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KESSLER, WILLIAM HARRY Papers, 1880-1966

Biography/Background: Kessler, William Harry

Born 4 Sep 1880 in Ashland, Nebraska-died 12 Feb 1966 in Birmingham, Alabama

In his early life his family lived in at least 8 states. Kessler finished high school in Gainesville, FL, which was the limit of his education except for various correspondence schools.

From 1898 to 1912 he was secretary and landscape architect with P. J. Berkman Fruitland Nursery of Augusta, Georgia

In 1905 Robert Jemison, Jr. contracted with Fruitland Nursery to prepare landscape designs for the Mountain Terrace section of Birmingham. Kessler came to Birmingham in 1906 as a representative of the company to oversee the installation. He stayed after the project was completed and began practicing as a landscape architect.

Some early projects and employers:

1918-1919 Designing Landscape with the US Corp. of Engineers, Muscle Shoals, AL
1919 –1933 Alabama Power Co; Tennessee Electric, Chattanooga, TN; University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL; City of Birmingham Park and Recreation Board; Alabama Polytechnical Institute, Auburn, AL.

1933 – 1942 Project planner and manager for U.S. Resettlement Administration, Birmingham; Architect and Chief Engineer of 4th Regional Resettlement Administration and Defense Housing, Montgomery; and Project LA for the U.S. Housing Administration for Birmingham, Huntsville, Sylacauga, Talladega, Childersburg and Montgomery.

In 1942, he was elected to honorary membership in the American Institute of Architects, recognizing his achievements in planning and landscape architecture

Kessler collaborated with Robert Jemison, Jr. from 1912 until Jemison's death, on the planning and development of areas including Fairfield (Corey), Forest Park, Glencoe, Central Park, Valley View and Mountain Brook.

Some of Kessler's other notable works also include numerous churches, The Club, and the Birmingham and Mountain Brook Country Clubs

His wife, Maude A. Kessler died 21 Nov 1954 and he continued to live with his only child, a widowed daughter, Mrs. James A. (Elva) Meissner, at his home at 2609 Heathermoor Rd, Mountain Brook, AL

Scope and Content: Much of William Kessler's work was inadvertently destroyed after his death. These files contain business papers relating to individual jobs, drawings and photographs.

Related Collections: Robert Jemison, Jr.: Mountain Brook Estates.

Subject Areas: Landscape Architecture and City Planning

Size: linear feet/foot (8 boxes)

Source: Kessler Family.

Restrictions: Standard preservation and copyright restrictions.

Files 68.1 through 68.5 are from the business files of Mr. Kessler. Files 68.6 and 7 are photographs that were in his collection. Files 68.8 are plans and drawings either drawn by his office or used for reference.

File Number, Street or company name, if in Birmingham area, [if address is unknown, or project is outside of the Birmingham area, the company or project title is used], employer, date of material, description of material contained in file.

File Number: Description:

- 68.1.1 Abingdon Road, John H. Davis, Jr.: 1956: one invoice for services
- 68.1.2 Alabama Council, American Institute of Architects: 1954 & 1955 minutes and membership rosters; 1956 committees, 1959-65 minutes, announcements; 1966 convention report
- 68.1.3 Alabama Polytechnic Institute: ca 1943: 6 of the Institute's 17" x 22" suggested construction blueprints for small buildings
- 68.1.4 Alabama Power Company: Correspondence regarding Chickasaw Steam Plant, 1943 and Gorgas Power Plant, 1944.
- 68.1.5 Alabama State Docks, Mobile: Correspondence, 1938-39: lunchroom blueprints.
- 68.1.6 Alabama, State Highway Department, Montgomery Office landscaping: 1937

- 68.1.7 Albertville, Alabama. Jackson Hogan. 1939-1944. Correspondence, specifications, sketches. Also see files 68.6.1 and 68.8.1.
- 68.1.8 Alexander City, Alabama. "Ridgewood" home of Robert A. Russell. Undated. Correspondence and sketches of the house.
- 68.1.9 Alexander City, Alabama. "Ridgewood" of James S. Callahan. 1943-1949. Correspondence.
- 68.1.10 Alexander City, Ridgewood Subdivision: Sam H. Bradshaw: 1945: Correspondence and a proposal for development.
- 68.1.11 Alexander City: Subdivision Plan for P. E. Warren: 1955: Correspondence.
- 68.1.12 Altamont Road, 4801: Brook Hill School: 1958-1960: Development of sports field: specifications, sketches, planting list.
- 68.1.13 Alexander City: Warren, Emmett: 1955: Subdivision plan, correspondence.
- 68.1.14 Alexander City: Allison, J. C.: 1940 – 1944: Correspondence, plant invoice.
- 68.1.15 Altamont Road: Comer, Donald: 1934: Specifications and planting list
- 68.1.16 Anniston, Fairway Drive: Blackmon, Fred, Jr.: 1945: Specifications and correspondence.
- 68.1.17 Anniston, Montrose Place, 1115: Hunt Cleveland: 1942: Correspondence, specifications and planting list.
- 68.1.18 Balmoral Road: Col. William J. Rushton: 1940-1960: Correspondence, plant invoices and sketches. Also see 69.8.43.
- 68.1.19 Balmoral Road, 2864: R. J. Stockham: 1940: Invoice for sculpture, plant invoices and correspondence. Also see 68.8.2
- 68.1.20 Balmoral Road: Phillip Randman: 1956: Labor invoices. Specifications penciled in as changes on specification of Redmont Road, for Erskine Ramsey.
- 68.1.21 Beechwood Road: Frank Brook: undated: Specifications only.
- 68.1.22 Waverly Terrace, Bessemer: Garvin Goodwin: 1955: Invoice for services.

- 68.1.23 Birmingham Homesteads: 1934: Correspondence. Also see U.S. Resettlement Administration:
- 68.1.24 Birmingham Housing Authority, Central City Project, AL #1-3R: 1938-1940: Sketches, planting list and specifications.
- 68.1.25 Birmingham Museum of Art, Memorial Garden: Red Mountain Garden Club: 1959-1960: Correspondence, specifications and planting list.
- 68.1.26 Birmingham Park and Recreation Board, Ensley Park: 1964: Correspondence and newspaper clipping.
- 68.1.27 Birmingham Park and Recreation Board, Underwood Park: 1941: Correspondence and invoices for ornamental iron railings. Also see 68.8.4.
- 68.1.28 Birmingham Southern College: 1940: Sketch of area near Ramsey Hall.
- 68.1.29 Birmingham Trust National Bank, Southside Office: 1954: Correspondence, sketches and specifications.
- 68.1.30 Briarcliff Road: Evalina Brown: undated: Specification.
- 68.1.31 Briarcliff Road, 3424: James W. Kinnear: 1964: Plant invoices.
- 68.1.32 Briarcliff Road, Lot 5: Elliott T. Williams: 1960: Labor invoices and sketch.
- 68.1.33 Broadmoor, Bessemer: A. C. Collins: 1948: Planting list and invoices.
- 68.1.34 Brookwood Village Shopping Center: Shephard-Sloss Realty: 1962: Survey data and newspaper article.
- 68.1.35 Cahaba Road, Abingdon: C. Powell Noland: 1964: Specifications, planting list, and sketches of the house.
- 68.1.36 Cahaba Road: Wayne Peake: 1954: Labor invoices and planting list.
- 68.1.37 Cahaba Road: L. B. Burch: 1947: Proposal for developing a 40 acre subdivision near Altadena Road.
- 68.1.38 Cahaba Beach Road: R. I. Ingalls: 1962: Correspondence, sketches, invoices and specifications. Also see 68.8.19.
- 68.1.39 Canoe Lake: Owner not specified: 1953: Estimate for water system to swimming pool.

- 68.1.40 Canterbury Road, Canterbury Methodist Church: 1951-1959: Planting list and specifications for site improvements. Also see 68.8.6.
- 68.1.41 Canterbury Road, Canterbury Methodist Church: 1960- 1963: Planting list, sketches and specifications for site improvements.
- 68.1.42 Canterbury Road: Francis hare: 1943: Correspondence and sketches.
- 68.1.43 Centerville: Belcher Lumber Company Offices: 1956: Plant invoices.
- 68.1.44 Cherokee Road: Crawford Johnson, Jr.: 1931-1933: Invoices, planting list and specifications.
- 68.1.45 Cherokee Road: Forney Johnston: 1951: Correspondence.
- 68.1.46 Cherokee Road: Allen A. Johnson: 1944: Sketch and planting list.
- 68.1.47 Cherokee Road: Robert M. Johnson: undated: Specifications.
- 68.1.48 Cherokee Road: Thomas Bowron: 1942: Specifications and sketches.
- 68.1.49 Cherokee Road, 92: William M. Spencer, III: 1962: Planting list and invoices. Also see 68.8.7.
- 68.1.50 Cherokee Road, 100: H. R. Sours: 1943: Planting specifications and newspaper clipping.
- 68.1.51 Cherokee Road, 118: W. Bew White: 1957: Correspondence for patio.
- 68.1.52 Cherokee Road: Catherine R. Ireland: undated: Estate map.
- 68.1.53 Chestnut Hill: Murray Brown: 1933: Planting list and sketch.
- 68.1.54 Children's Hospital: 1963-1964: Correspondence concern the load limits for the roof garden, specifications, planting list and sketches.
- 68.1.55 Civil Works Administration of Alabama: 1933-1934: Correspondence regarding several projects around Alabama
- 68.1.56 Club View Properties: C. W. Zander: 1938-1940: Correspondence, specifications and sketches
- 68.1.57 Country Club Boulevard, 56: Catherine Bowron: 1965: Correspondence, planting list and sketches.

- 68.1.58 Country Club Boulevard, 75: R. M. Lackey: 1944: Plant invoices.
- 68.1.59 Country Club Road: R. T. Brooke: 1940: Specifications and invoices.
- 68.1.60 Comer, Alabama, Spring Hill Cemetery: 1962: Invoice for services
- 68.1.61 Cordova, Alabama: A. C. Cotton: 1940: Correspondence, sketches of house and planting list Also see file 68.6.7
- 68.1.62 Crest Drive/Key Circle: Henry Key Milner: 1941: Specifications, correspondence and sketches.
- 68.1.63 Crest Road/18th Avenue South: R. I. Ingalls: 1963: Correspondence concerning the 1927 landscape work done for Henry Cobb.
- 68.1.64 Crest Road: Walter E. Henley: 1932: Correspondence, planting list and invoices.
- 68.1.65 Cross Ridge Road: R. I. Ingalls: 1947: Invoice of services. Also see 68.8.8.
- 68.1.66 Cross Ridge Road: 1939: Blueprints for construction of road.
- 68.1.67 Cullman, Alabama: Bendix-Westinghouse Co: 1964: Planting list.
- 68.1.68 Decatur, Alabama: John Caddell: 1947-1950: Correspondence and invoice for services.
- 68.1.69 Decatur, Alabama: Chemstrand Corporation: 1952: Specifications and planting list.
- 68.1.70 Dell Road: Arthur Crowder, Jr.: 1941: Sketch of garden wall and bids.
- 68.1.71 Dell Road: Coleman Shepard: 1942: Correspondence regarding the introduction of Zoysia into the Birmingham area, planting list and specifications.
- 68.1.72 Dell Road, 3341: Felton T. Wimberly: 1964: Labor invoices, sketches, correspondence and planting list.
- 68.1.73 Dell Road, 3246: W. S. Donovan: 1962: Planting list and invoice.
- 68.1.74 Dolly Ridge Road: Harrison Richardson: 1956: Plant invoice and planting list.

- 68.2.1 East Briarcliff Circle: James H. Goodwin: 1960: Specifications and service invoice.
- 68.2.2 East Briarcliff Road, 3009: Harold E. Jackson: 1959: Correspondence and invoice.
- 68.2.3 Eighth Avenue South: John's Funeral Home: undated: Landscape specifications.
- 68.2.4 Elmwood Cemetery: 1940-1965: 1940 invoice for plans for new block of area. 1955 storm damage assessment. 1965 invoice for plans around new office. Also see 68.8.11 and 69.8.12.
- 68.2.5 Elmwood Cemetery: Plot for Raymond R. Rochell: 1941: Sketch and planting list.
- 68.2.6 Elmwood Cemetery: Woodward Mausoleum: 1944: Sketches and plant invoices.
- 68.2.7 First Avenue North, 3900: Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron Co.: Planting specifications for general office grounds and planting list.
- 68.2.8 Five Points West Shopping Center: Shephard-Sloss Realty: 1956: Invoice for services.
- 68.2.9 Forest Glenn: Crawford Johnson, III: 1956: Invoice for services.
- 68.2.10 Forest Glenn, 3812: C. W. Streit, Jr.: Swimming pool and terrace specifications: plant invoice. Also see 68.8.13.
- 68.2.11 Fulton, Alabama: Scotch Lumber Co., William D. Harrigan: 1948: Correspondence and planting list.
- 68.2.12 Glencoe Drive: Hightower: 1947: Drawing of lot with house and drive.
- 68.2.13 Grant, Alabama: D. A. R. Kate Duncan School: 1937-1942: Specifications for athletic fields, sketches and planting list. Also see 68.8.14.
- 68.2.14 Greenville, Alabama: Broughton Wilkenson: 1939: Specifications, cost estimate, correspondence, sketches and planting list.
- 68.2.15 Guildford Road, 3125: Henry H. Cobb: 1963: Sketches and invoice.
- 68.2.16 Guntersville, Alabama: Oliver S. Ross: 1962: Proposal and planting list.

- 68.2.17 Heathermoor Road, 2617: Raymond R. Rochell: 1940: Specifications for teahouse, labor invoices, planting list and sketches. Also see Elmwood Cemetery file 68.2.5 and 68.8.16.
- 68.2.18 Heathermoor Road, 2617: William E. Mitch: 1962: Plat plan and sketch.
- 68.2.19 Hermitage Road, 3308: Robert H.: 1963: Cost estimate, specifications, plant invoices and planting list.
- 68.2.20 Hermitage Road, 3340: Newman M. Yielding: 1959: Correspondence and labor invoice.
- 68.2.21 Homewood, City of: 1946 maps.
- 68.2.22 Huffman Presbyterian Church: 1958: Correspondence, invoice, specifications and topographic map.
- 68.2.23 Huntsville, Alabama, Big Spring Park: 1939: Correspondence, sketches and specifications.
- 68.2.24 Huntsville, Alabama, Maple Hill Cemetery: 1943: Correspondence and sketch.
- 68.2.25 Idlewild Circle: Bethea McCall: 1932: Specifications, plant invoices and labor invoice.
- 68.2.26 Irondale Road: Charles Cornelius: 1943-1945: Correspondence, sketches and earthen dam specifications.
- 68.2.27 Jasper, Alabama: Albert Russell: 1934: Correspondence and planting list.
- 68.2.28 Jefferson County Hospital and Nurse's Home: 1940: Planting list.
- 68.2.29 Jefferson County Planning Commission: 1944: General correspondence. Mr. Kessler was a member of the commission from 1943 to 19??.
- 68.2.30 Jefferson County, Sanitary Department: 1933-1934: Planting lists for the Ensley Sewerage Disposal Plant (1933) and Shades Valley Sewerage Disposal Plant (1934): plant invoices.
- 68.2.31 Jemison Companies: 1939-1945: Miscellaneous correspondence and sketches.
- 68.2.32 Kensington Road, 1906: J. D. Moore: 1940: Planting list, plant invoices, sketches, and specifications for pool, bathhouse, and well.

- 68.2.33 Lakeshore Drive: Howard College/Samford University: 1961: Newspaper article regarding planned construction and landscaping.
- 68.2.34 Land Park Road: Charles Bromberg: Drawings of house and lot.
- 68.2.35 Leeds Road: J. H. White, Jr.: 1941: Specifications and plat map. Also see 68.8.18.
- 68.2.36 Lenox Road: William S. Pritchard: 1940: Correspondence, specifications, Labor invoices and planting list.
- 68.2.37 Memory Lane: Eddie Moore: undated: House specifications by Stanley Echols, Architect.
- 68.2.38 Mobile, Alabama: Molton Place: Nathan Molton: 1946: Proposal.
- 68.2.39 Montclair Road: Jewish Community Center: 1960: Correspondence regarding tennis courts and ball field.
- 68.2.40 Montevallo Road: St. Martin's in the Pines: 1960: Correspondence, specifications, sketch and planting list.
- 68.2.41 Montevallo Road: John C. Beck: 1964: Specifications and sketches.
- 68.2.42 Montevallo Road, 2817: James S. Sutherland: 1962: Plant invoice, planting list and sketches.
- 68.2.43 Montevallo Road, 2825: Sam P. Given: 1964: Patio specifications.
- 68.2.44 Montgomery, Alabama, Thomas Avenue: Charles L. Baxter: 1948-1950: Specifications and planting list.
- 68.2.45 Montgomery, Alabama, Washington Avenue: First Methodist Church of Cloverdale: 1945: Correspondence and sketches.
- 68.2.46 Montgomery, Alabama, Cherokee Road: W. Byrd & Georgia McGehee: 1931: Correspondence addressed to their Cloverdale Road home.
- 68.2.47 Montgomery, Alabama, Wildwood/Colonial Hills Subdivision: McGehee Brothers: 1931-1935: correspondence.
- 68.2.48 Montrose Road: St. Luke's Episcopal Church: 1955-1965: Correspondence, planting list, specifications and sketches.
- 68.2.49 Mountain Brook, City of: 1945, 1946, 1950 and 1955 Zoning ordinances.

- 68.2.50 Mountain Brook, City of: Report to Citizens, 1956: Mountain Brook Village Changes, 1963.
- 68.2.51 Mountain Brook, City of: 1962: Overton Road Fire Station sketches.
- 68.2.52 Mountain Brook Planning Commission: Minutes of 1951-1956: Subdivision Regulations of 1947. Mr. Kessler was a member of the Commission.
- 68.2.53 Mountain Brook Country Club: 1928: Lighting specifications and recommendations. Also see 68.2.23.
- 68.2.54 Mountain Brook Estates and Land Company: 1949: Correspondence and promotional brochure.
- 68.2.55 Mountain Brook Parkway: William Yancey, Jr.: 1937: Specifications and planting list.
- 68.2.56 Mountain Brook Parkway, Old Mill: 1942-1968: Correspondence, newspaper articles and brochures.
- 68.2.57 Mountain Brook Parkway, 2900: Bert M. Meadow: 1960: Correspondence and sketch.
- 68.2.58 "National Military Cemetery", Cahaba Heights: 1943: Personal survey by Mr. Kessler found in his survey book.
- 68.2.59 Ninth Avenue South: Effie Callahan: undated: Specifications for a doctor's office.
- 68.2.60 Norman Drive, #1: Arthur B. Durkee: 1964: Specifications, invoices a sketch of entrance.
- 68.2.61 North Lane: Miss Loeb: 1962: Sketches of house and lot: job estimate.
- 68.2.62 North Woodridge Road: L. B. Burch: 1948: Sketches and job estimates.
- 68.2.63 Oak Hill Cemetery: 1956: Specifications and sketches for wall and fences.
- 68.2.64 Old Leeds Road, 3715: Charles F. Zukosky: 1963: Labor invoice. Also see 68.8.26.
- 68.2.65 Old Leeds Road, 3828: David White: 1955: Correspondence, labor invoices and sketches.

- 68.2.66 Old Mill Lane: William Cabaniss: 1939: Invoices and sketches. Also see 68.8.27.
- 68.2.67 Overhill Road, 3132: Emmett O'Neal: 1961: Proposal and sketches. Also see 68.8.28.
- 68.2.68 Overhill Road: M. Kimerling: 1940-1941: Estimates for improvements.
- 68.2.69 Overhill Road: R. C. Stobert: 1943: Correspondence, planting list and specifications.
- 68.2.70 Overhill Road, 3062: A. Jack Allison: 1960: Labor invoice.
- 68.2.71 Overhill Road, 3078: R. C. Chandler: 1961: Planting list and sketch.
- 68.2.72 Overton, Alabama: Charles F. DeBardeleben: 1939: Invoice for consultation and plan.
- 68.2.73 Pell City, Alabama: Harold Williams: 1962: Correspondence regarding subdivision plan of 14 lots.
- 68.2.74 Pine Crest Road: Milton Yielding: 1959: Labor invoice.
- 68.2.75 Pine Crest Road, 3116: Don H. Maring: 1958: Job estimate and labor invoice.
- 68.2.76 Pine Ridge Road: E. T. Schuler: 1938: Correspondence and invoices. Also see 68.8.32.
- 68.2.77 Pine Ridge Road: Lindsay C. Smith: 1954-1964: House specifications and planting list.
- 68.2.78 Pine Ridge Road: George Johnston: undated: Specifications.
- 68.2.79 Pine Ridge Road, 3112: William W. Wilkerson: 1958: Correspondence and plant invoices.
- 68.2.80 Pine Ridge Road, 3146: Eugene H. Howe: undated: Thank you notes for prints of landscape done for previous owner.
- 68.2.81 Pine Ridge Road, 3228: W. Sterling Edwards: 1960: Specifications, planting list and sketches. Also see 68.8.31.
- 68.2.82 Pumphouse Road, 2800: George T. Gambrill, III: 1961: Invoice for plan.

- 68.2.83 Pumphouse Road, Lot 5: James S. Larkin: 1938: Drawings of house and lot: survey invoice. Also see 68.8.5.
- 68.3.1 Redmont Park: 1925: Promotional brochure.
- 68.3.2 Redmont Road: Sam Earle Green: 1939: Sketch and invoice for services.
- 68.3.3 Redmont Road: Lloyd Bowers: 1939: Correspondence, sketches and specifications.
- 68.3.4 Redmont Road, 3536: Theodore Swann: 1923: Christmas card from the Swanns to W.H.K. and 1957 newspaper article on house. Also see 68.6.30, 68.6.31 and 68.8.21.
- 68.3.5 Redmont Road, 3710: 1940: Plant invoice. Original landscape by George Miller, 1917 but additional work done by W.H.K. All plans in possession of homeowner. Also see file 68.6.32 and 68.8.34.
- 68.3.6 Redmont Road, 3714: Erskine Ramsey: 1941: Labor invoices. A later house was built on this lot but the home was demolished 1990 and lot leveled. Also see 68.8.34
- 68.3.7 Red Mountain Garden Club Membership Lists 1960-1965. Sponsor of the Birmingham Museum of Art Memorial Garden.
- 68.3.8 Ridge Drive: John H. Davis, Jr.: 1940: Floor plan of house and planting list.
- 68.3.9 Ridge View Drive: Marvin Pixton: 1941: Planting specifications.
- 68.3.10 Ridge View Drive: Susan M. Shook: 1961: Correspondence, labor invoice and planting list.
- 68.3.11 Ridgeway Drive, Lot 15: William Bew White: undated: Contractor's proposal. Also see 68.8.36.
- 68.3.12 Ridgeway Terrace: George Bellsnyder: 1948: Invoices and survey map.
- 68.3.13 Rock Ridge Subdivision: Ingalls Realty Corporation: 1940: Specifications for labor and improvements.
- 68.3.14 Salisbury Road, 3200: Leo Kayser, Jr.: 1955: Statement for an insurance claim and labor invoices.
- 68.3.15 Salisbury Road, 3505: R. L. Lange: 1941: Correspondence, labor invoices, sketches, plant invoices and planting list. Also see 68.8.37

- 68.3.16 Selma, Alabama: R. W. Buchanan: 1956: invoices for plants.
- 68.3.17 Shades Mountain: Jelks Cabaniss: 1949: Labor and plant invoices.
- 68.3.18 Shannon Lane: R. C. Fulford: 1955: Construction specifications for house.
- 68.3.19 Shook Hill Road: Henry S. Lynn: 1964: Correspondence about building a driveway.
- 68.3.20 Shook Hill Road, 'Stone Crest': Alfred M. Shook, III: 1962: Labor invoices and sketches.
- 68.3.21 Shook Hill Road Entrance: P. G. Shook: 1964: Correspondence, labor invoices and notes.
- 68.3.22 Sixth Avenue North: First Methodist Church: undated: Specifications for play area.
- 68.3.23 Southwood Road, 2837: William G. Thuss: 1944-1960: Correspondence regarding payment (1944) and 1960 specifications for fence.
- 68.3.24 Southwood Road: Joseph P. Mudd: 1934: Planting list and specifications.
- 68.3.25 Southwood Road, 2937: Dr. Marion T. Davidson / F. L. Eldridge: 1960: Cost estimate and sketch of steps and walk.
- 68.3.26 Southwood Road: J. Craig Smith: 1965: Labor invoices.
- 68.3.27 Southwood Road, 2832: George Hl. Stubbs: 1933: Correspondence, planting specifications and plant invoices.
- 68.3.28 Southwood Road, 2937: F. L. Eldridge: 1960: Labor invoices.
- 68.3.29 Sterling Road: V. J. Elmore: 1942: Specifications, sketches and planting list.
- 68.3.30 Sterling Road, 3200: W. H. Hulsey: 1940: Planting list, specifications and correspondence.
- 68.3.31 Sterling Road, 3208: H. A. Brice: 1939: Correspondence and notes.
- 68.3.32 Stratford Road: T. H. Benners: 1941: Planting list and sketches.
- 68.3.33 Stratford Road, 2821: Thomas W. Martin: 1929: Labor invoice and planting list. Plans for a 'country lodge'.

- 68.3.34 Surrey Road, 243, lots 8 & 9: W. Fisher Tynes: 1942: Correspondence, specifications and sketches.
- 68.3.35 Sylacauga, Alabama: Broadway, 1024: French Craddock: 1942: Correspondence and planting list.
- 68.3.36 Tallassee, Alabama: Robert Blount: 1939: Correspondence regarding completion of plans.
- 68.3.37 The Club: 1949: Landscape specifications, topographical and building drawings. Warren, Knight and Davis building specification
- 68.3.38 Tuscaloosa, Alabama: University of Alabama: 1940: Planting specifications for old quadrangle for Clark, Garland, Manly and Woods Halls. Also see 68.8.39.
- 68.3.39 Tuscaloosa, Alabama: F. M. Dickenson: undated: Specifications for home grounds.
- 68.3.40 Twenty-eighth Street South, 1315: Theodore Randolph: 1942: Labor invoices.
- 68.3.41 Twenty-second Avenue South: Elizabeth Elkourie: 1962: Sketches and labor invoice.
- 68.3.42 United States Defense Housing Project, Marks Village, Georgia Road, Project #Ala 1-6: Specifications for lawns and plantings. Construction specification book.
- 68.3.43 United States Defense Housing Project, Project #Ala 1041: Correspondence, planting list, landscape and construction specification book.
- 68.3.44 United States Defense Housing Project, Childersburg, Project #Ala 1071: Specifications for lawns and plantings. Correspondence and sketches.
- 68.3.45 United States Defense Housing Project, Huntsville, Project #Ala 1094: Landscape specifications and correspondence.
- 68.3.46 United States Defense Housing Project, Sylacauga, Project #Ala 57-1: Landscape specifications and site plan.
- 68.3.47 United States Housing Authority, Cooper Homes, Anniston, Project # ALA 4-2: 1941: Landscape specifications, correspondence and sketches.

- 68.3.48 United States Housing Authority, Anniston, Project # ALA 4-1: 1939: Landscape specifications.
- 68.3.49 United States Resettlement Administration: 1936: 'Specifications for All Types of Houses at Jasper and Birmingham, Alabama'
- 68.3.50 United States Resettlement Administration: Gardendale, Greenwood and Palmerdale Homesteads: 1936: Building blueprints for house styles 3A, 4G-2E, and 4C-3E types. Also see 68.8.40.
- 68.3.51 United States Veterans Administration: Tupelo, Mississippi: VA Project #2904: Landscape and building specifications.
- 68.3.52 United States War Housing: 1943: Correspondence, planting list and invoices regarding Projects #1056; 1072- Sylacauga; 1123- Anniston; and the Florence Hospital.
- 68.3.53 United States War Housing: Childersburg Project #1078: 1943: Correspondence, invoices and specifications.
- 68.3.54 United States War Housing: Huntsville Project #ALA 1098: 1943: Contract documents.
- 68.4.1 Valley Avenue: Valley View Apartments: 1947: Building specifications.
- 68.4.2 Vestavia Gardens: Byrd Real Estate Company: 1947: Sketches.
- 68.4.3 Watkins Road, 2504: J. Parker Evans: 1964: Planting list, sketch and invoice.
- 68.4.4 Windsor Circle: James Berry: 1944: Correspondence, labor invoice and sketch.
- 68.4.5 Woodleigh Road: Keehn Berry, Jr.: 1964: Proposal, contract, specifications, invoices and notes.
- 68.4.6 Georgia, Atlanta: Morris Brown College, W. A. Fountain, President: 1933: Proposal for residential area and sketch of floor plan for house. Also see 68.8.44.
- 68.4.7 Georgia, Demorest: Piedmont College: 1941: Correspondence and sketches of campus plan.
- 68.4.8 Mississippi, Greenville: North Drive: Joseph E. Strange: 1942: Correspondence, plant list, sketches and pictures.

- 68.4.9 Mississippi, Greenville: Washington Avenue: M. L. Virden: 1938: Plant invoices. Also see 68.8.45
- 68.4.10 Mississippi, Grenada: Glenwild Plantation: John Border: undated: Planting specifications.
- 68.4.11 Mississippi, Pascagoula: Ingalls Ship Building Corporation: Gardener applications.
- 68.4.12 Mississippi, Pascagoula: Old Spanish Fort park: 1944: Correspondence regarding development of the park.
- 68.4.13 Mississippi, Pascagoula: Longfellow House: Robert Ingalls, Jr.: 1941-1943: Correspondence, planting list and sketches. Also see file 68.6.20
- 68.4.14 Tennessee, Copper Hill: s of Tennessee Copper Company: 1916: Plat map and building blueprints. Also see 68.8.46.
- 68.4.15 Tennessee, Copper Hill: Ducktown: Tennessee Copper Company: 1941-1943: Layout plan of community of Ducktown.
- 68.4.16 Tennessee, Copper Hill: Tennessee Copper Company: 1949: 3 manuals – Cherokee Homes Housing Development, Housing Studies for Tenn. Copper Co., part I and Studies, part II.
- 68.4.17 Tennessee, Copper Hill: Tennessee Copper Company: 1949: Cost estimates and results from researching for the Housing Studies for Tenn. Copper Co.
- 68.4.18 Miscellaneous references to jobs and individuals of unknown addresses.
- 68.4.19 Unknown: George G. Crawford: 1933: Correspondence regarding an insurance claim for storm damage to trees on farm.
- 68.4.20 Unknown: E. G. Givhan, Jr.: 1940: Sketch of detail and invoice for services.
- 68.4.21 Unknown: John M. Harbert, III: 1956: Plant invoice.
- 68.4.22 Unknown: Monro B. Lanier: 1943: Plant invoice.
- 68.4.23 Unknown: L. L. Lord: 1940: Sketch of house.
- 68.4.24 Unknown: Judge William Logan Martin: 1944: Notes on job estimate and invoice.

- 68.4.25 Unknown: McCauley of Fultondale: undated: Planting list.
- 68.4.26 Unknown: Beryl McClasky: 1958: Correspondence, sketch of lot and planting list of all Japanese plants.
- 68.4.27 Unknown: George M. Meriwether: 1956: Correspondence to find another landscape architect due to illness of W.H.K.
- 68.4.28 Unknown: J. Allen Myers, Jr.: 1945: Correspondence apparently referring to Myers previously being an associate of W. H. K.
- 68.4.29 Unknown: Shepard-Sloss Realty Co: 1945-1954: Correspondence and invoice for 'Glencoe' subdivision plans. Sketch of floor plan.
- 68.4.30 Unknown: Pascal Shook, Jr.: 1958: Sketch.
- 68.4.31 Unknown: Arthur W. Smith: undated: Planting specifications.
- 68.4.32 Unknown: Leo Steiner mausoleum: 1944: Sketch for landscaping mausoleum.
- 68.4.33 Unknown: Elton B. Stevens: 1950: Request to move boxwood to Mountain Brook home.
- 68.4.34 Unknown: Mervyn Sterne: 1954: Planting list and plant invoice.
- 68.4.35 Unknown: Strictland: undated: Plat plan sketch.
- 68.4.36 Shades Mountain: O. G. Thurlow: 1933: Sketch and labor invoice. Also see 68.8.38.
- 68.4.37 Unknown: Lawrence Whitten: 1942: Planting list and sketch.
- 68.4.38 Unknown: WTNB Radio Station: 1949: Correspondence on sighting the studio and tower.
- 68.4.39 Miscellaneous correspondence.
- 68.4.40 Miscellaneous sketches
- 68.4.41 Sketch for proposed Alabama highway marker
- 68.5.1 William Harry Kessler: Personal papers and items pertaining to family matters.
- 68.5.2 Correspondence relating to his landscape architect profession.

- 68.5.3 Correspondence relating to the community involvement of W.H.K.
- 68.5.4 Correspondence relating to plant information.
- 68.5.5 Miscellaneous drawings.
- 68.5.6 Account book for 1913-1914. 17 pages of receipts and debits.
- 68.5.7 Survey Book of 1927-1931 with notes on 17 jobs. Appointment Book 1932. Appointment Book 1935. Miscellaneous loose paper notebook 1932-1938.
- 68.5.8 Survey book 1941. Pocket notebook 1942-1943. Work schedule book 1946-1947. Account book 1949-1953.
- 68.5.9 Large Account book 1946-1949.
- 68.5.10 Schedule book 1949-1950. Schedule book 1950-1952. Schedule book 1951-1952. Schedule book I March 1951 – January 1952. Schedule book II Dec 1952- Jan 1953 and Nov 1952. ‘Dowdy’ Schedule book 1952-1953. Appointment book 1953.
- 68.5.11 Pocket notebook August 1953 – February 1954. ‘Charles Smith’ schedule book March 1954 – July 1955. Pocket notebook January 1954 – May 1955. Desk calendar 1955. Survey book January 1965, St. Luke’s Episcopal Church.

Photographic Records

- 68.6.1 Albertville, AL: Hogan Jackson: 1954: negatives: see 68.1.7
- 68.6.1A Altamont Road: Woodward House: 1 photo of south terrace
- 68.6.2 American Radiator Co.: 1 aerial. photo
- 68.6.3 Avondale Mills Co.: 1st Avenue No: 1 aerial photo
- 68.6.3A Avondale School: 1 aerial photo
- 68.6.4 Balmoral Road: Robert Jemison, Jr.: Christmas card photo
- 68.6.5 Birmingham Cotton Oil Co.:
- 68.6.6 Cascade Plunge: aerial

- 68.6.7 Centreville, AL: Belcher Lumber Co: 4 negatives: see 68.1.43
- 68.6.8 Cliff Road: William Cosby
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- 68.6.10 East Lake Park: aerial
- 68.6.11 Glenwood Terrace: 3 plans
- 68.6.12 Heathermoor Road, 2615: William H. Kessler home: 4 photos
- 68.6.13 Joubert & Goslin Machine and Foundry Co: aerial
- 68.6.14 Lone Star Cement Factory: aerial: 3 photos
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- 68.6.16 Montgomery, AL: Capitol
- 68.6.17 Niazuma Avenue: Frank Nelson: 8 photos
- 68.6.18 Niazuma Avenue: Frank Nelson: 4 photos
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- 68.6.21 Pascagoula, Mississippi: Longfellow House: R.I. Ingalls, Sr.: 1941-1943: 9 photos
- 68.6.22 Phillips High School: aerial
- 68.6.23 Redmont Neighborhood: 2 photos of residences
- 68.6.24 Redmont Neighborhood: 4 photos of same residence
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- 68.6.27 Redmont Neighborhood: 6 photos of garden ornaments and views.
- 68.6.28 Redmont Neighborhood: 9 photos of various residences (Including 4345 Cliff Rd.)

- 68.6.29 Redmont Neighborhood: 1 photo from House Beautiful, November 1929
- 68.6.30 Redmont Road, 3536: Theodore Swann: 2 construction photos: see 68.3.4
- 68.6.31 Redmont Road, 3536: Theodore Swann: 4 construction photos: see 68.3.4
- 68.6.32 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 3 photos: aerial: see 68.3.5
- 68.6.33 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 aerial photo with neighbors
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- 68.6.35 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: front
- 68.6.36 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: front
- 68.6.37 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: front terrace
- 68.6.38 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: view to southeast
- 68.6.39 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: front
- 68.6.40 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: west terrace
- 68.6.41 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: front
- 68.6.42 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: north terrace
- 68.6.43 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: north terrace
- 68.6.44 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: pool and north terrace
- 68.6.45 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: pool house
- 68.6.46 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: pool
- 68.6.47 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: north terrace
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- 68.6.50 Redmont Road, 3710: John Kaul: 1 photo: west arbor
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- 68.6.62 Walker Memorial Church: 631 3rd Street SW: 1 photo
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- 68.6.66 North Carolina, Biltmore: Vernon Hill: 1 photo
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68.8.9 Dadeville, Alabama: Sam W. Oliver: 1938:

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- 68.8.33 Redmont Road: general study of lots 191 – 199A
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- 68.8.41 Watkins Lane: Lucien Gardner: 1937
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