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PAPERS**

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INTRODUCTION

The finding aid focuses on the Mamie Moser Dyche Papers which were received in several batches between 1967 and 1994. The papers contain correspondence, genealogical research, and journals regarding the Moser and Dyche families.

The Mamie Moser Dyche Papers were donated over the course of several years. Mrs. Dyche donated the first three accessions, and William Harrison Dyche, a son of Mrs. Dyche, donated the last four. The material had been inventoried and partially arranged by previous processors, but the entirety of the collection was reprocessed by the present processor.

The materials in this collection measure 4.75 cubic feet. Single photocopies of the materials in the Mamie Moser Dyche Papers may be made for purposes of scholarly research.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Mamie Moser Dyche Papers contain the papers of the Dyche and Moser Families. Genealogical research, correspondence, personal papers, journals, and photographs are the main components of the collection. Other types of documents in the collection include sketches of various Tennessee towns and institutions, and various publications.

Mrs. Dyche and her son, William H. Dyche, researched their genealogy for most of their lives. Mrs. Dyche and her son found genealogical research on several of their related families. These families include the Blevins, Boyd, Brakebill, Dyche, Hafley, and Moser families. The majority of the research in the addition centers on the Moser family.

Correspondence makes up the largest single portion of the addition. The majority of the correspondence is the personal correspondence of Mrs. Dyche. The personal correspondence of Mrs. Dyche includes letters from both her parents and several of her siblings. Of special note is the correspondence from World War II servicemen to Mrs. Dyche. Mrs. Dyche wrote to servicemen from the Sweetwater area during World War II, and their letters to Mrs. Dyche provide fascinating information regarding the homesick soldiers. Personal correspondence of Reverend and Mrs. John M. Morgan, parents of Mrs. Dyche, are also in the addition.

Some personal and financial papers of the Moser and Dyche families are located in the addition. The ledgers of Charlie Dyche, as well as a ledger belonging to his father, provide a look at the financial health of the Dyche Family. Cancelled checks for both the Moser and Dyche Families are located in the addition. Of particular interest is a church record book of Reverend John Morgan. Reverend Morgan was originally ordained in the Lutheran church; however, he was deposed from the church in 1898 due to his espousal of the doctrine of sanctification. In 1903, Reverend Morgan was ordained in the Methodist church. His church record book records when he preached, where he preached, what he preached, and the monetary offering of the service. The book also mentions his espousal of the doctrine of sanctification, his leaving the Lutheran church, and his entering the Methodist church.

Several journals are also located in the addition. The journals belonged to Mariah Dyche, mother of Charlie Dyche. These journals mention the weather, the activities of her family, and other activities in which Mrs. Mariah Dyche participated. The 1910 journal makes a mention of the wedding of Mamie and Charlie Dyche. The last journal, dated 1916, makes mention of Mrs. Mariah Dyche's inability to keep a daily journal.

Photographs make up the final component of the addition. Mrs. Dyche was an avid photographer and collector of family photographs. Her biography, which is found in the addition, mentions that she amassed eighteen albums of family photographs over the course of her lifetime. The photographs in the addition are of various families. Most of the photographs have been labeled. There are also negatives for several of the photographs. The negative numbers and the photograph numbers run concurrently. Thus, a photograph with number P2 will be the same as the negative labeled N2.

One of the accession records (Accession Number 69-049) indicates that an audiotape is included in the collection. The record indicates that the tape is an interview of Mrs. Dyche did in September 1968 at the Tennessee State Library & Archives. The interview discusses her life as the daughter of a minister, her church, her life on the Dyche farm, and her scrapbooks. This tape, however, was not found with the other papers of the addition. At the time of processing, the tape had not been located.

The Mamie Moser Dyche Papers-Addition provides useful genealogical information for the researcher. The addition also affords a glimpse into the life of a circuit rider, a life that was a large part of the American religious experience before the twentieth century. The Mamie Moser Dyche Papers-Addition is a valuable addition to the Tennessee State Library and Archives

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Mamie Moser, the eldest of seven children of Reverend John Morgan Moser and Harriet Haffley, was born in 1888. Her father was a preacher deposed from the Lutheran church in 1898 who later joined the Methodist church in 1902. Reverend Moser, known as the last of the circuit riders, rode the circuit in the Holston and Virginia Synods of the Methodist church. In 1910, Mamie Moser married Charlie Boyd Dyche of Sweetwater, Tennessee. Charlie Boyd was the son of William Harrison Dyche and his wife Mariah of Philadelphia, Tennessee. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Dyche had seven children: Charlie Boyd (b. 1911), William Harrison (b. 1912), Mamie Frances (b. 1915), Nellie Ruth (b. 1916), Ira Fred (b. 1918), Hattie Mariah (b. 1920), and Nina Mildred (b. 1923).

The Dyches made their home on the Dyche Family Farm outside of Philadelphia, Tennessee, living there from 1910 until 1931. By 1931, repeated droughts and the death of Mr. Dyche's father, William Harrison Dyche, hastened the loss of the farm. At that time the Dyche family moved to Sweetwater, Tennessee. After the unexpected death of Charlie Boyd in 1944, Mrs. Dyche remained in Sweetwater and continued her life-long hobby of compiling scrapbooks. During the course of her life, Mrs. Dyche completed twenty-one scrapbooks of the important events in the life of her family. Her scrapbooks also contained information on many of the families in the Sweetwater area. In 1968, the Tennessee State Library and Archives microfilmed Mamie's scrapbooks in recognition of their genealogical and historic value. Mrs. Dyche died in 1971 at the age of eighty-three.

Source: Mamie Moser Dyche Papers

CONTAINER LIST

Microfilm Roll #1

Box 1

1. Genealogy – Blevins – Part 1
2. Genealogy – Blevins – Part 2
3. Genealogy – Boyd/Dyche
4. Genealogy – Brakebill
5. Genealogy – Dyche
6. Genealogy – Dyche (James Lafayette)
7. Genealogy – Dyche/Courtney
8. Genealogy – Hafley
9. Genealogy – Moser – Part 1
10. Genealogy – Moser – Part 2
11. Genealogy – Moser – Part 3
12. Biography – Dyche, Mamie Moser
13. Cards
14. Church Records
15. Deeds

Microfilm Roll #2

Box 2

1. Diary – Cate Family
2. Directory – New Hope Church
3. Estate Papers – Dyche, Mamie Moser
4. History – St. Paul's Lutheran Church
5. Historical Sketch – Sweetwater, Tennessee
6. Minutes – Holston Synod – Evangelical Lutheran Church
7. Miscellaneous Notes & Clippings
8. Newspaper Clippings
9. Poetry
10. Postcards
11. Postcards – Dyche family
12. Publications – *The Album Writer's Friend*
13. Publications – *Artistic Embroidery*
14. Publications – *A Catechism of Christian Doctrine*
15. Publications – *Funeral Ceremony, Independent Order of Odd Fellows*
16. Publications – *Heartsease*
17. Publications – *An Invitation to Monroe County, Tennessee*
18. Publications – *Luther's Catechism*
19. Publications – Miscellaneous
20. Publications – Postal Information

21. Publications – *Sketches by the Wayside* – Part 1
22. Publications – *Sketches by the Wayside* – Part 2
23. Sheet Music
24. Sketch – Hiwassee College
25. Sketch – Origin of Eve Mills, Tennessee
26. Sketch – Philadelphia, Tennessee
27. Sketch – Tulogahler College

Microfilm Roll #3

Box 3

1. Correspondence – Incoming – Dyche, William H., III
2. Correspondence – Dyche, Williams H.
3. Correspondence – Dyche, Miscellaneous
4. Correspondence – Incoming – Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 1
5. Correspondence – Incoming – Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 2
6. Correspondence – Incoming – Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 3
7. Correspondence – Incoming – Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 4
8. Correspondence – Incoming – Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 5
9. Correspondence – Incoming – Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 6

Box 4

1. Correspondence – Incoming – Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 7
2. Correspondence – Moser, Hattie (Mrs. J. M.) to Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 1
3. Correspondence – Moser, Hattie (Mrs. J. M.) to Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 2
4. Correspondence – Moser, Hattie (Mrs. J. M.) to Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 3
5. Correspondence – Moser, J. M. to Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 1
6. Correspondence – Moser, J. M. to Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 2

Microfilm Roll #4

7. Correspondence – Moser, J. M. to Dyche, Mamie Moser – Part 3
8. Correspondence – Motley, Nellie Moser to Dyche, Mamie Moser - Part 1

Box 5

1. Correspondence – Motley, Nellie Moser to Mamie Moser – Part 2
2. Correspondence – Moser, Dan to Dyche, Mamie Moser
3. Correspondence – Rice, Ruth Moser to Dyche, Mamie Moser
4. Correspondence – Servicemen to Dyche, Mamie Moser
5. Correspondence – Outgoing - Dyche, Mamie Moser
6. Correspondence – Dyche, Mamie Moser to Dyche, William – Part 1
7. Correspondence – Dyche, Mamie Moser to Dyche, William – Part 2
8. Correspondence – Hafley, Mrs. Elizabeth
9. Correspondence – Incoming – Moser, Daniel M.

10. Correspondence – Incoming – Moser, Mrs. John Morgan (Hattie) – Part 1
11. Correspondence – Incoming – Moser, Mrs. John Morgan (Hattie) – Part 2
12. Correspondence – Outgoing – Moser, Mrs. John Morgan (Hattie)

Microfilm Roll #5

Box 6

1. Correspondence – Incoming – Moser, John Morgan – Part 1
2. Correspondence – Incoming – Moser, John Morgan – Part 2
3. Correspondence – Incoming – Moser, John Morgan – Part 3
4. Correspondence – Outgoing – Moser, John Morgan
5. Correspondence – Moser Family –Miscellaneous
6. Accounts – Bank – Dyche Family
7. Cancelled Checks – Dyche Family
8. Financial Papers – Miscellaneous – Dyche Family
9. Land Deeds – Dyche Family (photocopies)
10. Legal Documents – Dyche farm
11. Pension Papers – Dyche, William H.
12. Promissory Notes – Dyche, Charlie B.
13. Promissory Notes – Dyche, W. H.
14. Receipts – Dyche Family
15. Tax Receipts – Dyche Family
16. Accounts – Moser, Daniel Miller
17. Bank Account – Moser, J. M.
18. Cancelled Checks – Moser, Daniel Miller
19. Cancelled Checks – Moser Family
20. Church Record Book – Moser, Rev. John Morgan
21. Contract – Moser, Daniel Miller

Box 7

1. Estate Papers – Hafley, John W.
2. Insurance Papers – Moser, Daniel M.
3. Military Papers – Moser, Daniel and Moser, Francis
4. Poetry & Music – Hafley, Winston Cornelius
5. Receipts – Tax – Moser, Daniel M.
6. Report – Moser, Rev. John. M.
7. School Papers – Moser Family

Microfilm Roll #6

8. Journal – 1901 – Dyche, Mariah
9. Journal – 1904 – Dyche, Mariah
10. Journal – 1905 – Part 1 – Dyche, Mariah

11. Journal – 1905 – Part 2 – Dyche, Mariah
12. Journal – 1906 – Dyche, Mariah
13. Journal – 1907 – Dyche, Mariah

Box 8

1. Journal – 1909 – Dyche, Mariah
2. Journal – 1910 – Dyche, Mariah

Microfilm Roll #7

3. Journal – 1911 – Dyche, Mariah
4. Journal – 1912 – Dyche, Mariah
5. Journal – 1914 – Dyche, Mariah

Box 9

1. Journal – 1916 – Dyche, Mariah
2. Ledger – Dyche, W. H.
3. Ledger – Dyche, Charlie – 1913-1916
4. Ledger – Dyche, Charlie – 1916-1927

Box 10

Photographs

<u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
P1	Jim Boyd, Dr. Boyd
P2	R. W. Boyd
P3	Mary Boyd Bacon
P4	Mrs. Boyd, H. W. Boyd, Mrs. Harwell
P5	Ida Dyche, Nancy Jane Edge, Sarah Dyche
P6	The Dyche Home & Family, 1888
P7	Peninah Boyd Webster & children
P8	R. W. Boyd, Jr.
P9	Sue, Kate, & Lou Wester
P10	James Lafayette Dyche, Jr.
P11	Bill Dyche in front of grave of Charles Courtney
P12	Tombstone of Charles Courtney
P13	Tombstone of Charles Courtney
P14	Tombstone of Charles Courtney
P15	Home of Mrs. Nell Telford
P16	Bill Dyche, woman, child
P17	Bill Dyche, child, man
P18	Tombstone
P19	3 unidentified children & a goat

P20	Jim Lowe, C. B. Dyche, Sr.
P21	C. B. Dyche, Sr.
P22	Unidentified children in front of wood pile
P23	Unidentified boy with bird
P24	Unidentified children in front of wood pile
P25	Group of unidentified children
P26	Mamie Moser Dyche
P27	Mamie Moser Dyche
P28	Mamie Moser Dyche
P29	Mamie Moser Dyche
P30	Mamie Moser Dyche
P31	Two unidentified children
P32	Unidentified family
P33	Hay wagon
P34	Fred Dyche in front of Dyche Home
P35	Model airplane
P36	(1 st row) Daniel Miller Moser, Elizabeth Moser, Mary Ann Blankenship, (2 nd row) Jim Barb Moser, William Ira Moser, Becca Pardue, Frances Bible, Joe Seiss Moser, John Morgan Moser, Ben Harris Moser
P37	Walter Dyche, William Dyche II, Charlie Dyche, Tam Dyche, January 24, 1943
P38	Charlie Boyd Dyche, Mamie Moser Dyche, Ruth Dyche, at Dyche Farm c.1922
P39	Aunt Lilly
P40	Three pictures of Philadelphia, Tennessee

Negatives

<u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
N1	Jim Boyd, Dr. Boyd
N2	R. W. Boyd
N3	Mary Boyd Bacon
N4	Mrs. Boyd, H. W. Boyd, Mrs. Harwell
N5	Ida Dyche, Nancy Jane Edge, Sarah Dyche
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N7	Peninah Boyd Wester & children
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