

Finding Aid to the Allie Goodwin Myrick Bowden Papers MS 1897

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Summary Information

Repository	Georgia Historical Society
Creator	Bowden, Allie Goodwin Myrick, 1895-1993.
Title	Allie Goodwin Myrick Bowden papers
Date [inclusive]	1923-1992
Extent	0.51 cubic feet (1 box, 1 OS folder)
Language	English

Biographical Information

Allie Goodwin Myrick Bowden was born on 31 December 1895 at the Dovedale Plantation in Baldwin County, Georgia. She attended Georgia Normal and Industrial College (present day Georgia College and State University) in Milledgeville, Georgia from 1911 to 1915 and earned her B.A. degree. In 1921, she graduated from Columbia University and went on to teach psychology at the Georgia College and State University and became head of the psychology department.

On 1 August 1923 she married Captain Edwin T. Bowden, an officer in the U.S. Army, then professor of military science and tactics at the Georgia Military College. Until Edwin's death in 1963, Allie played the demanding role of army wife while her husband served at Ft. Benning and Ft. Screven in Georgia, South Carolina, Hawaii, Wyoming, Washington, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Maryland, and Rhode Island. From 1942 to 1945, Allie lived in Macon, Georgia, while her husband served in North Africa, Italy, and Belgium. Following the end of World War II, she and her family were stationed in Ohio and Washington, D.C. She continued to live in the D.C. area until 1973, when she moved to Austin, Texas to be closer to her children. Bowden died on 27 October 1993.

Scope and Content Note

This collection contains correspondence, memoirs, photocopies of photographs, genealogies, wedding memory book, and a book belonging to Allie Goodwin Myrick Bowden from 1923 to 1992. Included within this collection is the book Bowden published in 1952, *The Story of the Myricks*, a genealogy on the Bowden family, a check and receipt as well as a photostat copy of her Delayed Birth Certificate, and memoirs written of various experiences throughout her life including memories of being a child at her family's Dovedale plantation in Baldwin County, Georgia. There is also an oversize folder with a portrait photograph of Allie by Underwood and Underwood studios.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Georgia Historical Society

Access Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

Processing Information

This collection is processed at the Basic Level (or collection level). There is no detailed inventory for this collection as it is not fully processed. To request that this collection be added to our priority list of collections to be fully processed as staffing and funding allow, please contact the Library and Archives staff.

Controlled Access Headings

Family Name(s)

- Bowden family.
- Myrick family.

Genre(s)

- Birth certificates.
- Black-and-white photographs.
- Books.
- Checks (bank checks)
- Genealogies (histories)
- Letters (correspondence)
- Memoirs.
- Photocopies.
- Receipts (financial records)

Personal Name(s)

- Bowden, Allie Goodwin Myrick, 1895-1993.

Subject(s)

- Plantation life--Georgia--Baldwin County.