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Collection Summary

Title: Edward Tracy Clark Papers

Inclusive Dates: 1923-1935

Bulk Dates: 1929-1935

ID No.: MSS15966

Creator: Clark, Edward Tracy, 1878-1935

Extent: 9,000 items

Extent: 22 containers

Extent: 8.5 linear feet

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Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: Presidential secretary, lawyer, and businessman of Washington, D.C. Correspondence relating primarily to Clark's work as a consultant on legislative, customs, and tariff matters for various business concerns, and letters from his service as secretary to President Calvin Coolidge.

Online Content: Selected speeches of Calvin Coolidge in the Edward Tracy Clark papers are available through the Library of Congress Web site at <https://hdl.loc.gov/loc.mss/eadmss.ms012131.001>.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Barton, Bruce, 1886-1967--Correspondence.

Butler, William M. (William Morgan), 1861-1937--Correspondence.

Clark, Edward Tracy, 1878-1935.

Coolidge, Calvin, 1872-1933--Correspondence.

Coolidge, Calvin, 1872-1933.

Coolidge, Calvin, 1908-1924--Correspondence.

Coolidge, Grace Goodhue, 1879-1957--Correspondence.

Coolidge, John, 1906- --Correspondence.

Depew, Chauncey M. (Chauncey Mitchell), 1834-1928--Correspondence.

Donovan, William J. (William Joseph), 1883-1959--Correspondence.

Landon, Alfred M. (Alfred Mossman), 1887-1987--Correspondence.

Lawrence, David, 1888-1973--Correspondence.

Liggett, Louis, -1946--Correspondence.

Lodge, Henry Cabot, 1850-1924--Correspondence.

Mellon, Andrew W. (Andrew William), 1855-1937--Correspondence.

Mills, Ogden Livingston, 1884-1937--Correspondence.

Morrow, Dwight W. (Dwight Whitney), 1873-1931--Correspondence.

Walsh, David I. (David Ignatius), 1872-1947--Correspondence.

West, Roy Owen, 1868-1958--Correspondence.

Organizations

Amherst College.

Permanent Court of International Justice.

Subjects

Agricultural laws and legislation--United States.

Agriculture--United States.

Business.

Commercial law--United States.

Confiscations--Mexico.

Customs administration--United States.
Patronage, Political.
Tariff--United States.

Places

Massachusetts--Politics and government.
Mexico--Foreign relations--United States.
United States--Commerce.
United States--Foreign relations--Mexico.

Occupations

Businessmen.
Lawyers.
Secretaries, Presidential.

Acquisition Information

The papers of Edward Tracy Clark, presidential secretary, lawyer, and businessman of Washington, D.C., were given to the Library of Congress by Charles Kohlen in 1942.

Processing History

The collection was arranged and described in 1962. The finding aid was revised in 2012.

Copyright Status

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Access and Restrictions

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Date	Event
1878 Born,	Kingston, N.Y.
1900	Graduate Amherst College, Amherst, Mass.
1900-1916	Secretary to Senator Henry Cabot Lodge

1916	Executive, Stone and Webster
1921-1923	Secretary to Vice President Calvin Coolidge
1923-1929	Secretary to President Calvin Coolidge for full term and resigned to enter private business
1929	Vice president, Drugs Inc.
1932	Retired briefly from private business to be secretary to Herbert Hoover for a few months during the presidential campaign
1935, Dec. 16	Died, Washington, D.C

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Edward Tracy Clark (1878-1935) cover his political and business activities during the years between 1923 and 1935, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the period 1929-1935. When Coolidge came to Washington, D.C., as vice president, Clark, a fellow alumnus of Amherst College, accompanied him as his secretary. Tracy remained in his secretarial position in the White House until 1929 when Coolidge chose not to run for reelection. The collection includes Clark's personal papers for a few years after he left the political world and entered business, as well as speeches of Calvin Coolidge.

The Clark correspondence is most numerous for the years following 1929, when he served as a consultant on legislative, customs, and tariff matters for various business concerns. His activities as the president's secretary are reflected in Coolidge's letters to Clark and in carbon copies of his replies on a variety of subjects, including the Permanent Court of International Justice, Massachusetts politics, patronage, the McNary-Haugen Farm Bill, Mexican confiscation, and also tickets to Army-Navy football games, class reunions at Amherst College, and shirts for the president.

The correspondence contains numerous letters to Clark from Coolidge written after he left the White House. There are also letters from Coolidge's wife, Grace Goodhue Coolidge, and his sons, John Coolidge and Calvin Coolidge (1908-1924). Other correspondents include Bruce Barton, William M. Butler, Chauncey M. Depew, William J. Donovan, Alfred M. Landon, David Lawrence, Louis Liggett, Henry Cabot Lodge (1850-1924), Andrew W. Mellon, Ogden Livingston Mills, Dwight W. Morrow, David I. Walsh, and Roy Owen West.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent with miscellany filed at the end of the collection.

Container List

Container	Contents
BOX 1	“A” miscellaneous (2 folders)
BOX 1	Abbott, Charles G.
BOX 1	Adams, H. H.
BOX 1	Agriculture Department
BOX 1	Allen, Chris
BOX 1	Altschul, Frank
BOX 1	Ambassador Hotel
BOX 1	Annis, R. B.
BOX 1	Atkins, Robert W.
BOX 1	Atterberg, F. (4 folders)
BOX 1	Atwater, Kent Co.
BOX 1	Austen, Carlos
BOX 1	Autograph requests
BOX 1	Averill, H. R.
BOX 1	Aylesworth, M. H.
BOX 2	“B” miscellaneous (5 folders)
BOX 2	Baldwin, Charles T.
BOX 2	Balfrey, William E.
BOX 2	Balmer, Edwin
BOX 2	Barrett, John T.
BOX 2	Barton, Bruce
BOX 2	Battle, G. G.
BOX 2	Beal, W. H.
BOX 2	Bean, George N.
BOX 2	Bellamy, Paul
BOX 2	Benton, Jay R.
BOX 2	Berwin, William
BOX 2	Bevier, R. B.
BOX 2	Blakley, Quincy
BOX 2	Bliss, E. J.
BOX 2	Bond, Henry H.
BOX 2	Booth, George F.
BOX 2	Bragg, Thomas E. (2 folders)
BOX 2	Brigham, William E.
BOX 2	Brown, L. Ames
BOX 2	Brown, W. J.
BOX 2	Brown, Walter F.
BOX 2	Brush, M. C.

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Container	Contents
BOX 2	Burger, J. D.
BOX 2	Butler, William M.
BOX 3	“C” miscellaneous (4 folders)
BOX 3	California
BOX 3	Calladay, Edward F.
BOX 3	Carey, Joseph A.
BOX 3	Chance, Lorenzo W.
BOX 3	Chase National Bank
BOX 3	Chase, Paul A.
BOX 3	Chipman, George Bowie
BOX 3	Choate, Joseph H.
BOX 3	Clark, Edward T. (4 folders)
BOX 3	Clason, Charles R.
BOX 3	Clements, E. B.
BOX 3	Connally, Jack S.
BOX 3	Connoughton, John P.
BOX 3	Conway, Carle C.
BOX 3	Coolidge, Calvin (6 folders)
BOX 3	Coolidge, Grace Goodhue Calvin
BOX 3	Coolidge Fund
BOX 3	Couch, Lester S.
BOX 3	Crane, W. M., Jr.
BOX 4	“D” miscellaneous (2 folders)
BOX 4	Daubin, Meredith M.
BOX 4	Davis, Roy T.
BOX 4	Dawes, Charles G.
BOX 4	Dawson, Kenneth D.
BOX 4	Dickinson, W. B.
BOX 4	Donithen, Hoke
BOX 4	Donnaruma, James W.
BOX 4	Donovan, Mrs. Alfred F.
BOX 4	Donovan, William J. (4 folders)
BOX 4	Dorrance, Sturges
BOX 4	Dougherty, Proctor
BOX 4	Draper, Eben S.
BOX 4	Dufault, John
BOX 4	Duggan, William
BOX 4	“E” miscellaneous (2 folders)
BOX 4	Eaton, Melvin
BOX 4	Emery, Carl C.
BOX 4	Engagements

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Container	Contents
BOX 4	Everett, F. Chester
BOX 5	"F" miscellaneous (4 folders)
BOX 5	Felt, Benjamin F. (2 folders)
BOX 5	Felton, William S.
BOX 5	Flannigan, J. W.
BOX 5	re: Flynn, George
BOX 5	Franklin, A. B.
BOX 5	Fritz, Henrici
BOX 6	"G" miscellaneous (5 folders)
BOX 6	Robert Garrett & Sons
BOX 6	Gary, Hunter L. (3 folders)
BOX 6	Graham, Collins
BOX 6	Grant, Oliver J.
BOX 6	Griffith, Consumers Co.
BOX 6	Groves, Charles S.
BOX 6	Guterman, Harry N.
BOX 7	"H" miscellaneous (11 folders)
BOX 7	Haller, W. Harry (2 folders)
BOX 7	Halliburton, Erle P.
BOX 7	Hammond, Thomas J.
BOX 7	Hanson, Elisha
BOX 7	Hatch, Ralph E
BOX 7	Hatch, William S.
BOX 7	Haven & Hoyt
BOX 7	Hayes, Henry R.
BOX 7	Hemenway, Ralph W.
BOX 7	Heymann, Roy A.
BOX 7	Heywood, W. H.
BOX 7	Hill, A. L.
BOX 7	Higgins, Aldus
BOX 7	Hodges, William V.
BOX 7	Holder A. A.
BOX 7	Hoover, Herbert
BOX 7	Hyams, Walter
BOX 8	"I" miscellaneous (2 folders)
BOX 8	Ingraham, James
BOX 8	"J" miscellaneous (2 folders)
BOX 8	James, Thomas M.
BOX 8	Janes, Arthur P.

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Container	Contents
BOX 8	Johnson, Melvin M.
BOX 8	“K” miscellaneous (4 folders)
BOX 8	re: Kelly, Michael
BOX 8	Kimball, William M.
BOX 8	King, Lawrence G.
BOX 8	Knight, Peter O.
BOX 9	“L” miscellaneous (7 folders)
BOX 9	Labor
BOX 9	Lamb & Leach
BOX 9	Landon, Alfred M.
BOX 9	Lape, E. E. (2 folders)
BOX 9	Leighton, James C.
BOX 9	Liggett, J. C.
BOX 9	Linder, Hon. W. V.
BOX 10	Lippman, William
BOX 10	Lockett, Joseph T.
BOX 10	Lodge, Henry Cabot (1850-1924)
BOX 10	Long, H. F.
BOX 10	Lowrance, John W.
BOX 10	Luftman, Louis
BOX 10	Lunsford, H.A.
BOX 10	Lyons, Henry (3 folders)
BOX 10	Lyons, Robert W.
BOX 10	“Mc” miscellaneous
BOX 10	McCook, Anson T.
BOX 10	McDonald, Stewart
BOX 10	McGee, C. W.
BOX 10	McIntosh, J. W.
BOX 10	McKeogh, Arthur
BOX 11	McMenimen, W. J.
BOX 11	MacKenzie, Harold O.
BOX 11	“M” miscellaneous (13 folders)
BOX 11	Marshall, John
BOX 12	Marvin, Thomas O.
BOX 12	Master, H. E.
BOX 12	Mathews, G. W.
BOX 12	Mayehoff, M. N. (2 folders)
BOX 12	Mayes, Herbert R.
BOX 12	Maynard, E. W.
BOX 12	Maynard, Robert W.
BOX 12	Meloney, Mrs. William Brown

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Container	Contents
BOX 12	Merrick, Charles L.
BOX 12	Mexico (2 folders)
BOX 12	Meyer, Eugene
BOX 12	Millar, Don
BOX 12	Mills, Ogden Livingston
BOX 12	Moffatt, J. P.
BOX 12	Morgan, Sidney
BOX 12	Morrow, Dwight W.
BOX 12	Moseley, George Van Horn
BOX 12	Mossman, W. T.
BOX 12	Mulligan, Ralph C.
BOX 13	“N” miscellaneous (3 folders)
BOX 13	Nelson, J. A.
BOX 13	New, Harry S.
BOX 13	Newton, Walter H.
BOX 13	Nicholas, Charles
BOX 13	Nichols, Charles
BOX 13	Norton, George H.
BOX 13	Nutt, Joseph R.
BOX 13	“O” miscellaneous
BOX 13	O'Brien, Robert L.
BOX 13	O'Connor, T. V.
BOX 13	Oliver, Charles Irving
BOX 13	Ong, Eugene W. (3 folders)
BOX 14	“P” miscellaneous (9 folders)
BOX 14	Payne, Frederick H.
BOX 14	Percy, Walter M.
BOX 14	Pole, J. W.
BOX 14	Postnifkoff, Mrs. A. F.
BOX 14	Powell, Benjamin A.
BOX 14	Pratt, Chester W.
BOX 14	Presidential primaries
BOX 14	Proctor, Carlton S.
BOX 15	“Q” miscellaneous (5 folders)
BOX 15	“R” miscellaneous (6 folders)
BOX 15	Raichle, Frank
BOX 15	Rand, J. H. Jr.
BOX 15	Rand, Stuart C.
BOX 15	Reid, A. Duncan
BOX 15	Republican National Committee
BOX 15	Reynolds, J. B.

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Container	Contents
BOX 15	Reynolds, James R.
BOX 15	Richards, James L.
BOX 15	Richardson, John
BOX 15	Richmond, H. M.
BOX 15	Ritchie, James H.
BOX 15	Robinson, George E.
BOX 15	Ross, Harry E.
BOX 15	Rugg, Charles B.
BOX 16	“S” miscellaneous (12 folders)
BOX 17	Sabino, William
BOX 17	Sargent, John G.
BOX 17	Sarnoff, David
BOX 17	Schotten, Jerome J.
BOX 17	Scott, Walter
BOX 17	Sebring, Frank A.
BOX 17	Sefton, Edwin P.
BOX 17	Shaw, James F.
BOX 17	Shawcross, Royal
BOX 17	Sherrill, C. H.
BOX 17	Sherman, Maurice S.
BOX 17	Shipp, Thomas R.
BOX 17	Shipping Board
BOX 17	Shoup, Paul
BOX 17	Simon, Joseph L.
BOX 17	Sisson, Charles P.
BOX 17	Slemp, C. Bascom
BOX 17	Sloan, W. & J.
BOX 17	Smith, Allard
BOX 17	Smith, Bernard
BOX 17	Snow, Frederic E.
BOX 17	Sobin, Irving
BOX 17	Sorrell, L. W.
BOX 17	State Department
BOX 17	Stearns, Frank W. (2 folders)
BOX 18	Stearns, Frank W. (2 folders)
BOX 18	Stelling, Frank P.
BOX 18	Stemm, A. P.
BOX 18	Stevens, Herbert E.
BOX 18	Stewart, William
BOX 18	Stokes, E. C.
BOX 18	Stone & Webster
BOX 18	Storrs, Lucius
BOX 18	Straub, J. Vanderbilt
BOX 18	Sullivan, E. Mark

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Container	Contents
BOX 19	“T” miscellaneous (4 folders)
BOX 19	Tappan, R. N.
BOX 19	Tariff
BOX 19	Taylor, Amos L.
BOX 19	Tobler, W. A.
BOX 19	Tomlinson, B.
BOX 19	Treadway, Allen
BOX 19	Trevoy, William V.
BOX 19	Tuckerman, C. R.
BOX 19	Tumulty, Joseph P.
BOX 19	“U” miscellaneous
BOX 19	Umbarger, M.
BOX 19	“V” miscellaneous (3 folders)
BOX 19	Vice, Harry W.
BOX 19	Vickery, Victor D.
BOX 20	“W” miscellaneous (10 folders)
BOX 20	Walker, A. M.
BOX 20	Walker, Charles W.
BOX 20	Walsh, David I.
BOX 20	Weeks, Robert S. (2 folders)
BOX 21	Welsh, Francis R.
BOX 21	West, Roy Owen
BOX 21	Westbook, S. F.
BOX 21	White, J. C. (2 folders)
BOX 21	White House (3 folders)
BOX 21	White, Thomas W. (2 folders)
BOX 21	Whitney, Theodore, T., Jr.
BOX 21	Wigglesworth, Richard B.
BOX 21	Willis, Gordon L.
BOX 21	Wilson, Eugene S.
BOX 21	Woods, Robert M.
BOX 22	Miscellany
BOX 22	Sympathy cards on death of Clark
BOX 22	Reports
BOX 22	Miscellaneous correspondence