

C Lomax, Victor W. Papers, 1910-1938  
4270 0.5 cubic feet (8 folders), 1 oversize map

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#### INTRODUCTION

The papers of Victor W. Lomax contain correspondence, clippings, questionnaires, and photographs related to John J. Pershing and the Pershing Memorial State Park that Victor Lomax was instrumental in creating.

#### DONOR INFORMATION

The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Lindsay Lomax Bagnall on 19 August 1991 (Accession No. 2851).

#### BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Victor William Lomax was born in Missouri in 1892 to James Wesley and Alsina Lomax. He joined the Naval Academy, as well as the band, with the help of a letter written by his father's childhood friend General John J. Pershing. He married Elizabeth Garvey in 1928 and had one son, Victor Lomax Jr. Lomax passed away in 1967. During his life Victor Lomax dedicated a great deal of time and energy to creating a John J. Pershing Memorial Park in Laclede, Missouri.

#### SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The papers contain correspondence by or involving Victor Lomax, primarily related to the Pershing Memorial State Park and clippings about Pershing from his childhood through his military career. There are also photographs of buildings from his childhood and of locations for the planned park, publications about Pershing, questionnaires given to people who knew Pershing. There is also one oversize map of Laclede, Missouri, with additions up to 1935.

#### FOLDER LIST

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| f. 1 | Correspondence   |
| f. 2 | Clippings 1915-1920  |
| f. 3 | Clippings 1926-1935  |
| f. 4 | Photographs  |
| f. 5 | Photographs  |
| f. 6 | Publications   |
| f. 7 | Questionnaires asking details of Pershing's early life in Laclede, Mo. |
| f. 8 | Miscellaneous  |

#### OVERSIZE (Location: Map drawer, 24E, Folder E)

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| Item #1 | Laclede, Missouri, as it was before the fire in the business district in 1883 |
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<b>Subject</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Image</b>
African Americans, Laclede, Missouri	7	
Artlip family, Laclede, Missouri	7	
Benson home, Laclede, Missouri	4	Yes
Burnett home, Laclede, Missouri	4	Yes
Byrne home, Laclede, Missouri	4	Yes
Cross home, Laclede, Missouri	4	Yes
Etta Foreman home, Laclede, Missouri	5	Yes
Locust Creek Bridge, Linn County, Missouri	5	Yes
Locust Creek, Linn County, Missouri	4	Yes
Lomax, Victor W.	1, 7	
Missouri, Laclede	1, 3, 7	
Patrick, Wade, Brookfield, Missouri	5	Yes
Pershing family, 1886	5	Yes
Pershing home, Laclede, Missouri	5	Yes
Pershing home, Laclede, Missouri	7	
Pershing Memorial State Park, Linn County, Missouri	5	Yes
Pershing Memorial State Park, Linn County, Missouri	1, 8	
Pershing school house, Laclede, Missouri	5	Yes
Pershing, John F.	7, 8	
Pershing, John J. (1860-1948)	1-8	
Woodland Mills, Laclede, Missouri	5	Yes
World War I	2, 3	