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**GANIER, ALBERT FRANKLIN, SR.**  
**(1883-1973)**  
**Photographic Collection, Addition**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

The Albert F. Ganier Photographic Collection--addition contains numerous photographs of Reelfoot Lake and the wildlife of that area; these photos were the property of Albert F. Ganier, noted Tennessee naturalist and former president of the Tennessee Ornithological Society and the Tennessee Historical Society. These photographs are an addition to a previous donation of Dr. Wintfred Smith, Dept. of Biology, University of Tennessee at Martin, Tennessee. The collection occupies .2 cubic feet of shelf space and contains approximately 124 items.

Single photocopies of unpublished holdings in the Albert F. Ganier, Sr., Photographic Collection--Addition may be made for purposes of scholarly research.

## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

This addition to the Albert Franklin Ganier Photographic Collection contains many photos of Reelfoot Lake and the wildlife located in the area. Ganier conducted numerous bird-watching expeditions in this area during the 1920's and 1930's while associated with the Tennessee Ornithological Society and the Kentucky Ornithological Society.

Photographs of interest in this addition include one print of the Walnut Lodge Hotel, Samburg, Tenn., which later became a laboratory for the Tennessee Academy of Sciences. One print shows downtown Samburg, Tennessee, dated c.1923, with the Lakeview Hotel in the background. Another print contains an endearing image of a local girl, holding her sister (child?) in her arms.

Several images of the birds of the Lake are in this addition; these include habitats of herons, eagles, and cormorants. The photographs of this collection are a valuable resource for the documentation of the history of Reelfoot Lake and are a notable addition to the photographic collection of the Tennessee State Library and Archives.

## CONTAINER LIST

### **Photo No./Description**

1. "Cranetown," Reelfoot Lake, 1932.
2. Young Great Blue Heron.
3. Ganier, two men, Reelfoot Lake, May 17-25, 1923.
4. Ganier, two men, Reelfoot Lake, May 17-25, 1923.
5. Kentucky Ornithological Society "Spring" Field Day at Walnut Log Hotel, Oct. 13, 1934.
6. Kentucky Ornithological Society, Reelfoot Lake, Oct. 11-14, 1934.
7. Kentucky Ornithological Society, Reelfoot Lake, Oct. 11-14, 1934.
8. Three men, with bird eggs, Reelfoot Lake, May 17-25, 1923.
9. Three men, with bird eggs, Reelfoot Lake, May 17-25, 1923.
10. Four men, automobile; Reelfoot Lake, May 17-25, 1923.
11. Reelfoot Lake- trees, nests; May 17-25, 1923.
12. Reelfoot Lake- trees, nests; May 17-25, 1923.
13. Reelfoot Lake- blue heron nests; May 17-25, 1923.
14. Reelfoot Lake- blue heron nests; May 17-25, 1923.
15. Reelfoot Lake- tall trees, nests; May 17-25, 1923.
16. Reelfoot Lake- tall trees, nests; May 17-25, 1923.
17. Reelfoot Lake- heron (or cormorant) nests; May 17-25, 1923
18. Reelfoot Lake- heron (or cormorant) nests; May 17-25, 1923
19. Reelfoot Lake- Ward's heron nests; May 17-23, 1923.
20. Reelfoot Lake- Ward's heron nests; May 17-23, 1923.
21. Reelfoot Lake- Ward's heron nests; May 17-25, 1923.
22. Reelfoot Lake- Ward's heron nests; May 17-25, 1923.
23. Reelfoot Lake- Ward's heron nests; May 17-25, 1923.
24. Reelfoot Lake- Ward's heron nests; May 17-25, 1923.
25. Reelfoot Lake- tall trees (poor quality photo)
26. Reelfoot Lake- tree with nest; April 24-25, 1932.
27. Reelfoot Lake- tree with nest; April 24-25, 1932.
28. Reelfoot Lake- bald eagle nest; April 24-25, 1932.
29. Reelfoot Lake- nest, eggs of double-crested cormorant, 100' up in cypress.
30. Reelfoot Lake- nest, eggs of double-crested cormorant, 100' up in cypress.
31. Same as photo no. 26.
32. Reelfoot Lake- Upper End, Otter Basin Heronry, May 17-25, 1923; Webb, Vaughn, and Ganier.
33. Reelfoot Lake- Upper End, Otter Basin Heronry, May 17-25, 1923; Webb, Vaughn, and Ganier.

34. Reelfoot Lake- canoes on lake shore; April 24-25, 1932.
35. Reelfoot Lake- boats in lake cove; April 24-25, 1932.
36. Reelfoot Lake- view from porch of Blue-Wing Club.
37. Reelfoot Lake- view from porch of Blue-Wing Club.
38. Reelfoot Lake- Upper Reelfoot; Webb, Houser, others; May 17-25, 1923.
39. Reelfoot Lake- Upper Reelfoot; Webb, Houser, others; May 17-25, 1923.
40. Reelfoot Lake- local girl, child standing on edge of boat.  
(Lillian Crosley, location near Walnut Log\*)
41. Samburg, Tenn., "Main Street."
42. Reelfoot Lake- Tennessee Ornithological Society Reelfoot Expedition, April 23-24, 1932.
43. Reelfoot Lake- Tennessee Ornithological Society Reelfoot Expedition; April 23-24, 1932.
44. Reelfoot Lake- tall cypress; May 17-25, 1923.
45. Reelfoot Lake- tall cypress; April 24-25, 1932.
46. Reelfoot Lake- cypress stumps; May 17-25, 1923.
47. Reelfoot Lake- cypress stumps; May 17-25, 1923.
48. Reelfoot Lake- cypress stumps
49. Reelfoot Lake- trees, marsh.
50. Reelfoot Lake- Walnut Lodge Hotel; May 17-25, 1923.
51. Reelfoot Lake- Walnut Lodge Hotel; May 17-25, 1923.
52. Reelfoot Lake- Walnut Lodge Hotel; May 17-25, 1923.
- 53-77. Contact Sheets.
- 78-124. Photographic negatives.

\* Lillian Crosley's husband (Stephen Crosley) was a game warden at Reelfoot Lake (ca. 1920's). Child not Mrs. Crosley's, identity unknown. From Dr. Wintfried Smith, University of Tennessee at Martin, 1/22/93.