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1918-1922, 1926, undated



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The material in this collection is in English.

Abstract

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Creator

Cawley, Harry Baker, 1900-1946

Extent

0.8 Cubic Feet 2 boxes

Repository

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Source of Acquisition

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Biographical Note

Harry Baker Cawley was born on July 14, 1900, to Robert Lee and Mary Lynn Callahan Cawley in Lexington, Kentucky. He served in the United States Navy from 1918-1920. Cawley then studied at Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute (VPI) from 1920-1921. While at VPI, he was a member of the Episcopal Club. After school, he worked as a salesman. Cawley married Martha Lucille McDonald on April 7, 1942, in Duval, Florida, divorcing two years later. Cawley died on March 23, 1946, in Roanoke, and is buried alongside his family in Evergreen Burial Park in Roanoke.

External sources:

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Scope and Content

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Keywords

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Arrangement

The material in this collection is arranged by material type into two series:

Series I: Correspondence, 1918-1926, undated, which is divided into two subseries.

Subseries A: Letters to Harry B. Cawley, 1918-1921, undated, which is arranged by correspondent and chronologically.

Subseries B: Other Correspondence, 1926, undated

Series II: Ephemera, 1918-1922, undated, which is arranged by material type.

Description of Subordinate Components

Series I: Correspondence

Unit Date 1918-1922, 1926, undated

Subseries A: Letters to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1918-1922, undated

Mary Lynn Cawley Letters to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1919-1921

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Robert Lee Cawley Letter to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1920

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Marvin L. Cawley Letters to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1919-1921

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Raymond R. Cawley Letters to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1919-1920

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Letters from "Doc" to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1920-1921

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Eugenia Rea Letters to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1920-1921

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Letters from Josephine "Jo" S. to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1918-1922

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Letters from Josephine "Jo" S. to Harry S. Cawley

Unit Date undated

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Letters from "Margie" to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1921

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 9-10 (folder)

Letters from "Margie" to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date undated

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Letters from "Myrtle" to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1921

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Kathleen A. Turner Letters to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1919-1921

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Letters from Kathleen B. to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1921

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Assorted Letters to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1918-1920

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Assorted Letters to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1921

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Assorted Letters to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1922

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Assorted Letters to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date undated

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Subseries B: Other Correspondence

Unit Date 1918-1922, 1926, undated

Letter from "Mama" to Nannie Cooke

Unit Date 1926

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Cards and invitations

Unit Date 1921, undated

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Envelopes to Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1918-1922, undated

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Envelope to Isabel Kester

Unit Date undated

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Blank VPI envelopes

Unit Date undated

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Series II: Ephemera

Unit Date 1920-1921, undated

School Notes

Unit Date 1920-1921

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Writings by Harry B. Cawley

Unit Date 1921, undated

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Photographs**Unit Date** undated**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 15 (folder)