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# **Kelly (Charles Suddarth) Collection**

## **An inventory of the Charles Suddarth Kelly Collection at DC Public Library**

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People's Archive, MLK Library

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	People's Archive, MLK Library
<b>Creator:</b>	Kelly, Charles Suddarth
<b>Title:</b>	Charles Suddarth Kelly Collection
<b>ID:</b>	P014
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1900-1984
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1 Boxes
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
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## Biographical / Historical

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A long time resident of Washington, D.C., Charles Suddarth Kelly produced and directed the first telecasts of historic events from the White House, U.S. Congress and other places in the United States Capital. He arrived in Washington, D.C. in 1945 to establish the first television station programming department. Subsequently, he was program manager for the NBC network in D.C., and Vice President-Manager of Channel 7 Television. He has held other senior executive positions in television, including the Public Broadcasting Service. Mr. Kelly became acquainted with Washington, D.C.'s historical archives, private and public, when illustrations were sought for news and information programs in his television work. He found the existing collections inconvenient to use because they were not catalogued by venue or date. In response, he began to assemble a personal collection of original and copy photographs in 1945, focusing on developing chronologies of landmark sites, and collecting panoramas, views of buildings (including city street vistas), neighborhoods, and parks. The book *Washington, D.C. Then and Now: 69 Sites Photographed in the Past and Present*, published in 1984, was an outgrowth of his research.

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## Scope and Contents

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The collection consists of 39 images (three proof sheets each containing nine images and three additional photographs). Additionally there are 39 negatives, however there is one negative without a corresponding print and one image without a negative.

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## Arrangement

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Basic archival procedures were used at the time of processing.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Statement

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### Revision Description

Finding aid revised to be more evergreen. 2020-11-03

### Custodial History

There is no deed of gift and it uncertain as to how the Library acquired these photographs.

### Processing Information

Each proof sheet and individual image was placed in an individual polypropylene sleeve. Each image was assigned a number. For the proof sheets, images are numbered from left to right, top to bottom. The completed sleeves were placed in acid free folders and then in an archival box for storage in the Library. Negatives were individually placed in archival paper sleeves and assigned a number that

directly corresponds with the positive version of the image. Negatives were then placed in an archival box and placed in the negative storage cabinet.

## Conditions Governing Use

Some material may be copyrighted or restricted. It is the patron's obligation to determine and satisfy copyright or other case restrictions when publishing or otherwise distributing materials found in the collections.

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## Controlled Access Headings

- Photographs
- Historic sites
- Gentrification
- Urban renewal

## Collection Inventory

Series 1		
Title/Description	Instances	
Crain tearing down a church, undated	Box 1	Folder 1
Aerial view the National Mall and southwest Washington, undated	Box 1	Folder 2
Aerial view the National Mall and southwest Washington, undated	Box 1	Folder 3
Proposed location of the Southwest freeway, undated	Box 1	Folder 4
Proposed location of the Southwest freeway, undated	Box 1	Folder 5
Aerial view the National Mall and southwest Washington, undated	Box 1	Folder 6
Aerial view the National Mall and southwest Washington, undated	Box 1	Folder 7
Aerial view of southwest Washington showing project areas "B" and "C", undated	Box 1	Folder 8
Aerial view of southwest Washington showing project areas "B" and "C", undated	Box 1	Folder 9
Construction of River Park Cooperative Homes complex, undated	Box 1	Folder 10
Aerial view of southwest Washington, undated	Box 1	Folder 11

Construction of Metro line (?) near US Capitol, undated	Box 1	Folder 12
Aerial view of southwest Washington bounded by the railroad tracts to the north,, undated	Box 1	Folder 13
South Capitol Street to the east, P Street to the east, and the Potomac River to the West, undated	Box 1	Folder 14
Aerial view of Washington, undated	Box 1	Folder 15
Aerial view the National Mall and southwest Washington, undated	Box 1	Folder 16
Aerial view of southwest Washington with Hains Point in foreground, undated	Box 1	Folder 17
Aerial view of Washington, undated	Box 1	Folder 18
Aerial view of the western half of Washington, undated	Box 1	Folder 19
Aerial view of Washington, undated	Box 1	Folder 20
Group of people crossing the street, undated	Box 1	Folder 21
Group of people at development plan unveiling ceremony, undated	Box 1	Folder 22
Aerial view of southwest Washington bounded by the railroad tracts to the north, South Capitol Street to the east, P Street to the east, and the Potomac River to the West, undated	Box 1	Folder 23
Architectural rendering of River Park Cooperative Homes, undated	Box 1	Folder 24
Architectural rendering of River Park Cooperative Homes, undated	Box 1	Folder 25
Construction of River Park Cooperative Homes complex, undated	Box 1	Folder 26
Aerial view of southwest Washington, undated	Box 1	Folder 27
Aerial view of southwest Washington, undated	Box 1	Folder 28
Metropolitan Railroad Company trolley cars filled with people on unknown street, undated	Box 1	Folder 29
Woman traffic officer operating early intersection signal in the District, undated	Box 1	Folder 30
House in the District, undated	Box 1	Folder 31
Line of people outside the Earle Theatre, undated	Box 1	Folder 32
The Apollo Theatre in Martinsburg, West Virginia, undated	Box 1	Folder 33
Trolleys operating on a District street, undated	Box 1	Folder 34
View of a dirt street, undated	Box 1	Folder 35
View of people at the Tidal Basin beach, undated	Box 1	Folder 36
Aerial view of Griffith Stadium and surrounding neighborhood, undated	Box 1	Folder 37

Crain tearing down a church, undated	Box 1	Folder 38
Architectural rendering of River Park Cooperative Homes, undated	Box 1	Folder 39
Aerial view of the district, undated	Box 1	Folder 40

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(No Negative)

Old time fire department pump wagon, undated	Box 1	Folder 41
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(No Print)

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