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B : P R E S I D E N T S**SUBGROUP 5: HOWARD B. JEFFERSON****SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

Howard B. Jefferson (1901-1983) served as third President of Clark University between 1946 and 1967. This collection consists of office records and manuscripts found among his papers. In 1985, Mrs. Jefferson gave this collection to the University Archives. Office files constitute Series I and follow original order. Manuscript materials and memorabilia are arranged to reflect the files' content. Other Clark University Archives collections document or reflect President Jefferson's tenure. However, the Chronological Files here are almost all the surviving office records. A small run of records in Record Group B under President Jefferson's name contain his correspondence with some faculty members together with a few topical files.

President Jefferson's career as a philosopher and educator spanned several decades. Many of the materials in this collection are hand-written remarks. Nevertheless, his comments address or reflect academic ideals, academic freedom during the post World War II decade, the expansion of higher education at Clark, and elsewhere, in the 1950's and 1960's, and the impact of the Vietnam War Era on higher education.

Historical files in Series II are of special interest. Files with pre-1946 dates were not known to exist. They shed additional light on Wallace Atwood's Presidency (1920-1946). The scrapbook in Series IV, prepared in 1967 by the New York Alumni Club, contains President Jefferson's reflective and candid appraisal of the development of Clark during his administration.

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