

**Finding Aid for the
James George Clark papers
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Title: James George Clark papers

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Abstract: Family papers from the James George Clark and associated families of Clark County, Arkansas, including vital records, ephemera, financial papers, educational records, and photographs.

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Scope and Contents and Arrangement

Family papers including vital records (marriage license, death certificate), ephemera, records from organizations in which family members were involved, financial papers relating to Social Security benefits, graduation invitations, programs and diplomas from Gurdon High School and the University of Arkansas, and 128 photographs, some of which are identified.

Biographical Summary

James George “Jim” Clark (1926-2006) was born in Beirne, Clark County, Arkansas, to George Washington Clark and Zelma Williams Paquin. He graduated from Gurdon High School in 1943 and the University of Arkansas in 1948 with a BSEE degree. He was a registered professional engineer. Following his college graduation, he was employed by Arkansas Power & Light Company, later Entergy, where he worked until his retirement. He was a division manager for AP&L. He was married to Edith Diana Outlaw Clark (1924-2007) in 1949. The couple had no children.

Subject Terms

Arkansas Power & Light Company
Education
Freemasons
Gurdon (AR.)
Photographs

Social Security
University of Arkansas
Women—Societies and clubs

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Box/Folder Contents Inventory

Box 3460

Folder 001	Correspondence and invitations, 1925, 1970 and 1971.
Folder 002	Masonic certificate, 1920.
Folder 003	[Women's Society of Christian Service] membership lists, 1972-1973.
Folder 004	Marriage licenses: 1. John R. Addis and Gertrude Whaley, 1921 2. W. T. Ewing and Gertrude Whaley, 1926
Folder 005	Financial records, 1944 and 1949.
Folder 006	Gertrude Clark death certificate, 1972.
Folder 007	Gurdon High School commencement invitation, memory book and diploma for James George Clark, 1943.
Folder 008	University of Arkansas commencement program and diploma for James George Clark, 1948.
Folder 009	Photographs 1-6: unidentified people at a beach, not dated.
Folder 010	Photographs 7-8: Unidentified woman, circa 1940s Unidentified woman with unidentified man, circa 1940s
Folder 011	Photographs 9-11: Unidentified man in military uniform standing next to house, 1957 Unidentified woman standing next to house, 1957 Unidentified woman standing next to house, 1957
Folder 012	Photographs 12-14: Woman identified only as Margaret with children identified as Donna, Julia, Johnny, Glenn and Jeff, 1959 (2 copies) Unidentified woman seated next to aluminum Christmas tree with dog at her feet, circa 1960s
Folder 013	Photographs 15-21: Unidentified elderly man and woman, circa 1930s Unidentified elderly man and woman with younger man and woman, circa 1930s Casket with flowers, circa 1920s (2)

Unidentified grave with flowers, people standing in background, circa 1920s
Unidentified grave, man standing nearby, circa 1920s
Envelope from The Shipley Studio, Hope, Arkansas, to Miss Sue Wheller, Emmett, AR, 11 June, n.y.

- Folder 014 Photographs 22-23:
 Unidentified young boys, one with bicycle, not dated
 Unidentified young boy on horse, not dated
- Folder 015 Photographs 24-35: print album dated “1954” with photographs of unidentified man and boy outside house, car, family dog.
- Folder 016 Photographs 36-46:
 Bridal portrait of Mrs. James Melvin Simmons, circa 1960s
 Unidentified woman, studio portrait, circa 1960s
 Woman identified only as “Ruth,” studio portrait, circa 1950s
 Unidentified woman, studio portrait, circa 1920s
 Unidentified woman in cap and gown, circa 1950s
 Unidentified woman, possibly a graduation photograph, circa 1960s
 Unidentified woman, possibly yearbook photograph, October 1963
 Unidentified woman, possibly yearbook photograph, November 1963
 Unidentified woman, possibly yearbook photograph, not dated
 Unidentified young man [James George Clark], studio photograph, circa 1940s (2 copies)
- Folder 017 Photographs 47-60:
 Unidentified children, photo postcard, circa 1900s
 Unidentified infant, circa 1920s
 Unidentified children, circa 1900s
 Susan Margaret Gentry, 3 months, not dated
 Unidentified young man [James George Clark], studio portrait and yearbook photographs, circa 1940s (4)
 Jack and Blanche Whaley, 1966
 Two children identified only as Lynda and Tommy, circa 1950s
 Two children identified as Lynda and Tommy, November 1966
 Child identified as “Susan [Gentry],” 23 months
 Unidentified family portrait (man, woman, Susan), December 1949

- Folder 018 Photographs 61-77:
Unidentified man with child, circa 1930s
Unidentified woman with child, circa 1930s
Child identified only as “Betty Ruth, 1” with birthdate cake, circa 1930s (3)
Unidentified elderly man with elderly woman, circa 1930s
Two unidentified women with older man, 18 October 1931 (2)
Unidentified group of men, 18 October 1931 (2)
Unidentified group of men and women, [18 October 1931] (4)
Unidentified man and woman, circa 1930s
Unidentified woman with elderly man and woman, circa 1930s
- Folder 019 Photographs 78-92:
Unidentified infant, circa 1900s
Unidentified children (3 white; 1 African American), circa 1900s
Unidentified women on porch, circa 1920s
Unidentified woman seated on chair in yard with toddler, circa 1920s
Unidentified woman holding handlebars of bicycle bearing little boy, circa 1940s
Two children identified only as “Ed and Walter,” circa 1900s
Wedding photograph of unidentified man and woman, circa 1920s
Unidentified elderly couple standing and seated, circa 1920s (2)
Unidentified woman seated in automobile, circa early 1930s
Group of men identified only as “The Bills,” circa 1930s
Two children: Susan Gentry and Thomas Hunt, July 1949
- Folder 020 Photographs 93-101:
Unidentified brick house, circa 1940s (2)
Unidentified toddler, circa 1950s
Unidentified man, woman and toddler, circa 1950s
Unidentified toddler, circa 1950s (4)
Unidentified elderly man with toddler, circa 1950s
Unidentified man and woman with infant and child, March 1951
- Folder 021 Photographs 102-104:
Two unidentified children identified as “Michael and David,” circa 1950s
Unidentified woman, circa 1940s
Unidentified group of men and women, circa 1940s

- Folder 022 Photographs 105-124:
Unidentified group of men and women with infant, 1935 (2)
Unidentified woman with flowers, 1935 (4)
Unidentified woman with flowers and two men, 1935
Unidentified man and woman with infant, 1935 (2)
Unidentified young boy and girl, February 1920
Toddler identified as "Robert Matthew Roach" in wash pan, not dated
Unidentified elderly woman holding infant, 1935 (2)
Unidentified woman holding baby, November 1947 (2)
Unidentified man holding baby, November 1947
Unidentified group of women with baby in Tulsa, OK, November 1947
Unidentified woman getting ready to play tennis, circa 1920s
Unidentified groups at Niagara Falls, circa 1920
- Folder 023 Photographs 125-128:
Unidentified man, studio portrait, not dated
Unidentified woman, studio portrait, not dated
Infant identified as "Betty Ruth, 6 weeks," not dated
Unidentified man, studio portrait, not dated