American miscellany collection, circa 1700-1983

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Descriptive Summary
Title: American miscellany collection, circa 1700-1983
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 1391
Extent: 3.5 linear feet (7 boxes), 1 oversized papers box (OP), 3 bound volumes (BV), 2 oversized bound volumes (OBV), and AV Masters: 0.25 linear feet (1 box and CLP1)
Abstract: Artificial collection composed of items documenting American history and politics.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

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Processing
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Collection Description

Scope and Content Note
This artificial collection consists of items documenting American history, social life and customs, and politics. The collection includes photograph albums documenting the Vietnam War and NASCAR, as well as a diary kept in the 1940s by a farmer in South Carolina. There are also NASCAR souvenir programs.

Arrangement Note
Arranged in alphabetical order.
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| 4   | 2      | Adams, Sherman, letter to Peter G. Dayton, 1958 September 27  
Acknowledgement of Dayton's previous letter. |
| BV1 | 1      | Alexander, Abraham, "Order of Prayers for Rosh Hashonoh [sic] and Yom Kippur Like the Ritual of the holy Congregations of the Sephardim Written by Abraham Alexander, the son of Joseph Raphael, in the holy Congregation, Charleston, South Carolina, in the year 5565," circa 1809  
Translation of the original by Leo Reisch, Rabbi, Hebrew Congregation, Atlanta, Georgia. |
| BV2 | 1      | American Party, scrapbook, undated  
Scrapbook contains clippings of the American Party, selections from the Know Nothing Almanac, and some penciled notes. Most refer to the presidential election of Buchanan and slavery. |
| 5   | 47     | American Ticket Broker's Association, list of members, 1882  
Also includes two excursion tickets on the SWRR and one business card from Chovey, Hopping, and Company. |
| 6   | 1      | Anti-Nazi buttons, American and British, undated |
| 4   | 3      | Apprentice certificate (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania), 1833 September 23 |
| 6   | 5      | Bailey's Military Hall, officers' meeting minutes, 1836 March 12  
"Song of the Wrecker" on verso |
Barnum is establishing a free museum in New York City and asks help in finding relics while in Paris, France. Also includes two checks signed by Barnum. |
| 4   | 5      | Bowen, R.D., letters to, from, and about Calvin Coolidge, 1923  
R.D. Bowen was a member of the Louisiana Bankers Association. The first letter is a copy of a letter Bowen sent Coolidge asking him to attend a Conference of the Boll Weevil Menace and for aid in gaining copies of Coolidge's published speeches; the second letter is the reply from Coolidge; and the last letter is from the Houghton Mifflin company about Coolidge's speeches. |
| 4   | 6      | Bowen, Truman D., general store account book (Stevens Point, Wisconsin), 1857-1873  
Day book of general store, including personal accounts for work, lodging, and personal services. Laid in is a list of names of Civil War soldiers giving promotions in rank, wounded, and dead with dates. There are no entries between August 1862 and January 1866. |
| 4   | 7      | Burr, Aaron, letter to John Bird, 1801 January 2 |
| 4   | 8      | Cleveland, Grover, letter to C.W. Reynolds, 1907 April 19 |
Letter concerns the book *Peter Sterling*.

4 9 Commonplace book, circa 18th century
Book, kept by an unidentified individual, contains letters, poems, and essays copied from various sources.

4 10 Commonplace book, 1788
Book, kept by an unidentified woman, contains clippings, poetry, and other writings.

4 11 Customs documents, 1872-1877

6 6 Davis, Walt, letter collection, 1823-1856
Letters collected by Walt Davis. Approximately half of the letters are between members of the Alexander family of Pennsylvania. Other letters are between various individuals across the United States, with several to or from Henry C. Seple of Montgomery, Alabama.

6 2 Daytona Beach speed trials, photos and printed material, 1930

4 12 Deeds, 1775-1798

OP1 1 English, Thomas Dunn (Newark, New Jersey), letter to "My dear Sir," 1895 March 11
Letter appears to be a reply to a request for an autograph. File includes two tintype photographs of English at ages 21 and 75; a copy of the sheet music for "Alice Ben Bolt," (lyrics by English); and a photocopy of a page from the *Atlanta Constitution*, Sunday, March 10, 1895, containing "A Talk with English."

5 1 Euwer, J.N. (Newcastle, Pennsylvania), letter to Daniel Euwer (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania), 1849 May 8
J.N. asks Daniel to use his influence with Mr. Power, Canal Commissioner, to get Power to recommend to the governor the appointment of James Gilliland as Prothonotary of Lawrence County.

5 2 "Fast Day," manuscript sermon, 1759 April 12
Manuscript of a sermon preached on "Fast Day," at the time of recruiting in New England for the invasion of Canada during the French and Indian War.

OP1 2 Fort, Tomlinson, appointment to Supreme Court of New Mexico, 1924 September 19

5 3 Fortress Monroe Post Library, inventory of books received from Colonel Fenwick, 1826 March

5 4 George, Walter Franklin (Washington, D.C.), letter to Mrs. Edwin P. Lochridge, 1953 July 28
In response to a letter from Mrs. Lochridge, "I am glad to have this expression of your views." George comments on the United Nations, an agricultural commodities bill, and the immigration bills then before the Congress.

5 5 Goodell, D.T. (Helena, Montana), letter to his brother, 1870 July 5
Goodell writes of scarce money, grasshoppers destroying crops, iron foundries, stock raising, celebrations on the Fourth of July, and prospects relating to the North Pacific Railroad.

Grant, Ulysses S., check for $200 signed by Grant, 1880 June 1
Guerard, A., letter to William T.C. Burton, circa 1840s Burton was a surgeon and President of the Board of Naval Surgeons. The letter concerns Guerard's educational and medical training.
Harris, Thomas DeKalb, correspondence with Basil (?), 1835 Describes in some detail his stay in a resort hotel at Saratoga Springs (New York), his visit to the "old Saratoga battle field," to Utica (New York) and the nearby "Trenton falls."
Heflin, R.S., note to House of Representatives Clerk of Printed Records, 1870 June 27
Hemingway, Ernest, Ernest Hemingway Reading, 1965 [original: phonograph] Researcher access is restricted due to copyright; there is no access copy
Herndon, W.S., letter to publisher of "The Globe," undated Letter requests issues be mailed to various Texas newspapers
Hitt, Robert R. (Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, House of Representatives), letter to Albert G. Riddle (Washington, D.C.), 1896 May 10 Removed from Woodruff Library copy of Riddle's Recollections of War Times.
Hoover, Herbert, letter to William Royer (Atlanta, Georgia), 1936 May 25 Response to inquiry about "the Philadelphia address."
Humphrey, Hubert, autographed invitation to Encyclopedia Britannica reception, 1969 June 25
Ingraham, Edward D., appointment to Director of the Bank of the United States, 1835 February 5
James, Francis (Washington, D.C.), letter to George T. Badger (Secretary of the Navy), 1841 June 21 Letter of recommendation from James, representative from Pennsylvania (1839-1941), concerning Mr. Smith who has applied for a Lieutenant's commission in the United States Marine Corps.
Kaine, Daniel, land indenture (Dunbar Township, Pennsylvania), 1864 March 14
Kaine, Daniel (Uniontown, Pennsylvania), letters from clients, circa 1843-1849 Letters deal with legal problems, especially in regard to land issues. There is also an inquiry about tax registration and one indenture for land in Fayette County, Pennsylvania.
Kitchens, Stephen B., letter from his brother (Menard County, Texas), 1878 July 15 The brother writes of health and weather but primarily of crops and prices.
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<td>Levenson, Sam, autographed program, ALA Exhibits Roundtable banquet, 1970 June 28</td>
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<td>BV2</td>
<td>Marshall, Humphrey, autograph book, 1856</td>
<td>Marshall was a Congressman from Henry County, Kentucky. The autograph book contains the signatures of 98 members of the 34th United States Congress. Later used as a commonplace book by Green Foster of Madison, Georgia.</td>
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<td>Mason, Alfred Edward Woodley, letter to Mr. Collees, undated</td>
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<td>Maury, Matthew Fontaine, letter to John Bell, 1856 January 22</td>
<td>Maury is the author of Geography of the Sea.</td>
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<td>Meagher, Thomas Francis (1823-1867), letter to Francis C. Wemyss, 1853 May 13</td>
<td>Regrets that he cannot attend a dinner of the Dramatic Fund Association and offers his support in the future.</td>
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<td>McQueen, A. (Galena, Illinois), letter to Sparoc Wellington (Oregon City, Illinois), 1839 December 11</td>
<td>McQueen writes of &quot;a country the wildest I ever saw and people fully to correspond with it,&quot; and, &quot;From what I learn...there is no Speculation for us in the Mining country.&quot; He feels their best prospect is cutting and selling wood from some nearby &quot;congress land.&quot; He discusses prices of various leathers and leather good, of &quot;teaming,&quot; of foodstuff, and board. &quot;There are I believe more carpenters than can find employ.&quot;</td>
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<td>Mickle, William (General), letters, 1889-1913</td>
<td>Correspondents include Willis Brewer, Walter Lynwood Fleming (1874-1932), John Allan Wyeth (1845-1922), Thomas McAdory Owen (1866-1920), and Felix Voorhies.</td>
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<td>Money, circa 18th-19th centuries</td>
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<td>(Morgan?), Martha (Camp Seco, California), letter to her son Asa, 1854 June 24</td>
<td>Photocopy. Camp Seco is a &quot;miner's town&quot; and Martha and her husband, probably A.S. Morgan, are living there. She is apparently the only white woman in town, &quot;surrounded by Chinese, Mexicans, Indians and persons from almost every nation on the globe.&quot; She mentions being &quot;still with Thomas;&quot; a Mr. Wooters, a miner who lives with him; a Major Wright; and a Dr. Scott. A note mentions Thomas Woodland, who is &quot;merchandising.&quot; Martha describes a brief trip on ponies to the valley of the &quot;big trees.&quot;</td>
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<td>Morton, Levi P. (1824-1920), autographed photograph, undated</td>
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Morton was United States Minister to France, governor of New York, and Vice President under Benjamin Harrison (1889-1893).

Morton, Samuel George (1799-1851), letter to R. Kern, 1850 February 18
Morton was a physician and scientist, member of the Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, teacher in two Philadelphia medical schools, and author of several scholarly scientific works in ethnology and pathology. Kern was an explorer.

NASCAR photograph album, undated
NASCAR photograph album documenting the Cale Yarborough fan club meeting, compiled by Ruth "Sweets" Pope, 1983
NASCAR souvenir programs, 1965-1982
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"Nixon's the One," excerpts from Richard M. Nixon's nomination acceptance speech, 1968 August 8 [original: phonograph record]

In reference to a recent letter by Royer, "I...thoroly appreciate this frank expression of your views." Norris thanks Royer for having published a correction for a statement pertaining to Norris in a recent article.

Odom, John Darby (Doctor), letter from (Peruvian?) refugees in Panama, 1935 January 31
As Chief Officer of the Balboa Quarantine Station in the Canal Zone, Dr. Odom had responsibility for the numerous political refugees from Latin America who had been exiled to Panama. This letter expresses the gratitude of one such group of exiles for the kind treatment they had received at his hands. The letter was removed from the Rose Library's copy of John Darby Odom, M.D..

Perkins, Frances, autographs, 1935-1936

Platt, Ephraim and Hopestill (New Milford, Connecticut), account book, circa 1771-1808

The book documents family purchases as well as purchases such as plows, carts, and looms. It also records items made or repaired for others and Platt's work on local houses, barns, and public buildings. Family births and deaths are listed in the back of the book.

Polk, James K., letter from "Many Polk Men" (Norfolk, Virginia), 1845 April 10

Polk is advised to dismiss the Norfolk Port Collector, who has proved himself to be a traitor to his party. This was advised as being critical to Polk's re-election.

Richey, Lawrence (Secretary to Herbert Hoover), letter to Mrs. Harry M. Gershon, 1932 April 18

Roosevelt, Theodore, inaugural programs and invitations, 1905

Roosevelt, Theodore, "Teddy You're a Bear," lyrics, 1916

Sandburg, Carl, autographs, circa 1931

Also includes photograph of Sandburg.

Saxon, Lyle (New Orleans, Louisiana), letter to Harvey, 1936 January 5

Shanks, John Peter Cleaver (1826-1901), autograph, undated [Shanks was a lawyer, Union soldier, and served in the 37th Congress.]

Sigourney, Lydia (Hartford, Connecticut), letter to "My Dar mrs. Street," 1851 December 12

South Carolina farmer's diary, circa 1941

Vietnam war photograph album, undated

Stock certificates, 1838-1882 [1]
Includes Georgia certificates.

Stock certificates, 1838-1882 [2]

Sumter, Thomas, letter to James Chesnut (Colonel; Mulberry, South Carolina), 1939 April 21

Chesnut's son, John, is to be sent away for his health and Sumter urges that Chesnut accompany him.

Tanner, George C., appointment as Consul of the United States to Nova Scotia, 1888 January 16

Travel diary, 1755

Journal details a trip to the Netherlands and possibly elsewhere describing the sights, people, and customs. The author is unidentified but there is a
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| 5 37 | Travel diary, 1787  
Description on the front flyleaf: "Original manuscript journal of travels in Germany and France in 1787, by a Lieutenant in the Army, contains a good deal of interesting matter, oblong 8vo, half bound." |
| 5 38 | Travel diary, 1794-1798  
Diary kept by an unknown man during his journey by sea from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to England and Ireland. He mentions people and places visited, though each entry is short. |
| 5 39 | Tremain, Augustus, letter to (Thomas?) Sutherland, 1842 October 13  
The letter discusses a legal issue involving the rental of a farm by Nicholas Kline and the subsequent legal issues of rental fees, debts, and ownership upon the death of Kline in January 1813. |
| 5 40 | Truman, Harry S, autographed guide to the Truman Library, 1957 |
| 5 41 | Turner, W.G., letter from Neale, 1830 July 31 |
| 5 42 | Ulysses (Paris, Lamar County, Texas), letter to his brother (New York), 1860 September 1  
The letter gives many details of Texas life in 1860. Ulysses tells of slave uprisings in the northern counties, as well as famine caused by failure of the grain crop, and flooding after a long drought which threatened the cotton crop. |
| 6 15 | Unidentified couple, daguerrotype, circa 1840-1860 |
| 6 16 | Unidentified illustrations, lantern slides, undated [1 of 2] |
| 6 17 | Unidentified illustrations, lantern slides, undated [2 of 2] |
| 5 43 | Unidentified letters, circa 1860-1880 |
| 6 18 | Unidentified man, ambrotype, circa 1850-1860 |
| 6 19 | Unidentified man, daguerrotype, circa 1840-1860 [1] |
| 7 1 | Unidentified man, daguerrotype, circa 1840-1860 [2] |
| 7 2 | Unidentified man, daguerrotype, circa 1840-1860 [3] |
| 6 11 | Unidentified missionary in Africa, farewell letter, 1898 December 23 |
| 7 3 | Unidentified woman, daguerrotype, circa 1840-1860 |
| 7 4 | Unidentified women, ambrotype, circa 1850-1860 |
| 5 49 | U.S.S. Atlanta, matchbook and button from launch (Camden, New Jersey), 1941 |
| 5 44 | Van Dyke, M.N. (Corporal; U.S.S. Raleigh), letters to Lucy Baldwin (South Canterbury, Windham County, Connecticut), 1904  
Van Dyke writes about the ship Korea eluding the Russians and some of his experiences on the ship. "A Japanese telegram has just arrived stating that Russia wants peace" He also talks of going home and his plans when his enlistment ends. |
| 5 45 | Van Es, Egbert, letters from family, 1940-1946 |
Four letters in Dutch, written by family members in the Netherlands. Two postcards in English discuss the devastation caused by the war and the death of Van Es' (mother?) from a fall caused by nearby bombing.

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<td>Ward, Amos (Aberdeen, Mississippi), letter to Hugh McCulloch, Secretary of the Treasury, 1865 October 18</td>
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<td>Includes biographical letter to unidentified researcher from Evans Memorial Library</td>
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| 5 50 | Wehnelt, Arthur (1871-1944), postcard to James Franck (1882-1964), undated |
|      | Both men were famous German physicists and the postcard is written in German. Franck left Germany after the Nazi Party came to power, eventually living and working in the United States. He was a central figure in the Manhattan Project and author of the "Franck Report," which advised that the United States not use the atomic bombs against Japan without warning. |
| 6 4  | Williams Intelligence Summary, August 1950 and carbon sheet listing integrated businesses in Georgia and encouraging their boycott, undated |
| 5 46 | Wilson, Woodrow, letters, 1912-1914 |
|      | Correspondents include Henry W. Smith, P.C. McDuffie, and General William E. Mickle. |

| CLP1 | Young, Nedrick, *About Young Writers by Nedrick Young at Carnegie Hall*, September 22, 1961 [original: phonograph] |
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