

GEORGE C. MARSHALL RESEARCH FOUNDATION

COLLECTION SUMMARY SHEET

COLLECTION: SMITH-CRUM PAPERS

ACCESSION NUMBER: (461) 91

DONOR: Mary Lyle Crum Brune

DATE OF GIFT: October 13, 1981

SIZE: 6 linear feet

INCLUSIVE DATES: 1740-1967

BIOGRAPHICAL AND SUBJECT SUMMARY:

This collection covers both the Smith family of Augusta County, Virginia and Earl LaVerne Crum of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. The Smiths were farmers in the Middlebrook area who intermarried in the 18th and 19th century with Randolphs, Prices, Brooks and Wilsons. W. F. Smith operated a mill in Greenville, his son, Ballard, became a teacher at McDonough School in Maryland. Ballard's daughter Mary Lyle married Earl L. Crum (1891-1961), a classics scholar. He taught at Lehigh, Iowa and Washington and Lee Universities. Crum also served in both World wars, in World War I as a chaplain and in World War II as a military government officer. In this capacity he denazified Heidelberg University.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION AND ARRANGEMENT:

Smith papers consist of correspondence, deeds, wills, plats, financial papers and family photographs, as well as genealogical records. The Crum papers includes letters from Crum to his wife 1936-1949, publications, his military records and material relating to the denazification controversy.

RESTRICTIONS: None

LOCATION: Vault

COLLECTION REGISTER AVAILABLE: Yes

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SMITH-CRUM PAPERS. 1740-1967. 10 Boxes. 6 Linear feet.

### Biographical Sketch

The Smith family of Greenville, Virginia traces its ancestry to Devonshire, England. William Smith settled in Virginia in the late 18th century. Smith's numerous offspring populated rural Augusta County making their living as farmers. Marriage into several other large families gave the Smith's ties to Louisa and Rockbridge Counties. During the 19th century, Prices, Randolph's Brookses, and Wilsons all joined the Smith family through marriage.

In the 1890's W. F. Smith operated a rolling mill. He also was active in civic affairs serving as a notary public to the Greenville community. Smith's son, W. Ballard Smith became a teacher at the McDonough School in Maryland where he spent thirty years educating young men. While at McDonough, Smith met and married Mary Emmette Brooks; they then had four children. One of their daughters, Mary Lyle Smith (1892-1981), collected the family papers.

Earl LaVerne Crum (1891-1961) can be best described as a 20th century Renaissance man; he was a scholar, poet, linguist and artist. Born in Athens, Ohio, to Theodore Crum, Earl Crum attended St. John's College receiving an AB in 1913 and the AM from Hopkins in 1916. He then joined the Army as a chaplain serving as historian to the 66th Pioneer Infantry. In 1918, Crum married Mary Lyle Smith whom he met while teaching at the McDonough School. Following their marriage Crum worked briefly as a chaplain for the YMCA at Camp Dix, but in the fall of 1919 the Crums went to Charvieu, France, to run a home for war orphans.

In 1920 the Crums returned to the United States and Crum resumed his academic career. While pursuing his doctorate (1924) in classics at New York University, Crum held the rank of assistant professor staying until 1926. He then taught at the State University of Iowa, (1927-1929) Lehigh University (1929-1957), and Washington & Lee University (1957-1961).

Crum's tenure at Lehigh was interrupted by World War II. In July, 1943, he was commissioned as a captain and sent to Civil Affairs Training Schools at Fort Custer, Michigan and University of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. In January, 1944, Crum was sent to Europe, first to England and then to France and Germany. He first served as historian, then as head of Religious Affairs in Wiesbaden, Germany, attached to Supreme Headquarters AEF. In 1945, Major Crum received the assignment as Officer in Charge of Heidelberg University. In this capacity he was to denazify the school in preparation of its re-opening. In 1946, he returned to the United States and his academic career.

Active in the Classical Association of the Atlantic States and the classical League of the Lehigh Valley, Crum wrote many articles on classical topics. In 1957, Dr. and Mrs. Crum returned to her family home in Greenville, Virginia, where Crum died in 1961.

Scope and Content Note

The Smith-Crum Papers divide into two separate sections: one of Smith Family Papers and the other of the Earl L. Crum Family Papers. Within each group are several series: Correspondence, Legal and Financial documents, and Genealogical or Biographical material.

The Smith Family Papers span the period 1740-1938. There are four series: Genealogical material, Correspondence, Legal and Financial Material and Related Families Records. Genealogical material consists of letters from family members about relatives, narratives passed through the family, and individual name cards and family charts for a family tree.

Correspondence (1821-1938) includes letters written by William Smith to his sons, letters between siblings and sympathy notes. Among the Legal and Financial Materials are wills (1837-1927), deeds (1801-1892), slave sales (1813-1858), and articles of agreement (1826-1937).

Related Families' Papers contain the correspondence and financial documents of the Price, Randolph, Brownlee, Brooks, Wilson and Crum families who married into the Smith family. Included in this are Price family indentures (1789-1822), plats (1801-1815), and slave sales (1814-1838); Randolph bills and estate records (1825-1863), and Brooks and Wilson correspondence (1861-1873). Also found are a Bethel Church Treasury Ledger (1842-1874) and financial documents from Middlebrook, Virginia (1842-1874).

Earl L. Crum Papers cover the years 1895 to 1967 and comprise eight series: Biographical Records, Correspondence, Crum's Academic and Military Careers, his Awards, Family Memorabilia, Published Material and Postcards. Biographical Records include a marriage license, passport application, and obituaries. Correspondence is mainly letters written by Dr. Crum to his wife (1935-1949) although there are three folders of material written to Dr. Crum (1911-1961).

Crum's Academic Career is documented by his school records, copies of his publications, and speeches and lectures. His Military Career is covered by military records such as transfers and orders (1918-1919; 1943-1946) as well as articles and pamphlets he wrote while in the service. The problems Crum faced while Officer in Charge of Heidelberg are documented in three folders of correspondence and reports.

Rounding out the personal part of the Crum Papers are Awards, honors and citations received by him and newspaper clippings about Crum. Memorabilia includes programs, menus, scrapbooks and souvenirs.

Publications are books, pamphlets and articles by friends of Dr. Crum including K. H. Bauer, Fritz Ernst, and Leon Irvin.

Lastly, there is one box of postcards collected by Dr. Crum mostly depicting architecture or artifacts.

Also part of the collection, but housed separately are: photographs of the Smith and Crum family, Signal Corps photos of Europe, Germany as seen by Crum; Confederate currency and bonds; maps; and some items of clothing.

SMITH FAMILY GENEALOGY OUTLINE

William Smith = Catherine Bibb  
1755-1833  
Nancy Bibb

Ballard Smith = Mary Lewis Price  
1787-1872 1794-1876

William F. Smith = Letitia Randolph  
1826-1902

Emmett Brooks = Mary Louise Wilson  
1842-1868 1841-1895

William Ballard Smith = Mary Emmette Brooks  
1863-1919 -1938

Mary Lyle Smith = Earl LaVerne Crum  
1892-1981 1891-1961

Mary Lyle Crum = William Brune  
1924-

Geraldine Stuart Brune  
1957-

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## SMITH FAMILY PAPERS

## Genealogical Materials

1 1 Smith family correspondence, 1913-1963  
 2 Smith and related families narratives  
 3 Individual name cards  
 4 Family charts  
 5 Newspaper Clippings  
 Correspondence  
 2 1 William Smith to Son, Ballard, 1821-1833  
 2 Smith family, 1832-1880  
 3 Emmette Brooks Smith and W. Ballard Smith, 1890-1919  
 4 W. F. Smith and W. Ballard Smith, 1898-1916; Smith family, 1898-1916  
 5 Sympathy cards sent on death of W. Ballard Smith, 1919  
 6 Flower cards sent on death of W. Ballard Smith, 1919  
 7 Telegrams and flowers sent on death of Emmette Brooks Smith, 1938

## Legal and Financial Papers (or materials)

8 Smith Family Wills, 1837-1927  
 9 Smith family slave sales, 1813-1858  
 10 Smith family articles of agreement, 1826-1937  
 11 Smith family receipts, 1825-1938  
 12 Smith family plats, 1801-1890's  
 13-16 Smith family deeds, 1746-1839  
 3 1-6 Smith family deeds, 1840-1892  
 7 W. F. Smith, articles of agreement, 1858-1902  
 8 W. F. Smith, debits, 1856-1877  
 9 W. F. Smith, credits, 1850-1880  
 10 W. F. Smith, cancelled checks, 1894-1901  
 11 W. F. Smith, Buena Vista Company deeds, 1890, 1911  
 12 Accounts - W. F. Smith as administrator of V. J. Churchman, 1849-1880  
 13 W. Ballard Smith, school papers, c.1885  
 14 W. Ballard Smith, Financial papers, 1892-1920  
 15 Collection taken for W. Ballard and Emmette Brooks Smith presentation, 1917

## Related Families' Papers

16 Price family correspondence, 1811, 1820  
 17 William Price, will and estate record, 1826-1840  
 18 Price family slave sales, 1814, 1838  
 19 Price family plats, 1801-1815  
 4 1 Price family indentures, 1789-1822  
 2 Price family receipts, 1806-1831  
 3 John T. Randolph, bills and estate records, 1825-1863

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## Related Families' Papers

4 4 Brownlee family indentures, 1844  
 5 Brooks family correspondence, 1861-1873  
 6 Andrew Brooks' notebooks, 1856-1860's  
 7 Emmette Brooks' notebooks, 1861-1865  
 8 Wilson family correspondence, 1861  
 9 Brooks-Wilson family correspondence, n.d.  
 10 Mary L(Mollie) Wilson correspondence, 1852-1861  
 11 "Cousin Sam" to Mollie Wilson, 1855-1861  
 12 Emmette Brooks to Mary L. Wilson, 1863-1867  
 13 Mary L. Wilson to Emmette Brooks, 1861-1865  
 14 Mrs. Emmette (Mary L.) Brooks - incoming correspondence, 1868-1895  
 15 Emmette Brooks to Mary L. Brooks, 1885  
 16 Sympathy letters to Emmette Brooks Smith on death of Mary L. Brooks, 1895  
 17 Brooks Family school papers, 1855-1891  
 18 Brooks-Wilson, bills, accounts, receipts, 1863-1914  
 19 Augusta County receipts, 1860-1896  
 20 Greenville Academy Land sale, 1858  
 21 Bethel Church Treasury ledger, 1842-1874  
 22 Middlebrook, Virginia, plats, deeds, indentures, 1842-1874  
 5 1 Crum family mementoes, 1875-1918  
 2 Ralph W. Crum obituaries, n.d.

## EARL L. CRUM FAMILY PAPERS

## Biographical Material

3 Earl L. Crum and Mary Lyle Smith, marriage license, 1918  
 4 Mary Lyle Crum, passport application, 1919  
 5 Letters, testimonials, obituaries on death of Earl L. Crum, 1961

## Correspondence

6 Mary Lyle Crum to family, 1919-September, 1920  
 7 Mary Lyle Crum letters from Charvieu, France, 1919-1920, published in the  
 8 Letters to Mary Lyle Crum from Duncan C. Lyle, 1925-1931  
 9 Mary Lyle Crum incoming correspondence, [1950's-1966]  
 10 Earl L. Crum to wife and daughters, July 1935-March 1936  
 11-18 Earl L. Crum to wife and daughter, July 1943-January 26, 1945  
 6 1-6 Earl L. Crum to wife and daughter, January 28, 1945-May 13, 1946  
 7 Earl L. Crum to wife, April 11-August 3, 1949  
 8-10 Earl L. Crum incoming correspondence, 1911; 1919; 1924-1929; 1931-1939; 1942-1949

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Correspondence

7 1-3 Earl L. Crum incoming correspondence, 1950-1958; 1960-1961;  
undated

4 Mary Lyle Crum Brune to mother, 1943-1944; 1956-1972

5 Crum family Christmas cards, n.d.

Academic Career

6 Academic record, 1913-1924

7 Crum, "Pronunciation of Greek and Latin proper names in English," 1924

8 Earl L. Crum, Index to Proper Names in Servius, 1927

9 Earl L. Crum, "The Use of Wine in Medicine according to Celsus," 1929

10 Earl L. Crum, "Human Elements in Vitruvius, de Architectura," 1931

11 Earl L. Crum, "Diet in Ancient Medical Practice as shown by Celsus in his deMedicina," 1932

12 Earl L. Crum, Horacio, Dois Mil Anos Depois, 1936

13 Earl L. Crum, "Vavia-A Medicina Entre os Gregos E os Romanos," 1937

14 Earl L. Crum, "Heidelberg University Reopens," 1949

15 Earl L. Crum, lectures given in Heidelberg, 1949

16 Earl L. Crum, speeches, n.d.

17 Earl L. Crum, report to Bethel Church, June, 1961

18 Poetry written and collected by Earl L. Crum

Military Career

19 Earl L. Crum military record, 1918-1919

20 Crum, "Military Record and Report of Separation, 1943-1946"

8 1-3 Crum, Military record, 1943-1950

4 Crum, History of the Sixty-Second Pioneer Infantry Division, 1919

5 Crum, "Education in the City of Manchester, England," 1944

6 Crum, Report - History and Education Department, 1945

7 Crum, speeches, 1945-1946

8 Religious conferences and affairs, Germany, 1945

9 Problems relating to the reopening of Heidelberg University, 1945-1946

10 Daniel B. Penham, Report - "Screening of Heidelberg University," 1946

11 Reports - Documents and Apparatus Returned to Heidelberg University, July-September 1945

12 Crum Awards, Honors and Citations

13 Clippings about Earl L. Crum, 1932-1962

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## EARL L. CRUM FAMILY PAPERS

## Memorabilia

8      14      Academic and Club programs, 1928-1939  
 15      Classical Association of Atlantic States - programs, reports, 1934-1957  
 16      Church programs, 1935-1961  
 17      Musical programs, 1943-1949  
 9      1      Heidelberg Programs, 1945-1949, 1956  
 2      Menus, 1944-1949  
 3      "Sentimental Journal," May 25-June 1, 1946  
 4      Speeches made in Heidelberg on Crum's arrival and departure, 1945-1949  
 5      Crum, passports, 1920-1949  
 6      Crum, calling cards, licenses, identification cards, 1918-1950  
 7      Mary Lyle Crum scrapbook, 1919-1920  
 8      Crum, Portuguese memorabilia, 1935-1936  
 9      Crum, military memorabilia  
 10     Correspondence - E. Engelking to W. Leon Godshall and J. Lee Richards, 1947-1948  
 11     Otto Kiefer, Alien registration book, NSDAP contribution card, 1925-1935

## Printed Materials

12     K. H. Bauer, Rassenhygiene: Ihre Biologischen Grundlagen, 1926  
 13     K. H. Bauer, Vom Neuen Geist Der Universitat; Dokuments, Reden und Vortrage, 1945/46  
 14     K. H. Bauer, "Erster Sitzungstag," 1952  
 15     Fritz Ernst, "Die Wiedereröffnung der Universitat Heidelberg, 1945-1946," 1960  
 16     Alice Crassette Hall, "The Five Hundredth Anniversary of the University of Heidelberg," n.d.  
 17     F. Hourani, Manchester and Abraham Lincoln, n.d.  
 18     Leon P. Irvin, Die Amerikanischen Hochschulen, 1947  
 19     Karl Jaspers, "Heidelberger Erinnerungen," 1961  
 20     L. G. Matthews, Jr., "Dr. Crum and the Codex Manesse," 1946  
 21     Our Blitz: Red Sky Over Manchester, [1942]  
 22     Pompeii, n.d.  
 23     Memorial to Gustav Radbruch, 1950  
 24     60 Jahre Bethanien-Berein..Frankfurt am Main  
 25     Nora Waln, "Can the Nazis Learn?" n.d.  
 26     The Classical Weekly, 1950, 1952, 1961  
 27     Military manuals  
 28     Heidelberg tour book, 1951  
 29     Programm...575 Jahrfeier Heidelberg University, 1961

## Postcards

10    envelopes# 1-4,  
       8, 13-27, 36      Portugal

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Postcards

10 envelopes# 5 France  
6, 11 Italy  
7 Egyptian artifacts  
9, 34 Greece

Artifacts

10 Chinese  
12 Middle Eastern  
28 United States  
29 South America  
30 Eskimo  
31 Oceania  
32 African  
33 Prehistoric

35 Oceangoing vessels  
37 Stratford-on-Avon  
38 Germany  
39 United States

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The following items have been removed from the collection:

Description of items	Currency-Bonds	Location
<u>Confederate States of America</u>		Administrative Security
Five dollars - Richmond, February 17, 1864	A (7) B (3) C (6) D (5) E (2) F (4) G (2) H (2)	
Ten dollars - Richmond, February 17, 1864	A (8) B (3) C (5) D (7) E (4) F (9) G (6) H (10)	
Twenty dollars - Richmond, Feb. 17, 1864	B (1) D (1)	
Facsimile	C (1)	
Ten dollars - Richmond, July 25, 1861	B (1)	
<u>Germany</u>		
Allied Military Government - One Mark, 1944 Reichs bank note, 1,000 Mark, 1922 1,000,000 Mark, 1923 Reichs bank note, 500 Mark, 1922 One Deutsche Mark, 1948 Military payment certificate - U.S. military personnel 5 cents Allherte Militarbehörde, 20 Schilling, 1944		
Liberty Loan Bonds, June 13, 1917	3 - Fifty dollars each	
Buena Vista Company, 8 shares at \$100 each, July 9, 1890 4 shares at \$100 each, Oct. 3, 1890		

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Description of items	Oversize	Location
<u>Folder 1</u>		
William Price Will & Estate Record, 1832.		
Smith Family Plut, ca. 1890's.		
<u>Confederate States of America</u>		
Non-Taxable certificate, 6% per annum, December 13, 1864 (3)		
CSA Loan of August 19, 1861	100 dollars (2)	
	500 dollars (4)	
	1,000 dollars (2)	
CSA Loan of February 20, 1863	100 dollars (1)	
	500 dollars (3)	
	1,000 dollars (3)	
CSA Loan of February 17, 1864	500 dollars (1)	
<u>Berliner Illustrierte Zeitung</u> , 1941 selected cartoons.		
<u>Kolonie und Heimat</u> , 1941 selected cartoons.		
<u>Folder 2</u>		
Map - Western Germany, Holland, Switzerland & Belgium.		
<u>Staunton Spectator and General Advertiser</u> , December 12, 1839.		

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Description of items	Photographs	p.1	Location
4 views Cold Spring Camp near Greenville, Va.			
3 portraits - Duncan Lyle			
9 portraits - Emmette Brooks Smith			
4 portraits - William Ballard Smith			
2 group candids - W. B. Smith and Emmette Brooks			
3 group portraits - McDonough School Teachers			
1 - Memorial Window to W. B. Smith at McDonough			
1 portrait - Mary Willson Brooks			
1 album - photographs of Greenville and Smith and Crum Families			
1 candid - Theodore Crum			
2 portraits - Mrs. Theodore Crum			
11 negatives - Earl L. Crum			
26 various - Earl L. Crum			
9 portraits - Mary Lyle Smith Crum			
21 various - Mary Lyle Crum Brune			
2 - Tippy the dog			
1 portrait - Letitia Randolph Smith			
1 portrait - William F. Smith			
1 - Smith Family in Greenville			
1 - Earl Crum-Mary Lyle Smith wedding portrait			
5 - Earl Crum and students			

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Description of items	Photographs continued, p.2	Location
<p>3 - Earl Crum and Mary Lyle Crum portraits</p> <p>2 - Exterior views, Villa Avita, Greenville, Va.</p> <p>5 - Interior views, Villa Avita, Greenville, Va.</p> <p>1 - Smith-Crum family candid</p> <p>4 - Earl Crum - secretaries, Heidelberg</p> <p>3 views - Earl Crum, Ruth Praeger and William Sudduth at UNRRA Hostel Heidelberg</p> <p>6 - Earl Crum and faculty at Heidelberg</p> <p>2 - Opening of Aachen School</p> <p>2 - USAT COMFORT</p> <p>3 - I. G. Farben factory building</p> <p>2 - Germans repairing a Jewish cemetery</p> <p>11 - views of Heidelberg University</p> <p>4 portraits - K. H. Bauer</p> <p>3 portraits - Martin Niemöller</p> <p>1 portrait - Mr. and Mrs. Martin Niemöller</p> <p>3 candids - Doris and Karl Freudenberg</p> <p>1 - Pastor Frickes and family</p> <p>1 - Earl Crum's secretaries</p> <p>1 - Professor Fuchs and family</p> <p>1 - Pastor Barth</p> <p>2 - Fritz Ernst family</p>		

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Description of items	Photographs continued, p.3	Location
8 - Participants at Treysa Conference, 1945		
1 - Gustav Radbruck		
9 snapshots - Trip to Heidelberg, 1949		
3 - CARE photos - Food parcels		
29 - U.S. Army Signal Corps photos - Europe after war		
19 - Confidential U.S. Army Signal Corps photos - Europe after war		
3 - Confidential - General Ryan and Colonel Page		
101 - German Military post photos		
7 aerial photos - unidentified		
1 aerial photo - Dortmund Ems Canal		
1 - Washington and Lee Colonnade		
17 - views of Germany		
1 aerial view - Yew Tree Schools, Wythenshawe, England		
4 - sculptures/frescoes		
2 - Major Earl Crum stationery		
1 - Wesley Methodist Church Honor Roll		
1 - Class McDonough school boys		
1 view - McDonough school		
1 portrait - John McDonough		
15 - unidentified people		
20 - unidentified places		
1 - flowers		

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Description of items	Location
<u>Stars and Stripes</u> Sicily, August 12, 1943	Library - Folder 24A
Paris, November 18, 1944	"
Paris, November 17, 1944	"
<u>Volkischer Beobachter</u> March 21, 1938	Library - Folder 40

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Lock of Hair- Mary Louise Wilson	Museum Storage Box #48
Handkerchief Collar            Emmett Brooks Satin Heart	Museum Storage Box # 48
Section of Wedding Dress- Mary Lyle Smith Crum	Museum Storage Box #48
Heidelberg Brass Plate from Scrapbook- ca. 1940's	Museum Storage Box # 32