
Guide to the Frances Theresa and Frank B. Russell papers

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Overview

Call Number: SC0166

Creator: Russell, Frances Theresa, d. 1936.

Title: Frances Theresa and Frank B. Russell papers

Dates: 1892-1936

Physical Description: 1.5 Linear feet

Summary: Frances Russell's papers include: personal correspondence, manuscripts, course materials, notes, and photographs (1920-1936). Frank Russell's papers include: correspondence, manuscript material, documents, and photographs (1892-1903). The collection provides an overview of both individuals' careers.

Language(s): The materials are in English.

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Cite As

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Processing Notes

These papers were included in 6 linear ft. of materials sent to the Manuscripts Division by Elizabeth Buckingham (SC 167). Due to a lack of any identification on many of them other than handwriting, there exists the possibility that some Russell material may have inadvertently been left behind in SC 167. A researcher should be aware of the difficulty and check in the Buckingham Papers if he/she feels there may be specific material which has been misplaced.

Associated Materials

Elizabeth Lee Buckingham Papers (SC0167)--Buckingham and Russell shared a house at 534 Lasuen Street.

Separated Materials

Letter from Lloyd Nolan to David Lamson regarding the problems in Nolan's budding acting career. 1930's. (removed to SC 103, Box 2)

Photograph of Frances Theresa Russell in front of a Stanford arch. (placed in photograph collection under "Faculty - Russell")

Biographical/Historical Sketch

Personal details on Frances Theresa Peet Russell and Frank B. Russell are sketchy. Mrs. Russell was graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Iowa with a Ph.B. degree in 1895. She taught in Iowa from 1895-1900, except for a year of graduate work at Radcliffe College in 1898-99. In 1900 she married Frank B. Russell, who died in 1903. In 1906 she came to Stanford as an Assistant in Philosophy during the period in which William James gave his series of Stanford lectures. She remained as an Instructor in English, completing work on a Ph.D. degree at Columbia University in 1920. She attained the rank of Professor several years before her death from cancer on Feb. 15, 1936. Mrs. Russell was an authority on Robert Browning

and published a number of articles and books on the Brownings, as well as on other subjects. She was also a published poet. She was co-author with Prof. Yvor Winters of the book *The Case of David Lamson*, published at Stanford in 1934 by the Lamson Defense Committee. A list of her publications can be found in Box 2, Folder 1.

Biographical/Historical Sketch

Frank B. Russell was born in Fort Dodge, Iowa on Aug. 26, 1868. He received his Bachelors and Masters degrees from the University of Iowa in 1892 and 1895. (Prior to this he had spent two years alone in the Arctic doing anthropological and zoological work, which formed the basis for his book *Explorations in the Far North*, published in 1898.) In 1895 he went to Harvard, receiving an A.B. in 1896, an A.M. in 1897, and a Ph.D. in 1898. From 1896-1903 he was Instructor in Anthropology at Harvard. He was also an Ethnologist with the Bureau of American Ethnology from 1901-02. He died in 1903.

Description of the Collection

This group of papers which were separated out from the Elizabeth Buckingham Papers (SC 167), provide a very sketchy overview of two very respected careers. Mrs. Russell's papers include some personal correspondence, course materials, manuscripts, notes and unidentified photographs, all generally within the period 1920-33 with some material outside these dates by a few years. Mr. Russell's papers include material which Mrs. Russell evidently wanted to preserve after his death and kept until her own death - some correspondence and manuscript material, various documents of his academic career, and photographs relating to his work. This material falls within the period 1892-1903.

Access Terms

Buckingham, Elizabeth Lee, 1885-

Russell, Frances Theresa, d. 1936.

Russell, Frank B., 1868-1903.

Stanford University. Department of English. Faculty.

Photoprints.

San Francisco Earthquake and Fire, Calif., 1906

Major Correspondents and/or Items of Special Interest

In her early teaching years Mrs. Russell kept a "Book of Incidents" in which she recorded random thoughts and happenings. One of these includes her account of her experiences during and after the 1906 Earthquake (Box 1, Folder 1). In addition, her manuscript material and poetry in Boxes 1 & 2 are of special interest; most of this appears to be unpublished material. It is helpful to know that Mrs. Russell always went by the name of Theresa or "Terri". In correspondence to her, "Peter" or "Betty" both are nicknames for Elizabeth Buckingham, with whom she shared a house until her death.

Papers

FRANCES T. RUSSELL - GENERAL FILES

Box 1, Folder 1

Book of incidents. 1903-?

Scope and Content Note

Includes account of 1906 Earthquake.

Box 1, Folder 2

Book of incidents. 1908

Box 1, Folder 3

Correspondence, personal. 1921-35

Box 1, Folder 4

Correspondence, personal. 1936, undated

Box 1, Folder 5

Course and lecture notes, miscellaneous.

Scope and Content Note

May include Russell's own post-graduate study notes.

Box 1, Folder 6

Essay writing - miscellaneous material, including notes. 1925, 1934, undated

Box 1, Folder 7

Manuscript, "Journal kept during the summer of 1900." 1900

Scope and Content Note

Handwritten, 118 pages. Account of the Russells' honeymoon trip to Arizona, during which Frank Russell pursued his archaeological explorations.

Box 1, Folder 8	Manuscript, untitled, about the Bible. Scope and Content Note Typewritten. 10 chapters, 156 pgs.
Box 1, Folder 9 Box 1, Folder 10 Box 2, Folder 1	Manuscripts, drafts and notes of writings. Manuscripts, drafts and notes of writings. Miscellaneous material. 1936, undated Scope and Content Note Includes list of Mrs. Russell's publications, 1905-34.
Box 2, Folder 2 Box 2, Folder 3 Box 2, Folder 4 Box 2, Folder 5 Box 2, Folder 6 Box 2, Folder 7	Photographs, miscellaneous unidentified. Poetry - "Helen" poems and miscellaneous poems. Publications. [Reprints] 1921-28 Publications. [Some reprints] 1930-34 Reviews and synopses. Students listed by course. Master list: "Stanford students and friends, teachers and librarians."
Box 2, Folder 8	Writing . - miscellaneous material. Scope and Content Note Includes notes and outlines.
	FRANCES T. RUSSELL - COURSES
Box 2, Folder 9 Box 2, Folder 10 Box 2, Folder 11	Browning - various courses. 1920's, 1930's Classical literature c40. 1932 Summer Criticism of recent literature, various courses. 1920's, 1930's
Box 3, Folder 1 Box 3, Folder 2 Box 3, Folder 3 Box 3, Folder 4 Box 3, Folder 5	The Essay - various courses. 1920's, 1930's The Essay - various courses. 1920's, 1930's Satire 202. The Utopian theme 97, 193, 197. Victorian literature 185.
	FRANK B. RUSSELL
Box 3, Folder 6 Box 3, Folder 7	Correspondence, manuscripts and miscellaneous material. 1892-1903 Photographs. Pertain to his anthropological work. Scope and Content Note May include one photo of him.
Box 3, Folder 8	Photographs. Pertain to his anthropological work.