

## DeKalb History Center

### Hastings Family Collection

**Scope and Content:** The Hastings Family collection includes various papers belonging to Donald Hastings Sr., pertaining to property at 308 Clairmont Avenue, receipts, deeds, YMCA membership card (D. M. Hastings) Furniture inventory, 2 report cards (Donald Hastings Sr.) and Air Raid Warden Handbook from WWII, belonging to H. Stanley Hastings. The documents cover about 1903-1944.

**Provenance:** Gift of Mrs. Thomas Hal Clarke, (Mary Louise Hastings Clark). Accession # 1993.1.

**Access:** Single photocopies may be made for research purposes. Permission to publish materials from this collection must be requested from the archivist, DeKalb History Center. Citation should be as follows:

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**Size:** 3 folders

**Biographical Sketch of H. Stanley Hastings:** H. Stanley Hastings was born in Atlanta and grew up in Decatur, where he attended Donald Frazier School. He got a degree in Agriculture from the University of Georgia and served as the president of the Georgia Horticultural Society, Georgia Rose Society, Atlanta, Farmers Club and the Southern Seedmen's Association. Hastings succeeded his father, H.G. Hastings as president of H.G. Hastings Co. in 1942 and was board chairman when the business was sold in 1977. There are documents from his time as the county Civil defense director in this collection. He was president of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce in 1955, and as a Clayton County resident, served as chairman of the Clayton County Hospital Authority in 1962. He was a member of the Decatur Presbyterian Church and is buried in Decatur Cemetery. His wife Gladys McDaniel Hastings was the Decatur Woman's Club Woman of the Year in 1973, of which she was a founding member. She was born in North Augusta, South Carolina and attended Agnes Scott College. She worked two days a week at Betty Longley Florist on Ponce de Leon Avenue for 39 years.

**Description:** The Hastings Family purchased the Everhart Estate. This tract of land was between Clairmont Avenue and Ponce de Leon. Their collection contains many of the receipts of the transaction and deeds. There are also school report cards, a YMCA membership card from Athens, Georgia and materials on being an air raid warden during World War II. Please see our I Remember Hour program with Mr. and Mrs. Hastings, recorded in 1984.

**Subject Headings:** Where possible, Library of Congress Subject Headings have been used.

Main Entry: Hastings, H. Stanley (1898-1986)

Subject/Added Entries: Hastings, Pearl M.  
 Hastings, Gladys McDaniel (1899-)  
 Hastings, Donald M.  
 Decatur (Ga.)  
 DeKalb County (Ga.)  
 World War, 1939-1945

**Folder List**

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Contents</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>
1	1	Miscellaneous papers Deed, legal papers, correspondence, school Records	1903-1944
	2	Air raid warden materials	1941
	3	various receipts	1903-1908