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Biographical/Historical Information

William W. Abbot (1922-2009) a native of Louisville, Georgia and a long time resident of Virginia was an admired and world famous historian, professor, scholar, administrator, and editor. His career spanned nearly fifty years and he was described as a "man of letters," and an editor of great skill, knowledge, and tact. Colleagues also described him as possessing "gentlemanly good humor and decent human concern, much valued during his stints as chairman." He was also known for his "acts of personal and professional generosity." He changed many lives by offering his support to graduate students, working in their best interests to improve their writing and find respectable history positions for them throughout the country.

He was the chief editor of the Papers of George Washington and an expert in early American History. He attended Davidson College and graduated from the University of Georgia in 1943, whereupon he entered the United States Navy. Using the G. I. Bill, he earned his master's and doctoral degrees in history from Duke University in 1953. He taught at William and Mary from 1953 to 1962; Northwestern University 1958-1959; Rice University 1962 and returned to William and Mary from 1963 to 1966. He edited the William and Mary Quarterly from 1961 to 1966 and the Journal of Southern History from 1960 to 1961. He was among the founders of the Association for Documentary Editing. In 1966 he was recruited by the University of Virginia to be the James Madison Professor of History. In addition to teaching and editing, he served twice as the chairman of the Corcoran Department of History at the University of Virginia.

He retired from the University of Virginia in 1992, although he continued to edit individual volumes of the Washington Papers until 1998, when nearly fifty volumes were in print. He was the author of two books, "The Royal Governors of Georgia, 1754-1775," and "The Colonial Origins of the United States, 1607-1763," and a number of articles.

He was president of the Alpha chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, served on the councils of the Institute of Early American History and Culture and the Southern Historical Association. For twenty years, he was on the board of editors of *The Virginia Quarterly Review*, was a member of the Gridiron Club at the University of Georgia and the University of Virginia's honorary Raven Society.

The College of William and Mary awarded him the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters in 1998, and the Virginia Historical Society made him a life member. He was best known for his work as chief editor of The Papers of George Washington (1977-1992). According to his son, Abbot believed that "his chief contribution as a teacher and historian came from the attentive reading and detailed responses that he gave over the years to the writing of his students and fellow historians." The personal and professional correspondence in this collection does indeed confirm that he spent much of his time reading and offering helpful advice to thousands of writers.

Scope and Content

The collection contains the professional, academic and personal papers of William W. Abbot, James Madison Professor of History and Editor of the Papers of George Washington at the University of Virginia. The collection is from 1953 to 1996 and is about 8,150 items, 26 hollinger boxes, and 10 linear feet. It consists of department and personal correspondence with historians, university colleagues, students, friends and academic organizations throughout the United States and around the world. There are also financial papers, lecture notes, reviews, speeches, organization records associated with Abbot's activities while at William and Mary and the University of Virginia, a typescript of his writing, "The Colonial Beginnings of the United States 1607-1763," and communications with publishers relating to books and articles he authored.

Correspondents include University of Virginia Presidents Edgar F. Shannon, Frank L. Hereford, Robert O'Neil, and John Casteen. Other University of Virginia correspondents include Melvin Leffler, David A. Shannon, Merrill D. Peterson, Francis L. Berkeley, Jr., Robert D. Cross, Fredson Bowers, and William Kelso.

There are also papers and correspondence of numerous organizations including the American Council of Learned Societies, Institute of Early American History and Culture, American Historical Association, American Studies Program at the University of Virginia, Atlas of Early American History, Association for Documentary Editing, Society of the Cincinnati, Conference on the Northwest Ordinance, fraternities, Georgia Historical Society, Journal of Southern History, Library of Virginia, Mississippi Valley Historical Association, Annual

Stratford Hall Seminar, National Endowment for the Humanities, City University of New York, New-York Historical Society, Organization of American Historians, Potomac River Basin Consortium, Social Studies yearbook, the Southern Historical Association, the University of Virginia including the Faculty Senate, the Corcoran Department of History, the graduate committee, Arts and Sciences, the Public Occasions Committee, the University Press of Virginia, the Papers of George Washington, the Papers James Monroe, and the Papers of George Mason; the United States Navy, Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission, and information about other universities.

There are numerous materials that are confidential including recommendation letters, selection committee papers, information about promotions and salaries, the sesquicentennial committee, student papers, grades, and roll books.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged alphabetically by topic. Correspondence is in alphabetical order and can be found by surname and by the institute that the individual was associated. Confidential material is placed alphabetically by topic at the end of the collection.

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1966-1981 Organizations Correspondence American Council of Learned Societies

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1979-1986 American Council of Learned Societies: Committees on Scholarly Communication (ARL)

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1980-1981 American Historical Association Program Committee

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1962 American Historical Association Session "The Function of the Colonial Executive in the 18th Century"

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1967 American Historical Association and Omohundro Institute of Early American History & Culture Joint Sessions

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1978-1984; 1990 Association for Documentary Editing

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1970-1971 Atlas of Early American History

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1973-1974 City University of New York Graduate History Program

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1986 Nov 7-8 Conference Northern Virginia Studies

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1986-1987 Conference- The Northwest Ordinance Sheehan

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1962-1986 Fraternity- Phi Alpha Theta

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1980 Commission on Fraternities and Sororities

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1968-1969; 1980-1983 Georgia Historical Society

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1962-1977 Institute of Early American History and Culture: American Revolution

Box-folder 9:5

Extent 88 items

Scope and Content

Correspondents include Lester J. Cappon, Elizabeth Suttell, James Morton Smith, Gordon S. Wood, Susan Lee Foard, Thad W. Tate, Stephen G. Kurtz, Richard "Dick" Maxwell Brown, James H. Hutson, Norman S. Fiering, and Michael McGiffert. There are also minutes from the annual meeting.

1978 Institute of Early American History and Culture

Box-folder 9:6

Extent 40 items

Scope and Content

Correspondents include Norman S. Fiering, Alfred F. Young, Mary Maples Dunn, Thad W. Tate, and Sydney V. James. There are letters from the Newberry Library. Included are book reviews from William and Mary and minutes from the Executive Meeting of the Council.

1979-1980 Institute of Early American History and Culture

Box-folder 9:7

Extent 40 items

Scope and Content

Thad W. Tate, Philip Greven, Sydney V. James, Alfred F. Young. There is information about the procedures for a Nominating Committee and a proposed budget report.

1962-1970 Journal of Southern History

Box-folder 9:8

Extent 32 items

Scope and Content

Correspondents include Lester J. Cappon, Elizabeth Suttell, Andrew Forest Muir, William H. Masterson, William H. "Bill" Nelson, and S. W. Higginbotham. There are also annual reports for the journal.

1969-1991 Miscellaneous conferences

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1962; 1965 Mississippi Valley Historical Association

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Scope and Content

Correspondents include Samuel P. Hays and William H. Masterson

1985 (Monticello) Stratford Hall Seminars

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Extent 6 items

Scope and Content

Included are handwritten notes by Bill Abbot

1970-1972 National Council for the Social Studies

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Extent 10 items

Scope and Content

Correspondents include Richard L. Watson, Jr., and William H. Cartwright who were editing a book that Mr. Abbot was writing about American History. Included are typescripts from the book

1980-1986 National Endowment for the Humanities

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Extent 18 items

Scope and Content

Included are applications for grant proposals

1982 New-York State Historical Society

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Extent 9 items

Scope and Content

There is correspondence from Milo V. Stewart about the Society and conferences it sponsored

1970-1971 Organization of American Historians

Box-folder 10:4

Extent 10 items

Scope and Content

Correspondents include Thomas D. Clark, R. Nicholas Olsberg, Jack P. Greene, about papers being submitted for conferences. Included is a paper by Richard Ryerson : "The Institutional Response to Crisis Politics"

1976-1981 Organization of American Historians Prize Contest

Box-folder 10:5

Extent 27 items

Scope and Content

There is correspondence from Bennett H. Wall, John J. Rumbarger, Michael McGiffert, Richard S. Kirkendall, Richard G. Hewlett, Edward Pessen, Carl Parrini, and Thomas C. Holt about the Charles Thomson Prize Contest

1979-1984 Potomac River Basin Consortium

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Scope and Content

Correspondents include David A. Shannon, Frank L. Hereford, Gilbert Gude, U.S. Senator Charles Mathias, Jr., Harvey H. Jackson, Edwin E. Floyd, Robert H. Hartman, and Paul C. Nagel

1978; 1987-1992 Society of the Cincinnati

Box-folder 10:7

Extent 26 items

Scope and Content

Correspondents include Martin Havran, Clifford Lewis, John Sanderson du Mont, H. Bartholomew Cox, Thad W. Tate, and Richard H. Beeman

1967-1968 Southern Historical Association-Bacote

Box-folder 10:8

Extent 5 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence from Clarence A. Bacote, Alonzo T. Stephens, Charles H. Wesley about which papers would be presented at the SHA Conference

1967-1968 Southern Historical Association-Critoph

Box-folder 10:9

Extent 8 items

Scope and Content

There is correspondence from Gerald E. Critoph who was organizing the sessions at the SHA Conference

1968 Southern Historical Association-Delzell

Box-folder 10:10

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Scope and Content

Correspondence of Charles F. Delzell who was the organizer of the sessions at the SHA Conference

1967-1968 Southern Historical Association-Dew

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Scope and Content

Included is the correspondence of SHA Conference organizer Charles Dew and Richard B. Sherman

1967-1968 Southern Historical Association-Donald

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Scope and Content

Correspondence of David H. Donald who organized an SHA Conference

1967-1968 Southern Historical Association-Frantz

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Scope and Content

Correspondence of Joe B. Frantz, chairman of joint conference with the American Association for State and Local History and the Southern Historical Association in 1968

1968 Southern Historical Association-Kurtz

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Scope and Content

Included is the correspondence of Stephen G. Kurtz, one of the organizers of the SHA Conference in New

Orleans in 1968

1967-1968 Southern Historical Association-Link

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Scope and Content

Correspondence of Arthur S. Link, president of the SHA and one of the organizers of the SHA Conference in New Orleans in 1968

1967-1968 Southern Historical Association-McPherson

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Scope and Content

Correspondence of James McPherson, one of the organizers of the SHA Conference in New Orleans in 1968

1967-1968 Southern Historical Association-Shannon

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Scope and Content

Correspondence of David Shannon, one of the organizers of the SHA Conference in New Orleans in 1968

1967-1968 Southern Historical Association-TePaske

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Scope and Content

Correspondence of Jack TePaske, one of the organizers of the SHA Conference in New Orleans in 1968

1967-1968 Southern Historical Association-Wall

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Scope and Content

Correspondence of Bennett H. Wall, Secretary-Treasurer of the Southern Historical Association

1967-1968 Southern Historical Association-Woodward

Box-folder 11:2

Extent 5 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence of C. Vann Woodward, one of the organizers of the SHA Conference in New Orleans in 1968

1962-1984 Southern Historical Association

Box-folder 11:3

Extent 24 items

Scope and Content

Included is general correspondence about the 1968 SHA Conference in New Orleans and the 1971 SHA Conference in Houston. There is an SHA Annual Report (1970-1971) and the SHA's Fiftieth Anniversary Program in 1984. There are also scholarly papers by Martin H. Quitt ("From Elite to Aristocracy" and Warren M. Billings, "The Development of Political Institutions in Virginia, 1634-1676)

1977-1981 Southern Historical Association Executive Council

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Extent 19 items

Scope and Content

Included are Professor Abbot's request to serve on the Executive Council for the SHA, reports for the November 1978 Executive Council meetings, and minutes for the December 3, 1980, January 20, 1981, and December 7, 1981 Executive Council meetings.

1976 Southern Historical Association Membership Committee

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Scope and Content

Included is a progress report for new members in 1976 and correspondence concerning increasing SHA's membership.

1968 Southern Historical Association Program Abstracts

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Scope and Content

Abstracts of papers to be discussed in sessions at the 1968 SHA Conference in New Orleans

1975-1977 Southern Historical Association Program Committee

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Extent 116 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence and planning for the SHA Conference in New Orleans in November 1977 are included. Also contains the proposal selection process for the Conference sessions to be held

1968 Southern Historical Association Program Corrections

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Scope and Content

Included are requests for corrections to the memorandum for the 1968 SHA Conference in New Orleans.

1968 Southern Historical Association Program Summary for Journal

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Extent 5 items

Scope and Content

Contains a paper and edits summarizing what happened at the 1968 SHA Conference in New Orleans.

1967-1968 Southern Historical Association Programs

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Extent 33 items

Scope and Content

There is a program of the sessions held, report of the Program Committee, memorandum, expenses, and general correspondence concerning the 1968 SHA Conference in New Orleans. Also included is correspondence from Sanford Higginbotham, Bennett Wall, Dumas Malone, and Neva Armstrong.

1982 Southern Historical Association Session

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Scope and Content

Notes relating to Abbot's session for which he presided at the 1982 SHA Conference in Memphis

1968 Southern Historical Association Session Reports

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Scope and Content

Brief reports of the sessions at the 1968 SHA Conference held in New Orleans

1980-1981 Southern Historical Association Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession

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Extent 15 items

Scope and Content

There is correspondence on the new Committee on the Status of Women Historians in the Southern Historical Association. Also included is correspondence from Charles P. Roland, Carol Bleser, Jimmie Franklin, Paul Nagel, and Joseph Tregle.

1943-1961 US Navy

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Scope and Content

Included is an an Honorable Discharge Certificate, Annual Qualifications Questionnaires, Officer's Qualification Reports, and an Appointment Acknowledgement to the permanent rank of Lieutenant.

1960-1961 Rice University-William and Mary Career Change

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Extent 19 items

Scope and Content

Included is Abbot's appointment to associate professor at Rice University and correspondence relating to editing various reports and volumes for The Journal of Southern History.

1961-1963 Rice University-William and Mary Career Change

Box-folder 12:6

Extent 46 items

Scope and Content

Included is correspondence regarding the move back to Williamsburg, research project in South Carolina, and career switch to editor of the William and Mary Quarterly.

26 Sept 1977 University of Georgia Press

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Scope and Content

Included is a letter thanking Professor Abbot for editing a paper by Harvey H. Jackson.

1968 University of New Hampshire

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Scope and Content

Included is correspondence of the evaluation committee for the University of New Hampshire's proposed Ph.D. program in History and the written proposal.

1983 UVA Summer on the Lawn

Box-folder 12:9

Extent 5 items

Scope and Content

Includes an article about Abbot's "Summer on the Lawn" speech

1966-1986 UVA Arts and Sciences

Box-folder 12:10

Extent 8 items

Scope and Content

Includes a report on admissions for the 1965-1966 academic year, a list of new faculty members in 1966, correspondence relating to the various committees in which Abbot was involved including the Committee on Educational Policy and the Budget and the Thomas Jefferson Fellows Committee.

1968-1969 UVA Center for Textual and Editorial Studies

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Extent 17 items

Scope and Content

Included are correspondence, notes, and a proposal for the founding of the Center. Also contains correspondence about searching for a director

1968-1973 UVA Committee on Educational Policy

Box-folder 12:12

Extent 18 items

Scope and Content

Included are notes about meetings and a report of the Committee on Educational Policy and the Budget. There are letters of gratitude from Weldon Cooper and Joseph H. McConnell for the committee's help on the nomination of Frank L. Hereford as the next President of the University.

1969 UVA Faculty Senate-Student Representation

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Scope and Content

Includes the Report of Committee on student representatives at Faculty Meetings and notes relating to chairing and the meetings of this committee

1970-1971 UVA Faculty Senate-Procedures and Proposals

Box-folder 12:14

Extent 39 items

Scope and Content

Includes meeting minutes, nominations to Senate committees, the revised and proposed grievance procedures; new Senate Committee on Faculty Relations, the Report of a Special Committee on the University Senate, and proposals for programs in General Linguistics, Religious Studies, Accounting, and Biomedical Engineering.

1966-1991 UVA Faculty Senate

Box-folder 13:1

Extent 24 items

Scope and Content

Includes notes from the committee investigating the process for awarding degrees in the Graduate School of the Arts and Sciences, notes on a Center of Editorial and Textual Study, and meeting minutes of the Executive Council of the Faculty Senate. Also of note are papers concerning the Nomination Committee of the next University President, including a letter informing Abbot of his election to this committee.

1969-1971 UVA Faculty Senate- Meetings

Box-folder 13:2

Extent 26 items

Scope and Content

There are notes for Faculty Senate meetings. Of note are correspondence about Nominations for the Board of Visitors and a list of Administrative Committees, and notes about a proposed interdisciplinary University major.

1967-1977 UVA Graduate Committee

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Scope and Content

Includes notes on courses relating to the Center for Textual and Editorial Studies, a revised report of the Graduate Program: Requirements, Regulations, and Procedures, a report of the Graduate Curriculum Revision Committee, notes regarding fellowships, a list of applicants for teaching positions in the history department, and a list of courses offered for history graduate students for the Fall 1973 semester.

1966-1973 UVA Department of History Curriculum

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Extent 40 items

Scope and Content

Contains a Report on Student Representation, graduate courses offered in 1972-1973, requirements for history majors, notes on course registration, applicants and notes on teaching positions, papers on curriculum revision, and notes for Committee on M.A. Requirements and Related Matters.

1955-1972 UVA Department of History- Abbot

Box-folder 13:5

Extent 41 items

Scope and Content

Includes papers about Professor Abbot becoming Chairman of the department, history courses offered 1968-1969, report of The College Honors Program at the University of Virginia in 1968, report of The Graduate Program: Requirements, Regulations, and Procedures, and an Evaluation of the Corcoran History Department

1976-1991 UVA Department of History

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Extent 26 items

Scope and Content

Includes Professor Abbot's report on his observations of the University of South Carolina's history department, the history department 1977 newsletter, correspondence about the search for a new associate professor, a proposal of a course evaluation system, and a request for Professor Abbot to continue to be on the Thomas Jefferson Fellows Committee.

1967-1971 UVA Library

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Extent 36 items

Scope and Content

Includes correspondence relating to book orders and research needs of the history department

includes correspondence relating to book orders and research needs of the history department, departmental library funds allocations, and a report of the Library Committee on recommendations for improvement and the library's current state.

1970-1973; 1985 UVA Library

Box-folder 13:8

Extent 48 items

Scope and Content

Includes reports about the library to the Board of Visitors, reports of the University Library Committee, 1970-1971 Annual Report for the University Library, a Library Space Proposal for expanding the library facilities, and a report of the Need for a Science-Technology Library and Information Center.

1967 UVA- NDEA Institute

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Scope and Content

Includes information and a proposal for the 1967 Summer NDEA Institute in US History.

1966-1969 Papers of George Mason

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Extent 9 items

Scope and Content

Includes minutes of the meeting of the Administrative Board for the Papers of George Mason and the 1966 Annual Report.

1966-1977 Papers of George Washington

Box-folder 14:3

Extent 45 items

Scope and Content

Contains the 1977 Annual Report, proposal for a comprehensive edition of the Papers of George Washington and the report from the University committee about it, recommendations from various editors of similar papers (including Julian P. Boyd of the Thomas Jefferson Papers and L.H. Butterfield of the Adams Papers), the progress reports of these respective papers, and an article from the Washington Post about editing the George Washington Papers.

1968; 1989 Papers of George Washington

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Extent 18 items

Scope and Content

Includes a proposed budget for the Washington Papers, recommendations from editors of similar papers, correspondence with the Mount Vernon Ladies Association of the Union concerning their grant for the editing of the Washington Papers, and notes on the conference "George Washington and the Virginia Backcountry" in 1989.

1963; 1967-1968 Papers of James Monroe

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Extent 11 items

Scope and Content

Includes notes on the James Monroe Papers Conference, a paper on the James Monroe Materials by the National Historical Publications Commission, and a survey of the James Monroe Papers by William Ray.

1966-1968 University of Virginia Press

Box-folder 14:6

Extent 49 items

Scope and Content

Includes reports for 1966, 1967, and 1968, meeting minutes of the Board of Directors, and reviews of books and manuscripts.

1969-1988 University of Virginia Press

Box-folder 14:7

Extent 50 items

Scope and Content

Includes a report for 1969, meeting minutes of the Board of Directors, a report (the University Press Since 1962,) and notes on books and manuscripts.

1966-1968; n.d. University of Virginia Press- Manuscripts

Box-folder 14:8

Extent 22 items

Scope and Content

Includes reviews of manuscripts, the text of Pat H. Butler's manuscript This World and the Next in Old Deerfield, and a proposal for the Writing of a History of Virginia Since 1865.

1972-1983 UVA Public Occasions Committee (Founder's Day and Finals)

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Extent 80 items

Scope and Content

Includes meeting minutes and notes on Founder's Day and Finals for 1973-1984.

1966-1974 UVA Virginia Quarterly Review

Box-folder 15:2

Extent 39 items

Scope and Content

Includes the 1970 and 1972-1974 Annual Reports, notes on the Emily Clark Balch Contest, and correspondence about searching for a new editor in 1973-1974.

1975-1989 UVA Virginia Quarterly Review

Box-folder 15:3

Extent 41 items

Scope and Content

Includes notes on the Emily Clark Balch Contest, the 1976, 1977, 1979, 1981, and 1982 Annual Reports, and the Board of the VQR meeting notes.

1967-1974 UVA Sesquicentennial of the University

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Extent 18 items

Scope and Content

Includes notes from the Visiting Scholars Subcommittee on their program and notes from the Sesquicentennial Associate Selection Committee for the Associateship Program.

1973-1974 Sesquicentennial Associateships of the Center for Advanced Studies

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Extent 13 items

Scope and Content

Includes notes from the Sesquicentennial Associateships Program for 1974-1975 and 1975-1976.

1967-1968 UVA Scholars Committee- Visiting Scholars for Sesquicentennial Program

Box-folder 15:6

Extent 83 items

Scope and Content

Includes nominations for visiting scholars, notes about proposed minor changes to the program, and comments on possible scholars.

1966; 1970-1975 Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission- Virginia Center for Archaeology

Box-folder 15:7

Extent 51 items

Scope and Content

Includes meeting minutes of the Advisory Committee on the Virginia Research Center for Historical Archaeology, a report of the Archaeology Program at the College of William and Mary, a resolution to protect the site of the remains of a Revolutionary War shipwreck and a related Survey Report, and a bill proposal about underwater historic preservation.

1979-1983 Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission- Virginia Center for Archaeology

Box-folder 16:1

Extent 54 items

Scope and Content

Includes a report on the Organization and Methods Study of the Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission, meeting minutes of the Advisory Committee, VCRA 1980 and 1982 Newsletters, a report on the Virginia Research Center for Archaeology in the 1980's, and a report of Evaluation: Historic Landmarks Commission Proposal to Reorganize its Survey and Planning Function.

1976 Virginia Research Center for Archaeology

Box-folder 16:2

Extent Part 1 of 2 43 items

Scope and Content

Includes meeting minutes of the Advisory Committee, a bill proposal about underwater historic preservation, a report from the Council of Virginia Archaeologists, newspaper articles about excavation sites around Virginia (including a shipwreck in the York River,) a progress report for a Gloucester County site, and forms to register sites as National Historic Places.

1977-1978 Virginia Research Center for Archaeology

Box-folder 16:3

Extent Part 2 of 2 37 items

Scope and Content

Includes a report on the State of the Virginia Research Center for Archaeology 1976-1977 and meeting minutes from the Advisory Committee.

1978-1984 Virginia Society of History Teachers

Box-folder 16:4

Extent 28 items

Scope and Content

Includes plans and notes on the 1978-1984 Virginia Society of History Teachers conferences.

1962-1975 John Wiley & Sons Publisher

Box-folder 16:5

Extent 83 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence and notes about Professor Abbot's volume on Colonial America for the American Republic series.

1969 Winterthur Program in Early American Culture Conference

Box-folder 16:6

Extent 7 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence about the Winterthur Program in Early American Culture Conference in October 1969.

1965-1966 William and Mary

Box-folder 16:7

Extent 9 items

Scope and Content

Includes a proposal and report for a PhD History program at the College of William and Mary and notes about the history course The Literature of Recent American History.

1983-1984 Articles- "Low Country Back Country"

Box-folder 17:1

Extent 3 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence and notes about Professor Abbot's article "Low Country Back Country." Also includes the text of this article.

1962; 1971-1994 Financial Records

Box-folder 17:2

Extent 70 items

Scope and Content

Financial records for conference and research related expenses.

1958-1966 Financial Records

Box-folder 17:3

Extent 28 items

Scope and Content

Financial records relating to travel for work, salary, and personal expenses.

1971-1973 Grant Proposals

Box-folder 17:4

Extent 20 items

Scope and Content

Professor Abbot's reviews of papers and evaluations of grant proposals. Several grant proposals are also

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1985-1992 Invitations

Box-folder 17:5

Extent 6 items

Scope and Content

Invitations to various historical and personal celebrations.

1960 Lecture Notes

Box-folder 17:6

Extent 18 items

Scope and Content

Notes for Constitutional History lecture course in 1960.

1960 Lecture Notes

Box-folder 17:7

Extent 32 items

Scope and Content

Notes for Virginia History lecture course in 1960.

1959 Lecture Notes

Box-folder 17:8

Extent 19 items

Scope and Content

Notes for American Revolution lecture course in 1959.

n.d. Lecture Notes

Box-folder 17:9

Extent 41 items

Scope and Content

Notes for History 202 lecture course.

1960; n.d. Lecture Notes

Box-folder 17:10

Extent 30 items

Scope and Content

Included are assorted notes on early Virginia history for the Revolutionary War History lecture courses

n.d. Lecture Notes

Box-folder 17:11

Extent 18 items

Scope and Content

Notes for History 201 lecture course.

n.d. Lecture Notes

Box-folder 18:1

Extent 18 items

Scope and Content

Notes for History 201 lecture course.

n.d. Lecture Notes

Box-folder 18:2

Extent 48 items

Scope and Content

Notes on various lecture topics, including events leading up to the American Revolution.

n.d. Lecture Notes

Box-folder 18:3

Extent 39 items

Scope and Content

Notes on various lecture topics, including events leading up to the American Revolution and how historians view the Revolution now.

n.d. Lecture Notes

Box-folder 18:4

Extent 15 items

Scope and Content

Notes on events leading up to the American Revolution.

1966-1989 Legal

Box-folder 18:5

Extent 27 items

Scope and Content

Legal documents including a publishing agreement for Professor Abbot to be Editor-in-Chief of the George Washington Encyclopedia, a letter from the White House about the newly established American Revolution Bicentennial Commission, and a letter offering Professor Abbot the position of James Madison Professor of American History at UVA.

18 July 1986 Manuscript- Dumas Malone

Box-folder 18:6

Extent 1 item

Scope and Content

Typescript of the manuscript "My Long Journey with Mr. Jefferson" by Dumas Malone.

n.d. Manuscript- Abbot

Box-folder 18:7

Extent 1 item

Scope and Content

Typescript of William Abbot's manuscript "The Colonial Beginnings of the United States, 1607-1763."

1966-1974 Manuscripts- Abbot

Box-folder 19:1

Extent 31 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence about publishing Professor Abbot's manuscripts.

1963; 1965-1966 Manuscripts- Abbot (American History Text)

Box-folder 19:2

Extent 12 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence about revisions and publishing Professor Abbot's manuscript.

1966-1971 Manuscripts- Paul Taylor Correspondence

Box-folder 19:3

Extent 47 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence about Paul Taylor's manuscript "Georgia Plan: 1732-1752"

1966; 1974-1977 Newspaper Clippings

Box-folder 19:4

Extent 10 items

Scope and Content

Included are newspaper clippings about Professor Abbot and his colleagues.

10 March 1971; n.d. Papers

Box-folder 19:5

Extent 3 items

Scope and Content

Papers titled, "Religion and the Republic: The Search for Religious Liberty in a Christian Commonwealth, 1776-1854" by W. G. McLoughlin and "The Legitimizing of Violence in the Revolutionary Era: The American Revolution and American Violence" by Richard Maxwell Brown (including comments from Professor Abbot).

1 March 1962; 1 February 1971; n d. Papers

Box-folder 19:6

Extent 9 items

Scope and Content

Includes papers by Jack P. Greene, Richard Maxwell Brown, and William Abbot.

1966-1969; n.d. Student Papers

Box-folder 19:7

Extent 8 items

Scope and Content

Includes papers by Charlyn Ryll, Patricia Molen, Gary Lord, Robert A. Murdock, James L. Anderson, James E. Chrismer, and E.D. Robertson.

1967-1968 Student Papers

Box-folder 20:1

Extent 13 items

Scope and Content

Includes papers by William B. Bedford, Donald S. Spencer, Steven H. Hochman, Richard E. Ellis, Charlyn Ryll, Judy Wellman, Carl S. Matthews, and John B. Boles.

1989-1992 Retirement

Box-folder 20:2

Extent 5 items

Scope and Content

Documents relating to Professor Abbot's retirement. Includes a letter from the Board of Visitors electing Professor Abbot to Professor Emeritus.

1970-1971 Readers Reports

Box-folder 20:3

Extent 15 items

Scope and Content

Appraisal requests for manuscripts and Professor Abbot's recommendations.

1962-1976 Reviews

Box-folder 20:4

Extent 89 items

Scope and Content

Professor Abbot's reviews of articles, papers, books, and project proposals

1963-1966; n.d. Reviews

Box-folder 20:5

Extent 27 items

Scope and Content

Professor Abbot's reviews of articles, papers, books, and project proposals

1967-1969 Reviews

Box-folder 20:6

Extent 52 items

Scope and Content

Professor's Abbot's reviews of articles, papers, books, and project proposals

1977-1982 Reviews

Box-folder 21:1

Extent 74 items

Scope and Content

Professor Abbot's reviews of articles, papers, books, and project proposals.

1966-1968; 1982; n.d. Speeches

Box-folder 21:2

Extent 29 items

Scope and Content

Includes correspondence about up-coming speeches and typed and handwritten scripts for speeches about the George Washington Papers, the article "Lowcountry, Backcountry: Georgia in the American Revolution," and Professor Abbot's views on the study of history.

1962 Vitas

Box-folder 21:3

Extent 5 items

Scope and Content

Professor Abbot's vitas and project proposal for researching post-American Revolutionary South Carolina, dating from his time at Rice University.

Confidential

1976 Dean of Afro-American Affairs and Assistant Provost

Box-folder 22:1

Extent 4 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence and report relating to the search for a new Dean of Afro-American Affairs and Assistant Provost.

January-June 1973 Nomination of the New President- Faculty Senate Committee

Box-folder 22:2

Extent Part 1 of 2 24 items

Scope and Content

Report on Nomination of a President, meeting minutes of the Faculty Senate, correspondence between members of the Nominating Committee, and notes and views about the duties and requirements of the next President.

May-October 1973 Nomination of the President- Faculty Senate Committee

Box-folder 22:3

Extent Part 2 of 2 9 items

Scope and Content

Reports from the Faculty Senate Committee and the Student Committee on Nomination of a President, report on the nominees for President from the Special Committee of the Faculty Senate, and the formal nomination of Frank Hereford, Jr. for President.

1981-1984 Faculty Senate Committee on Faculty Relations

Box-folder 22:4

Extent 54 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence and reports relating to issues of conflict within the Faculty and Annual Reports of the Senate Committee on Faculty Relations for 1981-1983.

September-October 1969 Faculty Senate

Box-folder 22:5

Extent 3 items

Scope and Content

Reports relating to the proposal to allow student representation at Faculty meetings

1966-1967; 1969 Grades

Box-folder 22:6

Extent 15 items

Scope and Content

Grades of students in Professor Abbot's history courses

1973-1974 Students' Grades and Grievances

Box-folder 22:7

Extent 4 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence between students and Professor Abbot about grades and requests to continue to the doctorate level of study in history

October-November 1969 Afeworki Paulos

Box-folder 22:8

Extent 2 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence regarding an accusation of racial prejudice in the George Washington Papers

1980-1981 UVA Promotions History Department

Box-folder 22:9

Extent 57 items

Scope and Content

Reports and correspondence relating to the promotion to tenured associate professor of history department faculty members

n.d. Graduate Committee

Box-folder 22:10

Extent 2 items

Scope and Content

Scores of new and resident students

1972; 1974 Hires

Box-folder 22:11

Extent 3 items

Scope and Content

Recommendations for candidates to hire

October 1987 UVA History Department Promotions- Dorothy Ross

Box-folder 22:12

Extent 14 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence and reports relating to the promotion of Dorothy Ross to professor of history

1987-1988 UVA Committee to Nominate the History Department Chair

Box-folder 22:13

Extent 31 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence regarding the nomination of the History Department chair and recommendations for promotions to full professorship of History Department faculty members.

November-December 1996 Library of Virginia

Box-folder 22:14

Extent 1 item

Scope and Content

Correspondence between Professor Abbot and the administration at the Library of Virginia recommending that the Library keep its archives with the Library instead of separating them

1962; 1968-1975 UVA Promotion Committee

Box-folder 22:15

Extent 30 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence regarding promotions in the History Department and in the College of Arts and Sciences as a whole

Confidential

1967-1993 Recommendations Abraham-Ayres

Box-folder 23:1

Extent 17 items

1960-1991 Recommendations Babin-Boylan

Box-folder 23:2

Extent 68 items

1961-1993 Recommendations Bradford-Bynum

Box-folder 23:3

Extent 51 items

1958-1993 Recommendations Calabrese-Cunningham

Box-folder 23:4

Extent 58 items

1964-1989 Recommendations Dauer-Evans

Box-folder 23:5

Extent 60 items

1957-1991 Recommendations Fairbanks-Friend

Box-folder 23:6

Extent 21 items

1964-1997 Recommendations Garrett-Guzinski

Box-folder 23:7

Extent 60 items

Confidential

1956-1989 Recommendations Hackett-Hemphill

Box-folder 24:1

Extent 58 items

1962-1990 Recommendations Henderson-Howell

Box-folder 24:2

Extent 33 items

1972-1978 Recommendations Ingram-Isaac

Box-folder 24:3

Extent 13 items

1962-1980 Recommendations Jackson-Jordan

Box-folder 24:4

Extent 32 items

1959-1987 Recommendations Kasta-Kukla

Box-folder 24:5

Extent 60 items

1969-1990 Recommendations Lacy-Lorish

Box-folder 24:6

Extent 29 items

1964-1991 Recommendations Malone-Musson

Box-folder 24:7

Extent 76 items

1964-1992 Recommendations Nardini-Onuf

Box-folder 24:8

Extent 13 items

1956-1992 Recommendations Pagnani-Putnam

Box-folder 24:9

Extent 50 items

Confidential

1955-1986 Recommendations Ragsdale-Rutman

Box-folder 25:1

Extent 37 items

1961-1990 Recommendations Salerno-Smith, Canfield

Box-folder 25:2

Extent 26 items

1957-1992 Recommendations Smith, Daniel-Swanson

Box-folder 25:3

Extent 80 items

1958-1993 Recommendations Taishoff-Votto

Box-folder 25:4

Extent 48 items

1958-1989 Recommendations Wade-Wehtje

Box-folder 25:5

Extent 48 items

1964-1989 Recommendations Wellman-Wood

Box-folder 25:6

Extent 30 items

1968-1993 Recommendations Young-Yuhnke

Box-folder 25:7

Extent 40 items

1965-1973 Requests for Recommendations

Box-folder 25:8

Extent 4 items

Scope and Content

Requests from institutions for recommendations to fill positions.

1962-1971 Recommendations Unknown

Box-folder 25:9

Extent 4 items

Confidential

1954-1965 Roll Books

Box-folder 26:1

Extent 8 items

Scope and Content

List of enrolled students and their grades.

1955-1962 Roll Books

Box-folder 26:2

Extent 8 items

Scope and Content

List of enrolled students and their grades.

April 1967 NDEA Salary

Box-folder 26:3

Extent 2 items

Scope and Content

Professor Abbot's salary for NDEA History Institute

1963-1966 Salary

Box-folder 26:4

Extent 5 items

Scope and Content

Professor Abbot's salary at the College of William and Mary

1978 Salary Institute of Early American History and Culture

Box-folder 26:5

Extent 2 items

Scope and Content

Report of salaries at the Institute of Early American History and Culture

1970-1971 Sesquicentennial Associate Selection Committee

Box-folder 26:6

Extent 6 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence amongst the Selection Committee for the faculty awards for 1971-1973.

1971-1972 Sesquicentennial Selection Committee

Box-folder 26:7

Extent 2 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence relating to the Sesquicentennial faculty awards for 1972-1973.

1980-1981 UVA Search Committee for the Dean of the Faculty

Box-folder 26:8

Extent 38 items

Scope and Content

Correspondence of the committee charged with finding the successor to Edwin E. Floyd, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. Committee members include William W. Abbot, Jeanne C. Biggar, Hugh M. Davidson, Robert H. Kretsinger, and Richard T. Selden, Willard W. Harrison, and Audrey D. Jordan. President Frank L. Hereford is also a correspondent

1968-1969; n.d. Graded student papers

Box-folder 26:9

Extent 5 items

