The State Archives of Florida
A Guide to Women’s History Collections
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Introduction

The State Archives of Florida, under the Florida Department of State, is the official repository for the public records of the state of Florida. The Archives is mandated by law to collect, preserve and make available, the permanently valuable records that are created or received during the course of state business.

The State Archives collects records in five main areas. State Government Public Records are the core of the Archives collections. These records document the activities of Florida's territorial and state government from 1821 to the present. The Manuscript holdings of the State Archives of Florida are composed of various collections from: private citizens; religious organizations; businesses; and other non-public entities. The Florida Photographic Collection consists of more than 1 million still images and thousands of motion picture films and tapes of Florida people, places and events from the middle of the 19th century to the present. The Genealogical Collection contains books, microfilm, online resources and other publications that provide an extensive information resource for genealogists. The Archives Local Public Records Collection includes a limited amount of materials from various county and municipal governments around the state. All record categories are valuable in terms of researching women's history.

This guide to collections relevant to women's issues and history was compiled in part by conducting a search of the State Archives of Florida Online Catalog, which is available to patrons both in the Archives and remotely. The Online Catalog allows searching and browsing of information about the State Archives of Florida's holdings of almost 50,000 cubic feet of state and local government records and historical manuscripts. The catalog provides descriptions of more than 3,500 collections, and lists the contents of containers and folders in many of those collections.

In addition to the records listed in this guide, the Archives holds other collections containing materials relevant to women's issues and history. In particular, subject files and correspondence of governors, legislators and state agencies often contain relevant records. Folder and box titles are searchable using the Online Catalog, a process which can be useful in locating records on women contained within larger collections.

Legislative committee records consist of Florida Senate and House committee files, as well as audio recordings of hearings. Subject matter includes legislation directly affecting women, such as that dealing with welfare reform, labor and equal opportunity, and women in the military. The Archives also holds the United States census for Florida from 1830 to 1920, as well as a range of census records for various other states, which can be helpful in compiling statistical information. County and other local record series, though not listed in this guide, are also a rich source of information. The Archives' local government series consist primarily of microfilm copies of county court records from Florida’s 67 counties, including: probate; marriage; birth; military; and property records concerning women.

The State Archives of Florida is located in the R.A. Gray Building at 500 South Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida. The Reference Room is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., can be reached at 850.245.6719, or found on the Web at info.florida.gov/index_Researchers.cfm.
These series originate from the Governor’s Office and include: correspondence, meeting, administrative, survey, budget, subject, conference, and nomination files on women’s issues. The series were created by the governors and their wives, staff members and appointed cohorts. Records that document the work of relevant commissions are also included here due to their creation by executive order and administrative position within the Office of the Governor.

The series consists of subject files, reference files, audio and videotapes, meeting files, correspondence, and publications.

S111
Governor (Askew)
Social Service Subject Files, 1971-1979
42 cubic feet

This series of Governor Reubin Askew’s files consists of: studies; correspondence; memoranda; financial records; and publications. Topics included in these subject files include: women’s health issues, abortion and family services.

S926
Governor (Kirk)
Legal Files, 1967-1971
9 cubic feet

This series documents the activities of the Claude Kirk administration concerning legal issues. Of special interest are files regarding pornography. The series includes reports and correspondence of the Commission on Obscenity and Pornography.

S1308
Governor (Martinez)
Issue Correspondence, 1989
5 cubic feet

This series consists of correspondence to Governor Bob Martinez regarding abortion. The letters were in response to the calling of a special session of the Florida Legislature to consider changing the state’s abortion laws.

S1323
Governor (Martinez)
First Lady Mary Jane Martinez Administrative Files, 1987-1990
4 cubic feet

Mary Jane Martinez had an extended career as a librarian and media specialist, and during her husband’s administration she worked to fight drug abuse, promote libraries and strengthen families. This series consists of subject files, correspondence and speeches related to her work for these and other causes.
First Lady Adele Graham
Correspondence, 1979-1986
2 cubic feet

This series consists of incoming and outgoing correspondence of Adele Graham on subjects of special interest to her in her role as Florida's First Lady. Much of the correspondence concerns her work on aging issues and with the elderly.

S1458
Governor (Graham)
Office of Minority Affairs
Administrative Files, 1979-1986
6 cubic feet

The Office of Minority Affairs was charged with ensuring minority (including women) access to, and participation in, state government. These files consist of correspondence, memoranda, subject files and reports pertaining to affirmative action and equal employment opportunities.

S1743
Florida Commission on the Status of Women
Budget and Grant Files, 1992-1996
1 cubic feet

The Florida Commission on the Status of Women is charged with investigating issues affecting women, such as: women's rights, equal opportunity employment and affirmative action. This series documents the Commission's efforts to obtain funding adequate to carry out its mission, both by identifying private funding sources and by obtaining and monitoring state funding through annual and special budget appropriations.

S1495
Governor (Martinez)
Legislative Affairs Correspondence, 1987-1989
24 cubic feet

This series consists of the incoming and outgoing correspondence of Governor Martinez regarding legislative matters. Subject matter includes abortion and women's health services.

S1773
Florida Office of the Governor
Florida Women's Conference Records, 1997
1.75 cubic feet

This series contains records documenting the organizing and administration of the Florida Women's Conference. The conference addressed the efforts and needs of various individuals and groups that were operating in support of the multiple interests of women and girls in Florida. Topics included health, family and legal issues, as well as leadership institutes for girls and women.

S1741
Florida Commission on the Status of Women
Correspondence and General Administrative Files, 1980-1999
10.33 cubic feet

The Florida Commission on the Status of Women is charged with investigating issues affecting women, such as: women's rights, equal opportunity employment and affirmative action. The series consists of correspondence; memoranda; articles and news clippings; press releases; reports and studies; video tapes; and related materials.

S1742
Florida Commission on the Status of Women
Meeting Files and Tapes, 1991-1997
11 cubic feet

The Florida Commission on the Status of Women is charged with investigating issues affecting women, such as: women's rights, equal opportunity employment and affirmative action. This series contains files and audio cassette tapes documenting the proceedings of regular meetings of the Commission, including full Commission meetings, Executive Board meetings and committee meetings.

S1774
Florida Office of the Governor
Women’s Hall of Fame Records, 1996-1998
.75 cubic foot

This series contains records concerning the nominations and selections of inductees to the Women's Hall of Fame during the administration of Lawton Chiles for this period. The Hall of Fame nominations were solicited by the Florida Commission on the Status of Women, and were then sent for final selection by the Governor. The records include nomination forms and backup materials.

S1789
Florida Commission on the Status of Women
Employment Survey Files, 1993-1997
6 cubic feet

The Florida Commission on the Status of Women is charged with investigating issues affecting women, such as: women's rights, equal opportunity employment and affirmative action. The series documents the annual Women in the Workplace survey conducted by the Commission to gather information about companies' experiences in recruiting, retaining, developing and advancing women in the State of Florida.

S1790
Florida Commission on the Status of Women
Florida Women’s Hall of Fame Nomination Files, 1992-1997
6.25 cubic feet

The Florida Commission on the Status of Women is charged with investigating issues affecting women, such as: women’s rights, equal opportunity employment and affirmative action. The series documents the nomination and selection process of candidates for the Florida Women’s Hall of Fame.

S2020
Florida Commission on the Status of Women
Conference, Workshop and Summit Packets, 1996-2002
1 cubic foot

The Florida Commission on the Status of Women is charged with investigating issues affecting women, such as: women’s rights, equal opportunity employment and affirmative action. This series documents the various leadership forums; health initiatives workshops; annual summits; and Behind Closed Doors conferences sponsored or attended by members of the Florida Commission on the Status of Women from 1996-2002.

S2021
Florida Commission on the Status of Women
Reporting and Issue Files, 1995-2002
10 cubic feet

The Florida Commission on the Status of Women is charged with investigating issues affecting women. This series documents a variety of issues that the Commission researched and/or reported on, such as: Florida’s domestic violence laws; pay equality; elder care/abuse; women’s health issues; women’s history month; and programs and facilities relating to young/teenage girls incarcerated in Florida’s juvenile justice system.

S2059
Governor (Bush)
First Lady Columba Bush
Scheduling and Project Files, 2000-2006
1 cubic foot

This series consists primarily of daily itineraries and travel schedules documenting the interests and activities of First Lady Columba Bush during the two terms of Governor Jeb Bush, especially her initiatives and activities in her areas of concern such as substance abuse, the arts and domestic violence.

S2060
Governor (Bush)
First Lady Columba Bush
Correspondence Files, 1996-2006
6 cubic feet and 11.6 megabytes

This series consists of correspondence, booklets and assorted literature of First Lady Columba Bush pertaining to her interests and activities, particularly relating to substance abuse, domestic violence and the arts.

S2095
Governor (Bush)
First Lady Columba Bush
Addresses and Public Service Announcements, 2001-2006
4.76 megabytes

This series consists primarily of speeches and remarks made by First Lady Columba Bush, along with a small number of public service announcements, concerning a wide variety of issues and topics.
2. State Agencies

This section is organized by the agencies that created the listed records, then by the different categories of records, or “record series,” created by each agency relating to women’s history and women’s issues in Florida. Some agencies have several series listed due to their frequent involvement in projects, initiatives and everyday work relating to women. Several series document women in high levels of management, such as: Secretary of State; Secretary of Administration; State Librarian and Archivist; and Chancellor of the Board of Regents. A number of series concern education for women in Florida, including several from the Florida State College for Women, predecessor to Florida State University, and several series pertaining to equal educational and employment opportunities for women at Florida public universities. Women’s rights and health issues are addressed through collections documenting voting rights, the Equal Rights Amendment, equal employment opportunities for women, family planning, and midwifery.

Department of Administration

S1272
Secretary Adis M. Vila
Speeches, 1987-1989
1 cubic foot

Adis M. Vila, a Cuban-born American citizen, graduated from the University of Florida Law School and has held high-level positions with the U.S. Departments of Commerce and State. She also worked in the White House Office of Public Liaison and was a practicing lawyer before being appointed Secretary of the Florida Department of Administration. This series consists of speeches delivered while she was Secretary. Background materials for the speeches are also included.

Department of State

S1676
Office of Secretary of State
Outstanding Women Achievement Awards Presentation Videotape, 1997
1 item

The Outstanding Women Achievement Awards recognize notable women who have enhanced the lives of women of Florida and/or who have served as positive community role models. This series consists of a video cassette tape of the presentation by Secretary of State Sandra B. Mortham of the 1997 Outstanding Women Achievement Awards on March 11, 1997. Secretary Mortham introduced the recipients, and those recipients present made brief remarks following her introduction.

S1748
Office of Secretary of State
Secretary of State Sandra Mortham’s Correspondence, 1995-1999
8 cubic feet
This series contains incoming and outgoing correspondence that illustrates Secretary Mortham's interests and activities during her tenure as Secretary of State.

S1750
Office of Secretary of State
Secretary of State Sandra Mortham’s Subject Files, 1994-1998
5.25 cubic feet

This series contains records, correspondence and video cassettes that illustrate the wide variety of activities and issues in which the Secretary of State is involved. Much of the series deals with the politics of Florida and the Secretary’s involvement with campaign reform.

S1804
Office of Secretary of State
Secretary of State Katherine Harris’s Correspondence, 1999-2000
10.5 cubic feet

This series contains correspondence, both general and international, to and from Secretary Harris. While it is mostly invitations to the Secretary, as well as her responses, there are also other correspondence, traditional and email, documenting some of the issues that were of importance to her during her tenure.

S1806
Office of Secretary of State
Secretary of State Katherine Harris’s Subject Files, 1999
1 cubic foot

This series consists primarily of correspondence, but also includes some reports and studies related to the following areas: international trade and cultural missions; Florida International Affairs Commission; the Sister City Grant Program; Office of International Affairs; Florida Intergovernmental Relations Foundation; and the Office of Trade and Economic Development. The series also includes informational publications documenting the many areas of activity and concern to Florida's Secretary of State. Secretary Harris was the last cabinet-level Secretary of State, and as such, her concerns span the entire body of issues addressed by the Florida Cabinet.

Florida Folklife Program

S1712
Bureau of Florida Folklife Programs, Florida Folklife Archive
“Women’s Contributions” Seminar Audio Tapes and Logs, 1989
.33 cubic foot

This series contains 14 audio cassette tapes and supporting materials documenting presentations at a Florida Endowment for the Humanities seminar, "Folk Culture in the South: Women's Contributions," held September 29, 1989 at the Jacksonville Museum of Science and History. The seminar featured presentations by Bureau of Florida Folklife Programs staff and area specialists, discussing: the study of folk culture; folk traditions in Florida; women's occupational culture and lore; and the folk culture and lore of Hispanic, Jewish, and African-American women, including: customs; beliefs; family and social relations; folk tales and jokes; and musical traditions and styles.

S1723
Bureau of Florida Folklife Programs, Florida Folklife Archive
Versiteers Award Ceremony Tapes and Photographs, 1992
1 cubic foot

An award ceremony, held August 21, 1992 in Jacksonville, Florida, honored the Versiteers, a female gospel quartet group and 1992 Florida Folk Heritage Award winners. The series consists of audio cassette tapes, photographs and supporting materials documenting the event.

State Defense Council

S419
Subject Files, 1940-1946
31 cubic feet

The goal of this World War II era council was total defense preparedness for Florida. The Defense Council was involved in the war effort in areas such as: material resources, labor, civil protection, education and morale. The series includes correspondence, scrapbooks, reports and publications that document the military service and civilian defense activities of Florida women.

S506
Minutes, 1941-1945
.25 cubic foot

This series consists of the minutes of Defense Council meetings. The minutes document the role of numerous women as leaders on the Council as well as the military service and civilian defense activities of Florida women.

S1205
Posters, 1942-1944
100 items
Among the posters contained in this series are many regarding women and the war effort. These include military recruitment posters targeting women and posters outlining other opportunities for women to contribute to the war effort on the home front.

Library and Historical Commission

S1508
State Librarian Dorothy Dodd
Correspondence, 1952-1965
3.5 cubic feet

State Library Board

S1507
State Library Board
State Archivist Dorothy Dodd Papers, 1941-1952
1 cubic foot

Dorothy Dodd served as the Florida’s first State Archivist and the second State Librarian. She also worked as a reporter and teacher and wrote extensively on Florida history. The two series listed above document her role and duties as State Librarian and State Archivist. They also record her development of a collection of Floridiana and of historical materials on Florida at the State Archives and State Library. These series listed above contain correspondence, reference materials, subject files and other related documents.

Division of Employment Security

S428
Division of Employment Security
6 cubic feet

This series documents the administration of equal employment opportunity policies and programs, and the investigation of reports of job discrimination in Florida. Records include correspondence, reports, reference materials and program data.

Office of the Commissioner of Education

S1355
Department of Education
67 cubic feet

Betty Castor, as Commissioner of Education, was the first woman elected to the Florida Cabinet. She served from 1987 to 1994, when she resigned to become President of the University of South Florida. She also served as a state senator. This series documents Castor’s role as a Cabinet member and as the chief educational officer of Florida. The files consist of memoranda, correspondence, clippings, reports and other materials.

Board of Regents

S1
Minutes, 1905-1997
50 volumes

The Board of Regents presided over the Division of Universities in the Department of Education, overseeing Florida’s public university system from 1965-2000. Included in the minutes of this period is information regarding Florida State College for Women.

S750
University Construction Records, 1946-1971
18 cubic feet, 47 microfilm reels

These records contain construction plans, records and files for educational facilities in the State University System, including the Florida State College for Women. Also included are related reports and correspondence.

Board of Regents, Office of the Chancellor

S1196
Chancellor Barbara Newell
Trip Files, 1982-1985
16 cubic feet

S1199
Chancellor Barbara Newell
Subject Files, 1979-1985
51 cubic feet

Barbara Newell was the first female state university chancellor in the United States. These two series relate to her travels as Chancellor, her duties as the chief administrator of the Board of Regents, and as administrator of the State University System of Florida. The series includes reports, agendas, subject files and correspondence.

State University System of Florida

S758
Office of Personnel, Faculty Relations Reference Files, 1965-1978
52 cubic feet

The responsibilities of the Office of Personnel of the State University System include equal opportunity employment
programs. These files document employment status and opportunities for women within the Florida Public University System.

**S999**
Office of Personnel
Reference Files, 1970-1980
31 cubic feet

The subjects covered in these files include affirmative action and equal employment opportunity programs for women and minorities. Records include correspondence, legal papers, reports and studies.

**S1110**
Office of Equal Educational Opportunity Programs
Title IX University Self-Evaluation Reports, 1972-1978
1 cubic foot

This series consists of self-evaluations by Florida universities in regard to sexual discrimination in admissions, athletic programs, scholarships and employment. In addition to the evaluations, the series also includes correspondence, memoranda, follow-up reports and suggestions.

**S1268**
Office of Equal Educational Opportunity Programs
University Visitation Files, 1983-1986
2 cubic feet

This series consists of the files of Delores Auzenne, Special Assistant to the Chancellor for Equal Education Opportunity Programs. The files relate to visits to Florida universities, including: reports, recommendations, university responses, and plans and actions of universities to enhance affirmative action and equal educational opportunities.

**Florida State University**

**S164**
Office of the President, Bernard F. Sliger
Administrative Files, 1976-1990
122 cubic feet

President Sliger's files document civil rights issues, affirmative action programs and equal opportunity employment at Florida State University. There are numerous files on women’s athletics and the president’s relations with the American Association of University Women.

**S1259**
Office of the President, Stanley Marshall
Committee Files, 1957-1976
5 cubic feet

This series consists of files on various campus committees. Subject matter includes women’s groups and employment of women.

**S1360**
Office of the President, Doak S. Campbell
Administrative Files, 1941-1957
21 cubic feet

President Campbell presided over the transition of Florida State College for Women to the co-educational Florida State University. The files include correspondence, memoranda, reports and budgets that document the President’s relations with university staff and faculty, and with the Board of Control (predecessor to the Board of Regents).

**S1361**
Office of the President, Edward Conradi
Administrative Files, 1939-1941
2 cubic feet

Under the administration of President Conradi, Florida State College for Women grew from a few hundred students to more than 2,000. These files consist primarily of correspondence documenting the President’s interaction with staff, faculty and the Board of Control.

**Department of Public Instruction**

**S163**
Scholarship Files, 1923-1927
1.5 cubic feet

The Department of Public Instruction was the predecessor agency to the Department of Education. This series includes scholarship applications to Florida State College for Women and the correspondence of College business manager, John G. Kellum.

**Board of Control**

**S218**
Trustees of the Westcott Estate
Minutes, 1929-1930
1 volume

The Board of Control was the predecessor body to the Board of Regents. These minutes document the sale of 20 acres of James D. Westcott’s estate to Florida State College for Women.

**Florida Construction Program**

**S546**
Publicity Records, 1936-1937
.5 cubic foot
Work on both the Florida Industrial School for Girls, and Florida State College for Women, was included in the Florida Construction Program, a Public Works Administration project. This collection consists of records relating to the publicity of that project, including newspaper articles and solicitation letters for advertisements.

**Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services**

**S2682**  
Florida Social Service  
Research Materials, 1977  
1.25 cubic feet

This series contains research notes relating to the development of social services in Florida. It includes subject files on people interviewed and topics directed toward workers and clients, as well as taped interviews with people reflecting their personal experiences in the social service field in Florida.

**Department of Health**

**S1785**  
Florida Division of Family Health  
Sexual Violence Prevention Program  
Records, 1983-1995  
4 cubic feet

The Sexual Violence Prevention Program attempted to eliminate the occurrence of sexual violence and addressed the needs of victims through raising awareness and providing proper training for sexual violence victim treatment providers. This series contains records that document these objectives.

**S2671**  
Sexual Violence Prevention Program  
Records, 1996-2006  
1.75 cubic feet

This series documents the development and implementation of programs designed to raise awareness about sexual violence, and to properly train sexual violence victim treatment providers. The programs include Safe Dates, Talk About It and Get the Facts. The records consist of handouts, evaluations of speakers, and correspondence pertaining to the development of conferences for the Florida Council Against Sexual Violence and training seminars.

**Department of Children and Families**

**S2267**  
Governor’s Task Force on Domestic Violence  
Meeting Files, 1998-2000  
1 cubic foot

This series documents the participation of the Department of Children and Families as a state agency liaison at meetings of the Governor’s Task Force on Domestic Violence from May 1, 1998 to May 31, 2000. The records relate to a variety of issues discussed at the meetings, such as: the status of domestic violence legislative proposals; domestic violence in the justice system; domestic violence education and law enforcement training; domestic violence grant programs; domestic violence intervention and response; and the background and past initiatives and accomplishments of the Task Force.

**Commission on Human Relations**

**S382**  
Commission on Human Relations  
Records, 1969-1976  
1 cubic foot

The Florida Commission on Human Relations promotes fair treatment and equal opportunity for all persons in Florida and seeks resolution of claims of discriminatory treatment, including sexual discrimination. This series consists of: program proposals; meeting minutes and agendas; correspondence; press releases; and other materials documenting the Commission’s position on, and activities in, civil rights matters, including: affirmative action; equal opportunity employment; and job discrimination.

**State Board of Health**

**S904**  
Midwife Program Files 1924-1975  
5.5 cubic feet

The State Board of Health was the predecessor agency to the Division of Health under the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services (later the Department of Health). The midwife licensing program was initiated by the State Board of Health in 1931. This series contains manuals; legislative reports; essays; correspondence; photographs; midwife summaries (the record of midwives licensed by county); and midwife record cards which document a midwife’s yearly health checkups, race, literacy and education levels, and consulting physicians.

**S1481**  
Bureau of Narcotics  
Applications for Certificate of Registration for Healing Arts, 1928-1955  
35 microfilm reels

This series includes the forms of those applying to be registered as certified midwives. The applications include information, such as: name; address; race; date and place of birth; length of Florida residency; and county of residency.
3. Personal Papers

The following collections consist of the papers of individuals, including the papers of public officials, prominent professionals and other leading women, as well as scrapbooks, diaries, letters and oral history interviews of private women. Taken together, these collections can provide a glimpse into women working as homemakers and in professional and social settings in Florida in the 19th through the early 21st century.

**M74-22**
Edmund Cottle Weeks
Papers, 1854-1935
3.25 cubic feet, 11 volumes

Major Edmund Cottle Weeks was a United States Naval Officer who transferred to the United States Army and took command of the 2nd Florida Calvary during the Civil War. Following the war he became involved in Florida Republican politics; was appointed to the Marshal Service; and ended his professional career as Surveyor General of Florida. Among these papers is the personal and business correspondence of Weeks' wife, Elizabeth H. Weeks (1836-1936). Mrs. Weeks' business interests included copper mines in New Mexico and property in Iowa inherited from her first husband, Gilbert D. Craft.

**M74-60**
Sara Dillingham Alberson
Scrapbooks, 1946-1974
2 volumes

Sara Alberson was a home economist; editor and author; and sportswoman who held several public positions in Florida, including Executive Secretary of the Eustis Chamber of Commerce and Florida's Home Economist. She encouraged the participation of women in organized sports and was an activist for the conservation of Florida's natural resources. Her scrapbooks contain clippings, photographs, recipes and correspondence.

**M75-74**
Beth McCollough Johnson
Papers, 1957-1970
8 cubic feet

Beth McCollough Johnson was the first woman to serve in the Florida Senate. She held several other public positions over the course of her career and was a delegate to the 1952 Democratic National Convention. As a Senator, Johnson had a special interest in mental health issues and reapportionment. This collection consists of both business and personal papers from the beginning of her term as State Representative in 1957 until 1970.

**M77-157**
William Dunnington Bloxham
Papers, 1896-1911  
1.5 cubic feet  

William D. Bloxham served as Florida's Secretary of State and Governor. Most of his collection postdates his last term as governor, and includes photographs and personal and business correspondence (1907-1935) of his wife, Gertrude Norrell Bloxham.

**M77-166**  
Elizabeth Fisher Smith  
Papers, 1898-1899 1935-1977  
1.5 cubic feet  

Elizabeth Fisher Smith was the founder of the magazine *Magnolia Monthly*, which covered the history and news of Wakulla County and North Florida. Her papers include diaries, stories, scrapbooks, correspondence and essays. Her diaries reflect her early interest in writing, her personal views on social and political issues, and information on her early family life and the people close to her. Her scrapbooks reflect her academic life, participation in the war effort in Florida, the birth of her children, family history and tidbits on life in North Florida. Her correspondence includes incoming and outgoing letters to family members and friends.

**M77-167**  
Nettie Clare Bowen  
Oral History, 1972  
1 cassette  

Nettie Clare Bowen was active in political and civic affairs in Tallahassee. This interview concerns the history of buildings and families in the area of historic Calhoun Street and life in that area at the turn of the century.

**M80-5**  
Bessie Whitaker  
Travel Journal, ca. 1862  
1 volume  

This journal was maintained during a European tour in the 1860s. Entries describe tourist sites, social events and travel. The diary also includes sketches by the writer.

**M82-7**  
George H. Asbell  
Papers, 1914-1967  
1.5 cubic feet  

George Asbell was an engineer whose work took him to various sites in Florida, Venezuela and Puerto Rico. He also served as the Director of the Florida Motor Vehicle Commission. The collection includes the diaries and correspondence of his wife, Charlotte.

**M82-13**  
Abby Crawford Milton  
Oral History, 1982  
1 videotape  

One hundred years old at the time of this interview, Milton discusses her life in Florida with Governor Bob Graham; Commissioner of Agriculture Doyle Conner; and Secretary of State George Firestone.

**M84-23**  
Helen Louise Terwilleger Zebley  
French Family Genealogical Collection, 1984  
1.5 cubic feet  

This collection contains genealogical materials on the French and related families, early settlers of Volusia and Seminole counties. The material formed the basis of Helen Louise Terwilleger Zebley’s book on her ancestors’ immigration from New York and their lives in Orange City and Sanford, Florida.

**M84-29**  
Juanita Forbes  
Papers, 1931-1965  
2.5 cubic feet  

Juanita Forbes worked for the Florida Securities Commission, and served as Secretary of the North American Securities Administrators during the 1950s and 1960s. This collection contains correspondence, minutes, photographs, financial reports, legislative materials and conference materials related to her duties as Secretary.

**M85-5**  
Thelma Ann Boltin  
Papers, ca. 1894-1978  
3 cubic feet  

Thelma Ann Boltin, "The Queen of Florida Folklife," was a nationally recognized folklorist and the director of the Stephen Foster Memorial Folk Festival in White Springs, Florida. The collection consists of Boltin’s correspondence, memorabilia, clippings, poetry, plays and scrapbooks.

**M85-7**  
William George Dodd  
Genealogical Notebook, ca. 1930  
1 folder  

William George Dodd taught at and was Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences of Florida State College for Women. This collection contains an early map of Tallahassee with property owners noted; lists of early city officials; and local death and wedding announcements.
M86-15
Cora S. Morse
Papers, 1940-1980
8 cubic feet

Cora S. Morse was involved in the preservation of historic buildings in Tallahassee, and was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution; Colonial Dames of the XVII Century; and the United Daughters of the Confederacy. These papers and scrapbooks consist of her correspondence, brochures, photographs and other memorabilia documenting her involvement with historic organizations and preservation.

M87-39
Francis Arlington Rhodes
Papers, 1950-1980
3.25 cubic feet

F. Arlie Rhodes was a prominent educator in Florida. This collection contains audiotapes of his lectures on the history of Leon County, including a talk titled, “Florida Women Get the Right to Vote.”

M88-21
William Tennent Stockton
Papers, 1845-1869
1.25 cubic feet

William Stockton served as mayor of Quincy, Florida. The collection includes the letters of Stockton and his wife Julia, most notably their correspondence during the Civil War, as well as genealogies, clippings and poems.

M89-21
Elizabeth Ann Love Wilson
Papers, 1848-1892
8 items

Elizabeth Ann Love Wilson resided in Gadsden County, Florida. Her papers consist of a diary and prayer book, poems and letters, including correspondence with her brothers during their service in the Civil War.

M89-32
Daniel W. Wiggins
Diaries, 1816-1834, 1831-1841, 1862
.5 cubic foot

This collection includes the letterbooks of Daniel W. Wiggins and Mary L. Wiggins (relationship unknown). Mary Wiggins’ diary dates from 1862 when she was a student at the Female College Institute in Annapolis, Maryland.

M90-15
Bobbie M. James
Records, 1923-1978
9 cubic feet

Bobbie James served as the first Historian of the Florida Republican State Committee. The collection documents her role as Historian as well as the activities and history of the Republican State Committee. It includes reports, clippings, correspondence, publications and scrapbooks.

M90-18
Barbara L. Frye
Press Files, 1944-1981
8 cubic feet

Barbara L. Frye served as Tallahassee Bureau Manager for United Press International from 1944 to 1982. This collection contains her articles with background materials. They primarily concern national and local elections and the Florida Legislature.

M90-19
Zabud Fletcher
Family Papers, 1835-1870
.25 cubic foot

The Fletchers resided in China Hill in Gadsden County, Florida. The collection includes the correspondence and poetry of Sarah Ann Monroe Fletcher, wife of Zabud Fletcher.

M90-16
Anna Hahn
Diaries, 1897-1925
6 volumes

The diaries and papers of Anna Hahn of Chester, Pennsylvania, are of both a personal and business nature. Hahn owned several rental properties in Florida with her sister. The diaries reflect Hahn’s travels between Pennsylvania and Florida, and her interest in the national and international events of the era.

M94-1
Roxcy O’Neal Bolton
Papers, 1956-2013
40.5 cubic feet

Roxcy O’Neal Bolton is a leading advocate for women’s rights in Florida. Included in her many projects was the organization of Florida’s chapter of the National Organization for Women; the founding of Women in Distress, a program to assist women in personal crisis; and the development of the Rape Treatment Center at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami. This collection contains her subject files, clippings, correspondence, photographs and videotapes. It documents Bolton’s fight for the Equal Rights Amendment, the above-
mentioned projects, her work in the struggle for women's rights, and her local and national recognition for this work.

**M95-2**

Daniel M. Williams  
Biographical Records on Mary McLeod Bethune, 1890-1960  
1.25 cubic feet

Mary McLeod Bethune was nationally recognized as an educator and civil rights leader. She founded the National Council of Negro Women and the Daytona Normal and Industrial School for Negro Girls in Daytona Beach, which later merged with the Cookman Institute to become Bethune-Cookman College. This collection was accumulated by Daniel Williams, who planned to write a biography of Bethune, and consists of photographs, biographical pieces, interview transcripts, letters, and other materials related to Mary McLeod Bethune, Bethune-Cookman College, and the National Council of Negro Women.

**M95-3**

Eunice Liberty  
Papers, 1967-1995  
2 cubic feet

This collection consists of the papers of Eunice Liberty of Dade County, a leader in education and civil rights. She worked to educate people on Mary McLeod Bethune and African American history, and was a leader in the National Council of Negro Women. The collection includes newspaper clippings, correspondence, photographs and records relating to the National Council of Negro Women.

**M96-2**

Louise Barcus  
Journal, ca. 1895-1912  
1 volume

Mrs. Louise Barcus was born in 1865 or 1866. She lived in both Springfield, Ohio and Virginia, and attended college in Indiana. Before 1910, Mrs. Barcus moved to Princeton in Dade County, where she filed a homestead claim and taught at the town school for three or four years prior to 1912. She also served as the Princeton postmistress and wrote fiction for the *Saturday Evening Post* and *Ladies Home Journal*. The notes found within her journal contain information on the pioneers of Flamingo and Cape Sable (births, deaths, occupations, etc.), and on area events (storms, settlements, etc.).

**M96-19**

Mohinder Jain  
Papers, 1989-1998  
.5 cubic foot

Dr. Mohinder "Mona" Jain is a Fulbright scholar, a National Science Foundation scholar, a medical doctor, and a health and science educator. This collection contains the personal papers of Dr. Jain documenting her personal life, professional career, interests and activities. The collection includes correspondence, photographs, press releases, news clippings, minutes, reports, and other materials concerning Dr. Jain's involvement with the Florida Commission on the Status of Women, the Governor's Commission on Education, Manatee County Head Start and other organizations and interests.

**M96-24**

Leona H. Cooper  
Papers, 1948-1996  
2.5 cubic feet

Leona H. Cooper moved to Miami from the Bahamas at age 14, graduating from Booker T. Washington High School in 1949, and after receiving her certificate in Medical Technology, began a long and successful career as a microbiologist. This collection documents the Cooper's family, professional and religious life. The collection contains correspondence, newspaper clippings, photographs, programs, publicity materials, and other materials documenting her activities and interests, including papers relating to the St. Martin De Porres Association; African Americans in the Catholic Church; women in the Catholic Church; the Archdiocese of Miami; defending the rights of Haitian immigrants and Haitian nationals; the visit of Pope John Paul II to America in 1987; honors and awards, including her honorary doctorate from St. Thomas University and her Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice awarded by Pope John Paul II; City of Coral Gables and Dade County government and business; and the activities and achievements of her children.

**M97-11**

Reminiscences about Aunt Memory Adams  
ca. late 19th century  
2 items

Aunt Memory Adams was brought to Tallahassee by slave traders in the mid-nineteenth century and remained there for the rest of her life. She was a bondwoman to the Argyle family until emancipation, and then earned her living as a house servant for some of Tallahassee's elite families and as a janitor for some downtown businesses. This manuscript collection is a reminiscence of Aunt Memory Adams and consists of handwritten anecdotes concerning Aunt Memory in Tallahassee.

**M97-13**

Dorothy Lee Hamilton Page  
Papers, 1935-1997  
.24 cubic foot

Dorothy Lee Hamilton Page was active in community affairs, volunteer work and the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort
Lauderdale. After her son, Ricky, took his own life with a handgun in December 1974 at age 19, she began taking an interest in gun legislation and became a vocal advocate of handgun control laws. This small collection of letters, newsletters, photographs and other items documents the life, career and activities of Page.

M97-17
Mary Crozier
Tallahassee Interview Tapes and Transcripts, 1991-2000
6 items

This collection consists of audio cassette tapes and typed transcripts of interviews with Ida Myrick and Adalaide Owens of Tallahassee, Florida. The interviews were conducted by Mary Crozier, a friend of the Myrick and Owens families. In the Myrick interview, Ms. Myrick discusses her childhood, early family life and schooling; Tallahassee schools and businesses; her teaching experiences; building her Myrick Road house; and starting the Covenant Church. In the Owens interview, Ms. Owens discusses Lake Jackson and the Indian Mounds, her life with her husband, their church activities, and caring for her husband in his years of declining health until his death in 1999.

M98-2
Molly Turner
Papers, 1949-1996
3 cubic feet

Molly Turner, a pioneering television broadcaster and feminist, is a living legend in Florida broadcasting history. She is among the first female television reporters and the first female broadcaster in Florida. This collection contains speeches, correspondence, scripts, newspaper articles, newsletters, magazine articles, awards, and photographs documenting the professional broadcasting career of Molly Turner from the beginning of her career in radio and television in the late 1940s, continuing through her retirement in 1989 and subsequent years.

M98-3
Rosemary Barkett
Papers, 1970-1997
5 cubic feet

This collection contains the personal papers of Rosemary Barkett, primarily documenting her legal and judicial career. Barkett was appointed by Governor Bob Graham to the 15th Judicial Circuit Court in 1979. She was elected chief judge in 1983, making her the first female chief judge in Florida's history. In 1985 she became Florida's first female Supreme Court Justice, and in 1992 Florida's first female Supreme Court Chief Justice. In 1994 she was nominated and confirmed for a seat on the United States Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit. Included in these papers are correspondence, newspaper clippings and magazine articles, biographical information, investiture transcripts, photographs and awards.

M98-5
Patricia Clements
Oral History Interviews, 1997-1998
8 items

This collection consists of compact disk recordings of oral history interviews conducted by Dr. Patricia Clements with Florida women active in public life and/or community affairs, including community activist, Alicia Baro; microbiologist, and Catholic Church and community activist, Leona Cooper; Seminole medicine woman, Susie Jim Billie (possibly the oldest living Seminole at the time of the interview at approximately 100 years of age); radio talk show host and community activist, Audrey Finkelstein; athlete, equity activist and lobbyist, Barbara Palmer; Judge Rosemary Barkett; and Brigadier General Marianne Mathewson-Chapman, Persian Gulf War veteran and highest ranking woman in the Florida National Guard. The interviews discuss each woman's family background; education; career; home life; and personal philosophies. Interviews with Alicia Baro and Susie Jim Billie lack interviewee release forms, and are restricted until donor submits said forms.

N2000-5
O. Kathryn Bell Meyer
Papers, 1937-1993
.75 cubic foot

This collection documents Kathryn Bell Meyer's career as a banker with Barnett National Bank of Jacksonville, and her efforts to direct attention to the progress of women in the banking profession. The collection consists of her speech drafts about women in banking; how people handle their money/finance and the banking business; minutes of the Jacksonville Clearing Association from 1965 to 1993 when she was secretary; and news clippings and publications about her role in the banking field and her opinions on the bank industry.

N2002-1
Marjorie Turnbull
Papers, 1979-1980
.5 cubic foot

This collection consists of the personal papers of Marjorie Turnbull, including correspondence, memoranda, notes, meeting summaries and reports that represent Turnbull's service as a commission staff member for the Joint Legislative and Executive Commission on Postsecondary Education from 1979-1980.
Florida First Ladies Collection Development and Exhibit Records, 1999-2001
.25 cubic foot

Dr. Patricia Clements grew up in Miami, Florida, and earned her Ph.D. in education. She was appointed to Florida’s Commission on the Status of Women in 1996, serving as the Commission’s Women’s History Liaison. This collection documents activities and events related to the efforts of Dr. Clements to collect, for the Museum of Florida History, the gowns worn by Florida’s First Ladies at governors’ inaugural ceremonies and celebrations.

N2002-11
Nikki Beare
Women's Rights and Public Service Papers and Tapes, 1971-1994
.5 cubic foot

This collection consists of audio cassettes, video tapes and news clippings documenting the debate in Florida over women’s rights and the Equal Rights Amendment in the 1970s, as well as the political career of State Representative and women’s and children’s advocate, Elaine Gordon.

N2003-1
Virginia Daire
Florida Supreme Court’s Gender Bias Study Commission Reports and Correspondence, 1987-1990
.75 cubic foot

In 1987, the Supreme Court of Florida created a 27 member panel of judges and lawyers in response to a Florida State University study concluding that gender bias was pervasive in the state’s courts. This collection consists primarily of reports compiled by the Florida Supreme Court’s Gender Bias Study Commission. The reports study gender bias in Florida courts; the legal profession; and law enforcement through an examination of issues such as prostitution, sexual harassment and discrimination.

N2004-1
Ruth Bryan Owen
Papers, 1930-2003
1.5 cubic feet

This collection contains correspondence, news clippings, subject files and photographs documenting Ruth Bryan Owen’s career as a legislator, diplomat, educator and public speaker. Materials of interest include clippings and correspondence from her work as a Representative from Florida in Washington, D.C.; clippings of her career in the Foreign Service to Denmark and the United Nations; and biographical information.

N2010-8
Gertrude Petersen Winnie
Torry Island, Everglades Pioneering Reminiscences, ca. 1950s
.25 cubic foot

This collection consists of 11 slim handwritten volumes in which Gertrude Winne recounts her experiences as a Torry Island pioneer with her husband and baby son. She discusses her train travels from her native Ohio to Jacksonville, and then Fort Myers in late 1911; traveling by boat to Torry Island; clearing land for their tent and later their house; the challenges of travel, weather, isolation and illness; encounters with settlers on neighboring islands; and their daily work and family life.

N2012-1
Beatrice Swain Szumanski
Riddle Field Pilot Training Papers, ca. 1943-1945
.1 cubic foot

Riddle Field, near Clewiston, Florida, was a training field for military pilots and during World War II was used for training U.S. Army Air Corps/Army Air Forces cadets and British Royal Air Force cadets. This collection consists of photographs and papers from Beatrice Swain Szumanski's time assisting at Riddle Field for British Royal Air Force cadet pilot training. Among the papers are images of Ms. Swain's friend and RAF cadet Alan Davidson in the cockpit and with Ms. Swain; a certificate of appreciation to "Bertha Swain" for her assistance "to the British Mission in North America;" and an invitation to the graduation ceremony for the cadets of Course 23 on June 16, 1943.

N2013-15
Louise Webber
Letter Regarding 1926 Hurricanes, 1926
1 item (12 pages)

This collection consists of a single letter describing the hurricanes that hit Southeastern Florida on September 18 and October 21, 1926. Written by "Kaye" from the Floridian Hotel, Miami Beach, to Louise Webber of Bangor, Maine, the 12 page letter gives a detailed account of Kaye’s activities, both during and in the aftermath of the storms. She begins with a brief account of the October 21st storm, before plunging into the events of September 18th and the days that followed.
4. Family Papers

The following collections consist of family papers that document both private and public aspects of family life. The correspondence, land and business records, financial papers, scrapbooks, journals and oral history interviews in these collections can provide a glimpse into the role of some Florida women within their families in the 19th and 20th centuries.

The papers of this North Florida/South Georgia family include the diary (1884, 1889) of Kate C. Hughes, which provides a look at life in the mid-19th century from one woman's perspective.

**M81-11**
Matthews Family Papers, 1856-1910
.25 cubic foot

This collection includes the correspondence of David and Nancy Matthews. Nancy Matthews' letters to her husband describe life on the home front during the Civil War. Also included is her correspondence to the Internal Improvement Fund regarding her pension claims.

**M83-26**
Yarbrough Family Papers, 1880-1940
.5 cubic foot

The papers of the Yarbrough family of Jefferson County include scrapbooks and notebooks of Corinne Turnbull Yarbrough and Mary Simpson Yarbrough. Of special interest is an 1885 publication, "A Message from China to the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South," regarding the formation of a joint stock company within the church to finance missionary schools in the Far East.

**M83-27**
Taylor Family Papers, 1850-1969
1 cubic foot

The Taylor family papers include the journals of Elizabeth L. Taylor of Black Creek (1850s) and of Mary C. Taylor (1920). Elizabeth Taylor writes of plantation life in the mid-19th century, including slave life and births. The collection contains photographs and genealogy records of the Taylor and related families of Leon and Wakulla counties.

**M86-36**
Knott Family Papers, 1845-1980
29.8 cubic feet
William V. Knott of Tallahassee had a long career in Florida state government. The collection includes papers of his wife, Luella Pugh Knott; his daughter, Mary Knott Bazemore; and his sister-in-law, Permelia Colley Knott. The papers of Luella Knott include her writings, music and genealogical research. Mary Knott Bazemore was a pediatrician, and her papers reflect her professional life and her interest in the family's real estate holdings. Permelia Knott’s papers document her personal and business activities.

**M86-38**
Elliot Family Papers, 1851-1957
.75 cubic foot

The papers of this Tallahassee family include those of Sallie Cotton Elliot and Carrie Elliot. A notebook kept by Sallie Cotton Elliot contains letters describing mid-19th century life at a girls' boarding school. Carrie Elliot was a founder of the Tallahassee Live Oak Trail and a member of other civic organizations. Among her papers are materials relating to the organization of the Live Oak Trail, a scenic route that preserved many of the oldest and largest trees in downtown Tallahassee.

**M87-8**
Griscom Family Papers, 1896-1977
12 cubic feet

This collection includes the personal and business papers of Audrey Crosse Griscom, as well as the correspondence, stocks, tax records, estate records and other business papers of Frances C. Griscom. Frances Griscom's papers include correspondence with Mamie Eisenhower and President Richard Nixon, as well as documents related to the operation of Water Oak Plantation in Leon County.

**M87-36**
Palmer Family Letters, 1856-1915
.25 cubic foot

This collection includes the personal letters of Mary Rebecca Gassaway Palmer. Subject matter includes wedding plans, social activities and life in Monticello, Florida during the Civil War and late 19th century.

**M87-38**
Lewis Family Papers, 1853-1967
21.50 cubic feet

The Lewis family of Tallahassee was the founder of the Lewis State Bank. This collection contains the legal, business and personal papers of several generations of the family involved in the operation of the bank. The women of the family are well represented, with the papers of Mary Elizabeth Lewis, Elizabeth Douglas Lewis, Sarah Davis Lewis, Sarah Everett Lewis Henderson and Mary S. Lewis included in the collection.

**M88-1**
Stone Family Papers, 1827-1959
3 cubic feet

These records were collected by Jeanne Coleman Compton Stone, and include diaries, correspondence and other papers of the Stone family of Calhoun County. Mode Lee Stone was a prominent Florida educator, holding positions within the Tallahassee schools, the Department of Education and Florida State University. The series includes teacher exams and records from the early 20th century as well as the diary and other papers of Stone’s first wife, Lois Lancaster.

**M91-5**
Simpson Family Papers, 1825-1978
14.5 cubic feet

This collection includes the letters and papers, dating from the early 20th century, of Dorothy Conrad Simpson, wife of Florida legislator Richard H. Simpson of Monticello.

**M92-1**
Call Family and Brevard Family Papers, 1788-1925
6 cubic feet, 27 microfilm reels, 33 compact discs

This collection consists of the papers of the family and descendants of Richard Keith Call, Territorial Governor of Florida. Included is a diary of his daughter, Ellen Call Long (the first white child born in Leon County), an author and civic leader. The diary describes life on the home front during the Civil War. The series also includes the writings of educator and author, Caroline Mays Brevard.

**N2005-9**
Blackshear, Pittman, White, Dickens and Drew Families Papers, ca. 1700s-1970s
23 cubic feet

This collection is made up of correspondence, personal papers, business papers, photographs and other miscellaneous materials of five related families of Jackson County, Florida and Laurens County, Georgia. The collection provides unique documentation of business and family life in Northwest Florida and Southwest Georgia, from the antebellum period through the mid-20th century.
Papers, 1891-1918
.5 cubic foot

This series consists of personal papers of Mary Kirvin of Allenton, Florida, which include tax, financial and farming information in addition to family correspondence and letters from her son serving in World War I.

N2008-16
Mary Ann Lines
Lines Family
Memory Books and Memorabilia, 1840-1870
1 compact disc

This collection consists of one compact disk containing 92 images of two memory books kept by Eliza and Mary Ann DuPont and of jewelry items owned by Mary Ann. The memory books date from the late 1840s, and are filled with autographs, essays and mementos of the two girls. The books served as a remembrance of their Quincy home. Mary Ann's book may shed light on the founding of the country's second oldest college sorority by a Floridian whose father felt strongly for his daughters' education at a time when most women did not attend college.
5. Associations, Clubs, Societies and Businesses

These collections consist of the working papers, such as: membership rolls; minutes; applications; and memorabilia of various women's professional, charitable and historical associations and clubs. Also included in this section are the papers of multiple businesses that document women, either administratively or as part of the business’ program.

1 cubic foot

The Junior League is a women's society interested in local social, economic, cultural and civic issues. This oral history collection of the Tallahassee chapter consists of interviews with prominent and long-time residents of Tallahassee, including many women. Those interviewed discuss life in late 19th-early 20th century Tallahassee. Especially noteworthy are the conversations on attending Florida State College for Women in the early 20th century. Transcripts of the interviews are included. A list of those interviewed is in the full series description available at the Archives.

M76-131
United Daughters of the Confederacy, Anna Jackson
Chapter No. 224 Tallahassee
Records, 1862-1865, 1898-2012
20.75 cubic feet

The records of this women's philanthropic, historical and social club include meeting minutes, membership documents and information on its educational programs. The collection also contains family genealogies and records of and information on Confederate soldiers, veterans and supporters.

M77-164
Junior League of Tallahassee

1 cubic foot

Wakulla County Public Library
Oral Histories, 1978-1979
.5 cubic foot

These oral history interviews concern the growth and development of business and community in Wakulla County at the late 19th-early 20th century. The collection contains the interview tapes as well as written summaries with background information. Several women are among those interviewed.

M82-11
Florida Women’s Conference
Videotape, 1977
1 videotape

This collection consists of a videotape of the proceedings in Orlando of the first Florida Women's Conference. The conference celebrated the International Women's Year of 1975. Especially noteworthy is the debate between pro- and anti-Equal Rights Amendment factions.

M82-12
WLRN (Radio Station: Miami, Fla.)
"Straight Talk With Audrey Finkelstein"
Interview with Roxcy Bolton, 1977
1 cassette

This collection consists of an audiotape of an interview with Roxcy Bolton, founder of the Dade County chapter of the National Organization for Women. A leading advocate for women's rights and an organizer of women's groups and services in Florida, Bolton discusses the history of the women's movement in Dade County.
The Florida State Society is the central organizing committee for the various local chapters of the DAR, a women's society of descendants of American Revolutionaries, whose mission is to promote historical, educational and patriotic work. The collection contains minutes, membership rolls and gift records. It documents the State Society's relations with local chapters and the National Society.

The Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings State Historic Site sits on the home and acreage of the renowned Florida writer (Cross Creek and The Yearling). These scrapbooks, the originals of which are maintained by the Historic Site, contain articles, photographs and clippings related to the author's life, work and home.

County Home Demonstration Clubs were women's clubs that traveled through communities instructing women in fields such as: sewing; food preparation and conservation; nutrition and health; home beautification; and dairying. Members also participated in the planning of community activities and the organization of local women's clubs. The scrapbooks contain minutes, reports, clippings, correspondence, programs and photographs documenting club activities and interests.

The Colonial Dames is a women's group dedicated to the commemoration of the founders of the United States and to the preservation of their records. This collection consists of clippings, membership information, programs and correspondence.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union was a national philanthropic and prohibitionist group at the turn of the 20th century. Among the Tampa chapter's projects was the establishment of one of the first daycare centers in the Tampa area. The collection consists of accounts, minutes and correspondence.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy was founded to perpetuate the honor, integrity and other "noble attributes to true Southern Heritage." The collection contains clippings, photographs and other memorabilia of the group.

Membership applications to the United Daughters of the Confederacy consist of basic information on the applicant as well as family genealogies documenting Confederate heritage.

The Mackay family, originally of Dundee, Scotland, was involved in the cattle and citrus industries in Florida. Following her husband's death in 1940, Grace Mackay moved from Britain to Polk County, Florida to oversee the management of Mackay Estates Limited. This collection consists of business and personal papers, primarily correspondence and financial documents.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy is a subsidiary for children of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. The information on these membership applications concerns both the applicants and their Confederate ancestors.

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These scrapbooks contain information regarding different aspects of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. As keepers of the flame of the "Lost Cause," UDC members collected information regarding the activities of the people of the South during the Civil War as soldiers, families, slaves, civilian war workers, and as victims of the effects of total war. As a fraternal society, they collected information relating to the history and activities of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Florida Division, and its constituent chapters.

M97-12
Women's Christian Temperance Union of Florida Records, 1886-1984
1 cubic foot

This collection contains records documenting the history and activities of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Florida and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Jacksonville, which established the Florida W.C.T.U. The collection includes minutes of the Jacksonville Union from 1886 to 1926 (with gaps); treasurer's cash books, cancelled checks and dues receipts; Florida W.C.T.U. annual convention programs and reports from 1903 to 1966 (with gaps); a history of the Florida W.C.T.U. from 1883 to 1983; and a small number of scrapbook items, including: photographs of W.C.T.U. members at special events; programs for special events; and newspaper clippings.

M97-14
National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century, Florida Society Minutes, 1936-1996
3 microfilm reels

This collection consists of the minutes of the Board of the Florida Society, National Society of Colonial Dames of the XVII Century. It documents topics discussed, decisions made and actions taken by the Florida Society. Among the many topics of discussion in the minutes are: the treasurer's reports; comments on guest speakers; resolutions; awarding of scholarship funds; and gifts to libraries. In addition, there are organizational papers from the first meeting, membership lists and annual reports from the various chapters in the state.

M97-21
WLRN (Radio Station: Miami, Fla.) "Straight Talk with Audrey Finkelstein" Civil Rights Radio Series Audio Cassettes, 1997
7 cassette tapes & 7 compact disks

This collection is comprised of audio recordings of WLRN public radio broadcasts concerning the Civil Rights Movement in Dade County. The broadcasts, aired on WLRN's weekly "Straight Talk with Audrey Finkelstein," featured conversations with some of the individuals, black and white, who took part in South Florida's struggle for racial integration.

M98-6
Mattie Belle Davis Business and Professional Women's Clubs Records, 1930-1998
9 cubic feet

This collection consists of administrative and operating records of the Miami Business and Professional Women's Club and the Florida Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, collected and maintained by Judge Mattie Belle Davis, a member who served the Miami BPW organization in many capacities, including president, treasurer and newsletter editor. She also served as President of District 10 of the Florida Federation. The records document many of the goals, concerns and interests of business and professional women over the course of the latter half of the 20th century, including career, health, safety and equality issues, both inside and outside of the workplace.

M98-10
Florida School Food Service Association Records, 1946-1998
18 cubic feet

The Florida School Food Service Association is a professional association of: state and local school food service directors; supervisors; cafeteria managers; food service assistants; and nutrition educators throughout Florida. This collection consists of administrative records and reference files documenting the organization, programs and activities of the Florida School Food Service Association.

N2000-25
Coral Gables, Florida Cable TV Division Coral Gables Oral History Interview Video Recordings, 2000
2 items

This collection consists of videotaped oral history interviews with longtime Coral Gables residents and city officials. Topics addressed include: life in early Coral Gables; development of city government; relations between the city and the University of Miami; building of roads and subdivisions; development of neighborhoods; economic development; segregation; and the Civil Rights and Women's Rights Movements.

N2006-7
Florida Association for Women in Education Papers, 1987-2006
1 cubic foot
This collection contains correspondence, conference materials, newsletters and other records documenting the Florida Association for Women in Education and its predecessor organization, the Florida Association for Women Deans, Administrators and Counselors, until dissolution of the organization in 2006.

N2006-11
United Daughters of the Confederacy, Florida Division
Miscellaneous Papers, ca. 1931-1960s
.2 cubic foot

This collection consists of miscellaneous items donated to the U.D.C., Florida Division by members, including a 1932 photograph of a Confederate Monument in Ocala, and a souvenir program of the Forty-First Confederate Veterans Reunion held in Montgomery, Alabama in 1931. There are also various lists of Confederate veterans, including some genealogical information (wives and children) and a printing block illustration of the Florida Old Confederate Soldiers and Sailors Home (Florida Confederate Soldiers Home) in Jacksonville.

N2009-3
Koreshan Unity
Papers, ca. 1829-2006
209 cubic feet

The Koreshan Unity was a late-19th/early-20th century religious utopian community originally founded in upstate New York by Dr. Cyrus Teed. After a relocation from New York to Chicago, Teed gained a substantial following. In 1894 the Unity moved to Estero, Florida where they continued to flourish. The Koreshan Unity Papers consist of original writings, letters, photographs and other organizational and personal records of founders and members of the Koreshan Unity. The collection documents the economic and cultural development of Southwest Florida; the relationship between religion and community; the Koreshans' methods of integrating concepts of science into their religious cosmology and cosmogony; the Koreshans' sometimes tumultuous relations with surrounding communities; and the major leadership roles of women in a community whose belief system included equality of the sexes.
6. Florida Photographic Collection

The Florida Photographic Collection of the State Archives of Florida provides vast visual documentation of Florida, its people and its culture. Images of women appear throughout the more than 1 million photographs and 6,000 movies and videotapes in this nationally recognized collection.

The holdings of the Photographic Collection form the most complete visual portrait of Floridians in the state. Women are represented in the home, in the workforce and in the military. They are shown washing, hunting, cooking, plowing, teaching, sewing, politicking and playing. Subject matter is diverse in terms of ethnicity and religion. There are numerous stereotypical and sexist images, as well as a multitude of strong pioneer portraits. Women of all ages, races and social classes are represented.

The majority of the photographs of women are found in the General Photographic Collection, arranged alphabetically by subject (the collection includes subject and personal name finding aids). Comprised of photographs provided to the State Archives by hundreds of individual donors, the collection reflects the homes, families, work, pastimes, and social, cultural, and natural environments of Floridians from the mid-1800s to the present. Images of women can be found in all subject categories including agriculture, aviation, government, integration, industry, railroads, slavery, towns and universities.

While most of the images in the Florida Photographic Collection have been obtained singly or in small groups, such as those in the General Photographic Collection, there are a number of other significant collections containing photographs of women. Those collections are described below.

M75-91
American Association of University Women, Miami Branch
Photograph, 1975
1 photo

This 1975 photograph of members of the Miami Branch of the national organization and other women’s groups documents their support of the Equal Rights Amendment.

M82-147
Forrest Granger
Tallahassee Photographic Collection, 1940-1966
1,680 items

Forrest Granger worked as a commercial photographer in Tallahassee. His photographs, primarily from the 1940s-1950s, include street scenes, parades, clubs and portraits. There are many images of women.

M83-9
Brown Family
Photographic Collection, 1898-1912
1 cubic foot

This collection consists of glass negatives of Eastpoint and Apalachicola. It includes family portraits and photographs of women working in fields, swimming and relaxing on the beach.

M83-25
Russell I. Peithmann
Photographic Collection, 1930-1960
1 cubic foot

This collection consists of photographs of Seminole Indians. They portray Seminole life on the Brighton and Big Cypress Reservations. There are many images of Native American women and girls.

**M87-26**
Slade’s Studio
Photographic Collection, 1947-1974
40,000 items

Harvey Slade was a commercial and portrait studio photographer in Tallahassee. The collection is comprised primarily of portraits of Leon County residents.

**M87-29**
Jack Spottswood Photography
Spottswood Photographic Collection, 1916-1967
50,000 negatives

This collection consists of images taken by commercial photographers Gordon Spottswood and his son Jack in the Jacksonville area. There are some portraits, but the photographs primarily document Jacksonville’s businesses, organizations and street scenes. Women are represented throughout the collection. Three areas of interest are postmortem photographs, women working in health care and union strike photos.

**M87-30**
Alvan S. Harper
Photographic Collection, 1884-1910
1,600 items

This collection consists of glass negatives and photographs by noted portrait photographer Alvan S. Harper, who worked in Philadelphia before moving to Tallahassee in 1885. Many of the 1,300 portraits in the collection are of women. Especially noteworthy are Harper’s portraits of middle-class African-American women.

**M87-34**
Red Kerce
Photographic Collection, ca. 1940-1964
1,600 negatives

Photojournalist Benjamin L. “Red” Kerce settled in Tallahassee in 1944. This collection contains approximately 1,600 images of the Tallahassee area, including images of news events, Florida government officials, fairs, street scenes and residences. Women are well represented throughout the collection.

**S828**
Florida Department of Commerce, Division of Tourism
Florida Promotional Films, 1948-1978
1,528 items

This series consists of films and videotapes produced for or by the Division of Tourism to promote the Florida tourism industry by encouraging visitors from other states and countries to visit Florida. Women are widely represented in films covering a variety of subjects including tourist attractions, communities, industry, sports and government.

**S1047**
Florida Department of Commerce, Division of Tourism
Publicity Photographs, 1940-1996
130 cubic feet

The Division of Tourism used these photographs in advertising, publicity and promotional literature to create and build Florida tourism and to encourage visitors from other states and countries to come to Florida. Women are represented in many categories, including agriculture, recreation, education, industry and glamour.

**M96-32**
Madison County
Photographic Collection, 1860-1995
1,000 photographs

This collection consists of 486 black and white images of Madison County and surrounding areas from the 1860s to the 1990s. The photographs depict agriculture, industry, people, residences, and schools from communities including Blue Springs, Cherry Lake, Hamburg, Lee, Macedonia and Madison.

**M98-4**
Deborah Thomas Photography
Photographic Negatives Taken for Publication in Florida Flambeau Newspaper, 1983-1989
2 cubic feet

This collection consists of negatives taken by Deborah Thomas, an independent Tallahassee photographer, for use by the Florida Flambeau student newspaper of Florida State University. The negatives consist of pictures of local interest, mostly concerning Florida State University and state government.

**N2000-20**
Marie Louise McClure
Photographic Collection, 1888-1951
35 items

This collection contains images of families from several Florida locations, including: the Peeples family of Hamilton County; the Fleming family of Washington County; and the Thigpin family of DeSoto County. The images include a Civil
War veterans' reunion; lumber industry; pioneer residences; family photographs; and street scenes.

N2006-6
Mark T. Foley
Photographic Collection, 1969-2006
1,500 photographs

This collection consists of color and black and white photographs and negatives of Florida politicians, celebrities and sporting and other events taken during Mark Foley's years as Associated Press photographer and later as Senior Photographer for the Florida House of Representatives.

N2008-5
Richard Parks and Evon Streetman
Photographic Collection, ca. 1954-1974
29 cubic feet

This collection consists of photographs by Tallahassee photographers Richard Parks and Evon Streetman. The images consist primarily of portraits, many of prominent residents, including governors, Supreme Court justices and other government officials and public figures. About one-third of the collection consists of images of Tallahassee attractions, businesses, events, industry and surrounding areas, such as St. George Island and Woodville.

N2008-14
John Buckley
Photographic Collection, 1969-1976
5,250 photographs

John Buckley moved to the Florida Panhandle with his family in the early 1950s. He later attended Florida State University from 1963 until 1967, becoming deeply involved in political and social movements. In addition to taking pictures, he helped organize workers' strikes in Tallahassee and worked as a platform speaker and photographer for civil rights demonstrations, anti-war rallies, anti-nuclear demonstrations, and women's rights demonstrations. This collection consists of 35mm black and white negatives, 35mm slides and 8"x10" prints taken by John Buckley, documenting demonstrations in and around Florida as well as in Washington, D.C. and Atlanta, Georgia. There are also photographs from the 1972 Florida Democratic Convention in Miami, images from the Florida Folk Festival and commercial portraits.

N2008-15
Donn Dughi
Photographic Collection, 1980-2000
2,000 photographs

Donn Dughi (1932-2005) was a longtime United Press International photographer and was chief of UPI's Tallahassee bureau for 21 years. He also served as official photographer of the Florida House of Representatives and as a television cameraman. This collection of photographs primarily depicts political subjects such as the Florida legislature, the Capitol, protests and other political topics and activities. Images of sports, crime and space exploration, as well as some family photographs, are also included.

N2011-7
Joseph Janney Steinmetz
Photographic Collection, 1930s-1970s
5,000 photographs

Joseph Janney Steinmetz was a world renowned commercial photographer whose images appeared in such publications as The Saturday Evening Post, Life, Look, Time, Holiday, Colliers, and Town and Country. His work has been referred to as "an American social history," documenting diverse scenes of American life from affluent northeasterners to middle-class Floridians. Steinmetz's Florida images, in particular, document the rapid development of the state and the marketing strategies commonly employed in post-World War II America. This collection of photographs includes images of social events; tourist locations and activities; the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus; prominent people; and various recreation and industry shots.

N2012-10
Bjorn Lusth
Photographic Collection, 1983-2012
14 cubic feet

This collection consists of photographs taken by Bjorn Lusth during the years he lived in Lakeport, Florida (1983-2012). The images depict local residents, events, industry, tourism, the environment and Lake Okeechobee area culture, including significant images of Seminole Indians.

N2013-7
Ann Dickinson Mowell
Photographic Collection, 1984-2005
3,750 negatives

This collection is comprised primarily of portraits of Tallahassee people and images of Tallahassee places and businesses.

N2013-16
Bert Morgan
Photographic Collection, ca. 1960-1989
92 cubic feet

This collection consists of tens of thousands of photographic negatives taken by Bert Morgan and his son Richard from the 1960s through the 1980s, documenting Palm Beach high society people, places and events. Included are images of
parties, charity balls, sporting events, gallery openings, street
scenes and other events and locations. Nearly every
prominent individual or public figure who lived in, or passed
through, Palm Beach during this time was captured in these
images, including a number of photographs of John F.
Kennedy and the Kennedy family.

N2013-17
Don and Gladys Marks
Photographs and Papers, 1920-1969
1,000 photographs and .25 cubic foot

This collection consists primarily of approximately 1,000
images taken from the 1920s to the 1960s by Don and Gladys
Marks documenting many areas of Florida. The Markses
worked with Harriet Bedell, prominent missionary and friend
to the Florida Seminoles, and approximately 400 of their
images document the Seminoles, including their work, daily
life and tourism. Other images depict many locations around
the state, including Key West, the Everglades, Sanibel Island,
Ft. Myers, St. Petersburg, Bradenton, Tampa and St.
Augustine.
The bibliography listed below includes books on women’s history and women’s issues that are available at the State Library of Florida. In addition to the resources listed here, scholarly journals, subject based periodicals, doctoral dissertations and masters theses, and genealogy holdings are available through the electronic databases on the computers in the reference room.

The Library also maintains biography files on Floridians, handbooks dated from the early to the late 20th century which outline the legal rights of women in Florida, and numerous works on a variety of subjects published by state and local women’s clubs.

This is a select bibliography and is not meant to be comprehensive.


Campbell, Doak S. *A University in Transition*. Tallahassee, FL: Florida State University, 1964.


Related Resources

The following list includes a selection of related resources from other Florida archives, historical societies, museums, libraries, and special collections. It is arranged first by the Florida repository that houses the records, then by type of creator, and finally by collection number, when available. This is a select sampling and not meant to be comprehensive. For more information on collections that document women’s history and issues, please contact the individual repository.

University of Florida P.K. Yonge Library of Florida History: Gainesville, Florida

Personal and Family Papers

**MS Group 1**
Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings
Papers, 1844-2002

**MS Group 2**
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Marna Venable Brady
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Maxine E. Baker
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Blanche Leigh
Scrapbooks, 1926-1927

Associations, Clubs, Societies and Businesses

**MS 36**
Florida Federation of Women’s Clubs
Scrapbooks, 1951-1952

**MS 38**
League of Women Voters of Florida
Records, 1939-1978
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Melrose Woman’s Club
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MS Coll. 76
Women’s Studies Association
Scrapbooks, 1948-1961

MS Coll. 91
4-H Girls Club Short Course
Scrapbooks, 1948-1961

Florida Historical Society: Cocoa, Florida

Personal and Family Papers

MSS #92-16
Mary Martha Reid
Papers, 1821-1892

History Miami Museum: Miami, Florida

Personal and Family Papers

Beverly Phillips
Papers, 1972-1996

Combs Family
Papers, 1902-1930s

Edith Atkinson
Papers, 1920s-1930s

Alice Wainwright
Papers, 1890s-1991

Claire Weintraub
Papers, 1952-1972

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American Jewish Committee, Miami Chapter
Jewish Women of Achievement

Cosmo Business Girls Club
Records, 1937-1938

Daughters of the American Revolution, Everglades Chapter
Records, 1909-1973

Junior Women’s Club, Miami
Scrapbooks, 1941-1982

Philanthropic Educational Organization Sisterhood, Miami Chapter E

Scraps, ca. 1930-1949

Spinsters Club, Miami
Scrapbooks, 1941-1970

Women in Communications, Greater Miami Professional Chapter
Records, 1953-1994

Young Women’s Christian Association, Miami-Dade
Records, 1919-1990

Zonta Club of Greater Miami
Records, 1937-1987
University of North Florida Special Collections: Jacksonville, Florida

**Personal and Family Papers**

- **M75-1**
  Eartha M. M. White
  Papers, 1831-1974

- **M85-1**
  Rosa G. Holmes Walker
  Papers, 1871-1943

**Associations, Clubs, Societies and Businesses**

- **M03-1**
  Women’s Public Leadership Consortium
  Records, 1979-1994

- **M08-1**
  Jacksonville Women’s History Month
  Collection, 1973-2013

University of South Florida Special Collections: Tampa, Florida

**Personal and Family Papers**

- **A18**
  Armwood Family
  Papers, 1866-1991

- **W13**
  Betty P. Brown Wiggins
  Papers, 1984-1994

- **G26**
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  Papers, 1957-1992

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- **D05**
  Helen Gordon Davis
  Collection, 1976-2004

- **M06**
  Mary Jane Martinez
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University of Central Florida Special Collections: Orlando, Florida

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- **CFM2005_15**
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- **CFM2006_04**
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- **CFM2006_06**
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### University of West Florida Special Collections: Pensacola, Florida

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Dorothy Alice Edwards
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Ruth Godwin
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Pensacola Equal Suffrage League
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**M1972-11**
United Daughters of 1812, Three Notch Chapter of Pensacola
Records, 1968-1972

**M1974-15**
American Association of University Women, Pensacola Branch
Records, 1926-1972

**M1975-10**
League of Women Voters, Pensacola Chapter
Records, 1950-1977

**M1980-04**
Ladies Library Association, DeFuniak Springs
Records, 1887-1962

**M1982-15**
Daughters of the American Revolution, Pensacola Chapter
Records, ca. 1922-1998

**M1984-08**
United Daughters of the Confederacy
Records, ca. 1898-2006

**M1984-14**
Pensacola Maternity Home
Scrapbook, 1941-1949

**M1985-14**
American Business Women’s Association, Pensacola Chapter
Records, 1962-1982

**M1986-03**
Colonial Dames XVIIth Century, Fort San Carlos Chapter
Records, ca. 1964-1985

**M1989-03**
Milton Women’s Club
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**M1991-11**
Daughters of American Colonists, Don Tristan de Luna Chapter
Records, ca. 1983-1994
Florida State University Special Collections: Tallahassee, Florida

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Eva Mae Atwood
Papers, 1902-1969

**MSS 86-17**
Susan Bradford Eppes
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**MSS 1986-023**
Beth Moor
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Mary Simpson Yarbrough
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May Ryburn
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**MSS 1985-019**
Florida Federation of Business and Professional Women’s Clubs
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**MSS 2005-017**
Florida Home Economics Association
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**MSS 1990-024**
American Association of University Women,
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University of Miami Special Collections: Miami, Florida

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**ASM0019**
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American Association of University Women, Florida State Division  
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**ASM0325**  
Daughters of the American Revolution, Coral Gables Chapter  
Records, 1926-2000

**CHC5196**  
Cuban Woman’s Club, Miami  
Records, ca. 1969-2013

Jacksonville University Swisher Library: Jacksonville, Florida

**Personal and Family Papers**

Carita Doggett Corse  
Papers, 1932-1947
Collection Development

The State Archives of Florida seeks to expand its holdings in the area of women’s history. Materials documenting the history of women in Florida are actively sought. Relevant collections include the records of women’s organizations and of individuals that document the social, legal and economic status of women throughout Florida’s history. The Archives welcomes donations in the area of women’s history, with the understanding that the collections will be made accessible to the public. The Archives also welcomes suggestions regarding possible acquisitions and the documentation of the history of women in Florida.

All potential acquisitions are reviewed by staff to ensure that they conform to the guidelines outlined in the Archives’ Collection Development Policy. In general, the Archives will accept records in a wide variety of formats, including paper originals, microfilm, photographs, audio and video recordings, and digital. The Archives does not collect artifacts, newspapers, or materials not related to Florida, nor does the Archives purchase collections. For further information, comments or suggestions, contact the Archives’ Collections Management staff at: Florida Department of State, Bureau of Archives and Records Management, Mail Station 9E, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250, phone 850.245.6750 (select option 5), or archives@dos.myflorida.com.
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