Kenneth Merrill Lynch was born November 27, 1887 in Hamilton County, Texas. He attended the University of Texas where he earned his M.D. in 1910. He then moved to Philadelphia to attend graduate school and become a Resident Pathologist at Philadelphia General Hospital from 1910-1911. Lynch also earned honorary degrees from the University of South Carolina, Clemson University, and the College of Charleston. Post Philadelphia General, Lynch became an Instructor in Pathology at the University of Pennsylvania from 1911-1913; during that time he was also an Assistant Pathologist at Philadelphia General Hospital and the University of Pennsylvania Hospital. In 1913, Lynch moved to Charleston, South Carolina to become a Professor of Pathology at the Medical College of South Carolina from 1913-1921 and 1926-1960; only taking a break to have a Private Practice in Dallas, Texas. In 1918, contributing to the war effort, Lynch was a Captain in the Medical Corps of the United States Army. After his return to the Medical College, Lynch was named Vice-Dean in 1935 and held that position until 1943 when he was named Dean. In 1949 Lynch added the title of President of the Medical College of South Carolina to the title of Dean until 1960 when he was named Chancellor. During his years, after his return to Charleston, Lynch was a Consulting Pathologist for the hospitals of the area from 1926-1960. Throughout his lifetime Lynch accumulated a lengthy list of accomplishments. Lynch served as the Secretary of the Medical Education Section of the Southern Medical Association in 1920 and from 1928-1931; a Councilor of the Southern Medical Association from 1935-1940; the Vice President of the American Medical Association from 1935-1936; the President of the American Society of Tropical Medicine 1930-1931; the President of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists from 1930-1931; the President of the South Carolina Medical Association from 1930-1931. Lynch was awarded the Gold Medal from the American Medical Association in 1921, the Research Medal from the Southern Medical Association in 1921, the First Award from the Southern Medical Association in 1920, the Distinguished Service Award of the Southern Medical Association in 1957, the Distinguished Service Citation and Medal for Distinguished Service to Medicine from the University of Texas in 1967. Lynch also received the honor of being named American Editor of *Green’s Manual of Pathology,*
published in England and the United States, and was an editor for the *American Journal of Tropical Medicine, American Journal of Clinical Pathology*, and *Journal of Digestive Diseases and Nutrition*. Lynch was also awarded the Sesquicentennial Distinguished Faculty Award a short time before his death in 1974. Lynch was actively conducting research until his retirement and published over one hundred and twenty papers and wrote or co-authored six books. In Lynch’s own opinion, his research breaks down into three major accomplishments: his being ‘credited with the first in vitro culturing of a parasite flagellate, *Trichomonas hominis,*’ his acknowledgement of the increase of *Granuloma Inguinale* cases in the United States and the helping to control that disease, and his being on the forefront of industrial dust diseases research; particularly asbestos. In 1944, Lynch, now with the title of President of the Medical College of South Carolina, devised a plan to expand the College to incorporate the ideas of medical education, research, and community medical service. This expansion not only expanded the grounds of the campus, but also incorporated an increase in faculty for the medical, pharmacy, and nursing education departments to accommodate the increase in student enrollment; dormitories to house those students were also built. The plan also established a dentistry department and graduate school program; enacted in 1953. Lynch also pushed for a reform in the education of those working with medical technology. Lynch died at his home in Summerville the morning of November 29th, 1974 only two days after his eighty-seventh birthday.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT**
The Kenneth Merrill Lynch, M.D., D.Sc., LL.D. Collection, 1887-1974, contains 6 boxes of material arranged according to subject: Research; Tobacco Industry Review Committee (TIRC), Publications, Turkeys; Pathology; Personal; Photos, Scientific Advisory Board/Tobacco Industry Research Committee, Business, Other.

Research series, Tobacco Industry Research Committee sub-series, 1954-1973, contains invitations to meetings, correspondence about meeting details, newspaper articles on various cancer addresses made by Dr. Lynch and Cancer Research catalogue, and correspondence relating to issues and research discussed during meetings. Some of the issues discussed are grants applied for, research project proposals, and lung cancer research.

Research series, Publications sub-series, 1910-1980, approval of book publishing, list of published articles, letters of praise for articles, letters of editing and deadlines, newspaper clippings, requests for reprints of articles. Some of the works discussed are: *The Individual in Medical Teaching*, *Structural Changes in Pellagra*, *Invasion of the Wall of the Intestine by Trichomonas Hominis*, *Intestinal Protozoa in Clinical Medicine*, *The Desirable Medical Student*, *Pathological Anatomy as the Keystone of the Practice of Clinical Pathology*, *The Intestine of Pellagra*, *Protozoan Parasitism of the Alimentary Tract*, *My Own Story*, *A Pathologist in South Carolina*, and *Medical Schooling in South Carolina*. 
Research series, Turkeys sub-series, 1937-1973, turkey research, feed information, how to raise turkey guides, how to control poultry diseases, business letters for buying and selling of turkeys and pens, catalogues for hatchlings, final transfer arrangements for turkeys and location, reimbursement of Dr. Lynch for part-time animal caretaker from Charles Towne landing, inventory concerning turkey conservation efforts.

Pathology series, 1954-1965, notifications of meetings at Orangeburg Hospital and issues to be discussed, bills for pathology department, bills to hospitals for individual pathology services, and newspaper clippings on Pathology Department at the Medical College.

Personal series, Photos sub-series, 1913-1971, miscellaneous photos: places, people, nature, negatives of elementary school and photos, sibling photos, portraits of Dr. Lynch at all ages, order forms for photos, letters of request to replace/return photos, pictures of Roper and permission to publish pictures.

Personal series, Business sub-series, 1952-1974, files containing travel insurance, world insurance, licenses for practice, retirement, hotel reservations, plane tickets, car rental documents, and various travel club membership cards.

Personal series, Other sub-series, 1924-1974, contains correspondence, file indexes, inventories of display cases, biographical sketches, newspaper clippings, scrap books, programs for meetings and ceremonies, and other various mementoes.

CITATION FORM: Kenneth Merrill Lynch Collection, MSS 982, Waring Historical Library, MUSC, Charleston, SC.

RELATED COLLECTIONS:
ARC101 Kenneth Merrill Lynch, Presidential Papers

MERGED COLLECTIONS:
The following collections have been merged into MSS 982:
481 MSS SC Program and menu from Appreciation night, 4 January 1961, held at Hotel Wade Hampton, Columbia, S.C. Added to Box 6, folder #20
482 MSS SC Memento program, Founder’s Day banquet, November 6, 1952, Francis Marion Hotel, Charleston, S.C. Added to Box 6, folder #20
580 MSS SC My own story [manuscript]: as told to Dale Lynch (3 copies) Added to box 5, folder # S3,SS3, folder 2a

SUBJECT HEADINGS
Tobacco Industry Research Committee. Scientific Advisory Board. Meeting.
Tobacco Industry.
Animal Diseases.
Poultry Diseases.
Pathology, Veterinary.
Wild Turkey Photographs.
Pathology South Carolina biography.
Pathology South Carolina personal narratives.
Asbestosis pathology.
Lung Neoplasms pathology.
Mesothelioma pathology.
Pleural Diseases pathology.
Asbestosis physiopathology.
Mesothelioma physiopathology.
Lung Neoplasms etiology.
Lung Neoplasms pathology.
Carcinoma, Non-Small-Cell Lung.
Neoplasms epidemiology.
Neoplasms prevention & control.
Smoking adverse effects.
Tobacco adverse effects Congresses.
Physicians South Carolina personal narratives.
Physicians South Carolina biography.
Schools, Medical history South Carolina.
Medical College of the State of South Carolina.

INVENTORY
Box 1:

Series 1: Research
Subseries 1: Scientific Advisory Board Meetings/Tobacco Industry Research Committee
Folder 1: March-December, 1954
Folder 2: General, 1955-1956
Folder 3: General, 1957-1958
Folder 4: Correspondence, 1959-1960
Folder 5: Correspondence, 1961-1963
Folder 6: USA General Correspondence, 1968-1969
Folder 7: USA General Correspondence, 1970-1972
Folder 8: New York Meeting 1972, 1972-1973
Folder 9: Newspaper Clippings, 1940
Folder 10: Cancer Research catalogue
Folder 11: September 12-13 (Antihypertensive Activity of Nicotine), 1964
Folder 12: December 5-6 (Atherosclerotic Lesions), 1964
Folder 13: May 23-24 (Bronchitis), 1964
Folder 14: March 7-8 (Cerebral Circulation), 1964
Folder 15: Charleston Meeting, 1960
Folder 16: General Correspondence, 1964-1967
Folder 17: March 6-8 (Monograph on Tobacco), 1965
Box 2:

Series 1: Research, Continued
Subseries 1: Scientific Advisory Board Meetings/Tobacco Industry Research Committee
Folder 18: September 9-10 (Nicotine in a Central Nervous System), 1965
Folder 19: June 5-6 (Sample Size), 1965
Folder 20: December 10-11 (Stimuli of Non-Smokers), 1965

Series 1: Research
Subseries 2: Publications
Folder 1: Manuscripts, Etc., 1910-1927
Folder 2: Publications and Programs, 1913-1927
Folder 3: Newspaper Clippings, 1913-1930
Folder 4: Reprints, 1948-1955
Folder 5: Reprints, 1965
Folder 6: Reprints, 1964-1970
Folder 7: Reprints, 1964-1970
Folder 8: Reprints, Medical Schooling in South Carolina, 1966-1968

Medical Schooling in South Carolina: 11 Folders
Folder 9, 1 of 11: Book Outlines, 1969-1970

Box 3:

Series 1: Research
Subseries 2: Publications Continued
Folder 11, 3 of 11: Draft, 1966-1967
Folder 12, 4 of 11: Drafts, 1966-1967
Folder 13, 5 of 11: Drafts and Editorial Letters, 1956-1966
Folder 14, 6 of 11: Editorial Letters, 1956-1966
Folder 16, 8 of 11: Draft, 1966-1967
Folder 17, 9 of 11: Draft, 1966-1967
Folder 18, 10 of 11: Draft and Editorial Notes, 1969
Folder 19, 11 of 11: Draft, 1969
Folder 20: Editorial Letters, 1973
Folder 21, 1 of 2: Reprints, 1971-1981
Folder 22, 2 of 2: Reprints, 1971-1981
Folder 23: History Dates, 1969

Series 1: Research
Subseries 3: Wild Turkeys
Folder 1: Belle W. Baruch Foundation, 1968
Folder 2: 1 of 3: Blackhead, 1937-1955
Folder 3: 2 of 3: Blackhead, 1965
Folder 4, 3 of 3: Blackhead, 1955-1958
Folder 5: Business, 1946-1952
Folder 6: Catalyst, 1968
Folder 7: Interest, 1959-1973
Folder 8: Laying and Hatching, 1956-1958
Folder 9: Laying Records and Tissues, 1964
Folder 10: Patuxent & Florida Dustman, 1966-1973

Box 4:

Series 1: Research
Subseries 3: Wild Turkeys Continued
Folder 11: Pesticides, 1963-1970
Folder 12: Pictures (Wild Turkeys), 1954-1959
Folder 13: Transfer, 1969-1971
Folder 14: Requisitions, 1970-1971

Series 2: Pathology
Folder 1: Insurance, 1955-1963
Folder 2: Lab Fees, 1957-1965
Folder 3: Newspaper Clippings, 1965
Folder 4: Orangeburg Regional Hospital, 1954-1957
Folder 5: Photo, 1951
Folder 6: Billing, Etc., 1964
Folder 7: Roper Hospital, 1930-1964

Series 3: Personal
Subseries 1: Photos
Folder 1: Family/Friends
Folder 2: Family/Friends
Folder 3: Family/Friends
Folder 4: Landscapes, Home, Misc.
Folder 5: Landscapes, Home, Misc.
Folder 6: Landscapes, Home, Misc.
Folder 7: Marine Hospital

Negatives- 4 Folders
Folder 8: Merrill’s Negatives
Folder 9: Merrill’s Negatives
Folder 10: Merrill’s Negatives
Folder 11: Merrill’s Negatives

Middle Aged Doctor Lynch- 8 Folders
Folder 12: Middle Aged Doctor Lynch
Folder 13: Middle Aged Doctor Lynch
Folder 14: Middle Aged Doctor Lynch
Folder 15: Middle Aged Doctor Lynch
Folder 16: Middle Aged Doctor Lynch
Folder 17: Middle Aged Doctor Lynch
Folder 18: Middle Aged Doctor Lynch
Folder 19: Middle Aged Doctor Lynch

Young Doctor Lynch - 6 Folders
Folder 20: Young Doctor Lynch
Folder 21: Young Doctor Lynch
Folder 22: Young Doctor Lynch
Folder 23: Young Doctor Lynch
Folder 24: Young Doctor Lynch
Folder 25: Young Doctor Lynch

Folder 26: Oversized Portrait
  Stored in Box 7

Series 3: Personal
Subseries 2: Business
  Insurance - 5 Folders
Folder 1: Insurance Correspondence, 1953-1973
Folder 2: Insurance Policies, 1956-1972
Folder 3: Blue Cross Blue Shield, 1952-1973
Folder 5: License for Practice, 1910-1971

Box 5:

Series 3: Personal
Subseries 2: Business Continued
Folder 6: Retirement, 1951-1971

Travel
Folder 7: Travel, 1965-1973

Series 3: Personal
Subseries 4: Other

Biographical - 3 Folders
Folder 1: My Own Story, 1965
Folder 2: My Own Story, 1965
Folder 2a: My Own Story (2 copies)
Folder 3: Biographical Sketches and Curriculum Vitae, 1965-1975

Correspondence - 6 Folders
Folder 4: Correspondence 1965-1974
Folder 5: Family Correspondence 1956-1974
Folder 6: Miscellaneous Correspondence 1930-1974
Folder 7: Southern Medical Association, 1930
Folder 8: Publicity, Miscellaneous, 1960-1974
Folder 9: Dr. Jack C. Norris, 1953-1965

Inventories- 2 Folders
Folder 10: File Index, 1971-1974
Folder 11: Memorabilia, File Index, 1974

Newspaper Clippings- 6 Folders
Folder 12: Newspaper Clippings, 1938-1965
Folder 13: Newspaper Clippings, 1929-1976
Folder 14: Newspaper Clippings & Old Scrapbook, 1916-1933
Folder 15: Newspaper Clippings, 1952-1958
Folder 16: Newspaper Clippings, 1958-1959
Folder 17: Newspaper Clippings, 1929-1960

Box 6:

Series 3: Personal, Continued
Subseries 3: Other, Continued
Programs- 6 Folders
Folder 18: Programs, 1928-1932
Folder 19: Programs 1928-1932
Folder 20: Programs, 1934 and 1959
Folder 21: Programs, 1928-1934
Folder 22: Programs, 1928-1932
Folder 23: Programs, 1969
Folder 24: Scrapbook, 1916-1924
Folder 25: Scrapbook, 1925-1927
Folder 26: Miscellaneous, 1927-1935
Folder 27: Scrapbook, 1932-1941
Folder 28: Slides & Specimens, 1935-1939
Folder 29: Appreciation and Miscellaneous, 1953-1975
Folder 30: Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1960-1964
Folder 31: Hunting Log, 1928-1963
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