BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Helen E. Robinson (1905-1986) and Ruth Robinson (1897-1991), the daughters of James Warren Robinson (1856-1936) and Stella (Jenkins) Robinson (1870-1942), were natives of Bowling Green, Kentucky. The women attended Bowling Green public schools. During World War II, they moved with their sister Marguerite J. Robinson to Washington, D.C. to work in government positions, Helen working with the General Services Bureau, Ruth with the Post Office Department and Marguerite with the Federal Housing Administration. All of them eventually moved back to Bowling Green. They along with one married sister Louise Robinson McElwain, and another single sister Mary eventually moved to 1046 Elm Street. Ruth retired from the U.S. Postal Service. Both sisters were members of the Presbyterian Church. Ruth died on 18 August 1991 and Helen died on 28 June 1986. They were interred in Bowling Green’s Fairview Cemetery.

COLLECTION NOTE

These materials were found at the Robinson home at 1046 Elm Street. The collection includes correspondence (Folders 5-15) with family and friends, two autograph books kept by Ruth (Folder 4) as well as scrapbook items collected by Ruth (Folder 3), and several of Ruth and Helen’s report cards from Bowling Green High School (Folder 2). Several of the correspondence folders have notes kept by the sisters about the correspondents.

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MSS 437  ROBINSON, Helen E., 1905-1986  1914-1984

Correspondence of Ruth and Helen E. Robinson chiefly with cousins and other family members. Most of the letters are incoming Christmas cards filled with family information.

1 box. 16 folders. 227 items. Originals.

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      Whiffen, Elizabeth (Lemmon)

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