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Object Name	Photograph	Source	Atkinson, Mrs. M.S.
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Title	Oakes - Race Collection	Year Range	1904-1973
Location	Archives Building: A: 24		
Description	This collection is comprised of memorabilia and photographs collected by Marion Oakes LaMotte (Mrs. H.J.), including Race and Oakes family photographs and local Clinton/Pittstown area photographs and post cards. While the collection contains material from 1904 to 1973, the bulk of the photographs and documents are from the 1910s and 20s. This collection would be of interest to people researching the Race and Oakes families, as well as those interested in the lives of teenagers and young adults in early 20th-century Hunterdon County. Box 1, Folders 1-13 contain various documents, including high school magazines, a program for a performance of "Bird Guardians," and other Clinton High School memorabilia, correspondence, genealogical notes, documents from a Rockefeller Family Association reunion, and loose photographs. Box 1, Folders 14-27, and Box 2, Folders 1-9 contain pages from a photograph album. Box 2, Folders 10-26 contain loose photographs.		



Identity Statement & Context

Name of Creator	Reference Code	NJFLH15380
Other Creators		
Creator Added Entry		
Dates of Creation	Administrative Biographical History	Marion Oakes LaMotte was the granddaughter of Henry Race, MD. Henry was a very renowned physician in Hunterdon County in the mid-19th century. He was a farmer later in life and a prolific writer of history. He was a founding member of the Hunterdon County Historical Society in 1885 and was recognized for inspiring passion for history throughout his life.
Dates of Accumulation	Archival History	

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Allied Materials & Description Control

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Existence and Location of Copies

Archivist's Name

Archivist's Notes

Archives Building

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Related Units of Description in this Repository

Associated Materials in other Repositories

Rules or Conventions

Date(s) of Descriptions

Summer 2026

Container List

Location	Container	Folder	Title	Description	Date
A	001	001	The Crescent	Two editions of "The Crescent," the monthly magazine for Clinton High School. Marion Oakes is the Editor in Chief. The first edition is "Baseball Number," Vol VI, No. 7, which has a number of articles as well as baseball box scores. The second edition is "Senior," Vol VI, No. 8, which has a number of articles, including an article on the history of Clinton by Marion Oates. Also includes a play program for "Bird Guardians."	1916

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A	001	002	Marion Oakes Graduation	Marion Oakes Graduation invitation and program for Commencement Exercises for Clinton High School, class of 1916.	1916
A	001	003	Death Announcements	Two documents: a funeral announcement for Ruth Race Oakes, who died in Pittstown on January 20, 1919, and a list of deaths of the Woodruff family in the early 19th century, including Ann Rockefeller Woodruff, who died May 1, 1815.	1919
A	001	004	Dorothy Oakes Letter and Biographical Documents	Four items: A letter from Ray Wilson of the HCHS to Dorothy Oakes about her grandfather; two documents describing the life of Henry Race, MD (n.d.), one of the charter members of the HCHS; a pencil sketch of an elderly woman dated November 27, 1924.	1924-1960
A	001	005	Rockefeller Family	Three items: a 1909 pamphlet for the reunion of the Rockefeller Family Association, a newspaper clipping about a Rockefeller reunion picnic, and a brief write-up of the Rockefeller family history.	1909
A	001	006	Spinet Documents	Three items: Spring 1973 Hunterdon Historical Society Newsletter, which includes an article about Marion Oakes La Motte donating Dr. Henry Race's spinet to the Doric House; an article in the March 29, 1973, Hunterdon Democrat about the spinet donation; a note from B. A. Sorby to Marion about the arrival of the spinet.	1973
A	001	007	Correspondence, Family History	Seven letters from Marion to Dorothy Oakes. Six obituaries/death notices of Oakes family members from various newspapers: Hubbard D. Oakes, Theodore Oakes, Augustin F. Oakes, George Oakes, David Oakes. Newspaper clipping from the Newark Evening News, March 3, 1917, about David Oakes. Seven documents regarding Oakes family genealogy.	1917 - 1963
A	001	008	Postcards	Seven postcards of various Hunterdon County locations, including the Union Chapel in Pittstown and Clinton High School. One is sent from Dorothy Oakes to her mother, Ida Race Oakes, and another is to Marion Oakes from her mother. The rest are blank.	1907 - 1908, n.d.
A	001	009	James Smith Photo	Portrait photograph of a man in a shawl-collared tuxedo, dark hair slicked back. Identified on verso as James Smith.	n.d.
A	001	010	Henry Smith Photo	Portrait photograph of a man in a dark suit with a very large mustache. Identified on verso as Henry Smith	n.d.
A	001	011	Kate Smith Photo	Portrait photograph of a woman in a dark, high-collared dress, with hair pulled back and curled bangs. Identified on verso as Kate Smith, Pittstown.	n.d.
A	001	012	Miscellaneous	Four items: a 1927 airplane passenger ticket for Marion Oakes; a note (on the back of a piece of a cereal box) about a man remembering events of the Civil War he witnessed as a boy; a note about the Rockefeller family; a letter to Dr. Henry Race.	1927, n.d.
A	001	013	Race Photos	Five photographs: undated portrait of Edythe W Race; undated portrait of Ida L. Race; December 1904 family portrait of Paul, Alice, and Oscar Race (aged three years, nine months); 1935 Christmas card photograph of Jane and Oscar Race; June 1916 snapshot of young people dressed as birds: Mabel Cregar, Hazel Bloom, Maud Griffin, Fred Pferd, Francis Hooper, Hazel Fritts, Marion Oakes, Hazel Pittenger, Mary Ader, Emily Tomson.	1904 - 1935
A	001	014	Photo Album Pages 1-2	Page 1: five photos from 1918 and 1919, including one of Dorothy Oakes in 1919. Page 2: seven photos from 1918, including three of Dorothy Oakes, one of Edythe Race, and one of "Dad."	1918 - 1919
A	001	015	Photo Album Pages 3-4	Page 3: four photos including one titled "Sandbrook." Page 4: four photos including two of the F&R Piel house.	1918 - 1919
A	001	016	Photo Album Pages 5-6	Page 5: four photos of the St. Thomas School and pupils Page 6: two photos of the St. Thomas School, a winter scene, and one photo of R.F. Piel Family.	n.d.
A	001	017	Photo Album Pages 7-8	Page 7: four photos including photo of Daretown (1918), Newkirk School (1917-1918), Elizabeth Robbins. Page 8: six photos including people in Ocean City 1919; two of Newkirk School pupils (1918-1919); R. Branden (1918); a couple (1919).	1917 - 1919
A	001	018	Photo Album Pages 9-10	Page 9: five photos of people in 1919, including Phyllis Edwards and Henry Croce. Page 10: four photos of people in Ocean City in 1919.	1919

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A	001	019	Photo Album Pages 11-12	Page 11: five photos from 1919, including four of Turnerville School and one of Anna Watson. Page 12: four photos from 1919 including Maurice Snellbaker, Mary Wieser and Charlesanna Irvin.	1919
A	001	020	Photo Album Pages 13-14	Page 13: five photos from 1918 - 1919. Page 14: five photos from 1919 including three of Dorothy Oakes, one of W. Watson and his two mules, Jack and Jenny, and one of the home of W. Watson.	1918 - 1919
A	001	021	Photo Album Pages 15-16	Page 15: three photos of the Turnerville School and pupils (1918-1919), one photo of the Turnerville Church. Page 16: two photos of Turnerville, one of W. Watson and M. Wieser, one of Caldren.	1918 - 1919
A	001	022	Photo Album Pages 17-18	Page 17: three photos: Anita Smith 1918, Ethel Goebel in Asbury Park 1914, child in white dress. Page 18: three photos of unidentified people, one photo of a boy on a horse (Prince and Donald).	1914 - 1918
A	001	023	Photo Album Pages 19-20	Page 19: three photos of unidentified people. Page 20: three photos: white house, woman with chickens, Somlocks.	n.d.
A	001	024	Photo Album Pages 21-22	Page 21: three photos: H. Stringfellow, photo of Mary Somlock, photo of Easton 1916. Page 22: five photos: Dorothy Oakes at Cherryville High School in 1916, two photos of of H. Stringfellow, photo of a house, photo of a chicken.	1916 - 1920
A	001	025	Photo Album Pages 23-24	Page 23: six photos including one of Helen Erickson and one of Ralph Burd. Page 24: two photos of chickens.	1919
A	001	026	Photo Album Pages 25-26	Page 25: two photos of chickens. Page 26: three photos including one of a woman with chickens and one of "Dad" and Uncle Paul boxing.	1920
A	001	027	Photo Album Pages 27-28	Page 27: five photos including Viola Prince, Grace Clarke, Dorothy Oakes in Boundbrook. Page 28: four photos including Dorothy Oakes. Oak Tree School.	1919 - 1921
A	002	001	Photo Album Pages 29-30	Page 29: baseball catcher; house. Page 30: two photos of men in front of a house; photo of the Palisades and the Hudson River.	1921
A	002	002	Photo Album Pages 31-32	Page 31: photo of man labeled "W.T.S.," photo of Storm King Mountain, photo of Newburgh, NY. Page 32: photo of Eli Oakes; photo of I.R. Oakes holding a cat.	1921
A	002	003	Photo Album Pages 33-34	Page 33: photo of Marion and Dorothy Oakes, photo of man by a horse, photo of a small child, photo of a man reading a book. Page 34: photo of a man in a garden, arms akimbo.	n.d.
A	002	004	Photo Album Pages 35-36	Page 35: photo of 3 soldiers in uniform. Page 36: empty.	n.d.
A	002	005	Photo Album Pages 37-38	Page 37: empty. Page 38: photo of Marion Oakes, photo of young people in bird costumes (see Box 1, Folder 13).	n.d.
A	002	006	Photo Album Pages 39-40	Page 39: photo of woman, photo of woman in front of a canoe, photo of man. Page 40: photo of "some of the Wohesa Club," photo of Ruth Sayles and husband, photo of girls in Garfield, NJ, photo of Mamyo Warden and Ruth Sayles	1921 - 1922
A	002	007	Photo Album Pages 41-42	Page 41: photo of young person with baby chickens, photo of woman. Page 42: photo of Mary Somlock, photo of a woman captioned "I like this one," photo of Wm. T. Stevens, photo of woman with chicken, photo of 140 Phelps Ave.	1920 -1921
A	002	008	Photo Album Pages 43-44	Page 43: photo of woman, photo of Betsy Ross' house, photo of Uncle Paul Race's house, photo of house. Page 44: photo of Mrs. Bidmead and Bobby, photo of Karamas 1920, photo of woman, photo of the Hudson River, photo of Bear Mountain.	1917 - 1921
A	002	009	Photo Album Pages 45-46	Page 45: photo of 2 soldiers, photo of Charles Kropac, photo of Rose Beckenstein, photo of 3 people in a car in NY, photo of L. Sorokin. Page 46: five photos of people and animals on a farm.	1913 - 1920

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A	002	010	Photo of Emma W. Thomson	Portrait photograph of woman with wire-rimmed glasses wearing a high-necked dress, hair pulled back. Identified on verso as Emma W. Thomson.	n.d.
A	002	011	Photo of Rockefeller-Woodruff-Hunt	Portrait photograph of older woman with gray hair and a dark dress. Labeled on verso: Rockefeller-Woodruff-Hunt.	n.d.
A	002	012	Photo of Chuck Connor	Snapshot photograph of a man with a mustache in military uniform. Identified on verso as Chuck Connor of Nutley.	n.d.
A	002	013	Photo of Cherryville School	Photograph of 13 children posed in front of a building, stamped "Public School Cherryville NJ Nov 1916." Dorothy Oakes in back row, center.	1916
A	002	014	Photo of St. Thomas School	Photograph of 15 students and their teacher posed in front of a building, stamped "Public School St. Thomas Church NJ Nov 1916."	1916
A	002	015	Photo of James Jemail	Photograph of a man in a pinstriped suit and white bowler hat, holding a camera, standing in front of a stone building with an iron fence. Labeled on verso: "M. James Jemail 1/6/26; U.S.S. Wheeling; Lieut. Jemail; NY Daily News."	1926
A	002	016	Photo of Dorothy Oakes	Portrait photograph of a teenaged girl with long, curled hair, wearing a striped dress with a wide white lace collar. Identified as Dorothy Oakes.	n.d.
A	002	017	Portrait of Marion Oakes	Portrait photograph of a woman with short dark hair, wearing a dress or coat with a fur collar and a string of pearls. Identified as Marion Oakes, 1922.	1922
A	002	018	Photo of Good Fellows	Snapshot photograph of a group of ten girls posed outside, labeled "a bunch of good fellows" on front and "Clinton High School 1916 on back."	1916
A	002	019	Photo of Marion T. Oakes	Postcard photograph of a woman standing on a snowy sidewalk, wearing a dark coat and hat, preparing to throw a snowball. Identified as Marion T. Oakes, February 1914.	1914
A	002	020	Photo of Edythe Race	Snapshot photograph of a woman standing outside in a white dress. Identified on verso as "Edythe Race, about 1924."	1924
A	002	021	Photo of Kate Smith	Portrait photograph of an older woman in a high-necked dress and wire-rimmed glasses. Identified on verso as Kate Smith.	n.d.
A	002	022	Photo of Palisade Park School	Photograph of a school building with people gathered outside. Identified on verso as of Palisade Park School, 1921	1921
A	002	023	Photo of Sturdy Oakes Class	Snapshot photograph of 17 people posed outside, labeled on verso: "Aug 6, 1927 - The Sturdy Oakes Class"	1927
A	002	024	Various Photos	Seven photographs: woman in nurse's uniform; man in a hat leading a white horse; boy in a suit identified as Maurice Snellbaker; two women standing outside wearing aprons, identified as "Mother and Miss Lindburry, April 1930"; older woman and young girl with a dog, identified as "only picture with Spot, 1927"; woman in a plaid dress with two men in ties, and the same woman and two men with a third man, both posed outside.	ca 1930
A	002	025	Photo of Kate Smith and Ella Hulsizer	Portrait photograph of seated older woman and standing younger woman, identified on verso as Kate Smith and Ella Hulsizer.	n.d.
A	002	026	Newkirk Photos	Two photographs: small wooden building with shutters, a woman and two children standing on the front step, labeled "Newkirk School"; woman in a suit jacket and skirt or pants, holding a large dark hat, standing outside a white two-story building, identified on verso as "Miss Mary L. Newkirk, Daretown NJ, Feb '18."	1918, n.d.

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Object Name

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Object Name 3

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Photograph

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08: Communication Objects

Classification

Documentary Objects

Sub-Classification

Graphic Documents

Primary

Photograph

Secondary

Tertiary

Other Names

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Subcategory

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Home Location

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Room

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Drawer

Wall

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People, Subjects, Classification, Search Terms

People

Newkirk, Mary; Oakes, Dorothy; Oakes, Ida Race; Oakes, Marion T.;

Classification

No Data

Subjects	Oakes, Ruth Race; Race, Alice; Race, Edyth; Race, Henry (Dr.); Race, Oscar; Race, Paul W.; Smith, Henry; Smith, James T.; Smith, Kate; Wilson, Ray C.	Search Terms	Clinton High School; Cherryville School; St. Thomas Church (Alexandria Twp.); Pittstown, NJ
	Family history; Family records; Letters; Masquerades; Photograph albums; Portrait photographs; Postcards; Schools		

Relations

Related Publications	Notes on Related Items
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Related Items

Type	Object Id	Object Name
A	3.001.013	Manuscript
A	3.001.026	Manuscript
A	3.001.087	Mixed Media Accession
A	3.001.134	Manuscript
A	3.001.234	Album, Photograph
A	3.001.262	Manuscript
A	3.002.0528	Manuscript
A	3.002.0529	Manuscript
A	3.002.0530	Manuscript
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A	3.002.0612	Register
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A	3.002.0793	Manuscript
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A	3.002.0795	Manuscript
A	3.002.0796	Manuscript
A	3.002.0797	Manuscript
A	3.002.0798	Manuscript
A	3.002.0799	Minutes

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A	3.002.0959	Minutes
A	2012-030-001	Manuscript
A	2021.209	Manuscript
A	CS-667	Bible

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