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St. Peter, Minnesota**

**Mattson, Peter August. Records and Diaries of Rev. P.A. Mattson,
1886-1950.**

LCA Collection 120

Mattson, Peter August. Records and Diaries of Rev. P.A. Mattson, 1886-1950. LCA Collection 120. 1 legal Hollinger box, ½ Hollinger box, and 1 large flat box.

ABSTRACT:

The Records and Diaries of Rev. P.A. Mattson collection contains academic material from his time as a student in Gustavus Adolphus College and the University of Minnesota, as well as his diaries, a history of the Mattson family, and miscellaneous correspondence and recognition. Materials are printed in both Swedish and English. Mattson served as president of Gustavus from 1904-11 and President of the Minnesota Conference, Augustana Synod from 1913-39.

HISTORICAL NOTE:

Peter August Mattson was born 29 September 1865 in Sweden and immigrated to the United States at the age of 16. He graduated from Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minnesota during 1892, was ordained through the Augustana Seminary in 1894, and received his doctorate from the University of Minnesota in 1906. Mattson later served as president of Gustavus from 1904 to 1911 and president of the Minnesota Conference of the Augustana Synod from 1913 to 1939. Mattson married Annie Olson in 1895. He died on 4 April 1944 in Hopkins, Minnesota.

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

The P.A. Mattson collection is organized into four series: Diaries, Education, Family & Genealogy, and Miscellaneous. Most materials in this collection date from either before or after Mattson's term as president of Gustavus Adolphus College.

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COLLECTION CITATION:

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ACQUISITION:

Violet Mattson Towley, Carl Towley, and others transferred this collection during October 1979, February 1984, and April 1989.

PROCESSED BY:

Libby Larson, student worker, processed this collection and developed portions of the finding aid during May 2012.

Jeff A. Jenson developed portions of the finding aid during May 2012.

RELATED COLLECTIONS IN THE ARCHIVES:

Mattson, Peter August. Papers of Rev. P.A. Mattson, 1890-1944. LCA Collection 234.

DIGITAL CONTENT:

Portions of this collection have been digitized and are available online through our [digital collections](#).

SUBJECT HEADINGS:

Mattson, Peter August, 1865-1944.

Gustavus Adolphus College -- Alumni.

Gustavus Adolphus College -- President.

Augustana Theological Seminary -- Alumni.

University of Minnesota -- Alumni.

Augustana Synod -- Minnesota Conference -- President.

Lutheran Church -- Clergy.

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Diaries, 1911-1941		
1911 September 6 – 11 September 1914	2	5
1914 September 21 – 12 April 1916	2	6
1916 April 12 – 15 August 1916	1	2
1917 August 16 – 10 August 1918	1	2
1919 August 11 – 27 July 1920	1	3
1921 May 21 – 12 March 1922	1	3
1922 March 13 – 14 February 1923	1	4
1923 February 15 – 14 January 1924	1	4
1924 January 15 – 28 August 1925	1	5
1925 August 29 – 2 July 1927	1	5
1927 July 3 – 28 March 1929	1	6
1929 March 28 - 3 January 1931	1	6
1931 January 19 – 19 October 1932	1	7
1932 October 20 – 2 February 1934	1	7
1934 February 3 – 4 August 1935	1	8
1935 August 4 – 20 September 1936	1	8
1936 September 21 – 4 January 1938	1	9
1936 January 4 – 12 March 1939	1	9
1939 March 13 – 1 November 1939	1	10
1939 November 2 – 22 January 1941	1	10
Education, 1886-1912		
Gustavus Grades and Academic Certificates, 1886-92	3	1
Gustavus Diploma, 12 May 1892	3	--
Anotationsbok, 1890-96	1	1
Augustana Theological Seminary, 31 May 1894	3	--
Ordination Certificate, 10 June 1894	3	--
University of Minnesota Commencement Program, 1906	2	4
Gustavus Programs, 1902-12	2	2
Family and Genealogy, 1900-1961		
Mattson Family History and Genealogy, 1900-61	2	1
Recognition, 1924-40	2	7
Memorial Service, Tributes, and Obituaries for Dr. and Mrs. Mattson, 1944 and 1950	2	8
Student Biography by Wesley Roos, 1949	2	9
Miscellaneous, 1906-45 and undated		
Correspondence, 1906-45	2	3
Greeting to Count and Countess Folke Bernadotte, undated	2	10