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*Descriptive Inventory*

**MSS 458 PACE Family Papers, 1741-2010**

1 ½ boxes. 25 folders. 447 items, 1741-2010. Originals and photocopies, photographs.

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***BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE***

The Pace family of Cumberland County, Kentucky descends chiefly from Langston Pace, the son of William and Susannah (West) Pace. Langston was born in Amelia County, Virginia on 8 October 1770. His family moved to Pittsylvania County, Virginia in 1770 and then to Henry County in 1787. In 1805 Langston sold 100 acres deeded to him by his father and moved to Cumberland County, Kentucky. He settled on a creek that they named Marrowbone in honor of their former home near Marrowbone Creek in Henry County, Virginia. Langston married Millie Nunn (1790-1877) and had eleven children. He died on 20 May 1846. He and his wife are buried in the Pace Cemetery in Cumberland County.

One of Langston's sons John M. (1816-1875), married Phereby H. Williams (1815-1893). Their son William Crittenden Pace was born on 9 March 1849. William married D. Ellen Beck on 5 October 1870. William's daughter Leta B. Pace was born on 15 September 1884.

One of Langston's brothers, John, married Elizabeth Nunn. Their oldest son William Ingram Pace (1773-1843) married Sallie Nunn (1779-1859) on 24 November 1796; they migrated to Kentucky. Their oldest son Thomas Nunn Pace (1801-1893) married Docia Williams (d.1841). Their son Henry Slaughter Pace was born on 9 August 1838. He married Mary Thomas "Mollie" Barton (b. 1849) on 3 June 1866. Their son Henry Schooling Pace was born on 29 July 1883 and died on 23 February 1958. He married Leta B. Pace (1884-1962) on 13 August 1906 in Cumberland County. They moved permanently to Bowling Green in 1935, where he became an employee for the New Burley Tobacco Warehouse and acted as superintendent of the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery. The couple is buried in Bowling Green's Fairview Cemetery.

Their son Robert Newman Pace was born on 17 June 1919 in Cumberland County. He attended Bowling Green High School, Western Kentucky University and the University of Louisville School of Dentistry, where he received a doctorate in dental medicine in 1951. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1942 and served stateside until the end of World War II. He was honorably discharged as a corporal. He was a member and elder emeritus of First Christian Church, where he sang in the choir and taught Sunday school. He was instrumental in the establishment of WKU's dental hygiene program. Pace retired from dentistry in February 1998.

He married Lillian Iona Tynes of Logan County. He died on 1 June 2011 and was buried by his wife in Fairview Cemetery. The couple had four children: Steven, Amy, Mary Julia, and Bonny.

Lillian Iona Tynes was born on 25 August 1925 in Russellville, Kentucky, the youngest of seven children of Oscar Franklin Tynes and Euva Hightower Tynes. She attended the public schools in Russellville, graduating from Russellville High School and later from Western Kentucky University.

Lillian married Dr. Robert N. Pace, a dentist, and they lived on a large wooded lot on Nashville Road in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Mrs. Pace was active in a number of civic, religious, and philanthropic organizations. Her chief hobby was gardening, thus she was a member of the Ruth Rabold Garden Club as well as other state and national garden clubs, where she always assumed leadership roles. She served on the board of directors for Friends of Lost River, Mammoth Cave National Park Association, and the Friends of the Library. She served for nine years on Bowling Green Beautification Commission. Lillian also enjoyed handwork, reading, and singing.

Mrs. Pace died on 9 October 2010 and was interred in Bowling Green's Fairview Cemetery.

### ***COLLECTION NOTE***

Folders 2-6 of Box 1 contain genealogical, land, financial, and probate records of the Pace and allied families of Cumberland County, Kentucky. The early dates recorded on Folder 2 indicate the dates recorded for vital statistics; the documents themselves are not necessarily of the same vintage. The remainder of the collection includes the papers of Lillian (Tynes) Pace. This material includes award nominations for the Ruth Rabold Garden Club of Bowling Green, Kentucky, related to a wildflower garden project it undertook at the Felts Log House on the grounds of the Kentucky Building at Western Kentucky University. Much of the remainder of Mrs. Pace's papers relate to leadership roles she held with various garden clubs, the Bowling Green Tree Board and the Bowling Green Beautification Commission. Of special interest within these materials is a report produced by the Tree Board's director, David Draper, titled "Economic Damage to the Bowling Green Parks Urban Forest as a Result of the April 16, 1998 Hail Storm." It documents the impact of that terrible hailstorm to Bowling Green's trees. Papers collected by Mrs. Pace as a member of Lost River Cave's board were transferred to University Archives at WKU, which holds a large collection related to the cave.

The collection contains a significant amount of material (Box 1, Folders 17-20) related to Mrs. Pace's efforts to have the Viceroy butterfly designated as Kentucky's state butterfly. These materials also document Pace's work with artist Nellie Meadows of Powell County to produce and market a print featuring the Viceroy butterfly that was sold as a fund raising project for the Garden Club of Kentucky, Inc.

### ***SHELF LIST***

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|--------------|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>BOX 1</b> | <b>Pace Family Papers</b> | <b>1741-2010</b> | <b>355 items</b> |
| Folder 1     | Inventory                 |                  | 1 item           |

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|-----------|---|-----------|----------|
| Folder 2  | Genealogical records, chiefly Bible records of Pace, Barton, and Alexander families   | 1741-1940 | 9 items  |
| Folder 3  | Indenture from Isaac Taylor to Langston Pace  | 1813      | 1 item   |
| Folder 4  | Land records  | 1818-1934 | 21 items |
| Folder 5  | Receipts and promissory notes   | 1875-1939 | 7 items  |
| Folder 6  | Probate records   | 1849-1916 | 6 items  |
| Folder 7  | Lillian (Tynes) Pace – Correspondence and biographical information  | 1980-2010 | 15 items |
| Folder 8  | Ruth Rabold Garden Club – Yearbooks, flower show information, and sundry material about wildflower garden at Kentucky Museum, WKU | 1975-1997 | 20 items |
| Folder 9  | Ruth Rabold Garden Club – Award application   | 1988      | 10 items |
| Folder 10 | Ruth Rabold Garden Club – Award application   | 1991      | 8 items  |
| Folder 11 | Ruth Rabold Garden Club – Award application   | 1989-1991 | 2 items  |
| Folder 12 | Ruth Rabold Garden Club – Award application   | 1987-1993 | 26 items |
| Folder 13 | Dogwood District Card Club – Minutes, programs, correspondence, etc.  | 1991-1996 | 16 items |
| Folder 14 | Cardinal Council of Garden Clubs  | 1967-2000 | 13 items |
| Folder 15 | Garden Club of Kentucky, Inc.   | 1969-1997 | 34 items |
| Folder 16 | National Council of State Garden Clubs – Newsletters  | 1986-2000 | 31 items |
| Folder 17 | Butterfly project – Correspondence and reports  | 1987-2002 | 65 items |

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| Folder 18    | Butterfly project – Printed newsletters, brochures, reports   | 1989-2002        | 36 items        |
| Folder 19    | Butterfly project – Newspaper clippings   | 1990-1999        | 25 items        |
| Folder 20    | Butterfly project – Photos and printed items  | n.d.             | 9 items         |
| <b>BOX 2</b> | <b>Pace Family Papers</b>   | <b>1987-2003</b> | <b>92 items</b> |
| Folder 1     | Bowling Green Tree Board – Printed materials  | 1993-1994        | 6 items         |
| Folder 2     | Bowling Green Tree Board – “Economic Damage to the Bowling Green Parks Urban Forest as a Result of the April 16, 1998 Hail Storm” | 1997             | 1 items         |
| Folder 3     | Bowling Green Tree Board – Minutes, news clippings, ordinances, Arborfest information, etc.                                       | 1992-2003        | 37 items        |
| Folder 4     | Bowling Green Beautification Commission – Minutes, by-laws, news clippings  | 1987-2001        | 44 items        |
| Folder 5     | Miscellaneous   | 1988-1997        | 4 items         |

### ***BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD***

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Pace family documents (chiefly related to land transactions) including deeds, land grants, mortgages; as well as Bible records for the Pace and related families, and probate records. A significant portion of the collection documents the garden club activities of Lillian (Tynes) Pace and her efforts to have the Viceroy butterfly named the Kentucky state butterfly.

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**SUBJECT ANALYTICS**

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 Bowling Green Tree Board – Relating to B2,F1-3  
 Butterflies – Relating to B1,F17-20  
 Cardinal Council, The Garden Club of Kentucky – Relating to B1,14  
 Clagett, Marjorie, 1900-2000 – Relating to B2,F5  
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 Genealogy – Pace family B1,F2.  
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***SEE or SEE ALSO***

Pace, Lillian Iona (Tynes), 1925-2010

See also:

Tynes, Lillian Iona, 1925-2010

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