

The Filson Historical Society

**The Papers of the
Pope-Humphrey Family**

Papers of the Pope and Humphrey families of Louisville, Ky.

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Size of Collection

2 cubic feet

Locator Number Mss.\A\P827

Scope and Content Note

Collection includes correspondence, 1807-1859, mainly concerning the family of Alexander Pope, a prominent Louisville lawyer, his son Fontaine, and son Henry Clay Pope during the Mexican War. Correspondence, 1860-1868, regards the family and social lives of Reverend Dr. E. P. Humphrey, a Presbyterian clergyman, his wife Martha Pope Humphrey, their daughters, and sons Edward W. C. Humphrey, and especially Alexander Pope Humphrey who attended Centre College and the University of Virginia from 1862 to 1868. Included during this period are letters from schoolmates of Alexander Pope Humphrey concerning academics, social lives, and careers. Correspondence, 1873-1938, concerns the lives of Judge Alexander Pope Humphrey, his wife Mary Moss Churchill, and their children, especially Alexander Pope Humphrey, Jr., who died in flight training during World War I, and Mary Churchill Humphrey who spent years abroad and became involved in theater and writing; two small diaries kept by Alexander Pope Humphrey, one while attending Centre College in 1864, and the other dated 1878 containing notes on law cases; one small diary kept by Alexander Pope Humphrey, Jr., recording data on training flights made in 1917; a diploma and grade reports from Centre College; addresses by Alexander Pope Humphrey; inventories of personal items belonging to Mary Churchill Humphrey and some of her unpublished written work; collected poetry on the subjects of war, death, religious faith, and life philosophy; programs and invitations; a memorial and tribute; pamphlets, broadsides, and circulars; genealogical information on the Pope and McKinley families; and newspaper clippings concerning World War I, horse racing, and the theater.

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A Pope-Humphrey Family
P827 Papers. 1807-1938.

Box 1

fl. 1 Correspondence, 1807-1826.
fl. 2 Correspondence, 1831-1836.
fl. 3 Correspondence, 1840-1859.
fl. 4 Correspondence, 1860-1862.
fl. 5 Correspondence, 1863-1865.
fl. 6 Alexander Pope Humphrey diary kept at Centre College, 1864.
fl. 7 Correspondence, 1866 Jan.-Apr.
fl. 8 Correspondence, 1866 May-Sept.
fl. 9 Correspondence, 1866 Oct.

Box 2

fl. 10 Correspondence, 1866 Nov.
fl. 11 Correspondence, 1866 Dec.
fl. 12 Correspondence, 1867 Jan.
fl. 13 Correspondence, 1867 Feb.
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fl. 15 Correspondence, 1867 May.
fl. 16 Correspondence, 1867 June.
fl. 17 Correspondence, 1867 July-Sept.
fl. 18 Correspondence, 1867 Oct.-Dec.
fl. 19 Correspondence, 1868 Jan.-Apr.

Box 3

fl. 20 Alexander Pope Humphrey diary, 1878.
fl. 21 Correspondence, 1873-1879.
fl. 22 Correspondence, 1880.
fl. 23 Correspondence, 1881-1889.
fl. 24 Correspondence, 1892-1893.
fl. 25 Correspondence, 1905-1909.
fl. 26 Correspondence, 1912-1916.
fl. 27 Alexander Pope Humphrey, Jr. diary and correspondence, 1917.

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fl. 28 Correspondence, 1918.
fl. 29 Correspondence, 1919-1921.
fl. 30 Correspondence, 1922-1925.

- fl. 31 Correspondence, 1926-1927.
- fl. 32 Correspondence, 1928.
- fl. 33 Correspondence, 1932-1938.
- fl. 34 Undated pre-Civil War correspondence.
- fl. 35 Correspondence, n.d. ca. 1860.

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- fl. 36 Correspondence, n.d.
- fl. 37 Correspondence, n.d. post World War I.
- fl. 38 Unmatched envelopes, 1866-1925 and n.d.
- fl. 39 Mary Churchill Humphrey inventory, n.d.
- fl. 40 Alexander Pope Humphrey diploma from Centre College, ca. 1866.
- fl. 41 Alexander Pope Humphrey addresses, 1884-1915.
- fl. 42 Mary Churchill Humphrey unpublished works, 1912 and n.d.

Box 6

- fl. 43 War poetry, 1915-1918 and n.d.
- fl. 44 Death poetry, 1873-1928 and n.d.
- fl. 45 Religious and philosophical poetry, 1862-1927 and n.d.
- fl. 46 Poetry, 1893-1927 and n.d.
- fl. 47 Programs and invitations, 1867-1932 and n.d.
- fl. 48 Memorials and tributes, 1924-1926.
- fl. 49 Pamphlets, broadsides, and circulars, 1841-1916 and n.d.
- fl. 50 Genealogical data on the Pope and McKinley families.
- fl. 51 World War I newspaper clippings, 1918-1920 and n.d.
- fl. 52 Newspaper clippings about horse racing, 1922 and n.d.
- fl. 53 Newspaper clippings about The Theater, 1924-1927 and n.d.
- fl. 54 Newspaper clippings, 1875-1931 and n.d.
- fl. 55 Miscellaneous written work, 1913 and n.d.
- fl. 56 Miscellaneous printed material, 1918-1928 and n.d.
- fl. 57 Miscellaneous material, 1862-1933 and n.d.

Biographical Note

Alexander Pope Humphrey

1848 Born in Louisville, Ky.

1866 Graduated from Centre College.

1868 Received his law degree from the University of Virginia.

1868-
Road Lawyer, firm of Humphrey, Crawford & Middleton; bank director, National
 Bank of Kentucky; president, Louisville & Jeffersonville Bridge & Rail
 Co.

1928 Died.