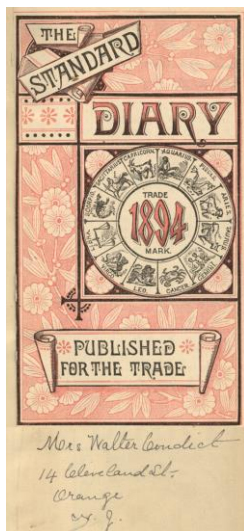


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Missionary Research Library Archives: Section 7

Finding Aid for

Cornelia A. Condict Papers, 1883 – 1894



Inside cover of a diary. Credit to: MRL7: Cornelia A. Condict Papers, box 1, folder 8
The Burke Library at Union Theological Seminary, Columbia University in the City of New York.

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Summary Information

Creator: Margery Quigley, 1886 – [1958?]
Title: Cornelia A. Condict Papers, 1883 - 1894
Inclusive dates: 1883 - 1894
Bulk dates: 1889 – 1890
Abstract: Presbyterian, Wife of Rev. Walter C. Condict ; Corresponding Secretary for Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions, New Jersey, Mission travel and visits to Japan, Korea, China, Singapore, and India; Manuscript Diaries.
Size: 1 box, 0.50 linear feet
Storage: Onsite storage
Repository: The Burke Library
Union Theological Seminary
3041 Broadway
New York, NY 10027
Email: burkearchives@library.columbia.edu

Administrative Information

- Provenance:** The diaries were purchased from a storage warehouse by Margery Quigley, librarian at the Free Public Library in Montclair, New Jersey. Several people read one or more of the diaries and included summaries of the contents in the collection. They were sent to the MRL in September of 1944. In 1976 the records were accessioned to the Burke Library archives with the closure of the MRL.
- Access:** Archival papers are available to registered readers for consultation by appointment only. Please contact archives staff by email to burkearchives@library.columbia.edu, or by postal mail to The Burke Library address on page 1, as far in advance as possible. [Burke Library Staff](#) is available for inquiries or to request a consultation on archival or special collections research
- .Access Restrictions:** The collection is unrestricted to readers. Certain materials however are in a fragile condition, and this may necessitate restriction in handling and copying.
- Preferred Citation:** Item description, MRL 7: Cornelia A. Condict Papers, box # and folder #, The Burke Library at Union Theological Seminary, Columbia University in the City of New York.

Biography

Cornelia A. Condict was born Cornelia Eames (or Emes) on April 11, 1835, and married Rev. Walter C. Condict (or Condit) in 1873, who had graduated from Princeton Seminary in 1867 and who was preaching in Newark in the early 1870s. He was pastor of Calvary Presbyterian in Newark for part of this period. He was a pastor in Red Wing, Minnesota before he resigned in 1881, and was installed over the Church of Southampton in April 1884. In 1883 Cornelia addressed the Women's Missionary Society on the subject of India, and the next year she was working as Sabbath-school missionary and superintendent of the primary department of Central Presbyterian Church in Newark, NJ. In 1886 she traveled to India.

In 1888 Walter passed away, and the next year Cornelia traveled to Singapore, and again to India in 1890. That year she gives her home address as Princeton, New Jersey. In 1901 she was serving as the Corresponding Secretary for the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions in New Jersey. She died on December 19, 1926 and is buried in the cemetery of First Presbyterian Church, Morristown, NJ.

Collection Scope and Content Note

The Diaries were written while Condict was living in Richmond, Virginia, and while traveling in Japan, Korea, China, Singapore, and India. The contents are chiefly related to mission work.

Processing

Metal clips and staples were removed from materials and folded items were flattened. Materials were placed in new acid-free folders and boxes. Acidic items were separated from one another by interleaving with acid-free paper as needed.

In 2014, the collection and finding aid were updated as part of the Henry Luce Foundation grant.

Further Sources

The Burke Library contains many other collections related to mission work in the areas that Cornelia Condict traveled. The finding aids with more information on the collections can be viewed online at the [Missionary Research Library Archives](#) webpage.

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