



STEVENSON FAMILY PAPERS (CG0084)

Collection Number: CG0084

Collection Title: Stevenson Family Papers

Dates: 1923-1942

Creator: Clayton Newton Stevenson (1917-1998)

Abstract: Collection contains 2 letters from Clayton Newton Stevenson (1917-1998) to his family in 1942 as well as 6 photographs from Bollinger County, Mo. and Wayne County, Mo. in the 1920s and 1930s.

Collection Size: 0.1 cubic feet
(3 folders, 6 photographs)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Historical Note:

Clayton Newton Stevenson was born March 27, 1917, in Taskee Station, Wayne County, Missouri to Ozro Stevenson and Ova Edith Meador.

Clayton married Lucille Evangeline Black on January 3, 1942, in Hillsboro, Jefferson County, Missouri. He served in the U.S. Army 36th Armed Infantry Regiment, 3rd Armored Division, known as the "Spearhead" division, until March 23, 1944. He returned home to Southeast Missouri and settled in Poplar Bluff, working in the timber and sawmill industry. He died April 6, 1998.

Gladys Ella Stevenson Hughes was born October 28, 1914, at Taskee, Wayne County, Mo. She married Harry Eugene "Jack" Hughes on June 7, 1934, at Williamsville, Mo. They had two children, James and Myrna. She died February 5, 1990, in LeRoy, Ill.

The Ozro Stevenson family lived in the Taskee Station area of Wayne County for several years before moving to the Gipsy community in Bollinger County, where Ozro Stevenson was appointed as postmaster on February 6, 1920. The family later relocated to Lowndes, Wayne County.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged chronologically into a single series.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection includes two wartime letters dated April 19, 1942 and August 16, 1942, from Clayton N. Stevenson to his sister Gladys Stevenson Hughes. Others mentioned are Gladys' husband Jack and daughter Myrna, his parents, and brother Clinton (U.S. Navy).

The 1930 and 1935 graduating classes of Williamsville High School are named in two graduation programs along with the diploma for Gladys Stevenson Hughes.

The school photographs in the collection are labeled and include the names of many individuals that lived in Bollinger or Wayne County during the period 1923-1932. The schools include the Gipsy, located in western Bollinger County; Lowndes, in eastern Wayne County, and an unnamed school in Greenville Township, Wayne County (Mo.).

The final two photographs are labeled and depict men of Wayne County in the 1930s.

Container List:**Box 001**

- f.1 Letters, 1942
- f.2 Graduation, Williamsville High School, 1930, 1935
- f.3 Photographs from Bollinger and Wayne County, Mo., 1923-1932

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Bilbrey, Tony	3	Yes
Boyet, Ethel	3	Yes
Boyet, Junior	3	Yes
Boyet, Otto	3	Yes
Boyet, Raymond	3	Yes
Boyet, Roy	3	Yes
Canaday, Audrey Maxine	2	
Carty, Mary	3	Yes
Chatman, Beatrice Lorene	2	
Connelly, Robert	3	Yes
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