

THOMSON, WILLIAM DANNER, 1876-1952.

William Danner Thomson papers, 1886-1956

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Thomson, William Danner, 1876-1952.
Title: William Danner Thomson papers, 1886-1956
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 167
Extent: .5 linear feet (1 box), 1 oversized bound volume (OBV), and 1 oversized papers box (OP)
Abstract: Papers of Atlanta lawyer and civic leader William Danner Thomson, including clippings, speeches, articles, correspondence, minutes, bylaws, and scrapbook.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

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Source

Gift, 1951, with subsequent additions.

Citation

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Collection Description

Biographical Note

William Danner Thomson, lawyer and civic leader, son of William S. Thomson and Nena Danner, was born May 18, 1876 in Atlanta, Georgia, and died April 30, 1952 in Palm Beach, Florida. Thomson began his law career in his father's Atlanta, Georgia, firm, Candler and Thomson, and later became a partner in the firms Thomson and Hirsch (1906-1928; became Candler, Thomson, and Hirsch) and Tye, Thomson, and Tye (1928-1952). He was active in banking and served as president of Atlanta Title and Trust Company, and as board member of Citizens and Southern National Bank. Thomson was one of the founders of Emory University and was a member of the board of trustees (1915-1952) and dean of the law school (1916-1919, 1948-1949). He was also an organizer of Tate Educational Enterprises, which set up vocational, industrial, and academic training schools for boys and girls. He married Sallie Collier Jones (d. 1945) in 1909 and they had two children William S. Thomson (1910-) and Lucien Warner (1913-).

Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of papers of William Danner Thomson from 1886-1956. The papers include clippings, speeches, articles, correspondence, minutes, bylaws, and scrapbook. Most materials relate to Thomson's personal life and professional career, including his Emory University involvement. The scrapbook (1914-1936) includes letters, clippings, invitations, etc. and pertains to Emory University. Minutes, bylaws, and some correspondence are related to Tate Educational Enterprises. The collection also includes materials relating to his sons, William S. Thomson and Lucien Warner Thomson, as well as clippings and a photocopy of a manuscript titled "Crippled!" by his sister Mildred Thomson.

Arrangement Note

Arranged by record type.

Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Alumni Office miscellany
1	2	Clippings, William Danner Thomson
1	3	Clippings, Mildred Thomson
1	4	Correspondence, William Danner Thomson
1	5	Correspondence, Lucian Warner Thomson, 1960 and 1971
1	6	Miscellany, William Danner Thomson
1	7	Miscellany, Lucian Warner Thomson
1	15	Obituary, <i>Emory Alumnus</i> , June 1952
1	8	Photographs, William Danner Thomson
1	9	Photographs, William S. and Lucien W. Thomson
1	10	Photographs, Lucien W. Thomson
1	11	Photographs, William S. Thomson
OP1	1	Photographs, Oversized [William Danner Thomson, Sallie Collier Jones Thomson, 1915 reunion of Emory Class of 1895, Atlanta Boys High School graduating class [1892?], and unidentified]
OBV1		Scrapbook
1	12	Tate Educational Enterprises, charter and by-laws, photographs
1	13	Tate Educational Enterprises, correspondence, miscellaneous booklets
1	14	Writings, Mildred Thomson, "Crippled!"
