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Collection Overview

Repository: Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., osiaref@si.edu
Title: W. Andrew (William Andrew) Archer Papers
Identifier: Record Unit 7378
Date: circa 1918-1973
Extent: 1 cu. ft. (1 record storage box)
Creator: Archer, W. Andrew (William Andrew), 1894-1973
Language: Language of Materials: English

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation
Smithsonian Institution Archives, Record Unit 7378, W. Andrew (William Andrew) Archer Papers

Historical Note

William Andrew Archer (1894-1973) was a botanist and plant collector. After serving in France during World War I, Archer earned his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in 1926. Most of his professional career was spent in various positions with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), including Curator of the National Arboretum Herbarium from 1938 to 1964. After his retirement from the USDA, Archer was appointed Research Associate in the Department of Botany, National Museum of Natural History (NMNH). Archer's career was marked by extensive collecting trips to Central and South America and to Africa.

Introduction

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Descriptive Entry

This collection consists mostly of correspondence documenting Archer's role as a Research Associate in the Department of Botany, NMNH, 1964-1973. Most of the letters concern his work organizing the Department's archival collections. Archer's collecting work is documented by photographs and photographic data from trips to Colombia, 1931; Central and South America, 1934-1935; and Ethiopia, 1951. Also included are photographs of Archer, including several taken during his World War I service;
employment records from his USDA career; and various notes, lists, and newspaper clippings relating to his professional work.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:
Botany
World War, 1914-1918

Types of Materials:
Manuscripts

Names:
Archer, W. Andrew (William Andrew), 1894-1973
National Arboretum (U.S.)
National Museum of Natural History (U.S.). Department of Botany
United States. Department of Agriculture
University of Michigan
Container Listing

Box 1

Box 1 of 1
Folder 1 Correspondence, Pre-1966
Correspondence, 1966-1971
Box 1 of 1
Folder 2 A-C
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Folder 3 D-G
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Folder 5 M-R
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Folder 6 S-Z and Miscellaneous
Box 1 of 1
Folder 7 Archer Curricula Vitae
Box 1 of 1
Folder 8 Archer Personal - Civil Service Application
Box 1 of 1
Folder 9 Botanica Lecture Course, 1928-1929
Box 1 of 1
Folder 10 Clippings
Box 1 of 1
Folder 11 Bay of Manati
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Folder 12 Christmas Cards and Other Personal Correspondence
Box 1 of 1
Folder 13 Spanish-English Dictionary of Botanical Terms, 1928-1929
Box 1 of 1
Folder 14 Personal Information
Box 1 of 1
Folder 15 Book Dealers
Box 1 of 1
Folder 16 Samoan Photographs Received from Governor C. D. Stearns
Box 1 of 1
Folder 17 Retirement - Newspaper Clippings
Box 1 of 1
Folder 18 Salary Records
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Folder 19 Professional Appointments
Box 1 of 1
Folder 20 Photographs of Archer
Box 1 of 1
Folder 21 Photographs - Columbia, 1931 (with descriptive list of photos)
Box 1 of 1
Folders 22-23 Photographs - Central and South America, 1934-1935
Folder 24 Photographs - Ethiopia, 1951

Folder 25 Register Volumes Examined for Palma Specimens

Folder 26 Miscellaneous Notes

Folder 27 Roll Film Record

Folder 28 Address Book

Bibliography

Folder 29 Bibliography of Orator Fuller Cook, 1950 (Accession 06-098)