



Warren Cook Collection (R0043)

Collection Number: R0043

Collection Title: Warren Cook Collection

Dates: 1782-1978

Creator: Cook, Warren

Abstract: The Warren Cook Collection contains photocopies of papers of the Smith, Havins, Roseberry, and Cook families of southwestern Missouri, Arkansas, and Texas. The collection includes correspondence, estate papers, and genealogical records. Also included are two farm diaries from 1875-1876.

Collection Size: 0.25 cubic foot
(5 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Rolla](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at rolla@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

Restrictions on Use: Materials in this collection are in the public domain.

Preferred Citation: [Specific item; box number; folder number] *Warren Cook Collection* (R0043); The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Rolla [after first mention may be abbreviated to SHSMO-Rolla].

Donor Information: The collection was loaned for photocopying to the University of Missouri by Warren Cook on January 9, 1981 (Accession No. RA0057).

Location of Originals: The original copies of this collection are located at the Art Department of Crowder College near Neosho, Missouri.

Processed by: Processed by John F. Bradbury, January 21, 1981. Revised by Kathleen Seale, March 26, 2020.

Biographical Note:

The Cook family has its antecedents in the Smith and Havins families of Kentucky and Alabama. The Smith and Havinses began moving westward in the 1830s and while some settled in southwestern Missouri, others moved on to homestead in Texas and northwestern Arkansas.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged in its original order in five folders.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection consists of photocopies of letters, estate papers, and miscellaneous documents, principally pertaining to Cook's ancestors in southwestern Missouri. Folders 1 and 2 contain the various family correspondence and are arranged chronologically. Cook inherited the manuscripts upon the death of his grandmother, and he has used some of the papers as sources for a series of articles in the *Neosho Daily Times* entitled "Out of the Attic." Photocopies of several of these articles have been placed in folder 5. Folder 5 also contains photocopies of some family photographs.

Of interest are the correspondence and papers of Lieutenant J.W. Roseberry who served in the Confederate Army with the 16th Regiment, Missouri Volunteers. Roseberry wrote to his family from army camps in Arkansas and Louisiana, and his letters contain interesting comments on the war and the army, including a religious revival in the camps in late 1864. He surrendered with the army in 1865, and included are photocopies of his parole and oath of allegiance. There is also a letter of recommendation from the elders of a church at Camp Allen, Louisiana, attesting to Roseberry's good standing in the congregation there.

Also of interest are an eyewitness account of the San Francisco Earthquake and fire in 1906, a letter from Clara Smith Steichen, wife of the famed photographer Edward Steichen, in which she describes events in Europe at the beginning of World War II.

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