

# Guide to the John Shaw Boyce Papers

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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 756

**CREATOR:** Boyce, John Shaw, 1889-1971

**TITLE:** John Shaw Boyce papers

**DATES:** 1918-1964

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 1.75 linear feet (4 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The papers consist of correspondence, reports, and research material almost exclusively devoted to John Boyce's work on wood and wood diseases. About a third of the papers relate to Boyce's work on the use of wood in airplanes during World War I.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of G. Evelyn Hutchinson, 1976; and transferred from the Yale Forestry Library, 1991.

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## Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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John Shaw Boyce Papers. Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

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## Biographical / Historical

John Shaw Boyce, 1889-1971, worked early in his career as forest pathologist in the U.S. Forest Service and the Department of Agriculture. During World War I he was in charge of inspections of the wooden parts of airplanes. From 1929 until his retirement in 1958, he was professor of forest pathology at Yale, and during this time was an active member of the Society of American Foresters and associate editor of the *Journal of Forestry*.

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## Scope and Contents

The papers, 1912-1958, consist of correspondence, reports, research material, and printed matter on subjects about which Boyce wrote, such as decay in airplane wood, tree diseases, and blights.

They are arranged alphabetically by subject. The following folder listing is based on a preliminary inventory.

The John Shaw Boyce Papers were given to Yale University Library in January 1976 by G. Evelyn Hutchinson.

## Collection Contents

### Inventory, 1912-1958

Correspondence and reports re: wood in airplanes during World War I. Office of the Director of Aircraft Productions, Washington, D.C.

#### Airplane data

b. 1, f. 1	Buffalo	1918
b. 1, f. 2	Chicago	1918
b. 1, f. 3	Dayton	1918
b. 1, f. 3a	Detroit	1918
b. 1, f. 4	Forest pathology	1918
b. 1, f. 5	General	1918
b. 1, f. 6	New York	1918
b. 1, f. 6a	Orders	1918-1919
b. 1, f. 7	Wartime I	1917-1919
b. 1, f. 8	Wartime II	1917-1918
b. 1, f. 9	Wood salvage	1918
American Phytological Society: correspondence and reports		
b. 1, f. 10	Committee on Quarantine and Regulatory Work	1929-1933
b. 1, f. 10	Committee on Foreign Plant Diseases	1934-1939
Correspondence, reports, and papers re:		
b. 1, f. 11	Blister Rust Control Committee	1932-1935
b. 2, f. 12	Blister rust in white pine	1934-1935
b. 2, f. 13	Blister rust control, Ray R. Hirt's investigations	1934-1940
b. 2, f. 14	J.S.Boyce, Army application	1918
b. 2, f. 15	Forest Disease Control Committee: correspondence and reports	1932-1943
b. 2, f. 16	Great Britain trip to study Dutch Elm disease: correspondence and reports	1935-1936
b. 2, f. 17-19	Correspondence while associate editor of the <i>Journal of Forestry</i>	1937-1945
b. 3, f. 20-21	Correspondence, reports, and minutes of meetings of the Northeastern Forest Pest Committee	1939-1958
b. 3, f. 22	<i>Phytopathology</i> : correspondence while associate editor	1939-1943
b. 3, f. 23	Reports on phytopathology, mycology, pathology, etc.	1912, undated

b. 3, f. 24	Southern pines, little-leaf diseases of: correspondence, reports, and memorandum re study trip to the South	1940
b. 3, f. 25	U.S. Department of Agriculture: correspondence and reports re Forest Survey Project	1930-1931
b. 3, f. 26	Willows: correspondence, memoranda, and architectural drawings	1928-1930
b. 3, f. 27	Miscellaneous correspondence, reports, reprints, papers re research projects and funding	1926-1934
b. 3, f. 28	Memorabilia	1918-[1950s]

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Field notebooks and diaries

1928-1964,  
undated

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## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Aeronautics  
Airplanes  
Conservation of natural resources  
Educators  
Environmental protection  
Science  
Wood  
World War, 1914-1918

### **Occupations**

Foresters

### **Names**

Boyce, John Shaw, 1889-1971

### **Corporate Body**

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