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Miller Family Papers (MSS 324)

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Joseph Thomas Miller was born 14 October 1840 near Hartford, Ohio County, Kentucky, the son of David A. and Maria (Williams) Miller. He attended Hartford Seminary before studying medicine under Dr. John E. Pendleton of Hartford; after the Civil War he attended Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, graduating in 1870. Family history records that Miller cared for wounded soldiers during the Civil War. Joseph Miller was married to Virginia “Jennie” Short in May 1880. Dr. Miller was a “devoted Methodist, a prominent Mason, and a valued civic leader.”

The Millers had five children, one of whom was David Green Miller, a druggist who practiced in Central City, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky. He married Mary Abigail Griffin on 4 June 1907. Their son, David Griffin Miller, Jr., born in 1908, became a physician and practiced in Morgantown, Butler County, Kentucky. His son David Griffin Miller III was born 3 October 1937 and attended Morgantown public schools. He eventually matriculated at the University of Louisville, where he participated in the U.S. Air Force R.O.T.C.. He married Sarah Laine Peden in 1956 and received an Air Force commission in 1960. He stayed in the Air Force until 1963. Afterwards he worked in engineering positions for several large industries before retiring in 1997.

COLLECTION NOTE

One of the highlights of the collection is David Griffin Miller, Jr.’s daybook in which he meticulously records information about his patients and their payments; this daybook begins 1 May 1937 and ends 8 November 1938. Most of the patients were visited in their homes in Butler County, Kentucky. The collection also contains a large archive of over 750 digital photographs of the Miller and Hudson families which have been identified. The photographs include scenes from Morgantown, Butler County, Kentucky. A memoir by David Griffin Miller, III titled “Mind Travel” can be found in Folder 7.
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**BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD**

MSS 324 MILLER Family Papers 1911-2010

Collection consists of a physician’s daybook kept by David Griffin Miller, Jr. in Butler County, Kentucky, 1937-1938, and some other material related to Miller’s medical career. Also included are numerous photographs from the Miller and Hudson families and a memoir by David Griffin Miller, III.

½ box. 7 folders. 16 items. Originals, photocopies, and compact discs. 2010.131.1

**SUBJECT ANALYTICS**

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