Descriptive Summary

Creator: Episcopal Society for Cultural and Racial Unity.
Title: Episcopal Society for Cultural and Racial Unity records, 1961-1966
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 723
Extent: .25 linear ft. (1 box)
Abstract: Collection of the records of the Episcopal Society for Cultural and Racial Unity, including correspondence, newsletters, and collected material.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

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**Collection Description**

**Biographical Note**
The Episcopal Society for Cultural and Racial Unity (ESCRU), a voluntary society, was founded in 1960 with headquarters in Atlanta. The stated purpose of this society was to establish total participation in the Church for all persons regardless of race, class, or national origin.

**Scope and Content Note**
The collection consist of records of the Episcopal Society for Cultural and Racial Unity from 1961-1966. The records include statements of purpose, newsletters, official correspondence, materials relating to the Lovett School segregation controversy, and collected materials.

The statements of purpose, 1961-1962, 1964 (folder 1), also contain listings of the Board of Directors. Newsletters, 1963-1964, 1966-1967 (folder 2), contain information on other chapters of this society around the country. Official correspondence, 1961-1964, 1966 (folder 3), is mainly from Rev. John B. Morris, Executive Director, addressed to member and non-member clergy and society members who are not clergy. A statement by Joseph A. Pelham, President of ESCRU, and correspondence from Rev. Albert R. Dreisbach, Jr., Associate Director, and Hugh Saussy, Jr., a member of the Board of Directors, is also included. Other correspondence includes a typescript, signed, letter from Rev. John B. Morris, 1 May 19, 1962, to Rev. John C. Stephens, and reply by Stephens to Morris, June 4, 1962, in the form of an unsigned, typescript carbon (folder 4).

Lovett School segregation controversy materials include official correspondence, newsletters, history of Lovett School's relationship with the Episcopal Church (1963, 1966), and a transcription of remarks by Dr. Martin Luther King at the Cathedral of St. Philip, June 4, 1966 (folder 5).

Collected material includes "In Memoriam [sic]: Jonathan Myrick Daniels", a Episcopal Theological School student, who was murdered at Hayneville, Alabama, August 20, 1965 (folder 6); program from the Second Annual Meeting of the society held in Chicago, June 21-24, 1962 (folder 7); reprints from religious and news publications, 1961, 1964 (folder 8); and a description of materials and order form available from ESCRU (folder 9).

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