

Guide to the Warren Hiram Lowenhaupt Papers

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Collection Overview

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CREATOR: Lowenhaupt, Warren Hiram, 1891-1967

TITLE: Warren Hiram Lowenhaupt papers

DATES: 1891-1967

BULK DATES: 1910-1967

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 2 linear feet (5 boxes, 1 folio)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The papers consist of correspondence, photographs, writings, printed matter, financial records, and memorabilia documenting Warren Lowenhaupt's years as a student at Yale University (1910-1917), at Columbia Law School (1926), as an officer in World War I, and as curator and research associate at the Yale University Library (1952-1967). His principal correspondents are Emile Victor Bonnet, Charles Burpee, John Lindsay Moore, Frederick B. Kaye, William Lyon Phelps and Arthur E. Case. Much of the correspondence and financial papers relate to purchases of rare books, bookplates, and art objects. Approximately two hundred photographs are also in the papers, nearly half of which show European scenes and events relating to World War I.

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

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Henry S. and Malcolm D. Lowenhaupt, 1970.

Conditions Governing Access

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Conditions Governing Use

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

WARREN HIRAM LOWENHAUPT was born in Brooklyn; N. Y., August 13, 1891, and has lived in Plainfield, N. J., Hartford, Conn., and Middle Haddam, Conn.

His father, John P. Lowenhaupt, was born in Bavaria, in 1855, but has spent most of his life in New York City. He is a fruit grower. Mrs. Lowenhaupt was Marie E. Karbaum; she lived in New York City before marriage, and died March 7, 1909, in Hartford. There were four sons in the family; three now living.

Warren prepared for Yale at the Hartford Public High School. He received a High Oration, was the Ten Eyck Orator, and was the recipient of the Berkeley premium in Latin composition. He received honorable mention in the Andrew D. White history prize competition, tied for first place in the Donald Annis English and German competition prize, won the John Addison Porter prize in American history, received honorable mention in the John Addison Porter University prize competition (1913), and held a Scott Hurtt scholarship. He was a member of the Freshman Class and Intercollegiate Debating teams, an alternate on the Interdepartment Team, and a member of the Yale Debating Association, Pundits and the Society for the Study of Socialism. .

He received his B.A. degree from Yale in 1914, his M.A. in 1916, and his Ph.D. in 1917. In 1926 he received a LL.B. from Columbia. Lowenhaupt was an assistant in English at Yale from 1915-1917. He served as an officer in World War I, and was secretary to Justice Tounley of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of New York. Lowenhaupt was curator of bookplates and research associate at the Yale University Library, 1952-1960, and an honorary trustee, 1961-1967.

He died October 4, 1967.

Scope and Contents

The Warren Hiram Lowenhaupt Papers contain correspondence, photographs, writings, printed matter, and other papers pertaining to Lowenhaupt's career as a student at Yale University (Class of 1914) and

Columbia Law School, an officer in World War I, secretary to Justice Tounley of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of New York, and collector and Curator of Bookplates at Yale University.

The correspondence is divided into general, arranged chronologically, and select, which contains substantial runs of letters from four individuals and from Yale University. Lowenhaupt's correspondents include friends, family members, and professional associates; among them are Charles Burpee, John Lindsay Moore, W. Lyon Phelps, and Lowenhaupt's classmate Arthur E. Case. Topics discussed include Lowenhaupt's career, literature, and the collecting of rare books and incunabula. There are also letters from friends serving in World War I, and letters discussing American attitudes towards France and England during and after the war. The Yale University correspondence deals mainly with Lowenhaupt's gifts to the university of rare books and book plates. Correspondence relating directly to Lowenhaupt's military service is interfiled with other military papers such as orders, passes, and so forth (folders 48-57), while correspondence concerning his legal practice is interfiled with other papers arranged by case (folders 58-83).

The remaining papers in this collection are several short writings by Lowenhaupt, including his master's thesis, "Life and Works of Archibald Pitcairne, M.D.," accompanied by copies of Pitcairne's correspondence; personal financial papers such as check books, bank statements, and stock reports; further financial papers, largely bills and receipts, pertaining to purchases of rare books, book plates, and art objects; printed matter, including various writings on literature and book collecting, maps, and catalogues; memorabilia from Yale University and Columbia Law School, and other periods of Lowenhaupt's life; concert programs, one autographed by Nellie Melba; and almost two hundred photographs of Lowenhaupt, friends and family, and Europe during and after World War I.

These papers were given to Yale University by Henry S. and Malcolm D. Lowenhaupt in 1970. Related correspondence can be found in the Frederick B. Kaye [formerly Kugelman] Papers in the Humanities and Fine Arts Manuscript Group (No. 590), and in the Records of the Yale Librarian (YRG 32).

Collection Contents

Inventory, 1891-(1910-1967)

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b. 1, f. 1-13	General correspondence	1910-1960, undated
	Select correspondence	
b. 1, f. 14-24	Bonnet, Emile Victor	1938-1952
b. 1, f. 24	Passport	1913
b. 1, f. 25-26	Kaye [formerly Kugelman], Frederick B.	1916-1919
b. 2, f. 26a-27	Kaye [formerly Kugelman], Frederick B.	1920-1924, 1930
b. 2, f. 28	Pearson, J. Sidney	1950-1954
b. 2, f. 29-31	Ward, Renee Fairfax	1947-1967
b. 2, f. 32	Yale University	1921-1964
	Writings	
b. 2, f. 33	Freshman theme, "Milton and the Pamela Prayer,"	[ca. 1910-1911]
b. 2, f. 34	Senior theme, "Impeachment in the National Government,"	[ca. 1913-1914]
b. 2, f. 35	"A Pre-Beethovenite Movement," <i>Yale Literary Magazine</i> , pp. 240-44 English	1914 March
b. 2, f. 36	"Cromwell Debates," English	1914 March 11
b. 2, f. 37	Theater reviews	1915, undated
	M.A. thesis, "Life and Works of Archibald Pitcairne, M.D."	
b. 2, f. 38	Typescript	1916
b. 2, f. 39	Copies of Pitcairne's letters	[ca. 1916]
b. 2, f. 40	Interview with Capt. Arthur E. Case	1920 January 7
b. 2, f. 41	Letter to the editor of the London <i>Mercury</i>	1920 November 6
b. 2, f. 42	"The Writing of Milton's <i>Eikonoklastes</i> ," <i>Studies in Philology</i> , pp. 29-51; with notes and printed matter English	1923 January
b. 2, f. 43	"The Evolution of the Corporate Mortgage," English	undated
b. 2, f. 44	"Meditations on a Theme of Shakespeare," English	undated

Writings (continued)

b. 2, f. 45	Manuscript essays	undated
b. 2, f. 46	"Bibliographie sur Douris," English	undated
b. 2, f. 47	Footnotes for unidentified book	undated
b. 3, f. 48-57	Military papers See also: Folio	1917-1922, 1941-1942
Legal files		
b. 3, f. 58	Barbieri v. Moore	1930
b. 3, f. 59	Bowman v. Craig	1930
b. 3, f. 60	Cagney, David E.	1930
b. 3, f. 61	Empire City Savings Bank v. Plymgar Realty Co.	1930
b. 3, f. 62	Kohan, Joseph H.	1930
b. 3, f. 63	Old Charter Financial Corp. v. Bauer et al.	1930
b. 3, f. 64	Rail Estates, Inc., v. City Farmers Trust Co.	1930
b. 3, f. 65-66	Dodge, Kathleen C., Trust	1930, 1939-1959, n.d
b. 3, f. 67	Bruning v. Bruning	1930-1931
b. 4, f. 68	Iselin v. Livermore	1930-1931
b. 4, f. 69	Manila Import Co. v. International Reptile Tanning Co.	1930-1931
b. 4, f. 70	People v. Zalo Credit Corp.	1930-1931
b. 4, f. 71	Smith Trust	1930-1931
b. 4, f. 72	Hammond v. Cherry	1930-1932
b. 4, f. 73	Bouillon v. Raven	1931
b. 4, f. 74	Chase v. Krech	1931
b. 4, f. 75	Guaranty Trust Co. as trustee under will of Albert A. C. Asher	1931
b. 4, f. 76	Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank v. Rose Merkt	1931
b. 4, f. 77	Ledyard v. Thebaud	1931
b. 4, f. 78	New York Title and Mortgage Co. v. Finlin Building Corp. et al.	1931
b. 4, f. 79	Steinbock v. Seligman	1931
b. 4, f. 80	Lang v. Bonnet	1939
b. 4, f. 81	Jutte, William B.	1945, 1949

Legal files (continued)

b. 4, f. 82	Jacobson mortgage	1951
b. 4, f. 83	DeSairigne v. Gould	1952, 1955
Financial papers		
b. 4, f. 84-86	Personal	1921-1957, undated
b. 5, f. 87	Financial and other papers concerning rare books and art objects	1928-1957, undated
Printed matter		
b. 5, f. 88	Writings by others	1924-1937, undated
b. 5, f. 89	Maps, catalogues, etc.	1932-1936, undated
Memorabilia		
b. 5, f. 90	Birth certificate, voting record, etc.	1891-1926
b. 5, f. 91	Yale University: programs, certificates, printed matter	1912-1943
b. 5, f. 92	Columbia Law School: programs, certificates, grade reports	1925-1926
b. 5, f. 93	Concert programs, lists of recordings, related papers	1926-1937, undated
b. 5, f. 94	Newspaper clippings, addresses, miscellaneous notes, etc.	1926-1941, undated
Photographs		
b. 5, f. 95	W. H. Lowenhaupt (10 photographs)	1914-1936
b. 5, f. 96	Emile Bonnet (12 photographs)	1937-1938, undated
b. 5, f. 97	Other individuals, mostly unidentified (92 photographs) See also: Folio	1916-1937, undated
b. 5, f. 98	World War I (23 photographs)	[ca. 1914-1922]
b. 5, f. 99	European scenes (57 photographs)	[ca. 1920-1940]
b. 5, f. 100	Negatives	undated
b. 6	Military papers: certificates	1917-1918
b. 6	3 photographs	1947, undated

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

Book collecting
Law
Lawyers
Libraries
World War, 1914-1918

Genres / Formats

Bookplates

Names

Bonnet, Emile Victor
Burpee, Charles W. (Charles Winslow), 1859-
Case, Arthur Ellicott, 1894-1946
Lowenhaupt, Warren Hiram, 1891-1967
Moore, John Lindsay
Pearson, J. Sidney
Phelps, William Lyon, 1865-1943
Ward, Renee Fairfax

Corporate Bodies

Yale College (1887-). Class of 1914
Yale University. Library
Yale University -- Officials and employees
Yale University -- Students