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Descriptive Summary

Collection number

VC 0056

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English

Abstract

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Collector

Dixie Sue Mellot Fix

Repository

Thomas Balch Library

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

Collection open for research.

Use Restrictions

Visual materials may require special handling.

Acquisition Information

Dixie Sue Mellot Fix, Harrisonville, PA.

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Griffith Thomas Family of Virginia Collection, 1934-1990 (M 047), *The Descendents [sic] of Griffith Thomas of Virginia* (V REF 929 Thomas).

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The Descendents [sic] of Griffith Thomas of Virginia

Other Finding Aid

Past Perfect Catalog Record

Technical Requirements

None

Historical Information

The photograph in this collection was taken by the well-known photographer Rufus W. Holsinger of Charlottesville, distinguished for his visual artistry. The building, constructed in 1906, is located on 201 East Market Street in Charlottesville, Virginia. It previously served as the United States Post Office and Courthouse and now currently houses the Jefferson Madison Regional Library. The photograph was most likely taken in conjunction with an event in 1909 to dedicate a statue memorializing the Confederate common soldier in front of the Albemarle County Courthouse. The occasion was marked by a large public ceremony.

William Phineas Thomas (1845-1915) of Loudoun County, Virginia, appears on the bottom row standing in the third position from the right. He is the only identified person in the photograph. Thomas was one of eight children born to Griffith Enoch Thomas (1814-1899) and Rebecca Burns Wright Thomas (1821-1911). Between 1863 and 1865, Thomas served in the Confederate States of America, specifically the 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry, Company D, known as "Mosby's Rangers." Thomas was later captured as a prisoner of war and was paroled in 1865 in Winchester, Virginia. He is buried at Mount Zion Baptist Church Cemetery in Aldie, Virginia.

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