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1910 - 1972

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Biography

Frank A. DeCosta

A noted administrator, college professor, and scholar, Frank A. DeCosta played a major role in helping African American schools and colleges to move into the mainstream of American education. In a career that spanned four decades, he served as teacher and principal of two high schools, supervisor and chairman of an education department, director of instruction and of student teaching, foreign service statistical officer, and organizing dean of two graduate schools. His teaching and writing underscore his conviction that education is the primary tool for the amelioration of society's problems as well as for the economic and social advancement of the individual. This philosophy is perhaps best articulated in an unpublished manuscript, "The Teacher's Responsibility in a Changing Society," in which he expresses his belief in reason and logic, the doctrine of progress, the perfectibility of man, the uniqueness of the individual, and the democratic principles of freedom and popular government. In the changing society of the 1950s and '60s, he believes that the historically-Black college had a special mission in facilitating the transition of students from a completely segregated society to a desegregated one in which freedom of opportunity and equal access to resources would be available to all.

Born in Charleston, South Carolina on April 12, 1910, he was the eleventh child of Anna Harrenburg DeCosta and Benjamin R. DeCosta, who died ten months after his son's birth. Recalling his childhood, he wrote:

The advantages of being the youngest of eleven...can only be appreciated by those who have experienced it: ample food, all kinds and amounts of clothing, your backyard a playground at all time, and often as many as four nurses [my teenage sisters]. Under such good treatment, I entered
school at the age of five, a chubby lad. Thanks to the many teachers I had at home, I found school both exciting and enjoyable.

In 1915, "Frankie," as his mother called him, entered the Sander's Graded School, and three years later he acquired his first job—delivering newspapers. In 1920, he enrolled at Avery Institute, a private elementary and secondary school founded in 1865 by the American Missionary Association (AMA). His mother had graduated from Avery in 1885 at the top of her class and, later, she sent all of her children to the school in spite of the financial sacrifice. Anna was especially proud of the academic and extra-curricular achievements of her youngest son, who was dubbed "The Shot" because of his prowess on the basketball court. At Avery, Frank won oratorical, debating, and athletic awards, and he was valedictorian of the class of 1927. The first member of his family to attend college, he recalled, "I went to Lincoln University with $32 in my pocket and a determination to get a degree." A teacher by inclination and a carpenter by training (for all of Benjamin's sons had learned their father's trade), he worked his way through college to supplement his academic scholarship. In the summer he worked with his brother Bennie, a contractor in New York, and at Lincoln, he assisted in the library before becoming a student instructor in his senior year. With a minor in English and a double major in mathematics and foreign languages, he studied Latin, French, Spanish, and German. As a student, he was actively involved in college life: he was a member of the debating society and of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity; he earned varsity letters in four sports—basketball, baseball, football, and tennis; and he served as president of his class for an unprecedented four years. An outstanding scholar, DeCosta was elected to several honor societies, including Alpha Kappa Mu Honorary Society, Beta Kappa Chi Scientific Society, and Phi Delta Theta Literary Society. Most significant, he was valedictorian of the class of 1931. A classmate wrote: "His ability as a speaker and thinker was recognized by his winning of oratorical contests, speaking and debating
awards during his four years. With all these honors...he was a modest, courteous, unselfish, and respected gentleman.” Later, the Class of 1931 established the Frank A. DeCosta Memorial Award, given to the Lincoln senior who best combines athletics, scholarship and leadership.

The September following his graduation from college, DeCosta received his first teaching position—at Avery Institute—where he taught mathematics and social sciences for two years. Now 6' 1” tall and weighting 165 pounds, the former athlete also served as assistant basketball coach of the Avery Tigers. Anxious to continue his education, he attended the 1932 summer sessions at S.C. State College, and the next summer he entered Atlanta University to begin work toward a Master’s degree in mathematics. That fall, he met Beautine Hubert, a student at the Atlanta School of Social Work and the daughter of John Wesley Hubert and the late Lillie Jones Hubert of Savannah. The two graduate students were married in 1934, and over the course of their marriage Frank wrote Beautine more than 200 letters full of love and longing. One begins, “My darling wife, Do I love you, you ask. Sweetheart, I wish it were possible for you to know how much I do love you—I think about you all day and dream about you all night.” Theirs was an egalitarian marriage, in large part because Frank considered even his work as a joint endeavor; in anticipation of his first principalship, for example, he describes “our first year as heads of a school” (emphasis added).

After transferring to the University of Pennsylvania and completing another semester of graduate study, DeCosta went to Florence, Alabama in September 1934 to assume the principalship of Burrell Normal School. With a mandate from the AMA to turn management of the school over to the city within a year, he served as principal for only one year, although he continued to live on campus with his family, while working with parents and community leaders to shore up support for the school. When city officials refused to assume fiscal responsibility for
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Burrell, he became Assistant Supervisor of the Negro Training Program with the Tennessee Valley Authority, and directed surveys in rural communities for TVA. Recognizing the importance of professional service, he became Vice President of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools for Negroes in 1935. When the DeCostas went to Florence, they took with them Frank's ten-year-old nephew, but it was the arrival of their two children—Miriam in 1934 and Frank, Jr. in 1935—that brought out Frank's special talents as a father. He gave his children a precious gift—a love of learning, which he nurtured through books, quiet afternoon lessons, long dinner-table discussions, and through example, writing at his desk by day and reading late into the night.

In 1936, when he was only twenty-six years old, Frank DeCosta was appointed principal of Avery Institute, but his pleasure in returning home to teach at his alma mater was tempered by the knowledge that AMA officials also intended to withdraw support from that institution and, furthermore, they expected the new principal to endorse and to contribute to that effort. Instead, he and his wife, like their predecessors Benjamin and Jeannette Cox, worked diligently to garner community support for the historic institution. While at Avery, he spent two summers and a semester in graduate school, and in February 1938 he was awarded the Master of Arts degree by Teacher's College, Columbia University. That summer he worked as Associate Director of Camp Atwater, an exclusive camp for children in the East Brookfield, Massachusetts, which was owned by the father of one of his former teachers at Avery.

DeCosta left Avery in 1941 to begin doctoral studies at the University of Pennsylvania, while his wife completed a graduate degree at Atlanta University. At first, he taught part-time at Lincoln University to finance his studies, but the following year he received a fellowship of $1,800 from the Julius Rosenwald Fund. During the 1940s, the young doctoral student became
increasingly involved in research and publication. Although his first two manuscripts, the 87-page "Schools of the American Missionary Association in Virginia, West Virginia, and Tennessee" and the 295-page "Adjustment Problems of Negro Pupils" were not published, they demonstrate the quality of his writing and scholarship. His first major published article, "The Education of Negroes in South Carolina," appeared in the Summer 1947 issue of The Journal of Negro Education. This article, based on statistics, surveys, reports, census data, government publications, and studies by other educators, is a trenchant critique of segregated education, its disparities and inequities, a critique that anticipates the legal arguments leading to the Supreme Court decision of 1954.

Although he had passed the Ph.D. preliminary examination and started on his dissertation, DeCosta left graduate school in 1943 to accept the chairmanship of the Education Department at Alabama State College. Competent and conscientious, he was a skilled administrator. According to a colleague, "[h]is life was characterized by great discipline, and he brought this disciplined life to administration, where his incisive mind and advanced degrees combined to produce a unique combination of intellectual strength and vigor." After two years in Montgomery, he was appointed founding Dean of the Graduate School at South Carolina State College, a position that he held for ten years. A life-long learner, DeCosta attended school, took summer courses, and acquired degrees over a period of forty years, from 1915 to 1954. With the encouragement of his wife, he returned to the University of Pennsylvania in 1953 to resume work on the doctorate and to complete his dissertation, "A Critical Study of Requirements for the Certification of Teachers in South Carolina." He was awarded the Ph.D. degree in 1954, and a year later, he returned to Alabama State College to become Director of Instruction.
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Although he was the youngest member of the Benjamin R. DeCosta family, Frank was devoted to his siblings and assisted them in various ways, particularly in the 1940s and '50s. When two of his sisters were widowed, he helped them to obtain college degrees and teaching positions; when two of his brothers became ill, he assisted them financially and brought one into his home. Committed to high achievement and academic excellence, Dr. DeCosta encouraged his wife, children, sisters, and nephews to pursue higher education: with his support, Beautine earned a Masters in Social Work, Frank, Jr. was awarded the L.L.D. degree by Howard University, and Miriam received M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from The Johns Hopkins University. with his assistance and guidance, three of his sisters (Elizabeth Sartor, Daisy Caffey, and Miriam Seabrook) and nephew Bennett Caffey obtained college degrees, while Later DeCosta, another nephew, earned a doctorate and joined the faculty of South Carolina State College. Noted for his "carefully planned, deliberate, well-thought-out advise, tempered by a realistic approach to a problem," Frank DeCosta gave guidance, moral support, and financial assistance to many students, enabling them to pursue advanced degrees.

In 1957, he was appointed Professor of Education and Director of Practice Teaching at Morgan State College in Baltimore, Maryland, but he took a leave of absence from Morgan in 1962 to accept a position, through the Agency for International Development of the U.S. State Department, as Statistical Officer at the Ministry of Education in Kaduna, Nigeria. In that capacity, he helped train a staff of Nigerians in educational techniques and procedures, and he advised them in the interpretation and analysis of planning data. Just a month after his arrival, he wrote: "My work goes well. At the moment, I am writing an analysis of primary school statistics foe 1961." He published his statistical research in three major studies: School Statistics of Northern Nigeria (1961 and 1962), and The 1963 Directory of Primary Schools. Committed to
training Nigerians to take leadership positions in their newly-independent country, he accepted additional responsibilities. He wrote to his wife: “I have agrees to take on an 'extra-curricular activity'—conducting a course or seminar in statistics for volunteer members of the Ministry.”

In acknowledgement of his service to Nigeria and to the United States, he received the 1964 Meritorious Honor Award from the Agency for International Development, an award given annually for the most outstanding work in a foreign country. He became one of the first African Americans to gain this recognition. DeCosta returned to Nigeria in May 1965 to participate in a research project—a survey of problems and needs related to the teaching of English—funded by the Ford Foundation. On his return to the United States, he explained in interviews and speeches such as “Education in Nigeria” and “Africa, Asia, and the Development Decade” that his work in Nigeria was one of the most rewarding experiences of his life. On a personal level, the years abroad were also marked by the births of two additional grandchildren, including Frank A. DeCosta, III, and the fourth out of the seven in that generation.

In 1964, DeCosta became the first Dean of the Graduate School at Morgan State University. Under his leadership, enrollment increased from 1694 students in 1964 to 789 in 1970; by 1970, 343 students had been awarded the Master's degree; four new programs were added to the initial six; and the School had a multicultural presence with the enrollment of students from India, Japan, Palestine, Thailand, and other countries. The president of Morgan noted: “As one of the chief architects of the Morgan State College graduate school, Dean DeCosta in just a few years developed a fully-accredited graduate school, which is respected throughout the country.” In recognition of his service to Morgan, the Graduate School created the Frank A. DeCosta Scholarship Program, which had awarded as many as eight scholarships in a single year. At age fifty-nine, DeCosta felt the pressure of and exhausting schedule of classes,
administration, and research. He wrote to his sister: “I never take time out for lunch, but, rather, eat a sandwich and a milk shake for lunch at my desk. This usually takes about ten minutes.” He took a second leave from Morgan in 1968/-69 to work on a research project—a study of Black education—for the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, which would culminate in a book-length manuscript. In July 1969, he wrote Beatine: “Am trying to keep after that manuscript. I really hope that we can have it all wrapped up by September 1.” He completed his part of the manuscript on schedule...and had a heart attack six months later. Published in 1971, Between Two Worlds: A Profile of Negro Higher Education, the fifth in a series of books produced by the Carnegie Commission, was co-authored with Frank Bowles, Vice President of Haile Selassie University. This seminal study traces the history of Black higher education from the antebellum period to the 1960s, profiles five historically-Black colleges, outlines the problems facing these institutions, and proposes recommendations for the future, including the establishment of research centers, expansion of community colleges, foundation support for model programs, and other progressive measures.

Frank A. DeCosta was active in many civic and professional organizations. A life member of the NAACP, he served on the Board of Directors of Union Memorial Hospital, and the mayor of Baltimore appointed him to the City Jail Board, where he was instrumental in the promotion of the first two African American captains. He was generous in his support of the Boy Scouts, Masons, Y.M.C.A., Urban League, United World Federalists, and Sharpe Street Methodist Church. Although he was not a wealthy man, he supported Black higher education through his work and with his wallet; in 1968, for example, he pledged $1,500 to Lincoln University, and in 1971, he donated a quarter of his salary to the Morgan State College Community “Self-Help” Campaign. A member of eleven professional organizations, including
the American Association of School Administrators and the American Statistical Association, he served as a consultant to the Phelphs-Stokes Fund, United States Office of Education, and Commission of Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. He was listed in Who’s Who in America, Leaders in Education, Who’s Who in American Education, and Who’s Who in the South and Southwest. Although he was known as a hard worker, Frank enjoyed reading and playing bridge, and he found time, on occasion, to visit an art museum, attend a play, listen to a choir concert, or travel to Athens of Amsterdam. He wrote from Rome’s Hotel Sorrento on his last trip abroad: “The hotel at which I am staying is near the Piazza della Repubblica, so that I am in walking distance of quite a few places: the wax museum, the station, outdoor performances, etc. I still do not become accustomed to the Italian menus—too much macaroni and spaghetti.”

Although he served briefly as acting president of South Carolina State College during the 1950s, the great disappointment of his life was that he never became president of a college. When the presidency of Morgan became available following the retirement of Martin Jenkins in May 1970—two months after Frank underwent heart surgery—he wrote to his sister Miriam: ‘No, your ‘baby brother’ is not one of the candidates. After all, your ‘baby brother’ in now 60 years old, which represents too big a spread in the generation gap from college-age students. The next president will be considerably younger.” Frank A. DeCosta died on June 19, 1972 at age sixty-two.

Miriam DeCosta-Willis
Benjamin R. DeCosta
Grandfather of FAD

Martha A. DeCosta
Grandmother of FAD

Anna Harrenburg DeCosta
Mother of FAD

Benjamin Rhodes DeCosta
Father of FAD
Avery Basketball Team of 1925-26
FAD (4th from right) and brother Harold (2nd from right)

President of Lincoln University’s
Class of 1931 for four years (FAD - front, center)
Principal of Avery Institute, 1936-1941

DeCosta family in Boston while Frank was Assistant Director of Camp Atwater, Summer, 1938.

DeCosta siblings and spouses in 1940
Left to Right: Augustus Sartor, Miriam DeCosta Seabrook, Frank DeCosta, Beautine Hubert DeCosta, Raymond "Ramón" DeCosta, Elizabeth "Lizzie" DeCosta Sartor, Dr. Herbert Seabrook.
Awarded a Ph.D. degree at 1954 Convocation of the University of Pennsylvania
FAD (2nd from left)

Father and Daughter at her wedding to
Russell B. Sugarmon, Jr.
June 25, 1955

The DeCostas with three household staff
members and their wives in Kaduna, Nigeria
DeCosta directs an assistant in Ministry of Education, Kaduna, Nigeria

Three generations of the Frank A. DeCosta family
Robert Brown, special assistant to U.S. President, receives copy of Between Two Worlds from co-author in May 1971
Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro, III, swears in two members of Baltimore City Jail Board, June 16, 1971.
Family Tree of Frank A. DeCosta, 1910-1972

1 Elizabeth (1887-1952)
m1 Wilbur Minort
m2 Augustus G. Sartor (1867-1942)

2 Benjamin Robert (1890-1950)
m Gertrude Cook (1894-1951)

3 Daisy Aethia (1892-1977)
m Lightburne Bennett Caffey (1883-1959)

4 Herbert Alexander (1894-1960)
m Julia Craft (1898-1990)

5 Miriam Florella (1896-1992)
m Herbert Ulysea Seabrook (1884-1941)

6 Eugenia Newell (1898-1993)
m Samuel Richard Higgins (1896-1961)

7 St. Julian L. (1900-1964)
m Sadie Forrest (1898- )

8 Raymond T. (Ramon) (1904-1941)

9 Charles H. (1906-1919)

10 Harold Chase (1907-1968)
m Thelma [ ] ( - )

11 Frank Augustus (1910-1972)
m Beaustine Hubert ( - )

2 Benjamin Minort

1 Benjamin Robert, Jr. (1913- )
2 Anne Elizabeth (1915- )
3 Laler Cook (1917- )
4 Lillian Gertrude (1919- )
5 Charles William (1923- )

1 Lightburne Bennett Caffey, Jr. (1924-1949)

1 Herbert Alexander, Jr. (1923- )
2 Bernice Craft (1924- )

1 Herbert U. Seabrook, Jr. (1924-1970)

1 Robert Samuel DeCosta Higgins ( - )

1 St. Julian, Jr. (1921-1995)
2 Jacqueline E. (1925- )
3 Charles Forrest (1927- )

1 Miriam Delores (1934- )

2 Frank Augustus, Jr. (1935-1999)
Descendants of Frank A. DeCosta, 1910-1972

1 Miriam Delores (1934- )
   m1 Russell B. Sugannon, Jr., 1955
   m2 Archie W. Willis, Jr., 1972

1 Frank Augustus (1910-1972)
   m Beautine Hubert, 1934

2 Frank Augustus, Jr. (1935-1999)
   m Senora Reckling, 1962

1 Tarik B. Sugannon (1956- )
   Gia Lynn Eaton, 1991
   Norma Hayslett, 1995

1 Nile C. Sugannon (1992- )

2 Malik Sugannon (1996- )

1 Kenneth Williamson (1986- )
   m1 Kenneth Williamson, 1985
   m2 Lukey Williams, 1993

1 James Gregory Echols (1983- )
   m1 Gregory Echols, 1982
   m2 Eric McClure, 1999

3 Erika M. Sugannon (1962- )

2 Zachary McClure (1997- )

3 Selena McClure (1999- )

4 Monique A. Sugannon (1964- )

1 Frank Augustus, III (1963- )
   m Donna Turner, 1991

1 Frank Augustus, IV (1998- )

2 Senora C. (1968-1995)

3 John Wesley (1972- )
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Scope and Content of the Collection

The collection of Frank Augustus DeCosta (FAD), 1910-1972, contains photographs, documents, and a wealth of correspondence from the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. With this collection, in addition to the three-tiered generational DeCosta family material, we are also given an intimate view into the life of Frank A. DeCosta—scholar, educator, administrator, writer, world traveler, and devoted husband and father. The materials have been divided into four groups and are housed in eleven (11) boxes.

The first group of materials, Series I, contains the majority of Dr. DeCosta’s correspondence, much of which was written to his wife, Beautine Hubert DeCosta (BHD), during the brief periods when they were separated in pursuit of their educational and professional goals. While ordered chronologically, these letters have been broken down into fifteen (15) groups that identify the period in which they were written. Box 1 begins with correspondence from 1934, shortly after they wed, and continues through the early 1940s. Box 2 continues with correspondence from FAD to BHD, and then grows to encompass more complete correspondence as sent by FAD to friends and colleagues from Nigeria in the 1960s and later in his professional life.

Items related to Dr. DeCosta’s education and career comprise Series II. While Box 3 contains documents from his educational experiences as student, teacher, and administrator, Box 4 houses materials authored by DeCosta. Box 5 contains memorabilia and resources acquired by Dr. DeCosta during his tour with USAID at the Ministry of Education in Nigeria. Materials generated during the last phase of DeCosta’s professional life, including his work in both civic and educational pursuits, are housed in Box 6. This Box also houses documents that demonstrate Dr. DeCosta’s legacy through his life’s work in education.

Series III contains DeCosta Family and personal documents. Box 7 holds items related to the death of FAD in 1972. Box 8 traces many of the financial and real estate transactions of the family of FAD and BHD, including their various household moves and financial preparations to work and live in Nigeria. A diverse group of materials related to the multi-generational DeCosta Family are housed in Box 9, including an assortment of receipts and deeds from the late nineteenth century, recaps of family history collected and distributed at DeCosta Family Reunions, handwritten notes by BHD and Miriam DeCosta Seabrook (FAD’s sister) about family memories, and clippings highlighting the many achievements of FAD’s children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, grand-nieces, grand-nephews, etc.

Photographs, images, and miscellaneous artifacts are grouped in Series IV. Box 10 contains a variety of artifacts collected by FAD and BHD throughout their life together, including FAD’s Nigerian hat and athletic letter from Lincoln University. The photographs and images in Box 11 are arranged chronologically and illustrate FAD’s many interests. They include posed photos of his various athletic and academic groups—as well as candid shots of family and friends. FAD’s USAID assignment in Nigeria is reflected in numerous photos and postcards—FAD is seen in both professional and his personal surroundings in Kaduna. Many of the latter photographs picture DeCosta with his grandchildren.

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Finding Aid

Finding Aid Abbreviations

Family
FAD         Frank Augustus DeCosta
BHD        Beautine Hubert DeCosta, wife
BH         Beautine Hubert, as used by FAD
MD         Miriam DeCosta, daughter
MDS        Miriam DeCosta Sugarmon, daughter after marriage
MDW        later, Miriam DeCosta (Sugarmon) Willis, daughter
RS         Russell Sugarmon, son-in-law, first husband of MDW
FAD, Jr.    Frank Augustus DeCosta, Jr., son
SRD        Senora Reckling DeCosta, dtr-in-law, wife of FAD, Jr.
FAD, III    Frank Augustus DeCosta, III, grandson
FAD, IV     Frank Augustus DeCosta, IV, great-grandson

Organizations
AID         also USAID; United States Agency for International Development
AMA         American Missionary Association
TVA         Tennessee Valley Authority

Series I—Correspondence (Boxes 1 and 2)

Correspondence Groups
Group 1—FAD to BHD, Summer 1934—first summer married. FAD living with siblings in New York and pursuing work; BHD, expecting their first child, living with parents in Savannah and working there.

Group 2—FAD to BHD, Summer 1935. FAD in Florence, Alabama where he was principal at the AMA funded Burrell Normal School (closed at conclusion of school year by AMA) and then pursuing position with TVA; BHD, expecting second child, living and working in Mayfield, Georgia.

Group 3—FAD to BHD, Summer 1936. FAD living in New York and attending graduate school at Columbia; BHD in Savannah until can join FAD.

Group 4—FAD to BHD, Summer and Autumn 1937. FAD on leave from principal duties at AMA’s Avery Normal Institute, Charleston, to complete MA at Columbia in New York; BHD living and working in Charleston with children.

Group 5—FAD to BHD, Summer 1938. FAD working as athletic director at Camp Atwater in Massachusetts; BHD and children staying in Roxbury with friends during weeks unable to stay at camp.
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Group 6—FAD to BHD, 1941-1942. FAD part-time instructor at Lincoln University, Pennsylvania while pursuing doctoral studies at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia; BHD in Atlanta attending graduate school.

Group 7—FAD to BHD, 1945. FAD, working as Chairman of Education at Alabama State College (Montgomery), in Philadelphia pursuing PhD at University of Pennsylvania; BHD living and working in Montgomery.

Group 8—FAD to BHD, 1945-1946. FAD in Orangeburg, South Carolina as Dean of the School of Graduate Studies at South Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical College; BHD living and working in Montgomery.


Group 10—FAD to BHD, Summer 1955. FAD in Montgomery, Alabama as Director of Education at Alabama State College; BHD in Orangeburg.

Group 11—FAD to BHD, Summer 1956. FAD in Montgomery, Alabama as Director of Education at Alabama State College; BHD at seminar in North Carolina State College, Durham, North Carolina.

Group 12—FAD to BHD, Summer 1961. FAD in Montgomery, Alabama as Director of Education at Alabama State College; BHD in Baltimore, Maryland.

Nigeria Correspondence, 1962-1964. In 1962, FAD assumed the position of Statistical Officer at the Ministry of Education in Kaduna, Nigeria under the Bureau for Africa of the United States Agency for International Development. Letters sent by FAD to family members are sorted by recipient and listed in date order. Photo enclosures mentioned are in Box 11. All other correspondence is sorted by type and listed chronologically.

Group 13—Correspondence, 1965, separated into Professional and Personal.


Box 1: Correspondence
Folder 1: Group 1, Apr-Jun 1934
7 Apr 1934    FAD, Philadelphia, to BH, Atlanta
              postcard
              request contact info for BH's father & uncle

17 Apr 1934    FAD, Philadelphia, to BH, Atlanta
              tennis, school schedule
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Spring 1934  FAD, Philadelphia, to BH, Atlanta
news of sports & social events

May 1934  FAD, Philadelphia, to BH, Atlanta
school and social calendar

2 Jun 1934  FAD, Atlanta, to Mr. John Hubert (BH’s father), Savannah
apology for secret marriage to BH
“unexpected complication” causing them to come forward with announcement

5 Jun 1934  FAD, Philadelphia, to BH, Savannah
complications in families’ reactions
search for summer work; desire for BH to join him

7 Jun 1934  FAD, Philadelphia, to BH, Savannah
family reactions; future plans

8 Jun 1934  FAD, NY, to BHD
lonely

12 Jun 1934  FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
interview and appointment to head Burrell Normal School

12 Jun 1934  FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
summer job disappointment; financial concerns

18 Jun 1934  FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
family

20 Jun 1934  FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
work; family; wedding announcement

22 Jun 1934  FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
response to update on BHD’s job
leaving Monday for Lincoln University to pack

24 Jun 1934  FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
summer work at Lincoln University
furnishing of cottage in Florence for Fall

26 Jun 1934  FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
daily routine; miss you
Box 1: Correspondence
Folder 2: Group 1. Jul 1934
1 Jul 1934  FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Savannah
packing in Philadelphia; attended Negro League baseball game
sister suggested taking nephew to Alabama

5 Jul 1934  FAD, Lincoln University, to BHD, Savannah
no students for summer class; going to sister’s in NY

8 Jul 1934  FAD, Lincoln University, PA, to BHD, Savannah
leaving Lincoln for New York

11 Jul 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
health and family

14 Jul 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
missing you

16 Jul 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
visit to Charleston; upcoming move

21 Jul 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
spirits lifted by your letter
rough itinerary for trip from NY to Savannah and journey on to Alabama

23 Jul 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
dream about baby name

24 Jul 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
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25 Jul 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
received your letters; Daisy (FAD’s sister) returning soon

26 Jul 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
Daisy’s report of her visit

27 Jul 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
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30 Jul 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
discussion of moving; needs for new house

31 Jul 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
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2 Aug 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
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4 Aug 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
leaving in the morning to travel south

5 Aug 1934 FAD to BHD
quick note while waiting on a train

Aug 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
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nd 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
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nd 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
missing you; concern for your health

nd 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
missing you

nd 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
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nd 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
upcoming visit to Savannah, names for baby

nd 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
please write, turned down unusual proposition

nd 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
missing and trusting you

nd 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
daily activities; see you soon

nd 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
looking forward to being with you
meeting Uncle Jimmy

nd 1934 FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
thoughts of future and child
nd 1934  FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
meeting with Ramón (FAD’s brother)
travel itinerary to Savannah

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Sum 1935  FAD, Atlanta, to BHD, Savannah
need you in Atlanta right away

13 Jun 1935  FAD, Atlanta, to BHD, Savannah
preparing for session of classes

29 Jun 1935  FAD, Atlanta, to BHD, Savannah
spending time with your Aunt Jincy
BHD’s visit to Charleston

26 Jul 1935  FAD, Florence, AL, to BHD, Mayfield, GA
anxious to see you

31 Jul 1935  FAD, Florence, AL, to BHD, Mayfield, GA
trip from Mayfield to Florence
progress on the school and its buildings
another baby expected

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5 Aug 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
daily activities; Miriam’s first tooth

8 Aug 1935  FAD, Knoxville, TN, to BHD, Mayfield
tour of city with Dr. Clark
future of AMA activities in Florence
possible position for FAD with TVA

9 Aug 1935  FAD, Knoxville, TN, to BHD, Mayfield
visit to Norris Dam and Norris Village, a “model village”
white only park that “is turned over to the colored citizens each year on August 8”
description of activities in park

13 Aug 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
daily activities

14 Aug 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
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15 Aug 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
daily activities; the children

17 Aug 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
TVA planning

18 Aug 1935  FAD, Atlanta, to BHD, Savannah
daily activities; employment opportunities for future

19 Aug 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
AMA and TVA prospects for future

20 Aug 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
health and daily activities

24 Aug 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
daily activities; family news

24 Aug 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
activities; future of education in Florence

25 Aug 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
outing

28 Aug 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
new position at TVA; description
thoughts on future with AMA

30 Aug 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
activities

2 Sep 1935  FAD, Florence, to BHD, Mayfield
will begin work at TVA
one last attempt to keep AMA active in Burrell

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Folder 6: Group 3, Jun-Jul 1936
8 Jun 1936  FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
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plans for BHD to join FAD

9 Jun 1936  FAD, NY, to BHD, Savannah
trip to NY, secured housing, register for classes
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misc. business instructions

5 Oct 1937  FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston  
plans to visit BHD in Charleston

8 Oct 1937  FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston  
business and family

20 Oct 1937  FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston  
readying for trip; missing you

21 Oct 1937  FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston  
upcoming visit to Charleston  
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25 Oct 1937  FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston  
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25 Oct 1937  FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston  
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nd Oct 1937  FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston  
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6 Nov 1937  FAD, Lincoln University, to BHD, Charleston  
trip from Charleston; general

12 Nov 1937  FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston  
recent activities; upcoming visit

15 Nov 1937  FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston  
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thoughts of possibilities for next summer

15 Nov 1937  FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston  
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20 Nov 1937  FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston  
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22 Nov 1937  FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston  
two separate letters  
Thanksgiving plans
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jealousy

3 Dec 1937 FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston
activities; schoolwork

5 Dec 1937 FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston
Christmas thoughts; financial matters

13 Dec 1937 FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston
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17 Dec 1937 FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston
travel plans; class anecdotes

19 Dec 1937 FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston
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18 Jan 1938 FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston
preparations for return to Charleston at end of semester

19 Jan 1938 FAD, NY, to BHD, Charleston
examinations; schedule for return to Charleston

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Folder 9: Group 5, Summer 1938
11 Jun 1938 FAD, Camp Atwater (Mass.), to BHD, Roxbury, Mass.
safe return from Boston visit

30 Jun 1938 FAD, Camp Atwater (Mass.), to BHD, Roxbury, Mass.
general

4 Jul 1938 FAD, Camp Atwater (Mass.), to BHD, Roxbury, Mass.
upcoming visit to Boston on weekend

13 Jul 1938 FAD, Camp Atwater (Mass.), to BHD, Roxbury, Mass.
plan for BHD, children, and Edith to spend first two weeks in Aug at camp

19 Jul 1938 FAD, Camp Atwater (Mass.), to BHD, Roxbury, Mass.
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10 Jan 1935  FAD to BHD
anniversary card

28 Jun 1939  FAD, Savannah (?), to BHD, Mayfield
missing you; activities with Bennett

1943  FAD, Nashville, to BHD, Philadelphia
convention; acquaintances seen/to be seen
plans for return trip

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5 Oct 1941  FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
two letters
activities; reintroduced to Lincoln University campus life
first class at Univ. of Pennsylvania; balancing with Lincoln responsibilities
suggestions for Thanksgiving plans

12 Oct 1941  FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
activities; thoughts/news on children and family members

15 Oct 1941  FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
general

27 Oct 1941  FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
philosophies on interpersonal relationships

7 Nov 1941  FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
plans for BHD & family arrival in Philadelphia

9 Dec 1941  FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
talk of Japanese attach
success of BHD's Thanksgiving visit at Lincoln
plans for FAD's trip south for Christmas

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Folder 12: Group 6, 1942
11 Feb 1942  FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
card: Valentine

Apr 1942  FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
card: Easter

May 1942  FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
card: Mother's Day
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Jan/Feb 1942  FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
              general

7 Jan 1942    FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
              weather; general

22 Jan 1942   FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
              school progress

29 Jan 1942   FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
              BHD’s approaching birthday

12 Feb 1942   FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
              school progress

16 Feb 1942   FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
              activities

28 Feb 1942   FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
              BHD’s academic achievements

14 Mar 1942   FAD, NY, to BHD, Atlanta
              activities

16 Mar 1942   FAD, NY, to BHD, Atlanta
              activities

26 Mar 1942   FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
              general

27 Mar 1942   FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
              suggestions for BHD to visit at Easter

1 Apr 1942    FAD, Lincoln University, BHD, Atlanta
              Easter

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Folder 13: Group 7, 1945

C.1943        FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD
              schedule to accommodate doctorate classes

C.1943        FAD,--, to BHD,--
              finances; progress on work & meeting with committee
              FAD, Jr.’s letters
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24 Mar 1945  FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Montgomery general; academic update

30 Apr 1945  FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Montgomery activities, academic & professional update

May 1945    FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Montgomery academic matters; finances

May 1945    FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Montgomery activities; academics

May 1945    FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Montgomery general

May 1945    FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Montgomery activities, professional update

3 May 1945  FAD, Philadelphia [Montgomery?], to BHD, Montgomery [Atlanta?] activities

8 May 1945  FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Montgomery activities

13 May 1945 FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Montgomery activities; thoughts of FAD’s approaching return to Montgomery

16 May 1945 FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Montgomery plans for return; thoughts on completing academic projects

31 Jul 1945 FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, -- work achievements and frustrations

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Folder 14: Group 8, Dec 1945-Jan 1946

Dec 1945    FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery finances
            move to Orangeburg; needs & transitional items

3 Dec 1945  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery finances; workload

2 Dec 1945  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery general; Christmas plans
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2 Dec 1945  FAD, Orangeburg, to MD, Montgomery
            general

Jan 1946    FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
            reflections on recent visit and difficulties during trip back from Montgomery

26 Jan 1946 FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
            recent activities; beginning of classes

28 Jan 1946 FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
            preparations for classes
            DeCosta family visits and updates

31 Jan 1946 FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
            activities

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Folder 15: Group 8, Feb-Mar 1946

Feb 1946    FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
            school and daily activities

Feb 1946    FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
            activities; staff and projects

3 Feb 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
            lonely; possibilities of finding a bridge group
            family visit

7 Feb 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
            plans to visit Montgomery

25 Feb 1946 FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
            discussion/plans for moving the family to Orangeburg

28 Feb 1946 FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
            activities

1 Mar 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
            financial

7 Mar 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
            Program for Founder’s Day Exercises
            activities
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10 Mar 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
daily activities; plans for April visit to Montgomery

16 Mar 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
written during professional visit to Penn School

17 Mar 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
presentation for faculty committee
upcoming visit to Montgomery

21 Mar 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
plan for trip

24 Mar 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
mid-semester administrative tie up for classes

29 Mar 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
views on marriage and fidelity

Box 2: Correspondence
Folder 1: Group 8, Apr-May 1946

Apr 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
general correspondence with MD and FAD, Jr.

6 Apr 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
visit to Columbia
State Teachers Association meeting; Walter White speech

8 Apr 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
activities; change in housing assignment for family

9 Apr 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
activities; suggest reschedule visit to Montgomery

16 Apr 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
preparations for conference
plans for family move to Orangeburg in early June

21 Apr 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
attended annual Easter sermon given by President Benjamin Mays
Easter thoughts

23 Apr 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
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activities; general news

26 Apr 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
general activities; business trip to Greenville

29 Apr 1946  FAD, Orangeburg [in Greenville], to BHD, Montgomery
meeting in Greenville with Jeanes supervisor about local school visits

30 Apr 1946  FAD, Orangeburg [in Greenville], to BHD, Montgomery
day’s activities

1 May 1946  FAD, Orangeburg [in Greenville], to BHD, Montgomery
teacher evaluations
possible visit to Montgomery

5 May 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
financial plans for family move to Orangeburg
plans for next weekend’s visit to Montgomery

20 May 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
two letters
Jimmy Dorset visit to campus
general activates

27 May 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Montgomery
Baccalaureate exercises
last letter before leaving for Montgomery to move family

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30 Apr 1945  FAD, Philadelphia, to MD, Montgomery
first dance; aftermath of hurricane
news of family and friends

19 Feb 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to W.K. Jackson, Philadelphia
appreciation for appointment to Committee on Objectives, Lincoln University

19 Feb 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to Dean G.E. Nelson, Columbia
accept request to present paper to Palmetto State Teachers Association

10 Apr 1946  FAD, Orangeburg, to FAD, Jr., Montgomery
activities; importance of letter writing

13 Feb 1947  Elizabeth Dawson, NY, to FAD & BHD, Orangeburg
(Aunt Lizzie, sister of FAD’s mother)
passing of Frank Dawson, husband

3 Feb 1948  FAD, Orangeburg, to Dr. W.E. Arnold, University of PA
thank you; dissertation progress

3 Feb 1948  FAD, Orangeburg, to Dr. E.D. Grizzell, University of PA
thank you; dissertation progress

17 Sep 1949  FAD, Orangeburg, to Dr. E.D. Grizzell, University of PA
coordinate conference in Philadelphia
schedule for future dissertation work

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Folder 3: Group 9, 1951-1953
9 Jul 1951  FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Orangeburg
work on dissertation
contractual discussions
FAD, Jr.'s tournament

16 Dec 1951  FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Orangeburg
work on dissertation (chapter 1)
plans for return trip to Orangeburg

10 Jan 1952  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Orangeburg
card: anniversary

4 Aug 1953  FAD, Orangeburg, to BHD, Philadelphia [attending summer school]
end of summer session for both
updates on Orangeburg activities of MD and FAD. Jr.

9 Oct 1953  FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Orangeburg
nearing completion of dissertation

19 Oct 1953  FAD, Philadelphia, to BHD, Orangeburg
nearing completion of dissertation

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Folder 4: Group 10, Summer 1955
29 Jun 1955  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Orangeburg
thoughts and conversations about MDS's wedding
getting situated for summer school classes

5 Jul 1955  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Orangeburg
request BHD visit Montgomery
BHD to make move in Sep
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5 Jul 1955  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Orangeburg
day’s activities
MDS’s wedding and setting up housekeeping
FAD, Jr.’s accomplishments

13 Jul 1955  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Orangeburg
class schedule and daily activities
MDS’s wedding write-up

20 Jul 1955  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Orangeburg
MDS’s wedding write-up
school activities

29 Jul 1955  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Orangeburg
events of business trip to Texas Universities
future professional prospects

31 Jul 1955  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Orangeburg
future professional prospects
general

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Folder 5: Group 11, Summer 1956

11 Jun 1956  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Durham
family news from visit to Charleston with FAD, Jr.
visit with friends in Orangeburg

20 Jun 1956  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Durham
pending departure of FAD, Jr. for Summer study in Berlin
social events; academic schedule

21 Jun 1956  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Durham
finances; FAD, Jr. departure

25 Jun 1956  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Durham
day’s activities
general updates

29 Jun 1956  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Durham
MDS’s graduation from Wellesley, with write-up
news of family and friends

4 Jul 1956  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Durham
picnic plans; finances; activities

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8 Jul 1956  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Durham
news of MDS and FAD, Jr.

10 Jul 1956  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Durham
enclosed letter from FAD, Jr.

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Folder 6: Group 12, Summer 1961
18 Jun 1961  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Baltimore
organization and start of summer school
Boulé picnic

23 Jul 1961  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Baltimore
possible visit to Montgomery of BHD and FAD, Jr. (separately)
academic workload

30 Jul 1961  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Baltimore
academic work and schedule (attachments)
news from ATA convention
prospects for employment summer 1962

6 Aug 1961  FAD, Montgomery, to BHD, Baltimore
general activities
preparing to return to Baltimore

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30 Jun 1951  FAD, Philadelphia, to B.C. Turner, State A & M College, Orangeburg
contract for next year

20 Oct 1952  Merle Tate, University of PA, to FAD, Orangeburg
set up meeting (dissertation?)

2 Jan 1956  FAD, Philadelphia, to MDS and RS, Memphis
copy of news article in which they are mentioned

4 Apr 1956  FAD, --, to FAD, Jr., --
thoughts on moral obligations for pre-marital relationship
financial matters

17 Oct 1957  FAD, Baltimore, to Bill Gordon, Montgomery (Ala. State)
adjusting to new environments and new relationships
location and work on new home (Elsinore Ave.)
description of neighborhood, newly open to “the beige brethren”
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Dec 1957 Christmas card list

14 Jul 1959 FAD, Montgomery [Alabama State College], to BHD, NY [Edwin Gould Fund] visit to Memphis [MDS ]; Russell Sugarman’s political activities news of family and friends

8 Jan 1962 Helen & Dudley, Sr., --, to FAD and BHD, Baltimore holiday wishes; news of family and friends

8 Jan 1962 Julia Craft DeCosta, Charleston, to FAD, Baltimore congratulations on appointment with clipping (copy)

Jan 1962 Tommy, The Dungalow, Ghion, Ethiopia, to FAD and BHD, Baltimore group letter on life as Peace Corps Volunteer description of members of group, projects, goals and life handwritten note about family, friends, and potentially meeting in Africa (Paul Tsongas is member of group)

11 Mar 1962 Harold DeCosta (brother of FAD), --, to FAD and BHD, Baltimore congratulations on Nigerian appointment, FAD, Jr.’s marriage (copy)

nd "Dingy," --, to BHD, -- thank you

Box 2: Correspondence
Folder 8: Nigeria Correspondence: BHD to FAD, 1962

12 Apr 1962 BHD, Baltimore, to FAD, Kaduna birthday wishes; general news preparations for BHD departure to Nigeria

28 Apr 1962 BHD, Baltimore, to FAD, Kaduna social activities and news of family and friends preparations for BHD departure to Nigeria

1 May 1962 BHD, Baltimore, to FAD, Kaduna preparations for BHD departure to Nigeria social activities and news of family and friends

6 May 1962 BHD, Baltimore, to FAD, Kaduna social activities and news of family and friends

25 Jun 1962 BHD, Baltimore, to FAD, Kaduna social activities and news of family and friends
preparations for BHD departure to Nigeria

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Folder 9: Nigeria Correspondence: FAD to BHD, Apr-May 1962

3 Apr 1962  FAD, Enuga, to BHD, Baltimore
still *en route* to Kaduna; visit and orientation in Enuga
initial impressions of work, weather

5 Apr 1962  FAD, Enuga, to BHD, Baltimore
co-workers; work environment; daily schedule
experience shopping for gifts and food; price comparisons

6 Apr 1962  FAD, Enuga, to BHD, Baltimore
cost of postage, medicine
health concerns, i.e. purification of water
thoughts on experiences with African cuisine
suggestion list for BHD’s preparations for departure to Nigeria

13 Apr 1962 FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
arrival at Kaduna; temporary living accommodations
social activities
weather comparisons; thoughts on use of fans, screens, and air conditioners
preparations for first day of new position
financial transactions

15 Apr 1962 FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
impressions from first tour of Kaduna
cost of homes and wives; average salaries

20 Apr 1962 FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
daily weather and future forecasts as rainy season begins
discovery of a good dry cleaner
challenges to daily life in Nigeria, i.e. water, electricity
lists of “must have” items for BHD, attached

24 Apr 1962 FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
general activities and news

nd 1962     FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
progress and enjoyment of work
adjusting to schedule of a typical day

2 May 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
description of house and furnishings of Nigerian residence
breakdown of tasks and wages of household staff
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10 May 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
social activities
adjusting to life in Nigeria

12 May 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
adjusting to life in the new house
anecdotes of the servants and daily events

15 May 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
social activities
anecdotes of the servants and daily events
thoughts on arrangements for BHD’s upcoming move

19 May 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
anecdotes of the servants and daily events

23 May 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
anecdotes of the servants and daily events
thoughts on learning the language
preparations for shipment of household goods to Nigeria

27 May 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
day’s activities; thoughts on work and family

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Folder 10: Nigeria Correspondence: FAD to BHD, Jun 1962, 1964

1 Jun 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
day’s events
social activities

3 Jun 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
social event
thoughts on arrangements for BHD’s upcoming move

10 Jun 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
adjusting to work environment
general news

15 Jun 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
personal business transactions before BHD’s move
general news

17 Jun 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
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social activities; new acquaintances
observations on cultural differences

21 Jun 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
practical arrangements for move; arrival of personal vehicle & shipment of goods
upcoming social events
plans for upcoming work assignments

27 Jun 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Baltimore
final instructions before BHD’s departure

19 May 1964 FAD, Kaduna, to BHD, Paris (en route to Baltimore)
arrangements for move back to U.S.
completion of work projects as end of term with AID approaches

Box 2: Correspondence
Folder 11: Nigeria Correspondence: FAD to FAD, Jr. and SRD, 1962 & 1963

13 May 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
general news and response to earlier letter
description of living arrangements in Kaduna, house and grounds
explanation and thoughts on work assignment

27 Oct 1962 FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
coordinate welcoming of Nigerian officials in U.S. by FAD, Jr. and SRD
hosting of social event

15 Dec 1962 FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
family news; new and expected children
work and social activities
thoughts of Christmas

7 Jan 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
genral news and business
state of education in contemporary Nigeria
social activities
adjustments on language—both Hausa and “British”

10 Feb 1963 FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
comments on FAD, Jr.’s progress in school, anticipating new grand-baby
social obligations for USAID
anecdotes on bargaining with traders for souvenirs/gifts

3 Mar 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
comments on FAD, Jr.’s school and career opportunities
financial matters
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notes of festivals and events visited

3 May 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
general news; personal business matters

Jun 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
personal business assistance; mailing instructions for duty free goods
updates on work and family

14 Jul 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, III, Baltimore
welcome letter

2 Aug 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr., Baltimore
financial and business matters

9 Sep 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
general updates
suggest DC meeting of visiting Nigerians from Ministry of Education

6 Oct 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
financial matters
concerns for FAD, Jr.’s school and workload
thoughts on child rearing

21 Nov 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
coordinate meeting of visiting Nigerians from Ministry of Education

25 Nov 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
assassination of President Kennedy
potential blow to international relations if related to Civil Rights Movement
possible extension of Nigerian tour-of-duty with USAID

8 Dec 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
Christmas thoughts and wishes
update on possible position with USAID in Liberia
genral news on family and friends

25 Dec 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
appreciation of and anecdotes about previous day’s trans-Atlantic call
Christmas activities

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15 Jan 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
deciliation of appointment in Liberia; update of plans for return
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general news of activities and family

9 Mar 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
description of recent business trip; sights seen
efforts to complete tasks before end of appointment

24 Mar 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
update on career and travel plans for return to U.S.
work and home preparations for departure

16 Apr 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
update on return plans
work assignments

29 Apr 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
deptoration of BHD for sightseeing in Africa and Europe; return to Baltimore
preparations for return home; social engagements

15 May 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to FAD, Jr. and SRD, Baltimore
details for return; BHD’s return schedule
FAD, Jr.’s graduation from Howard Law

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Folder 13: Nigeria Correspondence: FAD to MDS and RS, 1962

11 May 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
financial and personal business transactions
description of living arrangements in Kaduna: house, grounds, and staff
social events

16 May 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
financial and personal business transactions
discussion of work and recent meetings

15 Jun 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
financial matters; discussion of exchange rates
comparisons of Kaduna to small southern cities in U.S.
anecdotes regarding initial concerns of travel/stay in Nigeria
thoughts of family and friends

29 Jun 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
thoughts and discussion of enclosed Polaroids
anecdotes regarding initial concerns of travel/stay in Nigeria
weather and daily life

7 Aug 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
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financial and personal business transactions
arrival of BHD
family news

16 Sep 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
financial matters
organizing the house
RS representing U.S. at Trinidad Celebration, attended by MDW & RS
thoughts and updates on family members

11 Oct 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
discussion of events and activities in Memphis and Kaduna
update on projects at work

5 Nov 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to Tarik (son of MDS and RS), Memphis
Tarik's first year of school
children in Nigeria

5 Nov 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
financial and personal business transactions
work update; social activities
keeping up to date on U.S. current events; Meredith case, Cuba
fielding question after presentation of speech about U.S. current events

15 Dec 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
arrival of new grandchild; effect on the family
financial matters
general thoughts of weather, family, and friends

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Folder 14: Nigeria Correspondence: FAD to MDS and RS, 1963

6 Jan 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
general news and thoughts on family and events
language anecdotes and weather

25 Jan 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
business transactions
ideas for learning with gift for Tarik
thoughts on busy social calendar
bartering for souvenirs and gifts

9 Feb 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
Hausa language tools for the children (Tarik and Elena)
family thoughts
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23 Mar 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
general news of family and friends
details of large social event

9 Apr 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
business and financial affairs

27 Apr 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
business and financial affairs

3 May 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
financial transactions
general news of work and family

4 May 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to Elena (daughter of MDS and RS), Memphis
thinking of you
weather and fruit trees in Nigeria

16 May 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
update on FAD, Jr.
community activities of BHD

Jun 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
financial affairs

30 Jun 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
effect of current events in U.S. on foreign policy
murder of Medgar Evers, MDS & RS’ attendance at funeral
Tarik’s completion of 1st grade in newly integrated classroom

2 Aug 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
business and financial affairs
description of Ramadan celebrations
plans for upcoming vacation in Rome

28 Aug 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
financial matters
thoughts on work and family

7 Oct 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
trip to Rome; sights, travel and weather
future job prospects with USAID
thoughts of grandchildren

7 Oct 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
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business and financial matters
several scenarios for future with AID
opening of new hotel in Kaduna

8 Dec 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
Christmas thoughts and wishes
update on possible position with USAID in Liberia
general news on family and friends

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Folder 15: Nigeria Correspondence: FAD to MDS and RS, 1964
1 Jan 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
social activities
plans for future and return to U.S.

11 Feb 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
general news of work and family
quit smoking
financial matters

24 Mar 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
plans for future and return to Baltimore
work for completion

28 Mar 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to Tarik and Elena (children of MDS and RS), Memphis
preparations for return to U.S.
travel arrangements

17 Apr 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
preparations for return

29 Apr 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to MDS and RS, Memphis
departure of BHD for sightseeing in Africa and Europe; return to Baltimore
transport of household goods and temporary arrangements until return
social calendar

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Folder 16: Nigeria Correspondence: MDS to FAD and BHD
11 Apr 1962  MDS, Memphis, to FAD, Kaduna
expecting new baby
news of home and family

26 Apr 1962  MDS, Memphis, to FAD, Kaduna
financial and personal business transactions
news of family and school activities
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Sep 1962  MDS, Memphis (written from Trinidad), to FAD and BHD, Kaduna
          U.S. delegates to Trinidad Celebration of independence from Great Britain
          description of events and other delegates in company

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Folder 17: Nigeria Correspondence: Nnambi Asikiwe, President of Nigeria
2 Oct 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to N Asikiwe, Lagos
            inform of current AID tour in Nigeria; personal update

4 Oct 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to N Asikiwe, Lagos
            congratulations on election as 1st President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
            update on classmates at Lincoln College

16 Oct 1963  N Asikiwe, Lagos, to FAD, Kaduna
              invitation to visit state house while in Nigeria

21 Nov 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to N Asikiwe, Lagos
              appreciation of consideration
              excitement among office staff about connection

4 Feb 1964  N Asikiwe, Lagos, to FAD, Kaduna
            attached copy of clipping: The Washington Afro-American featuring FAD, Jr.

22 Feb 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to N Asikiwe, Lagos
              appreciation of gesture

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Folder 18: Nigeria Correspondence: Musa Biu, house employee
21 Aug 1962  Musa Biu, Kaduna, to FAD, Kaduna
             request pay advance; take wife back to her home to give birth

26 Feb 1963  Musa Biu, Kaduna, to BHD, Kaduna
             pay scale; hired as gardener but now working as a small boy

4 Oct 1963  Musa Biu, Kaduna, to FAD and BHD, Kaduna
             request pay advance; child seriously ill

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Folder 19: Nigeria Correspondence: Letters to Other Family and Friends
4 Apr 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to –
            partial draft of general letter on arrival and initial activities

21 Apr 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to group of friends (bridge club?) in U.S.
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descriptive regions of Nigeria
description of Kaduna; building practices for homes and roads; living conditions
new work schedule; social events and acquaintances

22 Apr 1962 FAD, Kaduna, to “The Eight Aces”
impressions—social and geographic—of various regions of Nigeria
building practices for homes and roads; living conditions; language

23 Apr 1962 FAD, Kaduna, to “Dallas and Other Archons of Gamma Boulé”
impressions of Kaduna; experience of arrival
building practices for homes and roads; living conditions; language
culinary anecdotes and impressions

24 Apr 1962 FAD, Kaduna, to Senora and Ralph Reckling (SRD’s parents), Baltimore
impressions of Nigeria
new work and schedule at Ministry of Education

13 May 1962 FAD, Kaduna, to “Dear Relatives”
impressions of Kaduna; experience of arrival
building practices for homes and roads; living conditions; language
culinary anecdotes and impressions
description of house and furnishings of Nigerian residence

24 Jun 1962 FAD, Kaduna, to “Dear Friends”
impressions of Kaduna; experience of arrival; unwarranted health concerns
building practices for homes and roads; living conditions; language
culinary anecdotes and impressions
description of house and yard of Nigerian residence

14 May 1963 Tommy, The Dungalow, Ghion, Ethiopia, to FAD and BHD, Kaduna
group letter on life as Peace Corps Volunteer (includes Paul Tsongas)
description of members of group, progress on projects, goals and life

6 Jun 1963 FAD, Kaduna, to Marie and Tom, Baltimore
national affairs in U.S. and reactions in Nigerian newspapers
update on professional acquaintances and FAD’s work

15 Jul 1963 Emmie Clement Gilkes, Baltimore, to FAD and BHD, Kaduna
update on summer activities
investigation into “integrated” public schools in Baltimore

23 Jul 1963 FAD, Kaduna, to Roy
train trip to Ibadan (largest city in Africa), geographical descriptions

5 Sep 1963 FAD, Kaduna, to “Dear Relatives and Friends”
“A Brief Sketch of Northern Nigeria”
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overview of work at the Ministry of Education

16 Sep 1963  T. Hawkins, Philadelphia, to FAD and BHD, Kaduna
update on family and friends

8 Oct 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to Dallas F. Nicholas, Baltimore
review of daily work schedule
news of family and friends
notes on recent vacation in Rome

9 Feb 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to Genie [DeCosta Higgins], Charleston
recent death of son, Robert [Bobby] Higgins
plans for return to United States

4 Apr 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to Tom
plans for return to U.S.

12 May 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to Mrs. Mary Cushing Niles, Baltimore
receipt of letter; update on BHD’s return itinerary

26 May 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to Mr. E.M. Baker, Columbia, SC
receipt of letter, thoughts on Baker’s upcoming visit to Africa

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Folder 20: Nigeria Correspondence: Colleagues at Morgan State College
22 Apr 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to Miss Cook, Baltimore (Morgan State)
impresions of Kaduna, language
educational efforts underway in Nigeria
Peace Corps volunteers from Morgan

22 Apr 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to Regina, --
adjustment to new work schedule

3 May 1962  Edward N. Wilson, Registrar, Morgan State, to FAD, Kaduna
receipt of correspondence
referral of renter

14 May 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to Ed Wilson, Baltimore
anecdotes of government expense reimbursement processing procedures
general discussion on family, friends, and future activities

14 May 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to Elizabeth and Martin Jenkins, Baltimore
work at the Ministry of Education; details on collection of statistics
thoughts on improving the system
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<td>issues of improving urban education in Baltimore; update on Morgan State staff and campus activities</td>
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<td>issues of improving urban education in Baltimore and Nigeria; news of family and friends; Americans/African Americans living and working in Nigeria; Hausa language</td>
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<td>31 Mar 1963</td>
<td>FAD, Kaduna, to Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, Baltimore (President of Morgan State)</td>
<td>response to materials sent by Jenkins; plans for end of tour; general news</td>
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<td>FAD, Kaduna, to Dr. Albert Whiting, Morgan State, Baltimore</td>
<td>education systems and practices in Nigeria; culture and daily life in Kaduna</td>
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<td>Albert Whiting, Morgan State, Baltimore, to FAD, Kaduna</td>
<td>general news; update on staffing at Morgan State College</td>
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<td>30 Aug 1963</td>
<td>FAD, Kaduna, to Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, Morgan State, Baltimore</td>
<td>upcoming vacation in Europe; update in plans for return to employment to Morgan State</td>
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<td>13 Dec 1963</td>
<td>FAD, Kaduna, to Dr. Edward Wilson, Morgan State, Baltimore</td>
<td>congratulations on appointment to Maryland State Board of Education</td>
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<td>11 Jan 1964</td>
<td>FAD, Kaduna, to Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, Morgan State, Baltimore</td>
<td>declination of tour of Liberia with USAID; purchase of souvenirs</td>
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<td>11 Mar 1964</td>
<td>FAD, Kaduna, to Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, Morgan State, Baltimore (2 copies)</td>
<td>accept new position of Dean of Graduate Studies at Morgan State; update on work and status of plans for return to U.S.</td>
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<td>27 Apr 1964</td>
<td>FAD, Kaduna, to Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, Morgan State, Baltimore</td>
<td>permit to transport souvenir “antiquities” from country</td>
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26 May 1964  
FAD, Kaduna, to Dr. Harold Delaney, Morgan State, Baltimore  
thank you for card from Morgan State staff; preparations for return

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<td>update on family and friends</td>
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<td>12 Jan 1963</td>
<td>Dorothy Atkins, Cuttington College, Monrovia, Liberia, to FAD &amp; BHD, Kaduna</td>
<td>description of campus; student make up; Episcopal Mission letter of introduction for Dr. Howard Collins, Professor of English at Cuttington</td>
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<td>7 Apr 1963</td>
<td>FAD, Kaduna, to Bishop Edgar A. Love, Baltimore</td>
<td>appreciation for introduction to Mr. Tuyo difficulty of locating phone numbers in Nigeria, British system ethnic and international make-up of teachers in Nigerian</td>
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<td>1 Oct 1963</td>
<td>Angella Greene, at sea, to FAD and BHD, Kaduna</td>
<td>overview of trip (with Art) and ports of call</td>
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<td>5 Nov 1963</td>
<td>FAD, Kaduna, to Arthur Greene, USAID, Monrovia</td>
<td>quick update</td>
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<td>FAD, Kaduna, to Larry, buyer for and planned sale of Larry’s auto</td>
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<td>FAD, Kaduna, to “The President,” N.B.C. Social Club, Kaduna</td>
<td>thank you for enjoyable day at Boxing Day Picnic</td>
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<td>13 Feb 1964</td>
<td>Thelma and Fats [Whitehead], Lagos, to FAD and BHD, Kaduna</td>
<td>update on family and friends USAID wives’ visit to Kaduna</td>
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<td>FAD, Kaduna, to Dr. and Mrs. Edmund Ford, USAID, Lagos</td>
<td>thank you; preparations for return to U.S.</td>
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<td>FAD, Kaduna, to Dr. and Mrs. James Ford, USAID, Lagos</td>
<td>thank you</td>
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<td>James Kearns, USAID, Lagos, to FAD, Kaduna</td>
<td>plans for return to U.S. as tour with USAID comes to an end interest in applying for position(s) at Morgan State in Baltimore</td>
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<td>6 May 1964</td>
<td>R.A. Ibitomi, University of Ghana, Achimota, to FAD, Kaduna</td>
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thank you for good work:
FAD for Nigerian education, BHD on behalf of the women of Northern Nigeria

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Folder 22: Nigeria Correspondence: Other Personal & Professional

1 Aug 1962  FAD, Kaduna, to Mr. M. Neary, Washington
auto insurance policy

26 Mar 1963  J. McTyeire Daniel, Columbia, SC, to FAD, Kaduna
brief greeting and update

9 Apr 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to J. McTyeire Daniel, Columbia, SC
overview of work at Nigerian Ministry of Education
brief overview of Nigerian geography, culture, and language

20 Apr 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to Minolta Processing Station, Philadelphia
cover letter for film and payment for development

23 Dec 1963  FAD, Kaduna, to Dr. Howard Jordan, Savannah State College
congratulations on position of President of Savannah State College

26 May 1964  FAD, Kaduna, to Mr. David Chewning, Washington, DC
introductions to key individuals at U.S. institutes for recruiting

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Folder 23: Group 13, Professional 1965

11 Mar 1965  Patricia Schwarzwalder, USAID, to FAD, Baltimore
attached clipping from Front Lines; presentation to service award to FAD

19 Mar 1965  Richard McKinney, Morgan State, to FAD, Baltimore
appreciation of lecture presented to Planning Committee

23 Mar 1965  Merle Tate, University of Pennsylvania, to FAD, Baltimore
attached copy of book review

1 Apr 1965  FAD, Baltimore, to Dr. Robert Jenkins, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
proposed leave-of-absence at Morgan State for special project at Carbondale

2 Apr 1965  David Chewning, Washington, DC, to FAD, Baltimore
congratulations on AID Meritorious Honor Award

21 Jul 1965  Larry Thomson, USAID, Washington, DC, to FAD, Baltimore
enclosed award

23 Jul 1965  FAD, Baltimore, to Larry Thomson, USAID, Washington, DC
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thank you

13 Nov 1965  John T. Graves, New York Community College, to FAD, Baltimore
   possible appointment of FAD to presidency of New York Community College

22 Nov 1965  FAD, Baltimore, to John T. Graves, New York Community College
   thank you; happy to provide information for consideration

7 Dec 1965   FAD, Baltimore, to Dr. B.F. McLaurin, New York Community College
   attached copy of vita for selection committee members

13 Dec 1965  B.F. McLaurin, New York Community College, to FAD, Baltimore
   receipt of vita copies

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Folder 24: Group 13, Personal 1965
24 May 1965  BHD, Baltimore, to Catherine and Bill Gordon, Montgomery, Ala.
   request help to resolve conflict with FAD

22 Aug 1965  FAD, Rome, to BHD, Baltimore
   en route to Nigeria [Ford Foundation Research Project]
   awaiting passport clearance of colleague
   talk of Los Angeles riots

22 Aug 1965  FAD, Rome, to BHD, Baltimore
   en route to Nigeria
   passing time as awaiting passport clearance of colleague

4 Sep 1965   FAD, Rome, to BHD, Baltimore
   itinerary for return trip to Baltimore

18 Sep 1965  Ephraim Obot, Rome, to FAD, Baltimore
   general update of activities; interest in materials about education in north

1 Nov 1965   FAD, Baltimore, to Augusta Building and Loan Association, Baltimore
   final payment on mortgage for 2711 Elsinore

nd 1965      FAD to BHD
   card

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Folder 25: Group 14, Professional 1966-1972
7 Feb 1966    Mrs. Rayford, Ryan, Newark, NJ, to FAD, Baltimore
   suggest FAD apply for position of superintendent of Newark City Schools
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14 Feb 1966  FAD, Baltimore, to Mrs. Rayford Ryan, Newark  
thank you; declination

10 May 1966  FAD, Baltimore, to Dr. Marvin Wachman, President, Lincoln University  
alumni financial pledges

30 May 1966  FAD, Baltimore, to Wilk Peters, Morgan State, Baltimore  
appreciation of many years service on retirement

6 Jun 1967  FAD, Baltimore, to “Frank”  
suggest taking position as FAD’s assistant at Morgan State Graduate School

12 Nov 1968  Lila J. Boyce, The Union Memorial Hospital, Baltimore, to FAD, Baltimore  
welcome to the Hospital’s Board of Directors

11 Jul 1969  FAD, Baltimore [Morgan State], to BHD, Tucson [University of Arizona]  
day’s activities

welcome to the Board of Directors of Union Memorial Hospital

Board of Directors’ meeting schedule

6 Aug 1970  Elinor Bacon, Baltimore, to FAD, Baltimore  
interest in future openings at Greater Homewood Community Corporation

19 Nov 1970  James Campbell, Jr., Greater Homewood Community Corp., to FAD, Baltimore  
FAD’s position as chairman of Health Committee

25 Jan 1971  Edward Hinman, MD, Greater Homewood Community Corp., to FAD, Balt.  
regret at FAD’s resignation from Board and wish for improved health

Box 2: Correspondence
Folder 26: Group 14, Personal 1966-1972

1 Sep 1967  FAD, Baltimore, to Robert Scheidt, Metropolitan Life Insurance  
discontinuation of policy

15 May 1968  FAD, Baltimore, to Miriam DeCosta Seabrook (sister), Charleston  
thank you for hospitality on recent visit  
general news on family and friends

6 Mar 1969  FAD, Baltimore, to Bettye M. Moss, Afro-American Newspaper, Baltimore  
thank you for recent article on FAD, Jr.
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10 Jul 1969  
FAD, Baltimore [Morgan State], to BHD, Tucson [University of Arizona]  
general news  
dental visit; housekeeping

2 May 1972  
FAD, Baltimore, to Harry Freeman, The Channing Funds, Houston  
concerns about market investment

1 Jun 1972  
FAD, Baltimore, to Channing Company, Inc., Houston  
request sale of FAD and BHD shares if growth fund

14 Jun 1972  
FAD, Baltimore, to Augusta Building and Loan Association, Baltimore  
instructions for account

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5. reunion program, class of 1940, 1990
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7. Teacher’s Bulletin, nd
8. certification of AMA work experience, 1943
9. program from opening ceremonies for Avery Research Center for African American History and Culture, 1990

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1. “Commencement Notes,” 1954
2. “Convocation of University Council for the Conferring of Degrees,” 13 Feb 1954 (4 copies, 1 with ticket attached)
3. “One Hundred and Ninety-Eighth Commencement for the Conferring of Degrees,” 16 Jun 1954
4. Article, “Psychological Statistics—A Review,” written by FAD’s favorite professor at University of Pennsylvania, Merle W. Tate
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Box 3: Educational Materials
Folder 13: Philosophiae Doctoris, University of Pennsylvania
1 item: FAD diploma, 13 Feb 1954

Box 3: Educational Materials
Folder 14: Announcement Clippings, 1954
2. "F.A. DeCosta Awarded Ph.D. Degree."

Box 3: Educational Materials
Folder 15: Morgan State College

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Folder 16: Vita of FAD
1 item: Vita, 11 Jun 1970 (2 copies)

Box 3: Educational Materials
Folder 17: Miscellaneous Clippings

Box 4: Publications, Conference Papers, Reports, and Speeches by FAD
Folder 1: Book

Box 4: Publications, Conference Papers, Reports, and Speeches by FAD
Folder 2: Related to Between Two Worlds
2. "A Review of Between Two Worlds"
4. review by Bettye Lee Johnson, The Afro-American, nd.

Box 4: Publications, Conference Papers, Reports, and Speeches by FAD
Folder 3: Manual

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Folder 4: Monograph
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Folder 9: Article
“The Relative Enrollment of Negroes in Common Schools in the United States.” The Journal of Negro Education (Summer 1953). (Photocopy)

Box 4: Publications, Conference Papers, Reports, and Speeches by FAD
Folder 10: Article

Box 4: Publications, Conference Papers, Reports, and Speeches by FAD
Folder 11: Article

Box 4: Publications, Conference Papers, Reports, and Speeches by FAD
Folder 12: Paper
“Test Performance of Seniors in Non-Accredited High Schools as a Measure of Their College Success.” Montgomery, Alabama: Conference of Alabama Colleges. May 1957. (Photocopy)
Box 4: Publications, Conference Papers, Reports, and Speeches by FAD

Folder 13: Report: Phelps-Stokes Fund
2. "Phelps-Stokes Fund Project for Improvement of Instruction in Secondary Schools: Background of the Project," 1954. (Project directed by FAD, 3 copies)

Folder 14: Related to Phelps-Stokes Fund
2. clipping: "DeCosta named fund consultant," nd

Folder 15: Speech

Folder 16: Related to "The Teacher's Responsibility..."

Folder 17: Speech
"Teacher Image in a Changing World," nd. (Handwritten copy)

Folder 18: Speech
"Student Pressures—Today and Yesterday," ca. 1965. (Typed copy)

Folder 19: Speech
"Africa, Asia and the Development Decade," ca. 1965. (Typed copy)

Folder 20: Speech

Folder 21: Speech
Box 4: Publications, Conference Papers, Reports, and Speeches by FAD
Folder 22: Speech
"Tribute to Dr. Albert N. Whiting," 2 May 1967.

Box 4: Publications, Conference Papers, Reports, and Speeches by FAD
Folder 23: Speech
"For Dr. Harold Dulany at his Farewell Ceremony on Leaving Morgan State University," 8 May 1968. (Typed copy)

Box 4: Publications, Conference Papers, Reports, and Speeches by FAD
Folder 24: Speech

Box 4: Publications, Conference Papers, Reports, and Speeches by FAD
Folder 25: Worksheet

Box 5: Nigerian Materials
Folder 1: Appointment Announcement
2 items clippings: “Going to Nigeria,” The News and Courier, Charleston, SC, nd (original and copy); “Dr. DeCosta named to Nigerian education post” (original and copy)

Box 5: Nigerian Materials
Folder 2: Personal
1. “our address in Nigeria” (2 copies)
2. FAD’s “Driving Licence” from Nigeria
3. list of 100 letters sent 5 Sep, handwritten by FAD
4. flyer, Boxing at Kaduna Community Center, 24 Feb 1963
5. telegraph announcing birth of FAD, III, 12 Jul 1963
6. note to BHD: thank you for help with Women’s League dance, 9 Dec 1963
8. flyer, blood drive, Apr 1964
9. copy of 3 photos, FAD in Nigeria
10. flyer, Ogunde Concert Party, nd
11. Hausa Language reader: Aliyu de Famadatu, Oxford University Press, nd

Box 5: Nigerian Materials
Folder 3: Invitations
15 items: including invitations to various official government programs and social events

Box 5: Nigerian Materials
Folder 4: Programs
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4 items: including installation ceremonies of government officials and state celebration

Box 5: Nigerian Materials
Folder 5: Office Materials
6 items: including statistic schedule, notes, schedule for workshop, USAID performance rating, and 2 newsletters

Box 5: Nigerian Materials
Folder 6: Government Publications
1. “An Article on Primary Education and School Curricula for Primary School Teachers”
2. “Guide to Procedure: Chapters I-XIV”
5. “Address by the Hon. Premier on the 5th Anniversary of Self-Government on 16th of March, 1964”

Box 5: Nigerian Materials
Folder 7: Awards and Conclusion of Service
1. U.S. Department of State, Foreign Service Institute: completion of seminar, Mar 1962
2. clipping: “New Morgan grad school dean ending 2-year African project,” nd
4. transcript of radio interview given by FAD in Kaduna near tour’s end, nd
5. Patrick O’Sheel, American Consul, to Department of State: recommend commendation for FAD, 6 Jul 1964
6. press release: “‘Chicken’ Davis, Dr. DeCosta Awarded Honors by AID, 17 Feb 1965

Box 6: Professional & Civic Life, Legacy
Folder 1: Morgan State College Activities
2. memo: acceptance of invitation to participate in Ford Foundation’s survey on teaching English in Nigeria, 22 Apr 1965
3. 3 letters (total 8 pages): efforts to establish Phi Beta Kappa Charters at Morgan State College and Lincoln University, Sep 1967
4. letter of appreciation from graduate student, 18 Jun 1969
5. copy of news clipping: “Increase in Morgan grad school,” nd

Box 6: Professional & Civic Life, Legacy
Folder 2: Morgan State College Contracts
8 pages: including advisements of contract renewal and addendum, c. 1963-1969

Box 6: Professional & Civic Life, Legacy
Folder 3: Morgan State College Foundation
photo: “Those Who Cared Enough to Give the First $5,000,” Apr-May 1971
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Box 6: Professional & Civic Life, Legacy
Folder 4: The Union Memorial Hospital Board of Directors
1 item: list of Board Members, 1968-1969

Box 6: Professional & Civic Life, Legacy
Folder 5: Baltimore City Jail Board
1. letter of appointment to seat on Board, 1 Jun 1971
2. notice of City Council hearing for approval, 2 Jun 1971
3. certificate of appointment from Mayor Thomas J. D’Alesandro, III, 10 Jun 1971
4. enclosure note from Mayor Thomas J. D’Alesandro, III, 17 Jun 1971
5. “Report on an Investigation of Complaints by George Haskell and other Inmates in the R-Section of the Baltimore City Jail,” by FAD with cover letter, 17 Apr 1972 (6 pages, 2 copies)
6. agenda for Board meeting, 19 Apr 1972
7. copy of Civil Action No. 71-500-K (Collins v. Schoonfield) concerning conditions (constitutional deficiencies) at Baltimore City Jail, 15 May 1972 (28 pages)
8. report by FAD of inquiry into charges made by inmates at Baltimore City Jail, 6 Jun 1972
9. letter to Board members on action pursuant to Collins v. Schoonfield, 12 Jun 1972
10. copy of news clipping, “First 2 Negro captains sworn in at City Jail,” nd (FAD quoted)

Box 6: Professional & Civic Life, Legacy
Folder 6: White House Telegram
1 item: telegram from Robert J. Brown, Special Assistant to the President, request FAD’s presence at briefing of minority leaders, 1 Mar 1972

Box 6: Professional & Civic Life, Legacy
Folder 7: Newspaper Clippings

Box 6: Professional & Civic Life, Legacy
Folder 8: Morgan State University Scholarships

Box 6: Professional & Civic Life, Legacy
Folder 9: Lincoln University Scholarships
1. Commencement Program, 3 May 1981 with recipient of FAD Scholarship noted
2. Student Honors Convocation Program, 15 Mar 1995 with recipients of FAD Scholarships (2) noted
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Box 6: Professional & Civic Life, Legacy
Folder 10: South Carolina State University—Historical Collection
1 item: letter to MDW in appreciation of donation of materials to collection: copy of DeCosta family history and remembrance written by MDW, *Looking over at Arbutus*

Box 6: Professional & Civic Life, Legacy
Folder 11: Publication References

Box 6: Professional & Civic Life, Legacy
Folder 12: Documentation
1 item: unidentified copy of photos of prominent Charleston African Americans, includes FAD as first Averyite to become permanent principal of facility, nd

Series III—Personal and Family (Boxes 7, 8, and 9)

Box 7: Death and Funeral Documents
Folder 1: Funeral Program
1. funeral program: "Service of Tribute for Frank Augustus DeCosta, Sr.,” 23 Jun 1972 (2 copies)
2. funeral service card

Box 7: Death and Funeral Documents
Folder 2: Obituaries/Eulogies/Tributes to FAD
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Folder 3: Death and Funeral Documents for FAD
1. Certificate of Death (3 copies), Baltimore City Health Department, 19 Jun 1972.
2. Physician’s Service Report, Maryland Blue Shield, 18 Jun 1972.
5. receipt: The Centenary United Methodist Church, Charleston, SC. Copy for full-page memoriam in “The Celebration of New Birth,” 120th anniversary program, nd.

Box 7: Death and Funeral Documents

Folder 4: Unity and Friendship Society Materials

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Folder 5: Correspondence/Condolence, BHD
6 Jul 1972 Samuel Nabrit, The Southern Fellowship Fund, Atlanta, to BHD, Baltimore
condolence

6 Jul 1972 Leroy Johnson, Lincoln University, to BHD, Baltimore
condolence; cover for copies of eulogy

28 Jul 1972 Walter S. Olinsky, President, Baltimore City Council, to BHD, Baltimore
condolence

1 Feb 1973 Verne A. Stadtman, Washington, to FAD, Baltimore
(Assistant Director Carnegie Commission on Higher Education)
update on commission summary report
request for personal information for publication

14 Feb 1973 BHD, Baltimore, to Verne Stadtman, Carnegie Commission
enclosed vita and update in contact information

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Folder 6: Correspondence/Condolence to FAD, Jr.
20 Jun 1972 Clarence Mitchell, NAACP, Director, Washington Bureau

20 Jun 1972 J.H. Hammerman, II (Bud), Baltimore

26 Jun 1942 Goodloe E. Byron, House of Representatives, Washington, DC
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**Box 7: Death and Funeral Documents**

**Folder 7: Correspondence/Thank You Letters from FAD, Jr.**

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30 Jun 1972  Doug Shivis
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30 Jun 1972  Fred Oken
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30 Jun 1972  Hy and Ethel Ukiss
30 Jun 1972  Ed and Sue Dickey
30 Jun 1972  Mary Dee Beall
30 Jun 1972  Bob Weinburg; Milton Schiller
30 Jun 1972  Jim; Lawgrad W&G
30 Jun 1972  Dick and Jacqueline Wolf

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13 Jul 1972  Ricky and Bobby Baker
14 Jul 1972  John Mackay and Charlie Burns
14 Jul 1972  Charlie and Bob Bryant
14 Jul 1972  Gus and Ginny Constantine
14 Jul 1972  Morty Rosen and Mickey Esterson
14 Jul 1972  Mr. and Mrs. Lerner
17 Jul 1972  Dr. Sensenbaugh
17 Jul 1972  Belford
17 Jul 1972  Morris
17 Jul 1972  Bill

Box 8: Personal Financial Materials
Folder 1: Family Budget and Payments, c. 1948
2 items: including 1948 household budget master and handwritten list of payments made

Box 8: Personal Financial Materials
Folder 2: Family Notes: Assistance to Harold DeCosta (brother), c. 1948
14 pages: including family and outside correspondence regarding Harold’s health and expenses; financial statements; contribution summaries
Box 8: Personal Financial Materials
Folder 3: Finances of Harold DeCosta (brother), c. 1948
14 items: miscellaneous receipts
44 items: cancelled checks

Box 8: Personal Financial Materials
Folder 4: Account Book for Harold DeCosta (brother), c. 1948
1 item: account book with handwritten entries of contributions and expenses

Box 8: Personal Financial Materials
Folder 5: Personal Bonds, 1945-1956
1 item: detailed list of bonds purchased 1945-1956 (2 copies)

Box 8: Personal Financial Materials
22 pages: including correspondence, contracts, and handwritten notes regarding sale and transfer of Orangeburg lots previously held by FAD

Box 8: Personal Financial Materials
Folder 7: Orangeburg Property, 1955-1962
40 pages: including correspondence with N.R. Smith, attorney, re: property transfer

Box 8: Personal Financial Materials
Folder 8: 2711 Elsinore Avenue, Baltimore, MD, 1957
15 pages: including correspondence with Truly Hatchett, realtor, re: property purchase

Box 8: Personal Financial Materials
Folder 9: Financial Holdings of FAD and BHD, 1967
2 items: including savings deposit book and "Summary Description of the Financial Holdings of Frank A. DeCosta and Beautine H. DeCosta; September 1, 1967" (3 copies)

Box 8: Personal Financial Materials
Folder 10: Check Stubs, 1968-1969
50 pages: including check stubs (3 per page) written 1 Mar 1968 through 17 Jan 1969

Box 8: Personal Financial Materials
Folder 11: Miscellaneous Financial Notes, 1962-1969
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14 items: including notes for financial management of assets while in Nigeria and various summary of account sheets

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 1: FAD Materials (some duplication earlier in collection)
  1. copy of birth certificate verification, 10 May 1943
  2. note from FAD to student, Avery class of 1940, in autograph book (2 copies)
  3. Vita, nd (3 pages)
  4. AMA materials from Amistad Archives (23 pages)
  6. autobiographical sketch (3 pages)

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 2: FAD’s Mathematical Notes
11 pages: handwritten notes: equations and calculations

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 3: Marriage: FAD to BH
1 item: Marriage Certificate, 10 Jan 1934

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 4: Family of FAD and BHD
20 pages: including typed and handwritten notes made by BHD remembering her life and family with FAD; copy of letters written to FAD by MD and FAD, Jr., c. 1944; family tree of descendents; wedding announcement of BHD’s second marriage, to Major Richard Lee, nd

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 5: DeCosta Family History
19 pages: including letters and handwritten notes on family research; family memories of Miriam DeCosta Seabrook (FAD’s sister) as recorded by MDW

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 6: DeCosta Family Research
36 pages: including handwritten and photocopied notes from DeCosta Family census and directory research; handwritten family tree

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 7: DeCosta Family Historical Documents
  1. Hetty Bell Chisolm’s (FAD’s great-grandmother) Deposit Book from Freedman’s Savings and Trust Company, Charleston, SC, 1867-1875
  2. receipt: sale of one lot, number 103, in Zion Cemetery from Zion Presbyterian Church, Charleston, to Martha Costa, 17 Jan 1871

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3. receipt: sale of casket to Mr. Benjamin R. DaCoster, 3 Aug 1887
4. receipt: sale of one lot, number 29 in 2nd section, in Zion Presbyterian Church Cemetery from Zion Presbyterian Church, Charleston, to Martha DeCosta, 28 Mar 1898
5. receipt: sale of one lot in Zion Cemetery to Mrs. A. Decosta, 3 Apr 1911

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 8: Anna H. DeCosta Documents
1. envelope with handwritten note identifying other two (2) documents
2. handwritten letter from Bennie DeCosta to Anna (FAD’s parents), 10 Apr 1904
3. South Carolina Voter Registration Certificate issued to Anna DeCosta, 9 Sep 1920

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 9: Deeds, Bonds, and Land Holdings
1. receipt: sale of Lot # 4 by Charleston Land Co., back signed by “Beny Decoster,” nd
2. deed for acquisition of Rosemont property by Anna DeCosta at bankruptcy of Benjamin R. DeCosta, 2 Mar 1910
3. bond: loan of $600 to Anna DeCosta, 16 May 1910
4. bond: mortgage of $1,000 to Anna DeCosta against Rosemont property, 18 Oct 1911

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 10: Eugenia (Genie) DeCosta Higgins (FAD’s sister)
2. Last Will and Testament of Eugenia D. Higgins, 21 Jul 1988 (6 pages)

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 11: Funeral Memorabilia of Family Members
1. funeral program: Dr. Herbert Ulysses Seabrook, 1924-1970, son of Miriam DeCosta Seabrook (FAD’s sister), 18 Apr 1970
2. funeral program: Daisy DeCosta Caffey, 1892-1977 (FAD’s sister), 8 Dec 1977 (1 original and 1 copy)
3. funeral program: Eugenia DeCosta Higgins, 1898-1993 (FAD’s sister), 16 Apr 1993
5. funeral program: Dr. L. Bennett Caffey, Jr., 1924-1997, son of Daisy DeCosta Caffey (FAD’s sister), 27 Feb 1997 (in his youth, Bennett lived with FAD’s family in Florence, Alabama and Charleston)
6. eulogy: given for Bennett Caffey by Herbert A. DeCosta, Jr. (FAD’s nephew), 27 Feb 1997 (3 pages)
7. “Remembering Bennett,” written by Miriam (MDW), nd

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 12: Contact Information
2 pages: contact information for family members recorded from reunion, 8-10 Jul 1983
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Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 13: 1995 Reunion Correspondence
37 pages: including correspondence and attachments (i.e. “The Benjamin DeCosta Family History” and activity plans) from planning and wrap-up communications about reunion

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 14: 1995 Reunion Paperwork
12 pages: including rooming lists, financial worksheets, and proof sheets for reunion program

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 15: 1995 Reunion Registration Folder
1. folder and ID tag for MDW
2. Dinner Program, 21 Jul 1995
3. Activity Schedule (2 pages)
4. “DeCosta Family Reunion Tour” (4 pages)
5. news clipping: photo of MDW's grandchildren at White Point Garden, Charleston, during reunion, from The Commercial Appeal, 15 Oct 1995
6. copy of group photo: attending FAD family and descendents (original in collection photographs) w/ identifications
7. copy of group photo of reunion attendees (original in collection photographs)

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 16: Family History Booklet
1 item: book distributed at reunion, The Martha & Benjamin DeCosta Family History (Charleston, Jul 1995), a history of DeCosta ancestors and the families/descendents of the eleven children of Anna and Benjamin DeCosta as compiled by family members, includes narrative and family trees

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 17: Brown Fellowship Society
1. memo from Herbert DeCosta, Jr. (FAD's nephew) about event to observe the 200th anniversary of the founding of the Brown Fellowship Society of Charleston, with registration form, 1990
2. information on Charleston Black Burial Societies (2 pages)
4. “The Occasion,” copy of talk delivered by Herbert DeCosta, Jr. at Celebration (2 pages)
5. booklet, “Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Brown Fellowship Society,” from Celebration, includes information on Charleston history, The Brown Fellowship Society, The Humane Brotherhood, and copies of rules/regulations (printed 1844) and select minutes from The Brown Fellowship Society, 1990
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Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 18: Family and Business of Herbert DeCosta (FAD’s brother)
1. H. A. DeCosta Company business card of Herbert DeCosta, Jr., nd
2. Historical Award from NAMC/CAB to H. A. DeCosta Company, nd (2 copies)
4. “The DeCosta Story,” written by Emily S. DeCosta, 14 Jun 1979

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 19: Career of Benjamin R. DeCosta, III
8 pages: various newspaper clippings featuring Benjamin R. DeCosta, III (grand-nephew of FAD), Chief of Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport. c. 1998

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 20: Career of Robert Higgins, Jr.
2 pages: clipping from Detroit News featuring lung transplant performed by Dr. Robert Higgins, Jr. (grand-nephew of FAD, grandson of FAD’s sister, Eugenia Higgins), 4 Jun 1995

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 21: Career of Paula Caffey

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Folder 22: Career of Erika Sugarmon
1 page: article about professional training completed by Erica Sugarmon (FAD’s granddaughter, daughter of MDW)

Box 9: The DeCosta Family
Folder 23: DeCosta Family Friends and Associates
1. clipping about Anna DeCosta Banks (1869-1930) from Heart and Soul (Spring 1994); not related to DeCosta family, but worked with Dr. Herbert Seabrook (FAD’s brother-in-law) at the Hospital and Training School for Nurses (McClennon-Banks Hospital) on Cannon Street in Charleston

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2. clipping from *The Atlanta Journal*, Dixie Living Section; "Portrait of an Artist" about Elise and Edwin Harleston of New York and Charleston, close friends of several DeCosta family members

Series IV—Photographs and Miscellaneous Artifacts (Boxes 10 and 11)

Box 10: Miscellaneous Artifacts

1. Address Book
2. T-Shirt 1995 DeCosta Family Reunion
4. Film Twelve (12 unidentified negatives)
5. Insignia Lincoln University athletic letter
6. ID Cards includes Department of State (c. 1961), City Jail Board of Baltimore (10 Jun 1971), Charleston County Health Department (19 Apr 1965), Passport photo (nd)
7. Hat traditional Nigerian hat (kufi) frequently worn by FAD in Nigeria
8. Diary FAD, 1964
9. Journals *Nigeria Magazine* 71 (Dec 1961); *Nigeria Magazine* 78 (Sep 1963)
11. Yearbook *The South Carolina State University Bulldog*, 1955
13. Notebook “Slides” contains lists (content of slide carousels?) and misc. notes
15. Tapes four (4) reel-to-reel tapes, unidentified, nd
17. Portrait charcoal portrait of FAD by David Huatt, Aug 1966

Box 11: Photographs

Folder 1: Family

1. c 1875 Hetty Bell Chisolm (c 1818-1885), great-grandmother of FAD
2. c 1860 Benjamin R. DeCosta (c 1834- 12 Nov 1870), FAD's paternal grandfather, son of Hetty Bell Chisolm
3. c 1860 Martha Eugenia Adams DeCosta (1834-1915), wife of Benjamin R. DeCosta, grandmother of FAD
4. c 1860 Martha Eugenia Adams DeCosta (1834-1915), wife of Benjamin R. DeCosta, grandmother of FAD
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5  c 1875  Elizabeth M. DeCosta (1 Jul 1868-22 Oct 1884), daughter of Benjamin and Martha, aunt of FAD
6  c 1875  Benjamin R. DeCosta (1867-1911), son of Benjamin and Martha, FAD's father
7  c 1875  Benjamin R. DeCosta (1867-1911), son of Benjamin and Martha, FAD's father
8  c 1887  Benjamin R. DeCosta (1867-1911), son of Benjamin and Martha, FAD's father
9  c 1900  Herbert Alexander DeCosta (1894-1960) and Miriam Florelle DeCosta (1896-1992), FAD's siblings
10a c 1920  Anna Harrenburg DeCosta (1868-1928), FAD's mother, at 5 Rosemont
10b c 1920  Anna Harrenburg DeCosta (1868-1928), with son Harold (1907-1968)
10c c 1920  Anna Harrenburg DeCosta (1868-1928), with daughter Eugenia (1898-1993)
10d c 1920  Harold (1907-1968) and Eugenia (1898-1993) DeCosta, FAD's siblings
11a c 1920  Harold DeCosta (1907-1968)
11b c 1920  "Harold DeCosta (?)" with unidentified young lady
11c c 1920  "Harold and Allan McFall"
11d c 1920  "Harold DeCosta"
12a c 1920  "Harold"
12b c 1920  "Harold & Friends"
12c c 1920  "Harold & ?"
12d c 1920  "Thelma, 1st wife of Harold DeCosta"
13a c 1920  "Elizabeth DeCosta Sartor & Augustus Sartor on their wedding day"
13b c 1920  "Harold & friend"
13c c 1925  "with love your Brother St. Julian DeCosta, Chief DeCosta" (FAD's brother)
13d empty
14 c 1920  Elizabeth DeCosta Sartor (1887-1952), sister of FAD

Box 11: Photographs
Folder 2: Young FAD
1  1926  Avery Basketball Team, 1925-1926 (1-r: Archie Hunt, Wilmot Fraser, Herman Robinson, Charles Halloway, Frank DeCosta, John Simmons, Harold DeCosta, Walter Cole-Coach)
2  1926  Avery Basketball Team, 1925-1926 (FAD 2nd from R, Harold DeCosta, 5th from R)
3  1926  Avery Basketball Team, 1925-1926 (1-r: Archie Hunt, Wilmot Fraser, Herman Robinson, Charles Halloway, Frank DeCosta, John Simmons, Harold DeCosta, Walter Cole-Coach)
4  1926  Avery Basketball Team, 1925-1926 (FAD 2nd from R, Harold DeCosta, 5th from R)
5  c 1928  "Frank (probably at Lincoln)" with unidentified young man
6  c 1930  "To Miriam & Herbert from Frank" formal portrait
Collection of Frank Augustus DeCosta, 1910-1972

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**Folder 3: FAD at Lincoln University**

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**Folder 4: Avery, FAD’s Early Career**

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<td>D. Jack Moses, Charles Nicholas at others in front of Avery residence (54 Montagu Street, copy)</td>
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Folder 5: Family

1 1936  FAD & BHD at Coney Island Beach
2 c 1939  FAD, Jr. & MD in Charleston
3 c 1939  FAD, Jr. & MD at Avery residence in Charleston
4 c 1940  FAD, Jr. & MD at beach
5 c 1940  Laler DeCosta, II, baby picture (son of FAD's nephew, Laler, son of Benjamin DeCosta of New York)
6 c 1940  Herbert Ulysses Seabrook, formal portrait as a young man (FAD's nephew & Avery graduate, son of Miriam [DeCosta] & Herbert Seabrook of Charleston)
7 1941  Herbert DeCosta, Jr. formal portrait as a young man (FAD's nephew & Avery graduate, son of Herbert & Julia [Craft] DeCosta, Sr. of Charleston)
8a 1938  FAD at Coney Island
8b c 1940  FAD
8c nd  BHD, formal portrait
8d c 1938  FAD, BHD, with children in Boston
9a 1935  MD, infant picture
9b c 1936  "at grandma Hubert's in Savannah—Miriam" in high chair on front porch
9c c 1937  MD as very young girl
9d c 1938  FAD, Jr. at beach
10a c 1941  FAD, Jr. & MD in the trees
10b c 1938  at beach: Herbert Seabrook, Bernice DeCosta, Genie Higgins, Bobby Higgins, Miriam Seabrook, Miriam DeCosta, Beautine DeCosta
10c c 1938  at beach: Bobby, Miriam, and Beautine
10d c 1945  MD & FAD, Jr., portraits
11a c 1938  "Uncle Benny & Aunt Girtie" at beach with FAD, Jr.
11b c 1938  Bobby Higgins (FAD's nephew, son of Eugenia)
11c c 1938  Bobby Higgins (FAD's nephew, son of Eugenia)
11d c 1938  Bobby Higgins and his mother (FAD's sister), Eugenia at beach
12a c 1925  Charles & Laler (FAD's nephews), sons of Benjamin DeCosta
12b c 1935  Anna (FAD's niece, Benjamin's daughter) and her daughter, GeorgeAnn Hunter
12c c 1940  Harold DeCosta (1907-1968)
12d c 1945  Geraldine DeCosta, wife of Laler (FAD's nephew) in Orangeburg
13a c 1938  "Miriam with family friend in Charleston"
13b c 1940  Bernice DeCosta (FAD's niece, daughter of Herbert DeCosta, Sr. of Charleston)
13c c 1940  Avery students, featuring Herbert DeCosta, Jr. (FAD's nephew, bottom row, 2nd from right)
13d 1937  FAD in front of new car
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14a  c 1940  "DeCosta family gathering behind home of sister Lizzie on Ashley Ave. L to R: Augustus "Gus" Sartor, Miriam DeCosta Seabrook, FAD, BHD, Raymond "Ramón" DeCosta, Elizabeth "Lizzie" DeCosta Sartor, Dr. Herbert U. Seabrook"

14b  c 1940  "DeCosta family gathering behind home of sister Lizzie on Ashley Ave. L to R: Augustus "Gus" Sartor, Miriam DeCosta Seabrook, FAD, BHD, Raymond "Ramón" DeCosta, Elizabeth "Lizzie" DeCosta Sartor, Dr. Herbert U. Seabrook"

14c  1937  brother of FAD in front of new car (Ramón)

14d  1937  BHD with MD & FAD, Jr. and Ramón

Box 11: Photographs
Folder 6: Family
1a  1957  Eugenia "Genie" DeCosta Higgins (1898-1993), sister of FAD
1b  1954  FAD, BHD, MD, & FAD, Jr. as FAD, Jr. was going off to college at Howard
1c  empty
1d  empty
2  1947  "Chief" St. Julian DeCosta (1900-1964), FAD's brother (after sketch by Edwin "Teddy" Harleston)
3  c 1955  Herbert DeCosta (30 May 1894-15 Sep 1960), brother of FAD
4  1955  Wedding of MD to RS: Russell & Lessye Sugarmon, MDS & RS, BHD & FAD
5  1955  Wedding of MD to RS: FAD escorts Miriam down aisle
6  1955  Wedding of MD to RS: FAD escorts Miriam down aisle
7  1955  Wedding of MD to RS: MDS & RS exit church
8  c 1961  Tarik & Elena Sugarmon (FAD's grandchildren) in Memphis
9  c 1965  MDS graduation, pictured with RS and their children, Tarik, Elena, & Erika
10  c 1960  FAD & BHD in yard
11  1964  FAD and Family in Baltimore (back row: FAD, Jr., Senora, Russ; center row: FAD, BHD, MDS, & Elena; front row: Tarik, FAD, III, & Erika)
12  1964  FAD and Family in Baltimore (back row: FAD, Jr., Senora, Russ; center row: FAD, BHD, MDS, & Elena; front row: Tarik, FAD, III, & Erika)
13  c 1955  formal portrait of FAD, "Dr. DeCosta"
14  c 1955  DeCosta family home in Orangeburg, SC

Box 11: Photographs
Folder 7: FAD Education and Career
1  c 1955  formal portrait, FAD
2  1956  FAD in study of his Montgomery home
3a  c 1940  "FAD at Tuskegee"
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3b  c 1940  "FAD at Tuskegee"  
3c  c 1935  group of young men on steps (FAD bottom, right)  
3d  empty  
4a  c 1955  proof shot of formal portrait of FAD  
4b  c 1955  proof shot of formal portrait of FAD  
4c  c 1955  proof shot of formal portrait of FAD  
4d  c 1955  proof shot of formal portrait of FAD  
5 1954  FAD at Ph.D. ceremony, University of PA (2nd from left)  
6 1954  FAD in graduation attire  
7 1954  FAD in graduation attire, with BHD & FAD, Jr.  
8 1954  FAD with other Ph.D. recipients at University of PA  
9  c 1960  formal portrait of FAD at Morgan State  
10 c 1960  unidentified group of men (FAD in back)  
11 c 1965  unidentified group (FAD 2nd row, on left)  
12 1966  Boule Cocktails and Dinner in Baltimore (FAD in rear with glasses)  
13 c 1965  unidentified group photo (FAD in rear, BHD front, center)  
14 1964  FAD receives USAID Award for excellent work in Nigeria, others unidentified  
15 1964  FAD with unidentified USAID staff  
16 c 1970  FAD and unidentified gentleman present check  
17 1971  FAD presents copy of his book *Between Two Worlds* to Robert Brown, special assistant to President Richard Nixon  
18 1971  FAD & another gentleman are sworn in by Baltimore's Mayor J. D'Alesandro, III as members of Baltimore City Jail Board

Box 11: Photographs
Folder 8: Nigeria

1a  1962  FAD departs to Nigeria, with BHD at airport  
1b  1962  FAD departs to Nigeria, with BHD at airport  
1c  1962  FAD departs to Nigeria, with BHD at airport  
1d  1962  FAD departs to Nigeria, with BHD at airport  
2a  1962  "DeCosta home in Kaduna, Nigeria"  
2b  1962  "photo of Miriam (MDS) in Nigerian home"  
2c  1962  "Musa—the head servant, subordinate only to the cook"  
2d  1962  BHD boarding small plane  
3a  1962-3  FAD in Nigerian garden  
3b  1962-3  FAD, wearing kufi, in Nigerian garden  
3c  1962-3  FAD inspecting coconut tree  
3d  1962-3  FAD in garden with unidentified gentleman  
4  1962  FAD & BHD with three household staff members and their wives in Kaduna, Nigeria  
5a  1962-3  FAD getting hair cut in yard  
5b  1962-3  "one of the DeCosta's dinner parties"
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5c 1962-3 social event in Nigeria
5d 1962-3 outing with friends (FAD in back)
6a 1962-3 social event in Nigeria
6b 1962-3 social event in Nigeria
6c 1962-3 social event in Nigeria
6d 1962-3 social event in Nigeria
7a 1962-3 FAD in garden
7b 1962-3 "The cook in the DeCosta household—the most important of all"
7c 1962-3 unidentified Nigerian family
7d 1962-3 Nigerian landscape—marsh view
8a 1962-3 Nigerian landscape—river
8b 1962-3 Nigerian landscape—river
8c 1962-3 official ceremony in progress—photograph taken from crowd
8d 1962-3 official ceremony in progress—photograph taken from crowd
9a 1962-3 "Musa—3rd from left (writer of letter)"
9b 1962-3 official ceremony in progress—photograph taken from crowd
9c 1962-3 candid photo of FAD in group on Nigerian street
9d 1962-3 twelve negatives of photos: folder 8, sheets 7, 8, & 9
10a 1962-3 group photo, FAD tallest, in center back (USAID work group in Kaduna)
10b 1962-3 group photo, FAD tallest, in center back (USAID work group in Kaduna)
10c empty
10d 1962-3 "In Nigeria, Kaduna" (FAD)
11 1962-3 Official photo of ranking Nigerian officials, detail caption on back of photo
12 1963 USAID photo: FAD (with unidentified man) gesturing to map of Northern Nigerian Training Colleges
13 1963 USAID photo: FAD and unidentified gentlemen in USAID offices
14 1963 USAID photo: FAD directing an assistant at Ministry of Education
15 1962-3 group photo, FAD tallest, in back (USAID work group in Kaduna)
16 1962-3 group photo, FAD tallest, in center back (USAID work group in Kaduna)
17 1962-3 group photo, FAD tallest, in center back (USAID work group in Kaduna)

Box 11: Photographs
Folder 9: Nigeria

1 1962-3 Nigerian Greeting Card: photo of woman carrying basket
2 1962-3 Nigerian Greeting Card: photo of children at school
3 1962-3 Nigerian Greeting Card: photo of woman and child
4 1962-3 Nigerian Greeting Card: drawing of women processing grain
5 1962-3 Nigerian Greeting Card: drawing of women carrying wood
6 1962-3 Nigerian Greeting Card: drawing of women carrying bowls on heads
7 1962-3 Nigerian Greeting Card: drawing of men balancing sticks
8 1962-3 Nigerian Greeting Card: drawing of woman with child tied to waist
9 1962-3 Nigerian Greeting Card: drawing of man on donkey
10a 1962-3 Nigerian postcard: Nigeria "Miss Independence" 1960
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1c 1970  Mae Hubert Brooks, FAD, Erika, Elena, Tarik, Monique, & MDW at MDW's home in D.C.
1d 1972  FAD in driveway of his home on Elsinore in Baltimore
2a 1972  FAD's grandchildren around his coffin at funeral
2b 1972  FAD's grandchildren around his coffin at funeral
2c 1972  FAD's grandchildren around his coffin at funeral
2d 1972  FAD's grandchildren around his coffin at funeral
3a 1951  "daughters of Bernice DeCosta Davis" (FAD's niece, daughter of Herbert DeCosta, Sr.)
3b  nd   "FAD's grandniece—granddaughter of his brother Benny. Daughter of Anna DeCosta Hunter & George Hunter—with her daughter Kathy"
3c  c 1960  "Children of Carmen and Charles DeCosta—FAD's nephew"
3d  c 1965  unidentified group of children
4  1978  formal portrait of Daisy DeCosta Caffey, FAD's sister
5  1985  formal portrait of Miriam DeCosta Seabrook (FAD's sister)
6  c 1980  still shot of live oak trees; "Photo taken by FAD's nephew Bennett Caffey…"
7  c 1990  "granddaughter Senora DeCosta with her aunt" (daughter of FAD, Jr.)
8a  1998  "FAD III and Donna, FAD IV"
8b  c 2000  FAD IV
8c  1994  "Tanya and Jackie"
8d  1995  Tour of Avery Research Center during DeCosta Family Reunion
9  1988  "Frank A. DeCosta Award winner at Lincoln University, Award Day 1988" with BHD
10  1995  DeCosta Family Reunion Group Photo
11  1995  DeCosta Family Reunion Group Photo
12  1995  DeCosta Family Reunion BHD with MDW and her children and grandchildren (full identification on back)

Box 11: Photographs
Folder 12: Family Tin Types (photocopies)
1  nd  unidentified gentleman
2  c 1875  Benjamin Rhodes DeCosta (1867-1911) about 7 years old
3  c 1875  Elizabeth DeCosta (1868-1884) about 6 years old
4  nd  unidentified gentleman
5  nd  unidentified gentleman
6  nd  unidentified young woman
7  nd  unidentified young woman, background similar to #8
8  nd  unidentified young woman, background similar to #7
9  nd  unidentified young woman, props similar to #15
10  c 1881  Benjamin Rhodes DeCosta (1867-1911) about 14 years old
11  nd  unidentified older gentleman
12  nd  woman in "early 19th century dress and bonnet in Quaker style"
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