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J. C. Curtis and Co. (Warwick County, Va.)

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2.9 cubic feet (7 boxes and 1 oversize folder)

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The Library of Virginia

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There are no restrictions.

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There are no restrictions.

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Biographical Information

James C. Curtis (1875-1946) was a general contractor and builder in the town of Denbigh in Warwick County, Virginia (now Newport News). He married Hortense Valette Bass (1881-1941) and with her had six children.

Scope and Content

Records, 1907-1929, of J. C. Curtis and Co., a general contractor in Denbigh, Warwick County (present-day Newport News), Virginia, chiefly include correspondence, bids, estimates, and invoices. Major projects referenced include work on the Naval Mine Depot in Yorktown, a men's dormitory at the College of William and Mary, the State Normal and Industrial Schools for Women in Fredericksburg and Radford, and a residence for a Mrs. A. W. Clark, at 66th Street and Huntington Avenue in Newport News.

Arrangement

Original order has been maintained as closely as possible. The collection arrived in eight letter file boxes and one batch of loose papers. Each letter file box was given an arbitrary label (A, B, C, etc.) and the contents transferred to acid-free folders and boxes. The loose papers were also kept together and transferred to archival-quality housing.

Contents List

J. C. Curtis and Co. Records, 1907-1929.

Boxes 1-7 (box)

Extent

Extent: 7 boxes and 1 oversize folder.

Letter File Box A, 1908-1910.

Box 1

Folders 1-7 (folder)

Scope and Content

Projects referenced include: Manassas, Va., high school building (1908-1909); State Normal and Industrial School for Women at Radford, Va. (1908-1910).

Letter File Box B, 1907-1909.

Box 1

Folders 8-12 (folder)

Scope and Content

Projects referenced include: Lee School, Alexandria, Va. (1908); Danville School, Danville, Va. (1909); Highland Park School, Richmond, Va. (1909); State Normal and Industrial School for Women at Harrisonburg, Va. (1908); Northside Baptist Church, Richmond (1907); grammar school in Petersburg, Va. (1908); Roanoke County Courthouse, Salem, Va. (1908); female college dormitory, Williamsburg, Va.

(1907).

Letter File Box C, 1909-1911, 1914-1916.

Box 2

Folders 1-6 (folder)

Scope and Content

Projects referenced include: State Normal and Industrial School for Women at Fredericksburg, Va. (1909-1911); Ginter Park, Maury, Franklin, and Bainbridge Schools, Richmond (1914-1915); State Normal and Industrial School for Women at Radford (1916); G. P. Byrum apartment house, Newport News, Va. (1915); addition to high school building, South Boston, Va. (1915); Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company (1916); State School for Colored Deaf and Blind Children, Newport News (1916); C & O Railway hospital, Clifton Forge, Va. (1915); St. Paul's Episcopal Church parish house, Newport News (1916); C & O Railway office building, Newport News (1916); St. Vincent's Roman Catholic Church, Newport News (1916); John B. Kimberly garage, Newport News (1916); office and apartment building, Drs. Jones and Coleman (1916); Jackson Hall, Virginia Military Institute, Lexington (1916).

Letter File Box D, 1910-1912.

Box 3

Folders 1-6 (folder)

Scope and Content

Project: State Normal and Industrial School, Fredericksburg.

Letter File Box E, 1928-1929.

Box 4

Folders 1-6 (folder)

Scope and Content

Project: Mrs. A. W. Clark residence, Newport News (1928-1929).

Letter File Box F, 1923-1924.

Box 4

Folder 7

Scope and Content

Project: Men's dormitory, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg.

Letter File Box G, 1916-1918.

Box 4

Folders 8-10 (folder)

Scope and Content

Project: G. B. James apartment house, Newport News.

Letter File Box H, 1922-1923.

Box 5

Folders 1-11 (folder)

Scope and Content

Project: Power house and dispensary, Naval Mine Depot, Yorktown, Va.

Loose papers, 1907-1929.

Boxes 6-7 (box)

Scope and Content

Projects referenced include: School building in Waverly, Va. (1908); Appomatox Agricultural High School (1908); State Normal and Industrial School for Women at Fredericksburg (1911); State Normal and Industrial School for Women at Radford (1912); Dispensary in barracks, Naval Mine Depot, Yorktown (1922); men's dormitory, College of William & Mary (1923). Also includes A. M. Fetzer's weekly time book, 1908-1909, for work on a Manassas school building; an unidentified photo of a woman and child; miscellaneous catalogs and advertisements; and various arrival notices, freight bills, and cashier's

memoranda from the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, 1928-1929.

Plan, 17 January 1925

Cabinet 8 (oversize)

Drawer 9 (oversize)

Scope and Content

"Details of Walks contracted for on January 17, 1925, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia" - Charles F. Gillette, Landscape Architect. Plan No. 180-24

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