



Guide to the Benjamin Newton Duke papers, 1834-1972, bulk 1890-1929

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Summary

Collection Title:

Benjamin Newton Duke papers, 1834-1972, bulk 1890-1929

Creator:

Duke, Benjamin N. (Benjamin Newton), 1855-1929

Abstract:

Benjamin Newton Duke (1855-1929) was a tobacco manufacturer, industrialist, and philanthropist of Durham, NC and New York, NY and a trustee and major benefactor of Trinity College (later Duke University). He was the son of Washington Duke, older brother of James B. Duke, husband of Sarah P. Duke, and father of Angier Buchanan Duke and Mary Duke Biddle. This collection documents his personal and professional life through his correspondence, financial and legal records, and photographs.

Extent:

99.5 Linear Feet (166 boxes, 46 volumes, six flat boxes, and three oversize folders.)

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Background

Scope and Content

This collection documents the business, financial, philanthropic, and personal interests of Benjamin Newton Duke and his family in Durham, NC and New York, NY, especially his involvement in the tobacco, textile, banking, and hydroelectric industries and the Duke family's financial support of a variety

of institutions, including educational institutions for African Americans and women; the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; and individual churches, orphanages, hospitals, and community organizations.

Types of material include correspondence; financial, legal, and business records; architectural plans and plats; and photographs, photograph albums, and scrapbooks. There is also a diary, recipes, seven pieces of jewelry, and a suit pattern.

Family members represented include Sarah Pearson Angier Duke, Angier Buchanan Duke, Mary Lillian Duke Biddle, Washington Duke, James Buchanan Duke, Brodie Leonidas Duke, Lida Duke Angier, and Anthony Joseph Drexel Biddle, Jr. Other individuals represented include Julian S. Carr, William A. Erwin, John C. Kilgo, William P. Few, Daniel Lindsay Russell, James E. Shepard, and George W. Watts.

The Richard B. Arrington and Alexander H. Sands, Jr. series document the personal and financial interests of Benjamin's private secretaries in NY.

Biographical/Historical

Date	Description
1855 Apr. 27	Benjamin Newton Duke is born to Artelia Roney and Washington Duke in Orange County, NC.
1858	Artelia and half-brother Sidney Taylor Duke die of typhoid fever.
1871	Benjamin and sister Mary Elizabeth Duke enroll in New Garden School (later Guilford College), near Greensboro, NC.
1874	Washington moves the family to Durham, NC.
1877 Feb. 21	Benjamin marries Sarah Pearson Angier of Durham.
1878	W. Duke, Sons and Company is established, with Benjamin as a member of the Board of Directors, along with Washington, brother James

Date	Description
	Buchanan Duke, George W. Watts, and Richard Wright.
1882 or 1883 Oct. 3	Benjamin and Sarah's first child George Washington Duke is born.
1884 Dec. 8	Benjamin and Sarah's second child Angier Buchanan Duke is born.
1885 Sep.?	George Washington dies at age 2 or 3.
1887 Nov. 16	Benjamin and Sarah's third child Mary Lillian Duke is born.
1889	Benjamin is elected to the Board of Trustees of Trinity College (Randolph County, NC).
1890	Benjamin becomes a member of the Board of Directors of the new American Tobacco Company.
1891?	Benjamin becomes a member of the Board of Directors of the Oxford Orphan Asylum in Oxford, NC.
1892	Erwin Cotton Mills is established, with Benjamin as President and William A. Erwin as Manager.
1893 Apr. 6	Mary Elizabeth and three of her children die of tuberculosis at age 39 in NY.
1893-1922	Benjamin becomes President of The Fidelity Bank of Durham.
1898	Benjamin serves as a delegate to the General Conference of the

Date	Description
	Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Baltimore, MD.
1899?	Benjamin becomes President of the Cape Fear and Northern Railway.
1901	Benjamin resigns from the Board of Directors of the Oxford Orphan Asylum. Benjamin and Sarah purchase their NY residence 1009 Fifth Avenue and split their time between Durham.
1902	Benjamin becomes Treasurer of the American Tobacco Company.
1904	Benjamin resigns as Treasurer of the American Tobacco Company.
1905 May 8	Washington dies at age 84 in Durham.
1905 June	Angier graduates from Trinity College (Durham). Southern Power Company (later Duke Power Company then Duke Energy Corporation) is established by Benjamin and James in Charlotte, NC.
1906	Benjamin becomes President of the Durham and Southern Railway.
1907 May	Benjamin resigns as a director of the American Tobacco Company.
1907 June	Mary Lillian graduates from Trinity College (Durham).

Date	Description
1908-1910	Benjamin and Sarah's Durham residence "Four Acres" is built.
1913 Apr. 17	Richard B. Arrington, Benjamin and James's private secretary and financial agent, dies in White Plains, NY. Alexander H. Sands Jr. is hired to replace Arrington.
1915	Angier marries Cordelia Drexel Biddle. Mary Lillian marries Anthony Joseph Drexel Biddle Jr.
1922	Benjamin resigns as President of The Fidelity Bank.
1923 Sep. 3	Angier drowns at age 38 in a boating accident on Long Island Sound.
1925	Benjamin and Sarah establish the Angier B. Duke Memorial, Inc. to fund scholarships at the new Duke University.
1925 Oct. 10	James dies at age 68 in New York, NY.
1927	Benjamin resigns as President of Erwin Cotton Mills. Benjamin resigns as President of Durham and Southern Railway.
1927 Jan. 8	Benjamin dies at age 71 in New York, NY and is interred in the Duke family mausoleum in Maplewood Cemetery (Durham).
1936	Remains of Benjamin, James, and Washington are moved from Maplewood to the Memorial

Date	Description
	Chapel in Duke University Chapel.
1936 Sep. 3	Sarah dies at age 80 in Blowing Rock, NC.

Benjamin Newton Duke (1855-1929) was a tobacco manufacturer, industrialist, and philanthropist of Durham, NC and New York, NY and a trustee and major benefactor of Trinity College (later Duke University). He was the son of Washington Duke, older brother of James Buchanan Duke, husband of Sarah Pearson Angier Duke, and father of Angier Buchanan Duke and Mary Lillian Duke.

Benjamin held a leadership position in several NC and NY businesses, including: the American Tobacco Company; W. Duke, Sons, and Company; Erwin Cotton Mills; Fidelity Bank of Durham; Citizens' National Bank of Durham; Trinity Land Company; Durham Realty Corporation; Durham and Southern Railway Company; and Southern Power Company (later Duke Power Company then Duke Energy Corporation). Along with James and their business partner George Washington Watts, Benjamin held substantial investments in a variety of enterprises throughout the US.

Benjamin was also the primary agent for the Duke family's philanthropic activities from the late 1880s until his death.

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Arrangement

The Benjamin Newton Duke papers are arranged into nine series: Correspondence, Financial, Business, Legal, Personal, Pictures, Duke Farm (University Station, NC), Richard B. Arrington, and Alexander H. Sands, Jr.

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Administrative Information

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Access Restrictions

Access note. Some materials in this collection are fragile and may require extra assistance from staff. There are letterbooks of bound carbon copies and photographs attached to convex glass or under the glass layer of mirror. Contact Research Services for access.

Acquisition Information

The Benjamin Newton Duke papers were received from a variety of sources over an extended period of time. While acquisition information about the bulk of the collection is unrecorded, it is believed that it was a gift from Mary Duke Biddle. Additions to the collection were made by: Mary Duke Biddle, 1939; Alexander H. Sands, Jr., 1940-1941 and 1953; R. D. Graham, 1950; Lucy Cole Durham, 1951; Mary Duke Biddle Trent Semans, 1961-1972 and 2019; Bud Alexander, 1970; Duke University Archives, 1980; and Julia Wightman, 1990. Material transferred in 2024 came from two 2013 and one 2019 additions to the Semans family papers.

Processing Information

Processed by Madeleine Bagwell Perez, June 1991.

Encoded by Rachel Pottinger.

In 1991, this collection was reprocessed through the financial support of The Duke Endowment. At that time, it was arranged by series and rehoused. While much of the Correspondence and Financial series follow their original order, some rearrangement was done throughout the collection.

Volumes, once shelved separately, were integrated. Examples include letterbooks, check stubs, stock ledgers, oversized memorials, etc.

Three hymnals, once belonging to Benjamin and Sarah, were transferred to the Rare Book Collection. They were for worship services of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South and date from 1878 and 1889.

Reprocessed by Mary Mellon, March 2015.

Updated by Laurin Penland, January 2020.

Boxes 168-173 transferred from Semans family papers, and box 97, volumes 5 and 13, and three folders transferred to Angier Buchanan Duke papers, by Zachary Tumlin, January 2024.

Use Restrictions

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Related Materials

Related Material

Angier Buchanan Duke collection, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

Board of Trustees records, Duke University Archives, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

Celebration of the Life of Benjamin Newton Duke collection, Duke University Archives, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

Duke Family papers, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

Erwin Cotton Mills records, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

James Buchanan Duke papers, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

John C. Kilgo records and papers, Duke University Archives, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

Mary Duke Biddle papers, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

Mary Duke Biddle Trent Semans family papers, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

Robert Lee Flowers records, Duke University Archives, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

W. Duke, Sons, and Company records and advertising materials, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

Washington Duke papers, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

William Preston Few records and papers, Duke University Archives, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University.

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Names and Subjects

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- Capitalists and financiers -- North Carolina -- Correspondence
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- Orphanages -- North Carolina
- Philanthropists -- North Carolina -- Correspondence
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- Textile industry -- North Carolina
- Tobacco industry -- North Carolina
- Water-power -- North Carolina
- Water-power -- South Carolina
- Women's colleges -- North Carolina

- Universities and colleges -- North Carolina
- American Tobacco Company
- Arrington, Richard B., 1873-1913
- Biddle, Anthony Joseph Drexel, 1896-1961
- Biddle, Mary Duke, 1887-1960
- Duke, Angier Buchanan, 1884-1923
- Duke, Benjamin N. (Benjamin Newton), 1855-1929
- Duke family
- Duke, James Buchanan, 1856-1925
- Duke, Sarah P., 1856-1936
- Duke University
- Duke, Washington, 1820-1905
- Erwin Cotton Mills
- Methodist Episcopal Church, South
- Sands, Alexander H., Jr., 1891-1960
- Trinity College (Durham, N.C.)
- W. Duke, Sons & Co.
- Angier, Lida Aurelia Duke, 1862-1959
- Duke, Brodie L., 1846-1919
- Carr, Julian Shakespeare
- Few, W. P. (William Preston), 1867-1940
- Kilgo, John Carlisle, 1861-1922
- Shepard, James E.
- Watts, George Washington, 1851-1921

Collection Inventory

Correspondence, 1871-1941, bulk 1893-1923

Access Restrictions:

Access note. Some materials are fragile and may require extra assistance from staff. Letterbooks are fragile bound volumes and there is one scroll from Japan. Contact Research Services for access.

Arranged into two subseries by format: Letters and Letterbooks.

Related Material:

Correspondence with financial brokers is in the Financial series, Investments subseries.

Correspondence between Benjamin and others regarding his efforts to identify and financially assist extended family members is in the James Buchanan Duke papers, Correspondence series.

An Excel workbook with a list of items that relate to Trinity College, as well as outstanding general correspondence, exists in the collection control file and can be shared upon request from Research Services.

Scope and Contents

Letters, memoranda, telegrams, invoices, receipts, printed reports and other items which document the financial, philanthropic, and personal interests of Benjamin and his family. Includes Duke family members: Sarah P. Duke, Washington Duke, Angier Buchanan Duke, Mary Duke Biddle, Lida Duke Angier, Brodie L. Duke, James B. Duke, and Anthony Joseph Drexel Biddle, Jr. Other correspondents include: John C. Angier, John S. Bassett, Warren A. Candler, Julian S. Carr, John F. Crowell, J. B. Cobb, Warren C. Coleman, Ceasar Cone, William A. Erwin, William P. Few, Robert L. Flowers, C. P. H. Gilbert, Jonathan R. Hawkins, L. L. Hobbs, Charles C. Hook, N. M. Journey, J. C. Kilgo, W. S. Lee, John Merrick, Solomon Pool, Jeter C. Pritchard, Daniel Lindsay Russell, Thomas Settle, James E. Shepard, James H. Southgate, Andrew P. Tyer, and George W. Watts. Many of the letters were addressed to or written by Benjamin's personal secretaries and business agents in Durham and NY, including James E. Stagg, Richard B. Arrington, Elizabeth A. Childs, and Alexander H. Sands, Jr.

This series provides a particularly rich history of Benjamin's relationship with Trinity College, documenting his role on the Board of Trustees, Executive Committee, and Building Committee, as well as his financial support during and after the institution's relocation to Durham from Randolph County. There are letters to and from trustees, faculty, students, and representatives of the Methodist Church regarding the administration and financial support of the college; letters from students or their parents requesting financial assistance to attend; exchanges with architects and contractors regarding the design and construction of campus buildings; teaching applications; and correspondence with faculty on non-college topics, such as loans, investments, property transactions, and personal matters.

This series also documents Benjamin and the Duke family's other philanthropic activities, including their support of educational institutions for African Americans and women; the Methodist Episcopal Church, South and individual churches; and social welfare agencies and community organizations, including orphanages and hospitals. Institutions include: Elon College, Greensboro Female College, Granbery College, Guilford College, Kittrell College, Lincoln Memorial University, Louisburg Female College, the National Religious Training School and Chautauqua for the Colored Race, the New Bern Industrial and Collegiate Institute, the NC College for Negroes (later NC Central University), Rutherford College, Southern Conservatory of Music, Trinity College, Bingham School, and Durham Graded Schools; Main Street Methodist Church, Duke Memorial Methodist Church, Trinity Methodist Church, and West Durham Methodist Church; and the NC Children's Home, Oxford Orphan Asylum,

Lincoln Hospital, Watts Hospital, YMCA and YWCA of Durham, and the Salvation Army.

Major industries include: tobacco, cotton and textiles, hydroelectric power, banking, mining, railroads, and real estate. Much of the business-related correspondence concerns financial matters, such as notices of dividend payments and requests for stockholder subscriptions. Companies include: the American Tobacco Company, W. Duke, Sons, and Company, Asheville Cotton Mills, Cannon Manufacturing Company, Coleman Manufacturing Company, Commonwealth Cotton Manufacturing Company, Durham Cotton Manufacturing Company, Erwin Cotton Mills, Leaksville Cotton Mills, Locke Cotton Mills, Odell Manufacturing Company, Proximity Manufacturing Company, Kerr Bag Manufacturing Company, Roxboro Cotton Mills, Spray Water and Power Company, Durham Electric Lighting Company, Southern Power Company (later Duke Power Company then Duke Energy Corporation), Fidelity Bank of Durham, Citizen's National Bank of Durham, Durham and Southern Railway, Cape Fear and Northern Railway, Cary Lumber Company, Alaska Power and Dredging Company, Jim Butler Tonopah Mining Company, Seward Dredging Company, Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, Durham Realty Corporation, Trinity Land Company, and the National Drama Corporation.

Correspondence related to the tobacco industry includes letters from executives and directors of the American Tobacco Company and its subsidiaries, including W. Duke, Sons, and Company. Also included are letters from department and branch managers, legal counsel, leaf brokers and dealers, investors, merchants and salespeople, and job seekers. There is extensive correspondence between 1892-1902 regarding the state of the tobacco market in NC and VA, as well as purchases of tobacco, cutters, wrappers, and other supplies. Correspondence related to official American Tobacco Company business consists mainly of meeting arrangements for the Board of Directors and details of investment made on behalf of the company and its executives. Also included are general updates from W. W. Fuller on legal suits faced by the company and arrangements for the conversion of American Tobacco Company stock after the dissolution of the trust.

Correspondence related to the textile and hydroelectric power industries include extensive correspondence with William A. Erwin regarding the establishment, funding, operations, and expansion of Erwin Cotton Mills. Also present are letters related to the surveying of water power sites in NC and SC and purchases of properties and water rights prior to the establishment of the Southern Power Company.

Letters, 1872-1941

Arranged chronologically.

Scope and Contents

Primarily inbound correspondence addressed to Benjamin. After 1905, there is an increase in the number of copies of outgoing correspondence written by his secretaries, much of which duplicates items in the Letterbook subseries.

1872, 1877, 1879 Box 1

Scope and Contents

Includes a letter from Benjamin N. Duke to a New Garden School classmate and letters from George F. Wardle (agent for W. Duke, Sons, and Company).

1880, 1883, 1885, 1886, 1889 Box 1

1890 March-December and undated Box 1

1891 Box 1

Physical Description: 13 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence with George S. Prichard regarding details of their tobacco purchasing agreement; a letter from Brodie L. Duke about his visit to England; a letter from Julian S. Carr discussing a proposal for an industrial school for girls in Durham; a letter from John Pope with a list of tobacco buyers and salaries for various markets of the American Tobacco Company.

1892 Box 2

Physical Description: 15 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence and statement regarding a dispute between Julian S. Carr and Benjamin N. Duke over claims made about the American Tobacco Company, and a statement comparing cigarette sales for branches of the American Tobacco Company from April 1891-April 1892.

1893 January-September Box 3

Physical Description: 16 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters related to the death of Mary E. Lyon and the design and construction of the Duke family mausoleum.

1893 October-1894 July	Box 4
Physical Description: 19 folders	
1894 August-1895 March	Box 5
Physical Description: 16 folders	
Scope and Contents	
Includes correspondence related to the "New Jersey suit" and labor and cigarette legislation.	
1895 April-November	Box 6
Physical Description: 16 folders	
1895 December-1896 May	Box 7
Physical Description: 16 folders	
Scope and Contents	
Includes correspondence with Thomas Settle regarding cigarette and antitrust legislation and the need for a new public building in Durham, and letters from W. T. Blackwell seeking financial assistance and investment advice.	
1896 June-December	Box 8
Physical Description: 15 folders	
Scope and Contents	
Includes James E. Shepard's proposal for building an African American teaching college in Durham, letters from Daniel Lindsay Russell and others regarding 1896 Republican campaigns and the Fusion movement in NC, and letters related to Washington Duke's endowment of Trinity College.	
1897 January-September	Box 9
Physical Description: 18 folders	
Scope and Contents	
Includes correspondence related to the funding and construction of the (Mary E. Duke Lyon) Memorial Hall at Guilford College.	
1897 October-1898 May	Box 10
Physical Description: 15 folders	
1898 June-December	Box 11
Physical Description: 14 folders	

Scope and Contents

Includes letters from Governor Daniel Lindsay Russell about the Fusion movement, the 1898 election campaigns of NC and their results, and personal and political troubles following the November 1898 Wilmington race riots; and a letter from Bishop W. A. Candler requesting aid for missionary work in Cuba (August 1898).

1899 January-July

Box 12

Physical Description: 15 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters regarding fundraising for the Braxton Craven Memorial Hall at Trinity College (January 1899), the rebuilding of the Durham Colored Graded School after a fire (January-February 1899), the construction of a Methodist church in Havana, Cuba, a letter from Julian S. Carr regarding the need for new management at the Durham Electric Lighting Company, and correspondence related to the debt of Daniel Lindsay Russell.

1899 August-December

Box 13

Physical Description: 12 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence related to the Southern Conservatory of Music building addition and the purchase of timber land in FL.

1899 September 14

Box 123 > Folder 3

Physical Description: Oversize watercolor and pencil sketches.

Scope and Contents

Chas. C. Hook to J. E. Stagg: sketches of Southern Conservatory of Music addition.

circa 1890s

Box 13

1900 January

Box 13

Physical Description: 3 folders

1900 February-October

Box 14

Physical Description: 17 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters related to construction of Benjamin N. Duke's Durham stables and J. C. Kilgo's residence, dedication of the Southern

Conservatory of Music, Catawba River water power, Erwin Cotton Mills expansion, and state and national Republican campaigns, and a letter from J. S. Trice regarding the Soudan Mission in Sierra Leone (March 1900).

1900 November-1901 April

Box 15

Physical Description: 15 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence related to the Gattis vs. Kilgo trial and appeal, Cooleemee Cotton Mills, Coleman Manufacturing Company, the endowment of Lincoln Hospital, the Furches and Douglas impeachment trials (NC legislature), the Guilford Battleground Commission, and the purchase of a house on 5th Ave. in New York, NY. Also includes letters (December 1900-January 1901) from Moses H. Cone regarding the sale of his finishing works, and a letter from W. B. Lee (April 1901) describing work at the Colégio Americano Granbery.

1901 May-October

Box 16

Physical Description: 14 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters regarding the Duke family's relocation to NY, the construction of the Trinity College library, the Gattis vs. Kilgo case, correspondence from W. A. Erwin regarding expenses from water power surveys in NC, and a letter from Ceasar Cone relating his interest in establishing a cotton mill in SC.

1901 November-1902 March

Box 17

Physical Description: 17 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence related to water power surveys in NC and SC and a letter from James B. Duke to Benjamin N. Duke regarding his trip to Russia (January 1902).

1902 April-August

Box 18

Physical Description: 16 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters related to the Erwin Mill No. 2 site in Harnett County, NC, NC and SC water power surveys, and a letter from Minnie Duke concerning her husband Brodie L. Duke (April 1902).

1902 September-December Box 19

Physical Description: 12 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters related to the funding needs of Watts Hospital and Kittrell College; letters from W. A. Erwin about the new Erwin Cotton Mills sites in Cooleemee, NC and Harnett County, NC; letters from William A. Blair, Lindsay Patterson, and Jeter C. Pritchard on 1902 political campaigns; and letters related to Benjamin N. Duke's purchase of property on 5th Ave. and 76th St., New York, NY.

1902 September 23 Box 123 > Folder 4

Physical Description: Oversize.

Scope and Contents

B. F. Taylor to Benjamin N. Duke: land plat for property at 5th Ave. and East 76th St., New York, NY (Frank E. Forbes, surveyor).

1903 January-April Box 20

Physical Description: 12 folders

1903 May-September Box 21

Physical Description: 15 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters from Jonathan C. Kilgo and Greensboro Female College Alumnae Association members regarding the school's funding crisis and possible closure, and correspondence with J. B. Cobb and A. B. Carrington related to American Tobacco Company's southern tobacco markets, including sales statements for the 1902 tobacco crop.

1903 July 31 Box 123 > Folder 4

Physical Description: Oversize.

Scope and Contents

Mary Davis Allen to Benjamin N. Duke: ground plan for Louisburg Female College pantry.

1903 October-1904 March Box 22

Physical Description: 16 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters from Walter H. Page and Trinity College trustees regarding the John S. Bassett affair, correspondence related to the

Coleman Manufacturing Company, the smallpox outbreak in Durham, Brodie L. Duke's divorce and child custody case, and fundraising for Kittrell College.

1904 April-September Box 23

Physical Description: 16 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters related to Brodie L. Duke's divorce and child custody case, letters from J. M. Currin regarding tobacco operations in Australia, and a letter from George W. Watts about the establishment of the Durham Loan and Trust Company.

1904 October-1905 March Box 24

Physical Description: 15 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters from Walter H. Page and Trinity College trustees regarding the John S. Bassett affair.

1904 November 12 Box 123 > Folder 4

Physical Description: Oversize.

Scope and Contents

Smith-Courtney to J. E. Stagg: floor plan for proposed addition to Washington Duke's Durham residence.

1905 April-August Box 25

Physical Description: 13 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence related to the chartering of Citizen's National Bank of Durham and the illness and death of Washington Duke.

1905 September-December Box 26

Physical Description: 13 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes proposal to enlarge the Southern Conservatory of Music.

1906 January Box 27

Physical Description: 6 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence related to Angier Buchanan Duke's accident at Carteret Lodge, a letter from Condé Nast describing an investment opportunity in the Home Pattern Company and a letter from Bishop W. A. Candler regarding a mission in Cuba.

1906 February-April Box 27

Physical Description: 11 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence regarding the sale of the Coleman Manufacturing Company property (Concord, NC) and funding for a "Duke Memorial Hall" at Kittrell College.

1906 May-October Box 28

Physical Description: 18 folders

1906 November-1907 January Box 29

Physical Description: 11 folders

1907? January 22 Box 63

Physical Description: Scroll.

Access Restrictions:

Fragile material. Contact Research Services for access.

Scope and Contents

Rosa Parrish to Sarah P. Duke, sent from Japan.

1907 February-March Box 29

Physical Description: 6 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence related to pledges to the Durham YMCA building.

1907 April-September Box 30

Physical Description: 17 folders

1907 October-1908 February Box 31

Physical Description: 17 folders

1908 March-June Box 32

Physical Description: 14 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters from Charles C. Hook regarding construction plans for Benjamin N. Duke's new Durham residence "Four Acres" and correspondence related to the dedication of the Washington Duke statue at Trinity College.

1908 July-1908 October Box 33

Physical Description: 14 folders

1908 November-1909 February Box 34

Physical Description: 14 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters related to the debt of Daniel Lindsay Russell, and letters concerning the purchase of the Odell Manufacturing Company property and founding of Locke Cotton Mills in Concord, NC.

1909 March-July Box 35

Physical Description: 17 folders

1909 August-October Box 36

Physical Description: 11 folders

1909 October 4 Box 123 > Folder 5

Physical Description: Oversize blueprints.

Scope and Contents

H. Buckenham to Benjamin N. Duke: blueprint proposal for new athletic grounds at Trinity College.

1909 November Box 36

Physical Description: 5 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence and plans related to the relocation of Benjamin N. Duke's former Durham residence "The Terrace."

1909 November Box 123 > Folder 6

Physical Description: Oversize.

Scope and Contents

N. Underwood to Benjamin N. Duke: plans for new porch for relocated Durham residence "The Terrace;" C. P. H. Gilbert to Benjamin N. Duke: land plat of Benjamin N. Duke property at 5th Ave. and E. 89th St., New York, NY.

1909 December-1910 March Box 37

Physical Description: 17 folders

1910 April-1910 June Box 38

Physical Description: 12 folders

1910 July-September Box 39

Physical Description: 15 folders

1910 October-December Box 40

Physical Description: 17 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes a letter from the Tuskegee Institute, signed by Booker T. Washington, soliciting donations to support students.

circa 1908-1910 Box 40

1911 January-March Box 41

Physical Description: 16 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence with John Merrick, James E. Shepard, and others related to contributions by James B. Duke and Benjamin N. Duke to Lincoln Hospital and the National Religious Training School and Chautauqua for the Colored Race; letters regarding the Main Building (Washington Duke Building) fire at Trinity College; and letters and statements related to the Trinity College building fund and campus construction.

1911 April-June Box 42

Physical Description: 14 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence with Ceasar Cone and others regarding Cone's buyout of Asheville Cotton Mills stock and ensuing dispute with B. Frank Mebane (April-June 1911), letters and invoices related to Duke family

portraits by Joaquin Sorolla (June 1911), and letters and statements related to the Trinity College building fund and campus construction.

1911 July-November Box 43

Physical Description: 14 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence about the death and estate of John C. Angier, letters regarding the heating system for Lincoln Hospital, and correspondence related to the Trinity College building fund and construction of new dormitories.

1911 December-1912 January Box 44

Physical Description: 12 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence with C. W. Toms and W. W. Flowers related to the construction of Memorial Methodist Church (Durham); and letters from James A. Thomas regarding the conversion of his American Tobacco Company securities, with some observations on events in China.

1912 February-April Box 45

Physical Description: 14 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence related to the construction of Memorial Methodist Church (Durham) and the Administration Building and new dormitory at Trinity College.

1912 May-July Box 46

Physical Description: 12 folders

1912 August Box 47

Physical Description: 4 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence with William P. Few regarding the naming of new Trinity College dormitories after Thomas Jarvis and Charles Aycock.

1912 September-November Box 47

Physical Description: 11 folders

- 1912 December-1913 January Box 48
Physical Description: 9 folders
Scope and Contents
Includes letter from W. A. Erwin discussing proposed legislation of the Child Labor Committee.
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- 1913 January 15 Box 161 > Folder 1
Physical Description: Oversize.
Scope and Contents
Hornor and Company to Benjamin N. Duke: map of Long Island Sound, NY (Pell and Chambers, Real Estate).
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- 1913 February Box 48
Physical Description: 4 folders
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- 1913 March Box 49
Physical Description: 5 folders
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- 1913 March 29 Box 161 > Folder 1
Physical Description: 2 items ; Oversize blueprints.
Scope and Contents
W. S. Lee to Benjamin N. Duke: land plats of Charlotte and Dilworth, NC and the A. C. Springs and Company property, Charlotte, NC.
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- 1913 April Box 49
Physical Description: 5 folders
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- 1913 May Box 50
Physical Description: 5 folders
-
- 1913 May 5 Box 161 > Folder 1
Physical Description: 3 items ; Oversize.
Scope and Contents
D. M. Barringer to Benjamin N. Duke: curves of pig iron production for the world and the United States (from Manufacturers Record), Texas Iron Association iron ore deposits diagram, and blueprint map showing districts with iron ore deposits in Cass County, TX.

1913 June	Box 50
Physical Description: 4 folders	
1913 July	Box 50
Physical Description: 4 folders	
Scope and Contents	
Includes correspondence related to a contribution by James B. Duke and Benjamin N. Duke to the endowment of Trinity College.	
1913 August-October	Box 51
Physical Description: 13 folders	
1913 November-1914 January	Box 52
Physical Description: 13 folders	
1914 February-April	Box 53
Physical Description: 14 folders	
Scope and Contents	
Includes correspondence with John C. Kilgo and others regarding the official relationship of Trinity College with the Methodist Church (April 1914).	
1914 May-July	Box 54
Physical Description: 13 folders	
1914 August-November	Box 55
Physical Description: 14 folders	
Scope and Contents	
Includes correspondence regarding the Trinity Land Company's sale of timber rights in Carteret County, NC, a letter from James E. Shepard seeking assistance with the debt of the National Training School (October 1914), and a letter from Laura Drake Gill regarding a proposal for the establishment of a coordinate college for women at Trinity College (November 1914).	
1914 December-1915 March	Box 56
Physical Description: 15 folders	

Scope and Contents

Includes a letter from Julian S. Carr regarding the NC Children's Home (December 1914) and a letter from James E. Shepard seeking assistance with the debt of the National Training School (February 1915).

1915 April-July

Box 57

Physical Description: 12 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters related to travel arrangements for Angier Buchanan Duke and Cordelia Drexel Biddle Duke (April 1915) and Mary Duke Biddle and Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, Jr. (May 1915) after their weddings, letters from James E. Shepard regarding mortgage payments for the National Training School (June 1915), and letters regarding the Lincoln Hospital Nurses' Home and Kittrell College (July 1915).

1915 August-December and circa 1915

Box 58

Physical Description: 14 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes letters from W. R. Perkins and P. D. Gold regarding the National Drama Corporation and Thomas Dixon, Jr.'s film "The Fall of a Nation;" correspondence from Jonathan R. Hawkins regarding funding for Kittrell College and the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and letters regarding the construction of the stone wall around Trinity College.

1916 January-1918 May

Box 59

Physical Description: 16 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence related to the National Drama Corporation and "The Fall of a Nation," letters from J. C. Thorn regarding the Durham Realty Corporation, a letter from James H. Southgate discussing land in Orange County, NC, and a letter from John Merrick discussing property for a new Lincoln Hospital site.

1918 June-1919 December

Box 60

Physical Description: 6 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes several letters from Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, Jr. to Benjamin N. Duke, some of which express Biddle's opinions on the League of Nations

(May 1918, December 1918-February 1919); and a typescript copy of a personal letter from James B. Duke to Benjamin N. Duke (February 1919).

circa 1890s-1910s Box 60

Physical Description: 2 folders

1920 January-1923 April Box 60

Physical Description: 7 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence between Benjamin N. Duke and William P. Few regarding the construction of Southgate Residence Hall and Alumni Memorial Gymnasium at Trinity College.

1923 May-1928 April Box 61

Physical Description: 13 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence related to Benjamin N. Duke's health and financial contributions to various institutions, including: Buies Creek Academy (later Campbell University), Duke's Chapel (Braggtown, Durham), Kittrell College, Limestone College, the Lincoln Hospital Nurses' Home, Lincoln Memorial University, the NC College for Negroes, Wofford College, and the Durham YWCA. Also includes his letter of resignation as president of the Erwin Cotton Mills and endorsement of William A. Erwin as his replacement (10 January 1927).

1929 and circa 1920s Box 62

Physical Description: 1 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes a typescript funeral notice for Benjamin N. Duke, arrangements for a train chartered to bring mourners to Durham from NY, contributions to Lincoln Memorial University in Benjamin's memory by Sarah P. Duke and Mary Duke Biddle, and copy of a memorial resolution from the Board of Trustees of Elon College.

1931-1934, 1936-1941 Box 62

Scope and Contents

Letters dated 1932 and later are primarily solicitations made by NC institutions that Benjamin N. Duke supported during his lifetime, including Kittrell College, the NC College for Negroes, Lincoln Hospital, and West Durham Methodist Church. Also included is a letter from Ora J. Swing to Doris Duke Cromwell, describing the friendship of Kate Reynolds,

Swing's mother, with Benjamin and Mary Duke at New Garden School in 1871-1872. Swing enclosed a letter written by Benjamin to Kate dated 24 June 1872, the original of which is filed chronologically in folder "1872, 1877, 1879."

Condolences: Angier Buchanan Duke,
1923-1924

Box 62

Physical Description: 2 folders ; Disbound volume.

Scope and Contents

Typescript copies of condolences sent to Benjamin N. and Sarah P. Duke on the death of Angier Buchanan Duke. An alphabetical index of correspondents is included.

Letterbooks, 1892-1923

Access Restrictions:

Access note. Subseries contains fragile materials and may require extra assistance from staff. Contact Research Services for access.

Arranged chronologically by office of origin, with the Durham office first.

Scope and Contents

Bound carbon-copies of outgoing correspondence, as well as scattered financial statements. Most volumes include alphabetical indexes of correspondents. Letters from Benjamin's Durham and NY offices are bound separately, with some overlap by date. As correspondents directed their letters to whichever city Benjamin was thought to presently inhabit, correspondence issued by either office was not limited to topics particular to that location.

There is also occasional outgoing correspondence from Angier Buchanan Duke and Washington Duke, with the latter mainly concerning responses to requests for financial assistance.

Durham office: 1892 April 7-1893 February 22	Volume 14
Durham office: 1893 February 25-December 30	Volume 15
Durham office: 1894 January 1-August 29	Volume 16
Durham office: 1894 August 29-1895 April 8	Volume 17
Durham office: 1895 April 8-November 11	Volume 18

Durham office: 1895 November 11-1896 May 11	Volume 19
Durham office: 1896 May 11-December 7	Volume 20
Durham office: 1896 December 9-1897 May 7	Volume 21
Durham office: 1897 May 8-1898 May 14	Volume 22
Durham office: 1898 May 16-1899 August 9	Volume 23
Durham office: 1899 August 14-1901 March 18	Volume 24
Durham office: 1901 March 19-1903 April 4	Volume 25
Durham office: 1903 April 9-1906 October 15	Volume 26
Durham office: 1906 December 1-1910 May 6	Volume 27
Durham office: 1910 May 9-1911 March 16	Volume 28
Durham office: 1911 March 17-1913 September 19	Volume 29
Durham office: 1913 September 23-1917 February 28	Volume 30
Durham office: 1917 March 1-1923 April 21	Volume 31
NY office: 1909 November 27-1910 September 7	Volume 32
NY office: 1910 September 7-1911 May 17	Volume 33
NY office: 1911 May 18-1912 January 23	Volume 34
NY office: 1912 January 23-July 15	Volume 35
NY office: 1912 July 16-1913 February 20	Volume 36
NY office: 1913 February 20-1913 September 20	Volume 37
NY office: 1913 September 17-1914 June 24	Volume 38
NY office: 1914 June 25-1915 April 8	Volume 39
NY office: 1915 April 12-1916 January 8	Volume 40

NY office: 1916 January 11-1916 September 18	Volume 41
NY office: 1916 September 18-1917 April 2	Volume 42
NY office: 1917 April 2-1917 September 11	Volume 43
NY office: 1917 September 12-1918 April 25	Volume 44

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Financial, 1876-1972, bulk 1884-1937

Arranged into three subseries by type: General, Banking, and Investments.

Scope and Contents

Financial records, which reflect the personal, business, and philanthropic interests of Benjamin. Includes bills, invoices, and receipts; charitable contributions; check stubs; account, brokerage, and tax statements; stock transactions; trial balances; household and petty cash accounts; and correspondence. A smaller amount of financial records for James B. Duke include account statements and correspondence on the Southern Investment Company of Canada and scattered, miscellaneous statements.

Benjamin's financial ledgers and official bookkeeping responsibilities were transferred from his Durham office to his NY office in May 1901.

General, 1876-1878, 1884-1944

Arranged alphabetically by type. Begins with bills, invoices, and receipts; followed by cashbooks, journals, and ledgers; then everything else.

Scope and Contents

Material related to general financial transactions of Benjamin and his family. The bills, invoices, receipts, and invoice books at the start primarily document household and personal expenditures in Durham and NY. Other transactions include: domestic and international travel for personal and business purposes; medical expenses; automobile purchases and maintenance; art and personal photograph purchases; loans to and from Benjamin, including repayments and interest payments; construction of and improvements to residences in Durham and NY; construction of and improvements to Trinity College buildings and grounds; agricultural and construction supplies for his farm in Orange County, NC; and financial

contributions to Trinity College and other philanthropic activities of the Duke family.

Bills, invoices, receipts, 1884-1899	Box 64
Physical Description: 14 folders	
Bills, invoices, receipts, 1900-1901 April 15	Box 65
Physical Description: 13 folders	
Bills, invoices, receipts, 1901 April 16-1902 April	Box 66
Physical Description: 14 folders	
Bills, invoices, receipts, 1902 May-1903 December	Box 67
Physical Description: 18 folders	
Bills, invoices, receipts, 1904 January-1905 December	Box 68
Physical Description: 21 folders	
Bills, invoices, receipts, 1906 January-1907 July	Box 69
Physical Description: 19 folders	
Bills, invoices, receipts, 1907 August-1908 September	Box 70
Physical Description: 14 folders	
Bills, invoices, receipts, 1908 October-1909 July	Box 71
Physical Description: 17 folders	
Bills, invoices, receipts, 1909 August-1910 April	Box 72
Physical Description: 14 folders	
Bills, invoices, receipts, 1910 May-1910 December	Box 73
Physical Description: 15 folders	
Bills, invoices, receipts, 1911 January-August	Box 74
Physical Description: 15 folders	

Bills, invoices, receipts, 1911 September-1912 March	Box 75
Physical Description: 13 folders	
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Bills, invoices, receipts, 1912 April-October	Box 76
Physical Description: 13 folders	
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Bills, invoices, receipts, 1912 November-1913 April	Box 77
Physical Description: 12 folders	
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Bills, invoices, receipts, 1913 May-September	Box 78
Physical Description: 13 folders	
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Bills, invoices, receipts, 1913 October-1914 April	Box 79
Physical Description: 14 folders	
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Bills, invoices, receipts, 1914 May-November	Box 80
Physical Description: 14 folders	
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Bills, invoices, receipts, 1914 December-1916 May	Box 81
Physical Description: 17 folders	
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Bills, invoices, receipts, 1916 June-1918 August	Box 82
Physical Description: 15 folders	
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Bills, invoices, receipts, 1918 September-1923 December	Box 83
Physical Description: 14 folders	
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Invoices, 1906 March-April	Box 123 > Folder 7
Physical Description: oversize	
Scope and Contents	
Commissary charges, Pullman Car Company (1906), and a Rolls Royce automobile order form (Angier Buchanan Duke) (1912).	
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Invoice book, 1892-1893	Box 84
Physical Description: 3 folders	

Invoice book, vol. 1, 1893-1898	Box 85
Physical Description: 7 folders ; Disbound volume.	
Scope and Contents	
Includes index.	
Invoice book, vol. 2, 1893-1898	Box 86
Physical Description: 7 folders ; Disbound volume.	
Cashbook (no. 1), 1892 March-1904 December	Box 166
Physical Description: 1 Volumes	
Cashbook no. 2, 1905-1914	Box 163
Physical Description: 1 Volumes	
Cashbook no. 3, 1915 January-1917 November	Volume 1
Cashbook no. 4, 1917 December-1922 November	Volume 2
Cashbook no. 5, 1922 December-1928 July	Volume 3
Cashbook no. 6, 1928 August-1929 January	Volume 4
Journal no. 1 (real estate), 1913 December-1915 May	Volume 6
Journal no. 2 (NY), 1905 December-1914 December	Volume 7
Journal no. 3 (NY), 1915 January-1919 June	Box 167
Physical Description: 1 Volumes	
Journal no. 4, 1919 July-1924 August	Volume 8
Journal no. 5, 1924 September-1929 January	Volume 9
Private journal, 1892 March-1905 December	Box 164
Physical Description: 1 Volumes	
Private ledger no. 1, 1892 March-1901 July	Volume 10
Private ledger no. 3, 1912-1914	Box 168
Physical Description: 1 Volumes	

Ledger no. 4, 1915 January-1922 December	Volume 11
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Ledger no. 5, 1923 January-1926 November	Volume 12
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Ledger: Duke, Sarah P. estate, 1936-1944	Box 173
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Account book, 1901-1910	Box 165
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Physical Description: 1 Volumes

Account book: Duke, Brodie L. tobacco purchases, 1876 October-1878 January	Box 87 > Folder 1
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American Cotton Manufacturing Company, 1902-1905	Box 89 > Folder 13
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Scope and Contents

Taxes.

Bethany Sunday School, 1893-1894	Box 87 > Folder 2
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Scope and Contents

Treasurer's report and account (Benjamin was treasurer).

Cash statements: Biddle, Mary Duke, 1948-1960	Box 172
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Biographical / Historical

Account number 2396; trust established by Sarah P. Duke.

Cash statements: Biddle, Nicholas Duke, 1948-1973	Box 172
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Physical Description: 4 folders

Biographical / Historical

Account number 2395; trust established by Sarah P. Duke.

Cash statements: Duke, Benjamin N. and family, 1917 January-May	Box 87 > Folder 3
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Cash statements: Semans, Mary Duke Biddle Trent, 1948-1973	Box 172
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Physical Description: 4 folders

Biographical / Historical

Account number 2394; trust established by Sarah P. Duke.

Charitable contributions, 1892-1928

Box 87 > Folder 4

Physical Description: Typescript lists.

Scope and Contents

Arranged by category of institution: schools, churches, hospitals, orphanages and miscellaneous. The list for 1925-1928 is arranged alphabetically by institution name. Also included is a list of dividends for investments made on behalf of NC institutions, acquaintances, and family members.

[Duke] Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church,
South, Durham, 1911, 1913

Box 87 > Folder 5

Scope and Contents

Financial statements and statistical report.

Gifts to Roney-Duke relatives, 1925-1927

Box 87 > Folder 6

Related Material:

As this family research was later used to settle claims against the James B. Duke estate, related correspondence can found in the James Buchanan Duke papers, Correspondence and Estate series.

Scope and Contents

These materials are related to Benjamin N. Duke's effort in the mid-1920s to identify and provide financial gifts to relatives on the Duke and Roney sides of the family. They include tables of disbursements made to family members and correspondence with Alexander H. Sands, Jr. related to the project.

Insurance policies, 1893, 1913-1914

Box 123 > Folder 8

Physical Description: Oversize.

Scope and Contents

Entities covered by these policies include Benjamin N. Duke, Angier Buchanan Duke, and The Fidelity Bank of Durham.

Insurance policies, 1901, 1910, 1919

Box 172

Scope and Contents

Only one is for Benjamin.

Insurance policies, 1912-1914, 1924 Box 87 > Folder 7

Insurance policies: Duke, Sarah P., 1894-1929 Box 172

Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence.

Interest statements, 1900 Box 87 > Folder 8

Inventories: NY house furniture and equipment; garage supplies and livery, 1907 Box 87 > Folder 9

Inventories: NY office furniture and fixtures, 1901-1909, 1911 Box 87 > Folder 10

Inventories: New Marlboro, MA property, 1911-1912 Box 87 > Folder 11

Louisburg Female College, 1902 December 1 Box 87 > Folder 12

Scope and Contents

Report to NC Conference.

Main Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Durham, 1885-1886, 1888, 1900, 1911 Box 87 > Folder 13

Scope and Contents

Includes Building Committee minutes, bylaws, and correspondence related to the construction of the new church (completed 1887) and a 1911 condensed financial statement. The correspondence includes two June 1888 letters between Julian S. Carr and Benjamin N. Duke regarding subscriptions from the Trinity Methodist Church congregation.

NC Children's Home Society, 1906-1907, 1910, 1912, 1914 Box 87 > Folder 14

Scope and Contents

Financial reports.

Order book, 1912 May-1913 April Box 87 > Folder 15

Scope and Contents

Automobile supplies.

Oxford Orphan Asylum, 1901

Box 87 > Folder 16

Scope and Contents

Report to the Grand Lodge of NC.

Southern Power Company, 1907, 1910-1913

Box 87 > Folder 17

Scope and Contents

Includes statements of Benjamin's accounts and condensed cash statements for the company's NY office.

Statements: Durham monthly expenditures,
1902-1907

Box 87

Physical Description: 7 folders

Scope and Contents

J. E. Stagg, agent.

Statements: Durham monthly expenditures,
1908-1924

Box 88

Physical Description: 17 folders

Scope and Contents

E. A. Childs, agent.

Statements: NY monthly expenditures,
1906-1909

Box 89

Physical Description: 4 folders

Scope and Contents

R. B. Arrington, agent.

Statements: NY monthly expenditures, 1913
November-1914 February, 1915 January-June

Box 89

Physical Description: 2 folders

Scope and Contents

A. H. Sands, Jr., agent.

Statements: Assets and liabilities, circa 1913

Box 89 > Folder 7

Statements: Duke, Benjamin N. in account with others, 1905-1906, 1909, 1914	Box 89 > Folder 8
Statements: Others in account with Benjamin N. Duke, 1893, 1905, 1907, 1909-1917	Box 89 > Folder 9
Statements: Duke, James B., miscellaneous, 1913-1914	Box 89 > Folder 10
Statements: Duke, Nanaline H., miscellaneous, 1913, undated	Box 89 > Folder 11
Statements: Miscellaneous financial worksheets, 1913-1914	Box 89 > Folder 12
Taxes: Real estate and personal property, Durham and Orange County, NC, 1914-1926	Box 89 > Folder 14
Taxes: Real estate and personal property, Durham: James B. Duke, 1914-1918	Box 89 > Folder 15
Taxes: Federal income, 1913, 1917-1919, 1924	Box 172
Taxes: Duke, Sarah P., 1929	Box 172
Scope and Contents	
Mostly correspondence about amended 1927 return.	
Tithe accounts: Duke, Benjamin N. and Washington, 1897	Box 89 > Folder 16
Trial balances, 1912-1914	Box 89 > Folder 18
Trial balances: Duke, Angier Buchanan, 1914 December-1915 May	Box 89 > Folder 17
Trial balances: Duke, James B., 1912	Box 89 > Folder 19
Trial balances: Duke, James B., 1913-1914	Box 90
Physical Description: 2 folders	
Trial balances: Duke, Sarah P., 1930-1943	Box 172
Physical Description: 2 folders	
Trinity College, 1911 April 1	Box 90 > Folder 3

Scope and Contents

This statement of building fund details the receipts and disbursements for the academic building, administrative building, and East Dormitory in March 1911.

W. Duke, Sons, and Company cashbook, 1891; Trial balances: Duke, Washington and Benjamin N., 1893-1897

Box 90 > Folder 4

Physical Description: 1 Volumes

Banking, 1891-1924

Arranged alphabetically by type.

Related Material:

A related deposit slip register is in the James Buchanan Duke papers, Financial series.

Scope and Contents

Deposit slips, check stubs, and other banking records for accounts that belonged to Benjamin and his family.

Bank accounts: Deposits, notices, statements, 1891-1892, 1896

Box 91

Bank accounts: Deposits, notices, statements, 1901 May-1908 December

Box 91

Physical Description: 10 folders

Bank accounts: Deposits, notices, statements, 1909-1912

Box 92

Physical Description: 13 folders

Bank accounts: Deposits, notices, statements, 1913-1915

Box 93

Physical Description: 11 folders

Bank accounts: Deposits, notices, statements, 1916-1924 March, and undated

Box 94

Physical Description: 11 folders

Bank accounts: Union Exchange National Bank, 1912 May-1913 November

Box 94

Scope and Contents

NY agent's account.

Bank accounts: Guaranty Trust Company of NY, 1916-1922

Box 94

Scope and Contents

Sarah P. Duke's account.

Voucher records: Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, 1901 June-1907 March

Box 94

Check registers: NY agent's account, 1917-1918

Box 95

Physical Description: 2 Volumes

Check stubs, 1896 September-1901 August

Box 94

Check stubs, 1901-1918

Box 98

Physical Description: 4 Volumes

Check stubs: Biddle, Anthony J. Drexel, Jr., 1919

Box 96

Physical Description: 1 Volumes

Check stubs: Biddle, Mary Duke, 1915-1918

Box 96

Physical Description: 1 Volumes

Check stubs: NY agent's account, 1913-1915

Box 99

Physical Description: 4 Volumes

Check stubs: NY agent's account, 1914-1916

Box 100

Physical Description: 4 Volumes

Check stubs: NY agent's account, 1917

Box 101

Physical Description: 1 Volumes

Deposit slip register: Duke, James B. and Benjamin N., 1915-1918

Box 102

Investments, 1891-1972, bulk 1891-1930

Arranged alphabetically by type.

Related Material:

Outgoing brokerage account correspondence is in the Correspondence series, Letterbooks subseries.

Scope and Contents

Account statements, correspondence, ledgers, stock certificates, and other material which documents the financial investments of Benjamin and his family. Includes monthly statements from the many NY brokerage firms that managed his investments, including Dominick and Dickerman, Moore and Schley, Halsted and Harrison, Newberger, Henderson and Loeb, and Daniel O'Dell and Company. To a lesser extent, there are also statements for investments made through his brokerage accounts by family, friends, and business associates.

This correspondence includes discussions on stock market trends and the financial impact of world events, such as the Spanish American War and World War I. Also included are letters from Joseph Catlin, who negotiated stock sales on behalf of Riverside Cotton Mills. The Southern Investment Company of Canada material includes correspondence related to its incorporation and activities in the Saguenay River area of Quebec.

Brokerage accounts: Correspondence,
1891-1897 May Box 103

Physical Description: 14 folders

Brokerage accounts: Correspondence, 1897
June-1900 July Box 104

Physical Description: 14 folders

Brokerage accounts: Correspondence, 1900
August-1903 February Box 105

Physical Description: 13 folders

Brokerage accounts: Correspondence, 1903
March-1906 April Box 106

Physical Description: 14 folders

Brokerage accounts: Correspondence, 1905
June 27 Box 161 > Folder 5

Physical Description: Oversize.

Scope and Contents

Dominick to Benjamin N. Duke: Kansas City, Mexico, and Orient Railway prospectus.

Brokerage accounts: Correspondence, 1906 May-1910	Box 107
Physical Description: 14 folders	
Brokerage accounts: Correspondence, 1911-1914	Box 108
Physical Description: 14 folders	
Brokerage accounts: Correspondence, 1915-1918 January, 1923	Box 109
Physical Description: 13 folders	
Brokerage accounts: Moore and Schley codebooks no. 2 and 3, 1906	Box 110
Physical Description: 2 Volumes	
Brokerage accounts: Statements, 1896-1900	Box 111
Physical Description: 14 folders	
Brokerage accounts: Statements, 1901 January-1905 February	Box 112
Physical Description: 15 folders	
Brokerage accounts: Statements, 1905 March-1906 December	Box 113
Physical Description: 14 folders	
Brokerage accounts: Statements, 1907 January-1910 January	Box 114
Physical Description: 14 folders	
Brokerage accounts: Statements, 1910 February-1911 September	Box 115
Physical Description: 12 folders	
Brokerage accounts: Statements, 1911 October-1912 August	Box 116
Physical Description: 12 folders	
Brokerage accounts: Statements, 1912 September-1913 June	Box 117
Physical Description: 12 folders	

Brokerage accounts: Statements, 1913
July-1914 December Box 118

Physical Description: 18 folders

Brokerage accounts: Statements, 1913 Box 121

Physical Description: 3 folders ; Oversize.

Brokerage accounts: Statements, 1914 Box 121

Physical Description: 4 folders ; Oversize.

Brokerage accounts: Statements, 1915
January-1916 January Box 119

Physical Description: 13 folders

Brokerage accounts: Statements, 1916
February-1918 Box 120

Physical Description: 16 folders

American Tobacco Company, 1896 Box 124

Scope and Contents

Stock receipts. James B. Duke, trustee, to Mary E. Lyon, Brodie L. Duke, Benjamin N. Duke, Washington Duke, and George W. Watts.

Analysis of stock owned, 1892-1972 Box 172

Physical Description: 3 folders

Scope and Contents

Originally in three small three-ring notebooks (one bearing the name Sarah P. Duke), these pages record stock transactions by stock for a variety of Duke family members: Benjamin N. Duke, Sarah P. Duke, Angier Buchanan Duke, Mary Duke Biddle, Mary Duke Biddle Trent Semans, and Nicholas Duke Biddle. Sometimes, it is the estate of these people after their death, and stocks can be transferred to another family member as part of the residuary estate.

Durham Realty Corporation, 1913 July-1915 Box 124

Physical Description: 3 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes statements of rental receipts for Benjamin's account, income/rent statements, and other accounting material related to the management of his rental properties in NY. The properties represented include Marc

Antony Apartments, Prince Humbert Apartments, The Paterno, and 200 W. 58th St. apartments.

Newton Investment Corporation, 1924-1930 Box 169

Physical Description: 2 Volumes

Newton Investment Corporation, 1924, 1935 Box 172

Scope and Contents

Includes certificate one and two, plus blank stock certificates and stock transfer sheets.

Real estate: Account statements, 1914
May-1915 April Box 123 > Folder 9

Physical Description: Oversize.

Scope and Contents

Unidentified rental property.

Real estate: FL attorney fees and tax receipts,
1888-1902 Box 124

Real estate: Miscellaneous statements,
1911-1915, undated Box 124

Record of stock dividends, vol. 1, 1892-1918 Box 121

Physical Description: 3 folders

Record of stock dividends, vol. 2 Box 122

Physical Description: 4 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes the investments of Angier Buchanan Duke, Mary Duke Biddle, Sarah P. Duke, Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, Jr., and Cordelia Drexel Biddle Duke.

Record of stock dividends, vol. 3 Box 122

Southern Investment Company of Canada,
1913 January-1914 April Box 124

Physical Description: 10 folders

Southern Investment Company of Canada,
1914 May-1915 August Box 125

Physical Description: 16 folders

Southern Investment Company of Canada,
1915 September-1916 March Box 126

Physical Description: 4 folders

Southern Investment Company of Delaware,
1913-1916 Box 126

Physical Description: 2 folders

Southern Investment Company of New Jersey,
1912-1915 Box 126

Physical Description: 2 folders

Stock journal, 1899-1901 Box 127

Stock ledger, 1899-1901 Box 128

Stock ledger, 1927-1929 Box 169

Stock certificates, 1887-1917 Box 126

Stock certificates and correspondence,
1902-1935 Box 172

Scope and Contents

Other people besides Benjamin are listed as the owner on some certificates, and the correspondence is not necessarily related to the certificates.

Stock transactions by broker, 1902,
1913-1915, undated Box 126

Stock transactions by broker, 1914, undated Box 123 > Folder 10

Physical Description: Oversize.

Stock transactions by stock, 1908-1914,
1917-1919, undated Box 126

Physical Description: 3 folders

Stock transactions by stock, 1914-1915 Box 161 > Folder 6

Physical Description: Oversize.

Scope and Contents

Account sheets for James B. Duke and Southern Investment Company (of Canada?).

Stock transactions: Butler, William H.: Tobacco stemmer stock purchase, circa 1913 Box 126

Stock warrants, 1948 Box 172

Scope and Contents

R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company; sent to trustees of trusts established by Sarah P. Duke for Mary Duke Biddle, Mary Duke Biddle Trent Semans, Angier Biddle Duke, and Anthony N. Duke.

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Legal, 1834-1937

Arranged alphabetically by location, followed by individuals and organizations.

Related Material:

Additional records on the Duke Farm property in Orange County, NC can be found in the series of the same name.

Scope and Contents

Legal records, primarily related to property transactions in Orange County and Durham, NC by Benjamin and others. Deeds dating from 1838 show changes of ownership of land that he eventually purchased. Also includes architectural contracts, plans, and specifications; trust indentures; a legal brief; copies of the wills of Benjamin, Sarah P. Duke, and Washington Duke; and estate records for Benjamin.

Agreement and specifications for construction of stable, Durham, 1901 Box 135 > Folder 4

Scope and Contents

H. Blauvelt, architect.

Agreements and land plat related to property at E. 76th St. and 5th Ave., NY, 1902, 1906 Box 135 > Folder 5

Agreements related to Chapel Hill St. residence, Durham, 1887, 1893, 1909 Box 135 > Folder 6

Scope and Contents

"The Terrace."

Architectural plans for stables, Durham, 1901 Box 161 > Folder 3

Physical Description: 2 folders ; Oversize blueprints.

Scope and Contents

H. Blauvelt, architect.

Deed: Asheville, NC, 1890 Box 134 > Folder 1

Scope and Contents

Includes an abstract of title and notes of attorneys W. W. Fuller and Cobb and Merrimon.

Deed: Alamance County, NC, 1924 Box 170

Scope and Contents

Indenture for Trollinger Family Cemetery signed by Benjamin and James B. Duke; burial place of Artelia Roney Duke.

Deeds: Durham, 1874-1884, 1889-1907, 1914 Box 134 > Folder 2

Physical Description: 8 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes an 1892 trust agreement among Duke family members for the use and maintenance of the mausoleum in Durham (now Maplewood) Cemetery.

Deed: New York, NY, 1901 Box 170

Scope and Contents

For 1009 5th Ave.

Deeds: Orange County, NC, 1834-1835, 1845, 1850, 1860, 1864, 1871-1877, 1880-1912, 1916-1918 Box 134 > Folder 10

Physical Description: 9 folders

Deeds: Raleigh, NC, 1891, 1897 Box 134 > Folder 20

Dallas Cable Railway, 1891 Box 135 > Folder 1

Scope and Contents

Agreement.

Doris Duke Trust, circa 1925

Box 135 > Folder 2

Scope and Contents

Indenture and deed of trust with additions.

Duke, Benjamin N. and George W. Watts:
Agreements with Southern Railway Company,
1900, 1902

Box 135 > Folder 11

Duke, Benjamin N. and George W. Watts:
Deeds and receipts for tobacco purchase from
Edmunds, Bass, and Company, 1894

Box 135 > Folder 12

Duke, Benjamin N. and others: Agreements and
contracts, miscellaneous, 1891, 1895-1901,
1905-1906, 1908-1914, undated

Box 135

Physical Description: 2 folders

Duke, Benjamin N. and others: Complaints,
petitions, summonses, 1891, 1903, 1907-1911

Box 135 > Folder 15

Scope and Contents

Includes a printed copy of "Complaint and Summons, Richard H. Wright
against James B. Duke, Benjamin N. Duke, Brodie L. Duke, George W.
Watts" (New York Supreme Court).

Duke, Benjamin N. and others: Land plats,
Durham, 1897, 1912, undated

Box 135 > Folder 16

Duke, Sarah P.: Power of attorney, 1929

Box 170

Duke, Sarah P.: Receipt, release, and
agreement, 1961

Box 170

Duke, Sarah P.: Will and estate, 1934-1937

Box 170

Scope and Contents

Includes an appraisal for 655 South Ninth Street and lots 9-12 in the Grove
Park subdivision of St. Petersburg, FL with three floor plans and three photo
prints, as well as an official death certificate.

Duke, Washington: Agreement with Van Gunden
Granite and Marble Works for construction of
Duke family mausoleum, 1893 Box 135 > Folder 17

Duke, Washington: Instruments of gift to
Benjamin N. Duke and Mary W. Stagg (Mamie L.
Stagg), 1900 December 11 Box 135 > Folder 18

Duke, Washington: Trust agreements with
Fidelity Bank for domestic workers, 1904
October 10 Box 135 > Folder 19

Scope and Contents

Beneficiaries of this agreement include Albert Armstrong (coachman),
Caroline Barnes (servant), Joseph Bynum (butler), Frank Davis (yardman),
and Addie Evans (cook).

Duke, Washington: Trust agreements with
Fidelity Bank for Annie and Robert Duke, 1904
October 10 Box 135 > Folder 20

Duke, Washington: Trust agreements with
Fidelity Bank for George L. and Buchanan Lyon,
1900 December 11 Box 135 > Folder 21

Duke, Washington: Will, 1905 Box 135 > Folder 22

Physical Description: Typescript copy.

Fidelity Bank of Durham, 1894-1905 Box 135 > Folder 23

Scope and Contents

Schedule bond and continuation certificate.

Guanajuato River Mining Company, 1903 Box 135 > Folder 24

Scope and Contents

Agreements.

Kimball Town Company (TN), 1890 Box 135 > Folder 25

Scope and Contents

Deeds and complaint.

Maher, Helen: Trust, 1927-1935 Box 170

Scope and Contents

Between Helen Maher and Sarah P. Duke.

Land plat of Orange County, NC property, circa 1897

Box 123 > Folder 11

Physical Description: Oversize.

Scope and Contents

Drafted by N. A. Ramsey.

Land plat of property near University Station, Orange County, NC, 1907

Box 123 > Folder 16

Physical Description: Oversize blueprint.

Scope and Contents

Conveyed by R. P. Strahorn.

Land plats of property at 89th St. and 5th Ave., NY, undated

Box 135 > Folder 7

National Drama Corporation, 1915 October 29

Box 135 > Folder 26

Scope and Contents

Property lease.

Power of attorney, 1923

Box 170

Scope and Contents

Attorneys are George G. Allen, William R. Perkins, and John C. Thorn.

Property leases, 1908, 1912, 1913

Box 135 > Folder 8

Sale of New Marlboro, MA dairy farm, 1924

Box 170

Scope and Contents

Includes two blueprint maps.

Southern Conservatory of Music, 1899, undated

Box 135 > Folder 27

Scope and Contents

Specifications for heating and lighting.

Southern Conservatory of Music, circa 1899

Oversize-folder 3

Scope and Contents

Architectural blueprints of proposed addition.

Trinity College, 1916

Box 135 > Folder 28

Scope and Contents

Specifications and land plat for construction of stone wall around campus.

Trust agreement for various institutions of higher education and Angier B. Duke Memorial, Inc., 1926

Box 135 > Folder 9

Scope and Contents

With George G. Allen, Robert L. Flowers, and Alex. H. Sands, Jr.

[West Durham] Methodist Church, 1897

Box 135 > Folder 29

Scope and Contents

Architectural specifications for addition.

Will and estate, 1929-1935

Box 170

Scope and Contents

The estate documents include an appraisal of real and personal property at 2 East 89th Street, 1009 Fifth Avenue, and 535 Fifth Avenue in New York and a memorandum written by Anthony J. Drexel Biddle Jr.

Worth, W. H. and others: Surety bond, 1897, 1901

Box 135 > Folder 30

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Business, 1880, 1890-1928

Arranged alphabetically by industry, with miscellaneous businesses at end.

Scope and Contents

Published and unpublished periodic financial reports from businesses in which Benjamin had a financial interest, as well as investment prospectuses and circulars. There are also a limited number of corporate records, such as acts

of incorporation, bylaws, and meeting minutes. Industries represented include banking, cotton and textiles, railroads, power and utilities, and tobacco.

Banks and trusts: American Trust Company,
1907-1918 Box 129

Banks and trusts: Bank of Harnett, Duke
(Erwin), NC, 1906-1915 Box 129

Banks and trusts: Canal Bank and Trust
Company, New Orleans, LA, 1914-1916 Box 129

Banks and trusts: Chatham and Phenix National
Bank of NY, 1911-1914 Box 129

Banks and trusts: Citizens National Bank of
Durham, 1905-1911 Box 129

Banks and trusts: Fidelity Bank of Durham,
1905-1922 Box 129

Physical Description: 2 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes plaque.

Banks and trusts: First National Bank of
Winston (NC), 1893 July 5 Box 123 > Folder 15

Physical Description: Oversize.

Banks and trusts: German-American National
Bank of New Orleans, 1911-1913 Box 129

Banks and trusts: Guaranty Trust Company of
NY, 1910-1915 Box 129

Banks and trusts: Hanover National Bank of NY,
1912-1914 Box 129

Banks and trusts: Mellon National Bank,
1913-1914 Box 129

Banks and trusts: Morton Trust Company,
1900-1910 Box 129

Banks and trusts: National Bank of Commerce
in NY, 1912-1916 Box 129

Banks and trusts: Second National Bank, New York, NY, 1908-1915	Box 129
Banks and trusts: Second National Bank of Somerville (NJ), 1912-1915	Box 129
Banks and trusts: Union Exchange Bank, 1903-1914	Box 129
Banks and trusts: Miscellaneous, 1900, 1906-1915, undated	Box 129
Physical Description: 2 folders	
Cotton and textiles: Asheville Cotton Mills, 1895-1896, 1898, 1902	Box 129
Cotton and textiles: Cannon Manufacturing Company, 1896, 1898-1912	Box 129
Cotton and textiles: Commonwealth Cotton Manufacturing Company, 1898-1905	Box 129
Cotton and textiles: Cooleemee Cotton Mills, 1901, 1905	Box 129
Cotton and textiles: Durham Cotton Manufacturing Company, 1894, 1896-1901, 1906	Box 130
Cotton and textiles: Lily Mills, 1902	Box 130
Cotton and textiles: Little River Manufacturing Company, 1908-1914	Box 130
Cotton and textiles: Mayo Mills, 1897-1898, 1903, 1910	Box 130
Cotton and textiles: Nantucket Mills, 1901-1904	Box 130
Cotton and textiles: Pearl Cotton Mills, 1898, 1900-1902	Box 130
Cotton and textiles: Proximity Manufacturing Company, 1901-1907	Box 130
Cotton and textiles: Riverside Cotton Mills, Danville, VA, 1892, 1894, 1898-1899	Box 130

Cotton and textiles: Rocky Mount Mills, 1895-1898	Box 130
Cotton and textiles: Spray Cotton Mills, 1911, 1915	Box 130
Cotton and textiles: Miscellaneous, 1894, 1897, 1902, 1907-1915, undated	Box 130
Physical Description: 2 folders	
Insurance: Dixie Fire Insurance Company, 1907-1916	Box 130
Insurance: Miscellaneous, 1906, 1908, 1914-1915, undated	Box 130
Mining and foundries: American Type Founders Company, 1898, 1903-1904, 1907-1914	Box 130
Mining and foundries: Jim Butler Tonopah Mining Company, 1902?, 1904-1915	Box 130
Mining and foundries: Republic Iron and Steel Company, 1899, 1903-1904, 1909, 1913	Box 130
Mining and foundries: Miscellaneous, 1902-1915, undated	Box 130
Power and utilities: Asheville Ice and Coal Company, 1891, 1895, 1898-1899	Box 130
Physical Description: 2 folders	
Power and utilities: Carolina Power and Light Company, 1916	Box 130
Power and utilities: Circle Power Company, 1908, 1910	Box 130
Power and utilities: Georgia Railway and Power Company, 1914-1915	Box 130
Power and utilities: Great Falls Power Company, 1910-1913	Box 130
Power and utilities: Southern Power Company, 1909-1914	Box 130

Power and utilities: Pigeon River Power Plant,
1923 Box 161 > Folder 7

Physical Description: Oversize.

Scope and Contents

Project plans.

Power and utilities: Map of hydroelectric power
(transmission lines?) in NC and SC, circa
1900-1910s Box 161 > Folder 2

Physical Description: Oversize blueprint.

Scope and Contents

Labeled in pencil on back: "Lookout Shoals."

Power and utilities: Miscellaneous, 1893-1896,
1911-1915 Box 130

Railroads: Durham and Southern Railway
Company, 1906-1910 Box 130

Physical Description: 5 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes Durham Station freight business statements.

Railroads: Durham and Southern Railway
Company, 1911-1916 Box 131

Physical Description: 5 folders

Railroads: Hudson and Manhattan Railroad
Company, 1911-1916 Box 131

Railroads: Kansas City, Mexico, and Orient
Railway Company, 1905-1914, undated Box 131

Railroads: Seaboard Air Line Railway, 1900,
1906, 1909, 1912, 1915 Box 131

Physical Description: 2 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes presentation copy of 1900 banquet program.

Railroads: Southern Pacific Company,
1909-1914 Box 131

Railroads: Southern Railway Company, 1906, 1909, 1915	Box 131
Railroads: Miscellaneous, 1904-1916	Box 131
Physical Description: 3 folders	
Real estate: Miscellaneous, 1901-1903, 1907, 1912-1915	Box 131
Physical Description: 2 folders	
Tobacco: American Snuff Company, 1904-1915	Box 132
Tobacco: American Tobacco Company, 1896, 1890, 1902-1915	Box 132
Physical Description: 3 folders	
Scope and Contents	
Includes codebook no. 6 and formulas for tobacco and cigarette flavorings.	
Tobacco: British American Tobacco Company, 1912-1915	Box 132
Tobacco: George W. Helme Company, 1911-1915	Box 132
Tobacco: Liggett and Meyers Tobacco Company, 1911-1915, 1918	Box 132
Tobacco: P. Lorillard Company, 1911-1914	Box 132
Tobacco: Porto Rican American Tobacco Company, 1912-1914	Box 132
Tobacco: R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, 1912-1915	Box 132
Tobacco: Miscellaneous, 1880, 1901, 1903, 1912-1915, 1918, undated	Box 132
Physical Description: 2 folders	
Alaska Dredging and Power Company, 1907 November	Box 132
Scope and Contents	
Meeting proxy.	

Alaska Dredging and Power Company: Minute book, 1907-1908	Box 132
Alaska Dredging and Power Company: Stock certificates book, 1907	Box 132
Angier B. Duke Memorial Inc., 1925, 1928	Box 170
Scope and Contents	
Certificate of incorporation, bylaws, and affidavit signed by Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, Jr.	
Cary Lumber Company, 1898, 1904-1905, 1909, undated	Box 133
Durham Buggy Company, 1908, 1913	Box 133
Durham [W. T. Carrington] Lumber Company, 1908, 1912, 1914	Box 133
Fort Smith Wholesale Grocery Company, 1902-1903, 1907-1909	Box 133
Lincoln Lithia Water Company, 1899-1905, 1907	Box 133
Manufacturers' Record Publishing Company, 1906-1909, 1912	Box 133
Seward Dredging Company, 1912	Box 133
Solomon River Hydraulic Mining Company, 1905-1907	Box 133
Physical Description: 1 Volumes ; 3 folders	
Scope and Contents	
Certificate of incorporation, bylaws, minutes, contracts, and stock agreements.	
Solomon River Hydraulic Mining Company: Stock certificates books, 1905	Box 133
Southern Car Company, 1912, 1915	Box 133
Southern Finishing and Warehouse Company, 1895	Box 133

Standard Pure Food Stores, Inc., 1914	Box 133
US Rubber Company, 1913-1914	Box 133
Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, 1900-1915	Box 133
Wayne Hardwood Company, 1913	Box 133
Miscellaneous circulars, reports, prospectuses, 1895, 1898, 1903-1915, undated	Box 133

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Personal, 1877-1937

Arranged alphabetically by type or subject.

Scope and Contents

Personal material that belonged to Benjamin or an immediate family member. Includes a diary and recipes from Sarah P. Duke; genealogical material; honorary degrees; a suit pattern; seven pieces of jewelry; a scrapbook of condolences sent to the Duke family upon his death; and other material related to funerals, memorials, and tributes to him, Sarah, James B. Duke, and Angier Buchanan Duke. Also includes printed material, such as three Bibles, a cookbook, poetry volumes, and pamphlets and resolutions related to his philanthropic activities.

Alpha Tau Omega, 1903-1904	Box 136 > Folder 1
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Scope and Contents

Includes report of Virginia Delta chapter (University of Virginia) to Plato T. Durham, Provincial Chief, and approved applications by students for membership in the Beta Xi (College of Charleston), Alpha Delta (University of North Carolina), and Xi (Trinity College) chapters.

Alumni Register of Duke University, 1927-1928	Box 170
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Benjamin N. Duke on his birthday April 27, 1923 by Trinity College, vol. 1, 1923	Volume 45
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Scope and Contents

Vol. 1 contains a table of contents and congratulatory letters from Benjamin's friends and acquaintances.

Benjamin N. Duke on his birthday April 27,
1923 by Trinity College, vol. 2, 1923 Volume 46

Scope and Contents

Vol. 2 contains photographs of the Trinity College campus.

Bible (circa 1870s?) with letter, 1925 Box 136 > Folder 2

Scope and Contents

Letter from C. L. Mitchell to R. L. Flowers.

Bible, circa 1880s Box 167

Physical Description: 1 Volumes

Bible, 1901 Box 170

Physical Description: 1 Volumes ; "B. N. Duke" on front cover.

Scope and Contents

Teaching edition.

Carteret Lodge resolution of appreciation, 1903
January 1 Oversize-folder 2

Chanticleer, vol. 2, 1913 Box 138 > Folder 9

Clippings, 1892-1904, 1908, 1911-1914,
1919-1936, undated Box 136

Physical Description: 5 folders

Clippings scrapbook, 1877, 1890-1902, undated Box 140

Scope and Contents

Clippings of articles related to the Duke family and their acquaintances, as well as domestic advice columns and articles about Trinity College. Includes wedding and anniversary announcements for Benjamin N. and Sarah P. Duke, a wedding announcement for Brodie L. Duke, and obituaries for Mary E. Lyon and Washington Duke.

Duke, Angier Buchanan: Memorials, 1923-1924 Box 136

Physical Description: 2 folders

Scope and Contents

Includes Plato T. Durham poem dedicated to Angier and excerpts from letters written to Benjamin N. Duke in reaction to the poem.

Fosdick, Harry Emerson. The Meaning of Faith,
1917

Box 170

Physical Description: Hardcover.

Scope and Contents

Inscribed "Mrs. B. N. Duke."

Funeral, 1929 January 10

Box 136 > Folder 10

Scope and Contents

Includes a church service program, lists of pallbearers and other funeral service participants, and a list of individuals who sent condolences to the family.

Honorary degrees, 1926-1927

Box 123 > Folder 13

Physical Description: Oversize.

Scope and Contents

Oglethorpe University and Lincoln Memorial University.

Duke Endowment memorial resolution, 1929

Box 136 > Folder 11

Physical Description: Bound presentation copy.

Duke University memorial service, 1929 January
24

Box 137 > Folder 1

Physical Description: Disbound album.

Scope and Contents

Includes program of exercises, prayer by Dr. M. Bradshaw, address by President William P. Few, resolution of the faculty, and five photographs of the funeral procession.

Duke, Brodie L: Marriage annulment, 1905
January

Box 170

Scope and Contents

Includes a handwritten affidavit from Edwin T. Osbaldeston in defense of Brodie. Osbaldeston nursed Brodie while he was recovering from an alcoholic bender in the wake of James B. Duke's first wedding, which saw Brodie get married to Alice L. Webb (his third marriage). Brodie eventually claimed to have been drugged and have no memory of the ceremony, and Osbaldeston claimed that Brodie had been the victim of a scheme.

Duke, James B.: Piedmont and Northern
Railway Company memorial resolution, 1926 Box 137 > Folder 3

Physical Description: Bound presentation copy.

Duke, Mary L.: Theatre record and scrapbook,
1898-1899 Box 139

Scope and Contents

Impressions of and programs for 20 plays attended by Mary L. Duke with family and friends. Mary recorded information for each play according to the forms provided by the scrapbook publisher, with varying levels of completeness. The forms include fields for theater name, companions, seats, impressions of the play, criticism of the performance, and criticism of individual actors.

Duke, Mary L.: Trinity Park High School
diploma, 1903 June 6 Box 161 > Folder 8

Physical Description: Oversize.

Duke, Sarah P.: Cookbook, 1887 Box 137 > Folder 7

Scope and Contents

1887 edition of Whitehead's Family Recipes. There are handwritten recipes inscribed at the front and back of the volume.

Duke, Sarah P.: Diary, 1927 January 1-1929
January 5 Box 137 > Folder 4

Scope and Contents

"A Line A Day" notebook with very brief notes about activities, visitors, travel plans, weather, health of family members and friends, and other aspects of daily life.

Duke, Sarah P.: Funeral, 1936 Box 137 > Folder 5

Scope and Contents

Copies of eulogy delivered by Dr. Ralph W. Sockman and typed and written lists of individuals who sent sympathy notes and flowers.

Duke, Sarah P.: Recipes, circa 1880s-1930s Box 137 > Folder 6

Enamel locket Box 171

Physical Description: Rectangular with two photographs of Angier Buchanan and Mary L. Duke inside and crossed white rifles on blue background (marked 14K gold) in enamel on case. Heavily damaged.

Genealogical information, 1916-1937, undated Box 138 > Folder 1

Gentleman's fob and chain Box 171

Physical Description: Box link gold chain that alternates between rose, yellow and white every six links (stamped "14K") with swivel claw clasp and quatrefoil loop (stamped "14" with Greek symbol fork). Attached are: 1) square locket with photograph of Angier B. Duke on right but left side empty, engraved with "BND" and floral decoration on case, 2) folding knife engraved with "BND" and striated decoration on case (marked "Tiffany and Co." and "14K"), 3) cased nail file engraved with floral decoration on case, and 4) cartouche not engraved (marked "14 CT" and maker's mark H with W in upper section of the H and S in lower section).

Grand Lodge of NC resolution of thanks for service to Oxford Orphan Asylum, circa 1901 Box 123 > Folder 13

Lincoln Memorial University, 1927-1928 Box 138 > Folder 2

Scope and Contents

Duke Hall of Citizenship dedication.

Memorial album, 1929 Box 141

Physical Description: Oversize.

Scope and Contents

Telegrams and letters of condolence to family members, calling cards, and clippings.

A Morning Prayer and Other Beautiful Prayers, 1907 Box 137 > Folder 2

Scope and Contents

By Robert Louis Stevenson, Dodge Publishing Company, NY. Inscribed by Jonathan C. Kilgo for Christmas.

The Orphan's Friend and Masonic Journal, Oxford, NC, 1902 June 27 Box 123 > Folder 14

Physical Description: Oversize.

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- Poetry, miscellaneous, undated Box 138 > Folder 3
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- Portrait miniature of unknown older woman Box 171
Physical Description: Watercolor on ivory in brass frame.
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- Portrait miniature of child Angier Buchanan Duke Box 171
Physical Description: Watercolor on ivory in gold filled frame.
Scope and Contents
Inventory of items to be picked up by the Mary Duke Biddle Trent Semans estate also lists similar item with Mary L. Duke pictured in ivory.
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- Portrait miniature of unknown child Box 171
Physical Description: Watercolor on ivory, signed "Wm. Hafner."
Scope and Contents
Painted from a mid-19th century daguerreotype of a child seated in a ball-finial style country chair with a romantic Hudson River-style background. Possibly Mary L. Duke.
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- Portrait miniature of unknown young woman Box 171
Physical Description: Watercolor on ivory in sterling silver frame marked Black Starr and Frost, signed "Kruyn/Kruss/Kruyf."
Scope and Contents
Dark-haired woman in mid-19th century elegant dress. Possibly Mary L. Duke.
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- Portrait miniature of Angier Buchanan Duke Box 171
Physical Description: Small photograph in easel-backed brass frame with cracked glass.
Scope and Contents
Three-quarter view.
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- Printed material, circa 1880s, 1889, 1897-1929, undated Box 138
Physical Description: 4 folders
Scope and Contents
Pamphlets, circulars, and other material related to the social, religious, philanthropic and political interests of the Duke family.

Suit pattern, undated Box 123 > Folder 12

Physical Description: Oversize.

Tributes, 1923, 1928-1929 Box 138 > Folder 8

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Pictures, circa 1877-1929, 1969

Access Restrictions:

Access note. Some materials are fragile and may require extra assistance from staff. Glass is present in the form of convex portraits and a mirror. Contact Research Services for access.

Bound photograph albums, followed by images of people, then images of locations and buildings, arranged alphabetically by subject.

Scope and Contents

Bound and disbound photograph albums, photographs, and one mirror with attached photographs. People include Benjamin N. Duke, Sarah P. Duke, Angier Buchanan Duke, Mary L. Duke, extended family members, and acquaintances. Locations and buildings include Benjamin and Sarah's Durham residence "Four Acres" and Trinity College.

Album 1, circa 1870s-1890s (online item available)

Box 142

Digital Object: [Album I, circa 1870s-1890s](#)

Scope and Contents

Contains cabinet cards, mainly of individuals, with an index of known and probable photograph subjects. Individuals include Woodward W. Duke (son of Brodie L. Duke), Angier Buchanan Duke, Sarah P. Duke, James B. Duke, Sally Angier Duke, Lillie Irene Duke, James Edward Stagg, Benjamin N. Duke, Mary E. Duke Lyon, Robert E. Lyon, Arthur H. Merritt, Malbourn Addison Angier, John Cicero Angier, Mary Angier Stokes, Inez Duke Angier Stokes, Washington Duke (circa 1870s), Brodie L. Duke, and several other unidentified individuals, many of them infants and young children.

Album 2, circa 1870s-1890s

Box 143

Separated Material:

Loose photographs were removed and placed in a separate folder.

Scope and Contents

Contains cabinet cards, mainly of individuals, with an index of known and probable photograph subjects. Individuals include Bishop Charles Betts Galloway, Reverend William S. Black, Grover Cleveland, Frances Folsom Cleveland, Lida Duke Angier, Samuel Jones Angier, H. J. Bass (tobacconist), Benjamin N. Duke, James B. Duke, Angier Buchanan Duke, Mary E. Duke Lyon, Malbourn Addison Angier, Mary L. Duke, Maude Duke Karnes, and several unidentified individuals.

Album 2: Loose photographs, circa 1870s-1890s Box 145 > Folder 1

Physical Description: 4 items

Album 3, circa 1890s-1920s (online item available) Box 144

Digital Object: [\[Album III\], circa 1890s-1920s](#)

Scope and Contents

Includes pictures of Cordelia Drexel Biddle Duke and her children, Angier Biddle Duke and Anthony Drexel Duke, and various unidentified individuals.

Duke, Benjamin N., circa 1870s-1880s Box 145 > Folder 3

Physical Description: 2 items

Scope and Contents

Cabinet card prints by Anderson's of New York, NY.

Duke, Benjamin N., circa 1890s-1910s Box 145 > Folder 4

Physical Description: 5 items

Duke, Benjamin N., circa 1920s Box 145 > Folder 5

Physical Description: 8 items

Duke, Benjamin N., circa 1892-1897 Box 162

Physical Description: Photograph attached to convex glass.

Access Restrictions:

Fragile material. Contact Research Services for access.

Scope and Contents

Possibly an anniversary portrait.

- Duke, Benjamin N. and family, circa 1890s Box 145 > Folder 6
Physical Description: 1 items
Scope and Contents
Group photograph of Benjamin N. Duke, Sarah P. Duke, James B. Duke, Angier Buchanan Duke, Mary L. Duke, and unidentified woman in front of a house.
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- Duke, Benjamin N. and Mary L. Duke, circa 1890s Box 145 > Folder 7
Physical Description: 1 items
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- Duke, Benjamin N. and others, Atlantic City Boardwalk, NJ, 1924 Box 145 > Folder 8
Physical Description: 7 items
Scope and Contents
Individuals include James B. Duke, Benjamin N. Duke, Mary Duke Biddle, Robert Lee Flowers, and Lily Parrish Flowers. The notes on the back of the photographs were written by Dr. Lenox Baker (son-in-law of R. and L. Flowers).
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- Duke, Benjamin N. and others, Lookout Mountain, TN, 1892 Box 145 > Folder 9
Physical Description: 3 items
Scope and Contents
Taken at Point Lookout and Sunset Rock. See Correspondence series: J. J. Ingalls to Benjamin N. Duke, 9 November 1892.
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- Duke, Benjamin N. and Sarah P. Duke, St. Petersburg, FL, 1914 Box 145 > Folder 10
Physical Description: 1 items
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- Duke, Benjamin N. funeral, Durham, 1929 January Box 145 > Folder 11
Scope and Contents
Photographs and a copy of the program of exercises. The photographs depict the funeral procession from Duke Memorial Church and spectators along Chapel Hill St., students and faculty on Duke University's East Campus, and the Duke family mausoleum in Maplewood Cemetery. The program includes the address by President W. P. Few, resolutions of the faculty of Duke University, and a prayer by Dr. M. Bradshaw.

Duke, Cordelia Drexel Biddle and children with Mary Duke Biddle, circa 1920 (online item available) Box 145 > Folder 12

Physical Description: 3 items

Digital Object: [Duke, Cordelia Biddle and children \(Angier Biddle Duke and Anthony Drexel Duke\), with Mary Duke Biddle, circa 1920](#)

Duke family birthday party, New York, NY, circa 1916 Box 145 > Folder 13

Physical Description: 2 items

Scope and Contents

Includes Benjamin N. Duke, Sarah P. Duke, Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, Jr., and various unidentified adults and children. According to an accompanying note, this was taken inside the house at 2 E. 82nd St., NY.

Duke, James B. funeral procession, Durham, 1925; print of Underwood and Underwood portrait, circa 1920s Box 145 > Folder 14

Physical Description: 2 items

Duke, Mary L., circa 1896-1907 Box 145 > Folder 15

Physical Description: 3 items

Duke, Sarah P., circa 1870s-1920s (online item available) Box 145 > Folder 16

Physical Description: 9 items

Digital Object: [Duke, Sarah P., circa 1870s-1920s](#)

Scope and Contents

Includes a photograph of Sarah P. Duke in a coach with children Angier Buchanan Duke and Mary L. Duke, circa 1888-1890.

Duke, Sarah P., circa 1892-1897 Box 162

Physical Description: Photograph attached to convex glass.

Access Restrictions:

Fragile material. Contact Research Services for access.

Scope and Contents

Possibly an anniversary portrait.

Duke, Sarah P., 1892? (online item available) Box 123 > Folder 1

Physical Description: 2 items ; Oversize.

Digital Object: [Duke, Sarah P., 1892?](#)

Scope and Contents

Full-length photographs, possibly taken for the 15th wedding anniversary of Benjamin N. and Sarah P. Duke (1892).

Duke, Sarah P., 1906, circa 1910s Box 123 > Folder 2

Physical Description: 2 items ; Oversize.

Scope and Contents

Portrait by the Halladay Studio, Durham, NC (1906) and an undated portrait by the Lafayette studio in London.

Duke, Washington and family, undated (online item available) Box 147

Physical Description: Mirror with cut out photographs under glass layer.

Digital Object: [Duke, Washington and family: mirror with photographs, undated](#)

Access Restrictions:

Fragile material. Contact Research Services for access.

Scope and Contents

Photographs of Washington Duke, Brodie L. Duke, James B. Duke, Benjamin N. Duke, and Mary E. Duke circa 1870s.

Duke, Washington with great-grandchildren, circa 1900 (online item available) Box 148 > Folder 1

Physical Description: Oversize.

Digital Object: [Duke, Washington with great-grandchildren, circa 1900](#)

Scope and Contents

Children pictured are likely those of Mary Washington Lyon Stagg and James Edward Stagg.

People: miscellaneous or unidentified, circa 1880s-1890s Box 145 > Folder 17

Physical Description: 6 items

Scope and Contents

Individuals include Reuben Oscar Everett and others outside the White House, Washington, DC; James Acero Angier, circa 1880s; James Haywood Southgate, circa 1890s; and other unidentified persons.

Photographs by Professor Marquis H.
Lockwood, Trinity College

Box 145 > Folder 18

Physical Description: 4 items

Scope and Contents

Lockwood was a physics and biology professor who experimented with photography. His "trick" photographs include "Frog Pond," Professor Jerome Dowd playing chess with himself, and a composite of four views of Mary L. Duke. Also includes is a photograph of the Moses Hester church (Berea Christian Church) and house in Durham.

Portraits (photographs of) by Sir Joshua
Reynolds

Box 145 > Folder 19

Physical Description: 2 items

Stonewall Springs and Boyd's Creek, Alamance
County, NC, circa 1920s

Box 145 > Folder 20

Physical Description: 2 items

Scope and Contents

Birthplace of Artelia Roney Duke.

Bassett-Brown House, Trinity College, Durham,
circa 1912

Box 145 > Folder 21

Physical Description: 1 items

Scope and Contents

This house, located on N. Buchanan Blvd., was first occupied by Professor J. S. Bassett then Frank C. Brown.

Carriage house and stable for Benjamin N.
Duke, Durham, circa 1901

Box 145 > Folder 22

Physical Description: 4 items ; Engraving.

Scope and Contents

H. J. Blauvelt, architect.

Duke's Chapel construction, Braggtown,
Durham, 1926 November Box 145 > Folder 23

Physical Description: 8 items

Scope and Contents

Partially-built structure (designed by the firm of Horace Trumbauer) with construction workers in the foreground.

Duke Quarry near Hillsborough, NC; Duke
Forest, Durham; New Hope River (New Hope
Creek), Durham and Orange Counties, NC, circa
1926 Box 145 > Folder 24

Physical Description: 15 items

Scope and Contents

Related to the construction of Duke University West Campus and sent by Frank C. Brown to Benjamin N. Duke with an accompanying letter. Includes photographs of the site for the "new buildings" (West Campus?) and the site of new highway through Duke University property.

Duke University East Campus construction,
circa 1925 Box 145 > Folder 25

Physical Description: 6 items

Scope and Contents

Excavation, grading, and tree removal related to construction of new East Campus buildings. Individuals pictured include Robert L. Flowers and Frank C. Brown, laborers, and various onlookers. Also pictured are the original library and Alspaugh residence hall, which were relocated to Kittrell College.

Fairview, Durham, circa 1890s Box 145 > Folder 26

Physical Description: 2 items

Scope and Contents

Home of Washington Duke.

Four Acres exterior, Durham, after 1910 Box 145

Physical Description: 2 folders

Four Acres exterior, Durham, circa 1910 Box 148

Physical Description: 2 folders ; Disbound album.

Four Acres interior, Durham, circa 1910	Box 148
Physical Description: 2 folders ; Disbound album.	
Linden Court, Tarrytown, NY, undated	Box 146 > Folder 1
Physical Description: 4 items	
Kittrell College: Benjamin N. Duke Library, 1969 September	Box 146 > Folder 2
Physical Description: 2 items ; Color 35mm slides.	
Limestone College, Gaffney, SC, 1926	Box 146 > Folder 3
Physical Description: 3 items	
Scope and Contents	
Parade celebrating Benjamin N. Duke's endowment gift to the college.	
Sarmiento, Palm Beach, FL, undated	Box 146 > Folder 4
Physical Description: 1 items	
Scope and Contents	
First owned by Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, Jr.	
Trollinger Family Cemetery (Haw River Methodist Church), Alamance County, NC, circa 1924-1929	Box 146 > Folder 5
Physical Description: 3 items	
Scope and Contents	
Burial place of Artelia Roney Duke.	
Chapel Hill St. underpass, Durham, 1926 June	Box 146 > Folder 6
Physical Description: 8 items	
Scope and Contents	
Includes views of Benjamin N. Duke's former Durham residence "The Terrace;" the Southgate Jones House; and other buildings, workers, and construction equipment.	
University United Methodist Church, Chapel Hill, NC, after 1924	Box 146 > Folder 7
Physical Description: 3 items	

YWCA building, Durham, 1927

Box 146 > Folder 8

Physical Description: 5 items

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Duke Farm, University Station, NC, 1891-1919

Correspondence arranged chronologically, followed by financial records, a plat, and photographs.

General

Deeds and plats of Orange County, NC property owned by Benjamin are in the Legal series.

Scope and Contents

Correspondence, financial records, a hand-colored plat, and photographs related to the farm that Benjamin owned in Orange County, NC. These letters are mainly between successive farm superintendents J. T. Hogan, I. A. Hogan, and Weldon Riley and Benjamin's Durham-based business agents J. E. Stagg and E. A. Childs. Other correspondents include equipment and agricultural suppliers and contractors.

Topics include requests for money and instructions on farm management; purchases of implements, machinery and livestock; construction of barns and other farm improvements; and requests for farm products to be delivered to Benjamin's Durham residence and other locations. There is also scattered correspondence related to the finances and health of the Hogan family.

Correspondence, 1891-1909 Box 149

Physical Description: 15 folders

Correspondence, 1910-1916, 1918-1919 Box 150

Physical Description: 9 folders

Account book: Farm expenditures, 1897-1909 Box 150

Physical Description: 1 Volumes

Construction payrolls and invoices, 1894-1895 Box 150

Physical Description: 2 folders

Hogan residence specifications, undated Box 150

Land plat, 1897? Oversize-folder 1

Monthly expenditure statements, 1901 July-1910	Box 150
Physical Description: 2 folders	
Monthly expenditure statements, 1911-1917	Box 151
Physical Description: 7 folders	
Photographs, 1910-1919, undated	Box 152

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Richard B. Arrington, 1905-1914

Correspondence arranged chronologically, followed by a letterbook and financial records.

Scope and Contents

Personal papers of Arrington, who was Benjamin's personal secretary and business agent in NY. Includes correspondence and a letterbook, account statements, check stubs, and receipts.

The correspondence covers two periods: 1903-1907 and 1911-1914. During 1903-1907, the focus is on building and furnishing a house on Ridgeview Road in White Plains, NY. From 1911-1913, the focus is on Arrington's business interests and includes stock transactions and insurance. Since he died on 17 April 1913, the remainder of the correspondence (1913-1914) concerns his estate, which was handled by his wife, Ethel Lewis Arrington.

The remainder of the papers relates to Arrington's business activities, with a focus on stock transactions (especially of the Piedmont Syndicate). Much of this business paralleled his work for Benjamin.

Correspondence, 1905 November 9-1914 April	Box 153
Physical Description: 11 folders	
Letterbook, 1903 December 16-1906 August 3	Box 154
Financial accounts, 1907-1913	Box 155
Check stubs, 1913 March-April	Box 155
Receipts, 1905-1913	Box 155
Physical Description: 2 folders	

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Alexander H. Sands Jr., 1910-1918

Correspondence arranged chronologically, followed by letterbooks and financial records.

Scope and Contents

Personal papers of Sands, including correspondence and letterbooks; an account book, daybook, and ledger; check registers and stubs; and receipts. The correspondence primarily concerns family matters, including financial support for his parents, and business interests. The remainder of the papers details stock transactions and other business activities, including those of the Southern Audit Company of New York, Inc., of which he was a partner.

Biographical / Historical

Alexander Hamilton Sands Jr. was a friend and business associate of Benjamin N. Duke and James B. Duke and was an original trustee of the Duke Endowment (1924-1960) and a trustee of Duke University (1946-1960). He was born April 25, 1891, in Richmond, Virginia, to parents Tucker K. and Mary Harvey Sands. He attended Richmond College (1905-1906?) and worked as a bookkeeper before succeeding Richard B. Arrington as Benjamin Duke's personal secretary and business agent in New York in 1913. In 1924, Sands became a founding trustee of the Duke Endowment. He was elected to the Duke University Board of Trustees in 1946. Sands remained a trustee of the university and the Duke Endowment until his death in New York City on April 22, 1960.

Sources:

"Alexander Hamilton Sands Jr.", [The Duke Endowment 100 Years website](#), accessed 2025 March 28.

"Alexander H. Sands, Jr." (obituary), *New York Times*, April 23, 1960, p. 23., accessed online via [TimesMachine](#) 2025 March 28.

Correspondence, 1910 April-1914 April	Box 155
Correspondence, 1914 May-1915	Box 156
Letterbook, 1910 August 19-1915 September 14	Box 157
Letterbook, 1915 September 23-1918 June 11	Box 158

Financial accounts: Southern Audit Company of NY, Inc., 1914-1915	Box 156
Check registers, 1912-1913	Box 156
Check stubs, 1910 April-1914 June Physical Description: 3 folders	Box 156
Check stubs, 1914 November-1915 May Physical Description: 1 Volumes	Box 159
Check stubs: Special account, 1915-1916 Physical Description: 2 Volumes	Box 159
Check stubs: Reyhing and Company, 1914	Box 160
Daybook, 1914-1915	Box 160
Ledger, 1914-1915	Box 160
Receipts, 1913-1915 Physical Description: 4 folders	Box 160

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