DeKalb History Center

Rawlins Family Collection

Scope and content: The H.A. Rawlins Sr. family built a house at 344 Winnona Drive in Decatur and this collection has architectural plans, building materials receipts, newspaper clippings and a book on Grundy County, Tennessee with family members included.

Provenance: Donated by Donald Rawlins. ACC# 2005.15.

Access: Single photocopies may be made for research purposes. Reproductions of photographs and permission to publish materials from this collection must be requested from the Archivist, DeKalb History Center. Citations should be made as follows:

Description of specific item; the Rawlins Family Collection, DeKalb History Center Archives.

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Size: One half document box, and an oversized folder of house plans.

Biographical notes on H.A. Rawlins:
WPA Architect superintendent for Roosevelt State Park located in Pine Mountain, Georgia.
Draftsman for Pringle and Smith
General Superintendent for Mion Construction Company (built Georgia Tech Basketball stadium) and Massell Company.

344 Winnona Park Drive – H.A. Rawlins
3525 Oregon Trail – Donald A. Rawlins

Description: The Rawlins Family Collection contains materials primarily to do with the building of the home at 344 Winnona Drive in Decatur. There is a handwritten building contract, newspapers and clippings, handwritten payroll records, receipts for building materials and teaching certificates for Donald Asbury Rawlins and Phyllis Burns Rawlins.

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

Main entries: Rawlins, Herbert A.
Rawlins, Donald Asbury
Rawlins, Phyllis Burns
Box   Folder Contents                                      Dates
1     Building contracts August 3 and August 7            1922
2     Newspapers – clipping on Phyllis Rawlins,          n.d.
      Nashville Tennessean – on Peabody College          August 1964
      Hearst’s Sunday American – Atlanta city charter    June 1920
3     Payroll – signed by builder George Gardner        1922
4     Photographs – Decatur Baptist, Herbert A. Rawlins  1920s
      And unidentified building                        
5     Programs, 2 Decatur Presbyterian                   Dec 28, 1969
      1 George Peabody College for Teachers              Aug 18, 1961
      3 George Peabody College for Teachers              Aug 15, 1964
6     Receipts – building materials                      1922
7     Report Card – Phyllis B. Rawlins                   1964
      Business card – Donald A. Rawlins Fulton Cty      
      School System                                      
8     Teacher Certificates – Donald A. Rawlins and       1960-1964
      Phyllis B. Rawlins                                 

Book: Pliny’s Panegyrick, modern copy of book published in 1686

(3) Architectural drawings of proposed WWI monument to be built in front of the
DeKalb County Courthouse building
(5) Architectural drawings for bid to design the east and west wing additions of the
DeKalb County Courthouse
(12) Architectural drawings and floor plans of the Rawlins’ house in Winnona Park,
Stored in map cabinet, plans drawer

Molds for casting toy soldiers

See Also:
FITS.35 - Letter from H.A. Rawlins of the Works Progress Administration to Nelson