



Finding Aid for

FLORENCE MONAGHAN PAPERS, 1925-1966
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OVERVIEW

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1754

CREATOR: Monaghan, Florence

TITLE: Florence Monaghan Papers, 1925-1966

INCLUSIVE DATES: 1925-1966

BULK DATES: 1925-1966

QUANTITY: 0.4 cubic ft.

LANGUAGE: The materials are in English.

ABSTRACT: Florence Monaghan was an acquaintance of, and corresponded with, Clara Ford. The collection contains correspondence and a diary detailing travel onboard the freighter Henry Ford II.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

ACCESS RESTRICTIONS: The material is open for research.

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Florence Monaghan was an acquaintance of Clara Ford. They shared an interest in gardening, corresponded, and Miss Monaghan occasionally baked and sent cakes to the Fords.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection materials include a diary entitled, "My Trip on The Henry Ford, 2nd, August 1925;" correspondence from Clara Ford; and three letters pertaining to the possibility of a similar trip aboard the ore carrier in the 1960's.

The seven-page diary provides day-by-day details of the trip on board the Henry Ford II. Included are descriptions of passenger facilities and social events during the trip from Dearborn to Toledo, Duluth and return starting August 18, 1925 and returning August 28, 1925. In a letter to Florence Monaghan dated October 1945, Clara Ford speaks of Henry Ford II's release from the Navy during World War II to take the helm of the Ford Motor Company.

ARRANGEMENT

The materials are arranged chronologically.

SUBJECT TERMS

Names

Monaghan, Florence
Ford, Clara
Henry Ford II

Subjects

Traffic-Marine
Travel

Genre and Form

Correspondence
Diaries

BOX AND FOLDER LISTING

Box no.	Description
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BOX 1

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| 1-1 | Correspondence; Clara Ford, 1934-1945 |
| 1-1.1 | Easter greeting written on calling card |
| 1-1.2 | Letter; Note of appreciation for cakes, Sept. 1934 |
| 1-1.3 | Letter; Note of appreciation for birthday cake, undated |
| 1-1.4 | Letter; Regarding Henry Ford II's release from Navy, October 1945 |
| 1-2 | Correspondence, 1961-1966 |
| 1-2.1 | Letter; Office of Henry Ford II to Michael Savage regarding Florence Monaghan's request for passage on Ford fleet, July 26, 1961 |
| 1-2.2 | Letter; Michael Savage to Florence Monaghan, August 7, 1961 |
| 1-2.3 | Letter; Office of Henry Ford II to Michael Savage regarding trip on Ford ore carrier, March 30, 1966 |
| 1-2.4 | Letter; Florence Monaghan to Michael Savage, April 26, 1966 |
| 1-3 | Diary, 1925 |
| 1-3.1 | Diary; "My Trip Aboard Henry Ford, 2nd. August 1925" |