I. Pamphlet Files is arranged alphabetically by subject.
- Series II. Research Papers and Theses is arranged in chronological order.
- Series III. Research Notebooks is arranged in numerical order.

Description of Subordinate Components

Series I. Pamphlet Files

Unit Date 1894-1927

Correspondence

Unit Date 1927

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Alcoholometer

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Apple

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 3-4 (folder)

Bacteriology - Illustrations

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Black rot; Champagne

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Cider

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Cream of Tartar - Ginseng

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Grapes

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

oversize 2 (folder)

Histology - Pears

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Pellagra - Tartaric Acid**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 11 (folder)**USDA Bureau of Chemistry - Enological Lab****box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 12 (folder)**Vinegar****box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 1 (folder)**Wine and Winemaking****box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 2 (folder)**Wine and Winemaking - Report on fermentation and composition of Catawba wines****Unit Date** 1913**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 3 (folder)**oversize** 4 (folder)**Wine and Winemaking - Report on fermentation and composition of Norton wines****Unit Date** 1914**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 4 (folder)**oversize** 5 (folder)**Wine and Winemaking - Report on fermentation and composition of Clinton, Cynthiana, Montefiore, and Schraidtes wines****Unit Date** 1915**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 5 (folder)**oversize** 6 (folder)**Wine - Analyses, Tables****box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 6 (folder)**Reprints****Unit Date** 1894-1915**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 7 (folder)**Bacteriology-Illustrations; Cider; Cream of Tartar****oversize** 1 (folder)**Insects - Classification; USDA Bureau of Chemistry - Enological Laboratory****oversize** 3 (folder)**Series II. Research Papers and Theses**

Unit Date 1854-1914

Bitter Rot - Research and Correspondence

Unit Date 1854-1903

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 8-9 (folder)

Project Outlines

Unit Date 1908-1914

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Theses - Early records

Unit Date 1910

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Mycology

Unit Date 1910-1914

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Cedar Rust Research

Unit Date 1914

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Plant Disease Survey

Unit Date 1914

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Spray Injury

Unit Date 1914

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Frog-eye Leaf Spot

Unit Date 1914

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Series III. Research Notebooks

Unit Date 1888-1912

Laboratory Notes

Unit Date 1888

box 4

Notes - U.S. Enological Station, Sandusky, Ohio

Unit Date 1910

box 4

Cellar Book No. 1

Unit Date 1907-1908

box 4

Cellar Book No. 2

Unit Date 1908-1909

box 4

Cellar Book, Sandusky

Unit Date 1911

box 4

Monometer Tests

Unit Date 1908

box 4

Notes - Experimental tests on methods

Unit Date 1909

box 4

Apples

box 5

Commercial Wines

Unit Date 1911

box 5

Samples, Lab entry number

Unit Date 1911

box 5

Weight Book

Unit Date 1911-1912

box 5

Current Lab Notes

Unit Date 1907

box 5

Analyses

Unit Date 1911

box 5

Notes on Analysis

Unit Date 1911

box 5

[No Title]

Unit Date 1907

box 5

Yeast record

Unit Date 1909

box 5