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HIDDEN COLLECTIONS INITIATIVE FOR PENNSYLVANIA SMALL ARCHIVAL REPOSITORIES

"SMALL REPOSITORIES PROJECT"



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- Phase Two: 2-year project, October 2012-October 2014, focusing on entire five-county Philadelphia area: Bucks, Chester, & Delaware Counties, and remaining repositories in Philadelphia & Montgomery Counties

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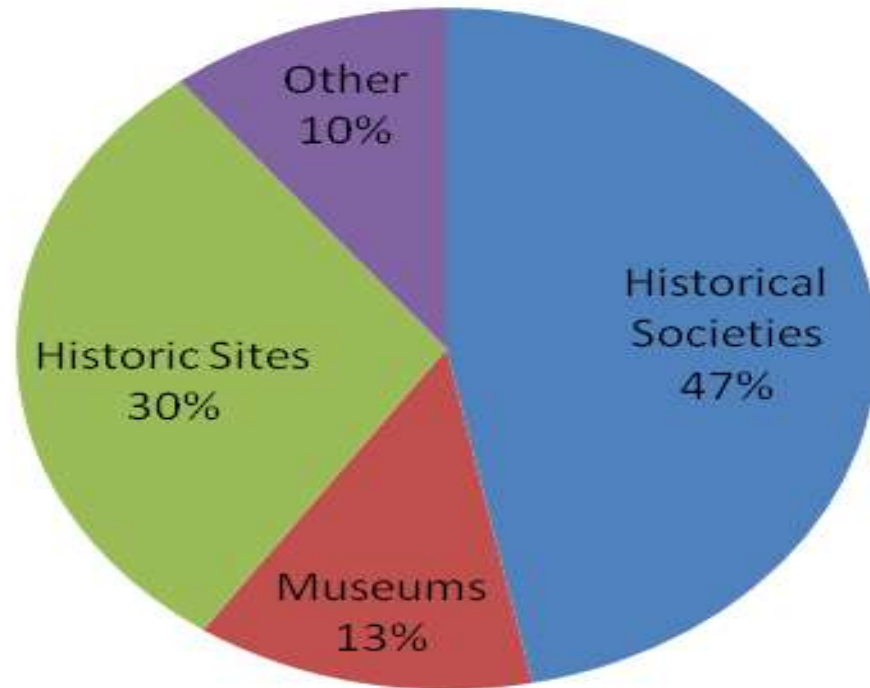
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47 Repositories Surveyed in Phase I



Montgomery County

- Conshohocken Historical Society
- Goschenhoppen Historians, Inc.
- Highlands Historical Society
- Historical Society of Fort Washington
- Historical Society of Montgomery County
- The Historical Society of Trappe, Collegeville, Perkiomen Valley
- Historical Society of Whitpain
- Horsham Preservation and Historical Association
- John James Audubon Center at Mill Grove
- Landsdale Historical Society
- Limerick Township Historical Society
- Lower Merion Historical Society
- Lower Pottsgrove Historical Society
- Millbrook Society
- Montgomery Township Historical Society
- Old York Road Historical Society
- Pennypacker Mills
- Plymouth Meeting Historical Society
- Pottsgrove Manor
- Pottstown Historical Society
- Spring-Ford Area Historical Society
- Springfield Township Historical Society
- St. James Community History Center
- Sunrise Mill
- Union Library of Hatboro
- Upper Moreland Historical Association
- Welsh Valley Preservation Society
- Wissahickon Valley Historical Society
- Worcester Historical Society

Philadelphia County

- 1st Regiment Infantry Museum
- American Swedish Historical Museum
- Awbury Arboretum
- Bridesburg Historical Society
- Byberry Library
- Chestnut Hill Historical Society
- East Falls Historical Society
- Eastern State Penitentiary
- Fairmount Park Historic Resource Archives
- Fireman's Hall Museum
- Germantown Historical Society
- Glen Foerd on the Delaware
- Grand Army of the Republic Civil War Museum and Library
- Historical Society of Tacony
- John Bowman Bartram Special Collections Library
- John J. Wilcox Jr. GLBT Archives of Philadelphia
- Morris Arboretum
- Mummers Museum
- Philadelphia Sketch Club
- Roxborough-Manayunk/Wissachickon Historical Society
- Ryerss Museum and Library
- Strawberry Mansion
- Woodford Mansion
- The Woodlands Mansion and Cemetery

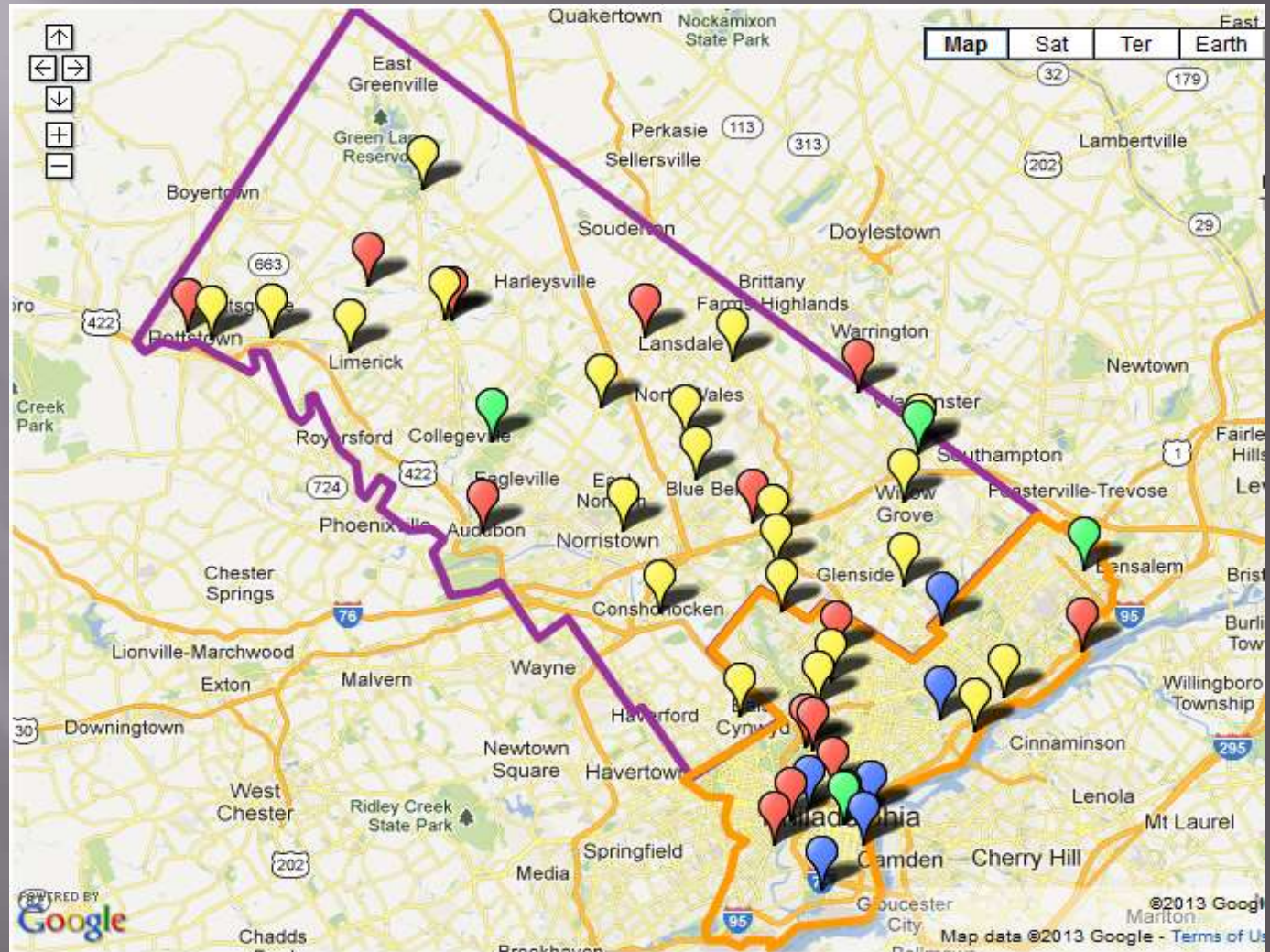
Phase I (through September 2012): 47 repositories in Philadelphia & Montgomery Counties

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Historical
societies
(22)

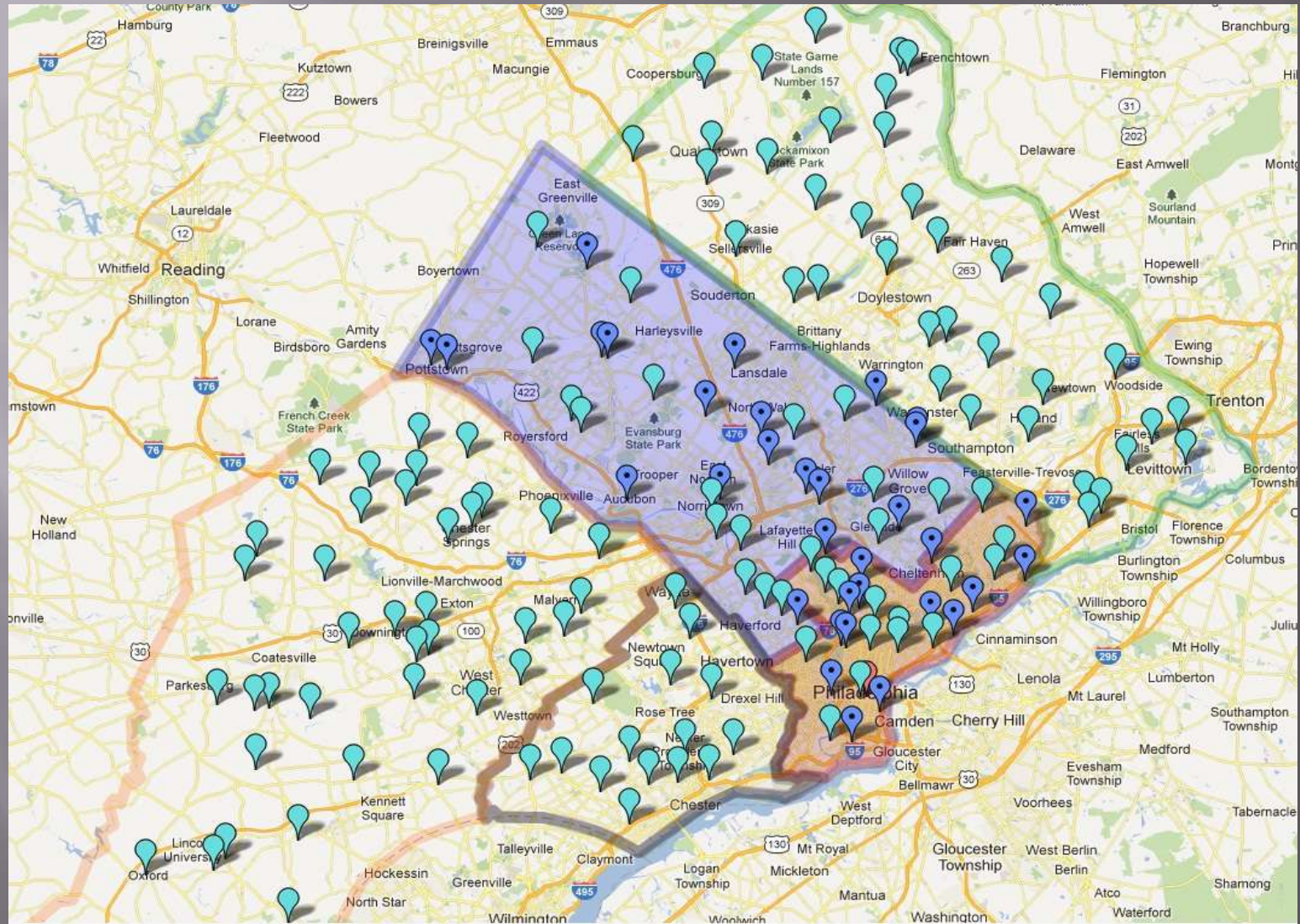
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sites (14)

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Museums
(6)

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Other (5)




Projected final results: 120-150? repositories in 5-county area



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- Philadelphia Museum of Art Archives (6)
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The Hidden Collections Initiative for Pennsylvania Small Archival Repositories (HCI-PSAR) is a project of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, funded by grants from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. The goal of the project is to make better known and more accessible the largely hidden archival collections of the many small, primarily volunteer-run historical organizations in the five-county Philadelphia area, such as local historical societies, historic sites, and small museums. During the initial fourteen-month pilot phase of the project, which ran from July 2011 to September 2012, project staff surveyed 541 archival collections in 47 small repositories in Philadelphia and Montgomery counties. Summary finding aids to these collections are now publicly available on this website. The second phase of the project, which will run from October 2012 to October 2014, focuses on small repositories in Bucks, Chester, and Delaware counties.

Summary finding aids to the archival collections in these additional repositories will be added to this website on an ongoing basis over the course of the project.

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About the Repositories



1st Regiment Infantry Museum

The 1st Regiment Infantry, Pennsylvania, or "The Dandy First," is recognized by the United States Army as the oldest continuously existing command in the Pennsylvania National Guard, and the only existing Pennsylvania unit with service in the Continental Army, representing Pennsylvania. Now designated the 103rd Engineer Battalion Pennsylvania Army National Guard, the unit has fought in nearly every major American war, initially being involved in the French and Indian War and then the Revolutionary War. The 103rd Engineer Battalion Armory today houses the 1st Regiment Infantry Museum dedicated to the history of this storied command. Its archival collections are comprised of over 100 linear feet of materials dating from 1812, including regiment minute books, roll books, officers' letter books, account books, and photograph albums.

[See all finding aids for 1st Regiment Infantry Museum on this site](#)



American Swedish Historical Museum

The American Swedish Historical Museum in Philadelphia is the oldest Swedish Museum in the United States. Founded in 1926, the Museum has been dedicated to preserving and promoting Swedish and Swedish-American cultural heritage and traditions for more than 80 years.

The archival collections of the American Swedish Historical Museum are comprised of materials relating to Swedish and Swedish-American culture and history. These materials include papers of prominent individuals, such as Jenny Lind and John Ericsson, as well as of community organizations. The archival collections comprise 79 linear feet of materials and span from 1702 to 1994.

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WISSAHICKON VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY [Contact Us]
Amchem Products, Inc. records 1925-1986
Creator: Amchem Products, Inc.
Extent: 7.5 linear feet
James Harvey Gravell started the American Chemical Paint Company in 1914 and moved the factory to Ambler, Pennsylvania soon after. He was an engineer, innovator, and philanthropist who made national headlines for paying off all his employees' debts and mortgages for Christmas in 1936. After Gravell's death, his company was renamed Amchem Products, Inc., and was acquired by Henkel in 1980. Amchem Products, Inc. records, 1925-1986, consist of administrative records, photographs, and company publications.

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY [Contact Us]
Black Horse Inn Advisory Committee records 1988-2012
Creator: Springfield (Montgomery County, Pa. : Township). Black Horse Inn Advisory Committee.
Extent: 2 linear feet
The Black Horse Inn was an early rural inn located in Springfield Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. The inn is believed to have been built in the 18th century. The Black Horse Inn Advisory Committee was established to save and restore the building. The Black Horse Inn Advisory Committee records, 1988-2012, are comprised of reports, correspondence, and other documents relating to the history and restoration of the inn.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF FORT WASHINGTON [Contact Us]
Bodenstein family scrapbooks circa 1906-1924
Creator: Bodenstein family.
Extent: 0.3 linear feet
The Bodenstein family were residents of the Fort Washington, Pennsylvania area. The Bodenstein family scrapbooks, circa 1906-1924, are comprised of two family photograph scrapbooks.

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Bodenstein family scrapbooks

CIRCA 1906-1924, 0.3 LINEAR FEET

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This is a finding aid. It is a description of archival material held at the Historical Society of Fort Washington. Unless otherwise noted, the materials described below are physically available in our reading room, and not digitally available through the web.

▼ SUMMARY INFORMATION

Repository: Historical Society of Fort Washington

Creator: Bodenstein family

Title: Bodenstein family scrapbooks

Date: circa 1906-1924

Call Number: 05

Extent: 0.3 Linear feet

General Physical Description note: 2 volumes

Language: English

Abstract: The Bodenstein family were residents of the Fort Washington, Pennsylvania area. The Bodenstein family scrapbooks, circa 1906-1924, are comprised of two family photograph scrapbooks.

Finding Aid's Permanent URL: http://hdl.library.upenn.edu/1017/d/pacscl/HSP_HSF05

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The Bodenstein family were prominent land and business owners of the Philadelphia and Fort Washington areas. George Bodenstein (1859-1923), the patriarch of the family, built a furniture manufacturing company that became highly successful and allowed the family to purchase a large amount of land in Fort Washington, Pennsylvania. The family remained in the area through several generations.

Bibliography:

Keen, Lewis and Trudy. *A Brief History of Fort Washington, Pennsylvania: From Farmland to Suburb*. Charleston, SC: History Press, 2006.

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This collection is comprised of two family scrapbooks. They contain mostly copies of photographs as well as some originals; nearly all are captioned and identified. In addition, there are several typed family histories and one obituary in this collection.

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Samuel W. Pennypacker family papers  1821-1980
(Bulk: 1860-1916)

Creator: Pennypacker family
Extent: 100 cubic feet

Samuel Whitaker Pennypacker (1843-1916) served as governor of Pennsylvania from 1903-1907. A prominent Philadelphia lawyer, judge, and president of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania from 1900 to 1916, Pennypacker also authored more than ninety books and publications. The Samuel W. Pennypacker family papers at Pennypacker Mills, 1821-1980, is a well documented collection that reflects the interests of Samuel W. Pennypacker, his term as governor of Pennsylvania, the construction of the State Capitol, Pennsylvania history, family history, and Pennsylvania German culture. Pennypacker's papers include more than 25,000 letters received by Pennypacker, copybooks containing more than 13,000 letters he wrote, his notes and writings on his family genealogy, and documents Samuel collected for autographs, including more than 300 deeds of eastern Pennsylvania dating from 1682 to 1915. The collection also contains more than 1700 photographs of the family and places they visited, as well as postcard images of local sites in the Perkiomen region. There are also some materials created or collected by descendants of Samuel W. Pennypacker.

GLEN FOERD ON THE DELAWARE [\[Contact Us\]](#)

Foerderer and Tonner family papers  circa 1870-1970

Creator: Foerderer family
Tonner family
Extent: 18.5 linear feet ((12 records cartons of materials are partially processed))

The Foerderer family was prominent in the Philadelphia area and well known for their self-named leather manufacturing and tanning business. The family resided at Glen Foerd beginning in 1893 after purchasing it from the Macalester family. A large portion of the records in the Foerderer and Tonner family papers, circa 1870-1970, are financial in nature and range from 1896 to 1946. There is also a span of subject files which include primarily correspondence and receipts pertaining to the maintenance of the estate. A highlight of this collection are papers of Florence Tonner, who was an avid art collector.

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Samuel Pennypacker Papers

Samuel W. Pennypacker family papers

1821-1980 [bulk 1860-1916], 100 cubic feet

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PennypackerMills@montcopa.org

Samuel W. Pennypacker family papers

Summary Information

Repository	Pennypacker Mills
Creator	Pennypacker family
Title	Samuel W. Pennypacker family papers
Date [bulk]	Bulk, 1860-1916
Date [inclusive]	1821-1980
Extent	100.0 Cubic feet
Location Note	The bulk of the collection (66 linear feet) located in room 3-1. Some materials are located in room 3-3, or are on display throughout the house.
Language	English

Language of Materials Note Most materials are in English, with some in German.

Abstract Samuel Whitaker Pennypacker (1843-1916) served as governor of Pennsylvania from 1903-1907. A prominent Philadelphia lawyer, judge, and president of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania from 1900 to 1916, Pennypacker also authored more than fifty books and publications. The Samuel W. Pennypacker family papers at Pennypacker Mills, 1821-1980, is a well documented collection that reflects the interests of Samuel W. Pennypacker, his term as governor of Pennsylvania, the construction of the State Capitol, Pennsylvania history, family history, and Pennsylvania German culture. Pennypacker's papers include more than 25,000 letters received by Pennypacker, copybooks containing more than 13,000 letters he wrote, his notes and writings on his family genealogy, and documents Samuel collected for autographs, including more than 300 deeds of eastern Pennsylvania dating from 1682 to 1915. The collection also contains

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Samuel Pennypacker Papers

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Biographical/Historical Note

Samuel W. Pennypacker was born in Phoenixville, Pennsylvania in 1843. He descended from Hendrick Pennypacker, a Dutchman who worked as a surveyor for William Penn. His grandfather, Matthias Pennypacker, was a member of the General Assembly who helped write the state constitution in 1837; he was also president of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad. Samuel's mother, Anna Maria Whitaker, came from a family that owned a local ironworks. His father, Isaac Pennypacker, was the first Burgess of Phoenixville and held a professorship at the Philadelphia Medical College.

Isaac Pennypacker died while Samuel was still a boy, and the family moved in with his maternal grandfather, Joseph Whitaker. Samuel prepared for Yale University, but Whitaker refused to pay tuition until the boy had proven himself in the workforce. In 1863 Samuel enlisted in Company F of Pottstown, 26th Pennsylvania Emergency Regiment, which was the first force to meet the rebels at Gettysburg. Afterward, Whitaker was satisfied, and arranged for Samuel to study law at the University of Pennsylvania. He earned his bachelor of laws degree in 1866 and established his own law practice. By the end of the decade he received a doctor of laws from Franklin and Marshall College.

Pennypacker served on the Philadelphia Board of Education and was appointed judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia. He became president of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania in 1900 and wrote extensively on early local and state history, English common law, the Supreme Court, genealogical topics, and several historical figures. In 1902 Pennypacker was elected governor of Pennsylvania with the support of veterans, agricultural interests, former governor and Civil War hero James Beaver, and President Theodore Roosevelt.

As governor of Pennsylvania from 1903 to 1907, Pennypacker signed legislation creating the Pennsylvania State Archives and the State Museum of Pennsylvania; he established Departments of Health, Highways, Mines, and Fisheries; he created the first statewide police force in 1905, whose integrity and efficiency earned acclaim from President Roosevelt and made it a model for other states. Pennypacker supported the Child Labor Act of 1905, which set a minimum age for factory and mine work and outlawed most night work. In 1906, Governor Pennypacker dedicated Pennsylvania's new Capitol building.

Pennypacker Mills, originally built around 1720, was purchased in 1747 by Peter Pennebacker. During the American Revolutionary War, George Washington used the Mills in 1777 as a headquarters prior to the Battle of Germantown, and also as a field hospital for injured soldiers after the battle. Samuel Pennypacker made the Mills his summer home in the early 1900s, and died there in 1916. The house continued to be occupied by his wife, Virginia Earle Broomall Pennypacker (1845-1922), and their children, Josephine Whitaker Pennypacker (1872-1962), Elias Broomall Pennypacker (1874-1962), Anna Maria Whitaker Pennypacker (1876-1952), and Bevan Aubrey Pennypacker (1881-1954). The last Pennypacker to live in the Mills before it became public property was Bevan Pennypacker's son, Samuel Pennypacker Jr. Samuel Pennypacker Jr. was interested in archaeology and anthropology and studied with Franz Boas.

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Scope and Content Note

A large segment of the Pennypacker family papers is comprised of letters received by Samuel W. Pennypacker and his wife, children, grandson, and parents, and date from 1821-1900. The majority of this correspondence is to Samuel Pennypacker between 1860-1916 and includes: letters dating from his time as a soldier in 1863, personal letters from family and friends, business letters to his law practice, letters tracing his genealogy, correspondence with various associations of which he was a member, correspondence from his term as governor of Pennsylvania (1903-1907), and correspondence about his remodeling and landscaping of Pennypacker Mills. There are also 13 copy books of letters written by Samuel W. Pennypacker (1872-1916).

The Pennypacker family papers also contain financial and estate records of various Pennypacker family members; certificates, diplomas, and association memberships; and manuscripts of speeches by Samuel Pennypacker for campaign stops and dedications. Samuel Pennypacker was an enthusiastic scrapbooker, and created many over the course of his lifetime. Most of the scrapbooks in this collection are newspaper clippings scrapbooks, usually articles about Samuel Pennypacker's political career, but there are also some Victorian-style memorabilia scrapbooks.

Samuel Pennypacker was a historian, and he was interested in his own genealogy as well as American history. He collected journals, diaries, and letters from his ancestors, and kept voluminous notes about his genealogical research. Pennypacker also collected miscellaneous papers such as deeds, 17th to 19th century, signed by historical figures.

The Pennypacker family papers contains approximately 2000 photographs, circa 1850-1960. Most are individual portraits of family members and friends, images of the property, and travel photographs. Many photographic techniques are represented in this collection, from daguerreotypes and ambrotypes to silver gelatin and albumen prints. There are several photograph albums and many stereoscopic prints. Of special interest is an album depicting the dedication of the Pennsylvania Capitol, and featuring Theodore Roosevelt. Another interesting album documents an archeological dig funded by Samuel Pennypacker Jr. in 1934.

The remainder of the collection is comprised of newspapers, including the *Public Ledger*, *Daily Pottstown Ledger*, *Philadelphia Gazette*, and *Evening Times*, 1847-1975; posters; campaign ephemera; and printed pamphlets, 1869-1952.

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