Edward J. Nichols Collection
MS 24

Summary Information
Creator
Nichols, Edward J (Edward Jay), 1900-1986

Title
Edward J. Nichols Collection

Dates
ca. 1863-1963, 1954-1961 (bulk)

Extent
1 LF (2 ms. boxes)

Arrangement
Collection organized into series

Language of Materials
All materials in English

Abstract
This collection consist of correspondence, notes, reviews and clippings pertaining to Edward J. Nichols' book Toward Gettysburg: the biography of John Fulton Reynolds (1821-1863) [see also Manuscript Collection 6]

Subjects
Reynolds, John Fulton, 1820-1863.
United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.

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Custodial History (Provenance)
The Edward J. Nichols Collection was donated to the Archives and Special Collections Department on Nov 12 1986 by Mrs. Edward J. Nichols. The papers had been in the possession of the family up until the time of the donation to the college.

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Notes
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Preferred Citation
Edward J. Nichols Collection (MS 24), Archives and Special Collections, Franklin and Marshall College.

Processing Information
Processed by Janet L. Dotterer, August 1992. Description based on DACS.

Accruals
No further accruals are expected.

Additional Information
Related Materials
Reynolds Family Papers (MS 6), Archives and Special Collections, Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, PA

Publications

Historical/Biographical Information
Edward J. Nichols was born in 1900 in Illinois. He attended the universities of DePauw, Chicago and Columbia; and received his doctorate from the Pennsylvania State University in 1939. His interest in the Civil War was developed early, writing his master's thesis in 1928 on the Civil War soldier and writer Ambrose Bierce. He first became interested in John Fulton Reynolds in the early 1950s. After much searching he found that Reynolds' papers were still in the possession of the family, namely Col. John Fulton Reynolds Scott [the papers are now in the Archives and Special Collections Department of Franklin and Marshall College]. Nichols began the biography of Reynolds in 1953. Toward Gettysburg: a
Biography of General John F. Reynolds was published in 1958 by the Pennsylvania State University Press.

Scope and Content Note
This collection consist of correspondence, notes, reviews and clippings pertaining to Edward J. Nichols' book Toward Gettysburg, the biography of John Fulton Reynolds (see MS Collection 6)

Inventory/Contents

Box 1 correspondence. 1953 - 1961.
    notes: Franklin and Marshall College.
Beers, Paul B. 1959 May 29. (1f).
    notes: Executive Director, Pennsylvania State University Press.
Bellamy, Francis R. 1957 Jul 27, Aug 14, Sep 18; 1958 Jan 17; 1959
    Feb 12. (1f).
    notes: Editor, New York University Press.
    (1f).
Blasingame. Ralph. 1957 Sep 8. (1f).
    notes: Gettysburg College.
Dennis, Lawrence E. 1958 Apr 7. (1f).
    notes: great-nephew of John Fulton Reynolds.
Evans, Reynolds. [from Nichols.] 1958 Mar 17. (1f).
    notes: Lancaster County Historical Society.
Hatvary, Bertha. 1957 Aug 21, Aug 29, Oct 8, Dec 4, Dec 6, Dec 19;
    1958 Feb 17, Nov 5. (1f).
    notes: Assistant to Francis Bellamy, New York University Press.
    notes: Lancaster County Historical Society.
    notes: great-niece of John Fulton Reynolds and sister of
    Katherine Hoffman Kline.
Box 1 correspondence. (cont.)

   notes: genealogist.
King, George. [from Nichols.] 1957 Jul 5, Aug 1. (1f).

   includes personal information on Nichols and highlights of
   Reynolds military career.
Kline, James J. 1957 Feb 12. (1f).
Kline, Katherine Hoffman. 1955 Apr 30, May 14, Jun 14; 1956 Sep 10.
   (1f).
   notes: great-niece of John Fulton Reynolds and sister of Emily
   Hoffman. 1955 Apr 30 - includes list of children of John and Lydia
   Reynolds and a quote from "War from the inside" by Hitchcock.
Kline, Katherine Hoffman. [from Nichols.] 1955 May 9. (1f).
Loose, Jack W.W. n.d. (1f).
   notes: Lancaster County Historical Society.
   notes: great-nephew of Charles Veil, orderly to Gen. Reynolds at
   Gettysburg.
New York University Press. n.d. (1f).
Nichols, Roy F. 1958 Dec 22. (1f).
   notes: genealogist.
Price, Prentiss. [from Nichols.] 1957 Jul 29. (1f).
Riley, George Donald. 1958 Oct 1. (1f).
   (1f).
   notes: great-nephew of John Fulton Reynolds; held most of the
   Reynolds papers.
Scott, J.F. Reynolds. [from Nichols.] 1954 Apr 5, 11, 27, May 5, Jun
   25, Jul 1. (1f).
Scott, Mary. 1954 Sep 3, Oct 22, Nov 5, 25; 1955 Apr 19, 23, Jun 30,
   Jul 7, 12, Oct 31; 1956 Sep 11; 1957 Apr 14; 1958 Mar 17.
   (1f).
   notes: wife of J.F. Reynolds Scott.
Scott, Mary. [from Nichols.] ca. 1954 Sep, Oct 29. (1f).
   notes: daughter of Emily Hoffman.
Stacks, Harry F. [from Nichols.] 1957 Jul 5. (1f).
Steinmetz, Rollin C. 1961 Jan 6, Apr 9. (1f).
   notes: Lancaster Sunday News.
Box 1 correspondence. (cont.)
Stevens, S.K. 1960 Mar 1, 7, 18. (1f).
    notes: mentions portrait of Reynolds hanging at West Point, by
    Alexander Lawrie.
Stewart, George R. 1960 Feb 27. (1f).
Tilberg, Frederick. 1957 Aug 5; 1958 Feb 7, Dec 24. (1f).
    notes: Gettysburg National Military Park.
    1958 Feb 7 - includes typed copy of letter from Charles
    Veil, orderly to Gen. Reynolds at Gettysburg, n.d.
Tilberg, Frederick. [from Nichols.] 1957 Jun 22, Aug 8. (1f).
Troxell, Kay. 1958 Jul 31. (1f).
Ulrich, B. Elizabeth. 1957 Sep 11. (1f).
    notes: State Library, Harrisburg.
    Includes excerpt from Pennsylvania Daily Telegraph,
    Harrisburg, 1862 Sep 27.
Vaughan, Samuel S. 1959 Feb 17. (1f).
    notes: President, Pennsylvania State University.
[Werner], Bill. n.d. (1f).
Williams, John L.B. 1959 Feb 25, Mar 11. (1f).
    notes: offer to write book on Battle of Gettysburg.
    [ ], Fred. n.d.
    notes: Office of the Dean, Pennsylvania State University.

Box 1 notes.
Notes. (2f).
Reynolds, John F. copy of orders. n.d. (1f).
Reynolds, John F. correspondence [copy]. (1f).
Deed. Mary Catherine Reynolds. 1864 Mar 16. [copy.] (1f).
Veil, C.H., correspondence to M.D. Holtzworth. 1882 Jan 8. [copy.]
    (1f).

Box 2 notes.
Typescript of John F. Reynolds' letters. (1f).
Typescript of John F. Reynolds' letters. [copy]. (1f).
Notes from Autobiography of Oliver Otis Howard, Major General, United
States Army. (1f).

Box 2 publications, 1949 - 1961.
    notes: Artillery through the ages by Albert Manucy. 1949.
    Union Mills: The Shriver homestead since 1797 by
    Frederick Shriver Klein. 1957.
    The military record of General John F. Reynolds by Edward
    J. Nichols in the Journal of the Lancaster County
    Historical Society, Jul 1959.
Dear Kate by Mary R. Maloney in the Journal of the Lancaster County Historical Society, Summer 1961.

Penn State "Faculty Bulletin." 1958 Feb 7; 1959 Apr 24, Oct 2; 1960 Jan 29. (1f).
Towards Gettysburg, adds for.

Box 2 reviews, newspaper clippings, 1950 - 1963.
Reviews, clips from. (1f).
Newspaper clippings. reviews. 1958 - 1959. (1f).
Newspaper clippings. reviews of other Civil War books. 1950 - 1962. (1f).

Box 2 photographs.
Union Mills, MD. Shriver Homestead. (1f).
Reynolds, John Fulton. [copy.] (1f).

Box 2 miscellaneous.
Union Mills, MD. Press release. (1f).

Oversize miscellaneous.
Miscellaneous articles on Civil War. 1958; n.d. (1f).
Towards Gettysburg, dust jackets. (1f).
The Civil War and South-Central Pennsylvania. 1961 Apr 9. (1f).
Newspaper clippings, book reviews. 1958. (1f).
Maps. (1f).

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