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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	John Kenneth Byard papers
Date:	1908-1960
Identifier:	AAA.byarjohn
Creator:	Byard, John Kenneth, 1886-1959
Extent:	1,150 Items
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated 1959-1961 by Mrs. John Kenneth Byard, widow of Byard.

Available Formats

35mm microfilm reels 102 and 103 available at Archives of American Art offices and through interlibrary loan.

Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center. Microfilmed materials must be consulted on microfilm.

Biographical / Historical

Art and antique dealer; Norwalk, Conn.. Byard graduated from Columbia Law School in 1911. Ill health prompted Byard to move to the country, where he made his interest in early American antiques into a business. The library at the Heritage Foundation in Deerfield, Massachusetts, bears his name.

Scope and Contents

Papers relating mainly to Byard's business as a dealer in American antique furniture. Included are correspondence, 1950-1960, with Henry N. Flynt, Robert B. Hanan, A. M. Adler (Hirschl & Adler), Ellerton M. Jette, Cornelius C. Moore, Dr. J. Reed McClure, Otto M. Wasserman, Electra Webb (Shelburne Museum), and others; a scrapbook, 1908; notes from lectures; an obituary notice; and letters to Mrs. Dorothy Byard after her husband's death.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Types of Materials:

Scrapbooks

Names:

Adler, A. M. (Abraham M), 1902-1985
Flynt, Henry N. (Henry Needham), 1893-1970
Hanan, Robert B.
Jetté, Ellerton Marcel
McClure, J. Reed
Moore, Cornelius C., 1885-1970
Wasserman, Otto M., 1901-
Webb, Electra Havemeyer

Occupations:

Antique dealers -- Connecticut -- Norwalk