

# Nichols, Finette Benson Collection Ms B31

### **Summary Information**

#### Repository

Fairfield Museum and History Center

#### Creator

Nichols, Emma S. (Emma Starr), 1874-1947

#### Creator

Nichols, Finette Benson, 1864-1948

Creator Peden, Charles

# Title

Nichols, Finette Benson Collection

#### ID

Ms B31

Date [inclusive] 1890-1969

#### Extent

6.0 Linear feet (15 boxes, 2,000 items, 3 oversize items)

#### Language

English

#### **Preferred Citation note**

Item, Collection Title, Collection number (Box #, Folder #). Fairfield Museum and History Center, Fairfield, Connecticut.

# **Biographical/Historical note**

Abraham Benson married Finette Edwards. They had one child, Finette Edwards Benson, who married John Nichols. Their children were: Anna Trowbridge Nichols (d. 14 Feb 1993), Emma Starr Nichols (1874-18 Feb 1947), and Finette Benson Nichols (1864-1948). Finette Benson Nichols was a Republican member of the Connecticut House of Representatives from 1931-1947. Gertrude Johnson of Cornwall Bridge, CT was married to Charles Peden, a film maker for MGM. They moved to the "Benson House", 131 South Benson Rd., which Gertrude inherited in 1949 from her cousin Finette Benson Nichols. Their daughter Marcia (Peden) Miner inherited the house in 1988.



#### **Scope and Contents note**

There are 15 boxes and 3 oversize items in this collection. The bulk of the material concerns Finette B. Nichols' legislative papers.

### **Administrative Information**

#### **Publication Information**

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#### **Conditions Governing Access note**

There are no restrictions on access to this collection.

#### **Conditions Governing Use note**

Use of the material requires compliance with the Fairfield Museum and History Center regulations.

#### **Processing Information note**

This collection was processed by Martha Rockwell in May 1991 then by Marcia Miner in 1989 and 1997.

#### **Controlled Access Headings**

#### Corporate Name(s)

- Connecticut Daughters of the American Revolution .
- Connecticut State Hospital .
- Connecticut. General Assembly..
- Fairfield County Republican Women's Association (Fairfield County, Conn.) .



#### Personal Name(s)

• Jennings, Annie Burr, 1855-1939

# Subject(s)

- Child welfare--Connecticut--Fairfield.
- Connecticut Tercentenary Celebration (1935)
- Correspondence.
- Education--Connecticut--Fairfield.
- Psychiatric hospitals--Connecticut.
- Public welfare--Connecticut
- Real property--Connecticut--Fairfield County.
- Scrapbooks.
- Women in politics--Connecticut.
- Women--Connecticut--Fairfield--Societies and clubs.
- World War, 1939-1945--Connecticut.