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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Iowa Special Collections
Creator:	Brinton, William Franklin
Title:	Brinton Entertaining Company Papers
ID:	msc1000
Date [inclusive]:	1865-2015
Physical Description:	50.00 linear feet
Abstract:	Films, projectors, glass slides, 78 rpm records, wax cylinders, memorabilia from travels, patent applications with drawings, plans for flying machines, posters, tickets.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

University of Iowa Special Collections

Conditions Governing Access

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Conditions Governing Use

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Method of Acquisition

On deposit by Michael Zahs, 2014.

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Collection Inventory

AVIATION

Title/Description	Instances
Documents	Box 41
Glass sides	Box 41

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BILL POSTING

Box 1

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BIOGRAPHICAL

Box 1

BOOKS AND JOURNALS

Title/Description	Instances
Health, beauty, well-being	Box 1-2
Catalogs for equipment for Frank's inventions	Box 2.5
Books on various topics, including an instruction book for a Model A Ford and books of short stories	Box 2.5
Miscellaneous journals	Box 2.5
Montgomery Ward catalog, Vol. 79	On Shelf On shelf
Encyclopedias	On Shelf On shelf
Hawkeye, 1913	On Shelf On shelf
Webster's International Dictionary, 1890	On Shelf On shelf
Encyclopedia of Illustrations for Public Speaking	

On Shelf On
shelf[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)**BRINTON ENTERTAINING AND THE GRAHAM OPERA HOUSE**

Title/Description	Instances
Bank papers	Box 3
Bills of lading	Box 3
Box office statement forms	Box 3
Certificate stating that the Graham Theater is a member of the United States Food Administration	Box 3
Combined list of theatres	Box 3
Contracts	Box 3
Curtains	Box 3
Events at the Opera House	Box 3
Film cans	Box 6
Film catalogs	Box 2.6; 3
Freight charges	Box 3
Glass slides	Box The lantern slides will have their own numbering system
Handwritten poster	Box 3
John Goodman and other workers at the Opera House	Box 3
Keyboard instruments	Box 3
LPs	On Shelf The LPs will have their own numbering system
Lantern slide catalogs	Box 3
Large Edison metal records	Box 7
Lighting	Box 4
Music	Box 8
Opera House and Brinton Entertaining Company business	Box 4

Opera House attractions	Box 4
Opera House miscellany	Box 4
Opera houses with which the Brintons did business	Box 4
Phonographs	Floor On the floor by the pillar
Posters	Box 9
Printing plates	Box 10
Projectors	Floor On the floor by the pillar
Receipts	Box 4-5
Records, Victor and Edison. Catalogs	Box 4
Schedules	Box 4
Scenery	Box 4
Supply catalog. Catalogue B, devoted to Instruments, Outfits and Supplies for the Motion Picture Theatre. Amusement Supply Co.	Box 4
Talent. Photographs	Box 4
Talent. Brochures	Box 4
Tents and awnings	Box 4
Theater programs. Not all from the Graham	Box 4
Tickets	Box 11-14.5
Wax cylinders <u>Material Specific Details:</u> Large wax cylinder are in boxes 15-16.5; the small wax cylinders are in box 46.	Box 15-16.5; 46
Theatrical hardware	Box 4
Ticket vendors	Box 4
Wigs	Box 4

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BRINTON PERSONAL

Title/Description	Instances
Brinton's shirt, collars, cuffs, drafting tools, driving glasses, straight razor, wallets	Box 17, 18
Brinton's lithographed block set	Box 6

Bust of Brinton [?]	Box 39
Checking and savings account books	Box 19
Cooking	Box 5
Household expenses	Box 5
Ina Brinton's personal effects, including button shoes, fan, sewing kits, stockings, spats, hair combs, garters, pictures, a box for parlor matches, ink, autograph book, seal skin notebook, and calling cards	Box 17; 18; 20
Ina Brinton's books, including school books from student and teaching days, and her crafts books	Box 21
Materials relating to the construction of their house	Box 21-22
Pistols, shotgun shells, pistol bullets	Box 6, 29
Pocket notebooks	Box 19
Portrait	Box 7

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BOX LABELLED "BRINTON CRAP"

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BUSINESS CARDS (OF PEOPLE OTHER THAN THE BRINTONS)

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CHAUTAUQUAS AND OTHER EXPOSITIONS

Box 21

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CLIPPINGS

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CORRESPONDENCE, INA

Box 25-26

Material Specific Details: Includes her will.

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CORRESPONDENCE, OTHERS

Box 27

Title/Description	Instances
Stacey [Stacie] Putman	Box 27
Albertson-Danielson correspondence	Box 27

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CORRESPONDENCE, W. F.

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DIARY BEGINNING DECEMBER 25, 1897 (STACIE PUTMAN?)

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FILM NEGATIVES

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FILMS

Box IRA
Cool Storage

Material Specific Details: 35 mm. 2 copies of each

Title/Description	Instances
Bat/Serpentine Dancer	Box IRA Cool Storage
Bobby and His Family	Box IRA Cool Storage
The Butterfly Collector	Box IRA Cool Storage
The Flower Fairy	Box IRA Cool Storage
The Golden Beetle	

	Box IRA Cool Storage
The Language of Flowers	Box IRA Cool Storage
The Magic Roses	Box IRA Cool Storage

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HARDWARE	Box 28
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GLASS PLATE NEGATIVES

Title/Description	Instances
Glass plate negatives	Box 68, 69

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JONATHAN AND MARY BRINTON; GEORGE BRINTON; WILLIAM BRINTON	Box 30
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LAND	Box 30
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Title/Description	Instances
Canada	Box 30
Florida	Box 30
Iowa	Box 30
Kansas	Box 30
South Dakota	Box 30
Texas	Box 30
Brazoria County, Texas	Box 30

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LEDGER BOOKS

Box 30

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Box 30

Title/Description**Instances**

Mixed legal documents

Box 30

W.F. Brinton's estate

Box 30

Ina Brinton's will

Box 30

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aisle from the
collection, by
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Box 30

Title/Description**Instances**

Boy Scouts

Box 30

Copy of the Emancipation Proclamation

Box 30

List of supplies

Box 30

Miscellaneous

Box 30

Novelty Photo Plate Company

Box 30

Testimonials

Box 30

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OVERSIZED MATERIALS

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PATENT MATERIALS

Box 30

Title/Description	Instances
Patent blueprints	Box 30
Patents	Box 30
Patent documents	Box 30
Patent drawings	Box 30
Patent related correspondence	Box 30
Useful Information For Patent Seekers	Box 30
Receipt for an invention by Jonathan Brinton	Box 30
Harold Shipman	Box 30
Edwin E. Vrooman, patent attorney	Box 30
Landgon Moore, patent attorney	Box 30
Dumping wagon	Box 30
Paving machine	Box 30
Power excavator	Box 30
Pulley	Box 30
Rewinding motion pictures	Box 30
Wagon loading device	Box 30

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PHONOGRAPHS

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PHOTOGRAPHS

Box 32-33

Title/Description	Instances
Photographs of the American West, some by P. H. Kellogg	Box 32
W. F. Brinton	Box 32
Brinton family	Box 32
Ina Brinton	Box 32
Miscellaneous photographs, mostly of their trips to Palestine [?]	Box 32
Gas and oil	Box 33
Unknown photographs	Box 33
Unknown people	Box 33

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PROJECTORS

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RELIGIOUS TRACTS

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SCENIC POSTCARDS

Box 35-37

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SLIDES

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TRIPS TO PALESTINE

Title/Description	Instances
Alabaster, coral, quartz, ivory, and olive wood souvenirs	Box 18; 38-39
Flower souvenirs	Box 38-39
Tapestries	Box 40

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TWENTY FIRST CENTURY USE OF THE COLLECTION

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TYPEWRITER

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VERSE AND PROSE FROM PUBLICATIONS

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WRITINGS (BY BRINTON?), INCLUDING MUSIC

Box 34

VIBRATOR

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ZAHS, MICHAEL AND JULIE

Box 34

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BETTY OSINCUP ADDENDUM

Material Specific Details: Betty Osincup and her husband owned a drug store in Washington, Iowa, where he was required to deliver items to Indiana Brinton in her home. He would have to call her first, as she was a nudist and would put on an apron to answer the door. After Ina's death, an auction was held in 1955, and Mrs. Osincup bought the items included in this addendum. She gave them to the University of Iowa in 2017.

Title/Description	Instances
Beaded dress from the 1920s worn by Indiana Brinton	Box 63
Feather fan and feather for head dress	Box 64
Mandolin, probably played by Frank Brinton	Box 65
Piano scarf	Box 66
Plumed hat, worn by Indiana Brinton	Box 67
Clipping about the donation	Box 66

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SAVING BRINTON

Box 69

Material Specific Details: Materials having to do with the 2017 film.

Title/Description	Instances
Poster, 2017 <u>Date</u> : 2017	Map Case North Storage Map Case drawer 11

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BRINTON SILENT FILM PROJECT

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