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Papers and research files of Ray Bearse for his book on Tyler Kent entitled Conspirator, The Untold Story of Tyler Kent. Received from Virginia McLoughlin, executrix of Mr. Bearse's estate, and Anthony Read, December 3, 1992.

Size: 3 feet (5,000 pp.)

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## Tyler G. Kent

Tyler Gatewood Kent was born on March 24, 1911 in Newchang, Manchuria where his father was a career officer in the American diplomatic service. Following in his father's footsteps, Tyler Kent was appointed to a diplomatic post in Moscow in 1933 and remained there for six years.

In October 1939, Kent was transferred to the Embassy in London and assigned to the Code Room. In this capacity, he handled correspondence between Winston Churchill and President Franklin D. Roosevelt. He was accused of having stolen more than 1500 documents from the Embassy files and providing information to the Germans. When Kent, an American citizen and diplomat, was arrested by the British, Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy waived diplomatic immunity for him. He was tried and convicted in October 1940 under the Official Secrets Act of 1911. He was eventually sent to the Camp Hill Prison in Newport on the Isle of Wight and was held there until November 1945 when he was deported to the United States.

The papers consist of correspondence by and about Kent and about the book, copies of materials from other repositories, trial transcripts, articles, and clippings.

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Copies of Documents Mainly from the National  
Archives (6 folders)

Audio cassette, "T. Kent in Moscow," and video cassette, "John Walker, Spy," January 24, 1989, were given to the Audiovisual Department.