COLLECTIONS OF CORRESPONDENCE AND MANUSCRIPT DOCUMENTS

NAME OF COLLECTION: Cora CRANE Safety Deposit Box Papers

SOURCE: Presented by the State of Florida, 2 July 1974

SUBJECT: Cora and Stephen Crane

DATES COVERED: 1886-1910 NUMBER OF ITEMS: ca. 1800

STATUS (check appropriate description)
Cataloged: x Listed: x Arranged: x Not organized: 

CONDITION: (give number of vols., boxed, or shelved)
Bound: ________ For convenience:
Stored: ________

LOCATION (Library Rare Bk & Manuscr CALL NUMBER Ms Coll/Crane, C.
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RESTRICTIONS ON USE: None

DESCRIPTION:
Correspondence, documents and financial records of Cora Howorth Crane, 1868-1910, common-law wife of Stephen Crane. The papers relate almost entirely to the last ten years of Cora Crane's life, dealing largely with the operation of her brothel, The Court, and touching on her last marriage to Hammond P. McNeil and her work on the invention of a new army canteen. Much of the collection consists of bills, receipts, insurance policies, cancelled checks and other fairly routine financial papers; also included is a Harold Frederic manuscript and the last known signature of Stephen Crane.
SEE VERSO FOR LIST OF CORRESPONDENTS AND CONTENTS.

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21 Aug. 1974

Note: These papers comprise the total contents of Cora Crane's abandoned and unclaimed safety deposit box at the Barnett National Bank of Jacksonville, which were turned over to the Abandoned Properties Department of the State of Florida, and then presented to Columbia University.
Box 1:

Catalogued correspondents:
Bowen, Frederick L.
Crane, Cora Howorth
De Friese, Lafayette H.
Marbury, Elisabeth (agent: Ada Wooldridge)

Manuscripts and documents by or about:
Bowen, Frederick L.
Crane, Cora Howorth
Crane, Stephen
Frederic, Harold
Holder, Botholphe
McNeil, Hammond P.

Correspondence - miscellaneous
uncatalogued

Subject file:
Canteen - miscellaneous correspondence
Canteen - miscellaneous documents
The Court - Architect's plans and
building contracts
Crane, Stephen - copies of will and
codicil
Sponge (or Spongie; Cranes' dog) -
Death certificate and related item

Items relating to the presentation of
papers by State of Florida to Columbia

Box 2:

Bills, receipts and notes, 1890-1910

Furniture leases, 1903

Mortgages, deeds, indentures and titles,
1896-1909

Box 3:

Legal and financial documents:
Bank books
Cancelled checks, 1893 - May 1903
Cancelled checks, June 1903 - 1910
Envelopes and miscellaneous items
Legal documents - miscellaneous
Insurance policies, 1901-1906
Insurance policies, 1907-1910

Memorabilia:
Riding stick
Woman's sterling watch on black gross-grain band
Sterling stick-pin engraved "EBW"
Gold (14K wash) ring (no set)

Box 3, continued:

Baroque pearl
Mexican five-centavo piece
Mother of pearl crescent and star pin
Toy binocular charm with photographs
Elk head stud (broken)

Box 4:

Safe deposit box (empty)

Oversize catalogued item:

Passport of Stephen Crane, bearing his
last known signature, 1900