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William Ellsworth Buchanan Papers, 1918-1927

Collection 335

Champaign County Historical Archives

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Creator/Corporate Name: William Ellsworth Buchanan

Inclusive Dates: 1918-1927

Physical Description: 1 box (0.5 linear ft.)

Language: English

Provenance:

The William Ellsworth Buchanan Letters were donated to the Champaign County Historical Archives.

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Biographical Note:

William Ellsworth Buchanan (1863-1928) was born in Ohio and moved to Urbana, Illinois, living in Urbana by 1898-99. He married Maggie S. Vrooman (1865-1938) in 1891. They adopted William Earl Buchanan (Vrooman), the son of Maggie's brother, at 2 years old. Buchanan was very interested in his family history and genealogy. William E. and Maggie are buried in Woodlawn Cemetery in Urbana, Illinois.

Scope and Content Note:

This collection spans one box and contains letters received by Buchanan from various family members, friends, and acquaintances between 1918 and 1927. Many letters are responses to Buchanan's requests to research family history, as well as personal news and updates. A few of the letters are addressed to William's wife, Maggie.

Arrangement:

The letters are arranged alphabetically by surname of sender.

Subject Terms:

Name Terms:

Allen, Mrs. J.R.
Bailey, Abe
Bailey, Clara
Bauer, Nancy
Bazau, Carrie B.
Boyd, Clara
Bridges, Leslie
Bridges, Letha
Buchanan, Charles



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Buchanan, Clarence
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Buchanan, E.M.
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Buchanan, H.A.
Buchanan, Mrs. Lyman
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Buchanan, Ruby
Buchanan, Samuel
Buchanan, Dr. W.A.
Buchanan, William
Buchanan, William Earl
Buchanan, William Ellsworth
Budd, Elizabeth
DeVore, Burt
Devore, Charles
DeVore, Henry
Dillon, Arminta
Dure, B.
Ellis, Ida
Ellis, O.
Francis, W.E.
Gullner, Annie
Hibbard, Hyatt
Hibbard, Sumner
Justice, Mary E.
Kannigisser, Mrs. Edward
Ketzlmen, Manerva
Longstreth, J.J.
Longstreth, P.
Morgan, Willard
Phillips, Charles
Phillips, Clarence
Price, J.H.
Prouty, C.M.
Prouty, E.A.
Prouty, Julia V.
Reichelderfer, Alice
Ross, Clark
Ross, G.W.
Ross, J.W.
Shoemaker, G.W.



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Spilman, Libbie
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