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MSS 427 RODES Collection

16 boxes. 181 folders. 3,835 items. 1779-1995.
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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Robert Rodes, Sr. was born near Lancaster, Kentucky on 28 September 1824. His father was Clifton Rodes (1798-1878) and his mother was Amanda (Owsley) Rodes (1805-1885), the daughter of Kentucky governor William Owsley. Robert Rodes, Sr. grew up in Richmond and Danville, Kentucky. Upon graduation from Centre College at Danville in 1843, he studied law in Frankfort. On 8 February 1849, he married Mary Frances Grider (1828-1916) and the same year moved to Bowling Green, Kentucky, where he practiced law until retiring in 1897. During his legal career, he formed partnerships with his father-in-law Colonel Henry Grider, Jr., Hector Voltaire Loving and Colonel Benjamin Grider, and later with his son, William O. Rodes, and son-in-law, Warner E. Settle. Elected to one term in the Kentucky House of Representatives in 1853, Robert Rodes, Sr. also served as a delegate to the Kentucky Constitutional Convention of 1890-1891. As chairman of the Committee on Preamble and Bill of Rights, he played a principal role in the drafting and debate of those sections. Rodes was a trustee of Ogden College and a longtime member and elder of the Presbyterian Church of Bowling Green (later the First Presbyterian Church of Bowling Green).

Robert Rodes, Sr. died on 24 September 1913 and was buried in Fairview Cemetery in Bowling Green. He and his wife were survived by six children: Henry Clifton Rodes (1849-1930), William Owsley Rodes (1852-1937), Rachel ("Shelley" or "Chellie") Rodes (1855-1934), who married Warner E. Settle, Sally Rodes (1865-1947), Robert Rodes, Jr. (1868-1963), and John Barret Rodes (1870-1970).

John Barret Rodes, the sixth child of Robert Rodes, Sr. and Mary Frances (Grider) Rodes, was born on 22 September 1870 in Bowling Green, Kentucky. He graduated from Ogden College in 1889 and law school at the University of Virginia in 1891. The following year, he began the practice of law in Bowling Green and subsequently formed partnerships with James C. Sims (1906-1921), John E. DuBose (ca. 1906-1910), Maxey B. Harlin, Sr. and Maxey B. Harlin, Jr. (1922-1932, 1945-1948) and R. Douglass Willock (1932-1948). In 1948, at the age of 77, Rodes was appointed a Circuit Judge of the Eighth Judicial District (comprising Warren and Allen counties) and was subsequently elected to two terms. After his retirement on 6 January 1964, he served as a Special Commissioner of the Kentucky Court of Appeals.

John B. Rodes also served as mayor of Bowling Green from 1930-1934. His accomplishments included the construction of a modern sewage system and the installation of water meters, the purchase of Covington Woods Park, the passage of a pure milk ordinance, and the restoration of Pioneer Cemetery. The cemetery project reflected Rodes's wider interest in Bowling Green and Warren County history and biography, about which he wrote numerous papers and speeches.

John B. Rodes's many other professional and civic accomplishments included: trustee of Ogden College (1892-1955); president of the Kentucky State Bar Association (1940-1941); member of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State College, now WKU (1944-1948); director of the Bowling Green Boys' Club (1949-1955), from which he received the Silver Keystone Award for Outstanding Service in 1955; member of the Kentucky Constitutional Review Commission (1950-1952); and the Kentucky State Bar Association's Outstanding Circuit Judge of the Year (1955). Rodes joined the First Presbyterian Church of Bowling Green in 1888 and became active in its affairs. He was also a longtime (1893-1966) member of the Calendar Club, a local men's literary club. In 1961, Rodes's daughter and son-in-law honored him by endowing the Rodes-Helm Lecture Series at WKU, and in 1966 a residence hall at WKU was named Rodes-Harlin Hall after Rodes and his law partner and fellow regent, Maxey B. Harlin, Sr.

On 23 June 1898, John B. Rodes married Elizabeth Davis Hines (1876-1955), the daughter of James Davis Hines, Jr. (1838-1911) and Hallie B. (Thomas) Hines (1843-1910). They were the parents of five children: James Davis Rodes (1899-1914); Mary Grider Rodes (1901-2001), who married Harold Holmes Helm; Harriet Thomas Rodes (1903-2000), who married John Willard Stout; Sarah Clifton Rodes (1905-1995), who married Lucien Graham, Jr.; and Elizabeth Hines Rodes (1908-1984), who married Owen Carroll, Jr.

John B. Rodes died on 25 March 1970 and is buried in Bowling Green's Fairview Cemetery.

COLLECTION NOTE

This collection contains correspondence, photographs, and personal and business papers belonging to more than four generations of the Rodes family of Danville and Bowling Green, Kentucky, as well as the Grider, Hines, Helm, Loving and associated families. Genealogy notes on the Rodes, Grider and Hines families are included in Box 1, Folder 1, but this data is intended to show relationships among the individuals most prominently featured in this collection and should not be construed as complete.

Box 1 contains information about the Rodes family, its Virginia roots (Folders 2, 5, 6, 11) and genealogy (Folders 3, 4), but most of the material in this box concerns Clifton Rodes, the father of Robert Rodes, Sr. In letters written to Robert from Danville, Kentucky (Folder 7), Clifton Rodes discusses his extensive business and financial interests. He writes of his banking and investment activities, including loans, speculation in hogs, and land purchases in Iowa and Illinois. He also writes of legal matters, economic conditions, the money supply, the railroad, local and national politics, and the effect of the Civil War on Boyle County. Personal matters discussed include news of various Rodes family members and of his other children, in particular Boyle Rodes, who entered military service at the outbreak of the Civil War. Various members of the Helm, Boyle, Owsley, Talbott and Barret families are also mentioned. Typescripts of these

letters are contained in Folder 8. Also included in Box 1 are deeds, tax receipts and other financial records relating to Clifton Rodes's business and property interests in Kentucky and Illinois (Folder 9), as well as inventories and correspondence relating to his estate (Folder 10).

Box 2 contains correspondence of Clifton Rodes's son, Bowling Green lawyer Robert Rodes, Sr. It is mostly of a business and professional rather than personal nature, but includes some candid discussions of state and national politics before and during the Civil War. Some of the letters have been typescripted. Of interest are letters from Missouri lawyer James S. Rollins (whose maternal grandparents were Clifton's parents, Robert and Eliza Rodes) discussing his 1848 run for governor (Folder 1) and correspondence relating to the affairs of prominent Bowling Green citizen James Rumsey Skiles after he moved his family to Texas in 1854 (Folder 3). Two letters of Robert Rodes, Sr., written in September, 1861 to his colleague and then-state legislator Joseph Rogers Underwood detail his fears of an imminent Confederate invasion of Kentucky, and an 1864 letter defends the North's conduct of the war (Folder 4). Box 2 also includes correspondence from Rodes's brother, Danville lawyer Charles H. Rodes, and Rodes's brother-in-law, St. Louis banker Thomas E. Tutt, relating to the settlement of Clifton Rodes's large estate (Folders 6-8). Other correspondence relates to Robert Rodes, Sr.'s pursuit of a district court judgeship in 1877 (Folder 6). Cassius M. Clay, Jr. writes to Rodes on the 1890-1891 Kentucky Constitutional Convention, former Governor J. Proctor Knott on the danger posed by "gold bugs" in the free silver controversy, and Virginia lawyer and cousin Micajah Woods on the assassination of Governor William J. Goebel (Folder 10). In two of his few personal letters, Rodes sends family news to his niece Elizabeth (Anderson) Yerkes in 1899 and daughter Sally in 1904 with comments on his son John's prospects (Folder 10).

Box 3 contains personal and professional receipts of Robert Rodes, Sr. Business licences and tax receipts issued to Rodes and his family (Folders 1, 2) are included, as are tuition and fee receipts for his children's education (Folder 3). Numerous receipts from individuals and merchants, primarily in Bowling Green, document the personal expenses of Rodes and his family for groceries, clothing, fuel, sundries, medical and dental services, household repairs and office rent (Folders 4-11). Of interest is a February 1865 receipt for Rodes's payment of a substitute to serve in the event of a military draft (Folder 7). Other receipts relate to his legal practice and to agency and collection matters, including bounty and back pay claims by families of soldiers who served in the Civil War (Folders 6, 7).

Box 4 contains additional personal and professional receipts of Robert Rodes, Sr. (Folders 1-7) as well as records relating to legal work (Folders, 8, 9); to his work as agent for a life insurance underwriter, including an 1850 premium sheet for those "going to California" (Folder 10); miscellaneous financial notations, account books, pass books and partnership accounts (Folder 11); and a small scrapbook concerning the free silver question (Folder 12).

Box 5 contains correspondence, biographical information, and miscellaneous personal papers of Robert Rodes, Sr., his wife Mary (Grider) Rodes, and three of their children, Henry Clifton Rodes, Sally Rodes and Robert Rodes, Jr. Of interest are materials relating to Robert Rodes, Sr.'s participation in the 1890-1891 Kentucky Constitutional Convention, including his speech introducing the report of the Committee on Preamble and Bill of Rights, and a correspondent's 1917 letter to Henry Clifton Rodes discussing the reference to God in the preamble (Folder 4). Mary (Grider) Rodes's correspondence includes affectionate letters from her husband, written both before and after their marriage and generally covering light social, political or family topics, and Mary's letters to female relatives, which provide news of her family, health and activities (Folder 9). Biographical material on Henry Clifton "Cliff" Rodes, a Louisville

banker, includes details of an endowment in his honor to his *alma mater*, Centre College (Folder 10). His correspondence is mostly personal; included are letters from his mother and father celebrating his success but urging him to give due credit to "Providence" and to maintain his religious faith. He and his father also correspond on the family's genealogy and Revolutionary War heritage (Folder 11). Sally Rodes's correspondence includes a 1920s letter written during travel aboard an ocean liner, several 1940s letters to her niece Sarah (Rodes) Graham, and letters from two friends in England discussing post-World War II conditions (Folder 14). Information on Robert Rodes, Jr., a Bowling Green banker, includes newspaper clippings and sympathy notes sent to his brother, John B. Rodes, after his death (Folder 15).

Box 6 contains biographical data, correspondence, speeches and miscellaneous papers of John B. Rodes. Included are autobiographical notes, clippings, obituaries, and Rodes's marriage certificate (Folders 1-4). Rodes's correspondence includes courtship letters to his future wife, Elizabeth Davis Hines (Folder 5); letters to his children, especially his daughter Sarah, giving family news and fatherly advice (Folders 5, 6); correspondence relating to his gifts of books and manuscripts to the WKU library and to his appointment as a circuit court judge (Folder 6); many complimentary messages from friends and colleagues, including praise for his Sunday School lessons broadcast over the radio, and high personal regards expressed by Nathaniel Porter Sims, who practiced under Rodes as a young man and later served as Chief Justice of the Kentucky Court of Appeals (Folders 6, 7, 8); Alfred Leland Crabb's letters discussing two of his novels (Folder 7); many favorable responses to a profile of Rodes published in the Louisville *Courier-Journal* on 16 February 1958 (Folder 8); tributes from friends and colleagues, especially on his retirement and birthday (Folder 9); Rodes's letter commenting on his long involvement with the Mammoth Cave National Park Association (Folder 9); and undated correspondence, including letters to his wife Elizabeth and daughter Sarah, praise for his Sunday School lessons, and birthday cards (Folder 10). Also included in Box 6 are several of Rodes's speeches on various civic, legal, and historical topics (Folder 11) and the text of his instructions to a grand jury (Folder 12).

Box 7 contains miscellaneous personal papers, awards, certificates, and writings of John B. Rodes. Included are scrapbook pages with clippings and poetry (Folders 1, 2); certificates of membership and appreciation from various civic and professional organizations (Folders 3, 4); Rodes's Ogden College diploma (Folder 4); materials relating to his involvement in the Boys' Club of Bowling Green (Folder 5) and the establishment of the Rodes-Helm Lecture Series (Folder 6); Rodes's last report as mayor to the Common Council of Bowling Green, summarizing its accomplishments over his four-year term (Folder 7); writings, notes and memoranda on various historical, religious and political topics such as the long hunters, fascism, and the profession of law, some prepared for presentation at Calendar Club meetings (Folder 7); songs, poems, and a book of prayers Rodes prepared for his children (Folder 8); and various writings on law, local history and biography (Folders 9-17), including a history of Bowling Green's Pioneer Cemetery (Folder 9) and a narrative of Rodes's "pilgrimage" to the graves of his ancestors, in which he provides much family data (Folder 12).

Box 8 contains Sunday School lessons prepared by John B. Rodes, which he delivered in radio broadcasts from about 1947 to 1958 (Folders 1-3). Also included is an early inventory of Rodes's manuscript gifts to WKU (Folder 4), and materials relating to remembrances of Rodes on his death (Folders 5, 6).

Box 9 contains material relating to John B. Rodes's wife, Elizabeth (Hines) Rodes, and their son James Davis Rodes. Elizabeth Rodes's correspondence includes letters to her

husband and to daughters Mary, Sarah and Elizabeth, and letters from her mother and brother Harold (Folder 1). Other miscellaneous papers of Elizabeth Rodes include her defense of Bowling Green mayoral candidate A. Scott Hines (Folder 2); memorials on her death (Folder 2); and three handmade books presented to her as gifts (Folders 3, 4). Material relating to James Davis Rodes includes his obituary (Folder 5) and an affectionate remembrance by his father (Folder 6).

Box 10 contains material relating to three of John B. Rodes's children, Mary (Rodes) Helm, Harriet (Rodes) Stout and Sarah (Rodes) Graham, and their families. Mary (Rodes) Helm writes primarily to her mother, father and sisters with news of family and travel, including witnessing the launch of Apollo 11 (Folder 1). Material concerning Mary's husband Harold H. Helm, a New York banker, includes speeches and clippings relating to his career and awards (Folder 2). Harold's correspondence includes letters to Mary's parents and a letter to Harold reflecting on John B. Rodes after his death; Harold's letter regarding the death of Thomas O. Helm, Jr. includes some reminiscences about his early life (Folder 3). Letters of Mary and Harold Helm's daughter, Eleanor (Helm) Ketcham, include accounts of her European travel and correspondence relating to her marriage (Folder 4). Mary and Harold's son John Rodes Helm writes letters to his family and grandparents with news of his school and professional life (Folder 5). Harriet (Rodes) Stout's letters are mostly to her parents and brother-in-law Harold Helm; included are clippings relating to Harriet's degree from the University of North Carolina-Asheville, earned after she retired from her 20-year career as a legal secretary in Florida (Folder 6). Materials concerning Sarah (Rodes) Graham include marriage documents, clippings, and information about her work as a librarian in Maryland (Folder 7); correspondence, including condolences on the deaths of her husband and parents (Folder 8); diaries of her European travel in 1923 and 1937, the latter trip taken with her aunt Sally Rodes (Folder 9); and papers she wrote while a student at the University of Illinois (Folder 10). Items concerning Sarah's husband Lucien D. Graham include his letter to John B. Rodes asking for consent to their marriage, and clippings relating to his career and death (Folder 11).

Box 11 contains mostly material relating to John B. Rodes's daughter Elizabeth (Rodes) Carroll and her family. Included are Elizabeth's letters to her father as her mother's health declined, and clippings relating to her activities in community theater (Folder 1); photocopies of family photos (Folder 2); and biographical data on Elizabeth's daughters, Elizabeth (Carroll) Scott and Sarah (Carroll) McNeill, and letters to their Rodes grandparents (Folder 3). Also included in this box are letters, mostly to her close friend Sally Rodes, from artist and teacher Beulah Strong, who writes from Italy, Massachusetts and California of her activities and travel, and of pre-World War II European politics (Folder 4).

Box 12 contains papers of Robert Rodes, Sr. and John B. Rodes relating to the Presbyterian Church of Bowling Green. Correspondence of Robert Rodes, Sr. spanning more than fifty years (Folders 1, 2) concerns the engagement of pastors, the presbytery, the church's Old School-New School division and the personalities therein, the reunification of the two Bowling Green churches in 1858, another contentious post-Civil War split into the First Presbyterian Church and Second Presbyterian Church, and various other church matters. Of interest are materials relating to a dispute between First Presbyterian Church pastor Richmond K. Smoot and Robert Rodes Sr.'s son William, in which Smoot challenged him to a duel (Folder 2). Also in Box 12 is John B. Rodes's narrative, "The Story of Bowling Green, Kentucky and the First Presbyterian Church" (Folder 3) and miscellaneous historical data, programs and clippings relating to the First Presbyterian Church and individuals historically associated with it (Folder 4).

Box 13 contains miscellaneous manuscripts, letters, handbills, typescripts and clippings from the papers of Robert Rodes, Sr. or John B. Rodes. Of interest is a letter from Cassius Marcellus Clay, Jr., reflecting on his unsuccessful 1891 bid for governor of Kentucky (Folder 2).

Box 14 contains mostly correspondence, biographical and genealogical materials, and miscellaneous papers relating to members of the Grider, Helm, Hines, Loving, Morehead, Owsley and Thomas families. Henry Grider, Jr. (father of Robert Rodes Sr.'s wife Mary) writes affectionate letters to his family during his service in the Kentucky General Assembly in the 1830s and the U.S. Congress in the mid-1860s (Folder 3). His general correspondence includes an 1861 letter mourning the onset of the Civil War and the consequences for Kentucky (Folder 4). Correspondence of William V. Loving (father of Robert Rodes Sr.'s law partner Hector V. Loving) seeks to clarify a story about Reverend Richmond K. Smoot having fought a duel while a student in Indiana (Folder 11). Correspondence of Robert Rodes Sr.'s grandfather, Kentucky governor William Owsley, includes letters concerning recruitment of soldiers for the Mexican-American War in 1846-1847 and discussing the slavery question in 1848 (Folder 14).

Box 15 contains plaques and commemorative awards presented to John B. Rodes for various civic and professional achievements.

Box 16 contains copies of photographs of members of the Rodes, Helm, Grider, Hines and related families, as well as photos of some of the family's homes and some unidentified photos. The original photos have been transferred to WKU's Special Collections Library.

SHELF LIST

BOX 1	Rodes Family; Clifton Rodes; Robert Rodes, Sr.	1849-1966	195 items
Folder 1	Inventory		1 item
Folder 2	Rodes family – Miscellaneous genealogy and biography	1878-1966	17 items
Folder 3	Rodes genealogies by Shelley Rodes Patterson	1926, 1929	2 items
Folder 4	Letters to Robert Rodes, Sr. regarding Rodes genealogy	1895, 1902	2 items
Folder 5	“Biographical Sketches of the Life and Character of Robert and Eliza Rodes”	1881	1 item
Folder 6	Rodes family reunion, Asheville, North Carolina – Schedule of events	1989	1 item
Folder 7	Clifton Rodes – Letters to Robert Rodes, Sr.	1849-1869	48 items
Folder 8	Clifton Rodes – Letters to Robert Rodes, Sr. – Typescripts	1849-1869	48 items

Folder 9	Clifton Rodes – Deeds, tax receipts, financial records	1856-1878	40 items
Folder 10	Clifton Rodes – Estate – Inventory, settlement, miscellaneous accounts	1879-1892	17 items
Folder 11	Robert Rodes, Sr. and Mary (Grider) Rodes – Biography and obituary	1879-1963	20 items
BOX 2	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Correspondence	1848-1904	392 items
Folder 1	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Correspondence	1848-1849	12 items
Folder 2	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Correspondence	1850-1854	42 items
Folder 3	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Correspondence	1855-1858	20 items
Folder 4	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Correspondence	1859-1865	67 items
Folder 5	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Correspondence	1866-1872	39 items
Folder 6	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Correspondence	1873-1879	65 items
Folder 7	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Correspondence	1880-1881	53 items
Folder 8	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Correspondence	1882-1885	42 items
Folder 9	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Correspondence	1886-1890	35 items
Folder 10	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Correspondence	1891-1904	14 items
Folder 11	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Correspondence	n.d.	3 items
BOX 3	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts & Receipts	1848-1901	722 items
Folder 1	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Business licenses and tax receipts	1850-1890	92 items
Folder 2	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Business licenses and tax receipts	1891-1901	59 items
Folder 3	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Tuition and fee receipts for children's education	1860-1893	80 items

Folder 4	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1848-1854	49 items
Folder 5	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1855-1860	45 items
Folder 6	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1861-1864	81 items
Folder 7	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1865-1866	71 items
Folder 8	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1867-1869	104 items
Folder 9	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1870-1872	47 items
Folder 10	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1873-1875	50 items
Folder 11	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1876-1879	44 items
BOX 4	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts & Receipts; Miscellaneous professional	1838-1902	493 items
Folder 1	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1880-1883	69 items
Folder 2	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1884-1887	77 items
Folder 3	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1888-1889	55 items
Folder 4	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1890-1892	58 items
Folder 5	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1893-1895	57 items
Folder 6	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1896-1899	70 items
Folder 7	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Accounts and receipts	1900-1902	29 items
Folder 8	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Woodford Mitchell estate	1838-1851	18 items
Folder 9	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Miscellaneous documents relating to legal practice	1847-1871	17 items
Folder 10	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Phoenix Insurance Co. account books and correspondence	1850-1852	15 items
Folder 11	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Account books; pass books; Halsell, Rodes & Payne partnership accounts	1846-1901	20 items

Folder 12	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Scrapbook and loose items regarding free silver question	1890-1896	8 items
Box 5	Robert Rodes, Sr.; Mary (Grider) Rodes; Henry Clifton Rodes; Sally Rodes; Robert Rodes, Jr.	1848-1984	158 items
Folder 1	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Scrapbook and clippings	1863-1864	12 items
Folder 2	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Miscellaneous checks drawn on Bowling Green and Smiths Grove banks	1869-1899	20 items
Folder 3	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Bids and contracts for residence construction	1881-1882	9 items
Folder 4	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Constitutional Convention of Kentucky	1890-1917	12 items
Folder 5	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Paper on Abraham Lincoln	1897	1 item
Folder 6	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Miscellaneous notes on politics	1860?	1 item
Folder 7	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Eulogy	1913	1 item
Folder 8	Robert Rodes, Sr. – Resolutions adopted by First Presbyterian Church on death	1913	1 item
Folder 9	Mary Frances (Grider) Rodes – Correspondence	1848-1909	17 items
Folder 10	Henry Clifton Rodes – Biographical and miscellaneous	1890-1984	13 items
Folder 11	Henry Clifton Rodes – Correspondence	1864-1922	22 items
Folder 12	Henry Clifton Rodes – Scrapbook	1913-1917	1 item
Folder 13	Henry Clifton Rodes – Memorial tribute of Louisville Public Warehouse Company	1930	1 item
Folder 14	Sally Rodes – Correspondence, biographical and funeral	1924-1954	33 items
Folder 15	Robert Rodes, Jr. – Biographical and obituary	1928-1963	14 items

Box 6	John B. Rodes	1891-1976	372 items
Folder 1	John B. Rodes – Biographical data	1950-1976	14 items
Folder 2	John B. Rodes – Biographical and obituary clippings	1929-1970	56 items
Folder 3	“John B. Rodes: Portrait of a Man” by Paul Huddleston	1952	1 item
Folder 4	John B. Rodes and Elizabeth Hines – Marriage certificate	1898	1 item
Folder 5	John B. Rodes – Correspondence	1891-1939	37 items
Folder 6	John B. Rodes – Correspondence	1940-1952	62 items
Folder 7	John B. Rodes – Correspondence	1953-1957	49 items
Folder 8	John B. Rodes – Correspondence	1958-1960	40 items
Folder 9	John B. Rodes – Correspondence	1963-1964	72 items
Folder 10	John B. Rodes – Correspondence	n.d.	22 items
Folder 11	John B. Rodes – Speeches	1918-1966	17 items
Folder 12	John B. Rodes – Instructions to grand jury	n.d.	1 item
Box 7	John B. Rodes	1887-1980	221 items
Folder 1	John B. Rodes – Scrapbook (pp. 1-71)	n.d.	1 item
Folder 2	John B. Rodes – Scrapbook (pp. 71-138)	n.d.	1 item
Folder 3	John B. Rodes – Certificates, membership cards	1950-1968	10 items
Folder 4	John B. Rodes – Diplomas, certificates (oversized – C1-D3)	1887-1961	9 items
Folder 5	John B. Rodes – Clippings, awards and correspondence relating to Boys’ Club of Bowling Green and Boys’ Clubs of America	1950-1961	19 items
Folder 6	Rodes-Helm Lecture Series	1961-1964	19 items

Folder 7	John B. Rodes – Miscellaneous writing and notes	1903-1967	20 items
Folder 8	John B. Rodes – Poems, lyrics, prayers, etc.	1933	19 items
Folder 9	“Pioneer Cemetery” by John B. Rodes and related clippings	1933-1980	6 items
Folder 10	“Early History of Bowling Green” by John B. Rodes	[ca. 1935]	1 item
Folder 11	John B. Rodes – Memoranda – Warren County biographies	1936	5 items
Folder 12	“Pilgrimage to the Graves of Ancestry” by John B. Rodes, and related material	1953	50 items
Folder 13	John B. Rodes – Writings and speeches on constitutional history	1953	6 items
Folder 14	“Some Great Lawyers of Kentucky: Joseph Rogers Underwood and Elijah Hise,” by John B. Rodes	n.d.	1 item
Folder 15	“The Judges of the Warren Circuit Court” by John B. Rodes	n.d.	1 item
Folder 16	John B. Rodes – Memoranda – County court records of Logan and Edmonson counties	n.d.	2 items
Folder 17	John B. Rodes – Memoranda – Warren County history	n.d.	11 items
Box 8	John B. Rodes	1938-1970	61 items
Folder 1	John B. Rodes – Bible lessons	1947-1948	22 items
Folder 2	John B. Rodes – Bible lessons	1949	22 items
Folder 3	John B. Rodes – Bible lessons	1955-1958	11 items
Folder 4	John B. Rodes – Inventory of manuscript gifts to Kentucky Library, prepared by Elizabeth Coombs	1938	2 items
Folder 5	John B. Rodes – Warren Circuit Court and Kentucky Court of Appeals resolutions passed on death	1970	3 items
Folder 6	John B. Rodes – Memorial service	1970	1 item

Box 9	Elizabeth (Hines) Rodes; James Davis Rodes	1893-1955	53 items
Folder 1	Elizabeth (Hines) Rodes – Correspondence	1899-1948	30 items
Folder 2	Elizabeth (Hines) Rodes – Miscellaneous personal papers, obituary and funeral	1893-1955	16 items
Folder 3	“Songs for Idle Minutes,” handmade book presented to Elizabeth Hines	1897	1 item
Folder 4	“Some Poems of Robert Browning,” handmade books presented to Elizabeth Hines	1897	2 items
Folder 5	James Davis Rodes – Postcard and obituary	1907, 1914	3 items
Folder 6	John B. Rodes – Remembrance of James Davis Rodes	1915	1 item
Box 10	Mary (Rodes) Helm and family; Harriet (Rodes) Stout; Sarah (Rodes) Graham; Lucien Graham, Jr.	1914-1995	244 items
Folder 1	Mary (Rodes) Helm – Correspondence and obituary	1915-1964	42 items
Folder 2	Harold Holmes Helm – Biographical clippings, speeches and awards	1946-1988	35 items
Folder 3	Harold Holmes Helm – Correspondence	1955-1984	20 items
Folder 4	Eleanor (Helm) Ketcham and family – Letters and miscellaneous	1930s-1978	26 items
Folder 5	John Rodes Helm – Correspondence and miscellaneous	1941-1975	31 items
Folder 6	Harriet (Rodes) Stout – Biographical and correspondence	1914-1974	17 items
Folder 7	Sarah (Rodes) Graham – Biographical and miscellaneous	1926-1995	20 items
Folder 8	Sarah (Rodes) Graham – Correspondence	1922-1976	32 items

Folder 9	Sarah (Rodes) Graham – European travel diaries and itineraries	1923, 1937	6 items
Folder 10	Sarah (Rodes) Graham – Papers written at University of Illinois	1941-1942	7 items
Folder 11	Lucien Graham, Jr. – Correspondence and biographical	1930-1945	8 items
Box 11	Elizabeth (Rodes) Carroll; Beulah Strong	1937-1984	72 items
Folder 1	Elizabeth (Rodes) Carroll – Correspondence and biographical	1950-1984	17 items
Folder 2	Elizabeth (Rodes) Carroll – Family photos (photocopies)	n.d.	7 items
Folder 3	Elizabeth (Carroll) Scott and Sarah (Carroll) McNeill – Correspondence and biographical	1952-1971	31 items
Folder 4	Beulah Strong – Letters to Rodes family	1937-1947	17 items
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