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**CREATOR:** Fletcher, William Glover, d. 1968

**TITLE:** William Glover Fletcher papers

**DATES:** 1903-1938

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.25 linear feet

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Correspondence and research material on the Panama Canal gathered by William Glover Fletcher presumably in connection with his Ph.D. dissertation: Canal Site Diplomacy: A Study in American Political Geography (Yale University, 1940). His single correspondent is Philippe Bunau-Varilla, whose study on the founding of Panama is also included in the papers.

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of William G. Fletcher, 1940.

## Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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## Biographical / Historical

William Glover Fletcher received a bachelor of arts degree from Clark University in 1936. He went to Yale for graduate work, writing a Ph.D. Dissertation entitled, *Canal Site Diplomacy: A Study in American Political Geography*. He received the Ph.D. in 1940, but stayed at Yale until 1943 as an instructor in international relations and as a fellow of Pierson College. He died in 1968.

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b. 1, f. 1	Correspondence between Philippe Bunau-Varilla and William G. Fletcher, with enclosures	1903-1938
b. 1, f. 2	"Notes on the Story of Panama (1913)" English	1938 July 8
b. 1, f. 3	"A study made by Philippe Bunau-Varilla to accompany his personal documents on the creation of the republic of Panama..." English	1938 July 26
b. 1, f. 4	"The story of Panama, hearings on the Rainey resolution before the Committee on Foreign Affairs..." English	1913
b. 1, f. 5	Notes from the papers of Philippe Bunau-Varilla	undated
b. 1, f. 6	Obituary of Maurice Bunau-Varilla	Post 1940

## **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.

### **Geographic Names**

Latin America  
Panama Canal (Panama)  
Panama -- History -- 20th Century

### **Names**

Bunau-Varilla, Philippe, 1859-1940  
Fletcher, William Glover, d. 1968

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