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**J. FREDERICK KELLY
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Introduction

J. Frederick Kelly is known as a scholar, author, architect, and restorationist. He was born in upstate New York on June 20, 1888 and moved to New Haven in 1900 where he lived until his death in 1947. Kelly attended Yale (class of 1915) for his undergraduate work and served in the Naval Reserves toward the end of World War I. He is known for his restoration work on colonial Connecticut architecture including the Pardee Morris house, and for his design for the New Haven Colony Historical Society's 114 Whitney Avenue home.

The collection includes specifications and architectural drawings of various projects, architectural and technical books, miscellaneous Kelly Family items, and family photos.

*Biographical sketch thanks to Deborah Burness.

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| | Donovan, John J., <u>School architecture -- principles and practices</u> . New York: The MacMillan Company, 1921. | 1 |
| | Holland, Leicester B. and Harry Parker, <u>Ready-written specifications</u> . London: John Wiley and Sons, Inc., 1926. | 1 |
| | Hool, George A. and Nathan C. Johnson ed., <u>Handbook of building construction : data for architects, designing and constructing engineers, and contractors</u> . New York: McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., 1929. | 1 |
| | Kidder, Frank E., <u>The architects' and builders' pocket-book : a handbook for architects, structural engineers, Builders and draughtsmen</u> . New York: John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1916. | 1 |
| | Mills, Wilbur T., <u>American school building standards</u> . Ohio: Franklin Educational Publishing Co., 1915. | 1 |
| | North, Arthur T., <u>Yellow pine : a manual of standard wood construction</u> . St. Louis, MO : Yellow Pine Manufacturer's Association, 1913. | 1 |
| | Wallis, Frank E., <u>How to know architecture</u> . New York: Harper and Bros., 1910. | 1 |
| | <u>A glossary of architecure</u> . London: Charles Tilt, 1840. | 1 |
| | <u>Standard pipe reference book</u> . Youngstown, OH: Youngstown Sheet and Tube Co., 1930. | 1 |
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