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INTRODUCTION

This collection consists of research material gathered for James and Marjorie Young's book, *Textile Leaders of the South*. This material was created during a period of ten years of research, writing, and editing. It traces the history of the textile industry in the south from 1830 to 1963, with particular attention to its leaders. The papers contain drafts of this book, correspondence, and photographs. This collection was donated to Clemson University in 1986 by James and Marjorie Young. There are no restrictions on the use of this collection beyond those of Special Collections. This register was prepared by David Redekop in 1987.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

James R. Young was born on July 10, 1903 in Rushville, Illinois. He attended and graduated from public schools in Rushville. From 1921-1923 Young attended the University of Illinois. The following two years he attended Johns Hopkins University. While still in school, Young began working as a reporter for *The Evening Sun* in Baltimore. He continued to work as a reporter after graduation from Hopkins until he was hired as Edward W. Scripps' private secretary in 1925. Young served in this capacity until Scripps' death in 1926.

Beginning in 1928, Young spent over a decade in the Far East as a reporter for the Hearst newspaper syndicate. He was an advisor to RKO pictures, 1941-1945, on several movies concerning the Far East: *Behind the Rising Sun* and *Blood on the Sun*. In 1946, Young moved to Anderson, South Carolina where he worked as editor of the *Anderson Independent and Daily Mail*. He and his wife, Marjorie, also edited *The Safety Journal*. The Youngs were married in Tokyo in 1934.
SCOPE AND CONTENT

The James and Marjorie Young papers contain material relating to the Young's book Textile Leaders of the South. These papers largely document the collecting of family and mill histories, correspondence with the subjects and their families, company newspaper clippings, and photographs. The history of the Southern textile industry can be traced in the lives of the men the Youngs wrote about. The papers include some correspondence with textile executives. There are also a number of pamphlets related to particular mills and towns.
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