Guide to the Casper Martin Connery Collection MS 301

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Abstract: This collection contains 62 daily diaries of Casper Martin Connery, a civil engineer who worked on Navy and Marine projects during World War I and World War II, as well as 12 travel journals and assorted family papers of Casper and his wife Blanche Connery.
creator: Connery, Blanche
creator: Connery, Casper Martin
Biographical / Historical Notes
Casper was born December 8, 1887. He grew up in Massachusetts, where he graduated from Williston Academy in 1907. In 1911 he received his Civil Engineer degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York. In 1914, he moved to Los Angeles, where he met Blanche Hill. They married on April 30, 1917. Casper was exempted from the draft that year, but then ordered to Washington, D.C., where he worked in the Navy Yard through World War I. In 1919 he was transferred to San Diego, where he and Blanche spent the rest of their lives.
Casper worked primarily at North Island Naval Air Station, the Navy Hospital, and the Marine Base. During World War II he also worked on the Destroyer Base and Naval Repair Base, primarily doing maintenance work. From 1929 to 1943 they lived on a ranch at 100 E. Mt. Vernon Street in Lemon Grove, where they maintained avocado and citrus orchards. In 1943 they moved to 2411 Montclair St. in San Diego, where they remained thereafter. Casper retired in 1947, after which he and Blanche took annual road trips around the country and otherwise spent much of their time at home or with friends.
Blanche was born Blanche Miles on March 16, 1886, to James and Martha Miles. She grew up in Indiana and her family later relocated to Los Angeles. By the time she married Casper in 1917 her last name had changed to Hill. She worked at a bank in San Diego till 1923, and later worked in the office of the Naval Repair Base from May 1944 to May 1945.
Scope and Content
This collection contains 62 daily diaries of Casper Martin Connery, a civil engineer who worked on Navy and Marine projects during World War I and World War II, as well as 12 travel journals and assorted family papers of Casper and his wife Blanche Connery. Casper’s diaries cover the years 1907 and 1914-1974. The majority of the travel diaries were written by Blanche. Casper’s papers include correspondence, school papers, his employment record, and his draft papers. Other papers include Blanche’s school papers as well as correspondence and funeral expenses from Blanche’s side of the family.
Arrangement
This collection is arranged in four series:
Series I: Casper Martin Connery Daily Diaries;
Series II: Casper and Blanche Connery Travel Diaries;
Series III: Casper Martin Connery Papers;
Series IV: Casper and Blanche Connery Family Papers.
Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements
Daily diaries for 1920 and 1921 have flaking leather covers and deteriorating spines.
Travel diary 1 has a crumbling cover that is separated from the spine.
The Holy Bible has deteriorating covers that have separated from the spine.
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Collection processed by Samantha Mills in May 2014.
**Series I: Casper Martin Connery Daily Diaries 1907-1974**

**Box-folder 1:1** Daily Diary 1907 1907

*Scope and Content*
Casper is in Easthampton, Massachusetts, Westhampton, Massachusetts, and Troy, New York. He describes his classes, exams, and fraternity events, and farm work over the summer.

**Box-folder 1:2** Daily Diary 1914 1914

*Scope and Content*
Casper is primarily in New York. He describes working, studying for his assistant Civil Engineer exam, and calling on various young ladies. He takes a cross-country road trip to Los Angeles between October and December, where he gets an apartment.

**Box-folder 1:3** Daily Diary 1915 1915

*Scope and Content*
Casper is in Los Angeles. He describes working in a motor garage, taking a January trip to the Panama-California Exposition in San Diego, and an October trip to the Panama-Pacific International Exposition in San Francisco.
Box-folder 1:4  Daily Diary 1916 1916
Scope and Content
Casper is in Los Angeles, working in a motor garage. He begins to see Blanche socially.

Box-folder 1:5  Daily Diary 1917 1917
Scope and Content
Casper is in Los Angeles. This diary has no entries till late April except for mention of passing of prohibition laws. He marries Blanche on April 30 and they honeymoon in San Francisco. In July Casper begins work at Wurster Coast Co. In August he is exempted from the draft. In September he begins work at So. Cal. Telephone Co., but then in November he is ordered to report to the Washington, D.C. Navy Yard to do surveying/engineering work.

Box-folder 2:1  Daily Diary 1918 1918
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche are in Washington, D.C. Casper works in the Navy Yard, primarily on railroad tracks.

Box-folder 2:2  Daily Diary 1919 1919
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche are in Washington, D.C. for the first half of the year, with Casper working in the Navy Yards and erecting buildings at Bellevue. They vacation in New York City in May, and in July Casper is transferred to San Diego, where he begins working on plans for new structures at North Island Naval Air Station.

Box-folder 2:3  Daily Diary 1920 1920
Scope and Content
Casper works on structures at North Island Naval Air Station, including water and railroad systems. He also works on the Marine Base, laying out plans for new buildings.

Box-folder 2:4  Daily Diary 1921 1921
Scope and Content
Casper works on the Marine Base, a new hospital at Balboa Park, and on the Marine railway to the shipyards. He spends his free time on home improvements and spending time with Blanche, friends, and family.

Box-folder 2:5  Daily Diary 1922 1922
Scope and Content
Casper works on the Naval Training Station, building a culvert, paving roads, and putting in electric ducts. He spends his free time with Blanche, friends, and family. In September they go on a Grand Canyon road trip. In October Casper begins working on the Navy Hospital.

Box-folder 3:1  Daily Diary 1923 1923
Scope and Content
Casper works on the Navy Hospital, pouring concrete and buildings walls and a basement. He describes his daily life with Blanche, friends, and family. Blanche works at a bank (possibly Bank of Italy). In October they move from 1843 F St
Box-folder 3:2  Daily Diary 1924 1924
Scope and Content
Casper works on the Navy Hospital, including the Sterilizer Building, sewer lines, Laboratory, and Nurses’ Quarters. He describes his daily life with Blanche, friends, and family.

Box-folder 3:3  Daily Diary 1925 1925
Scope and Content
Casper works on the Navy Hospital, including the Nurses’ Quarters and Laboratory. He describes his daily life with Blanche, friends, and family. In September they take a trip with the Cornells up to Sacramento, across to the Sierra Nevada Mountains, and back through Bakersfield.

Box-folder 3:4  Daily Diary 1926 1926
Scope and Content
Casper works on the Navy Hospital, including the Nurses’ Quarters, Contagious Ward, electric distribution, painting, and paving roads. He describes his daily life with Blanche, friends, and family.

Box-folder 3:5  Daily Diary 1927 1927
Scope and Content
Casper works on the Navy Hospital, including the electric and sewer lines, Contagious Ward, Double Quarters, and Surgeons’ Quarters. He describes his daily life with Blanche, friends, and family.

Box-folder 3:6  Daily Diary 1928 1928
Scope and Content
Casper works on the Navy Hospital, including storm drains, steam trenches, electric ducts, and screen doors. He describes his daily life with Blanche, friends, and family. In September Blanche receives her final salary from the bank, and they take a transcontinental trip through October.

Box-folder 3:7  Daily Diary 1929 1929
Scope and Content
Casper works on North Island, including electric distribution, paving, water system extension, sea wall, the Navy Hospital Contagious Ward, and the Diet Kitchen. In April he and Blanche move from 3827 Grim St. to a ranch at 100 E. Mt. Vernon in Lemon Grove. At their ranch, they plant and tend avocado and citrus orchards.

Box-folder 3:8  Daily Diary 1930 1930
Scope and Content
Casper works on the Navy Hospital, including painting, laying pipelines, and overseeing other projects. He is promoted to Senior Inspector. He spends his free time at the ranch, irrigating the orchards and building chicken coops.

Box-folder 3:9  Daily Diary 1931 1931
Scope and Content
Casper works on the Navy Hospital and other Naval Air Station jobs, including flood and pipe lines, a pump house and gas lines, and building a runway. He spends more time at the ranch, tending the orchards and chicken coops and making improvements to the house.
Box-folder 3:10  Daily Diary 1932 1932
Scope and Content  
Casper works on North Island, mostly overseeing contracts at the Naval Air Station. He also works on electric lighting and a radio station. At the ranch he tends the orchards and makes improvements to the house.

Box-folder 3:11  Daily Diary 1933 1933
Scope and Content  
Casper works on the Navy Hospital, including the showers, foot bridges, repainting, and tile flooring. He also works on a crane track extension at the Destroyer Base. At the ranch he tends the avocado orchard and visits more frequently with friends.

Box-folder 3:12  Daily Diary 1934 1934
Scope and Content  
Casper works on a Fuel Depot, the radio station, the Marine Base (mostly flooring), and the Destroyer Base. At the ranch he plants a garden in addition to tending his orchards and chicken coops.

Box-folder 4:1  Daily Diary 1935 1935
Scope and Content  
Casper works on the Navy Hospital, including inspections, extending the crane tracks, Boiler House brick work, the Salt Water Pump House, the Destroyer Base Public Works Office, and other W.P.A. projects. At the ranch he continues tending his garden, orchards, and chickens.

Box-folder 4:2  Daily Diary 1936 1936
Scope and Content  
Casper works on the Destroyer Base, ARD1 cranes, and supervises W.P.A. projects. At the ranch he continues tending his garden, orchards, and chickens. They take a summer boat trip to Vancouver.

Box-folder 4:3  Daily Diary 1937 1937
Scope and Content  
Casper works on various W.P.A. projects, plans new relief projects, and oversees pile driving at the Sea Wall. At the ranch he tends his orchards and spends time boxing fruit for sale.

Box-folder 4:4  Daily Diary 1938 1938
Scope and Content  
Casper works on the Sea Wall, Barracks Buildings, and various W.P.A. projects. At the ranch he tends his orchards, particularly the avocados. They take a summer road trip to New England.

Box-folder 4:5  Daily Diary 1939 1939
Scope and Content  
Casper works on the Sea Wall, Barracks Buildings, and Fleet School, and plans further W.P.A. projects. At the ranch he tends his orchards and chickens. In September they take a short trip to San Francisco with the Cornells.

Box-folder 4:6  Daily Diary 1940 1940
Scope and Content  
Casper works on pier cranes, W.P.A. projects, and an auditorium for the Destroyer Base. At the ranch he tends his orchards and chickens.
Box-folder 4:7

**Daily Diary 1941 1941**

**Scope and Content**

Casper works on W.P.A. projects, auditorium plans, dry docks, and inspects other jobs. At the ranch he tends his orchards. There are periodic blackouts at the Destroyer Base following the bombing at Pearl Harbor.

Box-folder 4:8

**Daily Diary 1942 1942**

**Scope and Content**

Casper works on the Destroyer Base, pier reinforcements, dry docks, and Chollas Creek jobs. He frequently works overtime on Saturdays due to the war effort. In his free time he tends the ranch and visits with friends and family. In June, Blanche gets a First Aid certification.

Box-folder 4:9

**Daily Diary 1943 1943**

**Scope and Content**

Casper works on the Destroyer Base, public works buildings, and Chollas Creek jobs. He frequently works overtime on Saturdays due to the war effort, including overnight watch shifts. In his spare time he tends the ranch and visits with friends and family. Blanche spends more time in North Park with her ill mother, Martha Miles. In June Casper and Blanche move from the ranch at 100 E. Mt. Vernon St. in Lemon grove to 2411 Montclair St. in San Diego.

Box-folder 4:10

**Daily Diary 1944 1944**

**Scope and Content**

Casper works on the Naval Repair Base, primarily maintenance work, alternating day duty and overnight duty at the base. Blanche manages affairs at home, including wartime rations such as gasoline tickets. In May, Blanche takes a temporary job at the base managing work orders with Mr. Wight.

Box-folder 4:11

**Daily Diary 1945 1945**

**Scope and Content**

Casper works on the Naval Repair Base, primarily maintenance work and rodent control. In March Casper becomes Preventative Maintenance Inspector. Blanche continues working at the base until May. Casper more frequently mentions war news, including issues with rations and celebrations after the surrender of Japan.

Box-folder 4:12

**Daily Diary 1946 1946**

**Scope and Content**

Casper works on the Naval Repair Base, primarily maintenance work. Blanche continues to manage affairs at home. Casper takes a four week vacation in September. He repaints the house and they take a trip out to Bellflower and Temple City.

Box-folder 5:1

**Daily Diary 1947 1947**

**Scope and Content**

Casper works on the Naval Repair Base, primarily maintenance work and inventories. Blanche manages affairs at home. Casper retires in August. From September to November, he and Blanche take a retirement road trip to Charlemont, Massachusetts.

Box-folder 5:2

**Daily Diary 1948 1948**

**Scope and Content**

Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, and visiting with friends and family. From August to October they take a road trip to Massachusetts via Detroit. Occasionally Casper does inspections, including a city water pipeline job in November.
Daily Diary 1949 1949
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, and visiting with friends and family. From June to July they take a trip to Alaska.

Daily Diary 1950 1950
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, and visiting with friends and family. From August to October they take a road trip to Yellowstone National Park and the East Coast.

Daily Diary 1951 1951
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, and visiting with friends and family. They take a short road trip to Oregon in August to September.

Daily Diary 1952 1952
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and helping at the Mills’ ranch. From February to March they take a road trip to Florida and back. From August to October they take a road trip to Massachusetts.

Daily Diary 1953 1953
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and helping at the Mills’ ranch. From August to September they take a road trip to Vancouver.

Daily Diary 1954 1954
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, and visiting with friends and family. From August to October they take a transcontinental train and road trip.

Daily Diary 1955 1955
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, and visiting with friends and family. From June to July they take a road trip to Yellowstone National Park and Indiana. In October they take a short trip up the California coast line.

Daily Diary 1956 1956
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, and visiting with friends and family. Casper follows national election coverage.

Daily Diary 1957 1957
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, and visiting with friends and family. From May to July they take a trip to Massachusetts for Casper’s 50th reunion at Williston Academy.
Box-folder 6:2  **Daily Diary 1958 1958**

*Scope and Content*

Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, and visiting with friends and family. In April they take a short trip to Arizona. In October they take a short trip to Reno.

Box-folder 6:3  **Daily Diary 1959 1959**

*Scope and Content*

Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, and visiting with friends and family. From August to September they take a road trip to Canada.

Box-folder 6:4  **Daily Diary 1960 1960**

*Scope and Content*

Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, and visiting with friends and family. Casper occasionally mentions political news and TV programs. In October they take a short trip to Utah public parks and return via Modesto.

Box-folder 6:5  **Daily Diary 1961 1961**

*Scope and Content*

Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and watching television. From May to June they take a trip to Troy, New York for Casper's 50th reunion at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Box-folder 6:6  **Daily Diary 1962 1962**

*Scope and Content*

Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and watching television. They frequently visit Blanche’s ailing family member Paul Miles at Edgemoor Geriatric Hospital. Casper occasionally mentions news items, including space flight and desegregation. In April they take a brief road trip through Arizona to see the desert flowers.

Box-folder 6:7  **Daily Diary 1963 1963**

*Scope and Content*

Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and watching television. They frequently visit Blanche’s ailing family member Paul Miles at Edgemoor Geriatric Hospital, and in August move him to Valley View Sanitarium in National City. Casper occasionally mentions news items, particularly coverage of John F. Kennedy’s assassination.

Box-folder 6:8  **Daily Diary 1964 1964**

*Scope and Content*

Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and watching television. A car accident in February puts them both in the hospital, Casper with cracked ribs, and Blanche with a broken knee cap. Blanche begins daily hydrotherapy.

Box-folder 6:9  **Daily Diary 1965 1965**

*Scope and Content*

Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and watching television.
Box-folder 6:10  Daily Diary 1966 1966
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening and cultivating fig trees, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and watching television.

Box-folder 7:1  Daily Diary 1967 1967
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening and cultivating fig trees, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and watching television.

Box-folder 7:2  Daily Diary 1968 1968
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening and cultivating fig trees, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and watching television. Casper occasionally mentions news items, including the murders of Martin Luther King Jr. and Robert Kennedy, and election campaigns.

Box-folder 7:3  Daily Diary 1969 1969
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening and cultivating fig trees, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and watching television. Casper occasionally mentions news items, including the moon landing.

Box-folder 7:4  Daily Diary 1970 1970
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening and cultivating fig trees, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and watching television. Casper occasionally mentions news items, including the Apollo 13 mission.

Box-folder 7:5  Daily Diary 1971 1971
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening and cultivating fig trees, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and watching television. Casper occasionally mentions news items, including the Apollo 15 mission.

Box-folder 7:6  Daily Diary 1972 1972
Scope and Content
Casper and Blanche manage affairs at home, including gardening and cultivating fig trees, running errands, visiting with friends and family, and watching television. Casper occasionally mentions news items, including President Nixon’s trip to China and various NASA missions. From August onward Blanche grows increasingly nervous and paranoid. She is hospitalized in September, then moves to Euclid Convalescent Center, where she is mostly wheelchair-bound.

Box-folder 7:7  Daily Diary 1973 1973
Scope and Content
Casper manages affairs at home, running errands, gardening, visiting with friends, and calling on Blanche at the Euclid Convalescent Center almost daily. Her condition remains the same, but she is alternately happy and confused or upset at being kept at the center.
Box-folder 7:8  
**Daily Diary 1974 1974**

**Scope and Content**
Casper manages affairs at home, running errands, gardening, visiting with friends, and calling on Blanche at the Euclid Convalescent Center almost daily. Her condition remains the same, but she is alternately happy and confused or upset at being kept at the center. Casper occasionally mentions news items, including President Nixon’s impeachment.

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**Series II: Casper and Blanche Connery Travel Diaries 1914-1961**

**Box-folder 7:9**  
**Travel Diary 1 1914 October 1 - 1914 December 18**

**Scope and Content**
This diary describes one trip by Casper in 1914 with his friend C.W. Gorton, from New York to Los Angeles via the Trail of the Sunset Borderland route. Casper remains in Los Angeles after the trip.

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**Box-folder 7:10**  
**Travel Diary 2 1928 September 2 - 1940 May 24**

**Scope and Content**
This diary describes two trips by Casper and Blanche. The first trip, in 1928, is a boat trip from San Diego to New York and through the Panama Canal, and a return to San Diego by automobile. The second trip, in 1940, is a trip to Honolulu with Marion and E.B. Cornell. They sail out on the S.S. Matsonia and return on the S.S. Lurline.

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**Box-folder 7:11**  
**Travel Diary 3 1930 October 15 - 1936 August 4**

**Scope and Content**
This diary describes three trips by Casper and Blanche. The first trip, in 1930, is an automobile trip from San Diego to West Hampton, Massachusetts. The second trip, in 1931, is an automobile trip from San Diego to Portland, Oregon with Marion and E.B. Cornell. The third, in 1936, is an automobile and boat trip to Vancouver with Bobbie (initials R.P.C., likely their nephew).

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**Box-folder 8:1**  
**Travel Diary 4 1938 June 3 - 1939 September 10**

**Scope and Content**
This diary describes two trips by Casper and Blanche. The first trip, in 1938, is an automobile trip to New England with Bobbie (likely their nephew). The second trip, in 1939, is a trip to San Francisco with Marion and E.B. Cornell.

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**Box-folder 8:2**  
**Travel Diary 5 1947 September 1 - 1948 October 30**

**Scope and Content**
This diary describes two trips by Casper and Blanche. The first trip, in 1947, is a train trip to Charlemont, Massachusetts, taken to celebrate Casper’s retirement. The second trip, in 1948, is another train trip to Massachusetts via Detroit, and is dubbed “retirement trip no. 2.”

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**Box-folder 8:3**  
**Travel Diary 6 1949 June 3 - 1950 October 23**

**Scope and Content**
This diary describes two trips by Casper and Blanche. The first trip, in 1949, is an automobile trip to Alaska. They are accompanied partway up the coast by Marion and E.B. Cornell. The second trip, in 1950, is an automobile trip to Yellowstone National Park and the East Coast.
Box-folder 8:4  **Travel Diary 7 1951 August 31 - 1952 October 29**  
**Scope and Content**  
This diary describes two trips by Casper and Blanche. The first trip, in 1952, is an automobile trip to Massachusetts. The second trip, in 1951, is an automobile trip to San Francisco and Portland, Oregon with Ruby S.C. The original travel journal for the 1951 trip was lost, and Blanche later reconstructed the trip from Casper's diary.

Box-folder 8:5  **Travel Diary 8 1952 February 6 - 1955 October 17**  
**Scope and Content**  
This diary describes three trips by Casper and Blanche. The first trip, in 1952, is an automobile trip to Florida. The second trip, in 1953, is an automobile trip to Vancouver, British Columbia with Ruby S.C. The third trip, in 1955, is an automobile trip to Yosemite National Park with Ruby S.C.

Box-folder 8:6  **Travel Diary 9 1954 August 16 - 1955 July 30**  
**Scope and Content**  
This diary describes two trips by Casper and Blanche. The first trip, in 1954, is a train and automobile cross-country trip. The second trip, in 1955, is an automobile trip to Yellowstone National Park and Indiana.

Box-folder 8:7  **Travel Diary 10 1957 May 2 - 1958 April 13**  
**Scope and Content**  
This diary describes two trips by Casper and Blanche. The first trip, in 1957, is an automobile trip to Massachusetts for Casper’s fiftieth reunion at Williston Academy. They are accompanied partway by Ruby S.C. The second trip, in 1958, is a short automobile trip into Arizona with Ruby S.C.

Box-folder 8:8  **Travel Diary 11 1958 October 9 - 1960 October 14**  
**Scope and Content**  
This diary describes three trips by Casper and Blanche. The first trip, in 1958, is an automobile trip to Reno, Nevada with Ruby S.C. The second trip, in 1959, is an automobile trip to Canada with Ruby S.C. The third trip, in 1960, is an automobile trip to Zion National Park in Utah with Ruby S.C.

Box-folder 9:1  **Travel Diary 12 1961 May 6 - 1961 June 27**  
**Scope and Content**  
This diary describes on trip by Casper, Blanche, and Ruby S.C. It is an automobile trip to Troy, New York for Casper’s fiftieth reunion at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

**Series III: Casper Martin Connery Papers 1905-1961 and undated**

Box-folder 9:2  **Correspondence 1913-1924**  
**Includes:**  
Personal correspondence to Casper, primarily regarding his parents.

Box-folder 9:3  **Williston Academy (yearbook) 1905**

Box-folder 9:4  **Williston Academy (papers) 1907 January 11 - 1937 June 8 and undated**  
**Includes:**  
Programs for fraternity events, an athletic meet, and commencement activities.
### Series III: Casper Martin Connery Papers 1905-1961 and undated

**Box-folder 9:5**  
**Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute 1911-1961**  
Includes:  
Dance cards, banquet menus, commencement invitations and programs, a class photo, and alumni reunion programs. Also, Civil Engineer Degree awarded June 14, 1911 (in Oversize Collections F4/D1)

**Box-folder 9:6**  
**Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Centennial Book 1925**

**Box-folder 9:7**  
**Employment Record 1911 June 29 - 1944 March 31**  
Scope and Content  
Documents were all packaged in an envelope from Office of Price Administration and remain in original reverse chronological order.

**Box-folder 9:8**  
**New York Public Service Commission 1913**  
Includes:  

**Box-folder 10:1**  
**Draft Papers 1917 June 5 - 1917 August 6**

**Box-folder 10:2**  
**Hatheway Lodge No. 869 1912-1919**  
Includes:  
A membership card, by-laws, and encoded “instructor” pamphlets for blue lodges.

**Box-folder 10:3**  
**Holy Bible 1912**  
Scope and Content  
Bible presented to Connery by the Hatheway Lodge in 1912, front endpapers list some family birthdays.

**Box-folder 10:4**  
**Photographs 1908-1925 and undated**  
Includes:  
Images of the Silver Strand, Bristol Bay, and portraits of two young men and the Washington, D.C. Navy Yard in 1908 (in Oversize Collections F4/D1)

### Series IV: Casper and Blanche Connery Family Papers 1842-1956 and undated

**Box-folder 10:5**  
**Correspondence and Calling Cards 1842-1904 and undated**

**Box-folder 10:6**  
**Blanche Connery: Education 1893 April 5 - 1901 June 14**

**Box-folder 10:7**  
**James and Martha Miles 1912-1943**  
Includes:  
Cemetery lots and funeral expenses for both James and Martha, and 1889 appointment of James Miles to Postmaster. Also, certificate appointing James Miles to Postmaster (in Oversize Collections F4/D1).

**Box-folder 10:8**  
**Newspaper Clippings 1907 June 21 - 1956 July 3 and undated**  
Includes:  
Articles on Casper’s student activities, obituaries of friends and family, and the political career of George Crawford.

**Box-folder 10:9**  
**Miscellanea 1936 - 1942 and undated**  
Includes:  
1936 Exposition season tickets with photo identification, a reproduction of 1881 phone listings, and a book of war rations. Also, Marriage Certificate 1917 April 30 (in Oversize Collections F4/D1).