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Descriptive Summary

Collection Number

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Language

Materials in this collection are in English.

Creator

Netherton, Ross De Witt

Repository

Falls Church History Room, Mary Riley Styles Public Library

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open for research use.

Conditions Governing Reproduction and Use

There are no restrictions on the records.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

All materials comprising Record Group 6-7 were donated by the Netherton family.

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Related Material

Record Group 6-7 related to Record Group 1-3 Historical Commission, Record Group 1-9 Historical Commission Symposiums, Family Vertical File "Netherton Nan".

Biographical/Historical Note

Ross Netherton is a well-known public figure, lawyer, historian, author, and co-author of books on history. Ross Netherton (1918-2010) was born in Chicago but lived most of his life in Falls Church, Virginia, which is why most of his work is devoted to researching and preserving the historical heritage of Northern Virginia. Most of the books Ross Netherton co-authored with his wife Ann Rohrke "Nan" Netherton are the result of many years of work, covering American history from Pre-Columbian times and serving as an excellent resource for studying history.

Book written by Ross Netherton:

- The Colvin Run Mill, 1976

Books co-authored with Nan Netherton:

- Notes on the history and architecture of Pohick Church, Truro Parish, Fairfax County, Virginia, 1968
- Green Spring Farm, Fairfax County, Virginia, 1970
- The Fairfax County courthouse, 1977
- Fairfax County in Virginia: a pictorial history, 1986
- Arlington County in Virginia: a pictorial history, 1987
- Fairfax County: a contemporary portrait, 1992
- The preservation of History in Fairfax County, Virginia: a report prepared for the Fairfax County, History Commission, Fairfax County, Virginia, 2002
- In the path of history: Virginia between the Rappahannock and the Potomac: an historical portrait, 2004

Scope and Content

The materials include notes, newspaper clippings, Project Proposals, Resolutions of the Historical Committee, Reports, Rules for demolition, protection, and preservation of historical and cultural monuments in the City of Falls Church.

Arrangement

Most documents were not organized by subject or chronologically. The archivist organized the documents into series in chronological order.

Series 1 contains articles about the experience of mechanical modifications of Theaters, Ordinance No 1072 "Historic and Cultural Conversation District", Statement Regarding Proposed Demolition of the State Theatre, notes. Series 2 contains newspaper clippings from 1921 to 1999. Series 3 contains historical reports from Falls Church Heritage Forum and Symposium. Series 4 contains an Interview Abstract and Recording Transcript 1985 Arbor Day ceremonies "Hangman Tree" Planting. Series 5 contains copies of petitions, memorandums related to the Alexandria, Loudon and Hampshire Railroad Company. Series 6 contains copies of maps. Series 7 contains notes.

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