William Winne Papers 1929 - 1982

Quantity:  2 boxes
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Biographic Note:
William Winne was born in Schenectady, New York on May 25, 1913. He graduated from Union College in 1934 with a degree in Modern Languages. He completed one year of graduate work in Economic Botany at Cornell University and received his Master of Science in 1935. He then worked with the Winne and McKain Company, based in Schenectady, in a managerial capacity before beginning his PhD at Cornell in 1939. His studies were interrupted by World War II. After three years of service in the United States military, he completed his degree in 1950. In September 1946, he was hired by Union College as an Assistant Professor of Biology. He retired from his position in 1980.

Scope and Content Note:
The William Winne Papers collection contains diaries, theses, correspondence, and photographs. Majority of the collection is diaries kept by Winne between 1929 and 1982 but there are no diaries dating from 1950 to 1962. These diaries cover a wide range of topics such as travel, social events, daily life, news related to World War II, business and school. In his later diaries, he wrote daily but his early entries were somewhat sporadic. The collection also contains his Master of Science thesis and Doctor of Philosophy thesis as well as a copy of the thesis written by Union alum, Howard Eugene Woodin, which Winne was the advisor. There is also a copy of a Union College Plant Survey that was completed in 1948 by several Union students under Winne’s supervision. The collection contains photographs that belonged to Winne, including a photograh album. Most of the photographs are not labeled, but it is likely that the photographs are of Winne and his family. There is also correspondence with the majority of it being Winne’s correspondence with friend, Leonard Clark but there is also correspondence from Winne’s children and grandchildren.

Box Listing:

Box 1
Diary, January 1, 1929 – December 31, 1934
Diary, January 1, 1935 – December 18, 1935
Diary, February 3, 1936 – July 28, 1937
Diary, August 29, 1937 – April 23, 1942
Diary, August 25, 1938 – October 2, 1938
Diary, October 2, 1938 – October 15, 1938, July 5, 1965 – December 31, 1965
Diary, April 24, 1942 – May 22, 1943
Diary, June 3, 1949 – July 17, 1949 (Trip to Africa)
Diary, May 23, 1945 – September 2, 1945
Diary, September 26 (Friday) – February 14 (Saturday), no year given – Trip Around the World
Diary, January 1, 1963 – December 31, 1963
Diary, January 1, 1964 – October 10, 1964
Diary, January 1, 1966 – December 31, 1966
Diary, January 1, 1967 – December 31, 1967
Diary, January 1, 1968 – December 31, 1968
Diary, January 1, 1969 – December 31, 1969
Diary, January 1, 1970 – December 31, 1970
Diary, January 1, 1971 – December 31, 1971
Diary, January 1, 1972 – December 31, 1972
Diary, January 1, 1973 – December 31, 1973
Diary, January 1, 1974 – December 31, 1974
Diary, January 1, 1975 – December 31, 1975
Diary, January 1, 1976 – December 31, 1976
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Diary, January 1, 1980 – December 31, 1980
Diary, January 1, 1982 – March 9, 1982
Memo Book, 1931

Box 2
Correspondence 1
Correspondence 2
Master of Science Thesis – A Study of the Water Chestnut, Trapa Natans with a view to its Control in the Mohawk River, 1935
Plant Survey of the Union College Campus by Charles Carl, James Cavender, Ted Cavender, John Parillo and Douglas Seholm under the director of William T. Winne, ca. 1956
Doctor of Philosophy Thesis- Taxonomic and Ecologic Studies of the aquatic Bryophytes of New York State by William Thomas Winne, February 1948
Photographs
Photograph album
Trident Calendar, 1948