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Guide to the Lucinda Rudell Covered Bridge Collection

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Lucinda Rudell Covered Bridge Collection
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.1028
Date:	1942-1986
Extent:	0.3 Cubic feet (1 box)
Source:	National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Engineering and Industry Moyer, Frances Rudell, Lucinda
Language:	English .
Summary:	The collection documents Mrs. Rudell's research on covered bridges, mostly in the United States, but also including some in Europe and Canada.

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Collection donated by Frances Moyer in 1987.

Ownership and Custodial History

The collection was assembled by Mrs. Rudell and donated to the Museum's Division of Civil and Mechanical Engineering (now the Division of Work and Industry) in 1987 by her daughter. The collection was transferred to the Archives Center in 2007.

Processing Information

Collection processed by Alison Oswald, archivist, 2018.

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Biographical Note

Collector of covered bridge materials.

Scope and Contents

The collection is comprised of Mrs. Rudell's research on covered bridges, mostly in the United States but also including some in Europe and Canada. Included are letters, responses to her inquiries to local groups and governments, pamphlets, travel and tourist information, writings on covered bridges, postcards, clippings, a photograph album of covered bridges, newsletters from the Society for the Preservation of Covered Bridges, and ephemera such as placemats and greeting cards depicting covered bridges.

Arrangement

Collection is arranged into one series.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Bridges
- Covered bridges
- Greeting cards -- 20th century

Types of Materials:

- Articles
- Correspondence
- Ephemera
- Newsletters
- Pamphlets
- Photographs -- 20th century
- Placemats
- Postcards
- Scrapbooks -- 20th century
- Writings

Names:

National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Engineering and Industry

Container Listing

Box 1, Folder 1	Correspondence, 1942-1947
Box 1, Folder 2	Publications, 1946-1960
Box 1, Folder 3	Ephemera, 1967-1986 Image(s)
Box 1, Folder 4	Newspaper clippings, 1948-1965
Box 1, Folder 5	Photographs, 1945-1953
Box 1, Folder 6	Scrapbook, undated
Box 1, Folder 7	Scrapbook, [1940s?]