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Scope and Contents

The collection consists primarily of the correspondence (1884-1921) of the Christopher Harris ("Kit") Williams family of Yazoo City, Mississippi. The majority of the letters were written by the seven Williams children while attending schools in Mississippi, New York, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia. The principal subjects include family affairs, trips to New York City and Washington, D. C., and events at school. Several letters mention Senator John Sharp Williams, brother of C. H. Williams, and include a description of his House of Representatives campaign in 1894. Among the correspondents is Mrs. John Sharp Williams. The collection also contains school report cards and certificates (1904-1916), receipts and household accounts (1894-1926), and miscellany. Also included are six letters from Senator John C. Stennis to L. W. Brown, Jr. (1966-1967).
Biographical Data

Full name of person about whom biographical data is needed:
Christopher ("Kit") Harris Williams

Date and place of birth:
1859, Tennessee

Date and place of death:

Names of parents, wife or husband, children, or other family relationships:
Wife: Sallie Shelby Cocks Williams, married May 8, 1884
Children: Jane Allison (Mrs. James Sessions Butler), Christopher Harris ("Kit"), Philip Cocks, John Sharp, Charles Dubuisson, Duke, Robert Shelby
Parents: Christopher Harris and Anne Louise Sharp Williams
Brother: John Sharp Williams (U. S. Senator)

His occupation, activities, and place or places where he flourished:
b. Tennessee; orphaned at age three when father died in Battle of Shiloh; lived thereafter with grandmother Sharp at Cedar Grove Plantation near Yazoo City, Mississippi.
Education: University of Virginia (classmate of Woodrow Wilson).
Lawyer, bank president, and mayor in Yazoo City. Active in Democratic politics

Titles of books or other sources where further information can be found:
DeCell, Harriet and JoAnne Prichard. Yazoo: Its Legends and Legacies.
Names:
Butler, Jane Williams
Davis, Thomas F.
Stennis, Senator John C.
Williams, Charles Dubuisson
Williams, Christopher Harris
Williams, Duke
Williams, Jane Allison
Williams, John Sharp
Williams, Mrs. John Sharp
Williams, Philip Cocks
Williams, Robert Shelby
Williams, Sallie Cocks

Subjects:
Bingham (Asheville, N.C.)
Chamberlain-Hunt Academy (Port Gibson, Miss.)
Eastman College (Poughkeepsie, N.Y.)
Episcopal High School (Alexandria, Va.)
Gulf Coast Military Academy (Gulfport, Miss.)
Mary Baldwin Seminary (Staunton, Va.)
Sewanee (Tenn.)
The Times-Picayune (New Orleans, La.)
University of Mississippi
University of Virginia
Woodberry Forest (Orange County, Va.)
Yazoo City (Miss.)
Inventory

Correspondence:
1. 1884-1885.
2. 1891.
3. 1894.
4. 1901.
5. 1902 January-September.
6. 1902 October-December.
7. 1903.
8. 1904.
10. 1905 July-December.
11. 1906 January-June.
12. 1906 July-December.
13. 1907.
14. 1908.
15. 1909 January-June.
16. 1909 July-December.
17. 1910 January-May.
18. 1910 June-December.
19. 1911 January-July.
20. 1911 August-December.
22. 1912 July-October.
23. 1912 November-December.
24. 1913 January-February.
25. 1913 March-July.
26. 1913 August-December.
27. 1914 January.
28. 1914 February.
29. 1914 March.
30. 1914 April-May.
31. 1914 June-July.
32. 1914 August-October.
33. 1914 November-December.
34. 1915 January-March.
35. 1915 April-May.
36. 1915 September-October.
37. 1915 November-December.
38. 1916 January.
39. 1916 February.
40. 1916 March.
41. 1916 April.
42. 1916 May.
43. 1916 June.
44. 1916 July-September.
45. 1916 October.
46. 1916 November.
47. 1916 December.
48. 1917
49. 1920-1921
50. General, undated.
51. Jane Allison Williams (Mrs. James Sessions Butler), undated.
52. Williams’ sons, undated.
53. Partial letters-General
54. Partial letters-Jane Allison Williams (Mrs. James Sessions Butler)
55. Empty envelopes
56. Episcopal High School of Virginia Report Cards and Account Sheets, 1904-1906.
   (See also certificates in oversized folder)
57. Woodberry Forest School (Virginia)-Report Cards; Gulf Coast Military Academy
   (Mississippi) Report Cards, 1913-1916.
60. Receipts/Household Accounts, 1894-1926.
61. School notes, undated.
62. Miscellany: Photograph; Program for reunion of alumnae of Ursuline Convent School (Ohio),
   1915; Theater Program for "The Barretts of Wimpole Street"; Pamphlet Manual of Interior
   Guard Duty, United States Army, 1914-1917.
63. School Certificates, 1904-1906. (oversized)
64. Newspaper: The Times-Picayune (Headline: "Edward Poised to Go Into Exile Tonight"),
   1936 December 11. (oversized)
Separation Sheet

Small Oversized Manuscripts Box 4

The following items have been routed to the above unit for appropriate disposition:

Correspondence: Letter, Robert to Mama, March 8, 1916.
Diplomas, 1905-1906.

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Oversized Newspapers

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