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## Descriptive Summary

|                              |  |
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| <b>Title:</b>                | L. Mendel Rivers papers  |
| <b>Date(s)</b>               | 1876-1990  |
| <b>Date(s)</b>               | (bulk 1941-1970)   |
| <b>Creator:</b>              | Rivers, L. Mendel (Lucius Mendel), 1905-1970   |
| <b>Abstract:</b>             | Correspondence, programs, publications, newspaper clippings, speeches, photographs, photo albums, scrapbooks, awards, certificates, financial material, and personal files of L. Mendel Rivers (1905-1970), Democratic United States Representative from South Carolina's 1st Congressional District from 1941 to 1970. Materials primarily relate to Rivers' service in Congress with topics including the Cold War, Vietnam War, the Charleston Naval Shipyard, the United States Armed Forces, military pay raises, the draft, and nuclear-powered submarines. Materials were collected by various Rivers family members. |
| <b>Extent:</b>               | 40 linear feet<br>(9 cartons, 3 document boxes, 2 slim boxes, 18 oversize boxes, 10 oversize folders, 1 oversize scrapbook)  |
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## Biographical Note

Lucius Mendel Rivers was born in 1905 just west of Charleston, South Carolina in the small town of Gumville. His father, Lucius Rivers was a cotton farmer who ran a turpentine mill. When Mendel was ten years old his father died suddenly of pneumonia. The senior Rivers' death sent the family's fortunes into decline. Eventually, the bank foreclosed on the farm, and forced the Rivers' clan to sell most of its possessions. Rivers' mother, Henrietta, used what money was left over from the sale to move the family to the north area of Charleston County where she purchased a two-story home near Montague Avenue. Despite having a comfortable home, the family was far from well off financially. Young Mendel rose at 4:00 A.M. to milk cows and deliver newspapers before riding a trolley to Charleston to attend school. His mother also took in boarders to improve the family's financial situation.

Rivers graduated from High School in 1926. He was admitted to the College of Charleston with the intention of becoming a lawyer. He left the college after three years to attend the law school at the University of South Carolina. Rivers passed the South Carolina bar exam in 1932, and entered a law practice with Joseph Fromberg.

Shortly after beginning his law practice, Rivers ran for a seat in the South Carolina General Assembly. Although his initial attempt at electoral success failed, Rivers ran again a year later when a special election was held to fill a vacant seat in the Charleston County delegation to the State House of Representatives. In his second election, Rivers campaigned under the slogan: "Give the Northern End of the County Representation." This time, Rivers won. He was re-elected in 1934 and won the Democratic Primary in 1936.

Before Rivers could defend his seat in the general election of 1936, he was offered a job as an assistant to the Attorney General of the United States. The offer was made at the behest of Thomas McMillan, the congressman from South Carolina's First Congressional District, who viewed Rivers as a possible rival for his congressional seat, and sought to make an ally out of Rivers before they became competitors. Whether or not he was aware of the congressman's motives, Rivers accepted the offer, which took him first to Washington, D.C., then to Louisiana, and, finally, to Georgia to work for the federal government.

In 1938, Rivers returned to Charleston to help McMillan stave off a difficult challenge for the Democratic nomination from Russell McGowan. Charleston Mayor Burnet R. Maybank, who was running for governor, and Henry Lockwood, who was the favorite to replace Maybank as the city's mayor, endorsed McGowan. Thanks to a strong showing in the rural areas of the First Congressional District, McMillan narrowly won the nomination. Just two days after the primary, Rivers and Margaret Middleton were married at Charleston's historic St. Michael's Episcopal Church. Several months later, Tom McMillan died unexpectedly leaving his wife to fill his congressional seat until the next election.

In February of 1940, Rivers resigned from his job with the Justice Department and returned to Charleston to "practice law." Rivers' return to the city prompted the *Charleston News and Courier* to speculate that he intended to seek McMillan's old congressional seat.

The political establishment endorsed Alfred H. "Fritz" von Kolnitz. Von Kolnitz was a successful businessman and a former professional baseball player and World War I fighter pilot. Despite his credentials, von Kolnitz was not a gifted speaker. He lacked Rivers' flair for impromptu speeches. He did, however, have a solid backing in the city of Charleston. Rivers' strategy was to keep the returns in Charleston close and bank on strong support from the surrounding areas. The campaign strategy proved successful. Rivers lost Charleston County, but he overwhelmingly defeated von Kolnitz in the rural areas of the district.

When he entered the United States House of Representatives, Rivers was assigned to the Naval Affairs Committee, which was merged with the Military Affairs Committee to form the Armed Services Committee after World War II. Rivers' remained on the Armed Services Committee throughout his career. In 1965, he was named Chairman of the committee. He served in that capacity until his death in 1970.

Rivers was instrumental in several aspects of the administrative policy of the Vietnam War. He helped define the terms of the draft, and he aided in securing funding for military activities. He is generally credited with helping to build the "nuclear navy" and with supporting the development of the "C5-A" aircraft. Rivers acquired a reputation as a defender of the military and as a "warhawk." He prided himself on his reputation as a champion of the ordinary service man.

Rivers was also active in the fight to save segregation. He was a strident defender of the racial status quo. In 1948, he was the first South Carolina Congressman to declare himself a "Dixiecrat" and openly support J. Strom Thurmond's candidacy for the presidency. He bolted the Democratic Party again in 1952 when he supported Dwight D. Eisenhower in the presidential election. Rivers felt that the Democratic Party had adopted a "liberal" civil rights platform in the contest. Although he publicly supported the Democratic Party for the remainder of his career, numerous sources charged that he had secretly aided George Wallace's "independent" campaign for president in 1968. Also, in a 1956 questionnaire, Rivers was the only South Carolina congressman to declare himself a member of the White Citizens' Council.

Throughout his near three decades in Congress, Rivers was never seriously challenged in either the Democratic Primary or the general election. He was instrumental in the development of numerous defense industries in his district, especially the tremendous growth of the Charleston Naval Base. Rivers also fought to make the College of Charleston a state institution in the late 1960s.

## Collection Overview

The papers of L. Mendel Rivers span the years of 1876 to 1990, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the years of 1941 to 1970. The collection is composed primarily of correspondence, programs, publications, newspaper clippings, speeches, photographs, photo albums, scrapbooks, awards, and certificates relating to Rivers' legislative work as a member of Congress from the first district of South Carolina and as a powerful member of the House Committee on Armed Services. The papers are supplemented by personal, financial, and other material including L. Mendel Rivers' FBI file. Materials were collected by various Rivers family members.

Reflected in the Rivers collection is the congressman's deep concern for the armed services and security of the United States. In particular his dedication to ensuring the well-being of military personnel and their families by pushing through an armed services pay raise, his influence and opinions concerning the Vietnam War, his efforts to strengthen the armed forces (particularly through the creation of a nuclear-powered navy), and his efforts to strengthen Charleston's economy by bringing many military-related industries to the first district.

Notable correspondents and those pictured include: Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman, Dwight D. Eisenhower, John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson, and Richard M. Nixon, future President Gerald R. Ford, Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara, President of the Republic of China Chiang Kai-shek, Madame Chiang Kai-shek, King Peter II of Yugoslavia, J. Edgar Hoover, General William Westmoreland, General Douglas MacArthur, General Mark Clark, Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee Carl Vinson, Senator J. Strom Thurmond, Alabama Governor George Wallace, Charlton Heston, former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Jack Dempsey, Shirley Temple Black, and Evangelist Billy Graham.

## Collection Arrangement

1. Correspondence, 1918-1971
2. Programs, 1940-1970
3. Publications, 1921-1990 (bulk 1940-1975)
4. Newspaper clippings, 1876-1975 (bulk 1940-1975)
5. Speeches, 1940-1971
6. Photographs, 1908-1970 (bulk 1941-1970)
7. Photo albums, 1964-1970
8. Visual displays, 1962-1965
9. Scrapbooks, 1929-1970
10. Awards, 1951-1970
11. Certificates, 1922-1974 (bulk 1940-1974)
12. Financial, 1940-1970
13. Personal files, 1952-1970

## Restrictions

### Access Restrictions

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## Related Material

Related materials in Special Collections include the L. Mendel Rivers Papers (Mss 0094) and the Rivers Family Papers (Mss 0199).

## Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person, family, or organization, by topical subject, by place, and by types of material.

### Names

- Rivers, L. Mendel (Lucius Mendel), 1905-1970
- United States. Congress. House.
- United States. Congress. House. Committee on Armed Services
- Charleston Naval Shipyard

### Subjects

- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- Cold War
- World politics--1945-1989
- Navy-yards and naval stations
- Nuclear submarines
- National security--United States
- Draft--United States

### Places

- United States--Armed Forces
- United States--Armed Forces--Pay, allowances, etc.
- South Carolina--Politics and government--20th century
- United States--Politics and government--20th century
- United States--Foreign relations--20th century
- Charleston (S.C.)--Economic conditions--20th century

### **Types of Material**

- Clippings (information artifacts)
- Souvenir programs
- Booklets
- Magazines (periodicals)
- Articles
- Publications
- Black-and-white photographs
- Photograph albums
- Scrapbooks
- Awards
- Correspondence
- Personal correspondence
- Speeches (documents)
- Legislative records
- Congressional committee records

## **Administrative Information**

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### **Acquisitions Information**

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Materials were donated in 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 by Margaret Rivers Eastman.

Materials were donated in 2002 and 2003 by L. Mendel Rivers, Jr.

Materials were donated in September 2008 by Dorothy Middleton Anderson.

### **Processing Information**

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

### 1. Correspondence, 1918-1971, (bulk 1940-1971)

Personal and professional correspondence concerning L. Mendel Rivers. The series is divided into dated and topical correspondence. Of special interest is L. Mendel Rivers' FBI file under the topical correspondence sub-series.

Dated, 1918-1970

|                |      |  |
|----------------|------|--|
| Box 1 Folder 1 | 1918 | A letter to Mrs. Henrietta M. Rivers from Lawyer E. J. Dennis, regarding the "McCay" case.   |
| Box 1 Folder 2 | 1928 | A receipt issued to Mrs. C. F. Shepard for the purchase of house and lots from the North Charleston Development Company for \$300.   |
| Box 1 Folder 3 | 1938 | A description of L. Mendel Rivers' efforts to campaign for Thomas S. McMillan (United States Representative for South Carolina's First Congressional District) during his 1938 campaign for reelection.  |
| Box 1 Folder 4 | 1940 | Correspondence congratulating Representative Rivers on his election as United States Representative for South Carolina's First Congressional District.   |
| Box 1 Folder 5 | 1941 | Correspondence primarily concerning legislation including election congratulations, appointments, peanut acreage allotments, the dredging of Charleston harbor, federal aid for the Walterboro and Beaufort Airports, and deferments.  |
| Box 1 Folder 6 | 1942 | Correspondence primarily concerning legislation including the housing program in Hampton, South Carolina, federal aid for the Walterboro Airport, the Office of Price Administration's (OPA) office in Charleston, South Carolina, and the War Production Board. Also included is a personal letter to L. Mendel Rivers' mother concerning the possible purchase of a house and a job appointment. |
| Box 1 Folder 7 | 1943 | Handwritten correspondence to and from Representative Rivers and his family.   |
| Box 1 Folder 8 | 1945 | An invitation from the United States Secretary of the Navy, James Forrestal, to a Navy Department presentation concerning the subject of atomic power. Representative Rivers accepted the invitation.  |
| Box 1 Folder 9 | 1948 |  |



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|                    |  |      | A letter concerning a genealogy request, a letter from an elementary school child wanting to know about Rivers' beginnings in politics, and a letter congratulating General Clifton B. Cates on his appointment as Commandant of the United States Marine Corps.   |
| Box 1 Folder 10    |  | 1949 |  |
|                    |  |      | A letter from the Special Assistant to the Personal Representative of the president of the United States to Pope Pius XII concerning Rivers' trip to Rome and an invitation from South Carolina Governor J. Strom Thurmond to stay at the Governor's Mansion during his visit to Columbia. Rivers' declined Thurmond's invitation as he already had reservations at the Jefferson Hotel. |
| Box 1 Folder 11    |  | 1951 |  |
|                    |  |      | A letter from Rivers to his wife and a letter containing a copy of <i>Coronet Magazine</i> that contains an article concerning Rivers.   |
| Box 1 Folder 12    |  | 1952 |  |
|                    |  |      | Copies of applications for the appointment of Rivers to the Federal Judgeship of South Carolina and family correspondence.   |
| Box 1 Folder 13-17 |  | 1953 |  |
|                    |  |      | A large volume of personal correspondence with family, friends, constituents, and officials.   |
| Box 1 Folder 18    |  | 1954 |  |
|                    |  |      | Personal correspondence with family, friends, constituents, and officials.   |
| Box 1 Folder 19    |  | 1955 |  |
|                    |  |      | Personal correspondence with family, friends, constituents, and officials. Including a wedding invitation for Rivers' niece, Patricia Marion Rivers.   |
| Box 1 Folder 20    |  | 1959 |  |
|                    |  |      | A telegram congratulating Rivers, two photographs of Rivers from a party put on by Pan American World Airways, and two photographs from a visit by Representative Rivers to the United States Naval Activities in Rota, Spain.   |
| Box 1 Folder 21    |  | 1960 |  |
|                    |  |      | A letter from President Dwight D. Eisenhower concerning fishing and a letter from Rivers' wife.  |
| Box 1 Folder 22    |  | 1963 |  |
|                    |  |      | Copies of letters written by the Chairman of the House Committee on Armed Services, Carl Vinson, authorizing Representative Rivers to travel in Western Europe on behalf of the committee and an invitation by retired General A. C. Wedemeyer to visit.   |
| Box 1 Folder 23    |  | 1964 |  |

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|                    |   |  | A telegram from Frank W. Boykin declining attendance to the annual "bird luncheon," a brief letter from United States Air Force General Jacob E. Smart, and a letter of thanks from United States Air Force Chief of Staff General Curtis E. LeMay.  |
| Box 1 Folder 24    | 1965  |  |  |
|                    |   |  | A brief thank you card from President Lyndon B. Johnson, letters from the Citizens and Southern National Bank of South Carolina, and letters concerning the Vietnam War and protests against the draft.  |
| Box 1 Folder 25    | 1966  |  |  |
|                    |   |  | Letters to President Lyndon B. Johnson and letters concerning a tribute Rivers' sent to former Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, Carl Vinson.  |
| Box 1 Folder 26    | 1967  |  |  |
|                    |   |  | A letter containing a receipt for an insured parcel for Rivers' daughter sent from Lisbon, a letter from Rivers' mother, and a brief letter from the American Ambassador in Germany inviting Rivers to lunch.  |
| Box 1 Folder 27    | 1968  |  |  |
|                    |   |  | Letters of congratulation and a letter to the Secretary of Defense, Robert S. McNamara concerning a proposed reduction in United States Air Reserve Forces.  |
| Box 1 Folder 28    | 1969  |  |  |
|                    |   |  | A birthday card and photographs from Rivers' visit to Munich, an annotated schedule for President Nixon's inauguration, a letter to the Democratic National Congressional Committee, a petition for reparations from Saint David's Episcopal Church, Washington, D.C., a letter from President Richard M. Nixon concerning draft reform, a letter from Madame Chiang Kai-shek concerning her car accident, and a letter from the President of the Republic of China, Chiang Kai-shek. Contains original letter in Mandarin and an English translation. |
| Box 1 Folder 29    | 1970  |  |  |
|                    |   |  | Correspondence from the President of the Republic of China, Chiang Kai-shek, former President Lyndon B. Johnson, President Richard M. Nixon, and the King of Nepal.  |
| Box 1 Folder 30    | undated   |  |  |
|                    |   |  | Various correspondence from family, friends, and officials including an invitation to a reception in honor of the President of the Republic of the Philippines.  |
| Topical, 1940-1971 |   |  |  |
| Box 1 Folder 31    | "A Constituents Warning to His Congressman," 1940 |  |  |
|                    |   |  | "A Constituents Warning to His Congressman" from James Henry Clark pasted onto cardboard. Contains a list of suggestions that every good congressman should follow.  |
| Box 1 Folder 32    | White House invitations, 1944-1945                |  |  |

- Invitations, tickets, letters, and programs concerning the inauguration of President Franklin D. Roosevelt.
- Box 1 Folder 33 **Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) file, 1948-1971**
- Copies of L. Mendel Rivers' Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) file that were originally mailed to an unknown person under the Freedom of Information Act and then sent to L. Mendel Rivers Jr. who then forwarded the files to Margaret (Peggy) Rivers Eastman (L. Mendel Rivers' daughter) on May 26, 2006. These files contain correspondence from L. Mendel Rivers with J. Edgar Hoover, newspaper articles, reflections on L. Mendel Rivers' personal character by numerous friends and acquaintances, a biography, and an extortion attempt, among other files.
- Box 1 Folder 34 **Building of home in Wappoo Heights, 1950-1951**
- Correspondence, blueprints, and specifications concerning the building of the Rivers' family home in Wappoo Heights, Charleston, South Carolina.
- Box 1 Folder 35 **Nomination-federal judge, 1952**
- Correspondence concerning Representative Rivers' nomination to the Federal Judgeship for the Eastern District for South Carolina including encouragement from constituents and letters concerning Rivers' withdrawal of his nomination. Correspondents include President Truman and congressmen Frank W. Boykin and Carl Vinson.
- Box 1 Folder 36 **Bryson, Joseph R., 1953**
- Telegrams about attending Representative Joseph R. Bryson's funeral and a newspaper clipping containing his obituary.
- Box 1 Folder 37 **Office notes, 1953-1954**
- Miscellaneous handwritten office notes and a schedule detailing Rivers' appointments for November.
- Box 1 Folder 38 **Displaced persons, 1954-1955**
- Correspondence concerning displaced Austrian women, their struggle, impressions of America, suitability for work, and personal documents.
- Box 1 Folder 39 **Chaplin, Patricia Marion Rivers-estate, 1955-1956**
- Correspondence concerning the transfer of money from the estate of Dorrell Earle Rivers to Patricia Marion Rivers. L. Mendel Rivers served as guardian to his niece.
- Box 1 Folder 40 **Eastman, Margaret Rivers, 1955-1967**
- Letters between L. Mendel Rivers and his daughter Margaret (Peggy) Rivers Eastman.
- Box 1 Folder 41 **Segregation-Little Rock, 1959**
- Correspondence between Representative Rivers and Governor Orval Faubus of Arkansas concerning segregation in Little Rock. Rivers supported segregation.

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| Box 1 Folder 42 | <b>Genealogy, 1959-1968</b><br>Correspondence with Hasell Rivers, including family trees, birth records, sketches of the family crest, and one very old undated list of birth records pulled from a book, the last birth recorded being in 1864.                          |
| Box 1 Folder 43 | <b>Personal-general, 1960-1966</b><br>Correspondence with various constituents and officials.   |
| Box 1 Folder 44 | <b>Stocks, 1962-1964</b><br>Correspondence concerning L. Mendel Rivers' stock market activity. Especially his holdings for Win-Dixie Stores, Inc.   |
| Box 1 Folder 45 | <b>Last will and testament, 1963</b><br>A copy of L. Mendel Rivers' will sent to his wife.  |
| Box 1 Folder 46 | <b>"Old Guard" City of Philadelphia, 1964</b><br>Correspondence, speeches, articles, and publications concerning the 107th Anniversary of the "Old Guard, City of Philadelphia" during which Representative Rivers served as a distinguished guest and principal speaker. |
| Box 1 Folder 47 | <b>Ambassador of China, 1966</b><br>A handwritten tag indicating a gift of a "heavy crystal ash tray and six Chinese engravings" from the Ambassador of China given to L. Mendel Rivers.  |
| Box 1 Folder 48 | <b>Portrait fund, 1967</b><br>Correspondence concerning a fund to produce a portrait of L. Mendel Rivers. Included are various thank you letters to people who contributed, lists of contributors, and letters specifying enclosed checks.                                |
| Box 1 Folder 49 | <b>Hong Kong furniture, 1967-1968</b><br>Correspondence, freight bills, drawings, and orders for furniture from Chu Furniture in Hong Kong.   |
| Box 1 Folder 50 | <b>Robert Conway family tree, 1967-1969</b><br>Correspondence concerning L. Mendel Rivers' inquiry into the American Revolutionary War service of his ancestor Robert Conway.   |
| Box 1 Folder 51 | <b>Thomas, Calhoun, 1968</b><br>A letter written by Calhoun Thomas (containing newspaper articles) expressing support for L. Mendel Rivers and distaste for J. Strom Thurmond's personal character.   |
| Box 1 Folder 52 | <b>Furniture, 1968-1970</b><br>Correspondence, drawings, receipts, specifications, and orders for L. Mendel Rivers' furniture.  |

- Box 1 Folder 53 President of the Republic of China-Chiang Kai Shek, 1969  
 A letter from Chiang Kai Shek thanking L. Mendel Rivers for his concern for China. Contains original letter in Mandarin and an English translation.
- Box 1 Folder 54 U.S.S. South Carolina-Laying of the Keel, 1970  
 An invitation and information concerning Representative Rivers' participation in the Laying of the Keel ceremony for the nuclear-powered guided-missile frigate U.S.S. South Carolina.
- Box 1 Folder 55 Baptist College of Charleston-Dedication of the L. Mendel Rivers Library, 1970  
 An invitation to the dedication ceremony of the L. Mendel Rivers Library at the Baptist College at Charleston.
- Box 1 Folder 56 Chang Ting-Non, undated  
 A business card for Chang Ting-Noh, Mayor of the City of Tientsin, China.
- Box 1 Folder 57 *Charleston Magazine*, undated  
 An envelope containing a printed subscription offer for *Charleston Magazine*.
- Box 1 Folder 58 Lieutenant General Chien Shih Tu, undated  
 A business card for Lt. General Chien Shih Tu, Military Aide to Generalissimo, Garrison Commander of the Pei-ning Railway, and Vice-mayor of the City of Tientsin.
- Box 1 Folder 59 Crisis Ministries, undated  
 A donation card for Crisis Ministries.
- Box 1 Folder 60 Eastman, Margaret Rivers, undated  
 Letters between L. Mendel Rivers and his daughter Margaret (Peggy) Rivers Eastman.
- Box 1 Folder 61 Notes, undated  
 Miscellaneous handwritten notes.
- Box 1 Folder 62 You, W. Athell, undated  
 Contains an article from the magazine *New Orleans* entitled "Herbert on America: The Rise and Fall."

## 2. Programs, 1940-1970

- Copies of programs for events attended by L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 1 Folder 63 *A Rose upon the Altar*-masonic temple, 1940 November 27

- A copy of a program for the Masonic play *A Rose upon the Altar* presented by the Landmark Lodge No. 76 of Charleston, South Carolina, at the Twenty-Second Masonic District Meeting at the Masonic Temple in Florence, South Carolina.
- Box 1 Folder 64      Inauguration of President Eisenhower and Vice-President Nixon, 1957 January 21
- A copy of a program for the 1957 Inauguration Ceremonies of President Eisenhower and Vice-President Nixon.
- Box 1 Folder 65      Appreciation Day Celebration, 1958 May 17
- An invitation for an Appreciation Day Celebration honoring L. Mendel Rivers in Charleston, South Carolina.
- Box 1 Folder 66      Visit of Sub-Committee on National Airlift, 1963 September 5-6
- A schedule for the visit of the House Sub-Committee on National Airlift to the Lockheed-Georgia Company. L. Mendel Rivers attended as Chairman of the Sub-Committee.
- Box 1 Folder 67      Citadel Military College Testimonial Dinner, 1964 March 20
- Four copies of programs for a Testimonial Dinner in appreciation of L. Mendel Rivers at the Citadel Military College in Charleston, South Carolina.
- Box 1 Folder 68      Dedication of the Ben Arnold Memorial Building, 1964 August 28
- A copy of a program for the dedication of the Ben Arnold Memorial Building for the Boys' Club of Greater Columbia. Representative Rivers served as a special speaker at the event.
- Box 1 Folder 69      United States Post Office Dedication-Rivers Annex, 1964 October 17
- A copy of a program for the dedication of the United States Post Office "Rivers Annex" in Charleston, South Carolina. Representative Rivers was present to give his remarks.
- Box 1 Folder 70      Welcome of the Nuclear Ship Savannah, 1964 December 30
- Two programs for a visit from the Nuclear Ship Savannah to the City of Charleston, South Carolina. Representative Rivers gave a speech at the ceremony.
- Box 1 Folder 71      Dedication Ceremony-Dry Dock #5, Charleston Naval Shipyard, 1964
- A copy of a program for the dedication ceremony of Dry Dock Number Five at the Charleston Navy Shipyard. Representative Rivers spoke at the ceremony.
- Box 1 Folder 72      Reserve Officers Association: Mid-Winter Banquet and Military Ball, 1965 February 26
- A program for the Mid-Winter Banquet and Military Ball for the Reserve Officers Association. L. Mendel Rivers was honored with a citation as the citizen who contributed the most to national security in 1965.
- Box 1 Folder 73      Dedication of statue to L. Mendel Rivers, 1965 October 26

- Two programs for the dedication of a statue to L. Mendel Rivers by the Kiwanis Club of North Charleston, South Carolina.
- Box 1 Folder 74      **Dedication of the Robert Emmet statue, 1966 April 22**
- A copy of a program for the dedication of the Robert Emmet statue on Massachusetts Avenue in Washington, D. C. Also included is a photograph of L. Mendel Rivers standing next to the statue.
- Box 1 Folder 75      **Dedication of the Veterans Administration Hospital in Charleston, SC, 1966 May 13**
- A copy of a program for the dedication of the Veterans Administration Hospital in Charleston, South Carolina. Representative Rivers spoke at the ceremony.
- Box 1 Folder 76      **Armed Forces Day Parade, 1966 May 21**
- Copies of the luncheon and parade programs for the Armed Forces Day celebrations in the City of Torrance, California. Representative Rivers spoke at the luncheon.
- Box 1 Folder 77      **Boy Scout of America Honors Night, 1966 July 11**
- A copy of a program for the Honors and Recognition Night for the Coastal Carolina Council of the Boy Scouts of America. Representative Rivers spoke at the event.
- Box 1 Folder 78      **Democratic Congressional Dinner, 1966**
- A program for the 1966 Democratic Congressional Dinner.
- Box 1 Folder 79      **The Iron Gate Chapter-United States Air Force Association Salutes L. Mendel Rivers, 1967 February 21**
- Two copies of the seating list for the Fourth National Air Force Salute at the New York Hilton. Representative Rivers attended as the person of distinction.
- Box 1 Folder 80      **Porter-Gaud School-100th Anniversary Ceremony, 1967 October 25**
- Three copies of programs celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the Porter-Gaud School in Charleston, South Carolina. Representative Rivers spoke at the ceremony.
- Box 1 Folder 81      **Navy Day Banquet, 1967 October 27**
- A copy of a program for the Fourth Annual Banquet honoring Navy Day with L. Mendel Rivers serving as the guest of honor. Rivers gave an address at the banquet.
- Box 1 Folder 82      **Department of Defense-National Association of Supervisors Banquet, 1967**
- A copy of a program for the 21st Annual Banquet of the National Association of Supervisors for the Department of Defense in Pensacola, Florida. Representative Rivers spoke at the banquet.
- Box 1 Folder 83      **Dinner Honoring Representative Robert G. Stephens, Jr., 1967**
- A copy of a program for a dinner honoring Georgia Representative Robert G. Stephens, Jr. in Atlanta, Georgia. Representative Rivers gave the principal address.

- Box 1 Folder 84      **Young Democrats-L. Mendel Rivers Appreciation Dinner, 1968 February 16**  
Four copies of programs for an appreciation dinner given in honor of L. Mendel Rivers by the First Congressional District Young Democrats. Representative Rivers gave an address at the dinner.
- Box 1 Folder 85      **Congressional portrait honoring L. Mendel Rivers, 1968 May 1**  
Copies of programs honoring L. Mendel Rivers with the unveiling of a Congressional portrait in Washington, D. C. Representative Rivers spoke at the event.
- Box 1 Folder 86      **L. Mendel Rivers Day-Greenville, SC, 1968 May 18**  
Three copies of programs for a luncheon honoring L. Mendel Rivers at the Armed Forces Day Celebration in Greenville, South Carolina. Representative Rivers spoke at the luncheon.
- Box 1 Folder 87      **Congressman Rivers Speaks-Chamber of Commerce in Chester, Pennsylvania, 1968 November**  
A copy of an address made by L. Mendel Rivers to the Chamber of Commerce in Chester, Pennsylvania. An audio cassette tape containing a recording of the speech can be found in the Rivers Family Collection Mss. 0099.
- Box 1 Folder 88      **Chairman's Appreciation Banquet-Charleston County Democratic Party, 1968 December 10**  
A copy of the program for the Chairman's Appreciation Banquet put on by the Charleston County Democratic Party. Representative Rivers gave an address at the banquet.
- Box 2 Folder 1      **Governor's Dinner, 1969 April 17**  
A copy of a program for the Fifth Annual Governor's Dinner in Charleston, South Carolina.
- Box 2 Folder 2      **Navy League of the United States, 1969 May 23**  
A copy of a program for the 67th National Convention Banquet for the Navy League of the United States at the Sheraton-Park Hotel in Washington, D. C. Representative Rivers gave an address at the banquet.
- Box 2 Folder 3      **Shelton College Commencement, 1969 May 26**  
Four copies of programs for the 1969 Commencement Ceremony at Shelton College in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Representative Rivers gave the commencement address and received an honorary degree.
- Box 2 Folder 4      **White House program, 1969 July 13**  
A copy of a program for what appears to be a religious ceremony held at the White House on July 13, 1969.
- Box 2 Folder 5      **Beaufort Water Festival, 1969 July 21 -27**



- Two copies of programs for the 14th Annual Beaufort Water Festival in Beaufort, South Carolina. Representative Rivers helped to secure the participation of the "Blue Angels" at the event.
- Box 2 Folder 6 Talladega 500, 1969 September 14
- A copy of the program for the 1st Annual Talladega 500 Race in Talladega, Alabama. Including articles concerning L. Mendel Rivers appointment as Commissioner of the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing (NASCAR).
- Box 2 Folder 7 Groundbreaking of the New Naval Hospital-Charleston, SC, 1970 February 14
- Two copies of programs for the groundbreaking of a new naval hospital in Charleston, South Carolina. Representative Rivers gave the principal address.
- Box 2 Folder 8 Dedication of the U.S.S. David, 1970 April 12
- A copy of the program for the formal dedication of the U.S.S. David. Representative Rivers gave the dedication speech.
- Box 2 Folder 9 Avco Classic Pro-Am Dinner, 1970 August 19
- A copy of the program for the 1970 Avco Classic Pro-Am Dinner at the Pleasant Valley Country Club in Sutton, Massachusetts. Representative Rivers was one of the special guests at the dinner.
- Box 2 Folder 10 The Society of British Aerospace Companies-Flying Display Dinner, 1970 September 9
- A copy of a list of guests at the Flying Display Dinner of the Society of British Aerospace Companies.
- Box 2 Folder 11 Keel Laying of the U.S.S. South Carolina, 1970 December 1
- Copies of programs for the keel laying of the nuclear-powered guided missile frigate U.S.S. South Carolina. Representative Rivers gave the closing remarks. The quotation on the plaque attached to the keel of the U.S.S. South Carolina was taken from a speech titled "The Soviet Threat" by L. Mendel Rivers. As reported in *The Congressional Record* of September 28, 1970. Also included is a copy of the speech given by Senator J. Strom Thurmond at the ceremony.
- Box 2 Folder 12 Air Force Association-Distinguished American Award, undated
- Three copies of a program for the Air Force Association's presentation of the Distinguished American Award to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 2 Folder 13 *An Armed Forces Service*, undated
- Copy of *An Armed Forces Service* program for a service held at the Cathedral of St. Luke and St. Paul in Charleston, South Carolina. Representative Rivers spoke some of the opening sentences.

### 3. Publications, 1921-1990, (bulk 1951-1970)

Primarily copies magazines and other publications containing articles concerning L. Mendel Rivers. The majority of articles concern Rivers' efforts supporting a military pay raise, the Vietnam War, his promotion of a nuclear-powered navy, and his service as Chairman of the House Committee on Armed Services.

- Box 2 Folder 14 *Pantomime*, 1921 November 19  
A copy of the November 19th illustrated weekly *Pantomime*.
- Box 2 Folder 15 *My Weekly Reader*, 1937 January 4-8  
A copy of the junior newspaper *My Weekly Reader* for the week of January 4-8 1937.
- Box 2 Folder 16 Alfred von Kolnitz campaign leaflet, 1940  
A copy of a campaign leaflet for Alfred H. von Kolnitz. Alfred von Kolnitz was L. Mendel Rivers' rival in the Democratic Primary for the First Congressional District of South Carolina.
- Box 2 Folder 17 *Pictorial Directory of the War Congress, 78th Congress 2nd Session*, 1944  
A copy of the *Pictorial Directory of the War Congress, 78th Congress 2nd Session*.
- Box 2 Folder 18 "A Charleston Institution," 1951 December  
A copy of an article entitled, "A Charleston Institution," concerning Fort Sumter Hotel owner John Cator.
- Box 2 Folder 19 *Fort Sumter* by Frank Barnes, 1952  
A copy of the National Park Service Historical Handbook, *Fort Sumter* by Frank Barnes.
- Box 15 Folder 1 *LIFE Magazine*, 1956 May 28  
An oversized copy of *LIFE Magazine* for May 28, 1956.
- Box 2 Folder 20 *Live Oak Plantation* by Margaret Simons Middleton, 1956  
An annotated copy of the genealogical booklet *Live Oak Plantation* by Margaret Simons Middleton. Margaret Simons Middleton was the grandmother of L. Mendel Rivers' wife Margaret Middleton Rivers.
- Box 2 Folder 21 *Congressional Record*- "Mixed Schools and Mixed Blood," 1957  
Three copies of an entry added to the extension of remarks section of *The Congressional Record* by Representative Rivers containing a magazine article from *The Atlantic Magazine* entitled "Mixed Schools and Mixed Blood" by Herbert Ravenel Sass.
- Box 2 Folder 22 *The Officer*, 1959 April  
A copy of the Reserve Officer Association's (ROA) newsletter containing a copy of the hearings before the Reserve Components Subcommittee of the House Committee on Armed Services pursuant to the Reserve Incentive Bill. Representative Rivers served as Chairman of the Subcommittee.
- Box 2 Folder 23 *Club News*-Charleston Air Force Base, 1960 March

- A copy of the Charleston Air Force Base newsletter *Club News* containing an article entitled "A Time at the Military Ball" concerning the first MATS NCO Military Ball which was attended by L. Mendel Rivers and his wife.
- Box 2 Folder 24 *Current Biography*, 1960 October
- A copy of *Current Biography* containing a biographical entry for L. Mendel Rivers on pages 18-20.
- Box 2 Folder 25 *Diaries of Lois Hazlehurst, 1911-1927*, 1964
- A copy of *Diaries of Lois Hazlehurst, 1911-1927* containing a forward by Margaret Simons Middleton, grandmother of L. Mendel Rivers' wife Margaret Middleton Rivers.
- Box 2 Folder 26 *Carolina Yacht Club, Charleston, South Carolina, 1964-1965*
- A copy of a membership booklet for the *Carolina Yacht Club, Charleston, South Carolina*. Representative Rivers is listed as a member.
- Box 2 Folder 27 *Air Force and Space Digest*, 1965 January
- A copy of *Air Force and Space Digest* containing an "exclusive interview" with L. Mendel Rivers on pages 36-39. Rivers had been recently appointed as the chairman of the House Committee on Armed Services.
- Box 2 Folder 28 *The Journal of the Armed Forces*, 1965 February 20
- A copy of *The Journal of the Armed Forces* containing an article concerning the House Armed Services Committees' interrogation of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, mentioning Representative Rivers, entitled "Don't 'Spare' the Joint Chiefs" on page 31.
- Box 2 Folder 29 *Marine Corps Gazette*, 1965 February
- A copy of *The Marine Corps Gazette* containing an interview with L. Mendel Rivers, recently appointed as Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee.
- Box 2 Folder 30 *The Officer*, 1965 February
- Two copies of the Reserve Officer Association's (ROA) newsletter *The Officer* containing an article on page 7 and 28-29 entitled "Writer Views a Restless Rivers and his Fabulous Career" concerning Rivers' recent appointment as chairman of the House Armed Services Committee.
- Box 2 Folder 31 *The Journal of the Armed Service*, 1965 March 6
- A copy of *The Journal of the Armed Service* containing an article entitled "Chairman Rivers Proposes \$1-Billion Pay Raise; Declares its Justification 'Needs No Study'" on pages 1-2.
- Box 15 Folder 1 *Air Force Times*, 1965 March 10
- An oversize copy of the magazine *Air Force Times* containing an article entitled "Rivers Asks 10.7% Pay."

- Box 15 Folder 1 *Army Times*, 1965 March 10  
An oversize copy of the magazine *Army Times* containing an article entitled "Rivers Seeks 10% Pay Hike."
- Box 2 Folder 32 *Cape May Eagle*, 1965 April  
A copy of the *Cape May Eagle* newsletter with Representative Rivers as the cover subject as a result of his push for legislation (H. R. 5725) to substantially increase the base pay of all members of the United States Armed Services.
- Box 2 Folder 33 *Naval Affairs*, 1965 April  
Three copies of the newsletter *Naval Affairs* with Representative Rivers as the cover subject and an article on pages 4-6 concerning his push for legislation (H. R. 5725) to substantially increase the base pay of all members of the United States Armed Services.
- Box 2 Folder 34 *The Officer*, 1965 April  
A copy of the Reserve Officer Association's (ROA) newsletter containing a copy of the address given by L. Mendel Rivers at the Mid-Winter Conference banquet where he received the Reserve Officer Association's (ROA) 1965 Minute Man of the Year award on pages 9-12.
- Box 2 Folder 35 *C-141 Service*, 1965 July  
A copy of the magazine *C-141 Service*.
- Box 2 Folder 36 *United States Lady*, 1965 July-August  
A copy of the magazine *United States Lady* containing an article, on pages 51-52, entitled "House more for Personnel than Senate is" concerning a new Armed Services pay bill (H. R. 9075) sponsored by Representative Rivers.
- Box 2 Folder 37 *All Hands*, 1965 September  
A copy of the Navy magazine *All Hands* containing a feature on Charleston's Mine Warfare School and supply and support for Polaris submarines.
- Box 2 Folder 38 *Direction*, 1965 September  
A copy of the Navy Department periodical *Direction* containing a quote from Representative Rivers on the back cover concerning nuclear propulsion.
- Box 2 Folder 39 *The Officer Magazine*, 1965 September  
A copy of the Reserve Officer Association's (ROA) newsletter containing a brief entry and photograph of L. Mendel Rivers' visit to the Springfield Army Reserve Armory in Missouri.
- Box 15 Folder 1 *The New York Time Magazine*, 1965 August 29  
A copy of *The New York Time Magazine* containing an article entitled "'Rivers Delivers': The Powerful Armed Forces Chairman From Hell Hole Swamp Comes Up With Plums for G. I.'s and the Home Folks."

- Box 2 Folder 40      *The Journal of the Armed Forces*, 1965 November 6
- A copy of *The Journal of the Armed Forces* containing an article, on pages 11 and 25, entitled "The Draft Law Needs New Study" concerning Representative Rivers' plans for new draft laws to reduce deferments.
- Box 2 Folder 41      Hearing before the Committee on Un-American Activities, 1965
- A copy of the testimony of Juanito Castro Ruz given at a hearing before the House Committee on Un-American Activities.
- Box 15 Folder 2      *House of Representatives of the United States: An Omnibus of the Capital*, 1965
- An oversized magazine about the United States House of Representatives and its history.
- Box 2 Folder 42      *The Journal of the Armed Forces*, 1966 January
- A copy of *The Journal of the Armed Forces* containing a brief article, on page 6, entitled "Congress May Turn Spotlight on ASW" concerning a recommendation by Representative Samuel Straton to Representative Rivers that the House Armed Services Committee fully explore the Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) Program to respond to the growing Soviet submarine threat.
- Box 2 Folder 43      *College of Charleston Newsletter*, 1966 May
- A copy of *The College of Charleston Newsletter* containing a brief article, on page 5, entitled "'Blue Ribbon' Luncheon" concerning Representative Rivers' annual "bird luncheon."
- Box 2 Folder 44      *The Baltimore Sun-Mutiny on the Bounty*, 1966 June 16
- A clipping taken from *The Baltimore Sun* containing a political cartoon entitled *Mutiny on the Bounty* depicting a sailor (Representative Rivers) attempting a mutiny on the captain (Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara) on a ship labeled "Military Spending Powers."
- Box 2 Folder 45      *The Journal of the Armed Forces*, 1966 June 25
- A copy of *The Journal of the Armed Forces* containing an article, on page 13, entitled "Champion of the Armed Forces" concerning the success of Representative Rivers as chairman of the House Committee on Armed Services and his label as "The Serviceman's Congressman."
- Box 2 Folder 46      *The Journal of the Armed Forces*, 1966 July 9
- A copy of *The Journal of the Armed Forces* containing an article, on pages 1 and 5, entitled "'Total Tab' Auto Shipment" concerning legislation introduced by Representative Rivers to authorize the Government to completely pay for the expense of shipping home privately-owned automobiles of certain overseas personnel.
- Box 2 Folder 47      *Navy Magazine*-*"The Case for a Nuclear Surface Fleet,"* 1966 July

- A copy of *Navy Magazine* containing an article, on pages 21-26 and 39-41, entitled "The Case for a Nuclear Surface Fleet" concerning a report submitted by House Armed Services Committee making a strong case for the immediate focus on building a nuclear-powered surface fleet.
- Box 2 Folder 48      *Army News Features*, 1966 August 8
- Three copies of the newsletter *Army News Features* containing a brief article entitled "New Bill Would Create Senior Noncom Positions" concerning legislation introduced by Representative Rivers to create a statutory office for a senior enlisted man in each of the Armed Services.
- Box 2 Folder 49      *Capitol Hill*, 1966 August
- A copy of the magazine *Capitol Hill* containing a cover photo of Representative Rivers attending the Annual Congressional Baseball Game.
- Box 2 Folder 50      *The Journal of the American Dental Association*, 1966 September
- A copy of *The Journal of the American Dental Association* containing a photo of Representative Rivers, on page 605, at the Conference on Comprehensive Oral Surgery held at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D. C.
- Box 15 Folder 2      *Family Magazine*, 1966 October 19
- A copy of *Family Magazine* containing an article entitled "A Hard Look at Fringe Benefits by Rep. L. Mendel Rivers."
- Box 2 Folder 51      *Armed Forces Management*, 1966 November
- A copy of the magazine *Armed Forces Management* containing an article, on pages 37-44, entitled "In the McNamara Era, What is Congress' Role in National Defense" concerning the House Committee on Armed Services' role in the area of military affairs and national defense.
- Box 2 Folder 52      *The Officer*, 1966 November
- A copy of the Reserve Officer Association's (ROA) newsletter containing an article, on page 10, entitled "Planning National Defense" concerning the relationship between the House Armed Services Committee and the Executive Branch.
- Box 2 Folder 53      *The Journal of the Armed Forces*, 1967 January 21
- A copy of *The Journal of the Armed Forces* containing an article, on pages 1, 3, 8, 21, 29, and 31, entitled "A Promissory Note Comes Due" concerning Department of Defense delays in the implementation of new Armed Services pay structures championed by Representative Rivers.
- Box 2 Folder 54      *Meet the Press*, 1967 April 30
- Four copies of transcripts of Representative Rivers' participation as a guest on the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) program *Meet the Press*. Rivers fielded questions on various topics including the draft, the Vietnam War, President Lyndon B. Johnson, General Westmoreland, Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara, the construction of a new hospital in Charleston, South Carolina, Navy ship construction, the Civil Rights movement, and Nuclear Missile Defense.

- Box 2 Folder 55      *Meet the Press*, 1967 June 11
- A copy of the transcript for an episode of the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) program *Meet the Press* with guest Harold E. Holt, the Prime Minister of Australia. Topics primarily concern the Vietnam War.
- Box 2 Folder 56      *Vietnam and Asian Continent Maps*, 1967 July 17
- Two copies of economic and topographic maps of Vietnam and the Asian Continent produced by the United States Government Printing Office as a House Document.
- Box 2 Folder 57      *True Magazine*, 1968 February
- A copy of *True Magazine* containing an article, on pages 15-18 and 22, entitled "He Pounds the Gavel of War." The article presents a scathing picture of L. Mendel Rivers as a "war hawk."
- Box 2 Folder 58      *Naval Affairs*, 1968 June
- A copy of the magazine *Naval Affairs* containing a cover photo of L. Mendel Rivers' portrait and a brief entry in the "News of Members" section on page 13 reporting on the portrait unveiling ceremony.
- Box 2 Folder 59      *The Baptist Courier*, 1968 December 5
- Three copies of *The Baptist Courier* containing an article, on page 7, entitled "Baptist College Breaks Ground for Library" concerning the groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of a new library building at the Baptist College in Charleston, South Carolina, named in honor of L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 2 Folder 60      *Sandlapper-Naval Shipyard*, 1969 January
- A copy of the South Carolina magazine *Sandlapper* containing an article on the Naval Shipyard in Charleston.
- Box 2 Folder 61      *The American Marine Engineer*, 1969 April
- Two copies of *The American Marine Engineer* containing an article containing excerpts from Representative Rivers' commencement address "Dangerous Seas Ahead" addressed to the fourth graduating class of the Calhoun Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association's (MEBA) Engineering School.
- Box 2 Folder 62      *Armed Forces Journal*, 1969 June 28
- A copy of *Armed Forces Journal* containing an article, page 15, entitled "Future Raises-If Pay Reform is Not Enacted" concerning a clause inserted by L. Mendel Rivers that required federal civilian pay scales to match military pay scales.
- Box 2 Folder 63      *NAAFR Affairs*, 1969 June
- A copy of the National Association of Armed Forces Retirees (NAAFR) newsletter *NAAFR Affairs* containing a message of support from Representative Rivers.
- Box 2 Folder 64      *San Antonio*, 1969 June

- A copy of a monthly publication produced by the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce containing a brief welcome to Representative Rivers who was scheduled to speak at the annual state convention of the Texas Air Force Association in San Antonio, Texas.
- Box 2 Folder 65 *The Officer*, 1969 July
- A copy of the Reserve Officer Association's (ROA) newsletter containing an article, on pages 20-21, entitled "Speaker McCormack Praises Rivers Who Describes Mission as 'Point Man'" concerning a Reserve Officer Association (ROA) luncheon where House Speaker John W. McCormack praised Representative Rivers.
- Box 2 Folder 66 Report-military appropriations, 1969 September 26
- A copy of a report concerning legislation (H. R. 14000) authorizing appropriations for military procurement and research and development for 1970.
- Box 2 Folder 67 *Christian Beacon*, 1969 October 30
- A copy of the newsletter *Christian Beacon*.
- Box 2 Folder 68 *Naval Affairs*, 1969 October
- A copy of the magazine *Naval Affairs* containing a photo of L. Mendel Rivers speaking with A. C. H. Bullwinkel during the Southeast Regional Caucus held in Charleston, South Carolina.
- Box 2 Folder 69 *Naval Affairs*, 1969 November 14
- Half a copy of the magazine *Naval Affairs*.
- Box 2 Folder 70 *Naval Affairs*, 1969 November
- A few pages from the magazine *Naval Affairs* containing a brief message greeting from L. Mendel Rivers in honor of the Fleet Reserve Association's National Convention.
- Box 2 Folder 71 *Armed Forces Journal*, 1969 December 13
- A copy of *Armed Forces Journal* containing an article, on page 2, entitled "House Acts on Defense Money Bill" concerning Representative Rivers' support for additional ship construction appropriations for the Navy.
- Box 2 Folder 72 *Armed Forces Journal*, 1970 May 2
- A copy of *Armed Forces Journal* containing a photograph of L. Mendel Rivers, on page 11, at an elementary school in Altus, Oklahoma, named in his honor.
- Box 2 Folder 73 *Army*, 1970 July
- A copy of the magazine *Army* containing an article, on pages 26-30, entitled "Coping with the Boob Image" concerning the portrayal of the army on television. Representative Rivers is quoted near the end. Also included is a copy of the articles pasted on black paper for inclusion in a scrapbook and a copy of a letter from Lt. Col. Tom Hamrick (author of the article) to L. Mendel Rivers concerning the article.



- Box 2 Folder 74      *Naval Affairs*, 1970 July
- Two copies of the magazine *Naval Affairs* containing an article concerning Representative Rivers' appointment of a special subcommittee to hold hearings on legislation (H. R. 6226) to provide for survivor benefits for active and retired military personnel.
- Box 2 Folder 75      *Naval Affairs*, 1970 August
- A copy of the magazine *Naval Affairs* containing an article concerning Representative Rivers' appointment of a special subcommittee to hold hearings on legislation (H. R. 6226) to provide for survivor benefits for active and retired military personnel.
- Box 2 Folder 76      *The Stars and Stripes*, 1970 September 4
- A copy of *The Stars and Stripes* containing an article concerning a talk given by Representative Rivers to United States Airmen in Wiesbaden, Germany, about funding cuts in the military.
- Box 2 Folder 77      *Congressional Record*, 1970 September 28
- A copy of *Congressional Record* containing a speech given by Representative Rivers entitled "The Soviet Threat."
- Box 2 Folder 78      *Naval Affairs*, 1970 September
- A copy of the magazine *Naval Affairs* containing an article concerning Representative Rivers' appointment of a special subcommittee to hold hearings on legislation (H. R. 6226) to provide for survivor benefits for active and retired military personnel.
- Box 2 Folder 79      *United States News and World Report*, 1970 October 12
- A copy of *United States News and World Report* containing an article, on page 19, entitled "Top Fleet in the Mediterranean-U.S. or Russian?" containing a quote by Representative Rivers warning about the Soviet Union pushing the United States Navy out of the Mediterranean Sea.
- Box 2 Folder 80      *Armed Forces Journal*, 1970 October 19
- A copy of *Armed Forces Journal* containing numerous articles featuring Representative Rivers on topics including defense budget cuts, deficiencies in the United States and NATO defenses in the Mediterranean, the prior announcement of defense contracts, and Rivers' push for increased Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) funding to combat the growing Soviet threat.
- Box 2 Folder 81      *The Baptist Courier*, 1970 October 22
- Three copies of *The Baptist Courier* containing an article, on pages 3 and 12-13, concerning the dedication of the newly constructed L. Mendel Rivers Library at the Baptist College at Charleston.
- Box 15 Folder 2      *Esquire Magazine*, 1970 October

- Box 2 Folder 82 *Naval Affairs*, 1970 October  
An oversized copy of *Esquire Magazine* containing an article entitled "Ol' Man Rivers."
- Box 2 Folder 83 Charleston Jewish Community Center, 1970  
A copy of the magazine *Naval Affairs* containing an article concerning Representative Rivers.
- Box 2 Folder 84 Report of the Special Subcommittee to Probe Disturbances on Military Bases, 1970  
A copy of a publication commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Charleston Jewish Community Center containing a photograph, on the last page, of Representative Rivers paying tribute.
- Box 2 Folder 85 "The Soviet Threat," 1970  
Three copies of a speech given on the floor of the House of Representatives by L. Mendel Rivers entitled "The Soviet Threat."
- Box 2 Folder 86 Voting Record by Roll Call, 91st Congress, 2nd Session, 1970  
Copies of L. Mendel Rivers' voting and attendance records for the Second Session of the 91st Congress.
- Box 2 Folder 87 Biographical data, undated  
A type-written copy of a brief biography of Representative Rivers.
- Box 2 Folder 88 *The Lion and the Lowcountry*, undated  
A brief abstract/review, written by Margaret Gilmore of Charleston Southern University, for the book *The Lion and the Lowcountry: Congressman L. Mendel Rivers* by Jeffrey Davis.
- Oversize Paper Folder 1 *Berkeley Independent*-"Dimensions", 1990 November 14  
(Flat Storage)  
An oversize copy of *The Berkeley Independent* containing an article entitled "Dimensions" concerning the layout on renovations of the L. Mendel Rivers boyhood home.

#### 4. Newspaper clippings, 1876-1975, (bulk 1940-1975)

- Box 15 Folder 3 1876 December 13  
Newspaper clippings containing articles primarily concerning L. Mendel Rivers. The majority of articles concern Rivers' opinions on the Vietnam War, military spending, and his annual "bird luncheons." Also included are a number of articles concerning his death in 1970.

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|                 |      | A copy of <i>The Charleston Journal of Commerce</i> .  |
| Box 2 Folder 89 | 1919 |  |
|                 |      | A clipping from <i>The Charleston Evening Post</i> for August 22, 1919.  |
| Box 2 Folder 90 | 1940 |  |
|                 |      | A copy of an article from <i>The Charleston Evening Post</i> on August 28, 1940, entitled "Democrats Select L. Mendel Rivers in First District Race."  |
| Box 2 Folder 91 | 1945 |  |
|                 |      | A newspaper clipping containing a photograph of Representative Rivers participating in a congressional inspection committee and a copy of <i>The New York Times</i> for May 8, 1945, announcing the surrender of Germany and the end of the war in Europe.   |
| Box 2 Folder 92 | 1949 |  |
|                 |      | A clipping from <i>Life Magazine</i> containing a photograph of Representative Rivers and President Truman and a clipping concerning President Truman's inaugural ceremony.  |
| Box 2 Folder 93 | 1951 |  |
|                 |      | A clipping of an article from <i>The Washington Post</i> entitled "Dixiecrat Visits White House" concerning an invitation for L. Mendel Rivers to visit the White House by President Harry S. Truman to gain support for the 18-year-old draft bill. Representative Rivers participated in the revolt against President Truman in the 1948 election.   |
| Box 2 Folder 94 | 1952 |  |
|                 |      | Newspaper clippings concerning the appointment of a new United States Judge for the Eastern District of South Carolina. Representative Rivers vied for the position but eventually withdrew.   |
| Box 2 Folder 95 | 1953 |  |
|                 |      | A newspaper clipping from the <i>Charleston News and Courier</i> containing an article concerning Representative Rivers participation at the groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of a new electric electronics building at the Charleston Navy Shipyard and a clipping from <i>The News and Courier</i> concerning a speech given by Representative Rivers at a dinner for the Transportation Corps Advisory Panel at the Francis Marion Hotel in Charleston, South Carolina. |
| Box 2 Folder 96 | 1958 |  |
|                 |      | Newspaper clippings concerning "L. Mendel Rivers Appreciation Day" in Charleston, South Carolina.  |
| Box 2 Folder 97 | 1961 |  |
|                 |      | A newspaper clipping from the <i>Charleston News and Courier</i> concerning newly constructed Navy housing in Charleston, South Carolina.  |

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| Box 2 Folder 98  | 1962          | A collection of newspaper clippings concerning Representative Rivers and the honoring of General Douglas MacArthur, the probing of black Muslims, a new Military Air Transport service route from Charleston, South Carolina, to Frankfurt, Germany, and the honoring of Representative Rivers by soldiers serving in Vietnam. |
| Box 2 Folder 99  | 1963          | A newspaper clipping from the <i>Charleston News and Courier</i> from June 16, 1963.   |
| Box 2 Folder 100 | 1964          | A newspaper clipping concerning a visit to Charleston and Georgia by President Johnson's wife and a clipping of an article concerning Representative Rivers' annual "bird luncheon."   |
| Box 2 Folder 101 | 1965          | Newspaper clippings primarily concerning a battle between Representative Rivers and Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara over military spending.   |
| Box 2 Folder 102 | 1966 January  | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including Rivers asking for raids on China and the resumption of bombing in North Vietnam.   |
| Box 2 Folder 103 | 1966 February | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including Fritz Hollings' Vietnam speech, a challenge to Congress' to take a stand on the Vietnam war, and the light infantry.   |
| Box 2 Folder 104 | 1966 March    | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including military pay raises, the readiness of the Navy, rising black influence in politics, the merchant marine, and General Westmoreland.   |
| Box 2 Folder 105 | 1966 April    | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including Rivers' annual "bird luncheon," the Vietnam War, the testimony of United States Air Force Officials testifying in a UFO probe, and an announcement by Representative Rivers of his bid for re-election.  |
| Box 2 Folder 106 | 1966 May      | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including Rivers' avocation of a tougher foreign policy, Rivers' denouncing of French President Charles de Gaulle, support for the military, and Armed Forces Day.   |
| Box 2 Folder 107 | 1966 June     | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including praise for Representative Rivers from the United States House of Representatives' floor, the John Birch Society, and a copy of <i>The Congressional Record</i> .   |

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| Box 2 Folder 108 | 1966 July             | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including the Vietnam War, a defense bill passed by the House, praise for Rivers, and Rivers' accepting a Boy Scouts award.  |
| Box 3 Folder 1   | 1966 August           | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including Rivers' condemnation of "Civil Upheaval" and Civil Rights legislation, the Vietnam War, and naval buildup.   |
| Box 3 Folder 2   | 1966 September        | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including support for Rivers' Vietnam victory challenge and the signing of the military construction bill.   |
| Box 3 Folder 3   | 1966 October          | Newspaper clippings on assorted topics including China, an aircraft complex planned by Lockheed, and the escalation of the Vietnam War.  |
| Box 3 Folder 4   | 1966 November         | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including Rivers' plans to attend the Paris NATO meeting and an address to North Charleston.   |
| Box 15 Folder 4  | 1966 November         | Oversize newspapers from various counties within South Carolina's 1st Congressional District containing a message of thanks from L. Mendel Rivers following his re-election to Congress. He ran unopposed.                   |
| Box 3 Folder 5   | 1966 December         | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including Rivers' criticism of the Public Health Service, Rivers' attempts to impeach Federal Judge Howard F. Corcoran, and shipyard news.   |
| Box 3 Folder 6   | "Bird luncheon," 1966 | Two newspaper clippings of articles concerning Representative Rivers' annual "bird luncheon."  |
| Box 3 Folder 7   | 1967                  | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including escalation of the Vietnam War, Rivers' condemnation of a truce with North Vietnam, and Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara being forced to ease restrictions on bombing. |
| Box 3 Folder 8   | "Bird luncheon," 1967 | A newspaper clipping containing an article concerning Representative Rivers' annual "bird luncheon."   |
| Box 3 Folder 9   | 1968                  |  |

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|                  |   | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including Rivers' charge that the administration never had any plan for winning a military victory in the Vietnam War.  |
| Box 3 Folder 10  | "Bird luncheon," 1968                             | Three newspaper clippings containing articles concerning Representative Rivers' annual "bird luncheon."   |
| Box 15 Folder 5  | 1969 December 12                                  | A copy of the <i>International Herald Tribune</i> containing an article entitled "Rivers Says Helicopter Pilot Gave No Evidence of Massacre" concerning the My Lai Massacre.  |
| Box 3 Folder 11  | 1969  | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including Rivers' support for the military, a clash between Chairman of the Appropriations Committee George Mahon and Rivers over military spending, and praise for Representative Rivers' successes. |
| Box 3 Folder 12  | My Lai Massacre, 1969                             | Photocopied articles concerning L. Mendel Rivers' order for a probe of the My Lai Massacre case.  |
| Box 15 Folder 6  | <i>Charleston Evening Post</i> , 1970 December 28 | A copy of <i>The Charleston Evening Post</i> with the headline "Rep. Rivers Dies of Heart Failure."   |
| Box 15 Folder 7  | <i>The News and Courier</i> , 1970 December 29    | Two copies of <i>The News and Courier</i> containing the headline "Final Tributes to Rivers to Begin Here Today" as well as other articles on L. Mendel Rivers.   |
| Box 15 Folder 8  | <i>Charleston Evening Post</i> , 1970 December 29 | A copy of <i>The Charleston Evening Post</i> with the headline "Rivers Services are Tomorrow at Grace Church."  |
| Box 15 Folder 9  | <i>The News and Courier</i> , 1970 December 30    | Two copies of <i>The News and Courier</i> containing the headline "Top Leaders Here for Rivers' Rites."   |
| Box 15 Folder 10 | <i>Charleston Evening Post</i> , 1970 December 30 | Two copies of <i>The Charleston Evening Post</i> with the headline "Rep. Rivers Buried Near His Birthplace."  |
| Box 15 Folder 11 | <i>Charleston Evening Post</i> , 1970 December 31 | A copy of <i>The Charleston Evening Post</i> with the headline "Rivers' Funeral Procession Traced Route of His Life."   |
| Box 15 Folder 12 | <i>The News and Courier</i> , 1970 December 31    |   |

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|                  |                          | Two copies of <i>The News and Courier</i> containing the headline "Rivers Laid to Rest in Rural Churchyard."   |
| Box 3 Folder 13  | 1970                     |  |
|                  |                          | Newspaper clippings concerning topics including praise for L. Mendel Rivers, the GOP caucus deciding not to oppose L. Mendel Rivers, and Rivers' heart condition.  |
| Box 3 Folder 14  | "Bird luncheon," 1970    |  |
|                  |                          | Newspaper clippings containing articles concerning Representative Rivers' annual "bird luncheon."  |
| Box 3 Folder 15  | Editorials, 1970-1971    |  |
|                  |                          | Copies of newspaper editorials primarily concerning Representative Rivers' death and expressing condolences.   |
| Box 16           | Rivers' death, 1970-1971 |  |
|                  |                          | Numerous copies of full newspapers containing articles and headlines concerning L. Mendel Rivers' death and funeral services. Newspapers include <i>The Berkley Democrat</i> , <i>The News and Courier</i> , <i>The Time-Herald</i> , <i>The Charleston Evening Post</i> , <i>The State</i> , <i>The Columbia Record</i> , and <i>The Georgetown</i> . |
| Box 15 Folder 13 | 1971 January 2           |  |
|                  |                          | A copy of <i>The News and Courier</i> containing an article entitled "Rivers' Death Stirs Tumult."   |
| Box 15 Folder 14 | 1971 January 3           |  |
|                  |                          | A clipping of a newspaper article from <i>The News and Courier</i> entitled "A Legend Dies: Rivers Had His High Noon."   |
| Box 15 Folder 15 | 1973 June 2              |  |
|                  |                          | Two newspaper clippings from <i>The Times-Herald</i> containing a photograph of Peg Eastman and Marion Ravenel christening the submarine U.S.S. L. Mendel Rivers and an article entitled "Thurmond Calls for Sea Power to Meet Threat."  |
| Box 15 Folder 16 | 1975 February 5          |  |
|                  |                          | A newspaper clipping from <i>The Allendale County Citizen</i> containing an article entitled "Many Watch Sub Mendel Rivers Launching Feb. 1."  |
| Box 3 Folder 16  | Boyhood Home, undated    |  |
|                  |                          | Newspaper articles concerning a failed fundraising campaign to restore the boyhood home of L. Mendel Rivers.   |
| Box 3 Folder 17  | undated                  |  |
|                  |                          | Undated newspaper clippings concerning topics including Rivers' appointment as chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, the Armed Services pay increase, and praise for Representative Rivers.  |

## 5. Speeches, 1940-1971

- Box 3 Folder 18      Petition and protest, 1940 September 3
- A copy of the statement of L. Mendel Rivers on his petition and protest before the State Democratic Executive Committee in Columbia, South Carolina. Representative Rivers protested against alleged corruption during his run for the Democratic Nominee of the First Congressional District of South Carolina.
- Box 3 Folder 19      President Kennedy's death, 1963
- The first page from a statement given by Representative Rivers concerning the death of President John F. Kennedy.
- Box 3 Folder 20      Commissioning of the John C. Calhoun SSB (N) 630, 1964 September 15
- Two copies of an address delivered by L. Mendel Rivers at the commissioning of the ballistic missile submarine John C. Calhoun in Newport News, Virginia.
- Box 3 Folder 21      "New Myths and Old Realities," 1969 June 14
- A copy of a speech given by L. Mendel Rivers at the Texas State Convention for the Air Force Association in San Antonio, Texas, entitled "New Myths and Old Realities."
- Box 3 Folder 22      U.S.S. South Carolina, 1970-1971
- Copies of the transcripts and closing remarks given by L. Mendel Rivers at the Keel Laying Ceremony for the U.S.S. South Carolina.
- Box 3 Folder 23      Dedication of the New Naval Supply Center in Charleston, South Carolina, undated
- Three copies of a speech given by L. Mendel Rivers at the dedication ceremony for a new naval supply center in Charleston, South Carolina.

## 6. Photographs, 1908-1970, (bulk 1941-1970)

- Photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending numerous functions, ceremonies, and international trips. Also included are images of former Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee Carl Vinson, General Douglas MacArthur, Charlton Heston, President John F. Kennedy, General Mark Clark, President Lyndon B. Johnson, former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Jack Dempsey, former President Dwight D. Eisenhower, Madame Chiang Kai-shek, future President Gerald R. Ford, Alabama Governor George Wallace, General William Westmoreland, King Peter II of Yugoslavia, Shirley Temple Black, evangelist Billy Graham, Senator J. Strom Thurmond, and President Harry S. Truman.
- Box 17 Folder 1      University of South Carolina-faculty and student body, 1908 December 7
- An oversize photograph of the faculty and student body of the University of South Carolina in Columbia, South Carolina.
- Box 17 Folder 2      L. Mendel Rivers-Washington, D. C., circa 1935
- An oversize portrait photograph of L. Mendel Rivers taken in Washington, D. C.
- Box 17 Folder 3      United States Supreme Court, 1936



- A photograph from the Northwestern National Life Insurance Company containing a photograph of the nine justices of the United States Supreme Court.
- Box 3 Folder 24 Jacksonville Naval Air Station, 1941 October 31
- Three photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a "Congressional Party" at the Naval Air Station in Jacksonville, Florida.
- Box 17 Folder 4 John E. Rankin, 1942 June 29
- A signed likeness of Representative John E. Rankin given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 17 Folder 5 Carl Vinson, 1944 January 30
- An oversize portrait of Representative Carl Vinson given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 17 Folder 6 Admiral Ben Moreell, 1944 November 28
- An oversized signed photograph of Admiral Ben Moreell given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 3 Folder 25 Navy Yard employees' gift, 1945 May 11
- A photograph of Margaret Middleton Rivers (wife) accepting the Navy Yard Employees' Gift, as sponsor, in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, at the launching ceremony of the submarine Sirago.
- Box 3 Folder 26 Wartime National Foreign Trade Meeting, 1945 May 23
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers attending the Chamber of Commerce Wartime National Foreign Trade Meeting at the Propeller Club in Charleston, South Carolina.
- Box 3 Folder 27 Douglas MacArthur, 1946 January 13
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers standing in a group with General Douglas MacArthur.
- Box 3 Folder 28 Okinawa, Japan, 1946 January 18
- Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers' visit to Okinawa, Japan. Also pictured are Rear Admiral John D. Price, Brigadier General Timberlake, Brigadier General Hodson, and Lindley Beckworth.
- Box 3 Folder 29 Naval hospital visit, 1946 February 13
- Six photographs and copies of a visit by L. Mendel Rivers to the naval hospital in Oahu, Hawaii.
- Box 3 Folder 30 Asian trip, 1946
- Seven photographs of a trip by L. Mendel Rivers to what is likely Japan.
- Box 3 Folder 31 Azalea Queen and Miss South Carolina, 1947
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers with the Azalea Queen and Miss South Carolina in front of the United States Capital Building and at a luncheon.
- Box 17 Folder 7 Rear admiral, 1949 June 22

- An oversized signed photograph of a United States Navy Rear Admiral given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 17 Folder 8      **Signed photograph, 1949 August**
- An oversized signed (illegible) photograph of an unidentified man given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 17 Folder 9      **John S. Cator, 1951**
- An oversized signed photograph of John S. Cator given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 3 Folder 32      **Alfred W. Chandler, 1952 January 17**
- A signed photograph from the Assistant Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery and Chief of the Dental Division, Alfred W. Chandler.
- Box 17 Folder 10      **Rear Admiral Daniel W. Ryan, 1952 April 2**
- An oversized signed photograph of Rear Admiral Daniel W. Ryan given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 3 Folder 33      **Captain Charles Morrow, 1953**
- Twelve photographs of a visit by L. Mendel Rivers to see Captain Charles Morrow. Also pictured are Jolian Leamond, Harold Simmons, and L. Mendel Rivers' mother.
- Box 3 Folder 34      **White House-President Eisenhower, 1953 March 24**
- Two group photographs taken at the White House with L. Mendel Rivers standing next to President Dwight D. Eisenhower.
- Box 3 Folder 35      **Aberdeen Proving Ground, 1953 March 7**
- Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending an exhibit and demonstration of United States Army equipment at the Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland. Also pictured are Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens, Under-Secretary of the Army Earl D. Johnson, Major General Elbert L. Ford, William J. Green, Jr., Walter Norblad, and Paul Cunningham.
- Box 17 Folder 11      **South Carolina Representatives, 1953-1955**
- An oversize photograph of South Carolina Representatives during the 83rd Congress including James P. Richards, John L. McMillan, L. Mendel Rivers, John J. Riley, W. J. Bryan Dorn, and Robert T. Ashmore standing before the Capital Building in Washington, D. C.
- Box 3 Folder 36      **United States Navy, 1954 March 12**
- Three official photographs of a United States Navy procession including a photograph with L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 17 Folder 12      **Robert T. Stevens, 1954 August 11**
- An oversized signed photograph of the United States Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens given to L. Mendel Rivers.

- Box 3 Folder 37      **Germany trip, 1955 September**
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers visiting Wiesbaden Air Base in Germany. Also pictured are Colonel G. L. Stubs, Colonel R. J. Clizbe, and Colonel Melvin McNickel.
- Box 3 Folder 38      **Charlton Heston as Moses, 1956**
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers talking with actor Charlton Heston, costumed for his role as Moses, on the movie set of *The Ten Commandments* at Paramount Studios in Hollywood, California. Also pictured is Edward T. Fogo, assistant special counsel of the House Armed Services Committee.
- Box 3 Folder 39      **Admiral James L. Holloway, 1956 December 4**
- An official United States Navy photo of Admiral James L. Holloway, Jr. of the United States Navy.
- Box 17 Folder 13      **Charles S. Thomas, 1956 December 19**
- An oversized signed photograph of the United States Secretary of the Navy Charles S. Thomas given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 17 Folder 14      **Dewey Short, 1957 March, 19**
- An oversize signed portrait photograph of Representative Dewey Short given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 3 Folder 40      **Rivers Day Celebration, 1958 May 17**
- A copy of an invitation to an appreciation day celebration in honor of L. Mendel Rivers in Charleston, South Carolina, and two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending the celebration dress parade at the Citadel Military College.
- Box 3 Folder 41      **European trip, 1958 August-October**
- Four photographs and copies of L. Mendel Rivers arriving on a United States Navy Aircraft Carrier.
- Box 3 Folder 42      **Trip to Madrid/Rota, Spain, 1959 October-November**
- Eleven photographs of L. Mendel Rivers visit to Spain including his attendance at a reception in honor of Murray Snyder at the Castellana Hilton Hotel, and a luncheon in Rota, Spain. Also pictured are General Donovan, Mrs. Lodge, Francisco Mata Manzandeo, Ambassador John Davis Lodge, Mrs. Donovan, Murray Snyder, Major General H. K. Mooney, Mrs. James A. Smith, Mrs. Glenn Beall, Senator Glenn Beall, Glenn Beall Jr., Captain Thomas Robinson, Captain James A. Smith, and Commander Perey W. Rairden. Also included is are two letters from Ambassador John Davis Lodge concerning L. Mendel Rivers' visit.
- Box 17 Folder 15      **J. Rodenham, 1960 November 16**
- An oversize signed portrait photograph of J. Rodenham given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 3 Folder 43      **Signed photos, 1961**

- Three photographs of L. Mendel Rivers and Representative Frank W. Boykin signed by Boykin. Also pictured is chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, Carl Vinson.
- Box 3 Folder 44      **John F. Kennedy, circa 1962**
- An undated photograph of L. Mendel Rivers standing beside President John F. Kennedy at a formal event.
- Box 3 Folder 45      **Dry docks-commemoration, 1962 March 16**
- Three photographs of L. Mendel Rivers at a Dry Docks Commemoration.
- Box 3 Folder 46      **St. Patrick's Day-Mike Kirwan's party, 1963 March 14**
- Six photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a St. Patrick's Day Party hosted by Representative Mike Kirwan. Also pictured is chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, Carl Vinson.
- Box 3 Folder 47      **Annual "bird luncheon," 1963 March 25**
- Seventeen photographs from L. Mendel Rivers' Annual "bird luncheon" hosted in honor of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Those pictured include General Taylor, General Wheeler, Admiral Anderson, General Shoup, General LeMay, House Majority Leader Carl Albert, Charles Halleck, Varl Vinson, Representatives Arends, Ford, Kirwan, Miller, Philbin, Sikes, and Senator Russell, former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Jack Dempsey, W. A. Pulber, and Governor Russell of South Carolina.
- Box 3 Folder 48      **Menriv Park Center opening, 1963 March 13**
- Six photographs of L. Mendel Rivers at the dedication ceremony and open house for the Menriv Park (named in honor of L. Mendel Rivers) United States Navy Family Housing project for the United States Naval Ammunition Depot in Charleston, South Carolina. Also included is a program for the ceremony.
- Box 3 Folder 49      **Mark Clark luncheon, 1963 June 10**
- Twelve negatives from L. Mendel Rivers' attendance at a luncheon hosted by General Mark W. Clark.
- Box 3 Folder 50      **Paris, France, 1963 June 13**
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers meeting with the Supreme Allied Commander of Europe, General Lyman L. Lemnitzer, at his office near Paris, France.
- Box 3 Folder 51      **Elk's Club-Captain Harry Cox retirement party, 1963 June 24**
- Ten photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending the retirement party for Captain Harry Cox at the Charleston, South Carolina Elk's Club. Also pictured are Captain and Mrs. Harry C. Cox, Margaret Middleton Rivers (wife), Rear Admiral I. J. Galantin, E. D. Biggerstaff, Jr., Captain P. W. Garnett, and Captain O. C. Robbins.
- Box 3 Folder 52      **Carl Vinson's birthday, 1963 November 18**

- A photograph taken on Carl Vinson's (chairman of the House Committee on Armed Services) birthday. Included in the photograph are L. Mendel Rivers, Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara, Carl Vinson, and Senator J. Strom Thurmond.
- Box 3 Folder 53 "Bird luncheon," 1964 March 16
- Thirteen photographs of from L. Mendel Rivers' Annual "bird luncheon." Those pictured are Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara and Carl Vinson.
- Box 3 Folder 54 Lyndon B. Johnson, 1964 March 20
- A photograph of President Lyndon B. Johnson signing a defense authorization bill with Carl Vinson and L. Mendel Rivers in the background.
- Box 3 Folder 55 Testimonial dinner for L. Mendel Rivers, 1964 March 20
- Seven photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a testimonial dinner in his honor at the Citadel Military College of South Carolina. Also pictured are Citadel alumni and World War II fighter Ace Roland F. Wooten, Jr., former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Jack Dempsey, Palmer Gaillard, Lucy Gaillard, General Curtis LeMay, and Margaret Middleton Rivers (wife).
- Box 3 Folder 56 Congressional award to Honor Jack Dempsey, 1964 March 25
- Thirty-eight photographs from a Congressional Award Ceremony honoring former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Jack Dempsey. Those pictured include L. Mendel Rivers, Jack Dempsey, Carl Vinson, Representative Frank Boykin, Richard Mahon, Richard Wooten, William Jennings Bryan Dorn, Speak of the House John McCormick, General Mark Clark, Ed Sullivan, Harold Simmons, Admiral Red Raborn, Blanche Rivers Odom (L. Mendel Rivers' sister), and L. Mendel Rivers, Jr. (L. Mendel Rivers' son).
- Box 3 Folder 57 Jack Dempsey-signed photograph, 1964 April 6
- A signed photograph of former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Jack Dempsey with L. Mendel Rivers. Also pictured are Harold Simmons and Frank Jameson.
- Box 3 Folder 58 West Point visit, 1964 April 15
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers' visit to the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York, along with other members of the House Armed Services Committee.
- Box 3 Folder 59 Lyndon B. Johnson, 1964 April 21
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers meeting with President Lyndon B. Johnson.
- Box 3 Folder 60 House Armed Services Committee-European trip, 1964 April
- Ten photographs of L. Mendel Rivers touring the U.S.S. Proteus during a House Armed Services Committee trip to Europe.
- Box 3 Folder 61 Commander Mowry, 1964 May

- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers' meeting with Commander M. R. Mowry at the Naval Base in South Carolina. Also pictured is Palmer Gaillard. Also included thank you letters from L. Mendel Rivers to Commander M. R. Mowry and Representative Michael J. Kirwan.
- Box 3 Folder 62 "Old Guard" City of Philadelphia, 1964 June 6
- Three photographs of L. Mendel Rivers being presented with an honorary membership certificate and medal by the "Old Guard" of the City of Philadelphia.
- Box 3 Folder 63 Carl Vinson, 1964 June 16
- A photograph of Carol Vinson (chairman of the House Armed Services Committee) accepting an award standing next to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 3 Folder 64 H. J. Resolution 1145-The Tonkin Gulf Incident, 1964 August 10
- A photograph of President Lyndon B. Johnson signing the Tonkin Gulf Resolution. L. Mendel Rivers is seen standing in the background behind the President.
- Box 3 Folder 65 U.S.S. Bainbridge homecoming, 1964 October 3
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers holding a painting commemorating Operation Sea Orbit on the U.S.S. Bainbridge. An around-the-world cruise of the United States Navy's Task Force One in 1964.
- Box 3 Folder 66 U.S.S. Lake Champlain, 1964 October 25
- Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers on board the U.S.S. Lake Champlain while cruising the Atlantic during Operation Steel Pike One. The largest peacetime amphibious landing exercise in history which took place off the coast of Spain.
- Box 3 Folder 67 Steel Pike Operation-Spain, 1964 October-November
- Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers observing training operations during Operation Steel Pike One. The largest peacetime amphibious landing exercise in history which took place off the coast of Spain.
- Box 3 Folder 68 NATO reception-Paris, France, 1964 November
- Three photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a reception given by the Supreme Allied Commander of Europe, General Lyman L. Lemnitzer, at Allied Headquarters near Paris, France.
- Box 3 Folder 69 Athens Hilton, 1964 November 22
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers at a reception at the Athens Hilton Hotel in Greece. Also pictured are Colonel Edward Chalgren, Jr., Mrs. Chalgren, Colonel Oliver K. Marshall, Representative Leslie G. Arends, Major General Harry L. Hillyard, Lt. General Ioannis Pipilis, and Colonel Paul A. Voyatzis.
- Box 3 Folder 70 Groundbreaking at Beaufort-Jasper Water Authority, 1964 November 22
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers using a shovel at the Groundbreaking Ceremony at the Beaufort-Jasper Water Authority in South Carolina. Also pictured is Senator J. Strom Thurmond.

- Box 3 Folder 71      Nuclear Ship Savannah-Charleston Harbor, 1964 December
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers aboard the Nuclear Ship Savannah during its visit in Charleston, South Carolina.
- Box 3 Folder 72      South Carolina delegation, 1964
- An unidentified photograph, possibly taken while Earnest "Fritz" Hollings served as South Carolina Governor and met with the South Carolina Delegation. Also pictured are L. Mendel Rivers, Senator J. Strom Thurmond, and Robert E. McNair.
- Box 3 Folder 73      Mark Clark-The Citadel, 1965 February
- Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers' attendance at a ceremony at the Citadel Military College in Charleston, South Carolina, for General Mark W. Clark, President of the Citadel (1954-1965). One of the photographs has been signed by General Clark.
- Box 3 Folder 74      Naval Ammunition Depot (NAD) Officer's Club, 1965 March
- Five photographs of L. Mendel Rivers' attendance at a reception and ceremony at the Naval Ammunition Depot (NAD) Officer's Club at Pier Bravo in Charleston, South Carolina. Also pictured are Captain J. T. Traylor, Margaret Middleton Rivers (wife), R. Blandford, and Lieutenant D. Shelton.
- Box 17 Folder 17      Military pay raise, 1965 March 24
- An oversize photograph of a United States Navy sailor reading from *The Navy Times* containing a headline entitled "Big Military Pay Raise Gaining Public Support." The photograph hung in L. Mendel Rivers' office during the 1960s.
- Box 3 Folder 75      Governor's Conference, 1965 May 18
- Three photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending the Southern Governor's Conference. Also pictured are Governors George Wallace and Robert E. McNair.
- Box 3 Folder 76      Armed Forces Day-Springfield, Missouri, 1965 May 22
- Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending Armed Forces Day celebrations at the Springfield Armory in Missouri.
- Box 3 Folder 77      Dewey Short's party, 1965 May 22
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a party hosted by Representative Dewey Short. Also included is a copy of a thank you note sent by L. Mendel Rivers for receiving the photographs.
- Box 3 Folder 78      Armed Forces Night at D. C. Stadium, 1965 June 29
- Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a Washington, D.C., Senator's baseball game on Armed Forces Night.
- Box 3 Folder 79      Dwight D. Eisenhower, 1965 August 17

- Five photographs and a negative of L. Mendel Rivers meeting with former President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Also pictured are Representative Leslie C. Arends and Representative (future Secretary of Defense) Melvin Laird.
- Box 3 Folder 80 L. Mendel Rivers bust, 1965 August 20
- Five photographs of a bust of L. Mendel Rivers. The photographs were mailed on August 20, 1965.
- Box 3 Folder 81 New chairman-House Armed Services Committee, 1965 September
- Twenty-one photographs of L. Mendel Rivers taking over his new position as Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee.
- Box 3 Folder 82 Carl Vinson, 1965 September 3
- A photograph of Carl Vinson (Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee) accompanied with a signed note from Carl Vinson concerning L. Mendel Rivers' new appointment to succeed him as chairman.
- Box 3 Folder 83 Far East trip-Korea, 1965 September-October
- Eight photographs from L. Mendel Rivers trip to South Korea. Also pictured are Representative Speedy O. Long, Porter Hardy, Jr., and retired General Mark W. Clark.
- Box 3 Folder 84 Far East trip-Japan, 1965 October 2
- Five photographs from L. Mendel Rivers' visit to the Atsugi Naval Air Station in Japan. Also pictured is retired General Mark W. Clark, Major General Lloyd E. Fellenz, and Colonel Stephen W. Holderness.
- Box 3 Folder 85 Far East trip-Taiwan, 1965 October 5
- Six photographs from L. Mendel Rivers' visit to Taiwan. Including a meeting with President Chiang Kai-Shek. Also pictured is former General Mark W. Clark.
- Box 3 Folder 86 Far East trip-Vietnam, 1965 October 18
- Two photographs of a visit by L. Mendell Rivers to Tan Son Nhut Air Base in Vietnam to discuss legislation to increase military pay. Also included is a press release from the headquarters of the 2nd Air Division in San Francisco, California, concerning the visit and photographs.
- Box 3 Folder 87 Dedication of Ryan Plant at Walterboro, 1965 October 21
- Five photographs of L. Mendel Rivers' attending the dedication ceremony of the Ryan Plant in Walterboro, South Carolina.
- Box 3 Folder 88 Mark Clark luncheon, 1965 October 21
- Nineteen photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a luncheon in honor of retired General Mark W. Clark. Also pictured are Speak of the House John McCormick and former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Jack Dempsey. The photographs themselves were received by Representative Rivers on October 21, 1965.



- Box 3 Folder 89      **Launching ceremonies for the U.S.S. Mariano G. Vallejo, 1965 October 23**
- Three photographs (and copies) of L. Mendel Rivers attending the launching ceremonies for the submarine U.S.S. Mariano G. Vallejo. Also pictured is Rear Admiral Edward D. Fahy.
- Box 3 Folder 90      **New Orleans welcome-Navy Day, 1965 October 26**
- Fourteen photographs (and copies) of L. Mendel Rivers' arrival at the airport in New Orleans for Navy Day. Also pictured is Representative Eddie Herbert who succeeded Rivers as chairman of the House Armed Services Committee.
- Box 3 Folder 91      **United States Naval Air Station-San Diego, California, 1965 November 17**
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers holding a certificate from the North Island Association at the United States Naval Air Station in San Diego honoring L. Mendel Rivers. The two photos were taken from L. Mendel Rivers' desk by Bill Short.
- Box 3 Folder 92      **Jack Jameson, 1965 November 17**
- A photograph of Jack Jameson standing next to a private plane and a photograph of a luxurious house in San Francisco, California.
- Box 3 Folder 93      **Air force, 1965**
- Nineteen photographs of L. Mendel Rivers visiting an airbase and accepting an award given to him by the Civil Air Patrol. Also included are two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers speaking with a United States Army officer in his new office in the Rayburn building. Also pictured is a half completed bust of L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 3 Folder 94      **C-141 Acceptance Ceremony, 1965**
- Three photographs of L. Mendel Rivers' participation at the C-141 acceptance ceremony at the Charleston Air Force Base. The C-141 was a strategic airlifter in service with the Military Air Transport Service.
- Box 3 Folder 95      **Dedication of the House Armed Services Committee Room, 1965**
- A photograph showing the dedication of the House Armed Services Committee Room to former Chairman Carl Vinson. Pictured are Carl Vinson, L. Mendel Rivers, Representative William G. Bray, Charles Gibson, and Speaker of the House John McCormick.
- Box 3 Folder 96      **Groundbreaking of veterans hospital, 1965**
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers at the groundbreaking of a Veterans Hospital in Charleston, South Carolina. Also pictured are Bryan Dorn, Palmer Gaillard, retired General Mark W. Clark, Senator Strom Thurmond, and Albert Watson.
- Box 3 Folder 97      **Luncheon for Madame Chiang, 1965**
- Forty-seven photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a luncheon for Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, wife of the President of the Republic of China (Taiwan). Also pictured is Representative (and future President) Gerald R. Ford.
- Box 3 Folder 98      **Paris Air Show, 1965**

- Twelve photographs from L. Mendel Rivers' attendance at an air show in Paris, France.
- Box 3 Folder 99 U.S.S. John C. Calhoun, 1965
- Four photographs of the submarine U.S.S. John C. Calhoun.
- Box 3 Folder 100 Robert Emmet statue, 1966 April 22
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers standing in front of the Robert Emmet statue on Massachusetts Avenue in Washington D. C. at the re-dedication ceremony in 1966.
- Box 3 Folder 101 Military ball, 1966 April
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a military ball in Charleston, South Carolina.
- Box 3 Folder 102 National Aero-Space Services Association, 1966 May 11
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers attending a National Aero-Space Services Association luncheon in Washington, D. C.
- Box 3 Folder 103 Navy Officer Norm Shaffer, 1966 May
- A signed photograph of L. Mendel Rivers and Naval Officer Norm Shaffer.
- Box 3 Folder 104 American Dental Association, 1966 June 18
- An empty envelope labeled "Photos taken at American Dental Oral Association June 18, 1966." Attached is a sticky note on which "Lost during review" is written.
- Box 3 Folder 105 Andrews Air Force Base, 1966 August 2
- Seven photographs of L. Mendel Rivers' visit to Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland.
- Box 3 Folder 106 National Football League (NFL)-Pete Rozelle, 1966 August 3
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a reception honoring the Commissioner of the National Football League (NFL) Pete Rozelle.
- Box 3 Folder 107 Mendel Rivers Parkway, 1966 August 7
- A photograph of a street sign labeled "Mendel Rivers Pkwy" in Pleiku, Vietnam. The sign has a human skull attached to the top. The sign was erected by soldiers in honor of Representative Rivers' efforts on the Armed Services Pay Raise legislation. Also included is a handwritten letter from an army staff sergeant to accompany the photograph.
- Box 3 Folder 108 General Corbin, 1966 August 11
- Nine photographs of a party, held in the Air Force Liaison Office, attended by L. Mendel Rivers in honor of General Corbin. Also pictured is Representative Leslie C. Arends.
- Box 3 Folder 109 National Day Reception, 1966 August 15

- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers with South Korean Ambassador Hyun Chul Kim at the National Day Reception.
- Box 3 Folder 110 Appointee from Pennsylvania for the United States Military Academy, 1966 September
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers and Representative Carl Vinson (former Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee) meeting with a Pennsylvania appointee to the United States Military Academy at West Point.
- Box 3 Folder 111 Luncheon given by Hugh D. Auchincloss, 1966 October 11
- Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a luncheon given by Hugh D. Auchincloss at the Capitol Hill Club in Washington, D. C.
- Box 3 Folder 112 Brookley Air Force Base, 1966 October 26
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers' visit to Brookley Air Force Base in Mobile, Alabama. Also pictured are Major General C. B. Root and former Representative Frank Boykin.
- Box 3 Folder 113 Koko Kim, 1966
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers, Jr., (L. Mendel Rivers' son) and Koko Kim at a Reception for the Korean Defense Minister in Washington, D.C.
- Box 3 Folder 114 George Wallace, circa 1966
- A signed photograph of Governor George Wallace of Alabama.
- Box 3 Folder 115 Miss South Carolina, 1966
- A signed photograph of Nancy Moore (Miss South Carolina).
- Box 3 Folder 116 Red Rayborn, 1966
- Five photographs of L. Mendel Rivers with Red Rayborn, the project manager for the Polaris nuclear-armed submarine program.
- Box 3 Folder 117 Sergeant Major Woolridge, 1966
- Two photographs of a meeting between L. Mendel Rivers and Sergeant Major Woolridge at L. Mendel Rivers' office.
- Box 3 Folder 118 Marion Metals dedication, 1967 March 10
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a metals site dedication ceremony in Marion, South Carolina. Also pictured is Senator and former South Carolina Governor Earnest "Fritz" Hollings.
- Box 3 Folder 119 National Broiler Council Congressional Reception, 1967 March 21
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers attending the National Broiler Council Congressional Reception. Also pictured are Representative Walter B. Jones, Paul Morgan, Senator Sam J. Ervin, Representative Basil L. Whitner, Representative James L. Broyhill, E. S. Kendrick, and Jack Spain.

- Box 3 Folder 120 Chief Master Sergeant Paul W. Airey, 1967 April  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers meeting with Air Force Chief Master Sergeant Paul W. Airey.
- Box 3 Folder 121 Earl of Shaftesbury, 1967 April  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers with the Earl of Shaftesbury.
- Box 3 Folder 122 Westmoreland's speech before Congress, 1967 April 27  
Six photographs of L. Mendel Rivers with General William Westmoreland before Westmoreland's speech before Congress. Also pictured are Senator J. Strom Thurmond and Representative Leslie C. Arends.
- Box 3 Folder 123 Boy Scout speech, 1967 May 6  
A signed photograph of L. Mendel Rivers with Carl Sanders taken while attending a special event in Augusta, Georgia, where he gave a speech at a Boy Scout ceremony.
- Box 3 Folder 124 Harry Sheppard luncheon, 1967 May 15  
Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a luncheon for former congressman Harry Sheppard.
- Box 3 Folder 125 King Peter II of Yugoslavia, 1967 May 16  
Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending an informal coffee meeting held by Representatives Ed Dorwinski and Don Rostenkowsk for King Peter II of Yugoslavia.
- Box 3 Folder 126 American Legion, 1967 June 24  
Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers accepting a distinguished public service award from the American Legion Department of South Carolina.
- Box 3 Folder 127 Beaufort Water Festival, 1967 July 21-22  
Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending the annual Beaufort, South Carolina, Water Festival.
- Box 4 Folder 1 Birthday party given by Representative George Elliott Hagan., 1967 September  
Eighteen photographs of L. Mendel Rivers' birthday party given by Representative George Elliott Hagan.
- Box 4 Folder 2 North Atlantic Assembly, 1967 September 5  
Fourteen photographs of L. Mendel Rivers' visit during the North Atlantic Assembly of NATO members at the Supreme Headquarters for Allied Powers in Europe near Paris, France.
- Box 4 Folder 3 Colonel Robin Olds, 1967 October  
Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers meeting with Colonel Robin Olds.
- Box 4 Folder 4 Navy Day, 1967 October

- Three photographs of L. Mendel Rivers visiting a Naval hospital in Long Beach, California, and an invitation and program for a Navy Day banquet hosted in honor of L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 4 Folder 5 Shirley Temple Black, 1967 October 18
- Six photographs of L. Mendel Rivers meeting with former child movie star Shirley Temple Black. Shirley visited Washington, D.C., and wanted to meet Representative Rivers.
- Box 4 Folder 6 General Westmoreland visit, 1967 November
- Four photographs of a visit by General William Westmoreland to L. Mendel Rivers' office.
- Box 4 Folder 7 NATO trip, 1967 November
- Six photographs of L. Mendel Rivers arriving by plane to meet United States Navy Admirals during a NATO trip.
- Box 4 Folder 8 Roland F. Wooten, Jr., 1968 February 9
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers with Citadel alumni and World War II fighter Ace Roland F. Wooten, Jr. shortly before his death in a private plane accident on February 25, 1968.
- Box 4 Folder 9 Reserve Officers Association, 1968 February 23
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending the mid-winter meeting of the Reserve Officers Association. Also pictured is Senator J. Strom Thurmond.
- Box 4 Folder 10 Kim Yong Kwan, Retired Admiral Republic of Korea Navy, 1968 March 6
- A signed photograph of L. Mendel Rivers with retired Admiral Kim Yong Kwan of the Navy of the Republic of Korea.
- Box 4 Folder 11 Guest of honor, 1968 May
- Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers and his wife riding in an unidentified procession as the guest of honor.
- Box 4 Folder 12 Portrait dedication, 1968 May 1
- Numerous photographs taken during L. Mendel Rivers' portrait dedication ceremony.
- Box 4 Folder 13 Admiral J. S. Dorsey's reception, 1968 May 11
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers giving a speech at a reception for Admiral J. S. Dorsey.
- Box 4 Folder 14 General Westmoreland's swearing in ceremony, 1968 July 17
- Six photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending General William Westmoreland's swearing in ceremony. Also pictured are President Lyndon B. Johnson, House Majority Leader Carl Albert, and Secretary of Defense Clark Clifford.

- Box 4 Folder 15 Party for Admiral John McCain, 1968 July 19  
Fourteen photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a party in honor of Admiral John McCain. Also pictured are Admiral Red Rayburn and Secretary of the Navy Paul R. Ignatius.
- Box 4 Folder 16 Annual "bird luncheon," 1968 July 31  
Thirteen photographs from L. Mendel Rivers' annual "bird luncheon" hosted in honor of Vice-President Hubert Humphrey. Also pictured are Speak of the House John McCormick, Secretary of Defense Clark Clifford, and former Representative Frank Boykin.
- Box 4 Folder 17 Shaw Air Force Base Christmas party, 1968 December  
Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a Christmas Party at Shaw Air Force Base near Sumter, South Carolina. Also pictured is former Representative Charlie Halleck.
- Box 4 Folder 18 L. Mendel Rivers in Congress, 1968  
An unlabeled photograph of L. Mendel Rivers in Congress.
- Box 4 Folder 19 Richard W. "Dick" Moore, 1968  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers with Richard W. "Dick" Moore of Altus, Oklahoma. Moore was Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee of Altus Air Force Base.
- Box 17 Folder 18 President Lyndon B. Johnson, 1969 January 13  
An oversize signed photograph of L. Mendel Rivers meeting with President Lyndon B. Johnson in the White House. Also included is the letter that accompanied the photograph.
- Box 4 Folder 20 Groundbreaking at Shaw Air Force Base, 1969 January 31  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers using a shovel at the groundbreaking ceremony for a new family housing project at Shaw Air Force Base near Sumter, South Carolina.
- Box 4 Folder 21 Major General Winston P. Wilson, 1969 February 20  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers congratulating Major General Winston P. Wilson (nicknamed "Wimpy") on receiving the Distinguished Service Medal.
- Box 4 Folder 22 Leslie C. Arends, 1969 April 14  
A photograph of Leslie C. Arends and L. Mendel Rivers at a House Armed Services Committee meeting.
- Box 4 Folder 23 General Westmoreland-report on Vietnam, 1969 April 15  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers receiving a copy of a Report on the War in Vietnam from General William Westmoreland.

- Box 4 Folder 24      **Daytona Congressional Medal of Honor Race, 1969 July 4**  
Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending the Daytona Congressional Medal of Honor Race in Daytona, Florida, in which all surviving Medal of Honor recipients were invited to attend the race and be flown in via military aircraft.
- Box 4 Folder 25      **Party for Representative Felix E. Hebert Hebert, 1969 July 10**  
Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a party for Representative Felix E. Hebert. Also pictured is General William Westmoreland.
- Box 4 Folder 26      **Swearing in ceremony, 1969 August 1**  
Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers participating in the swearing in ceremony for General John D. Ryan as Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force and Admiral Thomas H. Moorer as Chief of Naval Operations. Also pictured are Senator John C. Stennis and Secretary of the Navy John Chafee.
- Box 4 Folder 27      **Alabama International Speedway, 1969 September 12**  
Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers and Representative William Nichols about to depart from Pope Air Force Base in North Carolina to give a lift to Private James C. France on a trip to Alabama International Speedy for the first Talladega 500 Race. James C. France's father owned the race track.
- Box 4 Folder 28      **Party for L. Mendel Rivers given by Representative Wilson, 1969 September 17**  
Nineteen photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a party in his honor given by Representative Wilson. Also pictured are Margaret Middleton Rivers (wife), Senator J. Strom Thurmond, Nancy Thurmond, Representative Felix E. Hebert, General Lewis W. Walt, General John D. Ryan, and Admiral Thomas H. Moorer.
- Box 4 Folder 29      **NATO Assembly, 1969 October**  
Five photographs of L. Mendel Rivers meeting with officers at a meeting of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly.
- Box 4 Folder 30      **L. Mendel Rivers and Carl Albert, 1969**  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers with House Majority Leader Carl Albert.
- Box 4 Folder 31      **Lindsey Air Station, 1969**  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers listening to a question from the floor during a meeting with United States Air Force Europe airmen at Lindsey Air Station in Germany.
- Box 4 Folder 32      **President Nixon signing bill, 1969**  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers standing with a delegation behind President Richard M. Nixon signing a bill for a Commemorative Medal. Also included is a letter from the Deputy Assistant to the President to accompany the photograph.
- Box 4 Folder 33      **Ryan Aeronautical Company, 1969**

- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers and Ray Cote. Included is a letter from Frank G. Jameson of the Ryan Aeronautical Company in San Diego, California, requesting an autographed copy of the photograph.
- Box 4 Folder 34      **Altus Air Force Base, 1970 April**
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers visiting Altus Air Force Base in Oklahoma surrounded by children attending the elementary school named in his honor. Also included is a letter from the President of the Altus Chamber of Commerce to accompany the photographs.
- Box 4 Folder 35      **Middleton Plantation, 1970 April**
- Six photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending an event at what appears to be Middleton Plantation in Charleston, South Carolina.
- Box 4 Folder 36      **Naval hospital groundbreaking, 1970 February 14**
- Five photographs of L. Mendel Rivers using a shovel to break ground and giving a speech at the groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of a new Naval Hospital in Charleston, South Carolina.
- Box 4 Folder 37      **Savannah City Council, 1970 March 5**
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers and Representative George Elliott Hagan accepting awards from the Savannah City Council in Georgia.
- Box 4 Folder 38      **General Dynamics, 1970 April 24**
- A booklet of photographs from a visit by L. Mendel Rivers to the Fort Worth Texas Division of General Dynamics to inspect new military aircraft.
- Box 4 Folder 39      **Armed Forces Day, 1970 May 26**
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers and Michael E. Conway attending an Armed Forces Day civic luncheon in San Francisco, California.
- Box 4 Folder 40      **House Armed Services Committee Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) breakfast, 1970 August 12**
- A photograph of Representative George Elliott Hagan and L. Mendel Rivers at the House Armed Services Committee Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) Breakfast.
- Box 4 Folder 41      **Air Force Association award, 1970 August**
- Numerous photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a ceremony held by the Nationals Capital Chapter of the Air Force Association of the United States where Rivers received the Distinguished American Award. Also pictured are Vice-President Spiro Agnew, Margaret Rivers Eastman (L. Mendel River's daughter), Robert Eastman (Rivers' grandson), and Margaret Middleton Rivers (wife). Also included are a program booklet for the ceremony and a signed photograph from Medal of Honor recipient Major Bernard F. Fisher.
- Box 5 Folder 1      **NATO-The Hague, 1970 November 9**



- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers at the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) offices in The Hague, Netherlands.
- Box 5 Folder 2 U.S.S. South Carolina-keel laying, 1970 December 1
- Thirteen photographs of L. Mendel Rivers and family attending the Keel Laying Ceremony of the U.S.S. South Carolina in Charleston, South Carolina. Also pictured are Margaret Middleton Rivers (wife), Margaret Rivers Eastman (daughter), and Senator J. Strom Thurmond. Also included is a program for the ceremony.
- Box 5 Folder 3-4 Democratic National Congressional Committee luncheon, 1970
- A substantial amount of photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a luncheon and giving a speech to the Democratic National Congressional Committee. Also pictured are Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird, Speaker of the House John McCormick, Admiral Hyman G. Rickover, Representative (and future President) Gerald R. Ford, former Secretary of Defense Clark Clifford, and House Majority Leader Carl Albert.
- Box 5 Folder 5 Florida, 1970
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers in Orlando, Florida, including a picture of him standing next to a large swordfish.
- Box 5 Folder 6 Luncheon for Ambassador Pauls, 1970
- Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a luncheon in for Ambassador Pauls in Washington, D.C.
- Box 5 Folder 7 South Carolina stamp, 1970
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers holding the new South Carolina postage stamp.
- Box 17 Folder 19 Baby picture, undated
- A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers as a baby and a print of the same photograph on an oversize piece of cardboard.
- Box 5 Folder 8 Beauty queen, undated
- Two photographs of L. Mendel Rivers with a beauty queen (probably Miss South Carolina) and Representative Sam Rayburn.
- Box 5 Folder 9 Boykin, Frank W., undated
- Fifteen photographs of L. Mendel Rivers and Representative Frank W. Boykin.
- Box 5 Folder 10 Capital steps, undated
- Eight photographs of L. Mendel Rivers in group shots taken on the Capital Building steps in Washington, D.C., Also pictured are L. Mendel Rivers, Jr. (son), former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Jack Dempsey, Speaker of the House John McCormack, Representative Frank Boykin, Margaret Middleton Rivers (wife), and Senator Burnet R. Maybank.
- Box 17 Folder 20 Chapman, Leonard F., undated

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|                  |  | An oversize signed photograph of United States Marine Corps Commandant Leonard F. Chapman given to L. Mendel Rivers.  |
| Box 5 Folder 11  | <b>Charlesfort, undated</b>              |   |
|                  |  | A photograph of two unidentified officers standing next to a monument for Charlesfort in Beaufort, South Carolina.  |
| Box 5 Folder 12  | <b>Civilian events, undated</b>          |   |
|                  |  | Numerous photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending various civilian events. Including a photograph of Rivers in his baseball uniform at the Congressional Baseball Game. Also pictured are Citadel alumni and World War II fighter Ace Roland F. Wooten, Jr., South Carolina Governor Earnest "Fritz" Hollings, Vice-President Hubert Humphrey, and Harold Simmons. |
| Box 5 Folder 13  | <b>Clark, Mark, undated</b>              |   |
|                  |  | Eleven photographs of L. Mendel Rivers with General Mark W. Clark, President of The Citadel Military College in Charleston, South Carolina.   |
| Box 5 Folder 14  | <b>Clark, Mark-speech, undated</b>       |   |
|                  |  | Three photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a ceremony and giving a speech with General Mark W. Clark, President of The Citadel Military College.   |
| Box 5 Folder 15  | <b>Colonel Garcia, undated</b>           |   |
|                  |  | Nine photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a dinner ceremony with Colonel Garcia.   |
| Box 17 Folder 21 | <b>Denfeld, Louis A., undated</b>        |   |
|                  |  | An oversize signed photograph of United States Navy Admiral and Chief of Operations Louis E. Denfeld given to L. Mendel Rivers.   |
| Box 5 Folder 16  | <b>Denver Hilton, undated</b>            |   |
|                  |  | Four photographs of L. Mendel Rivers speaking and attending a function at the Denver Hilton Hotel in Colorado.  |
| Box 5 Folder 17  | <b>Early photographs, undated</b>        |   |
|                  |  | Ten photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending functions during the 1940s.   |
| Box 5 Folder 18  | <b>Elmendorf Air Force Base, undated</b> |   |
|                  |  | A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers arriving at Elmendorf Air Force Base in Anchorage, Alaska. Rivers briefly stopped in Alaska while returning from Japan and his Far East tour before his final return flight to Washington, D.C.  |
| Box 5 Folder 19  | <b>Graham, Billy, undated</b>            |   |
|                  |  | Six photographs of L. Mendel Rivers meeting with religious leader Billy Graham.   |
| Box 17 Folder 22 | <b>Graham, Billy-oversized, undated</b>  |   |

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|                  |   | An oversize signed photograph of religious leader Billy Graham given to L. Mendel Rivers.  |
| Box 5 Folder 20  | <b>Great Seal of the United States, undated</b> |  |
|                  |   | An image of the Great Seal of the United States.   |
| Box 17 Folder 23 | <b>Hunting trip, undated</b>                    |  |
|                  |   | An oversize photograph of a hunting trip hosted by Representative Frank Boykin. L. Mendel Rivers is pictured with a hunting dog.   |
| Box 5 Folder 21  | <b>Jackson, Andrew, undated</b>                 |  |
|                  |   | A photograph of a painting of President Andrew Jackson.  |
| Box 5 Folder 22  | <b>Jameson, Frank, undated</b>                  |  |
|                  |   | Eighteen photographs of L. Mendel Rivers and Frank G. Jameson of the Ryan Aeronautical Company in San Diego, California. Also pictured are former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Jack Dempsey and Margaret Middleton Rivers (wife). |
| Box 5 Folder 23  | <b>Johnson, Lyndon B., undated</b>              |  |
|                  |   | Seven photographs of L. Mendel Rivers with President Lyndon B. Johnson. Also pictured are Vice-President Hubert Humphrey and the President's wife "Lady Bird" Johnson.   |
| Box 17 Folder 24 | <b>Kelly, Joe W., undated</b>                   |  |
|                  |   | An oversize signed photograph of United States Air Force Major General Joe W. Kelly given to L. Mendel Rivers.   |
| Box 5 Folder 24  | <b>Lemmitzer, Lyman L., undated</b>             |  |
|                  |   | Seven photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a luncheon for the Supreme Allied Commander of Europe, General Lyman L. Lemmitzer.   |
| Box 17 Folder 25 | <b>MacArthur, Douglas, undated</b>              |  |
|                  |   | An oversized photograph of L. Mendel Rivers standing next to General Douglas MacArthur.  |
| Box 17 Folder 26 | <b>Maddux, Harold R., undated</b>               |  |
|                  |   | An oversize signed photograph of United States Air Force Brigadier General Harold R. Maddux given to L. Mendel Rivers.   |
| Box 17 Folder 27 | <b>McCormack, John, undated</b>                 |  |
|                  |   | A signed photograph of Representative John McCormack. Also pictured is General William Westmoreland.   |
| Box 5 Folder 25  | <b>Military personnel, undated</b>              |  |
|                  |   | Numerous photographs of L. Mendel Rivers meeting with various military personnel.  |

- Box 5 Folder 26      **Miller, William "Fishbait", undated**  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers with Doorkeeper of the House of Representatives, William "Fishbait" Miller.
- Box 17 Folder 28      **Moorer, Tom, undated**  
An oversize signed photograph of Tom Moorer given to L. Mendel Rivers. Also pictured are L. Mendel Rivers and Representative Carl Vinson.
- Box 5 Folder 27      ***The National Cyclopedia of American Biography*, undated**  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers that appears in *The National Cyclopedia of American Biography*.
- Box 5 Folder 28      **Naval base-South Carolina, undated**  
Three photographs of L. Mendel Rivers visiting the Naval Base in South Carolina. Also pictured is Admiral Hyman G. Rickover.
- Box 5 Folder 29      **Posed photographs, undated**  
Numerous posed photograph portraits of L. Mendel Rivers throughout his career.
- Box 6 Folder 1      **Rivers, Margaret Middleton (wife), undated**  
Fourteen photographs of L. Mendel Rivers and his wife Margaret Middleton Rivers attending unidentified events.
- Box 17 Folder 29      **Rodenham, J. G., undated**  
An oversize signed photograph of United States Air Force Brigadier General J. G. Rodenham given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 6 Folder 2      **Shaw Air Force Base Hospital, undated**  
Six photographs of L. Mendel Rivers visiting the Naval hospital at Shaw Air Force Base near Sumter, South Carolina. Also pictured is former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Jack Dempsey
- Box 17 Folder 30      **Shepherd, Lemuel C., Jr., undated**  
An oversize signed photograph of United States Marine Corps Commandant Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr. given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 6 Folder 3      **Signed photographs, undated**  
Numerous signed photographs of Congressmen and military officers including Representative Frank Boykin, Carl Vinson, and General Lyman L. Lemnitzer among others.
- Box 6 Folder 4      **South Carolina troops in Berlin, undated**  
Three photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a luncheon at the United States Army's Berlin Command in Germany where he met with soldiers from South Carolina.

- Box 6 Folder 5      Spotswood, Denis, undated  
A photograph of Air Marshall Sir Denis Spotswood of the Royal Air Force of the United Kingdom.
- Box 17 Folder 31      Sullivan, John, undated  
An oversize signed photograph of John Sullivan given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 17 Folder 32      Symington, W. Stuart, Jr., undated  
An oversize signed photograph of Senator W. Stuart Symington, Jr. given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 17 Folder 33      Telephone, undated  
An oversize photograph of L. Mendel Rivers talking on a telephone at his office.
- Box 17 Folder 34      Thomas, Albert R., undated  
An oversize signed likeness of Representative Albert R. Thomas given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 6 Folder 6      Thurmond, J. Strom, undated  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers with Senator J. Strom Thurmond at an unidentified event.
- Box 17 Folder 35      Traveling, undated  
An oversize photograph of L. Mendel Rivers and an unidentified man seated in an airplane.
- Box 6 Folder 7      Tri-Centennial scarf, undated  
A photograph of L. Mendel Rivers' wife Margaret Middleton Rivers with Pat Solomon holding a South Carolina Tri-centennial Scarf. Pat owned a shop in Moncks Corner, South Carolina, and designed the scarf for the South Carolina Tri-centennial. Also included is a photograph of the scarf on a table at a dinner attended by L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 17 Folder 36      Truman, Harry S., undated  
An oversized signed photograph (and copy) of President Harry S. Truman given to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 6 Folder 8      Unidentified function, undated  
Twenty photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending an unidentified function. Also pictured are Rivers' wife Margaret Middleton Rivers and General John R. Blandford.
- Box 17 Folder 37      Unidentified signed photographs, undated  
Four unidentified oversized signed (illegible) photographs of politicians and military officers given by L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 6 Folder 9      United States Air Force Academy, undated

- A photograph and copy of L. Mendel Rivers with his wife Margaret Middleton Rivers at the United States Air Force Academy near Colorado Springs, Colorado.
- Box 6 Folder 10 United States House of Representatives Chamber, undated
- A photograph of the full United States House of Representatives Chamber.
- Box 6 Folder 11 United States Marines, undated
- Nine photographs from a visit by L. Mendel Rivers to a United States Marines Base in the Pacific. Possibly dated around 1946.
- Box 6 Folder 12 United States Navy, undated
- Five Photographs of L. Mendel Rivers touring a United States Naval Vessel.
- Box 6 Folder 13 United States Navy-Far East, undated
- Ten photographs from a visit by L. Mendel Rivers to United States Navy ships and what appears to be China. Possibly dated around 1946.
- Box 6 Folder 14 Vinson, Carl, undated
- A group photograph of L. Mendel Rivers presenting Representative Carl Vinson with silver service. Also pictured is Representative Frank Boykin. Also included is a photograph of Representative Vinson and L. Mendel Rivers standing in front of a signed photograph of President Lyndon B. Johnson.

## 7. Photo albums, 1964-1970

- Box 7 Birthday-L. Mendel Rivers, 1964 September 28
- A photograph album containing photographs from L. Mendel Rivers' surprise birthday party at the City Tavern Association in Georgetown, Washington, D. C.
- Box 7 Civil Air Patrol Conference, 1965 May 20
- A photograph album containing photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a Civil Air Patrol Conference.
- Box 7 Visit to Vietnam, 1965 October 10-12
- A photograph album containing photographs of a visit by L. Mendel Rivers to Vietnam. Also pictured is General William Westmoreland.
- Box 7 Launching of Tautog SSN-639, 1967 April 15
- A photograph album containing photographs from a launching ceremony, attended by Rivers, for the submarine Tautog by the Ingalls Shipbuilding Corporation in Pascagoula, Mississippi.
- Box 7 Fleet Reserve Association-Long Beach, California, 1967
- A photograph album containing photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending the Navy Day Banquet and visiting the Naval Base in Long Beach, California.

- Box 8 Portrait unveiling-L. Mendel Rivers, 1968 May 1  
A photograph album containing photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending his portrait unveiling ceremony.
- Box 8 Visit to U.S.S. Northampton, 1968  
A photograph album containing photographs of L. Mendel Rivers' visit to the U.S.S. Northampton.
- Box 8 Party for L. Mendel Rivers given by Representative Wilson, 1969 September 17  
A photograph album containing photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a party given in his honor by Representative Wilson. Also pictured are Margaret Middleton Rivers (wife), General William Westmoreland, Senator J. Strom Thurmond, and Peg Rivers (L. Mendel Rivers' daughter).
- Box 18 L. Mendel Rivers Elementary School Dedication-Altus Air Force Base, 1970 April 10  
An oversize photograph album containing photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending the dedication ceremony for the construction of an elementary school named in his honor at Altus Air Force Base in Altus, Oklahoma.
- Box 8 Nation's Capital Chapter Air Force Association, 1970 August 12  
A photograph album from the Nation's Capital Chapter of the Air Force Association containing photographs from a ceremony honoring L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 8 U.S.S. Sirago SS-485-25th Anniversary, 1970 August 13  
A photograph album commemorating the 25th anniversary of the commissioning of the submarine U.S.S. Sirago. Margaret Middleton Rivers' (L. Mendel Rivers' wife) had originally sponsored the submarine and participated in the anniversary ceremony.
- Box 18 Dedication of the L. Mendel Rivers Library-Baptist College at Charleston, 1970  
An oversize photograph album containing photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending the dedication ceremony for the construction of a library named in his honor at the Baptist College at Charleston.
- Box 8 *LIFE Magazine*, undated  
A photograph album put together by the Editors and Photographers of *LIFE Magazine* containing a collection of photographs depicting L. Mendel Rivers in both professional and personal life.

## 8. Visual displays, 1962-1965

Flat oversize visual displays containing photographs and newspaper clippings primarily concerning L. Mendel Rivers.

- Oversize Paper Folder 2 Annual "bird luncheons", 1962-1963

(Flat Storage)

- Three oversize visual display boards containing photographs taken at L. Mendel Rivers' annual "bird luncheons" in March of 1962 and 1963. Also included are newspaper clippings from *The News and Courier* and *The Charleston Evening Post* concerning former world heavyweight boxing champion Jack Dempsey. Pictured are L. Mendel Rivers, Jack Dempsey, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee Carl Vinson, and Representative Frank Boykin.
- Oversize Paper Folder 3 Annual "bird luncheons," 1963-1964
- (Flat Storage)
- Three oversize visual display boards containing photographs taken at L. Mendel Rivers' annual "bird luncheons" in March of 1963 and 1964. Also included are newspaper clippings from *The News and Courier* concerning former world heavyweight boxing champion Jack Dempsey.
- Oversize Paper Folder 4 Congressional Award and Testimonial Dinner-Jack Dempsey, 1964
- (Flat Storage)
- Three oversize visual display boards containing photographs taken at a ceremony held at the Capital to present former world heavyweight boxing champion Jack Dempsey with a Congressional Award and photographs of Jack Dempsey attending a testimonial dinner for L. Mendel Rivers. Also included are numerous newspaper articles concerning Jack Dempsey from *The News and Courier* and *The Charleston Evening Post*.
- Oversize Paper Folder 5 Monument proposed for L. Mendel Rivers, 1964 August
- (Flat Storage)
- An oversize visual display board containing newspaper clippings of articles taken from *The News and Courier*, *The Charleston Evening Post*, and *The North Charleston Banner* concerning a new monument to be erected in North Charleston in honor of L. Mendel Rivers.
- Oversize Paper Folder 6 Closing of military bases, 1964 November
- (Flat Storage)
- An oversize visual display board containing newspaper clippings of articles taken from *The State* and *The Charleston Evening Post* concerning a move by the United States to close down 95 military bases. None of the bases were located in South Carolina.
- Oversize Paper Folder 7 Chairman of House Armed Services Committee, 1965 January-August
- (Flat Storage)
- Three oversize visual display boards containing newspaper clippings of articles taken from *The News and Courier*, *The Charleston Evening Post*, *The State*, *The North Charleston Banner*, and *The Charlotte Observer*, concerning L. Mendel Rivers' new appointment as chairman of the House Armed Services Committee.
- Oversize Paper Folder 8 L. Mendel Rivers bust, 1965 October 20
- (Flat Storage)



Two oversize visual display boards containing photographs of L. Mendel Rivers attending a dedication ceremony for a bust dedicated to him by the Kiwanis Club of North Charleston.

## 9. Scrapbooks, 1929-1970

Bound scrapbooks containing newspaper clippings of articles concerning L. Mendel Rivers.

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| Box 19      | 1929-1938 (Photocopy)                               |
| Box 19      | 1929-1938 (Original)                                |
| Box 19      | 1943-1945   |
| Box 20      | 1947-1951   |
| Box 21      | 1951-1952   |
| Box 21      | 1957-1958   |
| Box 22      | Correspondence, 1958 May-June                       |
| Scrapbook 1 | 1960-1970   |
| Box 22      | 1967  |
| Box 23      | 1968 January-March                                  |
| Box 23      | 1968 April-May                                      |
| Box 24      | Primary Election, 1968 June                         |
| Box 24      | 1968 July-August                                    |
| Box 25      | 1968 October  |
| Box 25      | Elections, 1968 November                            |
| Box 26      | 1968 December                                       |
| Box 26      | Air Force Association Awards Banquet, 1969 May-June |
| Box 26      | U.S.S. South Carolina Keel Laying, 1970 December 1  |
| Box 9       | 1970 January  |
| Box 9       | 1970 February                                       |
| Box 9       | <i>A Soviet Challenge at Sea</i> , 1970 May 12      |
| Box 9       | 1970 July   |
| Box 9       | 1970 August   |
| Box 9       | 1970 September                                      |

## 10. Awards, 1951-1970

Wooden and metal plaque awards (some oversize) given to L. Mendel Rivers by numerous organizations and institutions in his honor.

- Box 10                      Georgetown University School of Dentistry award of merit, 1951
- Box 27                      The American Dental Association-honorary membership, 1959 September 14
- Box 27                      The American Legion, 1960 May 18
- Box 10                      Air Force Association citation of honor, 1962
- Box 10                      The United States Naval Dental Corps-citation for merit, 1962 August 22
- Box 27                      Honorary Colonel of Holiday in Dixie-Shreveport, Louisiana, 1965 April 23
- Box 27                      Civil Air Patrol-honorary membership, 1965 May 1
- Box 27                      Military Order of the World Wars-New York Chapter, 1965 May 15
- Box 10                      Exchange Club Book of Golden Deeds-Charleston, South Carolina, 1965 May 31
- Box 28                      Service and Merit to the Republic of Korea, 1965 October 1
- Box 10                      Reserve Officers Association Minute Man award, 1965
- Box 28                      City of Torrence, California, 1966 May 24
- Box 28                      Boy Scouts of America-Silver Beaver Award for Distinguished Service (with medal and ribbon), 1966 July 11
- Box 28                      *Armed Forces Magazine* cover-"L. Mendel Rivers: Congress' Role in National Security", 1966 November
- Box 10                      The American Fighter Aces Association -Distinguished Service Award, 1966
- Box 11                      The Washington Light Infantry honorary member shield, 1967 January 26
- Box 11                      The Carl Vinson award, 1967 February 9
- Box 11                      U.S.S. Navarro with appreciation of the commanding officer, 1967 June
- Box 11                      Award from Lieutenant General Chang, Chi Ryang, Chief of Staff, Republic of Korea Air Force, 1967 June 22
- Box 11                      Department of the Air Force award, 1967-1969
- Box 11                      U.S.S. New Jersey BB 62 Fire Power for Freedom, 1967-1969
- Box 11                      Visit to England Air Force Base, Alexandria-Pineville, Louisiana, 1968 March 23
- Box 29                      Air Force Headquarters 9-appreciation From officers, 1968 May 24
- Box 12                      Navy Supply Corps School, 1968 December 19
- Box 12                      City of Corpus Christi, Texas honoring L. Mendel Rivers, 1970 May 23

- Box 28 American Legion-citation of appreciation, 1970 September 24
- Box 12 Air Force Sergeants Association-recognition of service to the enlisted men and women, undated
- Box 12 Crest for the McKay Clan-purchased from Edinburgh, Scotland, undated
- Box 12 National Football League (NFL) Alumni Association honorary member, undated
- Box 12 Naval Hospital in Charleston, South Carolina-appreciation for continued support, undated
- Box 30 United States Constitution copper plaque, undated
- Box 12 U.S.S. Ranger award, undated
- Box 30 War Office United States of America 1778 Seal-bronze colored plaster, undated
- Box 30 War Office United States of America 1778 Seal-gold colored plaster, undated

## 11. Certificates, 1922-1974, (bulk 1940-1974)

Paper certificates(some oversize) given to L. Mendel Rivers by numerous organizations and institutions in his honor.

- Box 31 Folder 1 Order of DeMolay for Boys, 1922 September 26
- An oversize certificate of L. Mendel Rivers' membership in the Charleston, South Carolina, chapter of the Masonic Order of DeMolay for Boys.
- Box 31 Folder 2 High School diploma, 1926 June 11
- L. Mendel Rivers' high school diploma from the High School of Charleston.
- Box 31 Folder 3 High School of Charleston-Scientific Modern Language certificate, 1926 June 11
- An oversize certificate for L. Mendel Rivers' completion of a course of study in the Scientific Modern Language Course at the High School of Charleston.
- Box 31 Folder 4 Attorney and Counselor of the Supreme Court of the United States of America, 1940 January 15
- An oversize certificate admitting and qualifying L. Mendel Rivers as an attorney and counselor of the Supreme Court of the United States of America.
- Box 31 Folder 5 Election as the Representative of South Carolina's First District, 1946 November 5
- An oversize certificate signed by the Secretary of State of South Carolina certifying that L. Mendel Rivers was the duly elected Representative of the State of South Carolina's First Congressional District.
- Box 13 Folder 1 International College of Dentists, 1947 December 6
- A certificate electing L. Mendel Rivers as an honorary fellow of the International College of Dentists.
- Box 31 Folder 6 Georgetown University School of Dentistry-award of merit, 1951 May 29

- An oversize certificate presenting L. Mendel Rivers with an award of merit by the Georgetown University School of Dentistry for his contributions to the dental profession through his legislating.
- Box 31 Folder 7 **Illustrious Order of Dragon Killers, 1955**
- An oversize certificate conferring L. Mendel Rivers honorary membership in The Illustrious Order of Dragon Killers.
- Box 31 Folder 8 **Mine Force-United States Atlantic Fleet, 1956 February 25**
- An oversize certificate appointing L. Mendel Rivers as an honorary "Mine Man."
- Box 31 Folder 9 **The Eminent Society of Border Legionnaires, 1957 April 25**
- An oversize certificate admitting L. Mendel Rivers as a member of the Eminent Society of Border Legionnaires after an inspection visit to the American and Russian occupation zone border in Bavaria, Germany.
- Box 13 Folder 2 **Doctor of Laws-Citadel Military College, 1959 June 6**
- A certificate from the Citadel Military College conferring upon L. Mendel Rivers the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.
- Box 31 Folder 10 **Charleston Naval Shipyard-National Association of Masters and Foremen, 1959 December 7**
- An oversize certificate from the Charleston Local Association of the National Association of Masters and Foreman granting honorary life-long membership to L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 31 Folder 11 **Admiral of the State of Nebraska, 1961 July 14**
- An oversize certificate proclaiming L. Mendel Rivers an Admiral of the Navy of the State of Nebraska.
- Box 13 Folder 3 **The Post Graduate Clinic, 1961**
- A certificate of appreciation from the Post Graduate Clinic of the District of Columbia Dental Society for Rivers' "Valuable Contribution to the Annual Meeting."
- Box 13 Folder 4 **National Executive Committee, 1962 June 28**
- A copy of a resolution from the Reserve Officers Association of the United States designating L. Mendel Rivers as an Honorary Life Member.
- Box 13 Folder 5 **Boys Club of America, 1963 April 3**
- A certificate of appreciation from the Alexandria Boys' Club for L. Mendel Rivers' service as master of ceremonies at the annual awards banquet and celebration.
- Box 31 Folder 12 **County of San Diego, California-L. Mendel Rivers Day, 1963 September 24**
- An oversize certificate declaring September 27, 1963 as "L. Mendel Rivers Day" by the County of San Diego California.
- Box 13 Folder 6 **Military Government Association, 1964 April 18**

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|                         |  | A distinguished service citation awarded to L. Mendel Rivers by the Military Government Association.  |
| Box 13 Folder 7         | Old Guard, City of Philadelphia, 1964 June 6                                   |   |
|                         |  | A certificate appointing L. Mendel Rivers to the rank of Honorary Colonel as a member of the Old Guard, City of Philadelphia.   |
| Box 31 Folder 13        | Old Guard, City of Philadelphia-citation, 1964 June 6                          |   |
|                         |  | An oversize certificate of citation presented to L. Mendel Rivers by the Old Guard, City of Philadelphia at the 107th Anniversary Dinner.   |
| Box 31 Folder 14        | Navy League of the United States-life membership, 1965 April 23                |   |
|                         |  | An oversize certificate from the Navy League of the United States presenting L. Mendel Rivers with a life membership.   |
| Box 31 Folder 15        | Clemson University-Doctor of Laws, 1965 May 29                                 |   |
|                         |  | An oversize certificate from Clemson University presenting L. Mendel Rivers with the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.   |
| Oversize Paper Folder 9 | Wappoo Heights-"Life Time Most Honorable Citizens," 1965 June 12               |   |
|                         |  | (Flat Storage)<br>An oversize certificate from the Wappoo Heights subdivision proclaiming L. Mendel Rivers and his wife "Life Time Most Honorable Citizens."  |
| Box 31 Folder 16        | Wappoo Heights-"Life Time Most Honorable Citizens," 1965 June 12               |   |
|                         |  | An oversize photocopied certificate from the Wappoo Heights subdivision proclaiming L. Mendel Rivers and his wife "Life Time Most Honorable Citizens."  |
| Box 31 Folder 17        | West Point Society of Charleston, 1966 March 18                                |   |
|                         |  | An oversized certificate presenting L. Mendel Rivers with honorary membership in the West Point Society of Charleston. Included is a map of the United States Military Academy at West Point in New York. |
| Box 31 Folder 18        | Navy League of the United States-Robert M. Thompson award, 1966 May 26         |   |
|                         |  | An oversize certificate from the Navy League of the United States presenting L. Mendel Rivers with the Robert M. Thompson Award for Outstanding Civilian Leadership.                                      |
| Box 31 Folder 19        | Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States-Gold Medal Award, 1966 August 26 |   |
|                         |  | An oversize certificate from the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States presenting L. Mendel Rivers with a Gold Medal of Merit.  |
| Box 31 Folder 20        | Commonwealth of Kentucky-Kentucky Colonel, 1967 April 4                        |   |
|                         |  | An oversize certificate from the Governor of Kentucky presenting L. Mendel Rivers with a commission as a Kentucky Colonel.  |

- Box 31 Folder 21      La Ciudad de La Villita-San Antonio, 1967 April 28
- An oversize certificate from the City of San Antonio, Texas appointing L. Mendel Rivers as the honorary Alcalde (mayor) of La Ciudad de La Villita (the original San Antonio).
- Box 31 Folder 22      South Carolina House of Representatives-L. Mendel Rivers Day, 1968 May 16
- An oversize copy of a concurrent resolution adopted by the South Carolina House of Representatives declaring May 18, 1968 (Armed Forces Day) to be L. Mendel Rivers Day in South Carolina.
- Box 31 Folder 23      Port of Long Beach, California-honorary port pilot, 1968 May 27
- An oversize certificate from the Port of Long Beach, California designating L. Mendel Rivers as an honorary Port Pilot of the Port of Long Beach California.
- Box 31 Folder 24      College of Charleston-Doctor of Laws, 1968 May 28
- Two oversize certificates from the College of Charleston presenting L. Mendel Rivers with the honorary degree Doctor of Laws. One certificate is written in Latin.
- Box 13 Folder 8      Jacksonville University, 1968
- A certificate of service awarded to L. Mendel Rivers by Jacksonville University for his participation at the annual meeting of alumni as the distinguished keynote speaker.
- Box 31 Folder 25      Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity-honorary member, 1969 April 18
- An oversize certificate from the Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity presenting L. Mendel Rivers with honorary membership in the Charles Cotesworth Pinckney Chapter of the Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity.
- Box 31 Folder 26      City of Corpus Christi, Texas-honorary citizen, 1970 May 23
- An oversize certificate from the City of Corpus Christi, Texas presenting L. Mendel Rivers with honorary citizenship.
- Box 13 Folder 9      L. Mendel Rivers Library-Baptist College at Charleston, 1970 October 29
- A certificate from the Baptist College at Charleston concerning the dedication of the L. Mendel Rivers Library in named in Rivers' honor.
- Box 31 Folder 27      United States Senate-death of L. Mendel Rivers, 1970 December 29
- An oversize copy of a resolution passed in the United States Senate to send a committee of two Senators to attend L. Mendel Rivers' funeral.
- Box 31 Folder 28      Alabama State Militia-honorary Lieutenant Colonel Aide-de-Camp, 1974 July 25
- An oversize certificate from the Governor of the State of Alabama appointing Margaret Middleton Rivers (L. Mendel Rivers' wife) as an honorary Lieutenant Colonel Aide-de-Camp in the Alabama State Militia.
- Box 13 Folder 10      Adjutants General Association of the United States-Distinguished Service Award, undated

- A certificate from the Adjutants General Association of the United States presenting L. Mendel Rivers with a distinguished service award.
- Box 31 Folder 29 Charleston-Philip W. Kelleher, undated
- A poem entitled "Charleston" written by Philip W. Kelleher and dedicated to L. Mendel Rivers and his wife Margaret Middleton Rivers.
- Box 31 Folder 30 Rivers Plaza, undated
- An oversize certificate dedicating Rivers Plaza at the United States Naval Hospital in Charleston to the memory of L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 31 Folder 31 Southeastern Oil, undated
- An oversize certificate presented to L. Mendel Rivers by the Southeastern Oil Company in recognition of his actions promoting independent oil businesses.
- Box 13 Folder 11 Special Subcommittee on Armed Service, undated
- A certificate appointing L. Mendel Rivers as an honorary member of the Military Air Transport Service for his leadership as chairman of the Special Subcommittee on National Military Airlift.
- ## 12. Financial, 1940-1970
- Box 13 Folder 12 Bill of sale-law office, 1940 June
- A copy of a bill of sale drawn up by L. Mendel Rivers' law office in Charleston, South Carolina.
- Box 13 Folder 13 Tax records, 1941
- Correspondence concerning L. Mendel Rivers' income taxes including tax returns.
- Box 13 Folder 14 Insurance, 1959-1967
- A copy of an insurance policy and mortgage payments for L. Mendel Rivers' home in Wappoo Heights in Charleston, South Carolina. Also included is a blueprint.
- Box 13 Folder 15 Checks, 1970
- Copies of L. Mendel Rivers' cancelled checks drawn on the Sergeant at Arms for the United States House of Representatives in Washington, D. C.
- Box 13 Folder 16 Shipping receipt, 1970 December 6
- A copy of a shipping receipt for a power saw.
- Box 13 Folder 17 Iranian carpets, undated
- A copy of a receipt for an Iranian carpet from Beirut Lebanon.
- Box 13 Folder 18 Blank check, undated

A blank check used for drawing through the Sergeant at Arms for the United States House of Representatives in Washington, D.C.

### 13. Personal files, 1952-1970

- Box 13 Folder 19 Campaign-Presidential buttons , undated  
Two campaign buttons endorsing L. Mendel Rivers for President.
- Box 13 Folder 20 Campaign-re-election ribbon, undated  
A campaign ribbon for Representative Rivers' re-election.
- Box 13 Folder 21 Clayton Act-notes, undated  
A handwritten note on an index card concerning patent law and the Clayton Act.
- Box 32 Flag and graduation gown, undated  
A graduation gown worn by L. Mendel Rivers and a United States flag.
- Box 13 Folder 22 List, undated  
A list of pictures and awards from Rivers' private office.
- Oversize Paper Folder 10 Map-Charleston Harbor, 1964 September 1  
(Flat Storage)  
Photocopies of the front and back of an old map of Charleston Harbor dating from around 1760 made by James Hunter, Jr. L. Mendel Rivers sent photocopies of the map to the Library of Congress to have it analyzed. Their return letter is also included in the folder. The Library of Congress requested a photocopy of the map for their collection.
- Box 13 Folder 23 Passports, 1952-1970  
Three special passports, an official passport, and a diplomatic passport for L. Mendel Rivers.
- Box 14 Personal mementos, undated  
A silver tie tack for the National Association P and E Program with a naval emblem, a slide viewer, a flag, 8 pocket knives, 3 medals, 5 buttons, 6 pens, and 3 letter openers.
- Box 13 Folder 24 Schedule-May, 1968  
A complete speaking and meeting schedule for L. Mendel Rivers for the month of May.
- Box 13 Folder 25 Schedule-May and October, undated  
A speaking and meeting schedule for L. Mendel Rivers for the month of May and October.
- Box 13 Folder 26 Seating chart, undated



An untitled seating chart including seating positions for all members of the Rivers family.