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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

African American Economic Empowerment

The need for economic development has been a central element of black life. After centuries of unrequited toil as slaves, African Americans gained their freedom and found themselves in the struggle to make a living. The chains were gone, but racism was everywhere. Black codes often prevented blacks from owning land in towns and cities, and in the countryside they were often denied the opportunity to purchase land. Organized labor shut their doors to their brethren, and even the white philanthropist who funded black schools denied them employment opportunities once educated. In the South, whites sought to insure that blacks would only be sharecroppers and day laborers, and in the North whites sought to keep them as unskilled labor.

Pushing against the odds, African Americans became landowners, skilled workers, small businessmen and women, professionals, and ministers. In the Jim Crow economy, they started insurance companies, vocational schools, teachers colleges, cosmetic firms, banks, newspapers, and hospitals. To fight exclusion from the economy, they started their own unions and professional associations. In an age in which individuals proved unable to counter industrialization alone, they preached racial or collective uplift rather than individual self-reliance. The late-nineteenth and twentieth centuries witnessed an unprecedented degree of racial solidarity and organization.

African American Business, Entrepreneurship and the Commerce Department: Records of the Office of the Secretary's Advisor on Negro Affairs, 1940-1953

Emmer Martin Lancaster was appointed adviser for the Division of Negro Affairs in the Office of the Secretary of Commerce on May 25, 1940. The division had been established in 1933. Lancaster filled a vacancy created by the resignation of Eugene Kinckle Jones. The National Negro Business advisory Council was formed to serve the Division of Negro Affairs. These records include correspondence with insurance companies owned and operated by Blacks, 1942 to 1953; correspondence with banks owned and operated by Blacks, 1942 to 1953; correspondence with Black lending institutions, 1942-1943; and correspondence and reports pertaining to Conferences on the Negro Business, 1940-1953.

Lancaster's records indicate that he often traveled to visit African American business leaders in various U.S. cities and offered advice to students and faculty at a number of historically-Black college and universities.

The Advisor's records include material from the Division of Negro Affairs. The division's voluminous correspondence included request for information and publications; inquiries about conference activities; questions about the Committee on Negro Defense Contracts; questions from Black trade associations and real estate brokers; and materials relating to post-World War II planning, housing, and emergency programs. The division also issued a series of annual reports primarily relating to African American banking institutions, but some periodic reports also relate to insurance companies, postwar planning for Blacks in business, and a directory of Black businesses in the U.S. Although many of the materials in the files are routine letters, they still provide details about the scope of African American business endeavors. Often the letterheads on the stationary provide useful information. Division correspondents

include manufacturers, architects, real estate agents, journalists, hair-care producers, beauticians, attorneys, film producers, shop owners, funeral directors, builders, business students, and publishers.

This collection explores racial uplift and black economic development in the 20th century.

SOURCE AND EDITORIAL NOTE

The documents reproduced in this publication are from Record Group 40, General Records of the Department of Commerce, Records of the Office of the Secretary, Records of the Advisor on Negro Affairs, 1940-1963, NC 54/Entry 9, National Archives II, College Park, MD. All available documents have been filmed in their entirety and in the order that they are arranged at the Archives.

REEL INDEX

The following is a listing of the folders comprising the microfilm publication entitled *African American Business, Entrepreneurship and the Commerce Department Records of the Office of the Secretary's Advisor on Negro Affairs, 1940-1953*. The Reel Index lists the folder title, as well as a listing of the major subjects and principal correspondents for each folder.

REEL 1

Folder#

Office Files of Emmer Martin Lancaster (Arranged Alphabetically)

- [1] **Alphabetical correspondence "A"**
Major subjects: American Council on Education; Art; Association for the Study of Negro Life and History; Banks; Conferences and conventions; Frontiers of America; Insurance companies; NAACP; Press; Savings and loans.
- [2] **Alphabetical correspondence "B"**
Major subjects: Religious organizations; Retail businesses.
- [3] **Alphabetical correspondence "C"**
Major subjects: Banks; Bureau of the Census; Child day care; Conferences and conventions; Finances; Frontiers of America; Insurance companies; National Urban League; Savings and loans; Tuskegee Institute; United Negro College Fund, Inc.; Young Men's Business Club.
- [4] **Alphabetical correspondence "D"**
Major subjects: Banks; Conferences and conventions; Education; Insurance companies; Manufacturing; National Negro Opera Company, Inc.; Press; Retail businesses.
- [5] **Alphabetical correspondence "E"**
Major subjects: Insurance companies; Press.
- [6] **Alphabetical correspondence "F" (continued to next reel)**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; Education; National Council of Negro Women, Inc.; National Urban League; Press; Republic of Haiti; Savings and loans; Tourism.

REEL 2

Folder #

Office Files of Emmer Martin Lancaster (Arranged Alphabetically) cont.

- [6] **Alphabetical correspondence "F" (continued from previous reel)**
Major subjects: Banks; Conferences and conventions; Employment; Insurance companies; NAACP; Republic of Haiti; Tourism; Tuskegee Institute; World War II.

- [7] **Alphabetical correspondence "G"**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; Employment; Insurance companies; National Negro Business League; National Urban League; Press; Savings and loans.

- [8] **Alphabetical correspondence "H" [1 of 2]**
Major subjects: Bureau of the Census; Insurance companies; National Negro Business League.

- [9] **Alphabetical correspondence "H" [2 of 2]**
Major subjects: Banks; Committee for Racial Democracy in the Nation's Capital; Conferences and conventions; *Freedom's Journal*; Insurance companies; Press; Tuskegee Institute.

- [10] **Alphabetical correspondence "I"**
Major subject: National Negro Business League.

- [11] **Alphabetical correspondence "J" (continued to next reel)**
Major subjects: Banks; Beauty industry; Colleges and universities; Conferences and conventions; National Beauty Culturists' League, Inc.; Harry S. Truman; United Negro College Fund, Inc.

REEL 3

Folder #

Office Files of Emmer Martin Lancaster (Arranged Alphabetically) cont.

- [11] **Alphabetical correspondence "J" (continued from previous reel)**
Major subjects: Beauty industry; Conferences and conventions.

- [12] **Alphabetical correspondence "K"**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; *Congressional Record*; Insurance companies; National Urban League; Republic of Liberia.

- [13] **Alphabetical correspondence "L"**
Major subjects: Beauty industry; Conferences and conventions; National Association of Colored Women, Inc.; Press.

- [14] **Alphabetical correspondence "Mc"**
Major subjects: Insurance companies; Savings and loans; United Negro College Fund, Inc.

- [15] **Alphabetical correspondence "M" [1 of 4]**
Major subjects: Banks; Colleges and universities; Conferences and conventions; Insurance companies; National Industrial Hobby Club; National Negro Business League; National Urban League; Registrar of Copyrights; Savings and loans.

- [16] **Alphabetical correspondence "M" [2 of 4]**
Major subjects: American Council on Race Relations; Insurance companies; National Negro Business League; National Urban League.

REEL 4

Folder #

Office Files of Emmer Martin Lancaster (Arranged Alphabetically) cont.

- [17] **Alphabetical correspondence "M" [3 of 4]**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; Insurance companies; National Negro Business League; National Urban League.
- [18] **Alphabetical correspondence "M" [4 of 4]**
Major subjects: Atlas Powder Company; Conferences and conventions; Press.
- [19] **Alphabetical correspondence "N" [1 of 4]**
Major subjects: Bureau of the Census; Insurance companies; National Urban League.
- [20] **Alphabetical correspondence "N" [2 of 4]**
Major subject: Insurance companies.
- [21] **Alphabetical correspondence "N" [3 of 4]**
Major subjects: Banks; Conferences and conventions; National Retail Dry Goods Association; National Urban League.
- [22] **Alphabetical correspondence "N" [4 of 4]**
Major subjects: Insurance companies; *Negro Business Associations in the United States*; Service industry; Tuskegee Institute.
- [23] **Alphabetical correspondence "O"**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Insurance companies; Savings and loans.
- [24] **Alphabetical correspondence "P" [1 of 2]**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Business League; National Urban League; Tuskegee Institute.

REEL 5

Folder #

Office Files of Emmer Martin Lancaster (Arranged Alphabetically) cont.

- [25] **Alphabetical correspondence "P" [2 of 2]**
Major subjects: Banks; Conferences and conventions; Insurance companies; National Urban League; Republic of Liberia; Savings and loans; U.S. Treasury Department.
- [26] **Alphabetical correspondence "Q"**
Major subject: Anacostia Business and Professional Association.
- [27] **Alphabetical correspondence "R" [1 of 2]**
Major subjects: Funeral industry; Insurance companies; National Funeral Directors Association.
- [28] **Alphabetical correspondence "R" [2 of 2]**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; NAACP; Young Men's Christian Association.
- [29] **Alphabetical correspondence "S" [1 of 3]**
Major subjects: Harry S. Truman; Insurance companies; National Association of Colored Women, Inc.; National Negro Business League; National Urban League.
- [30] **Alphabetical correspondence "S" [2 of 3]**
Major subjects: Building and loan associations; National Association of Colored Women, Inc.; National Urban League.
- [31] **Alphabetical correspondence "S" [3 of 3]**
Major subjects: American Council on Race Relations; Building and loan associations; Conferences and conventions; Insurance companies; NAACP; Savings and loans.
- [32] **Alphabetical correspondence "T" [1 of 2]**
Major subjects: Banks; Insurance companies; National Urban League; Savings and loans.

REEL 6

Folder#

Office Files of Emmer Martin Lancaster (Arranged Alphabetically) cont.

- [33] **Alphabetical correspondence "T" [2 of 2]**
Major subjects: Bureau of the Census; Conferences and conventions; National Negro Business League.

- [34] **Alphabetical correspondence "U"**
Major subject: United Negro College Fund, Inc.
- [35] **Alphabetical correspondence "V"**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; Insurance companies.
- [36] **Alphabetical correspondence "W" [1 of 3]**
Major subjects: Banks; Conferences and conventions; National Urban League.
- [37] **Alphabetical correspondence "W" [2 of 3]**
Major subjects: Beauty industry; Conferences and conventions; Insurance companies.
- [38] **Alphabetical correspondence "W" [3 of 3]**
Major subjects: Bureau of the Census; National Urban League; Service industry; Tuskegee Institute; U.S. Chamber of Commerce.
- [39] **Alphabetical correspondence "X"**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.
- [40] **Alphabetical correspondence "Y"**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.
- [41] **Alphabetical correspondence "Z"**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.

Insurance Companies Operated by Negroes (Arranged Alphabetically by Company)

- [42] **Atlanta Life Insurance Company**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.
- [43] **Afro-American Insurance Company**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.
- [44] **Booker T. Washington Burial Association**
- [45] **California**
Major subjects: National Association of Colored Women, Inc.; National Urban League.
- [46] **Central Life Insurance Company**
- [47] **Domestic Life Accident Company**
Major subject: National Negro Insurance Association.
- [48] **Diamond Mutual Insurance Company**
- [49] **Dunbar Mutual Insurance Society, Inc.**
Major subject: Savings and loans association.
- [50] **Excelsior Life Insurance Company**

[51] **Fireside Mutual Insurance Company**

[52] **Federal Life Insurance Company**

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Folder#

Insurance Companies Operated by Negroes (Arranged Alphabetically by Company) cont.

[53] **Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Company**

Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Insurance Association.

[54] **Great Lakes Mutual Insurance Company**

[55] **Guaranty Life Insurance Company**

Major subject: National Negro Insurance Association.

[56] **H [empty folder]**

[57] **I [empty folder]**

[58] **Jackson Mutual Life Insurance Company; Chicago, IL**

[59] **K [empty folder]**

[60] **Louisiana Life Insurance Company; New Orleans, LA**

[61] **Mc [empty folder]**

[62] **Metropolitan Mutual Assurance Company, Chicago, IL**

Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Insurance Association.

[63] **Mammoth Life and Accident Insurance Company**

Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Insurance Association.

[64] **Mutual Benefit Society; Baltimore, MD**

[65] **National Negro Insurance Association**

Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; Laws and legislation.

[66] **North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance**

Major subjects: Bonds; Housing.

[67] **O [folder empty]**

- [68] **People's Industrial Life Insurance Company; New Orleans, LA**
- [69] **People's Insurance Company**
- [70] **Pilgrim Health and Life Insurance Company**
- [71] **Protective Mutual Life Insurance Company**
- [72] **Provident Home Beneficial Society**
- [73] **Q [folder empty]**
- [74] **Richmond Beneficial Life Insurance Company**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Insurance Association.
- [75] **Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Company**
- [76] **Southern Aid Society of Virginia, Inc.**
- [77] **Southern Life Insurance Company**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Insurance Association.
- [78] **Security Life Insurance Company**
- [79] **Superior Life Insurance Company**
- [80] **Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Company**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Insurance Association.
- [81] **T [folder empty]**
- [82] **Universal Life Insurance Company**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Insurance Association.
- [83] **Union Protective Assurance Company**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Insurance Association.
- [84] **United Mutual Benefit Association**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Insurance Association.
- [85] **Unity Mutual Life Insurance Company**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Insurance Association.
- [86] **Victory Mutual Life Insurance Company**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Insurance Association.
- [87] **Virginia Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company**

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Folder #

Insurance Companies Operated by Negroes (Arranged Alphabetically by Company) cont.

- [88] Watchtower Life Insurance Company
- [89] Western Union Mutual Insurance
- [90] Winston Mutual Life Insurance Company
- [91] X, Y, Z [folder empty]

Insurance Companies Operated by Negroes (Arranged Alphabetically by State)

- [92] 1952 Insurance Reports
- [93] Alabama, Birmingham
- [94] Arkansas, Little Rock
- [95] B [folder empty]
- [96] California, San Francisco
- [97] Colorado, Denver
- [98] District of Columbia
- [99] E [folder empty]
- [100] Florida, Tallahassee
- [101] Georgia, Atlanta
- [102] H [empty folder]
- [103] Illinois, Springfield
- [104] Indiana, Indianapolis
- [105] J [folder empty]
- [106] Kansas, Topeka
- [107] Kentucky, Frankfurt

[108] Louisiana, Baton Rouge

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Folder #

Insurance Companies Operated by Negroes (Arranged Alphabetically by State) cont.

[109] Michigan, Lansing

[110] Mississippi, Jackson

[111] Maryland, Baltimore

[112] Missouri, Jefferson

[113] Nebraska, Lincoln

[114] New York, Albany

[115] North Carolina, Raleigh

[116] Oklahoma, Oklahoma City

[117] Ohio, Columbus

[118] Pennsylvania, Harrisburg

[119] Q [folder empty]

[120] R [folder empty]

[121] South Carolina, Columbia

[122] Tennessee, Nashville

[123] Texas, Austin [1 of 2]

[124] Texas, Austin [2 of 2]

[125] U [folder empty]

[126] Virginia, Richmond

[127] West Virginia, Charleston

[128] X, Y, Z [folder empty]

Conference on Negroes in Business (Arranged Alphabetically by Correspondent)

- [129] **A**
Major subjects: Education; Funeral industry; Insurance companies; Media.

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Folder #

Conference on Negroes in Business (Arranged Alphabetically by Correspondent) cont.

- [130] **B [1 of 3]**
Major subjects: Beauty industry; Funeral industry; Insurance companies; Media; Negro Chamber of Commerce.
- [131] **B [2 of 3]**
Major subjects: Insurance companies; Media; Negro Chamber of Commerce.
- [132] **B [3 of 3]**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Insurance companies.
- [133] **C [1 of 2]**
Major subjects: Beauty industry; Insurance companies; Republic of Liberia.
- [134] **C [2 of 2]**
Major subjects: Education; Insurance companies; Media.
- [135] **D (continued on next reel)**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Funeral industry; Insurance companies; Negro Chamber of Commerce.

REEL 11

Folder #

Conference on Negroes in Business (Arranged Alphabetically by Correspondent) cont.

- [135] **D (continued from previous reel)**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Insurance companies; Negro Chamber of Commerce.
- [136] **E**
Major subjects: Beauty industry; Colleges and universities; Insurance companies; Publishing industry; Religious organizations.

- [137] **F**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Insurance companies; National Housewives League of America; National Urban League; Publishing industry.
- [138] **G**
Major subjects: Housing; Insurance companies; Press.
- [139] **H [1 of 2]**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Insurance companies; Press.
- [140] **H [2 of 2]**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Insurance companies; National Negro Business League.
- [141] **I**
Major subjects: Insurance companies; Tuskegee Institute.
- [142] **J (continued to next reel)**
Major subjects: Banks; Beauty industry; Colleges and universities; Insurance companies; National Urban League.

REEL 12

Folder #

Conference on Negroes in Business (Arranged Alphabetically by Correspondent) cont.

- [142] **J (continued from previous reel)**
Major subjects: Building and loan associations; Colleges and universities; Insurance companies.
- [143] **K**
Major subject: Insurance companies.
- [144] **L**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Insurance companies; Labor and trade unions; National Urban League; Publishing industry.
- [145] **Mc**
Major subjects: Banks; Insurance companies.
- [146] **M [1 of 2]**
Major subjects: Banks; Funeral industry; Insurance companies; Publishing industry; Savings and loans association.

- [147] **M [2 of 2]**
Major subjects: Insurance companies; Negro Chamber of Commerce; Tuskegee Institute.
- [148] **N**
Major subject: Insurance companies.
- [149] **O**
Major subject: Insurance companies.
- [150] **P**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Funeral industry; Insurance companies; National Housewives League of America; Press; Tuskegee Institute.
- [151] **Q**
Major subject: Insurance companies.

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Folder#

Conference on Negroes in Business (Arranged Alphabetically by Correspondent) cont.

- [152] **R**
Major subjects: American Red Cross; Banks; Colleges and universities; Funeral industry; Insurance companies; Labor and trade unions.
- [153] **S [1 of 2]**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; George Washington Carver Foundation; Insurance companies; Savings and loans association; Tuskegee Institute.
- [154] **S [2 of 2]**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Insurance companies; Negro Chamber of Commerce; Religious organizations.
- [155] **T**
Major subjects: American Red Cross; Insurance companies; Retail businesses; Savings and loans association.
- [156] **U**
- [157] **V**
Major subjects: Business and professional associations; Colleges and universities; Insurance companies; National Association of Business and Professional Women, Inc.
- [158] **W [1 of 2]**
Major subjects: Banks; Colleges and universities; Insurance companies; NAACP; National Urban League; Press; Public relations.

- [159] **W [2 of 2] (continued to next reel)**
Major subjects: Banks; Business and professional associations; Housing; Insurance companies; National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs.

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Folder #

Conference on Negroes in Business (Arranged Alphabetically by Correspondent) cont.

- [159] **W [2 of 2] (continued from previous reel)**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Insurance companies; National Negro Business League.
- [160] **X [folder empty]**
- [161] **Y**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Press; Publishing industry.
- [162] **Z**

Small Business and Inquiry Service (Arranged Alphabetically by Subject)

- [163] **Agenda**
Major subject: National Negro Business Advisory Council.
- [164] **Awards**
Major subjects: Beauty industry; Colleges and universities; Press.
- [165] **Colleges, Universities and Business Schools [1 of 2]**
Major subject: Education.
- [166] **Colleges, Universities and Business Schools [2 of 2]**
Major subject: Education.
- [167] **Citizen Committee on Entertainment and Washington Churches and Civic Association [1 of 2]**
Major subjects: Funeral industry; Insurance companies; National Association of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.; National Housewives League of America; Washington Citizen's Committee on Arrangements for the Eight Conference on the Negro in Business.
- [168] **Citizen Committee on Entertainment and Washington Churches and Civic Association [2 of 2]**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.

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Folder #

Small Business and Inquiry Service (Arranged Alphabetically by Subject) cont.

- [169] **Delegates (list of)**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.
- [170] **Exhibitors [1 of 2]**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.
- [171] **Exhibitors [2 of 2]**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.
- [172] **Flyers and Folders**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.
- [173] **G [folder empty]**
- [174] **Housing**
- [175] **I [empty folder]**
- [176] **J [folder empty]**
- [177] **K [folder empty]**
- [178] **L [folder empty]**
- [179] **Mc [folder empty]**
- [180] **Members and Address [folder empty]**
- [181] **Memorandums**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Negro Business Advisory Council.
- [182] **Miscellaneous-7th Conference on the Negro in Business**
- [183] **N [folder empty]**
- [184] **Official Proceedings [1 of 2]**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; Education.
- [185] **Official Proceedings [2 of 2]**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; Education; Tuskegee Institute.

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Folder #

Small Business and Inquiry Service (Arranged Alphabetically by Subject) cont.

- [186] **Programs**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.
- [187] **Publicity, 6th conference**
- [188] **Conference publicity**
- [189] **Q [folder empty]**
- [190] **R [folder empty]**
- [191] **Speakers and conferences**
Major subject: Public relations.
- [192] **T [folder empty]**
- [193] **U [folder empty]**
- [194] **Veteran Community Posts**
Major subjects: American Legion; Conferences and conventions; Disable American Veterans; Elks Band; Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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Folder #

Small Business and Inquiry Service (Arranged Alphabetically by Subject) cont.

- [195] **W [folder empty]**
- [196] **XYZ [illegible]**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; Press.
- [197] **Correspondence and the Second Conference on the Negroes in Business (Negro Press)**
Major subjects: Colleges and universities; Education; Tuskegee Institute.
- [198] **Fifth Conference on the Negro in Business**
Major subjects: Banks; Insurance companies; Lending institutions.
- [199] **Correspondence and the Second Conference on the Negroes in Business Miscellaneous**

Company Files--Financial Institutions (Arranged Alphabetically)

- [200] **Atlanta Mutual Building Loan and Savings Association**
- [201] **Broadway Federal Savings and Loan Association**
- [202] **Berean Savings and Loan Association**
- [203] **Beckley Buildings Association**
- [204] **Bardin Mortgage and Investment Company, Cleveland, Ohio**
- [205] **Berkley Citizens Mutual Building and Loan Association**
- [206] **Columbia Building and Loan Association**

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Folder #

Company Files--Financial Institutions (Arranged Alphabetically) cont.

- [207] **Calvary Buildings Loan Association; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**
- [208] **Carvar Federal Savings and Loan Association; New York, New York**
- [209] **Community Small Loan Company; Danville, Virginia**
- [210] **Community Personal Finance Corp; New York, New York**
- [211] **Douglas Finance Corp; Richmond, Virginia**
- [212] **Douglas Realty Finance Co. Inc.; New Orleans, Louisiana**
- [213] **East End Investment and Loan Co.; Cincinnati, Ohio**
- [214] **Eighth Ward Settlement Buildings and Loan Association; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**
- [215] **F [folder empty]**
- [216] **G [folder empty]**
- [217] **Homeseekers Savings and Loan Association; Kansas City, Missouri**
- [218] **Home Federal Savings and Loan Association; Detroit, Michigan**

- [219] **Illinois Federal Savings and Loan Association of Chicago**
- [220] **Imperial Building and Loan Association; Martinsville, Virginia**
- [221] **Industrial Savings and Loan Company; Cincinnati, Ohio**
- [222] **J [folder empty]**
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[269] **Richmond, Virginia**

Major subjects: Building and loan associations; Savings and loans association.

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[274] **Civic Associations**

Major subject: Northeast Boundary Citizens Association.

[275] **1953 Clinics—Conference**

Major subjects: Business and professional associations; National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs; National Negro Business League.

[276] **Committee Negro Defense**

Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Advisory Committee on Defense Mobilization; National Urban League; Negro Chamber of Commerce; U.S. Commerce Department; Volunteer advisory committees.

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[280] **Negro Real Estate Companies**

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- [281] **H [folder empty]**
- [282] **Government Contract Awards I**
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Major subjects: Beauty industry; Business and professional associations; Business clinics; Conferences and conventions; Insurance companies; National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs; National Beauty Culturists League, Inc.; National Negro Business League; National Urban League; New Orleans, Louisiana.
- [287] **M [folder No title]**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; Insurance companies; National Negro Business League; Real Estate.

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- [288] **Memoranda**
Major subjects: Beauty industry; Conferences and conventions; Labor and trade unions; National Beauty Culturists League, Inc.; U.S. Commerce Department ; Washington Small Business Institute.
- [289] **Negro Aviators**
- [290] **Negro Conventions and conference**
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- [291] **Negro Periodicals and Publications**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.

- [292] **National Business Education League**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.
- [293] **Negro Chamber of Commerce and Trade Association**
Major subjects: Affiliated Business Associations, Inc.; National Housewives League of America; National Negro Business League; Savings and loans association.
- [294] **National Association of Fashion and Accessory Designers**
Major subject: Conferences and conventions.
- [295] **National Defense; correspondence, contractors (continued to next reel)**

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- [296] **National Defense; correspondence, contractors (continued from previous reel)**
Major subjects: Hampton Institute; War Projects.
- [297] **National Negro Business League; correspondence**
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- [301] **Housing (P)**
Major subject: Real Estate.
- [302] **Post War Opportunities**
Major subject: Veterans Administration.

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- [303] **Emergency Program; misc.**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; Insurance companies; State Planning Committees.

- [304] **Post War Planning**
Major subjects: Education; U.S. Agriculture Department; World War II.
- [305] **Post War Planning; Committee on the Negro in Business**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; Housing.
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- [307] **Real Estate Brokers**
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- [315] **Citizens Trust "C"**
- [316] **Carver Savings Bank; Savannah, Georgia**

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- [317] **Citizens Savings Bank and Trust Company**
- [318] **Consolidated Bank and Trust Company**
- [319] **Citizens and Southern Bank and Trust Company**
- [320] **Crown Savings Bank**
- [321] **Danville Savings Bank and Trust Company**

- [322] **Douglas State Bank; Kansas City, Kansas**
- [323] **E [folder empty]**
- [324] **Fidelity National Bank; Los Angeles, CA**
- [325] **Farmers State Bank**
- [326] **Fraternal Bank and Trust Company**
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- [339] **R [folder empty]**
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- [341] **Tuskegee Institute Savings Bank**
- [342] **Tri-State Bank; Memphis, Tennessee**
Major subjects: Conferences and conventions; National Bankers Association.
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[344] **Victory Savings Bank**

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[350] **Denver, Colorado**

[351] **Delaware, Wilmington [folder empty]**

[352] **E [folder empty]**

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- [380] **West Virginia, Charleston**
- [381] **Journal and Requisition [empty folder]**
- [382] **Completed Journal and Requisition**
Major subjects: American Institute of Banking; U.S. Commerce Department.
- [383] **Bank of Ethiopia**
- [384] **Bank of the Republic of Haiti**

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Major subjects: Banks; Insurance companies; Lending institutions; National Bankers Association; Savings and loans association.

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