

Tilden, Register & Pepper

A Finding Aid for
Architectural Photographs,
ca. 1905-1959 (bulk ca.1919-1930),
in

The Architectural Archives, University of Pennsylvania

Archival Description

Descriptive Summary

- Title: Architectural Photographs, ca. 1905-1959 (bulk ca. 1919-1930)
- Coll. ID: 066
- Origin: Tilden, Register & Pepper, architects.
- Extent: Photographs 74 photoprints mounted in one volume, 2 unmounted photoprints.
Additional materials 3 folders.
- Repository: The Architectural Archives, University of Pennsylvania
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- Abstract: This collection contains one volume (74 photoprints) and three folders documenting twelve built works by the architectural firm of Tilden, Register & Pepper and its predecessor firm Tilden & Register. In addition, the collection contains two folders of biographical materials related to the life and career of Marmaduke Tilden, Jr.
- Indexes: This collection is included in the Philadelphia Architects and Buildings Project, a searchable database of architectural research materials related to architects and architecture in Philadelphia and surrounding regions:
<http://www.philadelphiabuildings.org>
- Cataloging: Collection-level records for materials in the Architectural Archives may be found in RLIN Eureka, the union catalogue of members of the Research Libraries Group. The record number for this collection is PAUP01-A28.

Biographical/Historical Sketch

Marmaduke Tilden, Jr. (1883-1957) and H. Bartol Register (1886-1956) established the firm Tilden & Register in 1916. In 1925 George Wharton Pepper, Jr. (1895-1949) joined the partnership, forming the firm of Tilden, Register & Pepper. The firm continued to practice until Pepper withdrew to form his own office in 1936.

Scope and Content Note

This collection contains 74 photoprints and three folders of miscellaneous items documenting twelve built works by the architectural firm of Tilden, Register & Pepper and its predecessor firm Tilden & Register. In addition, the collection contains two folders of biographical materials related to the life and career of Marmaduke Tilden, Jr.

A volume of 74 project photographs, ca. 1919-1930, documents many of the firm's major domestic commissions in the Philadelphia region, as well as summer houses in Isleboro, Rockport, and Northeast Harbor, Maine. Houses for Schofield Andrews, Donald D. Dodge, Joseph J. Greenberg, and George Wharton Pepper are particularly well documented. Also documented is the firm's institutional work for the Huntingdon Valley Country Club and the University of Pennsylvania Hospital's Maloney Pavilion. 28 photoprints bear the mark of Samuel H. Gottscho, photographer. This volume was annotated by an unknown person ca. 1950 with names of projects and locations. It should also be noted that names in the annotations may not be those of the original client. For the purposes of organization, the names of the original clients are used in this finding aid. Names of later owners, identified from the annotations, are included as other names.

The collection includes a small amount of biographical material related to Marmaduke Tilden, Jr., through whose family the material came into the Architectural Archives collection. Holdings include: a biographical note (author and date unknown) about Tilden's life and career, including mention of his longtime friendship with Franklin Delano Roosevelt; a photographic portrait of Tilden, ca. 1905; and a small amount of correspondence dated 1925 and 1959 related to the Dodge Residence.

The collection includes no office files or architectural drawings. Nor is there any documentation of the following important projects: U.S. Post Office, Philadelphia; 1616 Walnut Street Building, Philadelphia; or Tilden's work as supervising architect of the Pentagon.

The collection is arranged in two series:

- I. Photographic portfolio of the work of Tilden, Register and Pepper, ca. 1925-1930.
- II. Photographs and Miscellany, 1905-1959.

A full index to projects represented in this collection is found in Appendix A.

Access Points for Indexing (Controlled Vocabulary)

Tilden, Marmaduke, 1883-1957.

Register, H. Bartol, 1886-1956.

Pepper, George Wharton, 1895-1949.

Tilden & Register.

Tilden, Register & Pepper.

Architects--Archives.

Architectural design--History--20th century--Sources.

Architecture, Modern--20th century--United States.

Architecture, Domestic--Philadelphia Region (Pa.)

Architecture, Domestic--Maine.

Philadelphia (Pa.)--Buildings, structures, etc--History--Sources.

Photographs.

Gottscho, Samuel H. (Samuel Herman), 1875-1971, photographer.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on access: This collection is available for research by appointment only.

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Acquisition: Gift of Anne Tilden, 1993.

Processing: The collection was processed and the finding aid prepared by William Whitaker, Emily Cooperman, Laura Stroffolino and Nancy Thorne, with the research assistance of Anne Villermaux. Work was substantially completed in 2001, with additions and corrections in 2003.

Container list

Series I. Photographic portfolio of the work of Tilden, Register and Pepper, ca. 1925-1930.

Extent: 74 photoprints in 1 volume (24½ x 19½ x 2½ inches; 101 leaves).

Arrangement: Arranged by leaf number.

Call#	Descriptive Title
066.1.1-7	Huntingdon Valley Country Club, 7 photoprints.
066.1.8-12	Brinton Residence, 5 photoprints.
066.1.13-26	Andrews (Scull) Residence, 14 photoprints. Photoprints by Gottscho #s 11389-98, 11402, 11407, 11413-14.
066.1.27-34	Greenberg Residence, 8 photoprints.
066.1.35-36	Brinkley Residence, 2 photoprints
066.1.37-38	Pepper Residence, 2 photoprints.
066.1.39	Bell Residence, 1 photoprint.
066.1.40-41	<i>leaves not used.</i>
066.1.42	Bell Residence, 1 photoprint.
066.1.43-52	Dodge Residence, 10 photoprints. Photoprints by Gottscho #s 11316-17, 11323, 11329, 11332, 11356, 11358, 11362, 11368, 11382.
066.1.53-56	Elkins Residence, 4 photoprints. Photoprints by Gottscho #s 11291, 11298, 11304, 11311.
066.1.57	Unidentified Residence, 1 photoprint.
066.1.58-61	University of Pennsylvania, Maloney Clinic, 4 photoprints
066.1.62-73	Andrews Residence, 12 photoprints.
066.1.74-76	Unidentified Residence, 3 photoprints.
066.1.76-101	<i>leaves not used.</i>

Series II. Photographs and Miscellany, ca. 1905-1959.

Extent: 5 folders (2 photoprints, 5 leaves of manuscript material).

Call#	Descriptive Title
066.2	[Pierce] Residence, photo, undated. Notes on verso: Geo. Pie[rce] / Jenkintown, Pa.
066.3	Photographic portrait of Marmaduke Tilden, Jr., ca. 1905.
066.4	Dodge Residence, postcard, G. W. Pepper, Jr. to M. Tilden, Jr., postmarked Aug. [5], 1925. 1 postcard.
066.5	Dodge Residence, letter, Ambrose C. Cramer to Marmaduke Tilden, dated November 20, 1959. 3 sheets.
066.6	Biographical manuscript, "Marmaduke Tilden, Jr.", undated. 1 sheet.

Appendix A

Project Index

Andrews Residence (later Scull Residence); “Driftwood”

Andrews, Schofield

Northeast Harbor, Maine

holdings dates: undated

note/s: Built, after 1928, Tilden, Register & Pepper, architects.

holdings:

[066.1.13-.26] Andrews (Scull) Residence, 14 photoprints.

Andrews Residence (later Dixon Residence)

Andrews, Schofield

9002 Crefeld Street, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

holdings dates: undated

note/s: Built, 1929-30, Tilden, Register & Pepper, architects.

holdings:

[066.1.62-.73] Andrews Residence, 12 photoprints.

Bell Residence

Bell, Samuel, 3rd

8617 Evergreen Avenue and 601 East Evergreen Avenue

"Chestnut Hill", Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania

holdings dates: undated

note/s: Built, 1926-7, Tilden, Register & Pepper, architects. Robert Wheelwright, landscape architect.

Note: published in the 1927 and 1928 T-Squares.

holdings:

[066.1.39] Bell Residence, 1 photoprint.

[066.1.42] Bell Residence, 1 photoprint.

Brinley Residence; “Wild Goose House”

Brinley, Charles E.

Montgomery Avenue and Paper Mill Road, Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania

holdings dates: undated

note/s: Built, ca. 1926-1930, Tilden & Register, architects.

holdings:

[066.1.35-.36] Brinley Residence, 2 photoprints

Brinton Residence

Brinton, J. Y.

2031 Delancey Place, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

holdings dates: undated

note/s: Built, ca. 1925, Tilden & Register, architects. Note: On the Philadelphia Register.

holdings:

[066.1.8-.12] Brinton Residence, 5 photoprints.

Dodge Residence (a.k.a. "Spite House")

Dodge, Donald D.

Deadman's Point, Rockport, Knox County, Maine

holdings dates: undated

note/s: Built, 1806. Moved from Phippsburg to Rockport, 1925. Alterations and additions (wings and hyphens), ca 1926, Tilden, Register & Pepper, architects. Note: National Register, 1974-08-13.

holdings:

[066.1.43-.52] Dodge Residence, 10 photoprints. Note: Photos by Gottscho.

[066.4] Dodge Residence, 1 postcard, G. W. Pepper, Jr. to M. Tilden, Jr., postmarked Aug. [5], 1925.

[066.5] Dodge Residence, 1 letter (3 leaves), Ambrose C. Cramer to Marmaduke Tilden, dated November 20, 1959.

Elkins Residence

Elkins, William M.

Dark Harbor, Isleboro, Maine

holdings dates: undated

note/s: Built, ca. 1919-21, Tilden & Register, architects.

holdings:

[066.1.53-.56] Elkins Residence, 4 photoprints.

Greenberg Residence

Greenberg, Joseph J.

Ashbourne Road and Park Avenue, Elkins Park, Pennsylvania

holdings dates: undated

note/s: Built, ca. 1927-28, Tilden, Register & Pepper, architects. Markley Stevenson, landscape architect. Note: Published in the 1928 T-square.

holdings:

[066.1.27-.34] Greenberg Residence, 8 photoprints.

Huntingdon Valley Country Club

Huntingdon Valley Country Club

2295 Country Club Drive, Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania

holdings dates: undated

note/s: Built, ca. 1927, Tilden, Register & Pepper, architects. Note: published in the 1928 T-Square.

holdings:

[066.1.1-.7] Huntingdon Valley Country Club, 7 photoprints.

Pepper Residence

Pepper, George Wharton

Devon, Pennsylvania

holdings dates: undatednote/s: Built, ca. 1926, Tilden, Register & Pepper, architects. Note: published in the 1928 T-Square.holdings:

[066.1.37-.38] Pepper Residence, 2 photoprints.

Unidentified Residence

Client Name unknown

unlocated

holdings dates: undatednote/s: Builtholdings:

[066.1.74-.76] Unidentified Residence, 3 photoprints.

University of Pennsylvania, Martin Maloney Memorial Pavilion

University of Pennsylvania

3500 block Spruce Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

holdings dates: undatednote/s: Built, 1928-29, Tilden, Register & Pepper, architects.holdings:

[066.1.58-.61] University of Pennsylvania, Maloney Clinic, 4 photoprints