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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 696 ANTHONY, Allen, 1930-2020 – Collector

1 box. 6 folders. 86 items, 1814-1995.
 Originals, maps, negative, and photocopies

1994.192.1

COLLECTION NOTE

Allen Anthony collected this material about Columbus, Kentucky when compiling a book that explored the lore surrounding that city being considered as the capital of the United States in the early nineteenth century. A popular claim was that Thomas Jefferson, the nation's third president, after negotiating the 1803 Louisiana Purchase, had a "definite" plan to move the nation's capital to a more central location. His book titled *Columbus, Kentucky As the Nation's Capital: Legend or Near Reality?* (Fort Davis, Tex.: River Microstudies) was published in 1993 (F459 .C65 A58 1993).

Folder 1 includes the collection inventory, a projector slide showing the Mississippi River bluff at Columbus with the U.S. Capitol building superimposed at the top, and a short bibliography about Columbus. Folder 2 includes research correspondence related to the topic. Folders 4 and 5 house photocopies of source material used by Anthony for his book, some of which is not carefully documented as to its source. Folder 6 contains a holographic manuscript for the book. Material within folders are in chronological order. The older items in the collection are photocopies only.

SHELF LIST

BOX 1	Allen Anthony	1814-1995	86 items
Folder 1	Inventory		3 items
Folder 2	Correspondence	1982-1995	30 items
Folder 3	Maps and legal documents	1814-1985	12 items
Folder 4	Documentary sources, published	1823-1946	7 items
Folder 5	News clippings	1868-1991	33 items

Folder 6 Holographic manuscript of book 1993 1 item

BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

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Correspondence and copies of research material collected by Dr. Allen Anthony for his book, *Columbus, Kentucky As the Nation's Capital: Legend or Near Reality?* Also includes a holographic copy of the manuscript.

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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

Capitals (Cities) – Relating to
Columbus – Folklore
Hickman County – Maps F3
Jewell, Virginia (Honchell), 1924-2007 F2
Robertson, John E. L. F2

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