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Collection Inventory for the Edward Lovett Papers

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Summary Information

Repository	Moorland-Spingarn Research Center, Howard University
Creator	Lovett, Edward, 1902-1977
Title	Edward Lovett Papers
Date [inclusive]	1932-1977
Extent	1.0 Linear foot
Language	English

Biographical Sketch

Edward P. Lovett	
1902 Dec. 17	Born in Fayetteville, North Carolina
1922	Graduated from Hampton Institute
1926	Received A.B. degree from Howard University
1927	Married Louise Kathleen Johnson; one daughter, Lanna Lue
1932	Earned J.D. degree from Howard University School of Law
1936	Received LL.M. degree from Harvard University School of Law
1932-1938	Practiced law with the Washington, DC firm of Houston & Houston
1938-1976	Worked as an attorney with the U.S. Federal Housing Agency
1957	Served as Vice President of the American Council on Human Rights, Washington, DC Council
1977 Sept. 6	Died

Sources: Edward Lovett Papers, Moorland-Spingarn Research Center

Scope Note

The papers of Edward Lovett (1902-1977), attorney and federal employee, span the period from 1932 to 1977, and measure one linear foot. This collection documents the careers of Lovett and his wife, Louise.

Early in Lovett's career, he practiced law with the firm Houston & Houston. He also worked on civil rights cases for the N.A.A.C.P. The collection contains briefs from some of Lovett's cases, as well as a 1933 photograph of Lovett with several attorneys, including Charles Houston. In 1938, Lovett joined the Federal Government as an attorney in the Legal Division of the U.S. Housing Authority. For the next

38 years he held several posts in connection with housing and equal opportunity. Also, during the 1950s Lovett held a series of offices in the American Council on Civil Rights, Washington, DC Council. The collection documents these roles.

Lovett's wife, Louise, taught, wrote and directed drama, and served as director of a camp for underprivileged children. The collection documents her professional and educational efforts of the 1930s.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Moorland-Spingarn Research Center, Howard University February 1995

Source

In 1978 Louise Lovett donated the collection to Moorland-Spingarn.

Series A: Edward Lovett

Collection Inventory

Series A: Edward Lovett		
	Box	Folder
Correspondence A-H	1	1
Correspondence J-R	1	2
Correspondence S-Z	1	3
Writings by Edward Lovett		
Series Description		
Contains writings, correspondence, organizational material pertaining to Lovett's legal career.		
	Box	Folder
The History of Racial Discrimination [drafts] 1974	1	4
Housing and Racial Prejudice--1866-1968	1	5
Use of the Word 'Only' 1971	1	6
Notes	1	7

Writings about Edward Lovett

Notes	1	8
Notes	1	9
Notes re: bridge	1	10
Writings about Edward Lovett		
	Box	Folder
Biographical sketches	1	11
Employment papers (H.U.D.)	1	12
Clippings	1	13
Black Leadership in the Nixon Administration	1	14
Briefs on which Lovett's name appears [Murray v. Hurst/New Negro Alliance v. Sanitary Grocery]	1	15
Briefs on which Lovett's name appears [Rolax v. Brotherhood/State of Missouri v. Canada]	1	16
Directory: Class of 1936, Harvard Law School 1956	1	17
Directory of Black Judges--Black Lawyers and Black Bar Organizations 1970	1	18

Writings by Others

Directory of Judges--Lawyers and Bar Organizations 1972	1	19
The Hamptonian 1922	1	20
Writings by Others		
	Box	Folder
N.A.A.C.P. letter re: fair housing 1949	1	21
re: housing discrimination 1954	1	22
re: discrimination 1954	1	23
re: discrimination 1954	1	24
re: equal opportunity [lesson plans]	2	1
Mr. Clarence Darrow, Chicago, Illinois [stenographically taken by Florence B. Stevens] 1927	2	2
American Council on Human Rights, Washington, DC Council ca. 1950	2	3
American Council on Human Rights, Washington, DC Council ca. 1950	2	4
Programs	2	5
Photographs - Edward Lovett and Others	2	6

Series B: Louise Lovett**Series B: Louise Lovett****Series Description**

Consists mostly of Louise Lovett's writings, including her Master of Arts thesis from Northwestern University. This series documents her careers as a playwright and a camp director.

	Box	Folder
Correspondence	2	7
Writings by Louise Lovett		
	Box	Folder
Camp Pleasant Report [1 of 3] 1939	2	8
Camp Pleasant Report [2 of 3] 1939	2	9
Camp Pleasant Report [3 of 3] 1939	2	10
Dramatics in Negro High Schools. In The High School Thespian: 9, 13	2	11
The Production of 'Jungle Lore: An Original Play' Adapted to Presentation by High School Pupils [thesis] [1 of 3] 1938	2	12
The Production of 'Jungle Lore: An Original Play' Adapted to Presentation by High School Pupils [thesis] [2 of 3] 1938	2	13

Writings by Louise Lovett

The Production of 'Jungle Lore: An Original Play' Adapted to Presentation by High School Pupils [thesis] [3 of 3] 1938	2	14
[Photos] "The Production of 'Jungle Lore: An Original Play' Adapted to Presentation by High School Pupils" [thesis] 1938	2	15
Clippings about Louise Lovett 1937-1939	2	16
Programs on which Louise Lovett's name appears 1938-1974	2	17
Graduation information from Northwestern University 1938	2	18
Photos of unidentified women	2	19