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*Descriptive Inventory*

**MSS 426 MANSFIELD, Marietta, 1917-2003**

6 ½ boxes. 58 folders. 1,449 items. 1760-2003. Originals and photocopies.

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***BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE***

Marietta Mansfield was born on 4 January 1917 in Oakland, Kentucky to Reuben Henry and Blanche Maude (Poole) Mansfield. She attended schools in Warren County and graduated in 1933, whereupon she enrolled at Lindsey Wilson College. She later matriculated at Kentucky Wesleyan College, where received her Bachelor's degree in 1942. In 1961 she earned a Master of Divinity degree from Vanderbilt University. A Doctorate of Divinity degree was conferred upon her by Kentucky Wesleyan College in 1997.

Mansfield began her career as a Christian missionary to India in 1944, where she supervised village schools, directed a literacy program, and oversaw health care for nine hundred villages. Stricken with polio, which paralyzed her for eight months, she returned to the United States for further treatment. She suffered from post-polio syndrome the rest of her life, which left her muscles weak and made breathing and swallowing difficult. She was ordained in India in 1956 and was received into full connection in the former Louisville Annual Conference in 1962, the first woman to be ordained an Elder in Kentucky. Her ministry in Kentucky spanned 23 years. She served as pastor of the following churches: McDowell Chapel Methodist Church in Brooks, Kentucky, First Methodist Church of Cloverport, Glendale United Methodist Church and Walker Memorial Methodist Church in Louisville. Her appointments also included establishing the chaplaincy program at Louisville's Wesley Manor Retirement Community in 1977. She authored articles about her family's heritage and a book titled *Jeremiah Osborn of Hampshire County, (West) Virginia*. In addition she authored a pamphlet published by the Woman's Division of the Methodist Church titled "When You Visit the Sick."

Mansfield served as president of the International Association of Women Ministers from 1966 to 1970. As president she represented women clergy at the Congress of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women meeting in Washington, D.C. in 1966.

Most of Mansfield's papers relating to her pastoral career are located at Kentucky Wesleyan College in Owensboro, Kentucky. Mansfield died on 22 December 2003 in Louisville and was interred in that city's Cave Hill Cemetery.

## **COLLECTION NOTE**

The bulk of this collection consists of genealogical materials amassed by Marietta Mansfield for the publication of her book, *Jeremiah Osborn of Hampshire County, (West) Virginia* (2001). The Osborn and Mansfield families are the chief family names covered, but significant information about the Pool (Poole, Pettypoole, Claypool), Kinslow, and families is also included. Smaller amounts of information is included for auxiliary families.

Most of the content is photocopied material. Within each family, the material was sorted in the following manner: correspondence, family group sheets, photocopied documents, and research notes. In the major family groups, each of these categories might consist of several folders. Within auxiliary family folders, these divisions are marked with blank sheets of paper. Generally only Mansfield's contemporary correspondence is original; most of the older material in the collection consists of photocopies. The Haines family correspondence, between relatives in Warren County, Kentucky and Haines family members in Bonham, Texas, is of particular interest as they discuss living conditions in Texas during the 1870s.

The collection also includes a small amount of biographical material after Mansfield, including a few news clippings (Folders 1 & 6), letters and newsletters sent while a missionary in India (Folder 4), and general correspondence (Folder 2). A small amount of material on female clergy can be found in Folder 7.

All staples, paper clips and other metal fasteners have been removed and replaced with coated paper clips. The collection has been placed in acid free folders and boxes. A small amount of material on acidic paper was photocopied on acid free paper. Photographs were transferred to the Special Collections Library. Mansfield's book on Jeremiah Osborn is also housed in the Special Collections Library (CS 71 .O815 2001). A short history of Flat Rock Methodist Church in Warren County by Mansfield can be found in SC 1325.

## **SHELF LIST**

<b>BOX 1</b>	<b>Personal correspondence and Mansfield family information</b>	<b>1904-2003</b>	<b>339 items</b>
Folder 1	Inventory	1933-1959	5 items
Folder 2	Correspondence – General	1967-2000	37 items
Folder 3	Correspondence, programs, and histories of churches that Mansfield pastored	1966-1997	11 items
Folder 4	Correspondence, snapshot photos, watercolor paintings, newsletters and notes about Mansfield's missionary work in India	1953-1958	35 items

Folder 5	Sermons and memorial services	1917-2003	9 items
Folder 6	Writings-fiction and non fiction	1917-2003	4 items
Folder 7	Female clergy	1917-2003	6 items
Folder 8	Mansfield correspondence	1904-1976	75 items
Folder 9	Mansfield correspondence	1977-2002	46 items
Folder 10	Mansfield-family group sheets	1917-2003	111 items
<b>Box 2</b>	<b>Mansfield family information</b>	<b>1760-1980</b>	<b>108 items</b>
Folder 1	Mansfield documentation	1760-1869	36 items
Folder 2	Mansfield documentation	1870-1980	56 items
Folder 3	Mansfield pension and military service records	1777-1973	15 items
Folder 4	Publication about the Mansfield family from the Newberry Library	1885-1975	1 item
<b>Box 3</b>	<b>Mansfield family information</b>	<b>1836-1994</b>	<b>188 items</b>
Folder 1	Descendants of Robert Mansfield of Lynn, Massachusetts by John T Moulton	1937	1 item
Folder 2	Mansfield research notes	1836-1994	59 items
Folder 3	Some Virginia Mansfields and their descendants in Kentucky by Marietta Mansfield and Eva Coe Peden	n.d.	1 item
Folder 4	Mansfield research notes	n.d.	72 items
Folder 5	Mansfield research notes	n.d.	55 items
<b>Box 4</b>	<b>Osborn family information</b>	<b>1948-2002</b>	<b>253 items</b>
Folder 1	Osborn Correspondence	1948-1983	52 items

Folder 2	Osborn Correspondence	1984-1994	52 items
Folder 3	Osborn correspondence	1995-2002	42 items
Folder 4	Osborn family group sheets	n. d.	75 items
Folder 5	Osborn documentation	n. d.	32 items
<b>Box 5</b>	<b>Osborn family information</b>	<b>1786-2003</b>	<b>124 items</b>
Folder 1	Osborn notes	1786-1977	19 items
Folder 2	Osborn notes	1978-2003	25 items
Folder 3	Osborn notes	n. d.	33 items
Folder 4	Osborn notes	n. d.	24 items
Folder 5	Osborn descendants of Jeremiah Osborne	2000	1 item
Folder 6	Osborn descendants of Easom Osborn	n. d.	1 item
Folder 7	Book by Pat Osborn Norrell	n. d.	1 item
Folder 8	Osborn notes	n. d.	19 items
<b>Box 6</b>	<b>Miscellaneous family folders</b>	<b>1807-1987</b>	<b>302 items</b>
Folder 1	Barlow genealogy	1807-1987	5 items
Folder 2	Barlow genealogy	1807-1987	27 items
Folder 3	Britt genealogy	n. d.	8 items
Folder 4	Claypool genealogy	n. d.	23 items
Folder 5	Ellixon genealogy	n. d.	29 items
Folder 7	Gott genealogy	n. d.	3 items
Folder 8	Haynes genealogy	n. d.	21 items
Folder 9	Jones genealogy	n. d.	25 items

Folder 10	Kinslow genealogy	n. d.	37 items
Folder 11	Manley genealogy	n.d.	53 items
Folder 12	Motley genealogy	n. d.	1 item
Folder 13	Newman genealogy	n. d.	5 items
Folder 14	Neel genealogy	n. d.	1 item
Folder 15	Ogden genealogy	n. d.	1 item
Folder 16	Oliphant genealogy	n. d.	57 items
Folder 17	Petty genealogy	n. d.	6 items
<b>Box 7</b>	<b>Miscellaneous family folders</b>	<b>n.d.</b>	<b>136 items</b>
Folder 1	Pool genealogy	n. d.	74 items
Folder 2	Pool genealogy	n. d.	38 items
Folder 3	Pool notes	n. d.	4 items
Folder 4	Richey genealogy	n. d.	1 item
Folder 5	Satterfield genealogy	n. d.	5 items
Folder 6	Thomas genealogy	n. d.	1 item
Folder 7	Trumbo genealogy	n. d.	1 item
Folder 8	Vickers genealogy	n. d.	9 items
Folder 9	Warren genealogy	n. d.	3 items

**BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD**

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Correspondence and genealogical research collected by Marietta Mansfield, a native of Warren County, Kentucky, and a Methodist minister that served various churches in Kentucky. The bulk of the collection relates to the Mansfield and Osborn(e) families of Kentucky and West Virginia. Includes letters written by Mansfield while serving as a missionary in India during the 1950s.

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**SUBJECT ANALYTICS**

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Bergquist, Barbara (Mansfield) B1,F9  
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Busby, Gladys J. B4,F1  
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Gaffney, John C. B4,F2-3  
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Genealogy – Britt family B6,F3  
Genealogy – Burcham family B1,F2  
Genealogy – Claypool family B6.F4  
Genealogy – Ellixson family B6,F5  
Genealogy – Erwin family B6,F6  
Genealogy – Gott family B6,F7  
Genealogy – Haynes family B6,F8  
Genealogy – Jones family B6,F9  
Genealogy – Kinslow family B6,F10  
Genealogy – Manley family B6,F11  
Genealogy – Mansfield family B1,F8-10; B2,F1-4; B3,F1-5  
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Genealogy – Neel family B6,F14  
Genealogy – Newman family B6,F13  
Genealogy – Ogden family B6,F15  
Genealogy – Oliphant family B6,F16

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 Methodist churches – Cloverport – Relating to B1,F3  
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**SEE or SEE ALSO**

Kinslow

See also:

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