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Summary Information

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Repository	Ouachita Baptist University Library
Title	Bess Vaughn papers
Date	1870-1956
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Preferred Citation

Bess Vaughn Papers. Riley-Hickingbotham Library Archives and Special Collections, Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

Biographical/Historical note

Bess Vaughn was the daughter of Alex and Mollie Vaughn. Mollie's maiden name was Busick, and she lived in Boston, Texas, with her sister Georgia and her brother James. Bess Vaughn and her sister Hattie grew up in Prescott, Arkansas. Bess continued to live in Prescott and married Max Bryant, while Hattie married Thomas Tedford and lived in Des Moines, Iowa.

Scope and Contents

These papers represent Bess Vaughn's personal and business activities, and include correspondence, printed material, newsclippings, financial records, and other items. World War I (WWI) letters are among the materials.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Ouachita Baptist University Library

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

1997

Collection Inventory

Correspondence, invitations, cards, envelopes

Series Description

These items are a representation of the social culture from mid 1800s to early 1900s. Most of the items are the letters addressed to Bess Vaughn, Alex Vaughn, and Miss. Mollie Busick, who is Bess Vaughn's mother. Many letters are from Vaughn's sister Hattie. Other items, such as invitations, at home cards, and name cards are found in the collection.

1.1 1870 November 4

1.2 1871 November 29

1.3 1872 February 14

1.4 1872 April 24

1.5 1872 June 4

1.6 1872 June 23

1.7 1873 July 8

1.8 1873 September 15

1.9 1874 January 21

1.10 1874 November 1

1.11 1874 November 9

1.12 1874 November 22

1.13 1874 December 2

1.14 1875 January 12

1.15 1875 January 20

1.16 1875 March 16

1.17 1875 April 14

1.18 1875 April 15

1.19 1876 September 18

1.20 1877 January 2

1.21 1877 March 8

1.22 1878 November 29

1.36 1918 September 23

1.23 1885 December 22 1.24 1888 July 16 1.25 1888 October 4 1.26 1891 May 22 1.27 1903 February 13 1.28 1914 1.29 1916 December 18 1.30 1917 November 23 1.31 1918 January 28 1.32 1918 April 14 1.33 1918 May 8 1.34 1918 August 20 1.35 1918 September 17

1.37 1952 September 5
1.38 1956 January 6
1.39 1956 February 9
1.40 1956 February 15
1.41 1956 February 23
1.42 1956 March 16
1.43 February 14
1.44 March 18
1.45 May 20
1.46 June 30
1.47 October 18
1.48 December 31
1.49 Undated Christmas cards

1.50 Undated invitation

1.51 Undated envelopes

1.52 Undated letters

1.53 Undated name cards

1.54 Undated postcard

Printed material and memorabilia

Series Description

Vaughn saved items from significant events as well as business related advertisements and name cards. There are also some unexplained items such as drawings and undated postcards.

1.55 1873 business card, Boston Hotel

1.56 1876 label, Berlin Print Works

1.57 1910 Arkansas ticket claim coupon, St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railway

1.58 Undated program

1.59 Undated drawing and ad

1.60 Undated picture of birds

1.61 Undated shipping/luggage tag

Financial records

Series Description

These items serve as documentation of how Vaughn handled her money. Receipts and business letters show that she ordered things from catalogs, bought things from a local market, and visited her doctor.

1.62 1878 order receipt, Ehrich and Company, New York

1.63 1892-1896 statement, W.E. Arnold, physician and surgeon, Prescott, Arkansas

1.64 1900 bank note, Nevada County Bank

1.65 1903 Poll tax receipt, Nevada County

1.66 1903 bank note, Nevada County Bank

1.67 1904 bank note, Nevada County Bank

1.68 1904 invoice, Prescott Lumber Company

1.69 1905 deposit ticket, Citizens Bank, Prescott

1.70 1905 bank note, Nevada County Bank

1.71 1908 tax recept, Nevada County

1.72 1912 invoice, City Market and Bakery, Prescott

1.73 1912 invoice, City Market and Bakery, Prescott

1.74 1918 back order notice, John Wanamaker, New York

1.75 1918 mail order, M.M.Cohn Company, Little Rock

1.76 1918 mail order, John Wanamaker, New York

1.77 1918 invoice, John Wanamaker, New York

1.78 1955 receipts, Dalrymple and Henry, Prescott

School records

Series Description

This series contains a report card for Hattie Vaughn, Bess' sister.

1.79 1888 report card for Hattie Vaughn, Prescott Public School

Newsclippings

Series Description

These are a few undated news paper clippings saved by Vaughn. They contain advertisements, poetry, an article about Roosevelt, and other articles on international news.

1.80 Undated