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Guide to the

Alphonso H. Johnson papers

1932-1942

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Summary

Creator: Johnson, Alphonso Henry, 1892-

Title: Alphonso H. Johnson papers

Date: 1932-1942

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Source: Gift, 409 Edgecombe Avenue Tenant Association, 1988

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Abstract: Alphonso H. Johnson, a Harlem resident, was a sleeping car porter with the Pullman Company and a member of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters. The Alphonso H. Johnson Papers contain personal letters primarily from female friends who lived in Montreal and along the Eastern Seaboard of the U.S., and correspondence relating to his employment with the Pullman Company. There is also some documentation for the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

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Key Terms

Subjects

African American labor union members
African American train attendants
Black author
Man-woman relationships -- Correspondence
Pullman porters -- United States -- Correspondence

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Correspondence

Names

Johnson, Alphonso Henry, 1892-
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
Pullman Car Company