

**MITCHELL, CAROLYN ELAINE.**  
**Jones, Lindsay, Nelson, and Lynch**  
**families papers, circa 1890-1975**

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** Mitchell, Carolyn Elaine.  
**Title:** Jones, Lindsay, Nelson, and Lynch families papers, circa 1890-1975  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 1176  
**Extent:** .5 linear foot (1 box) and 1 oversized papers box (OP)  
**Abstract:** Collection of genealogical material collected by Carolyn Elaine Mitchell relating to the Jones, Lindsay, Nelson, and Lynch families, including writings, genealogical charts, birth, military, and death records, photographs, and printed material.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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**Administrative Information**

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**Source**

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**Citation**

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**Processing**

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## **Collection Description**

### **Biographical Note**

Carolyn Elaine Mitchell is an African American genealogist from Detroit, Michigan. She is the descendant of a Cherokee woman from North Carolina (Jones family), born approximately 1820. Mitchell's relatives in the Lindsay, Nelson and Lynch families lived in Michigan, mostly around Detroit, and Alabama.

### **Scope and Content Note**

The collection contains material related to the Jones, Lindsay, Nelson, and Lynch families from circa 1890-1975. The material includes writings, genealogical charts, birth, military, and death records, photographs, and printed material. Writings include a handwritten speech by Alice Jones concerning women's rights. Genealogical charts and records were compiled by Carolyn Elaine Mitchell and document the family relationships between all the families in the collection. Photographs span the generations of families and date from circa 1890-1950. Some are copies. Printed material includes palm cards, postcards from African American resorts around Detroit, programs from a John Wesley Dobbs speech and an Emancipation Day celebration in Ontario, Canada, and an issue of the "Handy News," published by the Handy Music House.

### **Arrangement Note**

Arranged by record type.

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## Container List

### Family papers

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Birth and death records, 1930-1972
1	2	Canadian National Railway pass for R.J. Hine, 1938
1	3	Correspondence, 1939-1993
1	4	Essay, Alice Jones on "Woman's Lofty Sphere," circa 1890
OP1	1	Fisk University diploma, Marie Frank Jones, 1894
1	5	Genealogy charts
1	6	Military records, 1946-1947
1	7	Newspaper clippings
1	8	Obituaries
1	9	Voter registration card, Marie F. Johnson, 1962

### Photographs

1	10	Brotherhood of St. Andrew, St. Matthews Episcopal Church, Detroit, Michigan [copy], 1911
1	11	Cage, Clara Jones
1	12	Detroit African American business leaders
1	13	Detroit USO (African American members)
1	14	Dunbar Hospital nurses, Detroit, Michigan
1	15	Lynch, Sadie Evelyn
1	16	Johnson, Marie Frank Jones
1	17	Jones, Amos and Agnes
1	18	Jones, William
1	19	Lindsay, Alfred
1	20	Lindsay, Crawford Bernard
1	21	Lindsay, Crawford Bernard and Henry Lindsey
1	22	Lindsay, Henry L.
1	23	Lynch, Sadie and Alberta Payne
1	24	Lynch, Tennie Nelson
1	25	Mitchell, Mary Eleanor
1	26	Nelson, Eunice
1	27	Paradise Valley Nightclub, Detroit, Michigan
OP1	2	Photo album pages, 1944
1	28	Sojourner Truth Club, Birmingham, Alabama
1	29	Unidentified, portraits, circa 1890-1920 [1 of 2]
1	30	Unidentified, portraits, circa 1890-1920 [2 of 2]
1	31	Unidentified, snapshots, circa 1940-1950

**Printed material**

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| 1 | 32 | "Handy News," volume 12 (1956)   |
| 1 | 33 | "Images of Smithfield," <i>Journal of the Birmingham Historical Society</i> , volume 9, number 1 (December 1985) |
| 1 | 34 | Palm card, Oscar DePriest  |
| 1 | 35 | Paradise Valley Night Club, souvenir photo frame   |
| 1 | 36 | Postcards  |
| 1 | 37 | Postcards, Idlewild, Michigan  |
| 1 | 38 | Postcards, Surf Club, Essex County, Ontario  |
| 1 | 39 | Program, Address by John Wesley Dobbs, "The Negro in America," October 24, 1939 [includes text of speech]        |
| 1 | 40 | Program, Emancipation Day, Windsor, Canada, July 30-August 2, 1955   |
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