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## Descriptive Summary

**Unit ID**  
SC 0121

**Unit ID**

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**Unit Date**

1896-1991

**Language**

English

**Abstract**

This collection deals with the records from the Turner Ashby Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. These records are mostly comprised of membership applications dated 1896-1991, along with memorabilia such as confederate banners, scrapbooks, yearbooks, cassette tapes, and the original charters for the chapter.

**Creator**

United Daughters of the Confederacy. Turner Ashby Chapter, No. 162 (Harrisonburg, Va.)

**Extent**

2.42 cubic feet 3 boxes, 9 audiocassettes

**Repository**

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## Administrative Information

**Access Restrictions**

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**Acquisition Information**

Placed on deposit through contract with the Turner Ashby Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy dated November 7, 1989 with additions in March 1991 and February 1993.

**Processing Information**

In order to streamline the process of applying collection numbers, Special Collections staff completed a large-scale renumbering campaign in the spring of 2017. **This collection was previously cataloged as SC 3010.** Audiocassettes were digitized in May 2019.

**Preferred Citation**

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## Administrative History

The United Daughters of the Confederacy were formed by the outgrowth of local and memorial groups related the United Confederate Veterans, formed after the Civil War. It was first founded in Nashville, Tennessee on September 10, 1894 under the name the National Association of the Daughters of the Confederacy. At its second meeting in Atlanta, Georgia, in 1895, the name of the organization was changed to the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Membership into a chapter of the UDC requires that women applying must be at least 16 years of age who are lineal or collateral blood descendants of men and women who served in the Army, Navy, or Civil Service for the Confederate States during the Civil War. On October 21, 1895, four chapters chartered by the UDC met in Alexandria, Va. and organized the first statewide organization with the UDC: the Virginia Division. The Turner Ashby Chapter was chartered by about two dozen Harrisonburg women in the late 1890s. Today, the chapter has taken on a variety of education and historic preservation efforts, especially the Turner Ashby monument.

## Scope and Content

The United Daughters of the Confederacy, Turner Ashby Chapter Records, 1896-1990s, consists of 1 Hollinger box and 2 flat boxes containing the records of the chapter up until the present day. These records are mainly comprised of membership application forms, along with some incomplete forms and several Confederate banners. In the accompanying flat boxes, there are the original charters, programs, yearbooks, and scrapbooks.

There are also 9 cassette tapes with recordings of the proceedings of the Centennial celebration of the Stonewall Jackson Valley Campaign events, held in 1962, as well as other events hosted by the UDC. The recordings include interviews with local persons, including Dr. John Wayland and Rev. John G. Dubosq, by local radio personality Wip Robinson. The Mr. Robinson's wife Jane was a very active chapter president. An index to the tapes is available in Box 1.

## Related Material

United Daughters of the Confederacy, Southern Cross of Honor Records, 1905-1941, SC 0097, Special Collections, Carrier Library, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va.

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Confederate States of America -- History  
Virginia -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865  
Shenandoah River Valley (Va. and W. Va.) -- History  
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Mountain people -- Virginia -- Shenandoah National Park -- Social life and customs  
Shenandoah National Park (Va.) -- History  
Ashby, Turner, 1828-1862 -- Monuments  
Confederate States of America. Army -- History  
Confederate States of America. Army -- Flags  
United Daughters of the Confederacy. Turner Ashby Chapter, No. 162 (Harrisonburg, Va.) -- Records and correspondence  
Robinson, Wip, 1910-1990

## Bibliography

"Historical - Educational - Benevolent - Memorial - Patriotic." United Daughters of the Confederacy. Accessed September 2013. <http://hqdc.org/>.

## Arrangement

The collection is arranged in the following three series:

- Membership Applications, 1896-1991
- Memorabilia, 1896-1989
- Sound Recordings, 1960-1968, undated

## Description of Subordinate Components

### Membership Applications

**Unit ID** 1

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1144

**Unit Date** 1896-1991, undated

**Membership Applications, Oldest Records**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1146

**Unit Date** 1896-1904

**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)

**Container** 1 (folder)

**Membership Applications**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1147

**Unit Date** 1904-1910

**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)

**Container** 2 (folder)

**Membership Applications**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1148

**Unit Date** 1910-1913

**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)

**Container** 3 (folder)

**Membership Applications**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1149

**Unit Date** 1913-1923

**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)

**Container** 4 (folder)

**Membership Applications**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1150

**Unit Date** 1923-1925

**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)

**Container** 5 (folder)

**Membership Applications**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1151

**Unit Date** 1925-1934

**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)

**Container** 6 (folder)

**Membership Applications**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1152

**Unit Date** 1935-1952

**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)

**Container** 7 (folder)

**Membership Applications**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1153

**Unit Date** 1954-1989

**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)

**Container** 8 (folder)

**Active file (as of March 1991)****Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1154**Unit Date** 1991**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)**Container** 9 (folder)**Members, Associates, and Incomplete forms****Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1155**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)**Container** 10 (folder)**Memorabilia****Unit ID** 2**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1145**Unit Date** 1896-1989**Confederate Banners****Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1156**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)**Container** 11 (folder)**Programs****Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1158**Unit Date** 1912-1989**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)**Container** 12 (folder)**Index to cassette tapes****Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/4889**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials [1000886568]** 1 (box)**Container** 13 (folder)**Scrapbook****Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1159**Unit Date** 1960-1961**Mixed Materials [1000898375]** OV 1 (box)**Scrapbook****Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/4888**Unit Date** 1962**Mixed Materials [1000898375]** OV 1 (box)**Charters****Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1157**Unit Date** 1896-1897**Mixed Materials [1000898374]** OV 2 (box)**Container** 1 (folder)

## **Yearbooks**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1160

**Unit Date** 1940-1987

**Mixed Materials [1000898374]** OV 2 (box)

### **Scope and Contents**

Contains yearbooks for 1940/41-1951/52, 1953/54-1956, 1958/59, 1959/60, 1961, 1962/63, 1973/74-1975/76, 1978/79, 1981/82-1982/83, 1986/87

## **Scrapbook**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/1162

**Unit Date** 1988-1989

**Mixed Materials [1000898374]** OV 2 (box)

## **Sound Recordings**

**Unit ID** 3

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18348

**Unit Date** circa 1960-1968

### **Scope and Contents**

The series is comprised of 13 recordings, captured on 9 audiocassette tapes that document various events hosted by the United Daughters of the Confederacy, as well as activities of Jane Robinson, President of the Turner Ashby Chapter of the UDC, and her husband Wip Robinson, a radio personality in the Harrisonburg area.

## **Role of Women in the South, Turner Ashby Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy**

**Unit ID** SC0121-1

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18349

**Unit Date** circa 1961

**Audio** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

### **Scope and Contents**

Speech by unidentified person, given to the Turner Ashby Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, regarding the "women of the south," specifically Richmond, Virginia. Side A.

### **Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18350

**Unit Date** circa 1961

**Audio** SC0121-CS-001 (Audiocassette)

### **Conditions Governing Access**

Original audiocassette restricted from access. Reformatted access copies may be available, or media reformatting may be available upon request. Contact research services staff at library-special@jmu.edu for additional information.

## **John Wayland interviewed by Wip Robinson**

**Unit ID** SC0121-2

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18351

**Unit Date** undated

**Mixed Materials** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

**Creator** Wayland, John Walter, 1872-1962

**Creator** Robinson, Wip, 1910-1990

### **Scope and Contents**

Dr. John Wayland interviewed by Wip Robinson. Topics include James W. Marshall ("Cyclone Jim"); the oldest town in the Shenandoah Valley; the "German Regiment" led by Abraham Bowman of the Shenandoah Valley; Powell's Fort in Massanutten, and the origin of its name; the location and history of

Shawnee Springs; The history of the courthouse in Woodstock; the old log church where Muhlenberg and Asbury gave sermons; the Bloody Ford; the story of the John Rhodes family "killed by Indians;" Craney Island; the iron foundry, flour mill and saw mill (Abraham Byrd); the Stony Man and Hawksbill Head, Blue Ridge Mountain Range. Side B.

**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18352

**Unit Date** undated

**Audio** SC0121-CS-001 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**Reverend John G. Dubosq interviewed by Wip Robinson**

**Unit ID** SC0121-3

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18353

**Unit Date** 1968 March 5

**Mixed Materials** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

**Creator** DuBosq, John G., Jr. (John Genou), 1884-1978

**Creator** Robinson, Wip, 1910-1990

**Scope and Contents**

Interview with Reverend John G. Dubosq, by Wip Robinson, conducted at the Jollett Hollow Chapel. Dubosq discusses his personal history and the establishment of the Skyline Drive Park. Discusses his work as a singer in blackface as a member of the quartet, Penn City Comedy Four; work as a minister in the Jollet Hollow Mission Church in Jollett Hollow, Page County, Virginia; moonshining and moonshiners; his work at the the church and establishing a men's fellowship; parishioners donating food; recreation in the Blue Ridge Mountains; the impact of the construction of Skyline Drive on people living on the moutain; the settlement communities displaced residents of the Shenandoah National Park.

**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18354

**Unit Date** 1968-03-05

**Audio** SC0121-CS-002 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**"Noontime Almanac" with Wip Robinson, WSVB Harrisonburg, Virginia**

**Unit ID** SC0121-4

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18355

**Unit Date** undated

**Audio** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

**Creator** Robinson, Wip, 1910-1990

**Scope and Contents**

Wip Robinson, host of the "Noontime Almanac," on WSHV in Harrisonburg, Virginia, discusses agriculture in Shenandoah County, including poultry reports, and steer and cattle prices in Harrisonburg; interviews Bill Clark of Hardy County, West Virginia, who discusses agriculture in that area. Side A.

**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18356

**Unit Date** undated

**Audio** SC0121-CS-003 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**1st Annual picnic of Virginia DABS, Wip Robinson**

**Unit ID** SC0121-5

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18357

**Unit Date** undated

**Audio** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

**Creator** Robinson, Wip, 1910-1990

**Scope and Contents**

Wip Robinson interviews attendees of the 1st Annual Picnic of Virginia DABS. He asks people their name, city of residence, and the color of their mailboxes. Side B. August 7, 1962?

**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18358

**Unit Date** undated

**Audio** SC0121-CS-003 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**Centennial Celebration of Stonewall Jackson Valley Campaign Re-March and Reenactment, Elkton, Virginia**

**Unit ID** SC0121-6

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18359

**Unit Date** 1962 April 28

**Audio** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

**Scope and Contents**

Recording of the "kick-off" event held to commemorate a re-march of the Stonewall Jackson's Valley Campaign route; Speech about the Stonewall Brigade given by Dr. William G. Bean, professor at William and Mary. The event took place in Elkton, Virginia, referred to by its former name, Conrad's Store.

**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18360

**Unit Date** 1962 April 28

**Audio** SC0121-CS-004 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**Speech by James "Bud" I. Robertson, Centennial Celebration of Stonewall Jackson Valley Campaign**

**Unit ID** SC0121-7

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18361

**Unit Date** 1962 March 22

**Audio** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

**Creator** Robertson, James I., Jr. (James Irvin), 1930-2019

**Scope and Contents**

Probably occurred Thursday, March 22, 1962.

**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18362

**Unit Date** 1962 March 22

**Audio** SC0121-CS-005 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18363

**Unit Date** 1962 March 22

**Audio** SC0121-CS-006 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**Virginia DABS Fall Picnic at Massanutten Caverns, Wip Robinson**

**Unit ID** SC0121-8

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18364

**Unit Date** undated

**Audio** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

**Creator** Robinson, Wip, 1910-1990

**Scope and Contents**

Wip Robinson interviews attendees of a fall picnic at Massanutten Caverns. Robinson asks people their name and place of residence, and the color of the their mailbox.

**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18365

**Unit Date** undated

**Audio** SC0121-CS-006 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**Turner Ashby Monument Dedication, presided by Jane Robinson**

**Unit ID** SC0121-9

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18366

**Unit Date** 1962 June 9

**Audio** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

**Scope and Contents**

The program included comments by Frances B. Ryan of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Mayor of Harrisonsburg, Frank C. Switzer who welcomes the marchers, Dabney W. Watts, the Chairman of the Shenandoah Valley Civil War Centennial Committee, and Robert Frazier and the Harrisonburg High School Band playing "Dixie." The event is hosted by Jane Robinson, president of the Turner Ashby Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Side A.

**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18367

**Unit Date** 1962 June 9

**Audio** SC0121-CS-007 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**Speech about Sidney Lanier, Turner Ashby Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy**

**Unit ID** SC0121-10

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18368

**Unit Date** undated

**Audio** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

**Scope and Contents**

Speech given by an unnamed woman on the life of Sidney Lanier. Side B.

**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18369

**Unit Date** undated

**Audio** SC0121-CS-007 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**Tribute to Jane Robinson, "Here's History" Radio Show with Dick McGrath**

**Unit ID** SC0121-11

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18370

**Unit Date** 1964 February 2

**Audio** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

**Scope and Contents**

Side A.

**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18371

**Unit Date** 1964 February 2

**Audio** SC0121-CS-008 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**"Reminiscing with Jane" Radio Show, with Wip Robinson**

**Unit ID** SC0121-12

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18372

**Unit Date** circa 1962

**Audio** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

**Creator** Robinson, Wip, 1910-1990

**Scope and Contents**

Refers to Jane Robinson recovering from an illness. Side B.

**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18373

**Unit Date** circa 1962

**Audio** SC0121-CS-008 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**Unknown Speaker and Singer**

**Unit ID** SC0121-13

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18374

**Unit Date** undated

**Audio** SC0121-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

**Scope and Contents**

Musical program of unidentified singer.

**Preservation master audiocassette**

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/18375

**Unit Date** undated

**Audio** SC0121-CS-009 (Audiocassette)

**Conditions Governing Access**

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