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Abstract

The Edgar A. Long Papers contain the writings and administrative records of Christiansburg Institute Principal Edgar A. Long. The papers explore Long's thoughts on religion, education, and race.

Biographical / Historical Note

Edgar A. Long was born in Tuskegee, Alabama, October 8, 1871 to Orange and Lila Hoard Long, both parents formerly enslaved. In 1891, at the age of 20, he entered Tuskegee Institute and graduated in 1895.

Long worked for a newspaper in Birmingham, the Sentinel, as an editor after graduating from Tuskegee. In 1897, he arrived in Christiansburg, Virginia, at the Christiansburg Industrial Institute where he dedicated the next 27 years of his life to the Institute and Southwest Virginia community.

In 1908, Long convened an 'Institute for Colored Teachers of Montgomery County' which ultimately became the 'Southwest Virginia Colored Teachers' Association' where Long served as its first president. Long pioneered the establishment of the 'Christiansburg

Colored Hospital' a remarkable building and state-of-the-art hospital facility located on CI's campus.

Edgar Allen Long is laid to rest on the historic Christiansburg Institute campus in the 'CI Principals Cemetery' next to his wife, Anna Long, herself a lifelong educator at CI that served as interim principal after Edgar's death in 1924.

Collection Description

The Edgar A. Long Papers contain the writings and administrative records of Christiansburg Institute Principal Edgar A. Long. The papers explore Long's thoughts on religion, education, and race. They also contain administrative records from Christiansburg Industrial Institute from 1906-1915.

Arrangement Description

This collection was arranged by subject and then chronology by Audrey Long Whitlock, Edgar A. Long's daughter. This order remains unchanged.

Related Materials

John F. Banks Papers, Accession #1985-34 , Special Collections and Archives, Johnston Memorial Library, Virginia State University, Petersburg, VA.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Amanda DeHart, CIAA Historian.

Subject Headings

- Christiansburg Industrial Institute--History.
 - African Americans--Education--Virginia--Christiansburg--History.
 - African Americans--Virginia--Montgomery County--History.
 - African Americans--Virginia--Montgomery County--Biography.
 - Montgomery County (Va.)--Biography.
 - African Americans--Virginia--Pulaski County--History
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Collection Inventory

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Folder 3: Committee Report, Negro Teachers Association, 1916

Folder 4: Leola Buford, speech , 1978

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Folder 6: Series 2: Correspondences, 1904-1917

Series 3: Bible Lectures, 1915-1921

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Time

Wearing the Uniform

Getting into the Spirit of the School

The Importance of Little Things
Doing your Best
Why Should We be Thankful
Taking Advantage of our Disadvantages
Winning Victories
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Carelessness
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How the World Lives
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CII, The Songs of Zion
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The Creation

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Team Work
The Survival of the Fittest
Little Things
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Talk
CII Headquarters of Cadets

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Date to be a Daniel

Put it Over

Lecture before the Literary Society

The girl whom the boys Like

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Acceptable Sacrifices and Reasonable Service

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Fitted for The Kingdom

Following Christ

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The House That Will Stand

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Friends' Freedmen's Association of Philadelphia to Deed

CII Reflections

Notes for Annual Board Meeting

The Program as I see it should Include Major Items

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Theory and Practice

Purpose of the Reading Course and Books for the Present Year

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Lecture 3 A Trinity of Principles

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Parent Education and Parents' Responsibility for Failures in School

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School Improvements Donators and Teachers' Conception
Consolidation of Teachers' Association with Negro Organization
Report of Committee 1
Suggestive Questions on the Point of View
School Management
How the instincts may be made allies in helping to control a school
Object of the Recitation
Some Phases in Education
Historical Pageant
The Progress on Negro in Song
Hear O Church
The Fire Still Burns
The Girl Whom the Boys Like
The Enlisted Soldier

Folder 14: Series 7: Common Sense and Teaching Power

Common Sense Teaching Power
Minutes of the Meeting
Program of Graduating Exercises
Senior Class Roll
The CII News
Abraham M. Walker
H. Leslie Giles
John F. Banks
Historical Summary of Christiansburg Institute
The 1966 Golden Tiger Yearbook is Dedicated to One Hundred Years of Service

Only Three Left
Auctioneer Urge the Crowd to Bid as Christiansburg is Sold
Christiansburg Institute Alumni to Present an Edgar A. Long Scholarship
Organizational Endeavors of Christiansburg Institute Alumni Association

A Goodly Heritage

The CII Reunion and Historic Landmark

A Tribute to CII

Alma Mater Song

References

Bound Copy of 'A Vision of Education: Selected Writings of Edgar A. Long', 2003