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Manuscripts

- San Marino, California. Henry E. Huntington Library and Art Gallery. Brook Collection, 1833-67. This collection consists of 85 manuscripts on the Washington National Monument Society's early involvement with the design and construction of the monument.
- Washington, D.C. The Library of Congress. Robert Mills Collection, 1804-62. This collection, consisting of two volumes and one box, contains some information on the monument, but unfortunately very little on the details of Mills' plan and the early years of construction.
- Washington, D.C. National Archives and Records Service. Records of the Office of Public Buildings and Grounds. Records of the Washington National Monument Society, 1833-1951. Record Group 42. Consisting of 28 linear feet, this collection represents by far the bulk of historical data needed to write a history of the monument. The monthly and annual operational reports of the Engineer in Charge of Construction and the proceedings of the Joint Commission as well as contracts and correspondence provide a wealth of data on the day-to-day affairs of design and construction of the monument.
- Washington, D.C. National Archives and Records Service. Records of the Corps of Engineers. Record Group 77. The General Correspondence file is especially helpful in this group.
- Washington, D.C. National Archives and Records Service. Records of the National Park Service. Cartographic Records, 1791-1958. Record Group 79. This collection of drawings, plans, and maps is extremely useful to a history of the monument.

Government Documents

Next to Record Group 42, the following list of government printed documents provides an inexhaustible body of information on the history of the monument from the earliest days to the end of the Corps of Engineer's involvement. Many of the annual and monthly operational reports of the Engineer in Charge of Construction are published here, but in addition,

these volumes include detailed accounts of appropriations, names of contractors, opposing views in Congress concerning designs, early debates in Congress dealing with the idea of a monument, and a variety of extremely valuable information. Without these sources, a history of the monument would be difficult.

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