

Billington and Weed family photographs

Descriptive Summary

Repository:	Georgia Historical Society
Creator:	Unknown.
Title:	Billington and Weed family photographs
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Biographical/Historical Note

The Weed family were successful hardware merchants in Savannah, Georgia. They owned many properties, both commercial and residential, in Savannah and Noroton, Connecticut. The businesses and properties were handed down through the generations until the 1950s. Joseph Dunning Weed (1838-1906) was the son of Henry Davis Weed and Sarah Dunning Weed. He married Sarah Maury on June 20, 1867 and had four children: Josephine, Henry Davis, William Maury, and Gertrude. They lived at 6 West Harris Street, a home purchased by Joseph's father, Henry Davis Weed, from the Sorrel family. Joseph was the president of the Savannah Bank and Trust Company and the Augusta and Savannah Railroad, as well as operating J.D. Weed and Company, the family hardware business located on West Broughton Street. Joseph and Sarah's eldest daughter, Gertrude, was born in Savannah on January 24, 1869. She married Robert Billington, a Savannah cotton exporter, on June 13, 1895, at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Noroton, Connecticut. Gertrude and Robert lived at 222 East State Street in Savannah until 1901, when they built a home at 118 E. 37th Street. After the death of her father, Gertrude managed his large estate. She died on March 31, 1951.

Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of three folders of photographs concerning the Billington and Weed family. Folders 1 and 2 appear to be loose pages from two different photograph albums. Folder 3 contains loose photographs. Most of the images in the collection are unidentified, though some include members of the Billington, Weed, and Antonisen families, as well as images of Savannah, Georgia, Noroton, Connecticut, Toronto, Canada, and Europe. It is likely that some of the weddings and European scenes are of Gertrude Weed and Robert Billington.

Index Terms

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- Beaches.
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- Drugstores.
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Administrative Information

Custodial History

Unknown.

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Container List

Loose pages from photograph album

Box Fldr

1	1	1901-1903
	2	1894-1902

Fldr

3	Loose photographs, undated
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