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FEWELL-CALDWELL-CAROTHERS FAMILY PAPERS

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FEWELL-CALDWELL-CAROTHERS FAMILY PAPERS

I

The papers of the Fewell, Caldwell, and Carothers families of Rock Hill, S.C. and Demark, Tennessee were deposited with the Winthrop College Archives on July 1, 1979, by Mr. and Mrs. William Barron of Rock Hill.

Linear feet of shelf space occupied: 2.25 feet and 3 Bd. Vols.
Approximate number of pieces: 4,500

Restrictions: Open to researchers under the rules and regulations of the Louise Pettus Archives & Special Collections at Winthrop University.

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Notices were released to the following journals and professional organizations: NUCMC on July 20, 1979. (See collection control file for any additional notices.)

Scope and Content Note: **The collection consists of genealogical data, correspondence, speeches and essays, sermons, Civil War and World War I papers and memorabilia, diaries, legal and financial papers, photographs, newspaper clippings, and various papers relating to the Fewell, Caldwell, and Carothers families. The collection also contains records relating to Winthrop College, Winthrop Training School, and Salem College, Winston-Salem, N.C. Bound Volumes in the collection are scrapbooks realign to the college career of Eva M. Fewell (Carothers), and the civic and business careers of Benjamin M. Fewell and Erwin Carothers. Related by marriage, the Fewell and Carothers families have a long history of business and civic service to the city of Rock Hill. The collection represents a research source for information concerning Rock Hill, and the 1800's sermons of Reverend Cyrus K. Caldwell suggest any number of editorial and research projects for history students and scholars.**

Transfer of Items: Copies of the 1898 and 1910 copies of the *TATLER* were transferred to the archives. A copy of W. Nembhard Hibbert's *The Law of Evidence* was transferred to Acquisitions. Items from various series in the collection were transferred to the O.S. Mapcase for Manuscripts (See Separation Sheet). Duplicate items were returned to the donor.

II

DESCRIPTION OF CORRESPONDENCE

<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Description</u>
1856-1864	Typed transcripts of Alex F. Fewell's letters to his wife, Martha from various Confederate encampments during his years as an officer in the Confederate army. there are some letters from the family to Fewell in the field.
1865-1892	Letters are written between various members of the Caldwell family, particularly between the daughters of Rev. Cyrus K. Caldwell. Correspondence to Anna Hope Caldwell Fewell in 1892 relates to the death of her young son, Caldwell (brother of Eva Fewell Carothers).
1907-1912	Postcards from the Jamestown Exposition of 1907 are written to Anna Fewell from daughter Eva. Letters written from Eva Fewell to her parents between 1910 and 1912 relate to college and friends. Other letters relate to travels in New York.
1913-1919	Many letters in this series of correspondence are addressed to Eva Fewell from soldiers in training at various training stations and U.S. military installations in the states. Letters also include those from young Edwin Carothers in Germany and, later, England.
1920-1929	Most letters are dated 1920 and 1921 are written by Erwin Carothers from Rock Hill and Columbia addresses where he practices law and performed his duties as a member of the S.C. House of Representatives.
1930-1947	Correspondence relates to Erwin Carothers activities as treasurer of the Rock Hill School Districts Trustees and First Federal Savings and Loan, as administrator of the Benjamin M. Fewell estate, and as mayor of Rock Hill, S.C. Related papers include a radio transcript of an interview with Mayor Carothers and Dr. Henry Sims of Winthrop.
1948-1958	Correspondence and related papers pertain to the illness and death of Erwin Carothers, and to the various resolutions and tributes honoring the much esteemed former mayor of Rock Hill. Letters of condolence to Eva Carothers and Anne Carothers Barron are also included.
1960-1971	The 1960 European postcards relate to Eva Carothers' travels abroad. Also included are letters relating to the Rock Hill YMCA and the Caldwell/Craighead genealogical research conducted by William C. Rankin of Charlotte, N.C.

III

DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
1	1-2	GENEALOGICAL FILE Contains family histories, genealogical charts, and historical sketches relating to the following families: Caldwell, Fewell, Carothers, Garrison, Broughton, Barron, Hope, Davidson, and Allison. In general chronological order.	1859-1963, nd
1-3	3-10	CORRESPONDENCE AND RELATED PAPERS See "Description of Correspondence," Section 2.	1856-1971, nd
3	11	DIARY OF ANNA HOPE CALDWELL A portion of a diary kept by Anna Hope Caldwell of Rock Hill who would later marry Benjamin Fewell. The diary is a record of weather, social events, and random thoughts of a maturing young woman.	1876
3	11	DIARY OF ERWIN CAROTHERS Random entries in a diary kept during the final year of his life. Erwin Carothers of Rock Hill describes his failing health, doctor's prognoses and the social functions he attended.	1952
3	12	SPEECHES AND ESSAYS OF ERWIN CAROTHERS Erwin Carothers' addresses to the American Legion, The S.C. Building and Loan League, the Rock Hill High School graduation class of 1940, and citizens of Rock Hill. Also includes some "proclamations" signed by Erwin Carothers during his years as mayor of Rock Hill. In general chronological order.	1930-1947, nd
4	13	LEGAL PAPERS Includes land deeds, insurance policies, and an estate administrator's report. Also included are copies of the wills of Fannie Caldwell, Erwin Carothers, and Eva Fewell Carothers, and other legal papers. In chronological order.	1857-1971
4	14	FINANCIAL PAPERS Contains purchase and sales receipts and canceled checks from the financial dealings of the Fewell and Carothers families. No fixed order.	1853-1955, nd

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (cont.)

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
4-5	15-18	PHOTOGRAPHS Includes photographs of various members of the Fewell, Caldwell, Carothers, and Barron family members. Many photographs have identifying information supplied by family members. In general chronological order.	1883-1970, nd
6	19-20	SERMONS OF REVEREND CYRUS K. CALDWELL Delivered in and around Denmark, Tennessee, the sermons are in the minister's own hand and show great variation with regard to the sections of the Bible to which they relate. In general chronological order.	1847-1876
6	20	PAPERS RELATING TO WORLD WAR I Includes Erwin Carothers' enlistment record, identification, and memorabilia related to his years as a member of the U.S. military forces in Europe during WWI. (For other information, see "Correspondence" from 1917-1919) No fixed order.	1917-1919
6-7	21-23	PAPERS RELATING TO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES Folders 21 and 22 include church histories relating to the Rock Hill Presbyterian Church, the Ebenezer Presbyterian Church, the First Presbyterian Church of Rock Hill, and the Oakland Avenue Presbyterian Church, a long with other papers relating to local Presbyterian affiliations and congregations. Folder 23 contains a sampling of church bulletins from the churches. In general chronological order.	1894-1970, nd
7	24	PAPERS RELATING TO WINTHROP COLLEGE Includes the grade reports of Eva M. Fewell, a sewing notebook from one of the classes, a 1911 Diploma (transferred to O.S. Mapcase), "My Thanksgiving Book" by Anne Carothers (when she was a kindergarten student at Winthrop Training School), and a bulletin from the "Inauguration of Dr. Henry Radcliffe Sims." In chronological order.	1908-1911, 1931, 1945
7	25	PAPERS RELATING TO SALEM COLLEGE Includes correspondence, play programs, newspaper clippings, grade reports, and memorabilia relating to Anne Carothers' career at Salem College in Winston-Salem, N.C. In chronological order.	1944-1948

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (cont.)

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
7	26-28	NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS Includes articles from local daily and weekly newspapers and copies of <i>The Daily Express</i> (12 June and 1 July 1861) relating accounts of battles and troop movements during the Civil War (transferred to O.S. Mapcase-Manuscripts). (also refer to bound volumes in this collection.) In general chronological order.	1861-1971, nd
8	29	PAPERS RELATING TO THE DEATH OF ERWIN CAROTHERS Contains the guest register and related papers from the funeral of Erwin Carothers.	1952
8	30	PAPERS RELATING TO THE DEATH OF EVA FEWELL Contains the guest register and related papers from the funeral of Eva Fewell Carothers.	1973
8	31	PAPERS RELATING TO THE DEATH OF BENJAMIN M. FEWELL Contains the guest register and related papers from the funeral of Benjamin M. Fewell.	1945
8	32	SOUTH CAROLINA LEGISLATIVE MANUALS Contains biographical references to Erwin Carothers, a member of the state House of Representatives during that term.	1923-1924
9	33	AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES Includes diplomas, certificates, public service awards and resolutions relating to the Fewell and Carothers families. Also includes Eva Fewell Carothers' membership certificate for the Daughters of the American Revolution and Alex F. Fewell's certificate of release as a prisoner of war in 1865. In general chronological order.	1865, 1906-1954, nd
9	34-36	MEMORABILIA Includes Confederate currency, 1800's marriage certificates, war ration books (WW II), public school records of Anne Carothers, a 1951 Rock Hill telephone directory, and various papers relating to the Fewell, Caldwell, and Carothers families. Also includes the July, 1899 edition of "Home Needlework Magazine." In general chronological order.	1857-1979 nd