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2005.006 Armstrong-Holtzman Family Papers

This collection contains limited business and personal correspondence for the Armstrong-Holtzman family, newspaper clippings, and a ledger.

2014.125 Billen Family Collection

This collection contains four examples of personal correspondence from William A. "Will" Billen to his sister Mrs. Peter Wenke, 1916–17, and William A. Billen obituary from 1957.

2013.046 Brock Family Collection

Included are tax records from the Brock Estate, 1934–91; certificates of land deed and patents issued to Eliza Paul's (Sac and Fox) land in Nebraska 1860 and 1884; and a patent to Anna Wheeler, minor child, for land in Nebraska.

2001.018 Brown Family Collection

Includes information concerning the Brown Family's genealogy; originally from Ireland, then South Carolina, Hamilton County (Ohio), and Shelby County (Indiana).

2013.277 Bush Family Collection

This collection includes Bush family history and genealogy, with excerpts from Bush family history compiled by Judge George B. Nelson of Kentucky in 1915 and lineage references for key ancestors in each generation. Compiled and notated by Mary and Lucille Rutherford, daughters of Jennie Whaley Rutherford and great-granddaughters of John Vivion Bush.

2006.066 Byas Family Collection

Documents and event programs related to the Byas family in Oklahoma City. Some correspondence, military, and business materials.

1995.025 Cash and Basket Family Collection

This collection contains genealogical information regarding the Cash and Basket families, including bible records, reunion information, records, and correspondence. Additionally, there are Revolutionary War service documents for Warren Cash.

2012.130 Cobb and Seely Family History Collection

The collection consists of two volumes about the history of the Cobb and Seely family. The volumes are divided by last names and individual names. Both contain genealogical indexes. The entries include biographical data as well as photographs of the individuals and their

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families. The volumes are not alphabetized; however, an alphabetical index is included in the second volume.

2011.271 Cromwell Family Collection

Contains an edition of *The Territorial Enterprise* newspaper, Bristow, Oklahoma Territory, 1906, and a selection of postcards depicting early Oklahoma City scenes.

2008.107 Eudaily Family Collection

Contains eleven certified death certificates for members of the Eudaily family. Also includes one newspaper clipping and two letters.

1998.038 Everidge Family Collection

WPA interview with Edward M. Everidge at his home in Hugo details the family's history. Also includes two receipts for the sale of enslaved people in 1829 in the Choctaw Nation (L. Fielding Received \$525 from Thomas Everidge for an enslaved person named Abram). Interview dated 1937. Other Names include Sophia Folsom, Thomas S. Oakes, Hazel B. Greene, Tuck Bench, and Eve Brashears. Topics include Choctaw cemeteries, houses, enslaved people, and removal.

2013.375 Fegan Family Collection

This collection contains documents relating to the Fegan Family.

2009.159 Finley-Slaughter Family Collection

Diplomas, certificates, licenses, and awards from the lives and careers of African Americans Dr. Gravelly Eugene Finley Sr., Gravelly Eugene Finley Jr., Wyatt Hardy Slaughter, and Saretta Slaughter Finley.

1996.048 Folsom Family Records Collection

The Folsom Family Records contain certificates and correspondence related to Alfred E., Alex, David, Emerson, Frances, Isreal W., and Julius C. Folsom. Also included are bibles and religious texts in the Choctaw and English languages. These records are professional in nature, although there are newspaper clippings that discuss other aspects of their lives.

1999.030 Freeny (Ellis) Family Collection

Irish family records of Ellis Freeny. This data was used to write the book *Peter Freeny and His Descendants in America*. The family includes John Ellis, Mo-shu-la-tubby, Peter Pitchlyn, and Peter Maytubby.

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2007.127 Geist Family Collection

The Geist Family Collection contains documents and publications of William and Shirley Geist as well as William's brother Ralph Geist. The Geist family-owned restaurants in Oklahoma City include Lady Classen Cafeteria and the Classen Cafeteria. The materials are all business related and contain no personal or family information.

2010.084 Groendyke-Shields Family Collection

Contains correspondence from Laura Groendyke Ross to her mother, Eva Groendyke, and her sister, Pauline Groendyke Seese. Includes documents related to the education of Laura Groendyke Ross and family histories written by several family members.

2007.024 Hager Family Collection

One Oklahoma City yearbook (1928) and two Harmon County, Oklahoma, history books; legal documents (mortgages, warranty deeds, certificate of stock ownership, etc.) and correspondence belonging to Leon and Mary I. Nance and Alfred L. Hager; childhood possessions of Leon Nance; and one 1950 Damp-King garment dampening bag.

2007.008 Heck Family Collection

The Heck Family Collection contains newspaper clippings, business papers, personal diaries, and death certificates of the Heck Family. Henry A. Heck served as county commissioner, district #1, 1948–50. Regards political activity in Okmulgee County, Oklahoma, and the American Legion Post 128 in Beggs, Oklahoma; 1910–82.

2011.161 Henning Family Collection

Contains personal correspondence from Vernie Lee Henning to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Henning, during his military service during World War II. The collection also contains schoolwork of PFC Henning, correspondence from individuals outside the Henning family, and correspondence from the government related to the death of PFC Henning on August 1, 1944, in Brittany, France.

2013.098 Herndon Family Collection

Genealogical information on the Herndon Family starting with Chesley Coleman Herndon and Ethel Alta Dunn Herndon. Chesley Coleman Herndon is the grandfather of former First Lady of Oklahoma Cathy Keating.

2011.044 Hodges Family Collection

Contains diploma of Mabel Hodges, 1916, Oklahoma City High School; diploma of John Robert Hodges, 1916, Oklahoma City High School; page from "Trail" published by the senior class of Norman High School, 1938 with a bio of J. D. Hodges; page from unknown publication,

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Norman High School, 1931, Mr. Hodges; a certificate, Mable Hodges, elected representative for the school of education; certificate, law school, John R. Hodges; certificate, Phi Beta Sigma National Fraternity, 1925; a program from the 22nd Annual Commencement, Oklahoma City High School, 1916; certificate, Oklahoma Chapter Acacia Fraternity, J. R. Hodges, 1922; and a certificate, Legal Fraternity, Phi Delta Phi, J. R. Hodges, 1921.

2008.165 Hornbaker Family Collection

Contains business documents and personal items related to the Hornbaker family.

2001.025 Hyden Family Records

Contains letters, school records, war records from World War I and World War II, newspaper articles, and documents of the Hyden/Collier families of Stratford and Anadarko, Oklahoma.

2011.311 John B. Meserve Family Collection

Six scrapbooks and two photo albums of John Meserve and his family, including photographs, newspaper articles, programs, business cards, and brochures.

1993.006 Kerfoot Family Collection

Includes letters and documents about family history, Land Run of 1893, and Kerfoot Hotel in El Reno.

2013.051 Kuchta Family Papers Collection

Contains land documents, receipts, and correspondence for Steve and Anna (Annie) Paezkowski Kuchta.

2013.266 Leard Family Collection

Contains pedigree chart and copies of family records.

1995.026 Lee Family Collection

Genealogy of the Staley, Daniel, Calaway, and Lee families.

1979.040 Lemasters Family Collection

Family information and military service records of the Lemaster family. Includes information regarding mining in Krebs, Oklahoma Territory, 1889–1959.

2012.132 Lindsey Family Collection

Documents, correspondence, financial records, and diaries of the Lindsey family.

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2007.141 Lord Family Collection

The Lord Family Collection contains documents from the education of Dorothy Beberstein and the general ephemera of Benjamin and Ronald Lord.

2009.067 MacClain Family Collection

The MacClain Family Collection contains writings and genealogical material regarding the MacClain and Pittman families.

2011.319 Murrell-Paine Family Collection

One binder of information pertaining to the Murrell-Paine family, including photos, genealogical information, and certificates.

2013.394 O'Bryan Family Collection

The O'Bryan Family collection contains genealogical information relating to the O'Bryan, Conner, Eldridge, and Wolfskill families.

1996.060 Overholser Family Collection

Information on the first families of Oklahoma; Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce.

1985.098 Overstreet Family Collection

Collection contains personal papers, estate documents, correspondence, account ledgers, and investment information relating to the Overstreet family.

2008.126 Phillip Dodderidge Brewer Family Papers

The Phillip Dodderidge Brewer Family Papers contain correspondence and notes regarding family history research of the Brewer and Sorrells lines. There is also a small amount of material generated from Judge Brewer's work with the Oklahoma Historical Society.

2007.038 Potts Family Collection

The Potts Family Collection contains correspondence, a land agreement, railroad timetables, and one club program.

2009.064 Rader-Edgin Family Collection

The Rader-Edgin Family Collection includes information focusing on rural schools in Pottawatomie County. Other items collected by Edgin include a member's ballot from the National Office of the Socialist Party, which outlines its articles; publication "Capt. Billy's Whiz Bang," a collection of jokes, rhymes, humorous tales, and wise sayings; and a student book of geography.

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2013.237 Rapier Family Collection

Contains four marriage licenses for Maude Anna Fuller/Pope/Smith/Langston/Rapier, family correspondence, a World War II ration book for Nancy Yates, and school records for Betty Merle Rapier, the donor. William Summerfield Raper changed the spelling of his last name to Rapier c. 1929. Nancy Yates is the mother of Maude Rapier.

2008.033 Rickman Family Collection

Genealogy of the James Henry and Eliza Jane (Faubion) Rickman family of Oskaloosa, Kansas.

2008.034 Rowe Family Collection

Genealogy of the David and Mary (Hinkle) Rowe family of Indiana and Kansas.

1995.131 Sanders Family Records

Two ledgers from Mr. Sanders, an early-day merchant in Harrah, Oklahoma.

2007.146 Schwartz Family Collection

The Schwartz Family Collection contains copies of land documents from a claim of Henry J. Schwartz in 1889, letters, and information regarding the Schwartz School.

2006.078 Seger Family Collection

This collection contains information about Miss Seger's grandfather, John H. Seger, and her father, Neatha H. Seger. There is personal and business information, correspondence, and scrapbooks. The collection also contains information regarding the Cheyenne and Arapaho; census records, manuscripts, newspaper articles, booklets, and other miscellaneous information.

2013.064 Sennett-Busey Family Collection

Abstracts, deeds, certificates, and related items pertaining to the Sennett-Busey family of Chandler, Lincoln County, Oklahoma.

2008.072 Seymour Tribble Family Collection

The Seymour Tribble Family Collection contains the military records of Troy Thurman Coppedge

2012.065 Sizemore Family Collection

One pastel drawing of Binda Eliza Malone, one certificate of marriage between Nellie Rennard and Jessie Sizemore, two postcards of the Grand River Dam, one newspaper clipping of the big flood in Muskogee, Oklahoma, during World War II.

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2012.254 Skye Family Collection

The collection contains newspaper articles, enrollment documents, and a funeral program for William Wayne Burns.

2013.063 Smith Family Collection

Contains British documents, including a birth certificate, marriage license, ration, and identity cards issued to Jordet T. Smith, Peggy M. Smith, and their son during World War II.

2008.065 Sumpter Family Collection

“The Sumpter Family” (2nd edition) in a three-ring binder; includes descendants of William David and Alcena Cary Sumpter with photocopies of photographs, lineage charts, ancestry profiles, and more.

2013.273 Taylor Family Collection

Contains genealogical information on the Taylor Family compiled by Robert Sanford Taylor.

2017.052 The Allen Wright Family Collection

This is a collection of family newsletters about the Allen Wright Family created and donated by Peggy Reid, beginning in 2009.

1982.060 The Leflore Family Collection

Photocopy of 1963 thesis “The Leflore Family and Choctaw Indian Removal” by Nora Jeanne Shackelford (106 pages). Topics include Leflore family history, the Five Tribes, Choctaw Nation, and Indian Territory; 1963.

2013.222 Tyner Family Collection

Contains personal correspondence of the Tyner family and a document pertaining to the court martial of Private Daniel Chisholm in 1943.

2002.024 Van Sandt Family Collection

Genealogical information concerning the Van Sandt family

1996.043 Washam Family Collection

The Washam Family Collection contains the personal and official papers of Mathias Washam. There are also correspondence and newspaper articles pertaining to his life in early-day Oklahoma, a letter to Alice from Sallie McSpadden, the sister of Will Rogers. Also includes a note about the Civil War service of Mathias Washam and a note about Company H Ninth Regiment of Tennessee Cavalry Volunteers.