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Scope Note

The Jeannette Carter Collection was donated to Howard University by Mrs. R.T. Ward in 1965. The collection totals « linear foot and spans the period 1927-1964. The collection is a sampling of items documenting the activities of Jeannette Carter. Miss Carter resided in Washington, D.C. most of her career. She was very active in politics, particularly in relation to the Republican party. She was founder and President of the National Political Study Club; and served as first editor and manager of the Women's Voice, a national women's magazine published in the interest of the Republican policies. Miss Carter was also active in women's rights, campaigning avidly for women's suffrage. In 1918 she served as President of the Woman's Wage Earner's Association.

Miss Carter's brother, William Justin was also very active in politics and labor. Attorney Carter, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania was one of the organizers of the Niagara Movement; and was chairman of the Commission to Rewrite the State Workmen's Compensation Act in Pennsylvania. The collection contains a few items of biographical materials related to him. The collection also includes a speech by William Justin Carter, Jr.; a few photographs, and some general printed materials on politics and religion.
Biographical Sketch

Jeannette Carter
1886           Born in Harrisburg, PA.

1908-1912    Attended Howard University Law School.

1918            Served as President of the Women's Wage Earner's Association.

1923            Founder and President of the National Political Study Club.

1939            First editor and manager of the Women's Voice, "a national women's magazine published in the interest of Republican policies."

1964            Died in Washington, D.C.
Biographical Sketch

William Justin Carter, Sr.

1886 May 28    Born in Richmond, VA.
1883-84    Attended Virginia State College.
1892    Graduated from Howard University Law School.
1892-94    Taught school in Annapolis, MD.
1894 January    Admitted to Dauphin County Bar in Pennsylvania.
1894-1947    Attorney in Harrisburg, PA holding positions as district attorney, secretary to Lt. Governor E.E. Beidleman, Chairman of the Commission to Rewrite the State Workman's Compensation Act, and a member of legal staff of Unemployment Compensation Bureau.
1907    One of the organizers of the Niagara Movement.
1927    Appointed as a member of the Howard University Board of Trustees.
1946 June    Conferred an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, Virginia State University.
1947 March 23    Died in Harrisburg, PA.

source: Jeannette Carter Collection
Series Description

Series A  Jeannette Carter
Box 12-1  Correspondence primarily related to her political activities; speeches related to women's rights and politics; programs and organizational materials related to the organizations of which she was affiliated.

Series B  William Justin Carter
Box 12-1  Biographical materials, includes news-clippings, speech, resolution, and a letter.

Series C  William Justin Carter, Jr.
Box 12-1  A copy of his speech that was broadcasted by WKBO radio station, to encourage the election of republican candidates, Thomas E. Dewey, John C. Kunkel, Governor Duff and Senator Taylor of Pennsylvania.

Series D  Lester H. Sweeney
Box 12-1  A brief synopsis of a murder case convicting Corporal Lester Sweeney, U.S. Army in 1945.

Series E  Photographs
Box 12-1  Several unidentified individuals, and two photographs of Mary Elizabeth Spencer.

Series F  Printed Materials
Box 12-1  Newsclippings, broadsides, periodicals, pamphlets related to politics and religion.
Series A  Jeannette Carter
Box  Folder
12-1  1  Biographical data
2  Correspondence
3  Suppression of News by Newspapers
4  Woman Wage Earners Assn.
5  Woman's Suffrage 1-4 missing
6  Woman's Suffrage
7  National Political Study Club
8  Republican National Committee
9  Programs

Series B  William Justin Carter
10  In memoriam-newsclippings
11  In memoriam-resolution
12  Correspondence (honorary degree from Virginia State College 1946)
13  Speech before a Virginia agricultural and mechanical association.

Series C  William Justin Carter, Jr.
14  Speech Oct. 27, 1948 Vote for Republican Candidates

Series D  Lester H. Sweeney
15  Lester H. Sweeney Case

Series E  Photographs
16  Mary Elizabeth Spencer
17  Unidentified Individuals

Series F  Printed Materials
18  Newsclippings
19  Pamphlets, broadsides, periodicals.