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COLLECTION OVERVIEW

Scope and contents note

There is one series of items in the collection, comprising: financial records of FCAA/FCAATSI, reports to FCAA/FCAATSI meetings, minutes of FCAA/ FCAATSI meetings and executive meetings, correspondence, newsletters, leaflets, Government Gazettes, pamphlets, copies of industrial Awards, extracts from Hansard, personal correspondence between Stan Smith and other activists, correspondence and pamphlets produced by North Australian Workers Union, Northern Territory Council for Aboriginal Rights, Abschol, the Australian Workers Union.

The date range of papers is the period 1962 – 1979; the bulk of them however fall in the period 1966 – 1969.

The documents are holograph, holograph (photocopy), typescript, typescript (photocopy), print and print (photocopy).

Provenance

These papers were deposited in the AIATSIS Collection by Stanley Smith, after October 1980.

Material separated from the collection

No material has been separated from this collection.

Related material

A complete list of works by Stan Smith, which are held in the AIATSIS Collection, can be found [here](#).

Some correspondence from Frank Stevens is included in this collection; a list of other works by him which are held in the AIATSIS Collection can be found [here](#).

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Archivist's note

Terminology, abbreviations and acronyms used in this finding aid:

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| Abschol | A committee of the National Union of Students, set up to support university scholarships for Indigenous students |
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| CAR | Council for Aboriginal Rights (Vic) |
| FCAA | Federal Council for Aboriginal Advancement |
| FCAATSI | Federal Council for the Advancement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders |
| Holograph | A document written entirely in the handwriting of the person who signed it |
| Ms | A handwritten document |
| NT News | Northern Territory News |
| NAWU | North Australian Workers Union |
| NTCAR | Northern Territory Council for Aboriginal Rights |
| p/c | photocopy/ies |
| Ts | typescript |

The materials in this collection are photocopies. Where the originals are, is not known. Many are A4 size although the originals were foolscap; hence many documents are incomplete.

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ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE

Wave Hill Station is located approximately 600 kilometres south of Darwin in the Northern Territory. Vestey's, a pastoral company owned by Baron Vestey, an English baronet, purchased the station in 1914. Along with other pastoralists, Vestey's was able to use the local Aboriginal people, who were landless through the creation of the station, as extremely cheap labour. Working and living conditions were appalling; a Northern Territory government inquiry held in the 1930s said, "It was obvious that [Vestey's] had been ... quite ruthless in denying their Aboriginal labour proper access to basic human rights." The wages of Aboriginal stockmen were set by the Welfare Ordinance and Wards Employment Ordinance, at a rate far lower than the Awards controlling the wages and conditions of white workers. On many stations, including Wave Hill, the wages paid were significantly lower again than the rate set by the Ordinances and were often retained by station management as payment for rations, clothing etc. Station management also retained welfare payments such as pensions and child endowment, through an arrangement whereby the Commonwealth Welfare Department paid these remittances to recognised 'institutions' (such as pastoral stations) rather than to individual Aboriginal people.

In 1964, the Social Welfare Ordinance replaced the Welfare Ordinance; the new Ordinance allowed the payment of award wages to Aborigines. The North Australian Workers Union applied to the Conciliation and Arbitration Commission to vary the Cattle Station Industry (Northern Territory) Award, to include Aboriginal workers. In 1965 the Commission ruled in favour of equal wages for male Aboriginal workers, then in March 1966 allowed a delay in

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implementation until December 1968. This led to Aboriginal workers on a number of stations striking or walking off the station, beginning with Newcastle Waters.

In August 1966, 200 Aboriginal stockmen, house servants and their families, led by Vincent Lingiari, Gurindji elder and spokesman, walked off Wave Hill in protest at working conditions and the delay in achieving equal pay. In 1967 they established camp at Wattie Creek (Daguragu) and decided to press for return of their land. On 16 August 1975, Prime Minister Gough Whitlam transferred leasehold title to the Gurindji.

The Gurindji were supported by a number of organisations, including unions in the southern states. Frank Hardy, member of the Communist Party and author of *The Unlucky Australians*, about the walk off, played a central role in organising this support. The Northern Territory Council for Aboriginal Rights (NTCAR), the Federal Council for Aboriginal Advancement (FCAA), which became the Federal Council for the Advancement of Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders (FCAATSI), and Abschol were among these organisations, which organised collaboratively and independently in the campaigns to support the Gurindji. These papers provide evidence of the communications between these organisations on the topic of support for the Wave Hill walk off.

The Northern Territory Council for Aboriginal Rights (NTCAR) formed in 1961, with a requirement that 75% of the executive be Aboriginal. It affiliated with FCAA in 1962. The NTCAR campaigned against discrimination wherever it was able, e.g., for the right to be served alcohol or to sit anywhere in a picture theatre; it assisted Aboriginal employees to obtain award wages in the Northern Territory railways and on the Darwin wharf. A facsimile of the NTCAR program can be found here: http://indigenoustrights.net.au/_data/assets/image/0011/398450/i999_1.jpg. From 1966, NTCAR's focus was the Gurindji walk off, providing material support – food, clothing, vehicles and equipment – and publicity for the Gurindji.

In February 1958, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal activists from all mainland states formed the Federal Council for Aboriginal Advancement (FCAA), a national pressure group. Its goal was the achievement of 'equal citizens' rights' for Aboriginal Australians. Over the next fifteen years it campaigned for constitutional change, equal wages, access to social service benefits, and rights to land. In 1964 it recognised Torres Strait Islanders as a distinct people and become the Federal Council for the Advancement of Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders, or FCAATSI. FCAATSI supported the Gurindji at Wave Hill through fundraising, material support and publicity. The bulk of the papers in this collection document that support.

The original aim of Abschol, a committee of the National Union of Students established in the 1950s, was to support university scholarships for Aboriginal students. Through the 1960s, it broadened its concerns, affiliating with FCAATSI and becoming a political pressure group concerned particularly about land rights. Abschol members visited Wattie Creek, helping erect buildings and organising material support. Some of that activity is documented in these papers.

Stan Smith, and his wife Mamie Smith, lived in Darwin for some of the period covered by these papers. They also lived in Mount Morgan in Queensland and visited parts of south eastern Australia. He and Mamie were members of FCAA/FCAATSI, Stan serving on the executive and as Publications Convenor at various times. These papers document their

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involvement in FCAA/FCAATSI's support for the Gurindji, including organisational and personal relationships with NTCAR, Abschol and the Gurindji. Stan was a journalist and wrote articles for publication as part of his support for the Wave Hill walk off. The papers in this collection were compiled by Stan Smith.

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'Black Pastures, 2. On contested land', *Nation*, Jun 6, 1968, pp 11-12, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, MS 2636 Armidale Association for Aborigines, Series 2, Item 56

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'Wave Hill walk off, 1966-75', *Collaborating for Indigenous Rights*, National Museum of Australia, http://indigenoustrights.net.au/land_rights/wave_hill_walk_off_1966-75

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SERIES DESCRIPTION

Series 1 Papers concerning the Gurindji at Wave Hill

The original arrangements of the folders and the papers within them have been retained.

Items

MS 3772/1/1 Statements of income and expenditure, newsletters, correspondence.

Includes copies of the following papers:

- Northern Territory Council for Aboriginal Rights (NTCAR), Statement of Income and Expenditure Year ended 30/6/68; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Federal Council for the Advancement of Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders (FCAATSI), Balance Sheet at 31st December, 1968; Ts., p/c., 1p
- NTCAR, Bank statement, 30/6/67; Ts., p/c., 1p
- *NTCAR Newsletter*, 5 Dec 1968; Ts., p/c., 1p
- North Australian Workers Union (NAWU), Receipts and Expenditure, Aboriginal Fund, to 30 June 1967; Ts., p/c., 7pp
- Philip Roberts and Davis Daniels (NTCAR) to Dulcie Flower (General Secretary, FCAATSI, Earlwood, NSW), 30 Aug 1968; Ts. & Ms, p/c., 6pp
- Report... Hardy's visit to Wave Hill, Dec 1967, Ts., p/c., 1p
- Record of contact between NT Council for Aboriginal Rights and Gurindji People at Wave Hill from the period December 1966 to December 1967; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Donations to 'Wattie Creek Fund' Banked in Gurindji Trust A/c, Aug-Sep 1968; Ms., p/c., 1p
- NTCAR, Reg No.A60, Income and Expenditure as at 30/6/67, audited 20/11/67; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Unsigned letter to Secretary, NTCAR, 27 Nov 1968, requesting access to the Council's correspondence and raising concerns about the expenditure on the Gurindji's trucks; Ts., p/c., 1p.
- NTCAR, Statement of Accounts for the period 1/7/67-30/6/68, subject to audit; Ms., p/c., 1p
- Incomplete copy of undated letter to Moira [Gibbs]; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Analysis of the balance sheets of NTCAR, years ending June '67 and June '68 (subject to audit); Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Page 2 of a letter or record of meeting discussing 'live specimens' [animal unknown] and poison trials and eradication methods in large parts of the Northern Territory, undated; Ts., p/c., undated
- Excerpt discussing donations to the Gurindji from the union movement, where the Gurindji were living and Gurindjis possibly

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- returning to work, undated; annotated Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter from Moira Gibbs to Stan [Smith], 9/12/1968; Ts., p/c., 1p
 - 'Australian Aborigines appeal to the United Nations ... September 1966', signed by Davis Daniels, Secretary, NTCAR; Ts., p/c., 1p
 - 'Page 3, Report from Darwin strike', undated; annotated Ts., p/c., 1p
 - Letter on NTCAR letterhead to Barry [Christophers], unsigned, 26[?]/2/67; Ts., p/c., 3pp
 - 'Questions to be put to an annual general meeting of the Northern Territory Council for Aboriginal Rights', 17/9/68; annotated Ts., p/c., 2pp
 - 'A short report from the Secretary. From Mamie and Stan Smith', undated; Ts., p/c., 1p
 - 'Roberts challenged on council', *NT News*, 4 Aug 1969; p/c., 1p
 - Copies of notices of the annual general meeting of NTCAR 19/9, to Alf Stanislaus and 'Sebastian', undated; Ts. and Ms., p/c., 1p
 - NTCAR Bank Statement 30/6/67; Ts., p/c., 1p
 - Articles of NTCAR, and Income and Expend[iture] 1/7/66 to 30/9/66; Ts., p/c., 2pp
 - Summary of contributions to the Gurindji Trust Fund, 20/4/69; Ts. and Ms., p/c., 1p
 - [NTCAR] 'Program for improved living standards for Northern Territory Aborigines', undated; Ts., p/c., 2pp
 - Record of expenses incurred by NTCAR in connection with welfare of people at Wave Hill, Nov 67 ? [sic]; Ts., p/c., 1p

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Wages and Awards.

Includes Government gazettes, pamphlets, awards, variations to awards, extracts from Hansard and news clippings:

- *Northern Territory of Australia Government Gazette*, No. 59, 1962; print, 4pp
- 'A new deal for Australian Aborigines'; original, annotated Ts., 3pp
- Variation to *The Pastoral Industry Award, 1965*, (C No. 2139 of 1966); print, p/c., 3pp
- Variation of *The Cattle Station Industry (Northern Territory) Award, 1951*, (C No. 830 of 1965); print, p/c., 21pp
- *Northern Territory of Australia Government Gazette*, No. 53 1966; print, p/c., 1p
- Extract from Commonwealth Parliamentary Library Hansard file, Question No. 580 'Aboriginals', answered in the Senate 20 Oct 1970; print, p/c., 1p
- Extract from Commonwealth Parliamentary Library Hansard file, Question 'Aboriginal Enterprises' answered in the House of Representatives 27 Aug 1970; p/c., 1p

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- Extract from Commonwealth Parliamentary Library Hansard file, Question No. 1359 'Aboriginal Affairs: Wave Hill' answered in the House of Representatives 12 Jun 1970; print, annotated p/c., 1p
- Extract from Commonwealth Parliamentary Library Hansard file, Question 'Wave Hill Commons', answered in the Senate 15 Sep 1970; print, annotated p/c., 1p
- Extract from Commonwealth Parliamentary Library Hansard file, Question No 648 'Aboriginals' answered in the Senate 20 Oct 1970; print, annotated p/c., 1p
- Extract from Commonwealth Parliamentary Library Hansard file, Question No 645, 'Aboriginals', answered in the Senate 20 Oct 1970; print, annotated p/c., 1p
- 'Now 20% aboriginal stockmen on award', *The Sun* (Melbourne) 22 Apr 1967; print, annotated p/c., 1p
- Copy of letter from FCAATSI appealing for funding, undated; annotated p/c., 1p
- Australian Workers' Union pamphlet discussing logs of claims for Aboriginal workers on Northern Territory pastoral stations, undated; annotated Ts., p/c., 3pp
- 'Report on Aboriginal Wage Case', from NAWU, Jan/Feb 1967; Ts., p/c., 5pp
- 'Severe economic discrimination suffered by Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders', by B Christophers, Secretary, Equal Wages for Aborigines Committee, Subcommittee of FCAATSI, undated; Ts., p/c., 3pp
- 'Aborigines should receive at least the basic wage now', by Dr Barry E Christophers, Secretary, Equal Wages for Aborigines Committee, Subcommittee of FCAATSI; Ts., p/c., 3pp
- Extract from 'Ed. News', 6/3/66; Ts., p/c., 1p
- 'Unemployment benefits refused Wave Hill Aborigines', press release from issued by T Dougherty, General Secretary, Australian Workers Union, undated; T/s., p/c., 2pp
- 'Federal Pastoral Industry Award 1965: Rates of Pay'; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- 'Trades and Labor Council of Queensland submissions to the Queensland State Government for equality of wages and working conditions for Aborigines in the pastoral industry', signed by A Macdonald, General Secretary, 6 Jul 1964; Ts., p/c., 19pp

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Reports, leaflets and press clippings

The contents of this item were produced by individuals and organisations in support of the Gurindji.

- 'Report by J McGuinness of trip to Northern Territory and visit to the Gurinji [sic] at Wattie Creek – May 10-June 25, 1969', to the Council for Aboriginal Rights (Victoria) (CAR(Vic)); Ts., p/c., 3pp

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- 'Racism in Australia by Stanley Moore (Minister); Address delivered at the Melbourne Unitarian Peace Memorial Church on Sunday 16th November, 1969', *Unitarian Addresses*, Issue 13; Ts., p/c., 15pp
- 'Boycott Vestey Products', campaign ephemera; p/c., 2pp
- 'Vestey's man tells four to quit Wave Hill', *Australian*, 18 Apr 1968; news clipping, p/c., 1p
- Newspaper clipping, *Northern Territory News*, 31 Jun 1968; p/c., 1p
- 'We stay put, say Gurindji', *The Age*, 4 Sep 1970; newspaper clipping, p/c., 2pp
- 'To the Gurindjis – with love from Peter, Paul and Mary - \$500', *Northern Territory News*, 9 Aug 1969; newspaper clipping, p/c., 1p
- The Gurindjis of Wattie Creek, annotated 'Gifts' by Stan Smith; Ts., p/c., 7pp
- Stan Smith – Report from the Northern Territory, annotated 'Brick-making m/c'; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- 'Justice in the North; Correspondence received from Mr Stan Smith, Northern Territory', CAR (Vic); Ts., p/c., 2pp
- 'A message to Aboriginal voters', electoral pamphlet, undated; p/c., 1p
- 'Report from a member of the Northern Territory Council for Aboriginal rights', undated; Ts., p/c., 3pp
- NTCAR Newsletter, 5 Dec 1968; Ts., p/c., 6pp
- Copy of National petition towards equal wages for Aborigines; FCAATSI fundraising appeal pamphlet; Statement by Equal Wages for Aborigines Committee on present Arbitration Court hearing re Cattle Station Industry (N.T) Award 1951; Ts., p/c., 4pp
- 'The Aboriginal and the Cattleman; The truth about the Award wages battle in the N.T.', pamphlet produced by the NAWU; print, p/c., 3pp
- 'Communists and the Aborigines', article in *Social Survey*, Sep 1967, by WG Smith, S.J.; print, p/c., 5pp
- Stan Smith's business card

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Correspondence, reports and minutes

The various reports from Stan Smith in this item were probably produced for FCAATSI, of which he was an executive member.

- Letter from Dr Barry E Christophers to Stan [Smith] and ?Mamie, 8 Sep 1968; holograph, p/c., 5pp
- Cover letter from Frank Stevens to Stan [Smith]; T/s., holograph, p/c., 1p., Copy of letter to the Editor of *The [Northern Territory] News*, by Frank Stevens, 27 Jan 1969; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Letter to Rev S Moore, author unknown, 4 Apr 1971; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Letter to Stan Smith from Laurie Ryan, Honorary Secretary of The Aboriginal Education Foundation of South Australia, 29 Jan 1969;

Ts., p/c., 1p

- Letter to Stan Smith from David D Smith, Mt Allan Pastoral Company Ltd, 3 Dec 1968; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter to Stan Smith from Gwen Smith, Librarian, Consulate of the United States of America, 24 Apr 1968; Ts., p/c., 1p [no enclosure]
- 'Report from Stan Smith March 1968', "... mainly concerns the two land Bills before the Legislative Council", recipient unknown; Letter from Barry E Christophers, FCAATSI, recipient unknown, 6 Sep 1966, discussing the prescribed wage for Aboriginal works; Letter to Stan Smith from Jack Horner, Secretary, FCAATSI, regarding reimbursement of costs, 8 Apr 1969; FCAATSI fundraising appeal letter, undated; Ts., p/c., 6pp
- 'Report from Darwin 14 June 1968' from Stan Smith; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter from ?Stan Smith to Faith [Bandler], 3 Feb 1968, discussing various items of FCAATSI business; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter from Faith Bandler to Stan and Mamie Smith, 17 Jan 1968, discussing various items of FCAATSI business; annotated Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Letter from Barrie Pittock, FCAATSI, to Stan Smith, 3 Sep 1968, discussing Aboriginal land use and development; Holograph., p/c., 2pp
- Letter to Stan Smith from Frank Stevens, Department of Economic History, the Australian National University, 31 Dec 1967, outlining a conversation with Gordon Bryant and seeking comment on a paper Stevens is circulating confidentially; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- 'History is the fable of the moment', letter from Mrs Jan Merton, recipient unknown, Nov 1968, discussing Aboriginal self-determination and the role of Europeans in Aboriginal advancement; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Letter from Dr Barry E Christophers to Stan and Mamie Smith, 23 Mar 1968, discussing various items of FCAATSI business; holograph, p/c., 2pp
- Letter from WJ McLaren, Northern Territory Commissioner of Police to Stan Smith, 17 Jul 1968, discussing treatment of an Aboriginal prisoner; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter from Barry [Christophers] to Stan and Mamie Smith, 18 Nov 1967, personal correspondence; holograph, p/c., 5pp
- Letter from Mrs Dulcie Flower, Secretary, FCAATSI, to Stan Smith, 2 Oct 1968, discussing various items of FCAATSI business; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Form letter to the Editor, *The Anglican*, 6 May 1968, responding to a letter from P Gilet, Committee to Register Aborigines for Social Services, Student Representative Council, Sydney University; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter from Stan Smith to Barry [Christophers], 19 Mar 1969, discussing various items of FCAATSI business; Ts., p/c., 1p

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- Letter from Stan [Smith] to Gordon [?Bryant], discussing various matters of FCAATSI business; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Annotated copy of letter to Faith Bandler, FCAATSI, from Barrie Pittock, sent to Stan and Mamie Smith, regarding a possible FCAATSI campaign about land rights; Ts. and Ms., p/c., 1p
- Pro forma invitation to Northern Territory Integration Council Annual General Meeting 27th August 1968, from BF Gates, Secretary, 16 Aug 1968; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Minutes of the Aboriginal Community Centre committee, 27 May 1968; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Confidential Report from Stan Smith, undated, discussing Aboriginal drinking in the Northern Territory, Aboriginal employment in Darwin, NTCAR, election figures and other matters; Ts., p/c., 6pp
- Minutes of the FCAATSI Executive meeting, 17 Jun 1968, Tranby College, and 23-24 Sep 1967; Ts., p/c., 4pp
- Minutes of FCAATSI meeting, 19 Aug 1968; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Report from S Smith, 5 Sep 1968; Ts., p/c., 2p
- General report Stan Smith, Darwin, 31 Oct 1968; Ts., p/c., 4pp
- 'McLeod's Mob', author unknown, annotated 'Confidential, For limited use only', Sep 1966; Ts., p/c., 8pp
- Excerpt from FCAA conference report, pages forty-four and forty-five, 'Present Apparently Dependable Income'; Names and addresses of Executive Officers elected by conference for 1966-67; Principles underlying Council policy, FCAA Objectives; Ts., p/c., 4pp
- Cover letter from G Elphick to Mr [Stan] Davey, holograph, 1p; Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council on Aboriginal Lands Trust Bill 1966, South Australia, print, 3pp
- FCAATSI submission regarding Commonwealth action on Aboriginal matters, Jul 1967; Ts., p/c., 3pp
- Excerpt from Report from the Northern Territory, undated; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Report from Stan Smith, Publications Convenor, annotated 'for Easter [FCAATSI] conference', undated; Ts., p/c., 6pp
- 'Report from S Smith 5 Sept 68 Darwin', annotated by hand; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- 'Your Executive', listing members elected to Executive at FCAATSI conference, undated; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Members of the FCAATSI Federal Executive elected at conference Easter 1968; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Copy of letter from Stan Davey, resigning as General Secretary, to J McGuinness, President FCAATSI; Ts., p/c., 1p
- 'News item', 4 Jan 1968, from Stan Smith, Extract from Hansard 13 Aug 1968 'Aboriginals; Discussion of Matter of Public Importance'; Ts., p/c., 4pp

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- 'Focus on Aborigines – help or hindrance?', by Mrs Peta Newing, Publicity Officer, Aboriginal Advancement League of Victoria, Sep 1968; Ts., p/c., 4pp
- 'Aborigines and the tourist industry', by Dr AB Pittock, article submitted to *Australian Quarterly*, undated; Ts., p/c., 6pp
- Objects of the 'Darwin Aboriginal Community Club', undated; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Clippings from various newspapers, including *The Sun*, *The Herald*, *The Age*, *The Australian*, Jan-Aug 1979, some unsourced and undated; p/c., 21pp

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Correspondence, reports and notes

Much of the correspondence in this item relates to tensions and misunderstandings within FCAATSI; and between FCAATSI and NTCAR.

- 'Mamie and Stanley Smith report on Aborigines at various places in NSW, Q'land & the NT', October 1967; Ts., p/c., 10pp
- 'Odd notes; in 1969', author unknown; Ts., p/c., 3pp
- Letter from Stan Smith to Mr P[addy] Carroll, NAWU, undated, requesting information about the Wave Hill strike; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter from Stan Smith to Mr P[addy] Carroll, NAWU, 11 Jan 1967, asking about wages and conditions for Aboriginal stockmen on other stations; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter from Stan Smith to Mr G[eorge] Gibbs, 11 Jan 1967, asking about a report in that day's *Sun*; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter from P Carroll, Secretary NAWU, to Stan Smith, discussing wages and conditions for Aboriginal workers on other pastoral stations; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter from Stan Smith to Davis [Daniels], discussing internal NTCAR issues, 11 Dec 1968; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter to NTCAR Secretary, 27 Nov 1968, author unknown, discussing internal NTCAR issues; Ts., p/c., 1p [no attached documents]
- Letter from 'Jack' to Stan Smith, 23 April 1969, discussing a proposed public debate about Wattie Creek; holograph, p/c., 1p
- Letter from Stan Smith to Mr G[eorge] Gibbs, 14 Apr 1967, regarding an article by Frank Hardy in *The Australian* about Wave Hill; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter from Stan Smith to Mr Newbury, 10 Aug 1968, discussing equipment and supplies for Wave Hill; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Notes to Gordon [?Bryant] and Jack [?Horner], 27 Aug 1968, discussing expenditure on vehicles at Wave Hill; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter from Jack [Horner] to Stan Smith, 21 Sep 1968, discussing FCAATSI finances and internal issues; Ts., p/c., 2pp

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- Letter to WC Wentworth, Minister in Charge of Aboriginal Affairs, author 'SS', probably Stan Smith, discussing the possibility of a copper producing business on Wattie Creek, 29 Nov 1968; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Letter from Stan Smith to Miss Cousland, [Abschol], discussing a student visit to Wattie Creek; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Letter to Gordon [?Bryant], probably from Stan Smith, discussing issues of contention with NTCAR; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Letter from Faith Bandler, FCAATSI General Secretary, to Mamie and Stan [Smith], discussing attendance at Conference, 12 Mar 1968; Ts., p/c., 1p
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- Letter from Faith Bandler to Stan and Mamie Smith, regarding FCAATSI conference administration, 13 Feb 1968; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Incomplete letter to Jack [Horner], probably from Stan Smith, 24 Sep 1968, discussing relations between FCAATSI and NTCAR and equipment for Wave Hill; Ts., p/c., 1p
- Letter from Stan Smith to Mrs [Dulcie] Flowers [sic], FCAATSI, 4 Aug 1968, discussing FCAATSI fundraising; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Letter from ?Nona and Chris to Stan and Mamie Smith, undated, discussing internal FCAATSI matters; holograph, p/c., 2pp
- Collection of correspondence to and from Stan Smith; correspondents include Mrs Dulcie Flower, General Secretary, FCAATSI, Gordon M Bryant, MP, John Allan, Editor, *The Canberra Times*, and 'Marjorie', 13 Oct 1967-24 Sept 1968, regarding items for discussion at the next executive meeting; annotated Ts., p/c., 9pp
- Letter from Stan Smith, Publicity Officer for Equal Wages for Aborigines Committee, FCAATSI, advertising reception for Dexter Daniels and Captain Major [Lupgna Giari], 20 Oct 1966, Ts., p/c., 1p; Letter from Victor Arnold, Acting Victorian Divisional Secretary, Actors and Announcers Equity Association of Australia, 24 Oct 1966, announcing the visit of Dexter Daniels and Captain Major [Lupgna Giari], Ts., p/c., 3pp
- Letter from Heather Cousland, Land Rights Drive Committee, 19 Nov 1968, discussing equipment for Wave Hill and the visit by David Twitt; holograph, p/c., 1p
- Incomplete letter from S[tan Smith], to Barry [Christophers], 9 Jan 1968, discussing FCAATSI social and other current issues, mentions Frank Hardy
- Letter from Barry Christophers, 16 Jun 1965, discussing Aboriginal and other political issues; holograph, p/c., 2pp
- Leaflet describing the impact on Aboriginal people at Wattie Creek of the Australian government's decision not to grant them land, authorised by the Public Officer of NTCAR, 30 July 1968; T/s., p/c.,

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- Letter from ?Mamie Smith to Faith [Bandler], 10 Jan 1968, discussing the likely negative impact of the publication of *The Unlucky Australians*, by Frank Hardy; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Letter from Davis Daniels, Hon Secretary of NTCAR, to Stan Smith, discussing NTCAR finances; Ts., p/c., 1p
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- Unsigned letter to Dulcie [Flower], 27 Feb 1969, discussing Wattie Creek and FCAA business; Ts., p/c., 2pp
- Cover letter from WC Wentworth, Minister-in-Charge of Aboriginal Affairs to Stan Smith, 10 Feb 1969, responding to his of 28 Nov [?1968]; Ts., p/c., 1p, Letter from PJ Nixon to WC Wentworth, 5 Feb 1969, discussing copper deposits at Wattie Creek; Ts., p/c., 2pp
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