Guide to the Katharine Crampton Cochrane Papers

Descriptive Summary:

Creator: Mrs. John T. Cochrane (nee Katharine Crampton)

Title: Katharine Crampton Cochrane Papers

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Biographical Note:

Katharine Crampton Cochrane (d. 1992), a lifelong resident of Mobile, was a community leader and arts patron. She was the seco

these terms he organized a movement to build a ten-mile bridge across the headwaters of Mobile Bay. At the time of his death he was president of the Alabama, Tennessee & Northern Railroad Corporation. Born in Tuscaloosa, he attended the University of Alabama for two

Orson Lucius Crampton, a physician and graduate of Bellevue, 1865, resided in Mobile. He was the father of Guy Chester Crampton and Katharine Crampton Cochrane.

Scope and Contents:

The Cochrane Collection contains material ranging from the pre-American Civil War period through the first half of the twentieth century. The material came from the estate of Mrs. John T. Cochrane, nee Katharine Crampton, and contains a considerable amount of material on Mrs. Crampton's family including Dr. Guy Chester Crampton, Katharine's step-brother. Personal letters between the two fill several files, and date from the early 1900s through Dr. Crampton's death in 1951. There is also correspondence between Katharine and Guy and other family members, especially their parents. The files are very family oriented, with detailed family histories of the Crampton line. There is also correspondence between Katharine and John T. Cochrane Sr., before and after marriage. Information concerning earlier eras may be found in the family files. The collection is housed in 11 boxes.

Boxes 1 through 5 contain items of a personal nature. These include scrapbooks, awards and educational diplomas, and small personal items such as address books. There is also a selection of family Bibles.

Box 6 contains items related to John T. Cochrane. These include letters between the Cochrane family, information on the Cochrane Bridge, and political items. The political items include a pass to the impeachment of President Andrew Johnson in 1868 and note cards with wax seals from the White House in 1897. There is also a file on Clarence Matthews, the Cochrane's chauffeur, who organized the first African-American Boy Scout troop. Another interesting file relates to Federal Land Grants, issued by authority of some early presidents. Pencil drawings, of what might be the Cochrane family home in Mobile, including floor plans, are also in this box. Information gathered from outside sources are within each file relating to that topic.

Box 7 contains newsclippings on both the Cochranes and Cramptons, including announcements relating to deaths and marriages, as well as society news. The files also include drawings of floor plans, possibly of the Cochrane home in Mobile. Photographs of the

Content List:

Box 1

- 1. Scrapbook of newspaper clippings 1925-38
- 2. Cochrane coat of arms (Framed) 1938

Box 2

- 1. "Letters in Honor of Guy Chester Crampton" Mass. State College, 1911-47
- 2. Scrapbook of newspaper clippings, 1864(?) (?)
- 3. Travel diary of Katharine Cochrane
- 4. Address book of (?)
- 5. Deeds and agreements
- 6. Articles of Agreement, 1871-75
- 7. Imperial Life Insurance Company, Advertising Specialty (First Aid Booklet)
- 8. Prescription pad of O. L. Crampton
- 9. Spiritual book of (?)
- 10. Framed newspaper clipping of John Cochrane's death
- 11. Passport of Katharine Simpson Cochrane, 1927

Box 3

Small Personal Items:

- 1. Small pocket knife engraved with "John T. Cochrane"
- 2. Metal engraved stationary plates for Mrs. O. L. Crampton
- 3. Board Day Book of (?) Italy
- 4. Address book of (?)
- 5. Locket of hair belonging to Cleffie De LaTourette

Box 4

Certificates and Diplomas:

- 1. Orson L. Crampton
- 1a. (Gold Stamped Round Tube) Bellevue Hospital Med. College 1865, <u>Reipublirae Novi Eborari Medicinae Doctoris gradum</u>
- 1b. (Framed) Certificate of Private Instruction in Ausculation and Percussion by Austin Flint, M.D., February 15, 1865
- 2. Guy Chester Crampton (Black/Blue Round Tube)
- 2a. Academiae Ludovico-Maximilianeae
- 2b. Konigl. Bayer. Ludwig-Maximilians-Universaitat, April 29, 1907
- 2c. Praeses et Curatores Universitatis Princetoniensis
- 2d. Cornell University at Ithaca Master of Arts, June 22, 1905
- 2e. Cornell University (Transcript), August 27, 1906
- 2f. <u>Universitas Harvardianae</u> "Scientiae Magistri in Zoologia"
- 2g. <u>Universitatis Litterariae Fridericae Guilelmae</u> (3 copies)

- 3. Guy Chester Crampton (Loose)3a. <u>Universitatis Fridericae Guilelmae Berolinensis</u> (2)

- 3. Cochrane and Crampton
- 4. Cochrane, John T.
- 5. Cochrane Family
- 6. Crampton Family
- 7. Crampton, Guy Chester
- 8. Crampton, Guy Chester (Cont)
- 9. Crampton, Katharine
- 10. McDuffie
- 11. Miscellaneous
- 12. Miscellaneous
- 13. Political
- 14. Simpson Family

Box 8

Crampton:

- 1. Campbell Correspondence
- 2. Clara Schumann Club, 1894-1909
- 3. Crampton/Campbell/Thompson Family Records
- 4. Crampton Fernald Club, 1948
- 5. Crampton Fernald Club, 1950-1952
- 6. Crampton, Guy Chester Correspondence From, 1903-1948
- 7. Crampton, Guy Chester Correspondence To, 1899-1951 and n.d.
- 8. Crampton, Guy Chester Correspondence with Katharine, 1899-1951
- 9. Crampton, Guy Chester Correspondence with Katharine, c.1950
- 10. Crampton, Guy Chester Legal and Professional, 1881-1952

Box 11

Photograph Albums: