



Guide to the Elizabeth and Charles Pratt Personal Papers

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Pratt, Charles R.
Title:	Elizabeth and Charles Pratt Personal Papers
ID:	MS-01063
Date [bulk]:	1925 to 1940
Date [inclusive]:	1895 to 1953
Physical Description:	1.15 Cubic Feet (3 boxes)
Physical Description:	1.04 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Elizabeth and Charles Pratt Personal Papers consist of correspondence, travel information, and photographs from the Pratt family dating from 1895 to 1953. The majority of correspondence in the collection is between Charles Pratt and his wife, Alice Elizabeth Margaret "Diane" Pratt. The collection also contains correspondence between Elizabeth Pratt's parents and her literary journals from her time attending Swarthmore College, in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Charles Russell Pratt (1898-?) was a Lieutenant Commander in the United States Navy. He travelled and resided in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Pennsylvania; and New York City, New York. Pratt was transferred from *USS Rathburne* to Rio de Janeiro in July 1936. He was a lieutenant commander aiding Brazil in 1936, and joined the U.S. Naval Mission to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in 1938. He went on to join the *USS Wichita*, going again to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Buenos Aires, Argentina; and Montevideo, Uruguay in 1939 and Guantanamo and Puerto Rico in 1941. He later resided in Birmingham, England with his wife Elizabeth Pratt around 1953.

Alice Elizabeth Margaret Follwell (1906-?) was born in West Ealing, London, England and immigrated to the United States in 1912. Elizabeth lived in Maplewood, New Jersey until 1924, when she moved to Swarthmore, Pennsylvania to attend Swarthmore College. Elizabeth used the name "Diane E. Follwell" during her attendance at Swarthmore College. She lived between New York and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from 1929 to 1939.

Sources:

"Brazil Gets Navy Aides: Washington Sends Five Officers and Five Enlisted Men." *New York Times*. August 02, 1936. Accessed September 8, 2021. <http://ezproxy.library.unlv.edu/login?url=https://www.proquest.com/historical-newspapers/brazil-gets-navy-aides/docview/101801402/se-2?accountid=3611>.

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Arrangement

Materials are arranged by topic.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated to UNLV Special Collections and Archives; accession number 2021-095.

Processing Note

In 2021, Chrziel Childers processed the collection and entered the information into ArchivesSpace.

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Names and Subjects

- Military life
- Families of military personnel
- Personal papers
- photographs

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Pratt family correspondence, 1922 to 1953	box 01
Physical Description: 8 Files	box 02
Pratt family papers, 1925 to 1940	box 02
Charles Pratt's U.S. Navy-related materials, 1920 to 1938	box 02
Elizabeth Pratt's Swarthmore College literary journal, 1925 to 1926	box 02
Charles Pratt's diary from time in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 1936 to 1938	box 02

Charles Pratt family scrapbook, 1912 to 1931	box 03
Loose photographs from Charles Pratt family scrapbook, 1912 to 1931	box 03
Tourism materials from England, 1895 to 1938	box 03
Blank hotel and ship liner stationary, 1930 to 1939	box 03
