

# Guide to the Elliott Dunlap Smith Papers

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 1105

**CREATOR:** Smith, Elliott Dunlap, 1891-

**TITLE:** Elliott Dunlap Smith papers

**DATES:** 1913

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.25 linear feet

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The papers consist entirely of a manuscript describing Elliott Dunlap Smith's seven-month experience in 1912 as tutor to William Henry Vanderbilt III at the home of Mrs. French Vanderbilt. Accompanying the manuscript is an explanatory note by the author.

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b.      box  
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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Elliott Dunlap Smith, 1939.

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## Biographical / Historical

Elliott Dunlap Smith was born in Chicago, Illinois, in 1891. He graduated from Harvard University with a B.A. in 1913 and an LL.B. in 1916. He also received an honorary M.A. from Yale University in 1928, when he joined the faculty there. He later became Falk Professor of social relations at Carnegie-Mellon University. He was married to Marie (Francke) Smith, with whom he had three children. He died on January 26, 1976, in New Haven, Connecticut.

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## Scope and Contents

These papers consist of a typewritten manuscript, "Bill and His Home," recounting Elliott Dunlap Smith's seven-month experience in the home of Mrs. French Vanderbilt as tutor to her eleven-year-old son, William Henry Vanderbilt, III, later governor of Rhode Island. Smith provides a vivid picture of the "poor little rich boy's" life in Newport and during an extended visit to Cannes. A note by Smith written in 1938 accompanies the manuscript, and explains that the account is based upon letters written by Smith to his mother at the time the events he describes were occurring.

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## Collection Contents

b. 1, f. 1	Author's note	1938 June
b. 1, f. 2 - 4	"Bill and His Home," typescript English	[1913]

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## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Educators  
Upper class

### **Names**

Smith, Elliott Dunlap, 1891-  
Vanderbilt, William H. (William Henry),  
1901-1981