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Chevy Chase Reads: The Chevy Chase Literary Club

Lucy Mackrille was a member of the Chevy Chase Literary Club

Lucy Vaughan Hayden Mackrille (1866-1954). A member of the Chevy Chase Reading Class, the Literary Club, and the Chevy Chase Equal Suffrage League, Lucy Mackrille was secretary to the first Episcopal bishop of Washington. Through the urging of the bishop, Lucy studied needlework in Baltimore and England and later created beautiful banners, vestments, and other elaborate symbols for the new diocese. She would be called “the greatest living authority in the United States on ecclesiastical embroideries” and the author of several books on church embroidery and church vestments. The owner of several lots in Chevy Chase Village, she and her mother lived at 11 West Kirke Street.



11 West Kirke Street, c. 1970. CCHS 2008.420.19.