John H. Buckberrough (−1955)

Papers, 1926-1955
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History

John H. Buckberrough was born in England and emigrated to the U.S. as a young man. Prior to working at Cranbrook, he worked from 1908-1918 at the Detroit Edison Co. as engineer and draftsman, and as a teller for the First State Savings Bank, from 1918-1927. His employment in the Cranbrook Architectural Office as civil engineer, was from 1927 until 1955. He died in Sept. 1955.

Scope and Content of Collection

The collection consists of Buckberrough’s 10 field notebooks filled with drawings and notations. They begin in 1926 and continue to the beginning of 1955. Types of information found in the notebooks include: descriptions and diagrams of property at Cranbrook, heating and plumbing data for Cranbrook buildings, data on Cranbrook roads and lakes, drawings of pump houses, sidewalks, lighting layouts, virtually anything having to do with utilities on the Cranbrook campus.

There is also one folder with Buckberrough’s employment record at Cranbrook, some notations about electrical and water service at Cranbrook from 1937, and an index to vol. 1 of the notebooks.

Related Collections

- Cranbrook Architectural Office Records (1989-01)
- Cranbrook Foundation RG I: Office Records (1981-05)
- Richard P. Raseman Papers (1979-03)
- Henry S. Booth Papers (1982-05)
- George G. Booth Papers (1981-01)
- Architectural drawings, detail drawings, blueprints