

Frances Cabaniss Roberts Collection: Series 1, Subseries C, Box 12, Folder 17
Correspondence about the Shepherd Family Letters

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November 11, 1994

Mr. Edward Patillo, Curator
Judicial Department
Supreme Court & State Law Library
300 Dexter Avenue
Montgomery AL 36104-3741

Dear Mr. Patillo:

In response to your recent letter concerning any records which I might have on John Wesley Shepherd, I would like to report that I do have some materials which would be of interest to you in building your historical records on him.

As you may know from my cousin, Mary Evelyn Carr Quisenberry, John Wesley Shepherd was a brother to my great grandmother (Virginia Shepherd Cabaniss). He was born in Huntsville in a small Federal-style house on Holmes Avenue, educated at Greene Academy and Yale University where he graduated as one of four valedictorians of his class. He was trained in the law by his brother-in-law, Septimus D. Cabaniss, and shortly after being admitted to the bar, he moved to Montgomery where he spent the rest of his life.

I do not have a portrait of John Wesley Shepherd, but I do have portraits of Charles, his brother who was a school teacher, and Elizabeth, his younger sister, both of whom were never married and lived in the little Shepherd house all of their lives. I also have three years of correspondence from John Wesley Shepherd to his family while he was at Yale University. These letters should, I think, go into your collection, and I will send them to you under separate cover.

Since Judge William C. Bibb of Anniston, Alabama, is also a descendent of John Wesley Shepherd, he may be able to help you in the collection of materials. His address is 806 Coleman Drive, Anniston AL 36201..

Would you please send me Mrs. Quisenberry's address, as I have not heard from members of the family in Montgomery in some years.

Sincerely yours,

Frances C. Roberts

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From Frances C. Roberts to Edward Patillo

Names:

Bibb, William C.,
Judge
Cabaniss, Septimus
D.

Cabaniss, Virginia
Shepherd
Patillo, Edward

Quisenberry, Mary
Evelyn Carr
Roberts, Frances C.
Shepherd, Charles

Shepherd, Elizabeth
Shepherd, John
Wesley

Places:

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November 16, 2007

Mrs. Nancy Rohr
10012 Louis Drive
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Dear Mrs. Rohr:

I really enjoyed meeting you and talking with you when you were here in our Library. I was very pleased to read the interesting article about you, and was glad that we had had the opportunity to talk some about it.

I am enclosing copies of the articles that you requested regarding John Shepherd. Although I would never staple the originals, I did staple these copies in order to keep the "sets" together. As you know, some of them were in very poor condition, and some of them had "bled through". I attempted to lighten/darken the copies to make them the most legible. Hopefully these will serve your purpose.

If I may ever assist you in any way, please let me know. I hope to have the opportunity in about two years to send you a postcard from "Anywhere, USA"! In the meantime, have a wonderful Thanksgiving and holiday season.

Yours very truly,

Mary Edge Horton

Enclosures

From Frances C. Roberts to Edward Patillo

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Horton, Mary Edge

Rohr, Nancy, Mrs.

Shepherd, John

Places:

Huntsville, AL

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Collection Scope and Content: The Collection of 114 Linear ft. includes a total of 156 Archival Boxes. The Frances Cabaniss Roberts collection covers the historical records of the Cabaniss Roberts family. This collection contains extensive correspondence records of the Cabaniss Roberts family circa 1830 to 1930.

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