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Collection Title: J.G. Deering II Collection

Series 1. Personal Papers [1932-1960]

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1 1 Subseries 1A. Frank Cutter Deering Correspondences [1932-1937]

- Item 1. Letter dated January 19, 1932. From: Frank C. Deering, To: Adelaide Haley. Explaining his knowledge of some of the history of the homes around the area.
- Item 2. Letter dated August 8, 1934. From: Irving F. Clark, To: Mr. Deering apologizing for not sending the right map to Mr. Deering. Expresses the happiness that he finds in collecting.
- Item 3. Letter dated January 18, 1937. From Riverside, California. From H.G. Chase.
- Item 4. Letter dated March 7, 1937. From: Eugenia "Deering" Lawrence Ray. Interested in finding out more information about genealogy, and wrote a letter expressing all the information she knew about the family name.
- Item 5. Personal letter from Supreme Judicial Court, Mr. Whitehouse to Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Deering dated April 9, 1912.

1 2 Subseries 1B. Joseph Godfrey Deering Correspondences [1953-1960]

2.1 1953 European Trip

- Item 1. Letter dated March 24, 1953. To: Arline / From J.G.D Explaining his trip through Italy (Sicily).
- Item 2. Letter dated April 5, 1953 -- Hotel Goldener Hirsch – Salzburg, Austria. Recaps the trip through Italy and Austria
- Item 3. Letter dated April 22, 1953 -- Hotel Frankfurter Hof – Frankfurt. Explains the lives of US citizens living there and about his trip through Austria and Germany.
- Item 4. Letter dated April 30, 1953. Explains his trip in Amsterdam (beautiful, cheap city)
- Item 5. Letter dated May 10, 1953 – Rossley Manor. Recaps trip to England. Learns about his ancestors
- Item 6. Letter dated May 21, 1953 – 16 Bedford Gardens, London. Explains how great London was

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- Item 7. Letter dated June 5, 1953 – Paris, France. "The Queen and I," watched a parade and saw the Queen.
- Item 8. Letter dated June 19, 1953 – Paris, France. Explains his view of Americans (as seen around the world)

2.2 1956 European Trip

- *Item 1. Letter dated April 1, 1956. On a cruise , Explains stops in Italy and Spain*
- *Item 2. Letter dated April 12, 1956. Explains Italy in detail*
- *Item 3. Letter dated April 25, 1956 -- Point Royal Hotel – Paris. Explains how great of a city Paris is*
- *Item 4. Letter dated May 8, 1956-- Rossley Manor – Cheltenham*

2.3 1960 European Trip

- Item 1. Letter dated March 28, 1960 -- Athens, Greece. Explaining how things are going on the cruise as they enter Greece*
- Item 2. Letter dated April 3, 1960 – Milan, Italy. Just leaving Greece mainland, heading for the islands.*
- *Item 3. Letter dated April 14, 1960. Recap of Venice and Austria*
 - *Item 4. Letter dated April 21, 1960 -- Schloss Castle, Kronberg, Germany. Thoughts and comments about the condition of Europe.*
 - *Item 5. Letter dated May 1, 1960. Baarn, Holland.*
 - *Item 6. Letter dated May 13, 1960. Titled: “The Last Days of the Goddesses” Just about to load the plane to London, explains that he will be home in a week.*

3 Subseries 1C. Personal Journals

- *“Cash book,” personal notes, 1905*
- *Record book with personal notes, vital stats, addresses, 1912*
- *Record book with personal notes, addresses, 1925*

1 4 Subseries 1D. Miscellaneous letters [1927]

Series 2. Legal Documents/Official Letters [1844-1896]

2 5 Legal Documents/Official Letters

- *Item 1. “Quit Claim” Deed from Charles Twambly and his heirs to Mr. Joseph G. Deering I for a plot of land that borders Deering’s property. Dated May 11, 1844.*
- *Item 2. ”Quit-Claim” Deed from Mr. David Fernald, Timothy Washbourne and James M. Deering to Charles Twombly for \$420. Dated May 11, 1844.*

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- *Item 3. Indenture Lease from James M., Joseph G., William H., David and Ezekiel Deering to Homas Heayes and Joseph T. Nye for property in the Deering Block on Main Street, Saco. Dated August 11, 1845.*

- Item 4. Letter dated July 22, 1866 from the State of Maine (Council Chambers) in regards to the appointment of Mayor Authur Deering to the Custom House at Richmond.
- Item 5. "Notice to Quit" property belonging to Frank C. Deering to Thomas Bolieu. Dated June 9., 1892.
- Item 6. "Notice to Quit" property belonging to Frank C. Deering to David Harvey, wife and others. Dates May 29, 1893.
- Item 7 "Notice to Quit" property belonging to Frank C. Deering to Albert H. Bowden. Dated October 28th, 1894.
- Item 8. Handwritten "Notice to Quit" property belonging to Deering Family to Edward Milley. Dated August 17, 1896.
- Record book listing tenants and rental properties

Series 3. Photographs

- 2 6 *Photograph 3.1.1 and 3.1.2 The construction of studio space for Frank C. Deering. Alteration to the Deering home [n.d.]*
Photograph 3.2.1 Two unidentified women standing in front of Deering Home [n.d.]
Photograph 3.3.1 Frank Cutter Deering at his Bayview home [n.d.]
Photograph 3.4.1 Dearwood -- Bayview Home
Photograph 3.5.1 Deering Homestead showing observatory [n.d.]
Photograph 3.6.1 Mrs. Deering's Drawing Room, now the fiction stacks in the Dyer Library
Photograph 3.6.2 Mrs. Deering's Drawing Room, copy 2
Photograph 3.6.3 Mrs. Deering's Drawing Room, copy 3
Photograph 3.7.1 Front room, Deering Home, driveway side, Rt. hand view
Photograph 3.7.2 Front room, copy 2
Photograph 3.7.3 Front room, copy 3

Series 4. Blueprints [1870-1930]

- 3 7 **Subseries 4A. Deering Homstead [1870] Artist Unknown, ink and washes on wove paper**

- 252.2 Rear elevation*
252.3 Side elevation
252.4 Plan of second story
252.5 First floor framing plan

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- 3 7 *252.6 Attic floor plan*
252.7 Second floor framing plan
252.8 Side elevation and underpinning
252.9 Section of main roof and elevation

- 252.10 Framing plan of first and second story
 - 252.11 Elevation of main roof
 - 252.12 Foundation plan/First floor/Second floor
 - 252.13 Sections of roof/Elevation of Roofs
 - 252.14 Front elevation/Side elevation
 - 252.15 Plan of first floor
 - 252.16 Plan of attic
- Also included is a matted drawing of the Front Elevation that was on loan at the Portland Museum of Art from February 7 - May 22, 2004.

3 -- Subseries 4B. Alternations to Deering Homstead for Frank Cutter Deering [1915 & 1930]

- 252.1 Suggested second floor alternations, John Calvin Stevens & John Howard Stevens, Architects, 1915.
- 252.17 Living room toward front hall, J.C. & J.H. Stevens, Architects, 1915.
- 252.18 Observatory, Joseph S. Stickney, Architect, [n.d.]
- 252.19 Living room, J.C. & J.H. Stevens, Architects, 1915
- 252.20 Living room ceiling, [n.d.]
- 252.21 Alterations for Mr. Frank C. Deering, J.S. Stickney, [n.d.]
- 252.24 [outside of house], [n.d.]
- 252.25 Chimney [n.d.]
- 252.26 Exterior window/trim [n.d.]
- 252.27 Living room extension, J.C. & J.H. Stevens, Architects, 1915.
- 252.28 Present second floor [J.C. & J.H. Stevens?], 1915
- 252.29 Door and trim, Voght Co., 12st & Montgomery Ave., Phila, [n.d.]
- 252.30 Alteration of house, J.C. & J.H. Stevens, Architects, 1915.
- 252.31 Observatory, J.S. Stickney, [n.d.]
- 252.32 Plan of heating, J.C. & J.H. Stevens, Architects, 1915.
- 252.33 Full size details showing inclosures[sic] for present radiator and grills in floor and risers, J.S. Stickney, Architect, [n.d.]
- 252.34 Bookcase for Frank C. Deering, Binford & Wadsworth, Architects, 1930
- 252.35 Detail of bay window and ceiling living room, J.C. & J.H. Stevens, Architects, 1915.
- 252.36 Suggested third floor, J.C. & J.H. Stevens, Architects, 1915.
- 252.37 First floor plan, alternations to house, J.C. & J.H. Stevens, Architects, 1915.
- 252.38 Sideboard recess from dining room, J.C. & J.H. Stevens, Architects, 1915
- 252.39 Beamed ceiling [n.d.]

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- 252.40 Elevations in living room, J.C. & J.H. Stevens, Architects, 1915
- 252.41 Elevations in living room, J.C. & J.H. Stevens, Architects, 1915
- 252.42 Beamed ceiling, Binford & Wadsworth, Architects, 1930
- 252.43 Chimney breast, Binford & Wadsworth, Architects, 1930

252.44 Observatory, J.S. Stickney, [n.d.]

3 8 Subseries 4C. Alterations of York National Bank [n.d.]

252.22 Proposed Wrought Iron Grill [n.d.]

252.23 First Floor Plan of York National Bank Building w/alternations [n.d.]

Series 5. J.G. Deering & Son Financial Records [1900-1911]

4 Stock Ledgers

- 1900, Supplementary Ledger "D"
- 1901, Supplementary Ledger "E"
- 1902, Supplementary Ledger "F"

5 Private Ledgers

- 1903, Supplementary Ledger "G"
- 1904, Supplementary Ledger "H"
- 1905, Supplementary Ledger "I"

6 Private Ledgers

- 1906, Supplementary Ledger "J"
- 1907, Supplementary Ledger "K"
- 1908, Supplementary Ledger "L"
- 1909, [Private] Ledger

7 Cash Book

- 1902-1905
- 1905-1907

8 9 Invoices

- 1908-1910

10 Lot Statements [1902-1911]

- Blaisdell Lot
- Clark Tarbox Lot & Lorenzo Tarbox Lot
- Dennett Lot
- Downes Lot, Dr. Walter J.
- Downes Lot, J. & G.

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- Emmons Lot, H.W.
- Libby Lot
- Newall Lot
- Ross Lot

- *Various lot statements*
- *Lot statement adjustment*

8 11 Miscellaneous financial papers

Series 6. Newspaper clippings & Scrapbooks [1886-1892]

- 12 • *Various news clippings*
• *Articles pertaining to proposed horse railroads (J.G. Deering I)*
• *Various articles on latest publications, book reviews (Frank C. Deering)*
• *“Englands’ Laureate Buried: Tennyson Lies in the Poets’ Corner at Westminster.” 10/13/1892*
• *Memorial Services, “Rev. Dr. Pepper Pays Tribute to the Late Joseph T. Graffam” dated unknown (late 1890s?)*
• *“Old Haymarket Theatre: Was opened just 96 years ago this evening.” dated December 26, 1892.*
• *“A Tale of Two Jokes” by Charles B. Lewis. Boston Herald 1897*
• *In the Studious Midst of Books and Science” Frank Cutter Deering of Saco, Me., Collector of Americana, Extra Illustrator of 500 volumes, President of a Bank, Head of an Orphan Asylum, Man of Business” by W. A. Macdonald. Boston Evening Transcript, Sat., December 18, 1926*
- 13 • *J.G. Deering I Financial Ledger dated January 11, 1887 through 1889. He as a scrapbook with various articles, invoices and stats glued onto pages.*

Series 7. Miscellaneous Supporting Document [n.d. - 2003]

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Information about Deering Family

- *Death notice for Frank Chase Deering, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cutter Deering, born February 28, 1906, died April 1, 1906.*
- *Blank check, York National Bank, with 2 cent stamp*
- *Facsimile of notes explaining the history of the Deering family starting with Joseph Godfrey Deering I (born 1816) through his grandson Joseph Godfrey Deering (born 1894)*

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Information about the Deering Homestead on Main Street, Saco

- *Deering House, 371 Main Street, Saco, Historical information*
- *Facsimile of Deering Home, Front Elevation 1870 (used for Exhibit, 12/1/03)*

- *Floor plans : 1st Floor Deering Family Home, 3 copies*
- *Photocopy of Drawing of the Deering house “History of York county, Maine: Illustrations and biographical Sketches of its Prominent Men & Pioneers; 1880 (p.150)*

History of Oliver Dyer

Historical overview of Dyer Library Association/York Institute 1970-1981

Dyer Library Dedication

- *October 19, 1974 with typed speech Joseph G. Deering gave at event.*

Photocopy of blueprint for entrance to York Institute

Georgian Side Table.

- *Photograph of a Georgian Side Table (reproduction) Complete with hand writ ten measurements*

Handwritten notes (3 legal size pages)

- *Notes Discuss dimensions of building, drawings of Deering Home.*
- *Notes #1-31: Random notes about pieces of furniture or artifacts housed in Dyer Library and they may have come from.*

Series 8. Books/Publications [1970

- 8 -- *Marketing Textiles* by Herman D. Ruhm, Jr. New York : Fairchild Publications, c1970. Inscription inside flyleaf, “*To my friend Joe Deering who did not have to read a book to sell anything! Herm Ruhm.*”