

# Ravenel family papers

## Descriptive Summary

<b>Repository:</b>	Georgia Historical Society
<b>Creator:</b>	Ravenel family.
<b>Title:</b>	Ravenel family papers
<b>Dates:</b>	1830-1988
<b>Extent:</b>	10.0 cubic feet (10 boxes, 4 volumes)
<b>Identification:</b>	MS 1828

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## Biographical/Historical Note

Thomas P. Ravenel was born in 1851 in South Carolina and resided in Savannah, Georgia where he worked as a lawyer. He lived at 116 E. McDonough St. in Savannah with his two unmarried daughters, Emily G. Ravenel (1891-1989) and Elizabeth Ravenel (1893-1972).

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## Scope and Content Note

This collection contains correspondence sent to Thomas P. and Emily G. Ravenel from 1901 to 1936; Savannah and Charleston, South Carolina newspapers from 1830 to 1940; photographs of the Ravenel family; publications from 1848-1860 from the Black Oak Agricultural Society in Charleston; one-act plays and short stories by unidentified authors; unidentified diaries; 1907 and 1909 yearbooks for the Winthrop Normal and Industrial College; theater programs from various theaters; scrapbooks; and other miscellaneous materials that belonged to the Ravenel family of Savannah. Of particular interest, are the radio scripts and weekly narrative reports that Elizabeth Ravenel created for her radio program that was part of the Work Projects Administration (W.P.A.) in the early 1940s. Ravenel was responsible for the nutritional program sponsored by the W.P.A. to educate Americans on proper nutrition and to provide helpful tips on what to serve for meals.

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## Arrangement

This collection is arranged into 11 boxes and 4 volumes:

Box 1: Correspondence, 1901-1936

Box 2: Correspondence, paper dolls, Munsey's Magazine, 1901-1909

Box 3: Correspondence, photographs, postcards, wallet, duplicate whist game, account books, 1908-1936

Box 4: Correspondence, diaries, pamphlet, radio scripts, reports, 1905-1978

Box 5: Newspapers, 1830-1884

Box 6: Newspapers, 1939-1940

Box 7: Newspapers, 1939-1940

Box 8: Publications, theater programs, yearbooks, 1848-1922

Box 9: One-act plays, short stories, 1926-circa 1980s

Box 10: Photographs, postcards, 1880s-1930s

Volume 1: Scrapbook, 1941-1946

Volume 2: Scrapbook, 1953

Volume 3: Scrapbook, 1970-1974

Volume 4: Scrapbook, 1975-1988

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## Index Terms

Artifacts (object genre)  
Black Oak Agricultural Society (Charleston, S.C.)  
Card games (game sets)  
Creative writing.  
Diaries.  
Letters (correspondence)  
Newspapers.  
Nutrition.  
Pamphlets.  
Paper dolls.  
Photographs.  
Postcards.  
Radio scripts.  
Ravenel family.  
Ravenel, Elizabeth, 1893-1972.  
Ravenel, Emily G., 1891-1989.  
Ravenel, Thomas Porcher, 1850-1936.  
Reports.  
Scrapbooks.  
Short stories.  
Theater programs.  
United States. Work Projects Administration of Georgia.  
Winthrop Normal and Industrial College.  
Yearbooks.

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## Administrative Information

### Processing Information

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## Restrictions

### Access Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

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