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Title: Evelyn McDaniel Kennedy Clippings File

Date: ca. 1930-1975

Extent: 1 box

Scope and Content: Contains newspaper clippings, invitations, photographs, and ephemera

Name of Creator: Kennedy, Evelyn McDaniel -d.December 2, 1992

Administrative/Biographical History: Transferred by the Augusta Museum of History

Evelyn McDaniel Kennedy (d. December 2, 1992), a well-connected resident of Augusta, was nominated by Mayor W.B. Bell as the sponsor of the U.S.S. Augusta. As the sponsor, Miss McDaniel christened the ship with a bottle of Savannah River water rather than the traditional champagne as this ceremony took place during Prohibition. Later she wed F. Frederick Kennedy on October 5, 1932. Kennedy retired as Augusta Superior Court Judge in 1972.

The U.S.S. Augusta was launched at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company of Newport News Virginia on February 1, 1930. Originally designated as a light cruiser, the ship was fitted out to be a flag ship. After serving in many notable campaigns the U.S.S. Augusta carried President Harry S. Truman to the Potsdam Conference in Germany to negotiate terms for the end of World War II. She was removed from service in 1959.

Conditions governing access:

Related resources:

Westcott, Richard. U.S.S. Augusta Richmond County History 1982 14 (2) p.4-12

Evelyn McDaniel Kennedy's wedding dress is held at the Augusta Museum of History https://www.augustamuseum.org/

Folder 1 Clippings of Miss McDaniel as the sponsor of the U.S.S. Augusta

Folder 2 Clippings and Newsletter about the U.S.S. Augusta

Folder 3. Clippings about life events and clippings on F. Frederick Kennedy

Folder 4. Photographs of Evelyn McDaniel and F. Frederick Kennedy

Hand-tinted wedding photograph of Evelyn McDaniel Kennedy

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