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LOIS MARIETTA WILLIAMS PAPERS

Provenance: The Lois Williams Papers were a gift of Lois Williams, Reed College Class of 1916.

Ownership: Reed College owns the Lois Williams Papers.

Access: Please contact the Special Collections Librarian at Reed College for access to the Papers

Size: The Papers consist of two manuscript boxes, or 1 linear foot.

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Biography

Lois Marietta Williams was born Dec. 13, 1893 in New York. She attended High School in Rochester, NY, graduating in 1912. She graduated from Reed College in 1916, with a major in Ancient Greek, and earned an M.A. in Sociology from Northwestern University in 1940, going on to a career in Sociology and Physical Education. She died in Portland Oregon, June 11, 1980.

Scope and Contents

The Lois Williams Papers consist of her High School Yearbook (1912), personal diaries from 1921 to 1980 (volumes 1 through 12), a collection of photographs and news clippings from her Brazilian YWCA work in the 1930s and 1940s, correspondence (in Portuguese and English), and publications in both English and Portuguese, along with her passport and Brazilian identity cards, and instructions not to be opened “Until the Year 2000”.
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BOX 1

12 individually bound diaries:

Volume 1, 1921-1925  
Volume 2, 1926-1930  
Volume 3, 1931-1935  
Volume 4, 1936-1940  
Volume 5, 1941-1945  
Volume 6, 1946-1950  
Volume 7, 1951-1955  
Volume 8, 1956-1960  
Volume 9, 1961-1965  
Volume 10, 1966-1974  
Volume 11, 1975-1979  
Volume 12, 1980

BOX 2

2:1 U.S. Passport, issue date, February 19, 1976; two identity cards: “Prefeitura Do Distritos Federal, Carteira De Identidade Funccional”, n.d. (circa 1930-1934); news releases, curriculum Vitae; some general correspondence, and obituary

2:2 Photographs: Brazil (1930s), YWCA classes, later life

2:3 Correspondence: Brazil, YWCA (Portuguese and English Language)

2:4 Publications (English and Portuguese): “Organization and Administration of the Department of Physical Education and Recreation”; (1931, to Brazilian Education Association: Associacao Brasileira De Educacao); “Brazilian Experiment of 1941”, etc.

2:5 News Clippings (Portuguese and English Language), 1930s

2:6 High School Yearbook (1912): “Senior Class Book”, January 1912; Published by Class of January, 1912, East High School, Rochester, N.Y., January 10, 1912. (Class Poet, Lois M. Williams)