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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

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Unit Date

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Language

The materials in the collection are in English.

Abstract

Photocopies of magazine articles and other sources relating to the American Civil War, with particular emphases on Long Island, New York, during the war, African-American history, and the Ku Klux Klan.

Extent

1.5 Cubic Feet 3 boxes

Repository

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

Administrative Information

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Processing Information

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Biographical Note

Charles Sebastian Walls III, a resident of Blacksburg, Virginia, and an American Civil War enthusiast, was born in Oceanside, New York, on October 15, 1934. A master gardener and retired truck driver, Walls died on December 17, 2008.

Scope and Content

This collection contains photocopies and other reproductions of American Civil War-related magazine articles and other sources compiled by Charles Walls, a resident of Blacksburg, Virginia, and a Civil War enthusiast. The collection, which contains only a few original items, reveals a general interest in the Civil War and its various aspects. The collection's most significant contents, perhaps, are several files on the Ku Klux Klan and related organizations, with articles tracing the Klan's origin and history as well as its activities through the 1990s. The collection also includes a number of articles relating to African-American history and the Civil Rights movement. Other files relate to the preservation of Confederate heritage and include articles surrounding the Confederate battle flag and other controversial issues. Many of these items seem not to have been gathered firsthand by Walls but given to him by another party. The collection also emphasizes the Civil War as it related to Long Island, New York, with articles on military units, events, and individuals.

Separated Materials

The following books were removed from the collection and cataloged for the Rare Book Collection:

- *The 119th New York Vols. and Their Participation in the Gettysburg Campaign June 12, 1863 to July 4, 1863* ([S.l.: s.n., 1986]). E523.5 119th W45 1986 Civil War Spec
- Hartwig, D. Scott and Ann Marie Hartwig, *Gettysburg: the Complete Pictorial of Battlefield Monuments* (Gettysburg, PA: Thomas Publications, 1995). E475.56 H37 1995 Civil War Spec

Keywords

Civil War

United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865

Ku Klux Klan (1915-)

Ku Klux Klan (19th century)

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Arrangement

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The collection essentially retains its original order and is arranged alphabetically by subject.

Description of Subordinate Components

Arkansas

Unit Date n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Battlefield parks and trails

Unit Date 1995-1998, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Black history

Unit Date 1916-1991, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Extent [2 folders]

Black history - Civil War

Unit Date 1918-1990, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Extent [2 folders]

Black history - New York

Unit Date 1917-1993, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Extent [2 folders]

"The Civil War" (PBS mini-series)

Unit Date 1990

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Confederate battle flag

Unit Date 1990-1997, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Copperheads

Unit Date 1935, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

CSS Hunley

Unit Date 1995-1999, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Espionage

Unit Date 1986-1989, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Florida

Unit Date 2001, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Foreign involvement

Unit Date 1984-1996, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Georgia

Unit Date 1986-1996, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Gettysburg

Unit Date 1983-2000, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Ku Klux Klan

Unit Date 1901-1995, n.d.

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Extent [3 folders]

Ku Klux Klan - Long Island, New York

Unit Date 1921-1992, n.d.

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Leaders, Confederate

Unit Date 1956-1986, n.d.

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Leaders, Union

Unit Date 1970-1997, n.d.

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Long Island, New York

Unit Date 1882-1996, n.d.

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Extent [3 folders]

Louisiana

Unit Date 1995-1997, n.d.

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Maine

Unit Date 1994, n.d.

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Maryland

Unit Date 1986-1995, n.d.

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Mississippi

Unit Date n.d.

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Missouri

Unit Date 1985-1994, n.d.

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Naval operations

Unit Date 1984-1999, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

New Jersey

Unit Date 1995, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

New York

Unit Date 1924-1996, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Extent [2 folders]

North Carolina

Unit Date 1995, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Nursing

Unit Date 1995, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Prisoners of war

Unit Date 1984-1996, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Reconstruction

Unit Date 1974, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

South Carolina

Unit Date 1927-1966, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Southern heritage

Unit Date n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Tennessee

Unit Date 1984-2000, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Texas

Unit Date 1987-2001, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Vermont

Unit Date 1976-1989

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Veterans

Unit Date 1959-1996, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Virginia battles A-M

Unit Date 1984-2001, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Virginia battles, N-Z

Unit Date 1987-2003, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 15 (folder)

Virginia Center for Civil War Studies

Unit Date 1998-2001, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

Virginia, Southwest

Unit Date 1988-1999, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 17 (folder)

Warfare and weaponry

Unit Date 1988-1996, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 18 (folder)

West Virginia

Unit Date 1985-1995, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 19 (folder)

Western theater

Unit Date 1989-1995, n.d.

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 20 (folder)