



First State Covers

Record Group Number: 9200 Subgroup Number: S30 Series Number: 000

Collection Name: Small Manuscript Collections

Subgroup Name: Martin Severe Collection

Series Name: First State Covers

Beginning Date: 03/29/1938 Ending Date: 06/14/2008

Quantity of Material: 0.02 cubic feet Extent: 15 letter-sized folders

Biographical Note: Martin Lee Severe is a collector of First Day Covers who has donated to many archives and other programs. He is from Maryland.

Scope and Content: A collection of first-day covers celebrating different points in Delaware's history. The collection's largest focus is the discovery and founding of New Sweden. Several covers feature maps and illustrations of what the settlement may have looked like and include details of Peter Minuit and his company of Swedish colonists, as well as of the ships used in Minuit's voyage – the Kalmar Nykel and the Fagel Grip. Other topics covered in the overall collection include the bicentennial of Delaware statehood, seafaring in Lewes, the ratification of the Constitution, Zwaanendael, and Delaware state symbols.

Subjects: History & Genealogy

Arrangement: Arranged alphabetically by subject.

Available Copies: Digital copies are available on [CONTENTdm](#).

Condition of Material: Good condition.

Language(s): English, Swedish.

Access Conditions: This material is open for research use.

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