

John K. Thorsen photograph collection

Descriptive Summary

Repository:	Georgia Historical Society
Creator:	Baldwin, Frederick C., 1929-
Creator:	Thorsen, John K.
Title:	John K. Thorsen photograph collection
Dates:	circa 1962-1965
Extent:	0.5 cubic feet (23 folders, 6 oversize folders)
Identification:	MS 1533

Biographical/Historical Note

Frederick C. Baldwin (b. 1929) was born in Sweden, the son of an American diplomat. He attended Harvard University, joined the Marines, and, while serving in Korea, was awarded four Purple Hearts. He later became a photographer, publishing his work in such magazine as *Life*, *National Geographic*, *Sports Illustrated*, and *Esquire*. Baldwin owned a photography studio in Savannah located at 211 East Charlton Street from 1962 to 1965. In 1964, he was appointed to the Peace Corp as a Deputy Representative to Sarawak (located on the northwest coast of Borneo) and later became a photographer for the organization. In 1983, the Telfair Academy of Arts and Sciences published his book of photographs entitled, *We Ain't What We Used to Be*. The same year, Baldwin helped found FotoFest, the first international biennial celebration of photography and photography-related art in the United States.

No biographical information available on John K. Thorsen.

Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of 71 photographs of Savannah, Georgia, taken by Frederick C. Baldwin and John K. Thorsen.

The majority of the images are of older buildings and street views located in downtown Savannah. there are also views of the Savannah River, the Tallmadge Bridge, city squares, and architectural decorations. They are arranged by subject.

Index Terms

Baldwin, Frederick C., 1929-
Bridges--Georgia--Savannah.
Buildings--Georgia--Savannah
Cemeteries--Georgia--Savannah.
Cityscapes (representations)
Decoration and ornament, Architectural--Georgia--Savannah.
Dwellings--Georgia--Savannah.
Historic buildings--Georgia--Savannah.
Photographs.
Plazas--Georgia--Savannah.
Rivers--Georgia--Savannah.
Savannah (Ga.)
Thorsen, John K.

Administrative Information

Custodial History

Material was acquired from collector.

Preferred Citation

[item identification], John K. Thorsen photograph collection, MS 1533, Georgia Historical Society, Savannah, Georgia.

Acquisition Information

Gift of John K. Thorsen, 1992.

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Container List

Box Fldr

- 1 1 Architectural decorations and elements. Pelican at 4 West Taylor Street, horse at 211 East Charlton Street, lion at 329 Abercorn (5.0 items.) ((1 duplicate))

- 2 Buildings, churches. Cathedral of St. John the Baptist (1.0 items.) ((1 duplicate))

- 3 Buildings, named dwellings. President's quarters, Hamilton-Turner, Theodosia Bartow, Comer, Currie (9.0 items.) ((2 duplicate))

Buildings, unidentified dwellings

Unidentified, 4.0 items. , (2 duplicates)

Abercorn Street, 1.0 items. , (1 duplicate)

Barnard Street, 1.0 items. , (1 duplicate)

Gordon Lane, 1.0 items. , (1 duplicate)

Jones Street, 8.0 items.

Taylor Street, 5.0 items. , (2 duplicates)

Whitaker Street, 1.0 items. , (1 duplicate)

Davenport House, 1.0 items.

12 Buildings, unidentified. River Street (1.0 items.)

13 Cityscapes. Savannah (1.0 items.)

14 Geographical locations, cemeteries. Colonial Park Cemetery (2.0 items.) ((1 duplicate))

15 Geographical locations, gardens. Trustees Garden (1.0 items.)

16 Geographical locations, public squares. Troup, Chippewa, Johnson, Washington (4.0 items.)

Geographical locations, rivers

Savannah River views, 5.0 items.

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Street views

Abercorn Street, 2.0 items.

Bay Street, 1.0 items.

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Factors Walk, 4.0 items. , (1 duplicate)

Hall Street, 1.0 items.

McDonough Street, 1.0 items.

River Street, 5.0 items.

Lane between Factors Walk and Bay Street (Rossiter Place), 1.0 items. , (1 duplicate)

Unidentified

1 image

1 image

29 Transportation, bridges. Talmadge Bridge (2.0 items.)