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LAREW, ADA (CAMPBELL)
(1866-1963)
FAMILY PAPERS
ca. 1919-1961

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INTRODUCTION

The Scrapbooks and Photograph Album of Ada Campbell Larew (Mrs. Charles L.), poet and author of historical sketches, were presented to Tennessee State Library and Archives by Mrs. Larew, October 20, 1960. One additional scrapbook, two photograph albums and approximately 150 items were given on November 7, 1961. In addition to Mrs. Larew's papers, there are a number of sketches by her husband, Charles L. Larew.

The materials in this finding aid measure 1.6 linear feet. There are no restrictions on the materials. Single photocopies of unpublished writings in the Ada Campbell Larew Family Papers may be made for purposes of scholarly research.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Larew Family Papers consists of four scrapbooks containing clippings of the writings of Ada Campbell Larew (Mrs. Charles L.) of Knoxville, Tennessee. She wrote poetry, historical sketches, drama, and some short stories. Her writings deal with material of historical interest in Tennessee with special emphasis on the Indians, the early pioneers, the Civil War, and other subjects relating to the early history of Tennessee. She wrote for Knoxville newspapers over a period of thirty years. Many of her poems were published. There are also three photograph albums in the collection, two containing pictures of Paris, Versailles, Fontainebleau, Saint Germain, Malmaison, London, Brussels and other places of interest; in this country and abroad. The third photograph album contains pictures of movie stars and other celebrities. These three albums were collected by Raymond M. Campbell, brother of Ada Campbell, during approximately the years 1923-1928.

Included in the collection was one book entitled, *The Trees, Fruits and Flowers of the Bible* by Mrs. Harriet N. Cook published by the American Tract Society, New York, 1846.

In addition to the writings of Mrs. Larew, one box contains sketches written by her husband, Charles L. Larew. The sketches are primarily about Tennessee.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Ada Campbell Larew

- 1866 Born. Daughter of Andrew Jackson Campbell, surgeon in the Confederate Army, and Mary Jane Lynch Campbell.
- 1898 Married Charles Lynnval Larew, Knox County, Knoxville, Tennessee
- 1960 Living at Serene Manor Hospital, Knoxville, Tennessee
- 1963 Died in Knoxville, Tennessee

Organizations:

National League of American Pen Women
Tennessee Women's Press and Authors' Club
Daughters of the Confederacy
National Committee-women in behalf of the preservation of "Monticello"

Author of numerous historical sketches such as,
"Thomas Jefferson and Monticello"
"Andrew Jackson and the Hermitage"
"Old Forts at Charleston, S.C."
"Knoxville's Early History"
"Chattanooga in the Past and Present"

CONTAINER LIST

Box 1

1. Photograph Album – Contains pictures of Paris, Versailles, Fontainebleau, Saint-Germain, and Malmaison, collected by Raymond M. Campbell, brother of Ada Campbell Larew, while on a trip abroad.
2. Scrapbook No. 1 – Contains historical sketches of Tennessee and poems by Ada Campbell Larew
3. Scrapbook No. 4 – Contains clippings of Mrs. Larew's writings published in Knoxville, Tennessee newspapers 1919-1926

Box 2

1. Scrapbook No. 2 – Contains historical sketches of early Tennessee and some published poems by Ada Campbell Larew. Also contains some genealogical data.
2. Scrapbook No. 3 – Contains historical sketches of Tennessee and some published poems by Ada Campbell Larew.

Box 3

1. Photograph Album No. 1 – Contains pictures of Mexico, London, Paris, Brussels, Monaco, Rome and other places of interest. Collected by Raymond M. Campbell during the years 1927-1928.
2. Photograph Album No. 2 – Contains pictures of movie stars, other celebrities and friends of Raymond M. Campbell collected approximately from 1923-1925.

Box 4

1. Correspondence – Larew, Mrs. Charles L. (Ada Campbell) – incoming
2. Memorabilia – Larew, Mrs. Charles L. (Ada Campbell); obituary
3. Newspaper clippings, photographs, et al.
4. Poems by Larew, Mrs. Charles L. (Ada Campbell)
5. Poems by Larew, Mrs. Charles L. (Ada Campbell)
6. Sketches by Larew, Mrs. Charles L. (Ada Campbell) – biographical, historical, and others
7. Sketches by Larew, Mrs. Charles L. (Ada Campbell) – Legends – play and articles
8. Yearbooks – Knoxville Democratic Women's Club – Knoxville Women's Club

Box 5

1. Sketches – Admiral Banks Caperton
2. Sketches – Admiral Albert Gleaves
3. Sketches – “Great Red Dragon or London Money Power” by George E. Stevens
4. Sketches – Miscellaneous
5. Sketches – Tennesseans, A-B
6. Sketches – Tennesseans, C-E
7. Sketches – Tennesseans, F-L
8. Sketches – Tennesseans, M-O
9. Sketches – Tennesseans, P-R
10. Sketches – Tennesseans, S-W