YANCEY, ASA G., 1916-
Asa G. Yancey papers, circa 1940-2013

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Yancey, Asa G., 1916-
Title: Asa G. Yancey papers, circa 1940-2013
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 1279
Extent: 6.5 linear feet (7 boxes) and 3 oversized papers boxes and 1 oversized papers folder (OP)
Abstract: Papers of African American doctor and Emory University faculty member Asa G. Yancey, including artifacts, audiovisual material, printed material, slides, and subject files.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

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Dr. Asa G. Yancey, Sr., M.D. papers, Auburn Avenue Research Library on African American Culture and History, Atlanta, Georgia

Source

Custodial History
Carolyn L. Yancey is the daughter of Asa G. Yancey.

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Collection Description

Biographical Note
Asa G. Yancey (1916-2013), African American doctor and professor emeritus of Emory University's School of Medicine, was born in Atlanta, Georgia, to Daisy L. (Sherard) Yancey and Arthur H. Yancey. He attended Booker T. Washington High School and Morehouse College, and earned his M.D. from the University of Michigan Medical School. After serving as first lieutenant in the United States Army Medical Corp and as an instructor of surgery at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee, Yancey returned to Atlanta in 1958. He was the first African American doctor to join the staff of the Hughes Spalding Pavilion of Grady Memorial Hospital, where he established the first accredited general surgery training program for black doctors. Yancey was also the first African American faculty member of Emory's School of Medicine, and became associate dean in 1972. Also in 1972, Yancey was appointed medical director of Grady Memorial Hospital.

Yancey married Carolyn E. Dunbar in circa 1945 and the couple had four children: Dr. Arthur H. Yancey, II; Caren L. (Yancey) Covington; Dr. Carolyn L. Yancey; and Dr. Asa G. Yancey, Jr.

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of the papers of Asa G. Yancey from circa 1940-2013 documenting Yancey's career as a physician and professor in Atlanta, Georgia. The collection includes artifacts, audiovisual material, correspondence, printed material, slides, and subject files. Subject files include correspondence, photographs, writings, and printed material collected by Yancey.

Arrangement Note
Organized into five series: (1) Alphabetical files, (2) Professional activities, (3) Personal material, (4) Photographs, (5) Printed and audiovisual material.
Container List

Series 1: Alphabetical files
Series 2: Professional activities
Series 3: Personal material
Series 4: Photographs
Series 5: Printed and audiovisual material
**Series 1**  
**Alphabetical files**  
**Boxes 1-2**

This series includes an alphabetical run of files that includes correspondence, as well as subject files and related material that is all filed together, retaining Yancey's filing system.

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Professional activities
Boxes 2-4

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This file includes both files related to Yancey’s work as a physician and administrator at the hospital and his directorship of the Hughes Spalding Pavilion, and research files related to a history of Grady Hospital that he assembled |
| 3   | 24     | Writings and Articles |
| 3   | 25     | Southern Surgical Association |
| 4   | 1-2    | Morehouse School of Medicine School Relations Committee, 1990-1991 |
| 4   | 3      | Research Files—List of Residents in Surgical Training |
| 4   | 4      | Retirement--Cards and Letters, 1988-1990 |
| 4   | 5      | Retirement--Clippings and Publications |
| 4   | 5      | Retirement--Guest Book |
| 4   | 6-7    | Important Documents  
These items were segregated by Yancey and his family as being of particular importance. They include employment offers, published articles, and other professional outputs deemed to be representative of Yancey’s work |
| 4   | 8      | Appearances |
| 4   | 9      | Clippings |
| 4   | 10-12  | Awards and Letters of Congratulations |
| 7   | 1      | Medical school pharmacology course binder |
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**Personal material**  
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