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**Luther and Jean Marsh
Papers, (1944-2001)**

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Manuscripts #574

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About this collection

Title: Luther and Jean Marsh Papers

Creator: Luther and Jean (Crawford) Marsh, (1925-2006)

Identifier/Call Number: Center for Restoration Studies Manuscripts #574

Physical Description: 3 linear feet (1 box and oversized items)

Dates (Inclusive): 1944-2001

Dates (Bulk): 1944-1990

Location: Center for Restoration Studies

Language of Materials: English

Scope and Content Note: Papers from Luther Alvin Marsh and Jean (Crawford) Marsh related to their time in high school and college, as well as time working as a professor at ACU. Items include diplomas, photographs, graduation booklets, academic writings/theses, church directories, awards/plates, one small Bible, copies of *The Optimist* (1940s), correspondence.

Biographical Note: The following biographical note is excerpted from the obituary of Luther Alvin Marsh:

“Born in Lebanon, Tennessee, Dr. Marsh was the son of William Wallace Marsh and Grace Jones Marsh. He attended schools in Tennessee and Texas, and graduated from Conroe High School, where he was salutatorian of the class of 1943.

He enlisted in the United States Navy and served from 1944 to 1946. He completed his undergraduate degree from ACU in 1948. In 1950, he married Jean Crawford. They both taught in public schools, first at Burnet and then at Amarillo.

He pursued graduate studies in psychology at the University of Texas, earning a master's degree in 1953 and his doctorate in 1975. Dr. Marsh was employed for 35 years at ACU, where he served in various faculty and staff positions, including professor of psychology and director of testing. He also served the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene as the part-time chief of psychological services from 1971 to 1983. He was a deacon of the University Church of Christ for more than 45 years.”

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¹ “Luther Alvin Marsh 1925-2006.”

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Churches of Christ -- History -- 20th century

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Manuscripts

Inventory

Box 1

[First Folder] Finding Aid

Series I: Artifacts

Anniversary pins

50th wedding anniversary plate

Paperweights

Small black Bible (New Testament and Psalms)

ACC 1948 diploma

Drawing/sketch of College Church of Christ, Abilene, TX

Series II: Abilene Christian College/Abilene Christian University

ACU Century Club paintings (1976-1980)

Photographs

Commencement program (1972)

ACC diploma (1950)

Jean Crawford manuscript: *Major Paper in Primary Education* (1950)

1950 ACC Campus Calendar

ACC promotional booklets and directories

Programs

Retirement certificate

Correspondence

Series III: Photographs and Newspaper Clippings

[1 folder]

Series IV: Local Churches of Christ (Abilene, TX)

[1 folder]

Series V: Other Papers

Miscellaneous certificates

Texas Tech University papers

1953-54 Sam Houston Junior High school yearbook

Psychological Associations

University of Texas papers

Luther Marsh writings

Jean Crawford Marsh certificates and writings

Series VI: Oversized Items

ACC seat cushion

Texas Tech diploma (1983)

Commemorative plate - "Dedication Graduate Psychologists" (1978)