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Lowe Family Papers

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Lowe Family Papers, 1810-1995 (bulk, 1869-1995)

Chronology

1916 Mar 15	Thomas Jackson Lowe born to Francis J. and Maggie Mae Skinner Lowe, Macon, GA
1916 Apr 6	Rose Walker Mayne Lowe born to George Stovall Mayne and Rosa Montgomery Walker Mayne, Athens, GA
1935	TJL graduated Lanier High School, Macon, GA
1936	RWML, A.B. Education, University of Georgia, Athens, GA
1937	TJL, Middle Georgia College RWML, Master of Science, University of Georgia, Athens, GA
1939	TJL, B.S. Education, University of Georgia, Athens, GA
1940 June 22	TJL and RWML married
1942 Dec 6	Harriet Rose Lowe born, Athens, GA
1942-1949	TJL teacher, superintendent, Oglethorpe, Marshallville, Graniteville, Hogansville, GA
1945	HRL diagnosed with cerebral palsy
1949	Lowe family moved to Columbia, SC
1949-1957	TJL director of professional services of South Carolina Education Association RWML first person outside medical profession to receive a fellowship granted by the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults and Alpha Chi Omega
1949-1950	RWML cerebral palsy coordinator for Crippled Children Society of South Carolina, Inc.
1949-1954	HRL attended orthopedic school, Columbia, SC
1950	RWML program director for Crippled Children Society of South Carolina, Inc.
1951-1981	RWML executive director, Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults of South Carolina, Inc.
1954-1961	HRL attended Crippled Children's School,

1958-1975	TJL executive director, South Carolina Association of School Boards, Inc.
1959	TJL organized first Governor's Conference on Business, Education, Industry and Agriculture
1961	RWML nominated South Carolina State Mother of the Year
1963	RWML instrumental in South Carolina becoming the first state to require that public buildings constructed with public funds be accessible to the physically handicapped
1965	HRL South Carolina delegate to DIADEM (Disabled Americans Denmark Meeting), Denmark and Sweden
1971	HRL B.S., B.A. Accounting, Management and Economics, University of South Carolina
1974	HRL Master of Public Administration (MPA), Public Administration and Political Science, University of South Carolina
1974-1979	HRL employed at Richland County Department of Finance
1976 Aug 26	TJL died, Miami, FL
1979-1985	HRL employed at Richland County Assessor's Office as managerial accountant
1981	South Carolina state headquarters building, Easter Seal Society, named Rose M. Lowe State Rehabilitation Center
1985	HRL medically retired
1992	HRL Ph.D. candidate, College of Business, University of South Carolina
1994 Jan 28	RWML died, Columbia, SC

Scope and Content Notes

The papers of the Lowe family consist of correspondence, topical files, genealogical files, photographs, and related materials dating from 1810 to 1995; however, the bulk of the collection dates between 1869 and 1995. The collection also includes twelve manuscript volumes, 1899 1977 and undated.

Personal and family correspondence comprises a large part of the papers of the Lowe family. The Lowes wrote frequently to members of their immediate family and to other relatives and friends. Concerns of health, food, weather, and fashions and expressions of affection for each other fill their letters. Although the collection centers around the family of Thomas Jackson Lowe (1916-1976) and Rose Walker Mayne Lowe (1916-1994), correspondence and miscellaneous

materials relate to members of the extended family—Rose Walker Mayne Lowe's mother, Rosa Montgomery Walker Mayne (1874 1947), her aunt Stella Walker Salisbury (1881 1975), and her half sister Harriet Emily Mayne Cooke (1901 1953).

Among the topical files are extensive materials relating to the professional careers of Thomas Jackson Lowe and Rose Walker Mayne Lowe. Thomas Jackson Lowe, a former educator and coach, was associated with the South Carolina Education Association and served as executive director of the South Carolina Association of School Boards, Inc. He was instrumental in the organization of the Governor's Conference on Business, Education, Industry and Agriculture in 1959. This conference subsequently became an annual event.

Rose Walker Mayne Lowe was executive director of the Easter Seal Society for the Crippled Children and Adults of South Carolina, Inc. Largely through her efforts, in May 1963 South Carolina became the first state to require that any public building constructed with state, county, or municipal funds be fully accessible to the physically handicapped. Both Thomas Jackson Lowe and Rose Walker Mayne Lowe were members of numerous civic, fraternal, and patriotic organizations. Materials documenting their involvement in such clubs are found among the topical files.

Other items of interest among the topical files include an affidavit signed by Columbia attorney and entrepreneur James H. Hammond in reference to the question of President Abraham Lincoln's illegitimacy; correspondence about Confederate bills, bonds, and imprints; and documentation of efforts to have a commemorative stamp issued marking the one hundredth anniversary of the National Education Association.

Genealogical information on the Lowe and related families is found in handwritten notes, official documents, and bound volumes. Correspondence with inquiries and information about the various families is included.

In addition to family photographs, the collection includes images of Easter Seal Society functions, Easter Seal family camps, and the South Carolina Association of School Boards, Inc. Photographs of Strom Thurmond, Ernest F. Hollings, Donald S. Russell, Robert E. McNair, and Richard W. Riley are included with those of other dignitaries and elected officials.

Among the bound volumes is an autograph book (1899) which belonged to Rosa Montgomery Walker Mayne and *Critical Study of the Concept Normal Psychology* (1937) by Rose Walker Mayne Lowe.

Series List

- Box 1 Personal / Family Papers.
- Box 2 Personal / Family Papers, Topical Files.
- Box 3 Genealogical Files, Bound Volumes.
- Box 4 Photographs.

• Box 5 - Photograph Albums, Scrapbooks.

Description of Series

Personal/Family Papers (Boxes 1-2)

Consisting of letters exchanged between Harriet Rose Lowe, Rose Walker Mayne Lowe, and Thomas Jackson Lowe; letters exchanged with other family members—namely Harriet Emily Mayne Cooke, Rosa Montgomery Walker Mayne, Stella Walker Salisbury, and friends. A subseries documenting the education of Harriet Rose Lowe consists chiefly of her correspondence while a student in North Dakota, correspondence of Rose Walker Mayne Lowe pertaining to Harriet Rose Lowe and her transportation to and from school, and school progress reports. This series also includes letters of earlier generations of the family.

Topical Files (Box 2)

Including organizational materials and notices of meetings reflecting the Lowes' interest in such representative groups as the Boy Scouts of America, Business and Professional Women, Colonial Dames, Daughters of the American Revolution, Sons of the American Revolution, and United Daughters of the Confederacy. Other files document the careers of Rose Walker Mayne Lowe and Thomas Jackson Lowe.

Genealogical Files (Box 3)

Chiefly genealogical materials, bound and unbound, relating to the Battle, Mayne, Stovall, Walker, and Wilbourne families.

Photographs (Box 3)

Subdivided into persons and topics; includes images of Harriet Rose Lowe, Rose Walker Mayne Lowe, Thomas Jackson Lowe, and other family members and friends, as well as pictorial materials relating to the Easter Seal Society and the South Carolina Association of School Boards, Inc.

Bound Volumes (Box 4-5)

Consisting of photograph albums, autograph books, diaries, travel journal, and reports written by Rose Walker Mayne Lowe.

Extent: 6.25 linear ft. (5 cartons)

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Container List

Box 1

(Folders 1-44)

Personal/Family Papers

Cooke, Harriet Emily Mayne

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4 Nov. 1920 - 5 Dec. 1952
       2 Mar. - 23 Sept. 1953
       n.d.
Lowe, Harriet Rose
       General
              9 Dec. 1942 - 7 Dec. 1957
              18 Jan. 1958 - 5 Dec. 1959
              7 Feb. 1960 - 29 Aug. 1961
              2 Sept. 1962 - 21 July 1965
              31 Jan. 1966 - 19 Dec. 1977
              Aug. 1980 - 17 Jan. 1995
              n.d.
       Early Education
              1948 - June 1954
       Crippled Children's School
              21 June 1954 - 13 Nov. 1953
              2 Dec. 1955 - 15 Dec. 1956
              18 Feb. 1957 - 14 Oct. 1958
              10 Nov. 1958 - 13 Oct. 1959
              14 Jan. 1960 - Nov. 1970
Lowe, Rose Walker Mayne
       1919 - 18 Dec. 1934
       18 Mar. 1935 - 20 Dec. 1936
       8 Feb. 1937 - Nov. 1939
       13 Jan. 1940 - 31 Dec. 1940
       7 Jan. 1941 - 28 Dec. 1942
       19 Jan. 1943 - 15 Aug. 1946
       28 May 1947 - 18 Dec. 1947
       28 Apr. 1948 - 7 Dec. 1950
       19 June 1951 - 12 Nov. 1954
       14 Oct. 1953 - 14 Jan. 1956
       1954 - 13 June 1958
       19 Jan. 1959 - 30 Oct. 1964
       20 Jan. 1965 - 13 Nov. 1925
       15 Mar. 1976 - Dec. 1977
       29 Apr. 1979 - 24 Mar. 1993
       n.d. (3 folders)
                            (Folders 45-92)
Lowe, Thomas Jackson
       11 July 1938 - 8 Sept. 1956
       13 May 1957 - 30 Mar. 1976
       n.d.
Mayne, Rosa Montgomery Walker
       11 Nov. 1891 - 10 Sept. 1913
       9 Mar. 1914 - 27 Dec. 1917
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Box 2

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10 Jan. - Dec. 1916
                     4 May 1917 - 29 Dec. 1924
                     30 July 1926 - 13 July 1932
                     3 Mar. 1938 - 8 Oct. 1941
                     26 Jan. 1942 - 19 Nov. 1946
                     5 Jan. - 12 Oct. 1947
                     n.d.
                     2 Aug. 1906 - 11 Jan. 1924 (folder labeled business
correspondence--interfile)
              Salisbury, Stella Walker
                     18 July 1911 - 2 Dec. 1947
                     9 May 1953 - 3 May 1971
                     n.d.
              Miscellaneous
                     4 Oct. 1810 -13 July 1916
                     1914-1939
                     1940-1964
                     1971-1979
                     n.d.
       Topical Files
              Boy Scouts of America, 1936-1948
              Business and Professional Women, Dec. 1947 - 2 Sept. 1990
              Colonial Dames, 10 Feb. 1968 - 10 Oct. 1993, n.d.
              Confederate Bills, Bonds, Imprints, 22 Dec. 1886 - 30 Oct. 1959
              Daughters of American Colonists, 18 Feb. 1940 - 1994
              Daughters of the American Revolution, 9 Mar. 1933 - June 1993, n.d.
              Daughters of Colonial Wars, 5 Apr. 1977 - 2 Oct. 1993
              Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults of South Carolina, Inc.
                     6 Aug. 1948 - 9 Aug. 1949
                     31 Aug. 1949 - 4 Aug. 1950
                     29 April 1951 - 22 Aug. 1955
                     1956-1957 (Easter Seal Society scrapbook)
                     5 Jan. 1956 - 20 Nov. 1959
                     11 Mar. 1960 - 15 May 1965
                     16 Sept. 1965 - 18 Apr. 1969
                     19 Apr. 1969 - 16 Apr. 1970
                     30 Apr. 1970 - 21 Jan. 1972
                     24 Jan. - 24 Feb. 1972
                     23 June 1972 - 10 Aug. 1977
                     1 Dec. 1977 - 16 Dec. 1982
                     17 Feb. 1987 - 28 Jan. 1994, n.d.
                     7 Nov. 1951 - 20 Feb. 1976 (legal size)
              Lincoln, Abraham, Illegitimacy of, 1959
              Magna Charta Dames, Mar. 1940 - Dec. 1967, n.d.
              National Education Association, 100th Anniversary Commemorative Stamp, 1956
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(oversize)

Order of the Eastern Star, 2 Apr. 1924 - 1 Aug. 1932

Order of Washington, 13 Apr. 1951

Sons of the American Revolution, 15 July 1939 - 4 Sept. 1976, n.d.

South Carolina Association of School Boards, Inc.

26 Dec. 1957 - 26 Dec. 1958

31 Mar. 1960 - 18 Mar. 1963

13 Aug. 1963 - 23 June 1970

South Carolina Education Association, 12 March 1949 - 8 Nov. 1956

South Carolina State Mother of the Year Nomination, 1961

South Carolina State Personnel Division, History of, 21 Sept. 1974

United Daughters of the Confederacy, 3 June 1872 - 1 Sept. 1993, n.d.

War of 1812 Heroes, U.S. Daughters of 1812, 7 Mar. 1960 - 15 Sept. 1993, n.d.

(Folders 93-107)

White House Conference on Children, 1970

White House Conference on Youth, ca. 1972

<u>Box 3</u>

Genealogical Files

Battle family

Mayne family

Stovall family

Walker family

Wilbourne family

Photographs

Persons

Lowe, Harriett Rose

Lowe, Rose Walker Mayne

Lowe, Thomas Jackson

Other family members

Organizations

Easter Seal Society

South Carolina Education Association

South Carolina Association of School Boards, Inc.

Miscellaneous

Bound Volumes

Lowe, Harriet Rose

Diary, 1956

Travel journal, 1965

Lowe, Rose Walker Mayne

Education and Treatment of the Cerebral Palsied Child

Proposed Survey of Handicapped Children in Hartsville, SC

Minutes, Count d'Estaing Chapter, Children of the American Revolution,

Critical Study of the Concept Normal in Psychology, 1937 Crippled Children's Rehabilitation Center Charleston, SC, 1961

Box 4

Mayne, Rosa Montgomery Walker

Autograph book, 1889 Autograph book, 1899

Diary, 1921

Miscellaneous

Ledger, 1873

Nomination of Mrs. T. Jackson Lowe for the Myrtle M. and Tom B.

Medders Award, 1977