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Historical Note:

Dr. Edward Earl Nixon was born July 18, 1913, in Springfield, Missouri, to Earl E. Nixon and Grace Pearl Parker Irving. He attended Springfield public schools and later graduated from the St. Louis University School of Medicine. Following his graduation, he married Elsie L. Millard in 1933, and they had three children including Barbara Nixon Underwood, Mary E. Durden, and Edward Earl Nixon, Jr. In 1937, he and his family moved to Gallatin, Missouri, where he worked as a physician for about 50 years. He also served in the Army Medical Corps during World War II, attaining the rank of captain. After the passing of his wife, Elsie, he married Helen Margery Kaelson in 1953. Dr. Nixon was also involved in many social organizations, such as the Missouri Medical Association, American Medical Association, genealogical societies, the Gallatin Masonic Lodge No. 126, the York Rite Bodies, and others. Dr. Edward Earl Nixon, Sr. passed July 22, 1998, and is buried in Hillcrest Cemetery in Gallatin, Missouri.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following series with 7 subseries:

Genealogical Research

Bruce
Donovan
Genung
Jefferies
Nixon
Parker
Taylor

Scope and Content Note:

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