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Introduction
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The Barclay-D’Arcy Family Papers consist of correspondence, photographs, postcards, newspaper clippings, school records, and ephemera pertaining to the Barclay and D’Arcy family's involvement in World War I, the American Red Cross, the American Commission to Negotiate Peace, and the University of Missouri. Key figures included in this collection are George Reppert Barclay, Lillie Isadora Barclay, Thomas Swain Barclay, and Julia D’Arcy. Of note are letters sent from Thomas to his mother and father describing the economic, political, and social climate in postwar Europe. The materials date from 1907 to 1960.

George Barclay was born in Sacramento, California, on December 27, 1854. He married Lillie I. Swain on October 19, 1881, in St. Louis, Missouri. George rose through the ranks of Simmons Hardware Company of St. Louis, starting his career as a clerk and ending it as vice-president. He helped found the St. Louis Association of credit men. George and Lillie had four children: George Follet, Julia, Thomas Swain, and Alice.

Julia was born on June 16, 1886, and graduated from Hosmer Hall in 1904, followed by two years at Vassar College. Julia married John D’Arcy at St. Georges Chapel in 1912. During World War I, Julia and John actively contributed to the American Red Cross and other war efforts. They had four children: Kate, John D. Jr., Julia Barclay, and George Barclay. The children attended primary and secondary school in the Kirkwood District.

Thomas was born on January 26, 1892. He attended the University of Missouri, where he was active in the Zeta Phi chapter of Beta Theta Pi. He joined the American Red Cross in 1918, serving in France, and then briefly worked for the American Commission to Negotiate Peace in 1919. After returning to the United States in 1920, Thomas began his career as a college professor, teaching at institutions such as the University of Missouri, Stanford University, and Columbia University.

Related Material:
*Thomas Swain Barclay Papers (C3938)*

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St. Louis Association of Credit Men bulletins, 1922-1927
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Carrie B. Rose genealogical materials, 1906-1926
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Newspaper clippings, 1914-1929

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Julia Barclay high school diploma, 1904