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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 247 JORDAN, Milton Ray, b. 1925 – Collector

1 box. 13 folders. 118 items. 1794-2010. Originals, photocopies, photographs

2009.27.1

COLLECTION NOTE

Milton Ray Jordan has collected items chiefly related to the history of his maternal ancestors, the Beals and Reeves families. He was born 9 July 1925 in Andalusia, Alabama to schoolteacher Reuben Jordan (1880-1940) and Lola Lee (Beals) Jordan (1885-1947). Lola was originally from Bowling Green, Kentucky, and met Reuben when she came to Alabama to accept a teaching position. Lola's mother was Susan Frances (Reeves) Beals (1865-1886) of Warren County, Kentucky.

This collection contains his correspondence with other researchers, family charts and group sheets, census data, marriage records, a will, postcards, and photos. Also included are histories written by other family members and genealogical information previously published elsewhere. Of some interest is the folder highlighting the Civil War service of Jeremiah Beals, blacksmith, of Monroe County. This folder includes his army enlistment and the pension applications made by Beals and his wife. Also of interest are the 1927 photos of Western Kentucky State Normal School and Teachers College, Bowling Green, that were taken by the collector's sister Eunice. Additionally, Jordan provides information concerning the old Greencastle post office in northwestern Warren County. The Civil War documents as well as the marriage bonds, will, and photos are copies. The correspondence and postcards are originals.

SHELF LIST

BOX 1	Jordan, Milton R., b.1925 – Collector	1898-2009	118 items
Folder 1	Inventory and collection notes	2009-2010	4 items
Folder 2	Correspondence, chiefly related to genealogy	1903-2003	16 items
Folder 3	"Bales Families in East Tennessee" by Clarence A. Bales	1952	1 item (25 p.)

Folder 4	Beals family genealogy collected by Joanne Todd Rabun	1996-1997	10 items
Folder 5	Beals family genealogy collected by Sue Daniel McKinnon	1977-1995	14 items
Folder 6	Beals family genealogy collected by Milton R. Jordan	1794-2009	12 items
Folder 7	Beals family genealogy collected by various individuals	1995-2000	10 items
Folder 8	Civil War record and associated data related to Jeremiah H. Beals	1860-1999	14 items
Folder 9	Reeves family group sheets	2009	1 item
Folder 10	Reeves family genealogical material	1900-1995	14 items
Folder 11	Civil War information and associated data related to George Curtis Reeves	2000	4 items
Folder 12	Photos, chiefly of Beals family; also, Western Kentucky State Normal School and Teachers College	[1905?]-1997	7 items
Folder 13	Materials related to Greencastle Post Office, Warren County, Kentucky	1885-2003	11 items

BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

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