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Collection Overview

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Descriptive Entry

David Griffiths (1867-1935), a botanist, received his Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1900. He joined the Bureau of Plant Industry, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), in 1901 as an Assistant Agrostologist, and was promoted to Agriculturist in 1907 and Horticulturist in 1918. He remained with the USDA for his entire career. Griffiths was an authority on cacti, especially the genus *Opuntia*. His collection of cacti was donated to the United States National Museum in 1935.

This accession consists primarily of photographs of cactus specimens. Some images are accompanied by color illustrations by L. C. C. Krieger. Materials also include correspondence, manuscripts, and glass plate negatives.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Botanical specimens
- Botanists
- Botany
- Cactus
- Opuntia*

Types of Materials:

Black-and-white photographs
Color photographs
Glass negatives
Manuscripts
Scientific illustrations

Names:

Columbia University
Griffiths, David, 1867-1935
Krieger, L. C. C. (Louis Charles Christopher), 1873-1940
United States National Museum
United States. Bureau of Plant Industry
United States. Department of Agriculture

Container Listing

Box 1

Box 1 of 2	Rhodantha
Box 1 of 2	Riparia
Box 1 of 2	Mackensenii
Box 1 of 2	Wootonii
Box 1 of 2	Aciculata
Box 1 of 2	Argentina
Box 1 of 2	Aristola
Box 1 of 2	Vinatero
Box 1 of 2	Aurantiaca
Box 1 of 2	Reflexa
Box 1 of 2	Recurvospina
Box 1 of 2	Rubescens (includes Krieger illustrations)
Box 1 of 2	Rugosa
Box 1 of 2	Scheeri
Box 1 of 2	Schumanii
Box 1 of 2	Schweriniana
Box 1 of 2	Retrorsa
Box 1 of 2	Greggii
Box 1 of 2	Robusta (Krieger illustrations)
Box 1 of 2	Foliosa
Box 1 of 2	Megacantha
Box 1 of 2	Spinosissima
Box 1 of 2	Spinulifera

Box 1 of 2	Semispinosa
Box 1 of 2	Emoryi
Box 1 of 2	Miquelii (Krieger illustration)
Box 1 of 2	Elongata (Krieger illustrations)
Box 1 of 2	Engelmannii (includes Krieger illustrations)
Box 1 of 2	Eocarpa
Box 1 of 2	Pollardii (includes Krieger illustrations)
Box 1 of 2	Microdasys (includes Krieger illustration)
Box 1 of 2	Austrina (includes Krieger illustration)
Box 1 of 2	Stenochila
Box 1 of 2	Stricta
Box 1 of 2	Sulphurea
Box 1 of 2	Superbospina
Box 1 of 2	Treleasei kernii
Box 1 of 2	Toumeyii (2 folders)
Box 1 of 2	Tardospina
Box 1 of 2	Variiegata
Box 1 of 2	Winteriana
Box 1 of 2	Erinacea
Box 1 of 2	Prickly pear investigations - Address, 1913
Box 1 of 2	Prickly pear insects, 1905
Box 1 of 2	Prickly pear: Cast and yield - Memorandum for Mr. Turner, 1913
Box 1 of 2	Memorandum for Mr. Taylor on cactus candy, 1910
Box 1 of 2	Other economic aspects of cacti
Box 1 of 2	Mail and freight shipments of cactus cuttings, 1912
Box 1 of 2	Chemistry of the cactaceae, 1904

- Box 1 of 2 Cactus investigations in California, 1912
- Box 1 of 2 Cactus investigation, 1912
- Box 1 of 2 A basis for increasing hardness of spineless prickly pears, 1915
- Box 1 of 2 Cactus investigations, 1911-1912 (Annual report for the year ending June 30, 1912)
- Box 1 of 2 Range and cactus investigations, 1912
- Box 1 of 2 Yields of prickly pear at Brownsville, Texas, 1912
- Box 1 of 2 Gymnocarpa, 1929
- Box 1 of 2 Report on Opuntia specimens and their condition, 1909
- Box 1 of 2 Correspondence and manuscripts, 1916
- Box 1 of 2 Opuntia lists, 1904-1915
- Box 1 of 2 Yield and Rapidity of Growth of Prickly Pear, 1905 (Accession 18-060)
- Box 1 of 2 The Royal Commission Appointed to Inquire into Certain Matters Relating to the Prickly-Pear Problem Presents Its Report Together with Appendices and Minutes of Evidence, 1923 (Accession 18-060)
- Box 1 of 2 Memorandum concerning specimens from Chico, California, 1930 (Accession 19-144)

Box 2

- Box 2 of 2 6411 Opuntia megacarpa, 1910 (glass plate negative)
- Box 2 of 2 10120 Opuntia megacarpa, 1916 (glass plate negative)
- Box 2 of 2 6392 Opuntia megacarpa, 1910 (glass plate negative)
- Box 2 of 2 6395 Opuntia occidentalis, 1908 (glass plate negative)
- Box 2 of 2 10129 Opuntia megacarpa, 1916 (glass plate negative)
- Box 2 of 2 9174 Opuntia vexans (glass plate negative)
- Box 2 of 2 10555 Opuntia caesia (glass plate negative)