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FREDERIC ADRIAN DELANO

(1863 - 1953)

The papers of Frederic Adrian Delano, railroad president, member of the first Federal Reserve Board, Colonel of Engineers in World War I, Class C Director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond and Chairman of the Board, Chairman of the National Resources Planning Board, are deposited in three libraries. Those at Princeton relate chiefly to Mr. Delano's activities in city planning. Those in the Roosevelt Library at Hyde Park are more general and may contain Federal Reserve material. Those in the National Archives at Washington include his work with the National Resources Planning Board, of which he was for nine years chairman.

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Both collections are open to qualified students.

See Preliminary List of Published and Unpublished Reports of the National Resources Planning Board, 1934-43, published by the National Archives.

## Biographical Note

1863, Sept. 10	Born Hong Kong, China
1885	A.B., Harvard University
1888, Nov. 22	Married Matilda A. Peaseley (2 children)
1885-1914	Railroad career, surveyor and apprentice machinist to President C.I. & L. RR.
1914-18	Member, Federal Reserve Board
1918-19	Colonel, Engineer Corps, U.S. Army (World War I)
1921-36	Class C Director, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond
1936	Chairman and Federal Reserve Agent, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond.
1934-43	Chairman, National Resources Planning Board
1953, Mar. 28	Died

See Who's Who in America, 1950/51, vol. 26, Marquis

## Description of Series

A letter from Mrs. James L. Houghteling, daughter of Mr. Frederic Delano, describes material given to the libraries at Princeton and Hyde Park as follows:

"The papers which I have given to Princeton University relate to planning affairs only, and are in point of fact more pamphlets and books from the early days of City Planning. I have given to the Roosevelt Library only two fields thus far, papers relating to my father's Receivership of the Oil fields in dispute between Texas and Oklahoma; and the Mission carried out for the League of Nations to Persia, to study other crops etc. than opium. But before my father's death, his Secretary was instructed to study and reduce the total files, and to offer papers relating to any field where the Agencies might be interested in acquiring the papers to that agency. I should imagine that some Federal Reserve Items must have gone to them; and I also imagine that less important items have been destroyed.

'There is no inventory of the papers, but I shall get out everything related to this subject as soon as possible, and then if someone in Washington wanted to look it over, they certainly could do so. I have been advised by the Library of Congress against dispersing the papers, and I had honestly thought of giving everything remaining to the Roosevelt Library. The items given to Princeton are just one specific line."