

MACKAY, EDWARD GEORGE, 1874-1935.

Edward George Mackay family papers, 1861-1957

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Title:	Edward George Mackay family papers, 1861-1957
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Abstract:	Papers of the Edward George Mackay family, including correspondence, printed material, genealogical information, photographs, clippings, and writings.
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Collection Description**Biographical Note**

The Mackay family originated in County Monaghan, Ireland. John Mackay (1833-1897) and Isabella Armstrong Mackay (1838-1917) had nine children: Mary Jane Mackay (1863-1875), Alice Mackay (1865-1926), Isabella Mackay (1866-1931), Susan Emily Mackay (1868-1875), Elizabeth Louisa Mackay (1870-1922), William Robert Mackay (1874-1935), John Mackay (1877-1903), James Alexander Mackay (1882-?), and Edward George Mackay (1885-1956). William Robert Mackay immigrated to the United States in 1893 and his brother Edward George Mackay followed in 1904, both settling in Georgia. In 1911, Edward George Mackay married Beulah Mason (1888-1989), the daughter of George L. Mason and Emma Keeler Mason, long-time missionaries in China. Emma Keeler Mason, the daughter of Ransom Noble Keeler and Mary Curtiss Keeler had two sisters, Lucy Keeler Neff and Orrell Keeler Mason. Orrell Keeler Mason (1845-1887), was a Baptist missionary in Assam.

Scope and Content Note

The Edward George Mackay family papers contain correspondence, printed material, genealogical information, photographs, clippings, and writings related to the Mackay, Mason, and Keeler families from 1861-1957. The collection includes the papers of William Robert Mackay, missionary Orrell Keeler Mason, and the papers of the Edward George and Beulah Mason Mackay family of Atlanta, Georgia.

Of particular interest, the Edward George and Beulah Mason Mackay papers include correspondence to and from their four sons who served in World War II. Donald Mackay's correspondence (1939-1952) documents his experiences as a Navy Chaplain assigned to the 7th Fleet with the Commander of Motor Torpedo Squadrons stationed in New Guinea, Borneo, the Moluccas and the Phillipine Islands. Edward Mackay's letters (1939-1952) discuss his service as a flight instructor early in the war for RAF pilots and later when he was accepted by the Air Transport Command and was stationed in Assam where he flew night flights over the Himalayas into China. The letters (1940-1952) from Jamie Mackay reflect his training at Coast Guard stations in Florida; his service on the Destroyer Escort Menges; and his experiences at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut. Leland Mackay's letters (1942-1948) document his experiences at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut, his service in the Coast Guard stationed in the Pacific Theater working with submarines, and in 1945 when stationed in Long Beach, California.

Arrangement Note

Organized into three series: (1) William Robert Mackay papers, (2) Orrell Keeler Mason papers, (3) Edward George and Beulah Mason Mackay family papers, and (4) Unprocessed Additions.

Description of Series

Series 1: William Robert Mackay papers, 1896-1935

Series 2: Orrell Keeler Mason papers, 1866-1889

Series 3: Edward George and Beulah Mason Mackay family papers, 1875-1956

Subseries 3.1: Outgoing correspondence, 1911-1956

Subseries 3.2: Home Front Post Office (HFPO) correspondence, 1944-1946

Subseries 3.3: Incoming correspondence, 1908-1952

Subseries 3.4: Photographs

Subseries 3.5: Writings by or about

Subseries 3.6: Ephemera

Series 4: Unprocessed additions, 1861-1957

Series 1
William Robert Mackay papers, 1896-1935
Boxes 1 - 2

Scope and Content Note

The William Robert Mackay papers consist of manuscript notebooks, family photographs, correspondence, naturalization and genealogical papers, minted items, clippings, and memorabilia.

Arrangement Note

Arranged by record type.

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Correspondence, 1896-1925 (11 items)
1	2	Correspondence, 1933-1935 (6 items)
1	3	Legal documents: Oath of intention (1899) and Naturalization (1906)
1	4	Notebook: Accounts, 1887-1888
1	5	Notebook: John Mackay, Belfast (1900)
1	6	Notebook: Autobiographic essay, clippings
1	7	Notebook: Poems, notes, calls to workshop (1933)
1	8	Photographs: William Robert Mackay (5 items)
1	9	Photographs: William Robert Mackay, Methodist Church groups (4 items)
1	10	Alice Farmer Mackay
1	11	Alice Farmer Mackay with family (2 items)
1	12	Other family members (19 items including photo button)
1	13	Miscellaneous: Manuscript, typescript, and printed items (6 items)
1	14	Printed material
1	15	Miscellany
1	16	Genealogical information
1	17	Writings: "The Neurologist looks at Discipline," Roland P. Mackay, June 13, 1947
2	1-21	Memorabilia: Includes pocket watches (2), arrowheads (3), reading glasses, change purse, and tools in a metal box.

Series 2**Orrell Keeler Mason papers, 1866-1889****Box 3****Scope and Content Note**

The papers consist mainly of correspondence to and from Orrell Keeler Mason from 1866-1889. The correspondence from Orrell is mainly to her sisters, Lucy Keeler Neff and Emma Keeler Mason. During her brief time home, she received letters from fellow missionary Jessie Moore in Assam. The papers also include photographs, writings in Assamese, a paper entitled "Women of Assam" written by Orrell, a biographical publication (1889) by the Woman's Baptist Missionary Society about Orrell Keeler Mason, and some misc. materials.

Arrangement Note

Arranged by record type.

Box	Folder	Content
3	1	Correspondence, 1866-1882
3	2	Correspondence, 1883
3	3	Correspondence, 1884-1887
3	4	Misc. materials
3	5	Photographs
3	6	Printed material: "Mrs. Orrell Keeler Mason, Missionary to Assam," Woman's Baptist Missionary Society, 1889 [with photo of Orrell pasted in front cover]
3	7	Writings in Assamese
3	8	Writings by Orrell Keeler Mason: "Women of Assam"

Series 3

Edward George and Beulah Mason Mackay family papers, 1875-1956

Boxes 4 - 14

Scope and Content Note

The papers consist mostly of correspondence to and from Edward George and Beulah Mackay from 1875-1956. The outgoing correspondence (1911-1956, bulk 1941-1945) consists mostly of carbon copies of letters from Edward George and Beulah Mackay to their children discussing news of the home front in Atlanta, the activities of Reverend Mackay in the Methodist Church, and news about other family members. In addition, Reverend Mackay created the Home Front Post Office (1944-1946) copying selected letters from each of the boys and distributing them to the family. In this way, the family was able to keep in touch with each other during the war. The outgoing correspondence also contains original letters (1940-1947) written by Edward George and Beulah Mackay to their daughter Betty.

The incoming correspondence consists mainly of letters from each of the Mackay brothers during World War II. It also includes letters (1908-1949) to Edward George Mackay from Lynn Branham of Oxford, Georgia, in whose family home Edward boarded while at school at Emory College. They became lifelong friends and correspondents - Branham often writing about daily life and social news in the Oxford area. Donald Mackay's correspondence (1939-1952) documents his experiences at Duke University where he received his Divinity Degree before joining the Navy as a Chaplain, his assignment to the 7th Fleet with the Commander of Motor Torpedo Squadrons stationed in New Guinea, Borneo, the Moluccas and the Phillipine Islands. Edward Mackay's letters (1939-1952) discuss his service as a flight instructor early in the war for RAF pilots and later when he was accepted by the Air Transport Command and was stationed in Assam where he flew night flights over the Himalayas into China. The letters (1940-1952) from Jamie Mackay reflect his participation in the Northwest Texas Caravan, a Methodist youth crusade (1940); his training at Coast Guard stations in Florida; his service on the Destroyer Escort *Menges*; and his experiences at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut. Leland Mackay's letters (1942-1948) document his experiences at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut, his service in the Coast Guard stationed in the Pacific Theater working with submarines, and in 1945 when stationed in Long Beach, California.

The collection also contains photographs of the Mackay family, mostly those attached to letters received from the Mackay brothers during the war; writings by or about the Mackay family; and Beulah Mason Mackay's WWII five-star mother's pin.

Recent additions consist of the correspondence of Edward George and Beulah Mackay from 1906-1957; Mason family correspondence, 1875-1922; and sermons by Edward George Mackay.

Arrangement Note

Organized into six subseries: (3.1) Outgoing correspondence, (3.2) Home Front Post Office, (3.3) Incoming correspondence, (3.4) Photographs, (3.5) Writings by and about, and (3.6) Ephemera.

Subseries 3.1
Outgoing correspondence, 1911-1956
Boxes 4 - 7a

Carbon copies [Use copies]

Box	Folder	Content
6	1	Correspondence to Mr. and Mrs. George L. Mason, 1911 [Photocopy of originals]
6	2	Correspondence to Mr. and Mrs. George L. Mason, 1911 [Transcripts by Betty Asbury]
6	3	Correspondence to Beulah, 1938-1954
6	4	Correspondence to multiple children, 1944-1945
6	5	Correspondence to Betty, 1938-1949 [See also Box 7 (Folders 9-11) and Box 7a (Folders 1-5)]
6	6	Correspondence to Donald, 1941
6	7	Correspondence to Donald, 1942
6	8	Correspondence to Donald, 1943
6	9	Correspondence to Donald, 1944
6	10	Correspondence to Donald, 1945
6	11	Correspondence to Donald, 1946-1949
6	12	Correspondence to Donald, 1950-1956
6	13	Correspondence to Ed, 1932-1933; 1942
6	14	Correspondence to Ed, 1943
6	15	Correspondence to Ed, 1944
6	16	Correspondence to Ed, 1945
7	1	Correspondence to Ed, 1946-1955
7	2	Correspondence to Jamie, 1941-1942
7	3	Correspondence to Jamie, 1943-1945
7	4	Correspondence to Leland, 1942-1943
7	5	Correspondence to Leland, 1944
7	6	Correspondence to Leland, 1945
7	7	Correspondence to Leland, 1948-1956
7	8	Correspondence to Others, 1932-1956

Original correspondence

7	9	Correspondence to Betty, 1940-1943
7	10	Correspondence to Betty, 1944
7	11	Correspondence to Betty, February - September 1945
7a	1	Correspondence to Betty, October - December 1945
7a	2	Correspondence to Betty, January - March 1946
7a	3	Correspondence to Betty, April - June 1946

- 7a 4 Correspondence to Betty, July - December 1946
- 7a 5 Correspondence to Betty, January - December 1947

Subseries 3.2**Home Front Post Office (HFPO) correspondence, 1944-1946****Box 7a**

Box	Folder	Content
7a	6	Donald Mackay, 1944-1946
7a	7	Ed Mackay, 1944-1945
7a	8	Jamie Mackay, 1944-1945
7a	9	Leland Mackay, 1944
7a	10	Others, 1944

Subseries 3.3
Incoming correspondence, 1908-1952
Boxes 8 - 13

Lynn Branham

Box	Folder	Content
8	1	1908-1909
8	2	January-July 1910
8	3	August-October 1910
8	4	November-December 1910
8	5	January-March 1911
8	6	April-June 1911
8	7	July-November 1911
8	8	1912
8	9	1913-1914
8	10	1915-1928
8	11	1933-1949
8	12	Edward Mackay to Lynn Branham, 1910-1911

Donald Mackay

9	1	1939
9	2	1940
9	3	1941
9	4	1942
9	5	January-May 1943
9	6	June-December 1943
9	7	January-March 1944
9	8	April-June 1944
10	1	July-August 1944
10	2	September-October 1944
10	3	November-December 1944
10	4	January-March 1945
10	5	April-July 1945
10	6	August-October 1945
10	7	November-December 1945
10	8	January-April 1946
10	9	May-December 1946
10	10	1947-1948; 1952

Edward Mackay

11	1	1935-1942
11	2	1943-March 1944
11	3	April-November 1944
11	4	December 1944-1945
11	5	1946-1952

Jamie Mackay

12	1	1938, 1940
12	2	1941
12	3	1942
12	4	1943 January-July
12	5	1943 August-December
12	6	January-June 1944
12	7	July-November 1944
12	8	December 1944
12	9	1945
12	10	1952

Leland Mackay

13	1	1942
13	2	January-April 1943
13	3	May-September 1943
13	4	October-December 1943
13	5	January-April 1944
13	6	May-August 1944
13	7	September-December 1944
13	8	January-April 1945
13	9	May-October 1945
13	10	1946-1948

Others

13	11	1912-1944
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Subseries 3.4
Photographs
Box 14

Box	Folder	Content
14	1	Edward George Mackay, undated
14	2	Edward George and Beulah Mackay, 1911 [Honeymoon]
14	3	Edward George and Beulah Mackay and family, ca. 1941 [Negative N45-691-1412]
14	4	Donald Mackay, Duke University, May 1, 1943 [college portrait]
14	5	Donald Mackay, ca. 1940s [in uniform]
14	6	Donald Mackay, ca. 1940s [reflection in crystal ball]
14	7	Edward Mackay, 1945-1946
14	8	Jamie Mackay, 1940 [Youth Crusade]
14	9	Jamie Mackay, 1940 [Youth Crusade]
14	10	Jamie Mackay, 1940 [Youth Crusade]
14	11	Jamie Mackay, 1940 [Youth Crusade]
14	12	Jamie Mackay, ca. 1942 [in uniform]
14	13	Mary Caroline Mackay, wife of Jamie Mackay, 1942
14	14	Jamie and Mary Caroline Mackay, June 1943
14	15	Jamie Mackay, 1944 [4 photographs]
14	16	Jamie Mackay, 1945 [3 photographs]
14	17	Jamie Mackay, 1945 [7 photographs]
14	18	Leland Mackay, 1943 [5 photographs]
14	19	Leland Mackay, 1944 [6 photographs]
14	20	Roland P. Mackay, Jake Ward, Boisfeuillet Jones, Walt Davis, Emory President G.C. White, Brad Ansley at Mackay Cottage, St. Andrews, FL, ca. 1950s

Subseries 3.5
Writings by or about
Box 14

Box	Folder	Content
14	21	Mackay, Beulah Mason, "Random Verses," August 21, 1978
14	22	Mackay, Edward George, Emory graduation program (1910) and D.V.S. Senior Society Announces Elections," broadside (1909)
14	23	Mason, Emma Keeler, "Early Days in the Huchow Baptist Mission," March 1, 1918 [original]
14	24	Mason, Emma Keeler, "Early Days in the Huchow Baptist Mission," March 1, 1918 [typescript]
14	25	Mason, Emma Keeler, Memior of Keeler family, n.d.
14	26	Keeler House, History of [Deleware Co., Ohio], with newspaper clipping "Hallowed Homestead, Keeler House is Over 25 Years Old," by Eleanor Morehead

Subseries 3.6

Ephemera

Box 14

Box	Folder	Content
14	27	Beulah Mason Mackay, WWII five-star mother's pin

Series 4
Unprocessed additions, 1861-1957
Boxes 15-21

Edward George and Beulah Mackay correspondence

Box	Folder	Content
15	1	1906-1909
15	2	1910
15	3	1911 January-June
15	4	1911 July-December
15	5	1912 January-June
15	6	1912 July-December
15	7	1913
15	8	1914
16	1	1915
16	2	1916-1918
16	3	1919
16	4	1920
16	5	1922
16	6	1923
16	7	1925-1926
16	8	1927-1930
16	9	1933
16	10	1935-1937
16	11	1944
16	12	1953-1955
17	1	1956, Get well cards
17	2	1956, A-D: Sympathy letters
17	3	1956, E-G: Sympathy letters
17	4	1956, H-M: Sympathy letters
17	5	1956, N-S: Sympathy letters
17	6	1956, T-Z: Sympathy letters
17	7	1956: Sympathy telegrams
17	8	1956: Sympathy cards and telegrams to Betty Asbury
18	1	1956: Sympathy cards
18	2	1956: Sympathy cards
18	3	1956: Sympathy cards
18	4	1957

Writings-Beulah Mason Mackay

18 5 Poems, 'Evicted' and 'Desecration'

Writings-Edward G. Mackay

18 6 'The Boyhood Home of Adam Clarke,' Christian Advocate, August 18, 1914
 18 7 'The New Ireland,' The Methodist Quarterly Review, Vol. LXXI, No. 2, April
 1922
 18 8 'Our heritage,' typescript
 18 9 Editorials for Wesleyan Christian Advocate, 5 typescripts
 18 10 Poems, typescripts
 19 11 Poems collected by EGM in small notebook
 18 12 Sermon notes and poems, holograph
 18 13 Thesis, 'Internationalism and the League of Nations,' 1923

Other family papers

18 14 Appointment book, Edward G. Mackay, 1956
 18 15 Ephemera
 18 16 Funeral book, Edward G. Mackay, 1956
 19 1 Funeral clippings, Edward G. Mackay, 1956
 19 2 Genealogy
 19 3 Genealogy notebook [contains legal documents]
 19 4 [Methodist Church] ministers, Statement regarding their support of the right for
 blacks to vote in the Georgia Democratic White Primary Election, ca. June
 1945
 19 5 Newspapers clippings # Mackay family [includes obituaries]
 19 6 Passport, Edward G. Mackay, 1951
 19 7 Passport, Elizabeth Louise Mackay, 1919
 19 8 Postcards, various family members, 1904-1913
 19 9 Printed material: The Reay Fencibles, or Lord Reay's Highlanders, by John
 Mackay, Hereford, 1890
 19 10 Printed material: Edward G. Mackay
 19 11 Printed material: Church or Ireland

Mason family

20 1 Correspondence, 1875-1877
 20 2 Correspondence, 1883-1889
 20 3 Correspondence, 1890-1898
 20 4 Correspondence, 1902-1904
 20 5 Correspondence, 1905
 20 6 Correspondence, 1906 January-September
 20 7 Correspondence, 1906 October-December
 20 8 Correspondence, 1908

- 20 9 Correspondence, 1909
- 21 1 Correspondence, 1910
- 21 2 Correspondence, 1911
- 21 3 Correspondence, 1912-1922
- 21 4 Document, Engagement document, 1901 [in Chinese with brief translation]
- 21 5 Genealogy, Mason, Curtis, and Keeler families, Grantor and grantee index to deeds, Delaware County, Ohio, 1800-1899 [photocopies]
- 21 6 Photograph: George L. Mason and Mission Home in Huchow [photocopy]
- 21 7 Printed: Emma Keeler Mason: 'Notes from Shao-Hing,' Women's Work in China, November 1885 [photocopy]
- 21 8 Printed: George L. Mason, articles in The Eastern China Greetings, 1894-1898 [photocopy]
- 21 9 Printed: Program of the Chekiang Baptist Conference, Huchow, March 9-11, [1895?] [in Chinese with translation]
- 21 10 Printed: Program of the Chekiang Baptist Conference, Huchow, April 10-14, 1897
- 21 11 Writings: George L. Mason, autobiography

Edward George Mackay

- 21 12 Biographical sketch
- 21 13 Printed: Glenn Memorial Methodist Church program, March 14, 1946
- 21 14 Radio broadcasts, 1934, 1937
- 21 15 Radio broadcasts, 1939 February-April
- 21 16 Radio broadcasts, 1939 October-December
- 21 17 Radio broadcasts, 1940-1942
- 21 18 Sermons, 1939-1946
- 21 19 Sermons, n.d.

Others

- 21 20 Correspondence: Keeler, Bradley E., Ohio Wesleyan University, November 4, [1861]
- 21 21 Writings: 'On Speaking and Writing,' author unknown

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- 22 - Mackay family correspondence, 1915-1950s
- 23 - Mackay family correspondence, 1960s-1970s
- 23 - Condolence letters for W. R. Mackay's death, 1935
- 23 - Beulah Mason Mackay, correspondence to Emma Keeler Mason, 1912-1930
- 23 - Beulah Mason Mackay, 90th Birthday cards, recordings and tributes
- 24 - Beulah Mason Mackay, correspondence from her friends
- 24 - Beulah Mason Mackay and Edward Mackay, correspondence to, 1911-1914

- 24 - Beulah Mason Mackay, writings
 - 24 - Beulah Mason Mackay, missionary magazines
 - 25 - Beulah Mason Mackay, scrapbooks, including Mother of the Year Nomination, Wesley Woods guest log and vesper records
 - 26 - Mary Bacon Mason, correspondence to her sister and mother, 1912-1948
[includes photographs]
 - 26 - Mary Bacon Mason, Printed material, writings and music
 - 26 - Pansy Curtis Mason, correspondence, journals, and notebooks, 1888-1895
 - 26 - Pansy Curtis Mason, correspondence, after 1912
 - 27 - Beulah Mae Strelkov material [includes Surtees scrapbooks]
 - 28 - Irish genealogy material, photocopies of legal documents, carbons of EGM to family members; material regarding Mackay Clan; correspondence from cousins; material concerning trip to Ireland, 1980
 - 29 Pansy Curtis Mason scrapbooks, 2-7
 - 30 Diaries of B. Mason, 1907-1912; Diary of G.L. Mason, 1878-1879; Book of Quotations, Mary Mason, 1904; Beulah Mason Mackay, Kenilworth, 1909; Edward Mackay scrapbook, Caribbean cruise, 1939
 - 31 - Unsorted
 - 32 - Unsorted
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