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*Descriptive Inventory*

**MSS 60 FERRELL Family Papers, 1878(?) - 1959**

1/2 box, 6 folders, 214 items, 1878(?) - 1959

Gift of Bill Turpen, West Somerset, Kentucky, 1973

***BIOGRAPHY***

Pulaski County, Kentucky, residents Thomas Virgil Ferrell (b.1867) and Winnie F. Broyles (b.1866) were married on December 23, 1886. In 1885, Virgil was teaching school, but by 1931 he had acquired a clothing and furnishings store in Somerset. They were the parents of two daughters: Flonnie (1888-1954), whose married name was Tate, and Thelma (1897-1973?), who was associated with the *Somerset Journal* for forty years, serving as the society editor in 1965.

Bibliographical Notes

The Collection.

Kentucky Library, Vertical Files,  
Somerset, Kentucky.

***THE COLLECTION***

The collection is comprised chiefly of family letters and correspondence. There are pre-nuptial letters of Virgil Ferrell and Winnie Broyles written in 1885 and 1886 (18 items); letters from some of their Kansas relatives, the Georges, written during the period of 1888-1890 (8 items); and other letters from friends and relatives. Correspondence, manuscript notes, receipts, and clippings of Thelma Ferrell comprise the major portion of the collection and are dated from 1924-1959 (149 items). Also, the legal papers of the Ferrell family include deeds and mortgages generated from 1923 to 1939 (7).

**SHELF LIST**

<b>Box 1</b>	<b>Ferrell Family Papers</b>	<b>1878(?) - 1959</b>	<b>214 items</b>
Folder 1	Incoming letters, etc., to Winnie F. (Broyles) Ferrell	1878(?) - 1937	38 items
Folder 2	Incoming letters to T. V. Ferrell and to Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Ferrell	1885 - 1929	20 items
Folder 3	Incoming letters to Thelma Ferrell	1943 - 1957	57 items
Folder 4	Miscellaneous letters and items	1924 - 1957	37 items
	4a - Incoming letters to Thelma Ferrell	n.d.	22 items
	4b - Miscellaneous letters and items	1924 - 1957	15 items
Folder 5	Notes of Thelma Ferrell's writings and miscellaneous receipts, clippings, etc.	1935 - 1959	55 items
	5a - Notes (holographic) of Thelma Ferrell's writings	n.d.	37 items
	5b - Miscellaneous receipts, clippings, photos, etc.	1935 - 1959	18 items
Folder 6	Legal papers of the Ferrell family	1923 - 1939	7 items

**CATALOG CARD**

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Correspondence of Thomas V. Ferrell, teacher and businessman, and of his wife, Winnie, 1885-1937 (58 items), and of their daughter Thelma, 1924-57 (94), of Somerset, Ky.; Ferrell family legal papers, 1923-39 (7); notes of Thelma, who worked for the *Somerset Journal* for years; and miscellaneous receipts, clippings, etc.

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### **CHRONOLOGY CARDS**

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