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Biography of Doris C. Miller

This biographical information has been taken entirely from the Doris C. Miller Manuscript Collection at the Marshall University Archives. (ACC 525, Box 11, Series I, Subsection E, Folder 1.)

Doris C. Miller, formerly Doris Thyra Copley, was born July 18, 1903, at Shoals, Wayne County, West Virginia. She was the daughter of Mrs. Anna Luther Copley, a retired school teacher of Shoals, and the late George Washington Copley, a soldier, minister and farmer. She was descended from a number of pioneer teachers in Wayne County and was of English, Irish, Scottish, Dutch and German descent. Among her ancestral names are Baird, Craig, Stock, Luther, Harmon, Napier, Ross and James.

On October 31, 1923, Doris married John Hawes Miller of Louisa, Kentucky. He was employed by the State Road Commission and by the Forbes Construction Company of Huntington for the majority of their married life.

Doris was a graduate of Marshall University and held a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English and Social Studies (1933) and a Masters Degree in History (1943). She taught a country school in Wayne County which began on her eighteenth birthday and had since taught at high school level, served as the secretary of the minister of a large Huntington church and was employed by the Huntington Publishing Company on two separate occasions. One of these positions included working as a reporter for The Herald Dispatch and as a feature writer and columnist for the Huntington Advertiser. Her column, Poetry Today, appeared in the newspaper for over fifteen years. Doris C. Miller retired from the editorial staff of The Huntington Herald Dispatch and Advertiser in 1970.

Entering into partnership with Doris Enfield Hicks in 1951, Doris edited and then edited and published Echoes of West Virginia, a poetry magazine established by Miss. Hicks. It was believed to be the only strictly literary magazine the state had ever had, up until 1956, and the publication gained a worldwide audience for West Virginia poets.

As a member of the Huntington Poetry Guild since 1941 Doris generally served as its editor and, for a period, was also its president. She was also involved with many groups, clubs and organizations across Huntington and the state of West Virginia. These included, but are not limited to: Kappa Delta Pi, West Virginia Poetry Society, Huntington YWCA, Regional Authors, an honorary member of Alpha Delta Kappa, Altrusa Club of Huntington and the Big Sandy Valley Historical Society.

Doris C. Miller published two books of her own poetry as well as assisting and aiding many others in their work. These were: Who Burnishes the Lamp, published by Folio Press, Chicago in 1952, and Dessert the Mirror, the winner of the book publication contest from the Dierkes Press, Eureka Springs, Arkansas, in 1957. She also had bound a collection of cinquains
entitles Winged Thoughts. However this was not formerly published and there was only one
made. Aside from these books, Doris had a great many poems published in a vast range of local
and national poem collections and newspapers, as well as her contribution to poetry contests and
competitions. She has had verse published in *Sonnet Sequences, Folio, New Athenaeum,
Different* and an anthology of the Dierkes Press. Doris Miller also compiled and wrote the
*Centennial History of Huntington, West Virginia, 1871-1971* which was published in 1971.

Along with her membership and involvement of numerous clubs, groups and
organizations, Doris Miller was also a mother of three children, John H. Miller Jr. born
December 8, 1924, Lua Kathryn Miller (McDaniel) born August 12, 1926, and an adopted
daughter, Mary Janice Miller (Willis). Doris also had a foster child, Joann Sparks Reitenour of
Atlanta, Georgia.

Mrs. Miller’s philosophy of writing and of living can be put into a few words: Prepare
yourself, discipline yourself, be yourself. It is a way of life to be lived, constantly and
consistency, for each thought applies to all of life, not to a given moment or period.

Doris Thyra Copley Miller died at the age of eighty-nine on Sunday, February 28, 1993,
in Cabell Huntington Hospital. She is buried at the Luther-Bowen Cemetery in Shoals, West
Virginia.
Overview: Doris Copley Miller was a Huntington, West Virginia poet, newspaperwoman, and local historian. Papers include her work in draft and printed form and correspondence, notably the Jesse Stuart letters. It also contains poetry submissions from other friends and the public as well as working files from her years as religion, education and poetry editor at the Huntington Publishing Company. In addition to her newspaper columns, she also conducted genealogical research.

Outline of the Collection:

Doris C. Miller was a well-educated woman who grew up during the First World War and bought her family up, relatively alone, during the American Depression and the Second World War. She achieved a huge amount with her life and accomplished numerous awards, certificates, and acknowledgements for her active role in the town of Huntington and participation in groups and clubs in West Virginia and across the Tri-State area.

Doris was a member of over fifty groups, clubs, and organizations, locally, state, and nationwide. She was intimately involved in the running and organization of a large number of these. For example Doris was the president of the Huntington branch of the National League of American Pen Women, editor of the poetry publication, *Echoes of West Virginia*, president of the Huntington Poetry Guild and for many years organized the Herald Dispatch Spelling Bee for school-age children.

The benefit this has for the collection and its value to researchers is that due to her high position and involvement in these clubs and organizations, it contains a large quantity of correspondence, financial records, and membership details offering information possibly unavailable from the groups themselves. The documents also offer a glimpse of the role of women within the organizations on a local and national level.

Jesse Stuart (1906-1984) was a nationally famous Appalachian poet and author. Jesse and Doris were great friends and this is obvious in the abundance of personal and professional correspondence between the two of them. Jesse used Doris’s skill and talent as a professional sounding board for his many ideas for poems and regularly asked her opinions on written work. Thus the letters and information held in the collection is of obvious importance to anyone researching poetry, Appalachian authors and poets and more specifically, Jesse Stuart himself. He was not the only poet and author that requested Doris’s help. The collection contains over three boxes of transcripts, manuscripts, prose, verse and poetry that striving authors wanted Doris to look at and critique.

As well as her work on poetry, the clubs and organizations and the newspaper, Doris was very interested in researching genealogy, both for her newspaper column ‘Tree Searching’ and for personal family and friends. The information available in the genealogical subsection of this collection holds invaluable and extensive information for local genealogical researchers.

Doris was maintaining her involvement with all these groups whilst working numerous jobs, bringing up her children and supporting her family, and thus the collection paints a good picture of the social history for women, particularly within West Virginia and the ‘Tri-State’ area in the twentieth century. The volume of personal correspondence, her family papers, and a lot of her professional papers all contribute to this research.

Organization of the Collection:

The Doris C. Miller Papers came to Marshall University Archives following the death of Mrs. Doris Copley Miller. They were in a disorganized and random state. Therefore there was minimal ‘original order’ within the collection. This made sorting and organizing it a more complex process. It was important to maintain any original filing within the jumble of paperwork whilst ‘imposing’ an organizational system on the papers. There were a number of small files, for example, there was a few in the ‘Genealogy’ section and one in the ‘Jesse Stuart Papers’ where Mrs. Miller had filed paperwork under certain names. These files have been left as they were found and placed within the section that is most
fitting for their contents. Due to this, some of the information in these files may appear to be out of place, out of chronological order and may not entirely appear to ‘fit’ its position within the collection.

The main series titles of the collection have been selected for their broad nature. Within these larger brackets there are subsections which are slightly more specific and concise as to the contents. There is, on occasion, further specification at the subsection level of the enclosed documents and then each folder has its own informational title and contents note.

‘Unprocessed’ boxes contain information that has yet to be sorted into the main subsections of the collection. For the most part they have been separated into the series they belong to but have received no preservation or further processing. This is not to say that there is not a wealth of information available within these boxes. They will eventually be incorporated into the main sections of the collection. The ‘Unidentified’ boxes have no obvious or defined places within the collection but have undergone some preservation and processing.
Collection

I. Personal Papers

a. Personal Correspondence 1910(?) - 1989

   Box 1: Personal Correspondence (i)-UNPROCESSED

   Folder 1: Correspondence 1915(?) - 1939
   Folder 2: Correspondence 1940s (i)
   Folder 3: Correspondence 1940s (ii)
   Folder 4: Correspondence 1950s
   Folder 5: Correspondence 1960s (i)
   Folder 6: Correspondence 1960s (ii)
   Folder 7: Correspondence 1970s (i)
   Folder 8: Correspondence 1970s (ii)
   Folder 9: Correspondence 1970s (iii)
   Folder 10: Correspondence 1980s (i)
   Folder 11: Correspondence 1980s (ii)
   Folder 12: Correspondence. Undated (i)
   Folder 13: Correspondence. Undated (ii)
   Folder 14: Correspondence. Unidentified.
   Folder 15: ‘Letters from ‘W’’
   Folder 16: Correspondence from Lillian Beinkampen

   Box 2: Personal Correspondence (ii)-UNPROCESSED

   Box 3: Personal Correspondence (iii)-UNPROCESSED

   Box 4: Personal Correspondence (iv)-UNPROCESSED

b. Financial Papers 1948(?) - 1989

   Box 5: Financial Paperwork (i)

   Folder 1: First Bank Ceredo: Bank Statements (i)
Folder 2: First Bank Ceredo: Bank Statements (ii)
Folder 3: First Bank Ceredo: Bank Statements (iii)
Folder 4: First Bank Ceredo: Bank Statements (iv)
Folder 5: First Bank Ceredo: Deposit slips and stubs (i)
Folder 6: First Bank Ceredo: Deposit slips and stubs (ii)
Folder 7: The First National Bank of Ceredo: Bank Statements (i)
Folder 8: The First National Bank of Ceredo: Bank Statements (ii)
Folder 9: The First National Bank of Ceredo: Deposit slips and stubs (i)
Folder 10: The First National Bank of Ceredo: Deposit slips and stubs (ii)
Folder 11: The First National Bank of Ceredo: Correspondence.
Folder 13: The First Huntington National Bank: Bank Statements and Deposit slips.
Folder 14: Check books, check stubs and check receipts (i)
Folder 15: Check books, check stubs and check receipts (ii)
Folder 16: Savings Account Statements and Information.
Folder 17: Loan Information: Correspondence including statements from the ‘Buckeye Savings and Loan Company.’
Folder 18: Promissory Notes to and from Mrs. Miller.
Folder 19: Medical Paperwork: Bills, receipts and statements (i)
Folder 20: Medical Paperwork: Bills, receipts and statements (ii)

**Box 6: Financial Paperwork (ii)**

Folder 1: Insurance: Car, home and personal insurance documents (i)
Folder 2: Insurance: Car, home and personal insurance documents (ii)
Folder 3: Insurance: Car, home and personal insurance documents (iii)
Folder 4: Retirement Papers: Documents, statements and information.
Folder 5: Agreements/Loans/Trust Deeds

Folder 6: A signed note regarding custody of Mary Janice Luther signed by Doris C. Miller and John H. Miller. It confirms that Mary Janice had lived with Doris since she was thirty days old and that the Millers were her sole means of support since then.

Folder 8: Receipts and Bills (i)
Folder 9: Receipts and Bills (ii)
Folder 10: Receipts and Bills (iii)
Folder 11: Receipts and Bills (iv)
Folder 12: Utility Bills (i)
Folder 13: Utility Bills (ii)
Folder 14: Utility Bills (iii)
Folder 15: Tax Information: Official paperwork, forms etc. (i)
Folder 16: Tax Information: Official paperwork, forms etc. (ii)
Folder 17: Tax Information: Bills and Receipts
Folder 18: Tax Information: Receipts/paperwork (non official)
Folder 19: Property and real Estate Tax Information.
Folder 20: Financial Correspondence
Folder 21: Handwritten Financial Notes
Folder 22: Veterinary Animal Care: Includes bills and receipts and a health record for ‘Brownie’.
Folder 23: Unidentified Financial Papers

c. Family Papers (pre 1870-1989)

Box 7: Family Correspondence-UNPROCESSED

Box Includes: Lizzi Luther and Anna Copley Financial Papers and a lot of letters and correspondence to both women. Includes some other family bits and pieces. Some of the documents in the box date back prior to the First World War.

Box 8: Family Papers-UNPROCESSED

Box Includes: John H. Miller and Doris C. Miller Correspondence, Correspondence from John H. Miller Jr. “Dear Folks”, Plymale Family Correspondence, Roy Lee Harmon Letters, WV Public Schools Pupils Reading Circle Certificate John Miller 1937, Genealogy Transcripts, Montserrat Miller Chambers, Mariah Rosa Miller Paperwork and Program, Lua Kathryn Miller (McDaniel) Documents and Letters and Academic Work and Clippings, Mary Janice Miller Letters and Certificates and Academic Work and ‘Marshall College Drivers Ed Evaluation’ and ‘My Vacation At Camp’ Scrapbook and 5th Grade Papers and 6th Grade Papers and 7th Grade Papers, Reitenour Family Papers and Programs and Wedding Service Pamphlet.
d. Personal Possessions

**Small Archival Box 9: Scrapbooks and Personal Possessions**

**Box Includes:** The Huntington Poetry Guild Banner, “March On” Records, Account Book, “I Miss Ike” Car Sticker, Newspaper Clippings of “Let’s Talk About Poetry”.

**Small Archival Box 10: Scrapbooks and Personal Possessions**

**Box Includes:** Quilt Pattern Sample, Kentucky Historical Society Certificate, 2 Scrap Books of Newspaper Clippings, J. H. Miller Republican Presidential Task Force Membership Certification.

e. Personal Paperwork and Documents

**Box 11: Personal Papers-UNPROCESSED**

**Box Includes:** Doris C. Miller Biographical and Autobiographical Material, Political Papers and Information, Addresses and Directions, Appointment Book 1957, Artwork, Assorted Calendars, Postcards and Greeting Cards, Membership and Business Cards, Invitations, Certificates including Doris C. Millers Masters Degree, Envelopes, Announcement and Thank you Cards, Printed Programs, Stamps, Recipes (handwritten), Tickets and Other Ephemera, Dress Making Course Material and Correspondence, Short Hand Lessons, Orchard Ave. Property Paperwork, Doris Miller Immediate Family History, two copies of the New Testament, Marshall College Official Transcript, Poetry Course Paperwork, Marshall Literary Tour of England, Short Hand Practice Notebook, Sewing Patterns, Poetry Clipping Scrapbook, Some Official Correspondence.
II. Professional Papers 1940s-1980s

a. Echoes of West Virginia

Box 12: Echoes of West Virginia Magazine

Folder 1: Correspondence (i)
Folder 2: Correspondence (ii)
Folder 3: Correspondence (iii)
Folder 4: Correspondence (iv)
Folder 5: Correspondence (v)
Folder 6: Correspondence (vi)
Folder 7: Small box file containing the Echoes of West Virginia dating from summer 1949-1955.
Folder 8: Correspondence (vii)
Folder 9: Paperwork/Information: News clippings, transcripts, subscription lists and a Certificate of Registration.
Folder 10: Newsletter and supplement: Includes pages from the Echoes magazine and the newsletter ‘A bookmark for you from Echoes of West Virginia-Our states only magazine of verse.’
Folder 11: Financial Papers: Bills, receipts and subscription information.

b. Genealogy

Box 13: Alphabetical ‘A’ to ‘E’

Folder 1: Adkins – “Out of the Past” Newspaper
Folder 2: Akers
Folder 3: Alderson
Folder 4: Aldridge
Folder 5: Allein
Folder 6: Alley
Folder 7: Anderson
Folder 8: Aracoma (Indian Story)
Folder 9: Baker
Folder 10: Ball
Folder 11: Barbour
Folder 12: Bartram
Folder 13: Baumgarden
Folder 14: Bench
Folder 15: Berry
Folder 16: Best
Folder 17: Lady Elizabeth Bishop
Folder 18: Black
Folder 19: Boggs
Folder 20: Boston
Folder 21: Bowen
Folder 22: Brasseur
Folder 23: Brewer
Folder 24: Brumfield. Newsprint/Correspondence/Notes.
Folder 25: Bryan
Folder 26: Bryden
Folder 27: Burke/Burk
Folder 28: Lt. Butcher
Folder 29: Cabell. Obituary.
Folder 30: Cambell
Folder 31: Canada
Folder 32: Canterbury
Folder 33: Carr
Folder 34: Carroll
Folder 35: Chadwick
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Folder 37: Christian
Folder 38: Clay
Folder 39: Cline
Folder 40: Conley
Folder 41: Copley (i) Includes a very old Copley photo and an Ancestral Chart.
Folder 42 Copley (ii)
Folder 43 Copley (iii)
Folder 44: Copley (iv) Newsprint
Folder 45: Copley (v) Original copies of some MSS from the Copley papers.
Folder 46: Crum
Folder 47: Cyrus
Folder 48: Davis
Folder 49: Dean
Folder 50: Drown
Folder 51: Endicott

Box 14: Alphabetical ‘F’ to ‘N’

Folder 1: Fain/Secrest
Folder 2: Fletcher
Folder 3: Forbes
Folder 4: Frasher
Folder 5: Fuller. Family Tree, includes obituary.
Folder 6: Fullerton. Will printed on old photograph.
Folder 7: Furguson. Obituary.
Folder 8: Gardener
Folder 9: Garred/Jarrett. Includes photos. ‘Uncle Dyke’.
Folder 10: Griffiths
Folder 11: Hager. Family correspondence.
Folder 12: Hampton
Folder 13: Hannon
Folder 14: Harmon, Solomon. (i)
Folder 15: Harmon, Solomon. (ii) Photos
Folder 16: Harmon, Solomon. (iii) Handwritten notes.
Folder 17: Harmon, Wesley. (i) Handwritten notes.
Folder 18: Harmon, Wesley. (ii) Photos.
Folder 19: Harmon, Wesley. (iii) Typed notes.
Folder 20: Hatfield, 'Devil Anse'.
Folder 21: Hatten. Includes photos.
Folder 22: Haynie
Folder 23: Height
Folder 24: Hensley
Folder 25: Hite
Folder 26: Hoard. Includes a letter dated 1884.
Folder 27: Hoback
Folder 29: Holtzworth
Folder 30: Hutchinson
Folder 31: Irby
Folder 32: Jarrell
Folder 33: James, Jesse. (i)
Folder 34: James, Jesse. (ii) Print and a 'Wanted' poster.
Folder 35: Jannell
Folder 36: Johnson. Includes a letter from 'Kaarin' to 'Ma Miller'.
Folder 37: Kincaid
Folder 38: Lambert
Folder 39: Leila. Talks of 'Emile'.
Folder 40: Lester
Folder 41: Lewis. Includes a resume.
Folder 42: Little
Folder 43: Lowe
Folder 44: Loy
Folder 45: Luther, David. Handwritten notes, Family Tree, Correspondence, Newsprint.
Folder 46: Luther, Henry. (i) Notes, Family Tree, Newsprint.
Folder 47: Luther, Henry. (ii) Typed information, some of it published.
Folder 48: Luther, Thomas. (i) Handwritten notes.
Folder 49: Luther, Thomas. (ii) Photos.
Folder 50: McCallister
Folder 51: McCoy
Folder 52: McDaniel. Notes, Family Tree, Photos and Newsprint.
Folder 53: McGuinnis. Notes, Photos and Newsprint.
Folder 54: McKeand/McKennen
Folder 55: McNamara
Folder 56: McVey
Folder 57: Marshall
Folder 58: Martingale. A single note.
Folder 59: Mascum
Folder 60: Maynard
Folder 61: Mead
Folder 62: Means
Folder 63: Meek
Folder 64: Mikhail. Includes ‘A Survey of the Eduactional Programs of West Virginia Public Schools’ booklet and photos.
Folder 65: Miller, Doris.
Folder 66: Miller. Includes correspondence.
Folder 67: Mitchell, Jacob Joshua,
Folder 68: Montgomery
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Folder 69: Moreland
Folder 70: Morris
Folder 71: Morrison. Printed on the back of a photo.
Folder 72: Mullins. Obituary.
Folder 73: Napier. Family Tree, Photos, Newspaper clippings.
Folder 74: Nasser. Newspaper clippings.
Folder 75: Newman

**Box 15:** Alphabetical ‘O’ to ‘Z’. Includes ‘Unidentified Genealogy Notes’ and ‘General Research Material’.

Folder 1: Osbourne/Osborne. Correspondence from Pharo Osborn, Notes.
Folder 2: Owens
Folder 4: Peck. Letters (attachment not enclosed).
Folder 5: Peyton, Davis. Profile.
Folder 6: Plymale. Family Reunion, Notes and Newsprint.
Folder 7: Porter, Katherine. Notes.
Folder 8: Prichard. Obituary and Newsprint.
Folder 9: Pritt
Folder 10: Purdue. (i) News clippings, Genealogy Charts and Family History.
Folder 11: Purdue. (ii) Notes.
Folder 12: Pyles
Folder 13: Reitenour.
Folder 14: Riggs
Folder 15: Rolf. Letter.
Folder 16: Ross
Folder 17: Rutherford, Robert.
Folder 18: Sarrett
Folder 19: Scott
Folder 20: Sellards. Notes and Correspondence.
Folder 22: Smith. (Caroline Hutchinson Smith) Obituary, Notes and Newsprint.
Folder 24: Staley. Correspondence, Notes and Newsprint.
Folder 25: Stamper
Folder 26: Steenbergen. Notes.
Folder 28: Steward/Stuart
Folder 29: Stock. Found with Harmon/Luther papers.
Folder 31: Thompson. Genealogical Notes.
Folder 32: Toney
Folder 33: Valentine. Obituary.
Folder 34: Vance
Folder 35: Vinson
Folder 36: Ward
Folder 37: Watts
Folder 38: Webb. Linked with Maynard and Porter families.
Folder 39: Wellman
Folder 41: Wiley. Linked with Williamson family.
Folder 43: Willard
Folder 45: Williamson. Notes, Newsprint, Correspondence from ‘Wallace Williamson’ to Doris C. Miller.
Folder 46: Willis
Folder 47: Wilson
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Folder 49: General Research Material.
Folder 50: Unidentified Notes on Genealogy.

c. Newspaper

**Box 16:** Huntington Publishing Company-UNPROCESSED

**Box Includes:** HupCo. Magazine Files, Scottish Rite Newsletter, Handwritten Notes, 10th St. Journal, Information on Vikings, Rose Show Records, Mississippi State University Newspaper Clippings and Information, WV Maps, Lincoln Day Pamphlets, 1937 Flood Pictures and MSS, Huntington Child Conservation League Handbook, F.N.C. Annual Hobby Show Program, Typed and Handwritten Notes to Huntington Publishing Co., Letters, Newspaper Article Transcripts, Newspaper Clippings, Puppet Show Pictures and Story, Newspaper Editorials.

**Box 17:** Newspaper Clippings-UNPROCESSED

**Box Includes:** ‘Huntington Day Book’ Newspaper Clippings, Huntington Poetry Guild Newspaper Clippings, ‘Let’s Talk about Poetry’, ‘Poetry Corner’, ‘Poetry Today’, ‘Tree Searching’, Tree Searching: Clay, Copley, Harmon, Luther, McNamara, Meads/Pritchard, Napier, Owens, Purdue, Plymale, Sellars, Staley, Stock, Newspaper Clippings with Annotations and Notes, Tree Searching Christian, Doris Miller Tear Sheets, Unidentified Tear Sheets, Newspaper Clippings About Doris Miller, Doris Miller Poetry in Print, Articles and Poems by Doris Miller, Newspaper Articles by Doris Miller, Tree Searching Bowen, Tree Searching Chadwick, Family Clippings from Copley, Family Clippings from Luther, Family Clippings from McDaniel, Family Clippings from Miller, Family Clippings from Thaw, Family Clippings from Bloss, Family Clippings from McKeard, Wayne County History Clippings, Huntington Advertiser Clippings, Dated and Undated Obituaries, Tri-State/Regional Authors Luncheon Clippings, WV Poetry Society Clippings.

d. Poetry and Written Manuscripts

i. Doris C. Miller Manuscripts

**Box 18:** Doris C. Miller Manuscripts-UNPROCESSED

**Box Includes:** Incomplete Manuscripts (Handwritten), Tear Sheets Printed, Handwritten Lists, ‘Poetry of the Bible,’ ‘Thoughts on Prayer Manuscript,’ The Influence of Christ on Literature Manuscript, A Brief Sketch of Western McDaniel American Poet, ‘Eastern Meditation’ by Doris C. Miller, Gallie Clay Additional Background and Biography Notes, ‘A List of Things to Do Every Day,’ WV Poet Society Certificate of Recognition 1966 and 1968, Certificate of Recognition from ‘Who’s Who of American Women,’ ‘Survey of the Educational Programs of WV Public Schools’ by Doris Miller, Ring bound Notebooks, Lists of Names and Addresses, Cabell County Huntington History Notes.

**Box 19:** Doris C. Miller Poetry-UNPROCESSED

**Box Includes:** Camp Creek Schools “Keep Christmas” Newspaper Clippings, Doris C. Miller Manuscripts, Stories, etc., “Grandmother is Born” by Doris C. Miller, A Story About “Becky”, Poetry,

**Box 20: The Centennial History of Huntington-UNPROCESSED**


**ii. Non-Doris C. Miller Manuscripts**

**Box 21: Other Peoples Poetry**


Folder3: ‘Amanda Meade Brewer Poetry’

Folder 4: ‘Amanda Meade Brewer Poetry with Random Page Numbers’

Folder 5: ‘Amanda Meade Brewer Thompson Poetry’


Folder 7: ‘Amanda Meade Brewer Thompson Poetry Manuscript. Pages 253-426’

Folder 8: ‘Amanda Meade Brewer Thompson Poetry Manuscript. Pages 427-617’


Folder 10: ‘Buford Smith Cross Poetry’

A. Divers, Lyell V. Douthat, Bertha Flanagan Dropleman, Elva Lawrence Duling, Markham Dzong, H. D.


Folder 13: ‘G. F. Ferrell Poetry’


Folder 15: ‘H’ – Matt Hanna, Edith Hannan, Blaine R. Hall, Eva Hall, Nola Hall, Daisy S. Halterman, Thomas Hardy, Mary V. Harris, Lewis Harvey, Virginia P. Harvey, Frieda Hawes, Bessie P. Head, Roy Helton, Roxie Henderson, Gertrude N. Hensley, Daniel Whitehead Hicky, Lois Smith Hiers, Robert Hillyer, Bry Ewan Hovey, Gertie Phillips Howard, Lordella Bauman Hoyt, Joe Hughes, Frieda Hawes.

Folder 16: ‘Rachel Paxon Hayes Poetry’

Folder 17: ‘Doris Enfield Hicks Poetry’


Folder 19: ‘K’ – Ruth Kaplan, Mabel H. Keane, Frances Ann Kemble, Mary H. Kerns, Mildred Louisa Kerns, Garnet Davis Kimball, Glendeen Kincaid, Mary Louise Kincaid, Henry Kingman, Agnes Kisner, Leona Klipsch, Iris Knight, Jean Garvin Knight, John-Paul Kucera, M. J. K.


Folder 21: ‘Burl Luther Songs’


Box 22: Other Peoples Poetry, Verse and Manuscripts-UNPROCESSED

Box Includes: ‘A History of Prostitution in Cabell County’ by J. R. Haworth, Includes a large selection of ‘Hoffman’ manuscripts, ‘Date with Destiny’ by Frank Ball, ‘Young Communists League’ manuscript by Wayne Damron 1943 (handwritten), ‘School Dropouts-A Community Problem’ manuscript by Enslow Junior High School students. It includes pencil drawings and sketches, newspapers clippings and writing.

e. Spelling Bee

Box 23: National Spelling Bee Competition Papers

Folder 1: Spelling Bee Correspondence, Bulletins and Press Releases (i)

Folder 2: Spelling Bee Correspondence, Bulletins and Press Releases (ii)

Folder 3: Spelling Bee Information and Paperwork. Includes unidentified transcripts.

Folder 4: Spelling Bee. ‘Information on School System Finals.’
Folder 5: Spelling Bee. ‘Entry Forms and Order Blanks.’

Folder 6: Spelling Bee. ‘The Final Spelling Bee of the …..School System is scheduled for…..’

Folder 7: Spelling Bee. ‘School System Champion or Winners.’

Folder 8: Spelling Bee. Schedule of Contestants participation (typed).

Folder 9: Spelling Bee. Lists of names (handwritten).

Folder 10: Spelling Bee. 1959 National Spelling Bee Program and Tour Information.

Folder 11: Spelling Bee. 1960 National Spelling Bee Finals Champions.

Folder 12: Spelling Bee. ‘1963 Bee and Information’ (in original folder created by Doris C. Miller.)


Folder 15: Spelling Bee. Doris C. Miller name labels and ribbons.

Folder 16: Spelling Bee Photographs (i)

Folder 17: Spelling Bees Photographs (ii)

Folder 18: Spelling Bee Unidentified Handwritten Notes.

Folder 19: Spelling Bee. (i) 1964-UNPROCESSED

Folder 20: Spelling Bee. (ii) 1965-UNPROCESSED

Folder 21: Spelling Bee. (iii) UNPROCESSED

Folder 22: Spelling Bee. (iv) UNPROCESSED

Folder 23: Spelling Bee. (v) UNPROCESSED

Folder 24: Spelling Bee. (vi) UNPROCESSED

Folder 25: Spelling Bee. (vii) UNPROCESSED

Folder 26: Spelling Bee. (viii) UNPROCESSED

f. Diaries and Index Cards

Box 24: Professional Possessions

Box Includes:

- A small box of Index cards containing names and addresses.
- 1954 Standard Daily Journal. Has the name ‘Margaret Neff’ handwritten on the first page.
- 1955 Standard Daily Journal. Has the name ‘Margaret Neff’ handwritten on the first page.
• 1960 Standard Daily Journal. Has no name written in the front. Contains newspaper clippings tucked into certain days of the diary. These mostly consist of engagement announcements.
• 1966 Standard Daily Journal. No Name but a newspaper clipping attached to the first page with West Virginia National Holidays highlighted and also Huntington parking meters times. The diary contains one marriage announcement newspaper clipping and hardly any other notes.

**g. Printed Material**

**Box 25: Unidentified Printed Material-UNPROCESSED**


**h. Photography**

**Box 26 Unidentified Photographs-UNPROCESSED**

i. Unidentified and Unprocessed Professional Papers

**Box 27: UNPROCESSED (i)**


**Box 28: UNPROCESSED (ii)**


III. Groups, Clubs and Organizations

a. Groups, Clubs and Organizations Arranged Alphabetically
Box 29: Groups, Clubs and Organizations: ‘A’ to ‘N’ (i)

Folder 2: Alpha Delta Kappa. Club papers and Information.
Folder 3: Alpha Delta Kappa. Candidate Information for ‘Women of Distinction.’
Folder 4: Alpha Delta Kappa. Speeches.
Folder 5: Alpha Delta Kappa. Membership card and other cards.
Folder 9: Altrusa. Correspondence.
Folder 12: Altrusa. Club Information, Budgets and papers.
Folder 14: Altrusa. Membership Card and Club memorabilia.
Folder 16: American Cancer Society.
Folder 17: American Folk Song Society.
Folder 19: Appalachian Folklore Society.
Folder 20: Appalachian Writers Conference. 1971.
Folder 21: Big Sandy Valley Historical Society. Correspondence.
Folder 22: Big Sandy Valley Historical Society. Program.
Folder 23: Big Sandy Valley Historical Society. Newsletters and Events Information.
Folder 26: Department of Archives and History. Meeting Minutes.
Folder 27: Eastern Kentucky Genealogical Society.
Folder 28: ‘From the Hills’ Correspondence.
Folder 29: ‘Garden Club’ and ‘Rose Club’. Membership cards and booklets etc.
Folder 31: Huntington Poetry Guild. Correspondence.
Folder 33: Huntington Poetry Guild. Club Papers, Pamphlets, Programs and Membership Cards belonging to other people.
Folder 34: Huntington Poetry Guild. Year Books 1939-1953.
Folder 35: Huntington Poetry Guild. Unidentified Handwritten Notes.
Folder 36: Huntington Publishing Company.
Folder 37: Huntington Shrine Club.
Folder 38: Huntington Women’s Club.
Folder 39: National federation of State Poetry Societies. (Other State Societies)
Folder 40: National federation of State Poetry Societies. Paperwork and Information.
Folder 42: National federation of State Poetry Societies. Correspondence.
Folder 44: Northwest Outward Bound School Newsletter.

**Box 30: Groups, Clubs and Organization: ‘M’ to ‘Z’ (ii)**

Folder 1: Quota Club. Correspondence.
Folder 4: Quota Club: Programs and By-Laws.
Folder 5: Regional Authors Council. Correspondence.
Folder 6: Regional Authors Council. Transcripts.
Folder 9: Regional Authors Council. Lunch menus, Price Lists.
Folder 10: Regional Authors Council. Financial Papers, Bank Statements, Deposit Slips etc.
Folder 11: Regional Authors Council. Unidentified Notes.
Folder 12: Regional Authors Council. Lists of Telephone Numbers, Tickets sold for the luncheons.
Folder 13: Southern Appalachian Studies.
Folder 19: The West Virginia Hillbilly. Correspondence and Newsletters.
Folder 21: ‘West Virginia Blue Book’. Correspondence.
Folder 22: West Virginia Folklore Society. Correspondence.
Folder 23: West Virginia Poetry Society. Correspondence.
Folder 26: West Virginia Poetry Society. Programs, Itineraries, Club Information.
Folder 28: West Virginia Writers. Correspondence and Newsletters.
Folder 30: ‘Wonderful West Virginia’ Magazine.
Folder 31: Young Women’s Christian Association. (YWCA) Correspondence.
Folder 32: Young Women’s Christian Association. (YWCA) Club Information and By-Laws.
Folder 33: Young Women’s Christian Association. (YWCA) Information, some correspondence regarding the merging of Huntington YMCA with the YWCA in 1959.
Folder 34: Young Women’s Christian Association. (YWCA) News and Facts.
Folder 35: Young Women’s Christian Association. (YWCA) Newspaper clippings, “Miss YWCA” information and photo.
Folder 36: Young Women’s Christian Association. (YWCA) Program and newsletters.
Folder 37: Young Women’s Christian Association (YWCA) Certificate for ‘Unstinted and Invaluable Service’ and Membership card.

Folder 38: Young Women’s Christian Association (YWCA) Programs and booklets.

b. Religious Groups, Churches and Editorials

Box 31: Religious Groups and Materials-UNPROCESSED

Box Includes: Programs and Announcements “The Virginia Baptist Newsletter”, Beverly Hills Methodist Church Transcripts, Ministerial Ethics Typed MSS, Church Service Bulletins, Clippings From Church Newsletter, Burma News Pamphlets, Ohev Sholom and Bhai Israel Newsletters, Pea Ridge Baptist Church, Herald Dispatch Church News Clinic, Preaching Mission Pamphlets, Religious Biographies, Doris C. Miller Religious Column Letters, Central Christian Church and Other Printed Material, Copies of Sermons, A Sketch of The History of The 1st Congregational Church Read at a Dinner Celebrating the 75th Anniversary May 31, 1947 by Mrs. C.C. Henking, Congregational Church Newspaper Clippings and Transcript, 1960 Church Convention Promo, Photos, Church Notes, Catechisms of the Wesleyan Methodists 1873 book.

c. West Virginia Poetry Society

Box 32: Poetry Contests-UNPROCESSED

Box Includes: Contest Entrants List, Poetry Contest Entries, Poems and Haikus, Poetry Contests 2-12 Submissions and Award Envelopes.

IV. John Hawes Miller Papers

a. Professional Papers
Box 33: Professional Papers (i)

Folder 1: Forbes Construction Company: Correspondence 1946-1947


Folder 7: State Road Commission: Correspondence 1957-1959.

Folder 8: State Road Commission: Correspondence 1960-1969.


Folder 10: State Road Commission: Correspondence 1972.

Folder 11: State Road Commission: Correspondence. ‘Stinson’ complaints, dated 1972.

Folder 12: State Road Commission: Correspondence 1973.

Folder 13: State Road Commission: Correspondence 1974.

Folder 14: State Road Commission: Correspondence 1975.

Folder 15: State Road Commission: Correspondence 1976.

Folder 16: State Road Commission: Correspondence. Undated.

Folder 17: State Road Commission: Memorandum 1970.


Folder 32: State Road Commission: Memorandum. Found together in folder and hence are not in chronological order. Have been kept in original order.
Folder 33: State Road Commission: Memorandum. Unidentified and/or Undated.

**Box 34: Professional Papers (ii)**

Folder 4: Equipment Inspection Reports. 1969-1972. Both this folder and ‘Folder 5’ appeared to have come out of a ring binder and therefore have been left in the order they were found in.
Folder 9: Equipment Inspection Reports. Incomplete and/or undated.
Folder 10: Complaint Inspection Reports. 1972.
Folder 17: Complaint Inspection Reports. 1975-1976.
Folder 18: Complaint Inspection Reports. Undated.


Folder 26: West Virginia Division of Highways. Addresses and telephone directories.

Folder 27: Industrial Survey of Huntington West Virginia by the Huntington Chamber of Commerce. August 1956. (Bound)


**b. Personal Papers and Unidentified Professional Papers**

**Box 35: Personal Papers and Unidentified Professional Papers**

Folder 1: Personal Correspondence. 1943-1984.


Folder 3: Personal Correspondence. Undated. Includes a letter from ‘Morris’ and one from a contractor about painting a house.

Folder 4: Personal Correspondence. Undated cards

Folder 6: Personal Correspondence. Mass mail form clubs and organizations. Advertisements etc.
Folder 7: Financial Papers. Bank statements, Receipts, Bills, Medicare Information.
Folder 8: Forbes Construction Company. Pay slips and Insurance card.
Folder 9: West Virginia Department of Highways. Time Reports.
Folder 10: Membership Cards, Certificates and Insurance cards.
Folder 11: Census Material from 1910.
Folder 12: Personal Papers: Car Insurance and information.
Folder 14: Personal Papers: West Virginia Public Employees Retirement System.
Folder 15: Personal Papers: Newspaper clippings. A recipe for ‘Buckwheat Cake.’
Folder 16: Small Box File. John H. Miller’s Time Books and a ‘J. H. Miller’ signature stamp. Includes a small pocket diary and a pocket notebook.

**Unidentified Professional Papers:**

Folder 17: Unidentified Notes. (i) Handwritten.
Folder 18: Unidentified Notes. (ii) Handwritten.
Folder 19: Unidentified Notes. Typed.
Folder 20: Unidentified Notepads.
Folder 21: Unidentified Maps and Blueprints.
Folder 22: Unidentified Photos.
Folder 23: Unidentified Published and Printed Papers. Mostly photocopies. Includes a brochure for ‘Tagalong Trailers.’

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**V. Jesse Stuart papers**

**Box 36: Correspondence**
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Doris C. Miller Papers

Folder 1: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1951-1956
Folder 2: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1957
Folder 3: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1958
Folder 4: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1959
Folder 5: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1960
Folder 6: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1961
Folder 7: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1962
Folder 8: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1963
Folder 9: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1964
Folder 10: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1965
Folder 11: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1966
Folder 12: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1967
Folder 13: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1968
Folder 14: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1969
Folder 15: DCM-JS Correspondence. 1970-1978
Folder 16: DCM-JS Correspondence. Undated.
Folder 17: Jesse Stuart Correspondence. Unidentified.
Folder 18: Jesse Stuart Headed Note Papers
Folder 19: Stuart Family Correspondence
Folder 20: Other Jesse Stuart Correspondence.

**Box 37: Published Papers and News Clippings about Jesse Stuart-UNPROCESSED**

Folder 1: ‘About’ Jesse Stuart Manuscripts (Handwritten)
Folder 2: ‘About’ Jesse Stuart Manuscripts (Typed) Including some Jane Stuart information.
Folder 3: ‘About’ Jesse Stuart Manuscripts (Handwritten and Typed but in need of preservation)
Folder 4: ‘About’ Jesse Stuart Manuscripts written by other people.
Folder 5: Jesse Stuart photos and negatives. Includes family ones etc.
Folder 6: Jesse Stuart Biographical Information.
Folder 7: Jesse Stuart Poetry Manuscripts
Folder 8: Jesse Stuart Published Material (i) Contains annotations to Doris.
Folder 9: Jesse Stuart Published Material (ii) Contains annotations to Doris.
Folder 10: Pamphlets and Information about Jesse Stuart
Folder 11: Paperwork and Information
Folder 12: Original Folder created by Doris C. Miller titled ‘Jesse Stuart’. Contains Correspondence, Poetry and Printed Material.
Folder 13: Jessica Jane (Stuart) Juergensmeyer. Contains Poetry (some published), Correspondence and a Resume.
Folder 14: Stuart Genealogical Notes
Folder 15: Newspaper Clippings (i)
Folder 16: Newspaper Clippings (ii)
Folder 17: Newspaper Clippings (iii)
Folder 18: Documents found with the Jesse Stuart papers
Folder 19: Unidentified Jesse Stuart related material.

VI. Unidentified Material

Box 38: Unidentified Envelopes
Folder 11: Undated Envelopes (i)
Folder 12: Undated Envelopes (ii)
Folder 16: Jesse Stuart Envelopes (iii): 1964.
Folder 17: Jesse Stuart Envelopes (iv): 1965.
Folder 20: Jesse Stuart Envelopes (vii): 1968.
Folder 24: Jesse Stuart Envelopes (xi): Unidentified and/or undated.

Box 39: Unidentified Notepads belonging to Doris C. Miller and John H. Miller
Box 40: Unidentified Handwritten Notes
Box 41: Unidentified Typed Notes
Box 42: Unidentified Manuscript, Prose and Poetry-UNPROCESSED

Box 43: Unidentified Material-UNPROCESSED