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INTRODUCTION

This finding aid focuses on the papers of the Hyronemus family of Nashville, Tennessee in the first half of the twentieth century. Spanning the years 1859-1959, although the bulk is largely concentrated between 1913-1944, the papers contain numerous photographs of the descendants of Francis (“Frank”) and Sophia Ella Dryer Hyronemus (1819-1908). Also contained within the collection are account books, address books, announcements, cards (calling and membership), certificates, clippings, correspondence, diaries, estate papers, financial documents, land records, legal documents, obituaries, scrapbooks, and several miscellaneous items.

The Hyronemus family of Nashville was connected to the Bissell family of Illinois and Indiana through the marriage of John Morgan Hyronemus (1862-1944) and Harlene Lois Bissell (1873-1947)—see genealogical chart.

The materials were donated by Ms. William Lee Hamilton of Nashville, Tennessee. The materials in this finding aid measure 5 linear feet. There are no restrictions on the material. Single photocopies of unpublished writings in the Hyronemus Family Papers may be made for individual or scholarly use.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Hyronemus Family Papers, containing approximately 1200 items, span the period 1859-1959, although the bulk is concentrated between 1913-1944. The collection is composed of account books, address books, announcements, cards (calling and membership), certificates, clippings, correspondence, diaries, estate papers, financial documents, land records, legal documents, obituaries, photographs, scrapbooks, and several miscellaneous items.

Photographs make up the major portion of the collection. Where possible the photographs have been arranged alphabetically according to family members, however a large number were unable to be identified. Of particular interest are the photographs depicting the celebration of the end of the First World War in Nashville, Tennessee (see Box 7, Folder 9). Other non-family photographs of interest are those featuring Adelard Joly (1894-1941) and fellow World War soldiers (see Box 7, Folder 8 and Box 11, Folder 10).

In the collection are a series of documents pertaining to the Eureka Realty Co. which was created by the residuary legatees of the estate of William H. Hyronemus (1842-1933) for the purpose of making necessary repairs and improvements to collect rentals, and eventually sell the real estate properties of the deceased, W. H. Hyronemus (see Box 3, Folder 10).

Among the diaries in the collection is one maintained by Harlene Hyronemus (1873-1947). One entry for April 1945 describes the shock of learning the news of President Franklin Roosevelt's death and the funeral services that followed (see Box 3, Folder 1).

CONTAINER LIST

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1. Account books—J. M. Hyronemus—Rental of houses, 1932-1941
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5. Announcements—Graduation—Lorraine Hyronemus, 1913
6. Announcements—Wedding—Theresa Couillard to Edgar Julien, 1940
7. Associations, institutions, etc.—“The Echoes”—Harlene Bissell Hyronemus, 1899
8. Associations, institutions, etc.—International Association of Machinists—Adelard Joly
9. Associations, institutions, etc.—League for Hard of Hearing—Board Members, 1937-1954
10. Associations, institutions, etc.—L’Union St. Jean Baptiste D’Amerique—Adelard Joly, 1933-1941
11. Associations, institutions, etc.—National Federation of Business and Professional Women’s Club—Harlene Hyronemus
12. Associations, institutions, etc.—National Story Tellers’ League—Louise Bissell

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1. Birthday books—Louise Bissell
2. Cards—Business—Dr. Arthur Hyronemus
3. Cards—Calling—“The Palace. Sample Room,” Knoxville, Tenn.
4. Cards—Calling—Frances Bailey
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7. Cards—Calling—John Morgan Hyronemus
8. Cards—Calling—Lorraine Hyronemus
9. Cards—Calling—Mr. and Mrs. William Henry Hyronemus
10. Cards—Calling—Dept. of Tours, Chicago & Northwestern Railway and Union Pacific—Harlene Hyronemus
11. Cards—Membership—Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary—Lorraine Joly, 1950
12. Cards—Membership—Senior Citizen Center—Louise B. Bissell, 1959

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13. Certificates—American National Red Cross—Lorraine Hyronemus, 1917
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15. Certificates—Death—Barbara Adams, 1883
16. Certificates—Merit—Lorraine Hyronemus, 1910
17. Certificates—Mt. Olivet Cemetery—Mrs. J. R. Adams, 1877

18. Clippings—Hortense Bissell
19. Clippings—Ira D. Bodine
20. Clippings—Wallace Hendricks
21. Clippings—Elbridge (“Ted”) Herriman
22. Clippings—R. E. Hieronymous
23. Clippings—Hyronemus-Bissell
24. Clippings—John M. Hyronemus
25. Clippings—Lorraine Hyronemus
26. Clippings—W. H. Hyronemus
27. Correspondence—Abell-Carrell
28. Correspondence—Dryer-Hampton
29. Correspondence—Edwin C. (“Ted”) Henning
30. Correspondence—Hieronymus-Julien
31. Correspondence—Levine-Luck
32. Correspondence—Fred McDonald
33. Correspondence—Murray-Young
34. Correspondence—Unknown
35. Court Records—Bill of complaint—W. H. Hyronemus v. Heirs of Melanie Adam, deceased, 1928
36. Diaries, memoirs, journals, commonplace books, etc.—M. J. Adams, 1873-74

BOX 3

1. Diaries, memoirs, journals, commonplace books, etc.—Harlene Hyronemus, 1941-1945
2. Diaries, memoirs, journals, commonplace books, etc.—William H. Hyronemus
3. Estate Papers—Melanie Adams, 1910-
4. Estate Papers—Ella S. Hyronemus, 1928
5. Estate Papers—Frank Hyronemus
6. Estate Papers—John M. Hyronemus, 1944
7. Estate Papers—Julia Edna Hyronemus, 1937
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9. Estate Papers—Adelard Joly

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10. Eureka Realty Co.—Incorporation, etc., 1935
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12. Financial Documents—Harlene Hyronemus
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3. Land records—Deeds—J. R. Adam—Trustee for J. L. Adam, 1859 (2)
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9. Land records—Deeds—Real estate sale—Harlene Hyronemus to Della Ottarson, 1944
10. Ledgers—Expense—Lorraine Joly
11. Legal documents—Agreement—William Culbert and W. H. Hyronemus, 1916
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14. Legal documents—Power of Attorney—Alfred J. Adam to Melanie J. Adam, 1885
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30. Obituaries—Maria Van Lien James Bodine
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32. Obituaries—Ella Hyronemus (1861-1928)
33. Obituaries—Frank A. Hyronemus (1901-1932)
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35. Obituaries—Joseph P. Hyronemus (c. 1848-1897)
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