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**MS 0640
Pack family
Papers, 1864-1953****DESCRIPTION**

This collection of diaries, military papers, manuscripts, correspondence and photographs was assembled and/or created by Arthur N. Pack, Charles L. Pack, and George W. Pack. It relates events and daily life of Arthur Pack, his father Charles L. Pack, mother Alice Hatch Pack, and grandfather George W. Pack. The time period of the documents relating to Arthur Pack is 1908 - 1953. Charles Pack's papers date from 1871 - 1930, Alice Hatch Pack's from 1879 - 1885, and 1917. George Pack's papers date from 1864 - 1904.

4 boxes, 2.5 linear ft.

ACQUISITION

The Charles Pack scrapbook, Folder 21, was donated by Arthur Pack, before his death in 1974, and the remainder of the collection by his wife Phoebe Pack in 1976, after Arthur's death.

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PROCESSING

This material was processed together with the Charles Pack material and includes the Pack photograph collection. This collection was processed by Heather Lindsay, an intern from the Graduate School of Library and Information Science, under the supervision of Rose Byrne, manuscript archivist.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Arthur Newton Pack was born February 20th, 1893, in Cleveland, Ohio. He attended the Adirondack-Florida School in Pine Grove, Florida, until 1910. He continued his education at Williams College in Massachusetts. In 1915 Arthur graduated from the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. After graduation, he worked as an aide in the United States Ordnance Department in Washington D.C. During World War I, he was stationed in England as a first lieutenant in the Ordnance Department, and just as he was being discharged in 1919, he was promoted to captain. He married Eleanor "Brownie" Brown in 1919. They had three children; Eleanor, Vernon and Margaret.

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In 1941 he began building Ghost Ranch Lodge, in Tucson, Arizona. In 1946 he moved there permanently, though they still spent summers at Ghost Ranch in New Mexico. In 1952 he was named 'Man of the Year' in Tucson. He and an old friend, William Carr, co-founded the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum in 1952. The museum was made possible by a generous donation from the 'Charles Lathrop Pack Forestry Foundation'. Arthur was the first president of the museum. He also became very active in Tucson, and was president or chairman of many national and local organizations. In 1972 he established a one million dollar trust fund for St. Mary's Hospital. He died December 6th, 1975. At the time of his death, he had contributed over \$500,000 to the development of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. At that time it was listed as among the ten best zoos in the world.

Arthur's father, Charles Lathrop Pack was born May 7th, 1857 in Lexington, Michigan. He was educated in public schools, and attended Brook Schlater in Cleveland, Ohio. He became a renowned forestry expert and conservationist. He won national recognition for his work in forestry. He continued to add to the family fortune with their lumber business, and eventually became one of the largest manufacturers of lumber in the United States. During World War I, he coordinated the 'War Garden' effort, and published a book illustrating war gardens called The War Garden Victorious. He was a prominent figure in Cleveland, establishing the Cleveland Trust Company as well as donating many thousands of dollars to local causes. In 1886 he married Alice Hatch. They had three children; Randolph, Arthur and Beulah. In 1907 he was appointed by President Theodore Roosevelt to his National Conservation Committee. He eventually moved to Lakewood, New Jersey where he lived until his death in 1937. His wife, Alice, continued to reside there until her death in 1950.

Arthur's grandfather, George Willis Pack was born June 6th, 1831 to George and Maria Lathrop Pack in Fenner, Madison County, New York. He attended a public school in Peterboro, New York. When he was seventeen, he went to Michigan with his father to clear land for a farm. He went on to a prosperous career as a partner and leader in several lumber companies, harvesting the great pine forests in Michigan. George W. Pack was well respected by the people of Michigan, and in 1864, as their presidential elector, he helped vote Abraham Lincoln into office. In 1854 he married Francis Farman, and they had three children; Charles Lathrop Pack, Mary Pack (married Amos B. McNairy) and Beulah Pack (married Phillip A. Rollins). In 1885 he moved to Asheville, North Carolina, due to his wife's health, where he lived until his death on August 30th, 1906.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Pack Family Collection (2.5 ft.) consists of four boxes, one oversized, arranged into 8 series: (1) Arthur Pack Diaries 1908 - 1953; (2) Correspondence 1910 - 1918; (3) Military Papers 1917 - 1919; (4) Miscellaneous; (5) Charles Pack papers 1871 - 1927; (6) Alice Hatch Pack papers 1879 - 1885, 1917; (7) George W. Pack papers, 1801, 1864 - 1904; (8) Pack Family photographs.

A large portion of this collection consists of diaries. Arthur Pack's diaries relate to his day to day activities when he was in high school, college, and the military. Arthur Pack cofounded the Arizona Sonora Desert Museum, and there is mention of it in his five year diary. Both Charles Pack's and Alice Hatch Pack's diaries are accounts of their visits to Europe dated before their marriage. The rest of the collection is various papers, correspondence and awards.

Series One, Arthur Pack's diaries 1908 - 1953, contains twenty five diaries dated from 1908 - 1919 which relates his daily life in high school, college, and the military. His five year diary, dated 1949 - 1953 relates his daily activities in Tucson, operating his guest ranch and his growing civic involvement. It contains brief mentions of the establishment of the Desert Museum.

Series Two, Correspondence 1910 - 1918, consists of six letters ranging from his school days to his two year post in the military.

Series Three, Military papers 1917 - 1919, is comprised of letters, orders, papers and blueprints pertaining to his career in the Ordnance Department, United States military in France and England during World War One.

Series Four, Miscellaneous, contains a special edition of the book, We Called It Ghost Ranch signed by Arthur Pack to Bill Carr, cofounder of the Desert Museum. There is also a manila envelope labelled "Prizes won by pigeons - early 1900s" which contains red and blue ribbons from 1907 - 1908 Cleveland Fanciers Club Show, 1901 Pan American Exposition, Buffalo, N.Y., and 1903, 1906 and 1907 - National Fancier's and Breeder's Association, Chicago, Ill.

Series Five, Charles Pack papers, consists of Charles Pack's papers, including two oversized items. There is a notebook/scrapbook of school work by Charles, four travel diaries of trips to Europe, 1874 - 1878, political papers, awards, correspondence and two poems to Charles on his 51st birthday from family members. One of the oversized items is a scrapbook of letters from dignitaries world-wide acknowledging receipt of The War Garden Victorious by Charles Pack. The other is Arthur Pack's certificate of commission into the "Officer Reserve Corps of the Army of the United States" as 1st lieutenant in the Ordnance Department.

Series Six, Alice Hatch Pack papers, contains four of Alice Hatch Pack's travel diaries about trips to Europe, Egypt and England from 1879 - 1885, before she married Charles Pack. There is also a letter to Arthur dated 1917 congratulating him on his military appointment.

Series Seven, George Pack papers, consists of a biographical book, correspondence, news clippings, and political certificates. There is also a letter that was found with his papers dated 1801 from Edwin Fort to William Young.

Series Eight, Pack Family photographs, consists of photographs of and relating to the Pack Family. It contains pictures of Arthur as a baby, a child of three years, and as an adult. There are also pictures of his father, Charles, his mother, Alice, his older brother, Randolph, his grandfather, George, and grandmother, Frances with his papers dated 1801 from Edwin Fort to William Young.

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BOX AND FOLDER LIST

BOX 1

Series 1: Arthur Pack Diaries 1908 - 1953

- Folder 1 Pack, Arthur N. - Diaries - 1908 - Nos. 1,2,3,4
Diary no. 1 - January 1 - July 11, 1908 vol.1
Diary no.2 - March 21 - July 11, 1908 vol.2
Diary no.3 - July 11 - October 6, 1908 vol.3
Diary no.4 - October 6 - December 10, 1908 vol.4
- F. 2 Pack, Arthur N. - Diaries - 1908-1909 - Nos. 5,6,7,8
Diary no. 5 - December 10 - January 16, 1908-1909 vol.5 and vol.1
Diary no.6 - January 16 - February 22 1909 vol.2
Diary no.7 - February 22 - April 8, 1909 vol.3
Diary no.8 - April 8 - April 25, 1909 vol.4
- F. 3 Pack, Arthur N. - Diaries - 1909-1910 - Nos. 9,10,11,12
Diary no. 9 - April 25 - August 5, 1909 vol. 5
Diary no. 10 - August 5 - February 22, 1909 vol.6 and vol.1
Diary no. 11 - February 22 - July 17, 1910 vol.2
Diary no. 12 - July 18 - December 9, 1910 vol.3
- F. 4 Pack, Arthur N. - Diaries - 1910-1912 - Nos. 13,14,15,16
Diary no. 13 - December 9 - April 15, 1910-1911 vol.4, since Jan. 1910
Diary no. 14 - April 16 - July 10, 1911 vol.5
Diary no. 15 - July 11 - September 23, 1911 vol.6
Diary no. 16 - September 23 - January 3, 1911-1912 vol.7
- F. 5 Pack, Arthur N. - Diaries - 1912 - Nos. 17,18,19
Diary no. 17 - January 3 - May 4, 1912 vol.8
Diary no. 18 - May 4 - September 19, 1912 vol.9
Diary no. 19 - September 19 - December 31, 1912 vol.10
- F. 6 Pack, Arthur N. - Diaries - 1913 and 1914
Diary - 1913 Yearbook
Diary - 1914 Yearbook
- F. 7 Pack, Arthur N. - Diaries - 1915, 1916, 1917
Diary - 1915 Yearbook
Diary - 1916 Yearbook
Diary - 1917 Yearbook
- F. 8 Pack, Arthur N. - Diaries - 1918, 1919, 5-year diary 1949-1953
Diary - 1918 Yearbook
Diary - 1919
5 Year Diary - 1949-1953 (contains brief mentions of the Desert Museum)

BOX 2

Series 2: Correspondence 1910 - 1918

- F. 9 Pack, Arthur N. - Correspondence - 1910, 1918
Letter to Father and Mother - February 6, 1910
Letter to Father and Mother - March 29, 1910
Letter to Father and Mother - May 29, 1910
Letter to Father and Mother - November 20, 1910
Letter to "Uncle Paul" (Arthur Pack) from "Nixis" - September 22, 1918
Letter to Family - Christmas Day, 1918(?)

Series 3: Military Papers 1917 - 1919

- F. 10 Pack, Arthur - Military Papers - 1917
Military papers and correspondence dating from Aug. 27-Nov. 27, 1917
World War I
- F. 11 Pack, Arthur N. - Military Papers - 1918
Military papers and correspondence dating from Jan. 15-Dec. 18, 1918
- F. 12 Pack, Arthur N. - Three ring binder with Military Papers from 1918
- F. 13 Pack, Arthur N. - Military Papers - 1919
Military papers and correspondence dating from Jan. 12-Apr. 14, 1919
Miscellaneous papers from Arthur's time in the military, blank forms,
clippings, food stamps, officer's record book, War Department
Certificate of identity with photo of Arthur, National Ration Book,
Discharge certificate, certificate in lieu of lost or destroyed original,
awarded to Arthur N. Pack, Captain
Original discharge certificate, awarded to Arthur N. Pack, 1st Lieutenant
- F. 14 Pack, Arthur N. - Military Papers 1918 - 1919
Blueprints and diagrams
Photostats - "Comparative chart of new experimental aeroplanes in the
French service" - Table 1 and Table 2
2 Carte Postales from France picturing cannons, tanks and aeroplanes

Series 4: Miscellaneous

- F. 15 Pack, Arthur N. - book
Special Edition We Called It Ghost Ranch - signed by Arthur Pack for
William Carr, co-founder of the Arizona Sonora Desert Museum
- F. 16 Pack, Arthur N. - Prizes won by Pigeons
Manila envelope containing Ribbons - Prizes won by pigeons - early 1900's

BOX 3

Series 5: Charles Pack papers

- F. 17 Pack, Charles L. - High school Notebook/Scrapbook - 1871 - 1877
Excerpts from school notebooks by Charles Pack, bound into one notebook
- F. 18 Pack, Charles L. - Diaries, Expense book of trips to Europe, 1874, 1878
Diary - Impressions of Europe - 1874
Diary - April 29, 1878 - August 3, 1878
Diary - August 4, 1878 - September 1, 1878
Expense book - European Expenses - April 29, 1878 - September 13, 1878
- F. 19 Pack, Charles L. - New Jersey Election Papers - 1928
- F. 20 Pack, Charles L. - Papers, Awards, Correspondence
- F. 21 Pack, Charles L. - Scrapbook; Pack, Arthur N. - Military Certificate
Charles Pack scrapbook of correspondence - letters from dignitaries of numerous countries acknowledging receipt of the book The War Garden Victorious from April 1919
Arthur Pack's appointment certificate as First Lieutenant in the Ordnance Section of the Officer Reserve Corps of the United States, November 9, 1917

Series 6: Alice Hatch Pack papers

- F. 22 Pack, Alice Hatch - Diaries, 1879 - 1880, 1884 - 1885
Diary - Journal, Trip abroad diary, May 28, 1879 - May 16, 1880
Diary - Private Journal of Alice Hatch - July 2, 1884 - February 4, 1885
- F. 23 Pack, Alice Hatch - Diaries - 1885
Diary - Trip through Egypt - February 11, 1885 - May 31, 1885
'From Italy via Italian steam ship Persia'
Diary - London, England - June 18, 1885 - July 15, 1885
- F. 24 Pack, Alice Hatch - Correspondence - 1917
Letter to Arthur - October 1917 - to Lt. A. N. Pack

Series 7: George Pack papers

- F. 25 Pack, George W. - Biographical Book, Published 1898
Life of George W. Pack : from "America's Successful Men"
Published 1895, Cleveland, Ohio; privately printed 1898
- F. 26 Pack, George W - Correspondence, news clippings, certificates

F. 27 Pack, George W. - Letter found with papers, dated 1801 - from Edwin Fort to William Young

Series 8: Pack family photographs

F. 28 Pack, Arthur N. - Photographs
16 photographs of Arthur Pack

F. 29 Pack, Charles L. - Photographs
2 photographs - Randolph Greene Pack - Charles' son, Arthur's older brother
1 photograph - Alice Hatch Pack - wife of Charles
6 photographs - Charles Pack
1 photograph - Joseph Hatch farm in Tolland,

1 photograph of the tombstone of Job and Elizabeth Pack and their son, John, who died April 13, 1750
1 photograph of a page from the town records of Barnstable

F. 30 Pack, George, W. - Photographs
1 photo Frances Farman Pack - wife of George
2 photographs of the Pack family home in Asheville, North Carolina
1 photograph of a memorial plate to George Pack, Asheville, North Carolina
3 photographs of George Pack

BOX 4

F. 31 Arthur Pack's Certificate of Commission

Item 32 Scrapbook of letters to Charles Pack acknowledging receipt of
The War Garden Victorious