Descriptive Summary

Title: Ralph Edmond Wager collection, 1839-1974
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 60
Extent: 3 linear ft. (6 boxes), 2 oversized papers boxes and 1 oversized papers folder (OP), and 1 framed item (FR)
Abstract: Papers of professor Ralph Edmond Wager including correspondence, manuscripts of his writings, research materials; as well as collected Civil War materials.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on access
Unrestricted access.

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Source
Gift of Ralph Edmond Wager, 1970, with subsequent additions.

Citation
[after identification of item(s)], Ralph Edmond Wager collection, Manuscript, Archives and Rare Book Library, Emory University.

Appraisal Note
Acquired as part of the Rose Library's holdings in the history of the Civil War.

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Biographical Note
Ralph Edmond Wager (1881-1979) began his teaching career as a high school mathematics teacher in Michigan in 1902. He was on the faculty at Emory University (Atlanta, Georgia) for twenty-nine years and retired in 1945.

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of items from 1836-1974 collected by Ralph Edmond Wager. The collection contains several letters to and from Alexander H. Stephens (1834-1845) and some Civil War letters including a letter from Robert E. Lee to General James Longstreet (October 26, 1862) reporting the destruction resulting from skirmishes at Manassas (Virginia); documents including land grants, slave bills, bonds; and financial records (1839-1865).

The collection also includes Wager's own photographs of flowers, manuscripts of his writings, and materials pertaining to clergyman and socialist Bouck White, who lived in New York from 1924-1951. Among the White materials are Wager's correspondence (1962-1967) concerning a biography of White, articles by and about White, photographs, and Wager's typescript of White's biography which was never published.
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