

Wing family papers
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Biographical or Historical Note

Jehu Lowry Wing (1823-1877) bought land south of the Chattahoochee River by 1845. He operated a ferry and, later in the 1850s, built the first covered bridge over the Chattahoochee River. Jehu and his wife, Mary Rebecca Johnson (1829-1882), had nine children. The Wings had many business ventures in Roswell, Georgia. They also occupied several notable Roswell homes, such as Bulloch Hall, Holly Hill, and Great Oaks.

Laura Roberts Wing (1895-1990) was the wife of Henry C. Wing, Sr. She collected materials pertaining to the history of Roswell following the Roswell centennial celebration of Theodore Roosevelt's birth in 1958. These include the papers of Charles W. Reid. Charles W. Reid (1882-1986) was an orator local to Roswell, GA. He is particularly known for giving an opening address for President Theodore Roosevelt when he visited Roswell in 1905. In 1961, Laura, along with Ruby Garrison Ezzard, established the History Room at the Roswell Presbyterian Church to house materials

about early Roswell history. She collected letters from the families of three of Jehu Lowry Wing's children; George Washington Wing (1854-1918), Jehu Bartow Wing (1861-1917), and Annie Caroline Wing Wood (1864-1954).

Scope and Content

The Wing family papers includes a guest book for a reception for Laura Roberts Wing at Bulloch Hall, printed materials, and randomly collected correspondence relating to Roswell, Georgia. It also contains several speeches and debates from Charles W. Reid. The letters and business papers of Jehu Bartow Wing and wife Hattie Virginia Suddath Wing (1875-1971) feature prominently in the collection, as well as the letters of their daughter, Virginia Cecile Wing Power (b. 1906). The collection also includes the letters of Annie Caroline Wing Wood (1864-1954) and her son Eugene Harrison Wood, Jr. (1885-1973).

Organization Note

This collection is organized into four series:

- (1) Laura Roberts Wing papers,
- (2) Charles W. Reid papers,
- (3) Wing family business papers,
- (4) Wing family correspondence.

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