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Descriptive Summary

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Title: Dare stones collection, 1937-1987
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Abstract: The collection consists of articles, clippings, correspondence, legal documents, a typescript of A Witness for Eleanor Dare by Robert W. White, and other items relating to Emory University's involvement in the controversy over the authenticity of the Dare stones, inscribed stones attributed to Eleanor White Dare and other members of the Roanoke Colony.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

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Administrative History
In the late 1930s and early 1940s a controversy arose among scholars and in the national media over the authenticity of 48 stones, found in Northern Georgia and the Carolinas, said to have been inscribed by Eleanor Dare, Virginia Dare, and other members of the Roanoke Colony. Emory University History faculty members, particularly Haywood J. Pearce, became involved in the investigation of the stones and at least one stone was temporarily loaned to the University. The stones are currently held by Brenau University in Gainesville, Ga., and have been largely written off as a hoax.

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