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Descriptive Summary

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Abstract

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source

Toliver, Ruth M.

source

Toliver, Lowell

Creator

Newman, George A. (George Ambrose), 1855-1944

Creator

Temple, Ruby Edith Newman, 1898-1983

Creator

Harris, Austin Gerald, 1941-2005

Creator

Temple, Wendell A. (Wendell Ambrose), 1923-2005

Extent

3.8 cubic feet in 3 boxes and 12 tri-folds

Repository

James Madison University Libraries Special Collections

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

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Acquisition Information

Donated to Special Collections by Ruth and Lowell Toliver in February 2021. Ruth Toliver is George A. Newman's granddaughter. The Tolivers made additional donations in September 2021, October 2021, and January 2022.

Processing Information

George Newman's manuscript was digitized per the donor's request in February 2021. The digital scans are available to researchers upon request. Numerous manuscript pages have writing on their verso side (back) though these were not scanned. All of those pages were flagged by the archivist with a "SEE VERSO" slip of paper. The pages were kept in the order in which they were received with the exception of a few instances in which numbered pages were clearly misordered and were reordered by the archivist to reflect the accurate numerical page order.

Original description of the photographs created by the donor was largely retained within descriptive elements of the container list (e.g. thematic titles of tri-folds and item-level titles).

Loose programs and handwritten documents were removed from George Newman's notebook documenting the history of the John Wesley M. E. Church and arranged according to material type.

Materials related to Gerald Harris were largely kept in the same topical order in which they were received.

Allison Lyttle, JMU Libraries Music & Media Metadata Specialist, assisted in identifying, sorting, and describing Wendell Temple's sheet music which was donated in no discernable order.

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Biographical / Historical

Ruth M. Toliver is a retired English teacher, local and family historian, and the author of *History of Kelley Street United Brethren in Christ Church, Newtown, Harrisonburg, Virginia, 1892-1906* (1998) and *Keeping Up With Yesterday* (2009). She is the daughter of Eugene Murdock and Myrtle Newman Murdock (1901-2000) and the granddaughter of George Ambrose Newman and Mary Dallard Newman. Ruth Toliver inherited many of the family papers that comprise this collection from her cousin Wendell Temple (d. 2005), son of Ruby Newman Temple. She married Lowell Toliver, son of Theodore Tolliver (1902-1967) and Phoebe Harper Tolliver (1906-1982). Lowell Toliver, who was born and raised in Harrisonburg, entered the U. S. Army in January 1953 and it was at this point that the spelling of his last name changed from Tolliver to Toliver.

Born February 4, 1855 in Winchester, Virginia to free Black parents, George Ambrose Newman moved to Harrisonburg in 1875 to serve as principal of the local African American school. Newman learned to read and write at an early age and also pursued his interests in music. He served for 33 years as a teacher and administrator in the city school system—chiefly at the Effinger Street School—and also held teaching positions in Warren County, Augusta County, and West Virginia. Six of Newman's children also pursued teaching and began their careers in Rockingham County. Along with Ulysses G. Wilson, local educator and half-brother of Lucy F. Simms, Newman paid the poll taxes of local Black men in response to disenfranchisement tactics during segregation. In addition to being an influential educator Newman was a minister, musician, a member of the Mt. Zion Lodge of Masons in Staunton, and a member of the John Wesley United Methodist Church (variously known as John Wesley Methodist Church and John Wesley M. E. Church) in Harrisonburg. Outside of teaching, Newman took positions as an agent of the Internal Revenue Service and a U.S. Deputy Marshall.

George A. Newman married Margaret "Maggie" Dallard (1859-1887), daughter of Ambrose and Harriett Dallard, in 1877 and together they had four children. After Maggie's death in 1887, George Newman married Maggie's sister, Mary F. Dallard (1869-1968), as was Ghanian tradition. They had ten children. Newman is remembered as a trailblazing member of Harrisonburg's early African American community and a respected educational leader. Per his obituary, Newman had started his 66th reading of the Bible just months prior to his death. Newman passed away on April 6, 1944 at the age of 89.

Ruby Edith Newman (1898-1983) was born in Harrisonburg to George A. Newman and Mary Dallard Newman. She married Junius Leroy Temple in 1920. Ruby Newman Temple was a member of the John Wesley United Methodist Church and served for many years as the secretary of the church's Woman's Society of Christian Service (WSCS). WSCS met monthly at either the church or the home of a society member.

Austin Gerald Harris (1941-2005) was born in Harrisonburg to Carlotta Newman Harris and Austin St. Clair "Dick" Harris. He was the grandson of George A. Newman and Mary Dallard Newman on his mother's side and W. N. P. Harris and Geraldine Robinson Harris on his father's side. Harris attended Lucy F. Simms School and while a student entered a local "How To Beautify Your City" contest sponsored by the Spotswood Garden Club's Road Beautification Committee. Due to Harrisonburg and Rockingham County's connection to turkeys, Harris submitted the idea and complementary design for turkey monuments to be placed at the highway approaches to Rockingham County. Harris's submission was selected as the winner and the monuments were subsequently dedicated in December 1955. Harris also attended Banneker Junior High School and Theodore Roosevelt High School in Washington, DC. After graduation from Roosevelt, Harris matriculated at Howard University where he graduated in 1964. While a student at Howard, Harris was a member of the ROTC. Harris

obtained his master's degree from Syracuse University and later worked at Niagara Mohawk Power Company (Syracuse) and Associated Utilities Company (New Jersey).

Wendell Ambrose Temple (1923-2005) was born in Harrisonburg, Virginia to Ruby Newman Temple (1898-1983) and Junius Leroy Temple (1898-1937). Locally, he attended Effinger High School and Lucy F. Simms School. He was an accomplished pianist and musician, and described as a child prodigy in the local newspaper. As a youth, Temple won state-wide music contests and performed at Harrisonburg's State Theater. He received his early training almost exclusively by local music instructor Thurston DeMasters. Temple graduated from Oberlin Conservatory of Music and the University of Iowa. He taught at Florida A&M University and Wilberforce University.

George A. Newman, Ruby Newman Temple, and Gerald Harris are all buried in Newtown Cemetery along with many of their immediate and extended family members.

Beyond the Newman family, much of this collection more generally documents Newtown, Harrisonburg's historically African American community located in the northeast section of the city. After Emancipation, this area was settled by formerly enslaved people who began purchasing lots in the Zirkle addition which was farmland located on the northeast edge of town that was newly opened up to residential development. During the 1950s and 1960s, Harrisonburg engaged in urban renewal (Project R4) during which the city identified "blight" areas and after acquiring homes and land under eminent domain, sold the property to developers. As a result many Black-owned homes and businesses in the Newtown area were razed, and community members were forced to relocate.

Scope and Contents

The Ruth and Lowell Toliver Collection of Newman Family Papers, circa 1875-2005, comprises a manuscript, writings, personal papers, facsimile photographs, church records, and correspondence related to George A. Newman (1855-1944), his daughter Ruby Newman Temple (1898-1983), his grandson Austin Gerald Harris (1941-2005), and Harrisonburg's Northeast Neighborhood and Newtown.

According to Ruth Toliver, George A. Newman's 480-page manuscript titled "A Miserable Revenge: A story of life in Virginia" is a work of fiction with autobiographical elements. The manuscript is divided into 40 chapters and begins: "A finer estate than that of Joshua Sowers could not be found in all Virginia. We will not give the exact date, let it suffice for us to say we begin our story April the first, in a certain part of the nineteenth century. The morning was a clear, beautiful one. We locate the scene of our story in the county of Frederick, a short distance from the then small town of Winchester. The estate was rightly named Brookland, for the land was covered with brooks. Mr. Sowers owned a large mill." Newman introduces a character named William G. Reed as the hero of the story who is leaving Brookland for Chicago. While not explicitly discussed in the manuscript, it is presumed that both Sowers and Reed are white men. African American characters include Jack, Joshua Sowers's "faithful servant;" Aunt Sally, the Sowers' enslaved cook; and George, a free child who lived with Sowers. Researchers should note that the manuscript contains the use of racial slurs and further, the enslaved African American characters are depicted as speaking in a stereotypical dialect as was common practice in late 19th century American literature. George, on the other hand, "had learned to read and write and he always spoke very fluently."

The manuscript was published for the first time in 2025 by James Madison University Libraries Press Books and was edited by Mollie Godfrey, Brooks E. Hefner, Jeslyn Poole, and Evan Sizemore. The back cover book blurb provides the following context and summary:

"In the mid-1870s, a young African American educator arrived in Harrisonburg, Virginia, where he wrote a novel about antebellum life in the Shenandoah Valley. George A. Newman's *A Miserable Revenge: A Story of Life in Virginia* appears here in print for the first time, nearly 150 years after its composition. The earliest known example of a 'white life' novel--a Black-authored novel about white protagonists--*A Miserable Revenge* is set in and around Winchester, Virginia, in the 1840s. It draws on the sensationalist conventions of popular fiction of the time to spin a story of dark secrets, lost relatives, mistaken identities, crime and detection, and romance. In the novel, Newman describes the relationship between free and enslaved Black Virginians, drawing on his experience as a free Black child indentured to a white landowner in Winchester before the Civil War."

The manuscript pages are numbered in the same hand as the manuscript (George A. Newman's). The following pages are not extant and are missing from the manuscript entirely: pages 71-72, 76-82, 84, 267, 272-275, 289-291, and 375. Newman's page number for page 331 was torn away and at a later time was numbered as page 332, but contextual clues confirm that it is in fact page 331. The page was marked as such by the archivist and the incorrect page number was also retained. Only two pages are present between pages 346-349, and for both of the extant pages the page numbers are at least partially torn away rendering them illegible and their exact order unclear. The pages were kept in the order in which they were received with the exception of a few instances in which numbered pages were clearly misordered and were reordered

by the archivist to reflect the accurate numerical page order.

While the manuscript is undated, writings potentially in Newman's hand and appearing on select verso pages date to 1875 and 1876. Editors of the published version of the manuscript date the document to mid-1870s. The aforementioned writings largely appear to be handwriting exercises or draft correspondence and also include a nine page essay titled "An Essay on Truth" which begins on the verso of page 391 continuing through page 409 on the odd page numbers with a few pages skipped. While undated, context clues within the essay, specifically an anecdote regarding New York Senator Roscoe Conkling recently returning from Europe, suggest a date of 1877. Internal evidence suggests that the remarks were likely given by Newman to the local order of the African American fraternal organization Independent Sons and Daughters of Purity, only identified in the essay by the abbreviation "I. S. & D. P." and "Sons & D. of P." In this same essay, Newman writes about having to keep his remarks brief due to an upcoming teacher's examination. All of the manuscript pages with writing on their versos were flagged by the archivist with a "SEE VERSO" slip of paper.

George Newman's speech "Observations on the Negro Problem" primarily concerns education with commentary on industrial education, choice of occupation, and a comparison of education funding for American Indian students vs. African American students. Newman also discusses the topic of African colonization of Black individuals as proposed by "so-called statesmen and mis-named philanthropists." Newman argues "It is paradoxical to speak of sending him to a place when he is already there. We are to the manor born. This is now our native home...." Newman recognizes that certain voting laws that require meeting educational and property qualifications are examples of "adverse legislation," but argues that they might be a "blessing in disguise." Newman concludes with a call for an equitably educated citizenry regardless of status. Edits made to the speech suggest that it may have originally been written circa 1902 and presented again in 1913. As such, a date of 1913 is applied to the speech given the contextual clues within despite the document being undated. A draft transcript created by Special Collections staff is filed with the speech.

Twelve cardboard tri-folds compiled by Lowell Toliver include approximately 133 facsimile photographs documenting people and places in Newtown and Harrisonburg's Northeast Neighborhood. The photograph descriptions were also compiled by Toliver as was the thematic arrangement of each tri-fold. Family names of people identified in the photographs include Harper, Tolliver/Toliver, Sampson, Yokley, Newman, Bundy, Dallard, Temple, Vickers, Brown, Nickens, and Johnson. Local churches and schools include John Wesley Methodist Church, Bethel AME Church, Effinger Street School, and Simms School. Researchers should note that the surname Toliver is spelled variously as Tolover, Tolliver, etc. in the collection. Lowell Toliver's last name was changed slightly from Tolliver to Toliver when he enlisted in the military.

Six minute books document the financial and administrative functions of the John Wesley Methodist Church's Woman's Society of Christian Service (WSCS) between 1943 and 1976. Ruby Newman Temple served as WSCS's secretary for a period of time and kept monthly minutes for the society. Member lists and membership dues are also documented in the minute books. WSCS meetings typically included prayer, scripture reading, hymn singing, a business report, and a program or a topic of discussion. WSCS engaged in community outreach by providing Christmas baskets for the sick in the community, sending sympathy cards, and making charitable donations. The Ruby Newman Temple correspondence primarily relates to her work with WSCS.

Other materials related to John Wesley Methodist Church include anniversary programs as well as member lists and a brief church history compiled by George Newman. Printed materials related to the United Methodist Church but not specific to John Wesley Methodist Church are also included.

Four hand-colored sketches by George A. Newman, son of Frederick Newman (1883-1959) are dated August 28, 1929.

Materials related to Gerald Harris largely concern his design of the turkey monuments that are located on the highway approaches into Harrisonburg and his schooling and coursework at Lucy F. Simms School, Banneker Junior High School, Theodore Roosevelt Senior High School, and Howard University. Report cards and tuition receipts are included. Of interest is a 1954 letter from A. M. Stitt, Lucy F. Simms School principal, certifying that Harris was vaccinated as well as Harris's polio vaccination card.

Materials created by Wendell Temple primarily comprise original handwritten sheet music for piano. Pieces specifically written for the organ, pianoforte, and violin are also included. The bulk of the sheet music is undated but likely dates to the mid-1930s to late 1940s. The compositions are in various states of completeness and order. Sheet music was written on lined notebook paper, blank pages of voter rolls for the 1928 presidential election, and the back of letterhead for the Castle Hall of Rockingham Star Lodge No. 72 Knights of Pythias and the Democratic Campaign Committee. Additional papers include correspondence from Temple to his mother Ruby Newman Temple and an Effinger High School report card.

Separated Materials

One copy of the pamphlet Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the John Wesley Methodist Church, Harrisonburg,

Virginia, October 20th through 27th, 1940 was removed from the collection and cataloged separately as part of Special Collections' rare book holdings. A second copy remains in the collection.

Related Materials

Kelley Street United Brethren in Christ Church (Harrisonburg, Va.). Records, 1892-1905. Accession 37081, Church records collection, The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia.

Keywords

Newtown (Rockingham County, Va.)

Family papers

Photographs

Minutes (administrative records)

Manuscripts (documents)

Ledgers (account books)

Letters (correspondence)

Pamphlets

Speeches (Documents)

Brochures

Church records

Sheet music

African Americans -- Education

African Americans -- Virginia -- Harrisonburg -- History

African American neighborhoods -- Virginia -- Harrisonburg -- History

Urban renewal -- Virginia -- Harrisonburg -- History

African American churches -- Virginia -- Harrisonburg -- History

Toliver, Ruth M.

Toliver, Lowell

Newman, George A. (George Ambrose), 1855-1944

Temple, Ruby Edith Newman, 1898-1983

Lucy F. Simms School (Public school)

John Wesley United Methodist Church (Harrisonburg, Va.)

John Wesley United Methodist Church (Harrisonburg, Va.). Woman's Society of Christian Service

Effinger Street School

Other Formats Available

George Newman's manuscript and the individual photographs comprising the twelve tri-folds were digitized per the donor's request. George Newman's speech was also digitized. The digital scans are available to researchers upon request.

Newman's manuscript "A Miserable Revenge: A story of life in Virginia" was published for the first time in 2025 and edited by Mollie Godfrey, Brooks E. Hefner, Jeslyn Poole, and Evan Sizemore. It is available in printed form or online at <https://pressbooks.lib.jmu.edu/newmanmiserablerevenge/>.

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Toliver, Ruth M. Keeping Up With Yesterday. Olney, MD: Lowell A. or Ruth M. Toliver, 2009. Toliver, Ruth M. History of Kelley Street United Brethren in Christ Church, Newtown, Harrisonburg, Virginia, 1892-1906. Gaithersburg, MD: Signature Books, 1998. Obituary for Austin G. Harris, Daily News-Record, April 8, 2005.

Provenance

A portion of the original photographs copied for the tri-folds were provided to the Tolivers by community and family members.

Arrangement

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The collection is arranged chronologically with the exception of the Gerald Harris and Wendell Temple papers which are intellectually and physically arranged as sub-groups at the end of the collection.

George Newman's manuscript is housed in one folder and two archival quality binders. The first two manuscript pages are on legal sized paper and were removed to a folder to ensure their physical integrity. Folder 1 includes manuscript pages 1-2. Binder 1 includes manuscript pages 3-140. The first four manuscript pages, approximately, were transcribed at an unknown time and are included in binder 1. Binder 2 includes manuscript pages 141-480. Missing pages are outlined in the Scope and Content note. The pages were kept in the order in which they were received with the exception of a few instances in which numbered pages were clearly misordered and were reordered by the archivist to reflect the accurate numerical page order. Each page is individually sleeved with a few exceptions, for example when it was discovered during scanning that two pages were in the same sleeve. In these instances the pages were kept in the same sleeve but repositioned so that both could be viewed.

Description of Subordinate Components

George A. Newman manuscript "A Miserable Revenge: a story of life in Virginia"

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25485

Unit Date circa 1875

Unit Date February-April 2021

Mixed Materials [1000898361] 1 (box)

Other Formats Available

The manuscript was digitized in February-April 2021 and is available upon request.

Photograph tri-folds

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25463

Unit Date circa 1893-circa 2005

"Social Activities" (photographs 1-12)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25330

Mixed Materials [1000898257] A (Tri-fold board)

1. Francis Johnson, Savilla Vickers, Esther Dawkins, and friend

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25331

2. Austin and Carlotta Harris

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25332

3. Garden party at Savilla's

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25333

Scope and Content

Among the guests are Cuetta Howard, Valley Terrell, Hattie Washington, Phoebe Tolliver, and Julia Howard.

4. Formal party at Tolliver's

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25334

Scope and Content

Pictured are Marguerite Yokley, Doris Harper, Lois Rouser, Altee Beale, Bessie Goodloe, Louise Winston, Lavinia Temple, Peggy Yokley, Buddy Tolliver, Bernice Tolliver, Betty Yokley, Clara Bruce, Savilla Vickers, Della Harper, Betty Atkins, Norma Edmonds, Selena Duncan, Eddie Caul, Phoebe Tolliver, Vallie Terrell, [unknown first name] Stitt.

Keywords

Allen, Doris Harper, 1927-2021

5. Formal party at Tolliver's

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25335

Scope and Content

Pictured are all of those in 4. Formal party at Tolliver's as well as Robert Harper, Warren Temple, Joe Yokley, Willie Harper, A. Stitt, [unknown first name] Tankins, Norris Atkins, Woodrow Hollins, Theodore Tolliver, Clarence Gibson, James Strother, and Henry Rouser.

6. Birthday party for Phoebe Tolliver

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25336

7. Julia Howard, Weldon "Red" and Carmelita Bundy, and Doris Jean Bundy and friend

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25337

8. Theodore and Phoebe Tolliver

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25338

9. Willie and Della Harper

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25339

10. Marguerite Harper Yokley, Willie Harper, Mallie Harper Frazier

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25340

11. Formal party at Tolliver's

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25341

Scope and Content

Included are Robert Harper, Warren Temple, Joe Kokley, Willie Harper, A. Stitt, [unknown first name] Tankins, Norris Atkins, Woodrow Hollins, Theodore Tolliver, Bernice Tolliver, Clarence Gibson, James Strother, Henry Rouser.

12. Minnie and Henry Stewart

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25342

"Family and Friends" (photographs 13-24)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25343

Mixed Materials [1000898258] B (Tri-fold board)

13. Rock Street Gang

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25344

14. Lavinia Yokley, Bessie Goodloe, Bernice Tolliver

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25345

15. Lavinia Yokley, Peggy Yokley, Marguerite Harper Yokley, Betty Yokley, and Lovely Frazier

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25346

16. Doris Howard

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25347

Keywords

Allen, Doris Harper, 1927-2021

17. Carlotta and Mary Ellen Newman

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25348

18. Rock Street Gang

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25349

19. Warren Temple Jr. and friends

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25350

20. Hattie Holmes and Buddy Tolliver

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25351

21. Jr. Yokley and Francis

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25352

22. Jerry Scott, Warren Temple, Frances Meekins

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25353

23. Just friends

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25354

24. Bernice, Lowell, and Buddy Tolliver

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25355

"Family and Friends" (photographs 25-36)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25356

Unit Date circa 1925-circa 1950s

Mixed Materials [1000898259] C (Tri-fold board)

25. Andrew Tolliver, Lowell Tolliver, Warren "Doodie" Temple

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25357

26. The Newman Ladies

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25358

Unit Date circa 1925

Scope and Content

Ruth, Myrtle, Mary, Hattie, and Carlotta

27. Harry Newman, Willa and Noah Robert Dallard

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25359

Unit Date circa 1950s

28. Warren Temple Sr. and Warren Temple Jr.

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25360

29. Mother's Day

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25361

Unit Date 1950s

Scope and Content

Jessie Carter, Lowell Toliver, Bernice Tolliver, Buddy Tolliver, Theodore Tolliver

30. Former Newman ladies

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25362

Scope and Content

Included are Ruby, Hattie, Myrtle, and Ruth.

31. Garden party at Savilla and Henry Vickers

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25363

Scope and Content

Marguerite and Joe Yokley, Mattie Hollins, Phoebe and Theodore Tolliver, Willie Harper, Savilla Vickers, Martha Hollins, Carl Hollins

32. Roland Temple and friends

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25364

33. Marguerite Harper Yokley

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25365

34. Nettie Tolliver Ray

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25366

35. Charlie Dallard

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25367

36. Lena Stevens

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25368

"Family and Friends" (photographs 37-48)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25369

Unit Date circa 1923

Mixed Materials [1000898260] D (Tri-fold board)

37. Frederick Newman with family

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25370

Scope and Content

Demetrius, Fred Jr., George

38. Frederick Newman Sr.

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25371

39. Ruby Newman Temple with Warren and Wendell

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25372

Unit Date circa 1923

40. Drew Harper

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25373

41. Henry Vickers and Johnny Harper

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25374

42. Bernice Tolliver

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25375

43. Lowell "Tater" Toliver and Andrew "Poochie" Tolliver

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25376

44. Jesse Turner (barber)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25377

45. Bernice and Buddy Tolliver

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25378

46. Johnny Harper

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25379

47. Betty Yokley

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25380

48. Buddy Tolliver

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25381

"Spiritual Life" (photographs 49-60)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25382

Unit Date circa 1893

Unit Date circa 1940s

Mixed Materials [1000898261] E (Tri-fold board)

49. Trustees of John Wesley United Methodist Church

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25383

Scope and Content

Included are A. Stitt, Henry Vickers, Andrew Temple, Elon Rhodes, Buddy Tolliver, Harold Mitchell, and Fleming Jordan.

Keywords

Rhodes, Elon W. (Elon Walter), 1922-2006

50. United Methodist women

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25384

51. "Womanless Wedding"

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25385

52. Parishoners, John Wesley United Methodist Church

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25386

Scope and Content

Included are Ruby Temple, Phoebe Tolliver, Lottie Brown, Rev. and Mrs. Douglass Bowman, Mary Newman, Marian Bowman, Ruth Murdock, Mary Murdock, Savilla Vickers, Dennish Bundy, Gladys Bundy, Arizona Wardy, Johnny Harper, Bud Laird, and Carlotta Newman.

53. Kelley Street United Brethren in Christ Church

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25387

Unit Date circa 1893

Keywords

Kelley Street United Brethren in Christ Church (Newtown, Rockingham County, Va.)

54. Bethel AME Church

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25388

55. Baptist Church

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25389

Unit Date circa 1940s

Scope and Content

Pictured are Nettie Ray, Lottie Brown, Mary Johnson, Mary Newman, Willie Johnson, Albert Brown, Desmond Johnson, Vivian Redd, Minerva Redd, Lucille Watson, Hattie Watson, Gladys Bundy, Hattie Mitchell, Everett Howard, Fleming Jordan, Louise Winston, and "Chip" Johnson.

56. Reverend and Mrs. Wright with parishoners

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25390

57. John Wesley Church on Liberty Street

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25391

58. John Wesley Church on Sterling Street

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25392

59. First Baptist Church on Broad Street

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25393

60. First Baptist Church on Wolfe Street

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25394

"Schools and Military" (photographs 61-72)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25395

Unit Date circa 1945-circa 1959

Mixed Materials [1000898262] F (Tri-fold board)

61. Mrs. Roberta Webb's nursery school

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25396

62. Front yard of Mrs. Roberta Webb's nursery school

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25397

63. Mary Fairfax's second grade class

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25398

Unit Date circa 1949

64. Mary Fairfax's second grade class

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25399

Unit Date circa 1959

65. Mennonite Bible School

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25400

Unit Date circa 1945

Scope and Content

Included are Jim Guy, Arbutus Sampson, Pauline Carter, Clarence Whitelow, Lowell Toliver, and Frances Scott.

66. Students at Effinger Street Colored School

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25401

Scope and Content

Included are Lucy Simms, Henry Vickers, and Joseph Newman.

Keywords

Effinger Street School

Simms, Lucy F. (Lucy Frances), 1856-1934

67. Students at Effinger Street Colored School

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25402

Scope and Content

Identifiable are Goldie Francis and Myrtle Newman.

Keywords

Effinger Street School

68. Faculty at Simms School

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25403

Unit Date circa 1950

69. Frederick W. Newman

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25404

70. Earhart Hollins

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25405

71. Edgar Johnson

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25406

72. World War II Veterans

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25407

Scope and Content

Included are Elon Rhodes, Joe Nickens, Edgar Johnson, Henry Rouser, Everett Howard, Lorenzo Strother, and Alfred Howard.

Keywords

Rhodes, Elon W. (Elon Walter), 1922-2006

"People, Places, Things" (photographs 73-84)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25408

Mixed Materials [1000898263] G (Tri-fold board)

73. Bundy's Boys Band

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25409

74. Harry Lee Soloman's Band

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25410

75. Hunting Club

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25411

Scope and Content

Included are Ruth Jones, Lois Rouser, Clara Bruce, Betty Yokley, Stitts, "Duke" Duncan, Edgar Johnson, Wilhelmina Johnson, Frank Duncan, Peggy Howard, Theodore and Phoebe Tolliver, and Everett Howard.

76. Male Hunters

76. Male Hunters

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25412

Scope and Content

Included are Willie Harper, Frank Duncan, Willie Bryant, and Theodore Tolliver.

77. Theodore Tolliver

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25413

78. Midget Baseball Team

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25414

79. Edith Nickens

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25415

Scope and Content

Queen for Eastern Star Organization.

80. Ralph Sampson Jr.

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25416

Scope and Content

Professional athlete.

81. Turkey statue designed by A. Gerald Harris

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25417

Keywords

Harris, Austin Gerald, 1941-2005

82. Wendell Temple

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25418

Scope and Content

Ph.D., University of Iowa.

83. Reverend Harold Watson

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25419

Scope and Content

Ordained United Methodist minister.

84. Howard Stevens

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25420

Scope and Content

Professional athlete.

"Newtown Today" (photographs 85-96)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25421

Unit Date circa 2005

Mixed Materials [1000898264] H (Tri-fold board)

85. George A. Newman family home

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25422

Unit Date 2005 November 29

86. Sampson home

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25423

87. Former Tolliver home

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25424

88. Johnson home

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25425

89. Brown home

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25426

90. Nickens home

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25427

91. Residential area

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25428

92-96. Habitat for Humanity homes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25429

"Former Residences" (photographs 97-108)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25430

Mixed Materials [1000898265] I (Tri-fold board)

97. Home of Percy and Helen Wells

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25431

98. Home of Ella Jenkins

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25432

99. Home of George and Valley Terrell

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25433

100. Home of the Francis family

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25434

101. Home of B. Harry Newman

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25435

102. Home of Kenwood Sampson family

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25436

103. Home of Nettie Tolliver Ray

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25437

104. Home of Awkard Family

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25438

Keywords

Fairfax, Mary Awkard, 1912-2006

105. Ballard/Hicks home with bookshelves

105. Dallard/Hooks home with barber shop

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25439

106. Home of W. N. P. Harris

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25440

Keywords

Harris, W.N.P. (William Nelson Pendleton), 1881-1977

107. Home of Johnny and Josephine Atkins Harper

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25441

108. Effinger Street

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25442

"Outstanding Citizens: Then and Now" (photographs 109-118)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25443

Mixed Materials [1000898266] J (Tri-fold board)

109. George A. Newman

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25444

Keywords

Newman, George A. (George Ambrose), 1855-1944

110. Leon Byrd

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25445

111. Harry Moore

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25446

112. Ambrose Dallard

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25447

113. W.N.P. Harris

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25448

Keywords

Harris, W.N.P. (William Nelson Pendleton), 1881-1977

114. Faculty and graduates of Effinger Street School

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25449

Keywords

Effinger Street School

115. Elon Rhodes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25450

Keywords

Rhodes, Elon W. (Elon Walter), 1922-2006

116. John Harper

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25451

117. Austin Stitt

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25452

118. Gerald Harris

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25453

Keywords

Harris, Austin Gerald, 1941-2005

"Recently Donated Photos" (photographs 119-126)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25454

Unit Date circa 1924

Unit Date circa 1950

Mixed Materials [1000898267] K (Tri-fold board)

119. Whitelow brothers

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25455

120. Whitelow family

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25456

121. John Wesley Youth Choir

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25457

Unit Date circa 1950

122. Newtown Club members

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25458

Unit Date circa 1924

123. Blakey family

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25459

124. Redskins fans

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25460

Scope and Content

Lowell Toliver, Justin Banks, Carlton, Banks, Chief Z, and Marc Shifflett.

125. Eugene "Doc" Dickerson

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25464

Keywords

Dickerson, Eugene, (Physician)

126. John (Toliver) Tolover, 127th Regiment, U. S. Colored Infantry, African American Civil War Memorial and Museum Certificate of Honor

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25465

"Then and Now" (photographs 125-133)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25461

Mixed Materials [1000898268] L (Tri-fold board)

125-133. Achievements made by Carlyle Whitelow

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25462

George A. Newman speech "Observations on the Negro Problem"

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25844

Unit Date 1913

Unit Date 2021 October 26

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Transcript included.

Drawings by George A. Newman (son of Frederick Newman)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25734

Unit Date 1929 August 28

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

John Wesley United Methodist Church programs

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25740

Unit Date 1934-1940

Unit Date 1962

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Woman's Society of Christian Service, John Wesley United Methodist Church minute books

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25728

Unit Date 1943-1976

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25724

Unit Date 1943-1949

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25722

Unit Date 1949-1956

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25723

Unit Date 1956-1963

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25726

Unit Date 1963-1969

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25725

Unit Date 1969-1973

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25727

Unit Date 1973-1976

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

WSCS dues

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25729

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

John Wesley United Methodist Church history and membership lists

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25741

Unit Date circa before 1944

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Includes a composition notebook with the label "The property of G. A. Newman, Recording Steward, John Wesley M. E. Church." The titled lists include Charter Members of John Wesley M. E. Church Organized October 1865, Deceased Superintendents of John Wesley M. E. Church School, and Partial list of Deceased Members of John Wesley M. E. Church. An untitled list includes member names by street and another just includes member names. These documents appear to be largely in the hand of George A. Newman.

Obituaries and biographical notes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25830

Unit Date 1954-2015

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Assorted church and school programs

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25739

Unit Date 1962

Unit Date 1968

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Scope and Contents

The Vesper Choir of Mother A. M. E. Zion Cathedral [New York] Presents The Sanctuary Choristers program dated April 28, 1968 is inscribed to Ruby [E. Temple] from Lydia [M. Rogers].

Ruby Temple correspondence

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25730

Unit Date 1966-1974

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

United Methodist Church printed materials

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25731

Unit Date 1969-1977

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 15 (folder)

Local United Methodist Church materials

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25732

Unit Date 1974, undated

Mixed Materials [1000898632] 2 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

A. Gerald Harris papers

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25863

Unit Date 1949-1965

Lucy F. Simms School papers

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25864

Unit Date 1949-1954

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Turkey monument newspaper clippings and program

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25866

Unit Date 1953-2003

Unit Date 1953-1955

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Banneker Junior High School papers

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25865

Unit Date 1954-1955

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Theodore Roosevelt High School papers

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25867

Unit Date 1956-1957

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Howard University papers

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25868

Unit Date 1958-1964

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Correspondence

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/25869

Unit Date 1961-1965

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Wendell Temple papers

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28547

Unit Date 1935-1942

Effinger High School materials

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28563

Unit Date 1937-1938

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Correspondence

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28564

Unit Date 1937

Unit Date July 1942

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

American Indian Rondo op. 1 (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28567

Unit Date 1935 August 26

Unit Date 1935 October 4

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Scope and Contents

"Dedicated to Rudolph Friml for the inspiration received from his "Indian Love Call."

Keywords

Friml, Rudolf, 1879-1972

Sonata no. 1 op. 2 in F major (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28569

Unit Date 1935 October 6

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Piano piece in D minor (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28570

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Sketch for piano piece, adagio moderato tempo

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28571

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Piano piece in C minor (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28572

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Multi-movement piano piece in C major (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28573

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Multi-movement piano piece in F minor (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28574

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 15 (folder)

Piano piece in F major

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28575

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

Piano piece in C major (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28576

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 17 (folder)

Piano piece in E minor (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28577

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 18 (folder)

Prelude no. 1 op. 15 in E minor

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28578

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 19 (folder)

Rondo Sonata in A minor op. 14 (Coloniale, Sonata no. 1) (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28579

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 20 (folder)

Concerto no. 1 op. 24 in C minor (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28580

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 21 (folder)

Gondolenia no. 1 op. 20 in B flat minor

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28581

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 22 (folder)

Dance of the Sprites (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28582

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 23 (folder)

Fantasia no. 1 op. 16 in C minor, after Mozart

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28583

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 24 (folder)

Etude in C op. 8 (polka fantasie)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28584

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 25 (folder)

Organ piece (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28585

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 26 (folder)

Temple Album for the Piano-forte

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28586

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 27 (folder)

Golden Sunset op. 9

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28587

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 28 (folder)

Berceuse op. 8

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28588

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 29 (folder)

Suite no. I - The Tempest op. 20 in D minor (incomplete)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/28589

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000897688] 3 (box)

Container 30 (folder)

Poème Fantastique op. 1**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival_objects/28568**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials [1000897688]** 3 (box)**Container** 31 (folder)**Scope and Contents**

Includes a lock of hair tied with a red ribbon.

Violin Concertino in G**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival_objects/28590**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials [1000897688]** 3 (box)**Container** 32 (folder)**Symphony 1****Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival_objects/28591**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials [1000897688]** 3 (box)**Container** 33 (folder)**Symphony 2****Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival_objects/28592**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials [1000897688]** 3 (box)**Container** 34 (folder)**Symphony 3****Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival_objects/28593**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials [1000897688]** 3 (box)**Container** 35 (folder)**Symphony 4****Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival_objects/28594**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials [1000897688]** 3 (box)**Container** 36 (folder)