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INTRODUCTION

The Henegar Family Papers (1845-1924) are centered around the Henegar family of Maury, Polk, Knox and several other counties of Tennessee. The Henegar Family Papers are a gift of Jill Garrett, Columbia, Tennessee.

The materials in this finding aid measure .42 cubic feet. There are no restrictions on the materials. Single photocopies of unpublished writings in the Henegar Family Papers may be made for purposes of scholarly research.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Henegar Family Papers, containing approximately two hundred-fifty items, span the period 1845-1924, although the bulk of the material is concentrated in the years 1850-1900. The collection is composed of accounts, clippings, correspondence, land records, legal documents, and several miscellaneous items.

The majority of the collection is composed of correspondence. This correspondence is mainly family in nature, but give excellent information concerning family trips, and one letter gives an eyewitness account of the President William McKinley assassination. The correspondence from noted early botanist Augustin Gattinger, is exceptionally important. A sketch of his life may be found in the clippings.

The Henegar family was active in several mercantile and related businesses in the Middle Tennessee area. Their work is reflected in the accounts and receipts, contracts and articles of agreement found in the collection.

This small collection is important for two reasons. First, it provides valuable information for the genealogist who may be seeking family history. Second, it provides the social historian with a view of a prominent family before and after the Civil War.

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Brotherton, J.H. to H.B. Henegar, 1850, re: ships the 50 "waggons" ordered from St. Louis; steamboat arrivals, 1-5

Cage, S.G. to B.F. Henegar, 1873, re: sends report of the examination of three mineral specimens from the United States Bureau of the Mint, 1-5

Calloway, Thomas H. (2) to H.B. Henegar, 1850-1856, re: completion of the railroad building; lawsuit involving a gold mine; family news, 1-5

Carson, Maggie to _____, 1907, re: expresses sympathy for the death of Aunt Lavina; sickness in the family, 1-5

Davidson, Thomas D. (2) to H.B. Henegar, 1874-1875, re: sends receipt for the school tuition for Annie; school progress of Annie, 1-6

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DuBois, William E. to H.B. Henegar, 1873, re: gives opinion of the value of the three mineral specimens sent to the U.S. Mint, 1-6

Easterly, J.P. to H.B. Henegar, n.d., re: visited the grave of Henry Henegar; mentions other family members, 1-7

Easterly, J.P. to Margaret M. Henegar, n.d., re: death of Maria Henegar, 1-7

Gattinger, Augustin to Benton Henegar, 1859, re: work at the copper mines in Polk County, Tennessee; life in Polk County; wishes to purchase a horse; purchase of medicines and instruments, 1-8

Henegar, Annie (17) to H.B. Henegar, 1876-1914, re: progress at school; school grades; friends made at school; life at Hollins College; discusses impending marriage; family life after marriage; travels to New York, Florida and the western United States; family news, 1-9

Henegar, Edward (4) to Margaret Lea Henegar, 1888-1910, re: establishment of a business in Knoxville, Tennessee; operation of the Henegar Shoe Company; discusses recent visits home; family news, 1-10

Henegar, H.B. to Ed Porter Thompson, 1897, re: describes his participation in the Cherokee Indian Removal from Tennessee, 1-11

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Henegar, Maria (2) to Margaret Lea Henegar, 1912, re: thank you for the bonnet; sickness in the family, 1-12

Hutchison, Annie Calloway (2) to Lucie _____, n.d., re: discusses the fiftieth anniversary of her marriage; information concerning the family members, 1-12

Lea, Margaret to _____, 1912, re: letter to grandmother; have safely reached Savannah; will leave for New York, 1-12

McCallie, T.H. to Margaret Lea Henegar, 1900, re: expresses sympathy over the death of her husband, 1-12

Milligan, Sam (2) to H.B. Henegar, 1849-1852, re: discusses the repayment of several bank notes held by R.J. McKinney; other financial matters, 1-12

Pyott, Charles to ____, 1937, re: apologizes for the use of foul language; "life's pathway of thorns," 1-13

Ross, Robert D. to H.B. Henegar, 1850, re: looks forward to seeing the Henegar family this summer; this letter sent from Grand Saline, Cherokee Nation, 1-13

Ward, A.T. to H.B. Henegar, 1852, re: selling of iron; settling of an estate, 1-13

White, Benton to Edward Henegar, 1927, re: crime rate in Charleston, Tennessee; shoots a burglar; family news, 1-13

White, Benton to Margaret _____, 1901, re: trip to the Pan-American Exposition; assassination of President McKinley, 1-13

White, Benton to Margaret Lea Henegar, 1901, re: describes a trip to Boston; life at the University of Tennessee; fraternity activities; practical jokes at U.T., 1-13

White, Benton to Will _____, 1951, re: discusses trip to Florida; describes Key West; Fort Myers; Tampa, 1-14

White, Fletcher (2) to Lucie _____, 1906, re: inquires about her life at Dayton, Tennessee; life in school (University of Tennessee); marriage of Will Deaderick, 1-14

White, Fletcher to Margaret Lea Heneger, 1902, re: personal and family news, 1-4

White, George to Margaret Lea Henegar, 1916, re: sickness; treatment at the Majestic Hotel and Bath House in Hot Springs, Arkansas; mentions Revolutionary War monuments at King's Mountain, 1-14

White, George to Vinnie _____, 1882, re: describes trip to New York; visit to Washington, D.C., 1-14

White, George to Edward Henegar, 1895, re: family news; recuperation at Tate Springs, Tennessee, 1-14

White, John F. to George White, 1899, re: death of Luke Lea; sends sympathy for the death of a Henegar, 1-14

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