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Baird, Henry Herring, 1902-1991 - Collector (MSS 279)

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

The collector of this material, Henry Herring Baird, was born on 24 December 1902, the son of Thomas Henry Baird, Jr. (1878-1945) and Mae (Herring) Baird of Adairville, Kentucky. H.H. Baird operated the Scott Tobacco Company in Bowling Green, Kentucky. He was active in the Rotary Club and the 12th Street Church of Christ. His father, Thomas Henry Baird, Jr., ran several successful farms near Adairville, Kentucky, in southern Logan County near the Tennessee border. His home farm was known as the Brookland Stock Farms. He raised and bred saddle horses, mules, forage crops and tobacco. He also operated the Baird Tobacco Company. His step-father, William Edgar Jenkins (1857-1928), owned and operated a very successful tobacco buying operation with J.D. Ryan (1855-1918) known as Jenkins-Ryan Tobacco Company. Everyone noted in this paragraph is buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Adairville, Kentucky.

COLLECTION NOTE

This collection is made up chiefly of financial records related to the operation of Jenkins-Ryan Tobacco Company, a tobacco buying concern headquartered in Adairville and Bowling Green, Kentucky. It was owned by William Edgar Jenkins and J.D. Ryan. The Company maintained branches in the southcentral Kentucky communities of Auburn, Morgantown, and Scottsville. It also maintained branches in Hartsville, Carthage, and Lafayette, Tennessee. These records consist of account books listing clients and the amount of tobacco purchased from each. It also contains some corporate financial statements as well as receipts and invoices. A partial letter press book was disassembled and the pages photocopied (folder 2). Two samples of the original sheets from the letter press book were kept as examples. The collection also contains invoices and letterheads from various tobacco warehouses in Kentucky.

Also included are monthly financial statements for 1941 of the Scott Tobacco Company in Bowling Green, Kentucky, as well as account books and other financial records related to the farm and tobacco interests of Thomas Henry Baird, Jr. of Adairville, Kentucky. The last folder in...
the collection contains some family correspondence of the Smith and LeSueur families from the Adairville vicinity.

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Folder 10  Account book – Includes records related to Thomas Henry Baird’s business interests including rental properties, tobacco sales; a large portion of the records relate to some type of laundry business  1900-1918  1 item

Folder 11  Account records for the “Baird & Mason Farm”  1926-1937  1 item, 9p.

Folder 12  Account book marked “T. Baird & Co.” listing tobacco purchases by weight  1929-1931  1 item

Folder 13  Scott Tobacco Company – Chiefly financial records from 1941; includes an early label  1915-1941  13 items

Folder 14  Account book pages for air cured and fired tobacco for an unknown businessman  1925  1 item, 19p.

Folder 15  Mortgages and other papers related to a piece of property (336 acres) owned by J.F. Burr in Logan County  1898-1927  6 items

Folder 16  Correspondence of Moseley, Smith, LeSueur families – Adairville, Kentucky & Nashville, Tennessee  1878-1899; n.d.  8 items

BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

MSS  BAIRD, Henry Herring,  1878-1945
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Account books and other financial records related to Jenkins-Ryan Tobacco Company of Adairville, Kentucky. Also includes financial records associated with the farms and businesses operated by Thomas Henry Baird, Jr., as well as the 1941 monthly financial reports and a label from Scott Tobacco Company of Bowling Green, Kentucky. 1 box. 16 folders. 154 items. Originals.  2009.31.22
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Jenkins, Ryan & Company
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   Jenkins-Ryan Tobacco Company

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