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Lyde Marland Collection

Marland, Lyde Miller Roberts (1900–1987). Papers, 1928–1945. .33 foot.

Political spouse. Correspondence (1928–1945) from the wife of U.S. Congressman, Oklahoma governor, and oilman E.W. Marland, Lyde (Lydie) Marland, to Grace K. Murray of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The collection contains fifty autograph letters signed, two autograph postcards signed, and one telegram, along with newspaper clippings about Lyde and E.W. Marland.

Box 1

Folder:

1. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1928-1930. Lyde's travels, financial difficulties, E.W.'s speaking engagements.
2. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1931. E. W.'s mounting financial losses and his tax case, and Lyde's plans for a trip.
3. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1932. E. W.'s campaign for Oklahoma governor, financial troubles, Christmas and New Year's Eve events.
4. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1934. Lyde writes from Washington DC, Grace visits Lyde, Grace's weight loss, Lyde's mother and family, thanks for gifts, and a condemned man.
5. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1935. Lyde cannot travel due to financial problems, Lyde's many duties as the governor's wife, thanks for gifts.
6. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1936. E. W. is in the Senate race, Easter egg hunt at the governor's mansion, Lyde's mother.
7. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1937. Thanks for gifts, Christmas, the state legislature, Lyde's duties as the governor's wife, a trip to New York.
8. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1938. Sympathy for a death in Grace's family, Grace's job problems, E.W.'s campaign, selling valuables, funny newspaper clippings, postcard from Colorado Springs, a library for the governor's mansion.

9. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1939. Thanks for gifts, E.W.'s illness, Lyde is caring for him.
10. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1940. Thanks for gifts, E.W. selling valuables, E.W.'s health problems, Lyde unsure about the future, Lyde wants to visit Flourtown soon.
11. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1941. E.W.'s health, thanks for gifts, being "sued on all sides," the mansion will be sold soon, Lyde to visit Grace soon.
12. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1942. Handling E.W.'s estate matters, Lyde misses E.W., Lyde visits Philadelphia, Lyde's friend Paul, Lyde doing Red Cross work, gas rationing.
13. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1943. Lyde repays a debt to Grace, Elsie Janis on the radio, thanks for Christmas gift, Lyde sold her car, Grace's Uncle John, Lyde will spend Christmas with George and Laverne.
14. Correspondence from Lyde Marland to Grace Murray, 1945. Lyde writes from Atlantic City and a trip to New York, sympathy for a death, plans to visit Philadelphia.
15. Miscellaneous correspondence:
Letter to Grace Murray from her great aunt, 1901.
Letter to Grace Murray from her grandparents, 1902.
Letter from Charles W. Gable to Mr. Matheson regarding the death of Grace Murray and Murray's will, 1979.
Letter from Murray Matheson to Charles Gable regarding thanks for his letter, 1979.
16. Newspaper clippings about E. W. Marland and Lyde Marland. Includes obituaries for E. W. Marland, and a lengthy article from the *Saturday Evening Post*, "Governor's Widow Vanishes: Where Is Lyde Marland?" 1958.
17. Two cemetery deeds:
John and Mary M. Matheson. Lawnview Cemetery, Montgomery County, PA, 1920.
Elizabeth Matheson (and family). Ivy Hill Cemetery, Philadelphia, PA, 1887.
18. Unidentified color photos of a woman and her pets, 1960-1969. (Possibly Grace Murray.)