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R1290 Dicus, Martha Ann Veach, 1842-1930. Scrapbooks, 1896-1930. Four volumes.

OVERSIZE

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PROVENANCE

The James Memorial Library in St. James, Missouri donated the Dicus scrapbooks on 21 September 2010, as part of SHSMO accession RA1499.

BIOGRAPHY

Martha Ann (nee Veach, also seen as Vetch) Dicus, was born in Tennessee on 14 December 1842. She came to Missouri with her parents at the age of nine. On 6 June 1861 she married Samuel Calvin Dicus at Palmer in Washington County, Missouri. Martha and Samuel had one child, a son, Samuel C. Dicus Jr. They moved to a farm in the upper Huzzah Creek neighborhood before moving to Steeleville, Missouri in 1897. Martha lived in Steelville until her death on 22 January 1930.

Samuel Calvin Dicus was born 8 February 1839 in Jackson County, Tennessee. Samuel served in Company B, 31st Missouri Infantry during the Vicksburg campaign, and, later, in the consolidated 32nd Missouri Infantry. He was wounded and hospitalized in St. Louis, but survived his wounds. He died in Steelville on 7 August 1923.

Martha Ann and Samuel Dicus are buried in the Steeleville Cemetery.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection consists of four scrapbooks of newspaper clippings compiled by Martha Ann Veach Dicus of Steelville, Missouri. The scrapbooks include wedding notices, birth announcements, death notices, obituaries, and items of local interest in Crawford, Franklin and Washington counties and the communities of Cuba, Palmer, Steelville, and Sullivan.

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DESCRIPTION

Martha Ann Dicus compiled these scrapbooks beginning about the time she moved to Steelville in Crawford County, Missouri. They include genealogical materials including obituaries, death notices, wedding and birth announcements, poems, local political items, church news, and many other items. Most of the clippings pertain to individuals in Steelville and the area in northeast Crawford County where

the Dicuses had lived before moving to Steelville, but there are also clippings concerning friends, family and acquaintances in and around Sullivan (Franklin County) and Palmer (Washington County). The Steelville clippings have no mastheads but obviously came from the *Mirror*, the county's newspaper of record. Other clippings in the scrapbook came from the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* and *Post-Dispatch*; still others probably hailed from early newspapers that may not be part of the State Historical Society of Missouri collection. Dicus continued compiling scrapbooks until her own death in 1930. Before their transfer to the State Historical Society, the Dicus scrapbooks were part of the collection of the James Memorial Library for many years. An index to the scrapbooks is available.

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