

**Finding Aid for the
Jane Ross collection
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Repository: Archives and Special Collections, Ouachita Baptist University

Title: Jane Ross collection

Dates: circa 1818-1983

Quantity: 1.61 c.f.; 3 legal size boxes + 1 1/2 size legal

Abstract: Research materials compiled by Jane Ross on early Clark County, Arkansas, history, buildings and families.

Identification: CCHA.1983.001

Languages: English

Acquisition Information: Donated by Jane Ross, 1983.

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Biographical Summary

Jane Ross (1920-1999) was born in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, to Hugh Thomas and Esther Clark Ross. She graduated from Henderson State Teachers' College in May 1942 and worked for six months as a Navy photographer in 1943. She studied color photography at the Rochester Institute of Technology (NY), from which she received a degree in 1947. Ross enlisted in the Women's Army Corps of the Air Force and worked as a photographic technician until her discharge as a corporal in 1946. She then returned to Arkadelphia and started a photography studio.

Following the death of her father in 1955, Ross took over the operation of the family's large timber enterprise founded by her grandfather, J. G. Clark. In 1966, Ross and her mother established the Ross Foundation, a philanthropic organization that continues to operate today. Ross became executive director of the foundation when her mother died in 1967. Ross remained chairman of the foundation board until 1999.

Scope and Contents and Arrangement

Materials are primarily research files on Clark County families and buildings, photographs and drawings. The files are a mixture of original materials and photocopies or photographic copies. Family's included in the research files are: Bozeman, Clark, McDaniel, Foster, Lowdermilk, Peebles, Ross, Rowland, Sloan, Stark, and Thomas.

Keywords

American Revolution Bicentennial, 1976
Arkadelphia (AR.)
Bozeman, Michael (1808-1883)
Bozeman family
Cemeteries
Clark James Garrison (1859-1937)
Clark County (AR.)
Clark family
Foster, Annie Stark McDaniel (1867-1956)
Historic buildings
Loudermilk family
McDaniel, John Roger (1840-1918)
McDaniel family
Methodism
Newspapers
Peebles family
Ross, Jane (1920-1999)
Ross family
Rowland family
Sloan family
Stark, Catherine Burney (1846-1913)
Stark family
Thomas family

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Box Contents

Box 1378

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Research Files

Arkadelphia, General history

1378/002

Bozeman, Michael

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Bozeman family

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Bozeman House

Box 1379

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Research Files

Cemeteries, Clark County

1379/002

Clark home, James Garrison

1379/003-005

Clark family

1379/006

Clark County Committee, U.S. Bicentennial Celebration, 1976

1379/007-009

Foster, Annie Stark McDaniel

1379/010

Loudermilk family

1379/011-012

Magnolia Manor

Box 1380

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Research Files

McDaniel, J. R. – Civil War Reminiscences

1380/002-005

McDaniel family

1380/006

Methodist Church, Arkadelphia

1380/007

Newspapers, Early Arkadelphia

1380/008

Peebles family

1380/009

Ross, Jane

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Ross family

Box 1381

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Research Files, Photographs, Drawings

Rowland family

1381/002

Sloan family

1381/003	Stark, Catherine Burney
1381/004	Stark family
1381/005	Thomas family
1381/006	Photograph—James Garrison Clark House, Arkadelphia
1381/007	Photograph—Annie McDaniel Foster, 1897
1381/008	Photograph [copy] and copy negative -- J. R. McDaniel
1381/009	Photograph [copy] – Mae McElhannon
1381/010	Photograph [copy] – Rowland and McDaniel Drug Store, 1875
1381/011	Photograph – Unidentified home
1381/012	Drawing – James Garrison Clark home, Arkadelphia
1381/013	Drawing – Thomas Jefferson Clark homeplace
1381/014	Drawing – Clark County Library, Arkadelphia
1381/015	Drawing – Magnolia Manor, Arkadelphia
1381/016	Drawing—W. P. Ross home, Okolona