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Collection Overview

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Historical Note

Conrad Vernon Morton (1905-1972), a botanist and authority on ferns, came to the Smithsonian in 1928 as an aide in the Division of Plants, United States National Museum (USNM). He was promoted to Assistant Curator in 1938 and Associate Curator in 1946. In 1948 he was appointed Curator of the newly established Division of Ferns, Department of Botany. Morton was made Senior Botanist in 1970, a position he retained until his death. He also served in several editorial positions for the American Fern Journal.

Descriptive Entry

These papers document Morton's professional career and include correspondence regarding curatorial duties at the USNM, research on ferns, and editorial work for the American Fern Journal; records concerning field trips to Cuba, the West Indies, Honduras, and Europe; photographs of and biographical information on Morton; and manuscripts and research notes, especially documenting his work on the flora of Cuba.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:
Botanists

Botany
Ferns

Types of Materials:

Black-and-white photographs
Manuscripts

Names:

Morton, C. V. (Conrad Vernon), 1905-1972
United States National Museum. Division of Plants

Preferred Titles:

American Fern Journal

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- Box 1 of 7 Allen, Betty (Mrs. B. E. G. Allen), 1953-1969
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[Image\(s\): Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence between William R. Maxon and Brother G. Arsene from 1917 to 1938. \(SIA2017-008192 to SIA2017-008351\)](#)
- Box 1 of 7 B, 1952-1971
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- Box 1 of 7 Correll, Donovan S., 1961-1968
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- Box 1 of 7 F, 1968-1971
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Box 6 of 7 Roxburgh - Notes on herbarium specimens, undated

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