

Walter Henry Pratt Papers
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Walter Henry Pratt Papers

Date

c.1930-1940

Extent

0.25 linear feet, 1 box

Name of Creator

Pratt, Walter H., 1896-1971

Biographical Note

Walter Henry Pratt was a noted Wellesley architect. He was born in Natick on December 17, 1896, and died in Wellesley on March 3, 1971. Pratt and his wife Marilla lived in Wellesley Hills with their sons Walter Jr. and Stowell; he designed their family home at 15 Framar Road in 1929. Pratt attended the Harvard School of Architecture, where he received a scholarship award in 1921.

Scope and Content Note

This collection contains photographs collected by Pratt, a notebook relating to his architectural work, and notes relating to elevation plans for a dining room in a Wellesley residence. Much of Pratt's work is documented in the Wellesley Historical Society *Walter H. Pratt Architectural Plans* collection.

Library of Congress Index Terms

Architecture—Designs and plans—Working drawings
Buildings—Massachusetts—Wellesley—Designs and plans
Pratt, Walter H., 1896-1971
Wellesley (Mass.)—Buildings, structures, etc.—Designs and plans
Wellesley (Mass.)

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System of Arrangement

The collection is organized into three series, organized by type.

Series I Photographs, c.1930s
Series II Notebook, 1937
Series III Notes on Architectural Elevation Plans, 1937

Conditions Governing Access

The Collection is open for research purposes by appointment only. Please contact the Wellesley Historical Society for more information.

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Physical Access

Some of the materials are fragile.

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Languages and Scripts of the Material

English

Immediate Source of Acquisition

n/a

Accruals

The Historical Society may add materials to this collection in the future; however, no further accruals are currently expected.

Related Materials

Wellesley Historical Society *Walter H. Pratt Architectural Plans* collection (1927-1945), which includes plans for the DeFazio Building.

Description

DACS-compliant Finding Aid created in May 2017 by Alden Ludlow. Processing of this collection was made possible through a grant from the Wellesley Community Preservation Committee.

Bibliography

Library of Congress Name Authority File (Pratt, Walter H., 1896-1971)
The Townsman, July 15, 1943

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Container List

Box 1

***I.* Photographs, c.1930s**

This series contains photographs collected by Pratt, of building exteriors and interiors. The series contains several photographs of the exterior of 15 Framar Road, which Pratt built as his residence in 1929. The series also contains photographs of several Boston-area buildings, including interior and exterior views of Longwood Towers, Brookline. It is not clear whether these photographs were collected by Pratt out of personal interest, or because he worked on these buildings.

Folder 1: Photographs

***II.* Notebook, 1937**

This series contains a handwritten notebook relating to Pratt's work as an architect.

Folder 2: Notebook

***III.* Notes on Architectural Elevation Plans, 1937**

This series contains notes on plans for alterations to a Wellesley residence interior dining room at 126 Woodlawn Avenue, dated December 1, 1937. The folder also contains a handwritten overview of the complete renovation plan for the residence. [The plan can be found in the *Walter H. Pratt Architectural Plans* collection (1927-1945).]

Folder 3: Notes on Architectural Elevation plans