

Collection Summary

Title

Steinhauser Family Collection

Date

Late 1800s to early 2000s

Extent

4 archival boxes

Name and Location of Repository

Midwest Genealogy Center, Independence (Mo.)

Reference code: MGC 1143-SFC

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Name of Creator

Delma Fern (Steinhauser) Harless

Biographical History

John Steinhauser was born in France on January 27, 1830. He came to the United States at the age of 19. He met Margaret Reeves in Pickaway County, Ohio and they were married in 1860. The couple had seven children. The family came by boat to Wellington, Missouri and then purchased a farm near Napoleon. By 1870 John had bought a farm in Sni-a-Bar Township in Jackson County. A road in the area still has the family name and is the location of Greens Chapel Cemetery where many family members are buried.

Scope and Content

This collection contains records for the Steinhauser and related families. Records include family Bible pages, funeral books, vital records, newspaper articles, genealogy, correspondence, probate records, wills, and photographs. The funeral books contain such items as obituaries, funeral programs, flower cards, condolences, and burial information. Originally, many of the photographs were in albums, but many of the photographs were removed, sorted by families, and labeled. Although some photographs remain unidentified, they were grouped in folders labeled by family surname. Many old photos have houses and people who lived in communities in Eastern Jackson County, Missouri, including Grain Valley, Oak Grove, Blue Springs, and Independence.



Collection Inventory

System of Arrangement

These records are arranged in 5 series.

Box 1

Series 1, Memorial Books

- Folder 1, Harless, Gilbert James, Sr.
- Folder 2, Harless, Mary Emma Stevenson
- Folder 3, Jelley, Evelyn Alice
- Folder 4, Nixon, Mary Missouri Miller
- Folder 5, Pike, John M.
- Folder 6, Pike, Lizzie Winifred
- Folder 7, Steinhauser, Frank P.
- Folder 8, Steinhauser, John M.
- Folder 9, Steinhauser, Rena Pearl
- Folder 10, Stevenson, Lola Nixon
- Folder 11, Stevenson, Scott Lewis
- Folder 12, Woodcock, Bernice Ida
- Folder 13, Woodcock, Robert E.

Series 2, Family Documents and genealogy

- Folder 1, Butcher, Fred & Pike, Louise
- Folder 2, Campbell, Charles Edward & Steinhauser, Effie
- Folder 3, Clevenger, Toliver James & Pike, Louisa Alta
- Folder 4, Harless—American War Mothers
- Folder 5, Harless—Correspondence
- Folder 6, Harless, Gilbert & Steinhauser, Delma Fern

Box 2

- Folder 7, Jelley, Ernest & Steinhauser, Evelyn
- Folder 8, Pike family Bible pages
- Folder 9, Pike, John M. & Reed, Lizzie
- Folder 10, Pike, William Lloyd & Hoak, Laura Alice
- Folder 11, Steinhauser family Bible pages
- Folder 12, Steinhauser, Frank P. & Campbell, Nancy Ellen
- Folder 13, Steinhauser, George & Leavy, Nettie
- Folder 14, Steinhauser, John & Reeves, Margaret
- Folder 15, Steinhauser, John M. & Pike, Rena Pearl
- Folder 16, Stevenson family Bible pages
- Folder 17, Stevenson, Scott & Nixon, Lola
- Folder 18, Woodcock, Robert & Steinhauser, Bernice
- Folder 19, Miscellaneous funeral programs
- Folder 20, Miscellaneous obituaries and newspaper clippings
- Folder 21, Postcards

Series 3, Family items

- Folder 1, J. M. Steinhauser real estate business
- Folder 2, Autograph book from open house, 1938



- Folder 3, Coin purse with 5 Depression era sales tax tokens
- Folder 4, Address book belonging to Mary E. Harless
- Folder 5, Book of Psalms belonging to Lola Nixon
- Folder 6, Black mourning cameo necklace from "Granddad & Grandma Harless"
- Folder 7, Square headed nails
- Folder 8, Receipt book
- Folder 9, Small pink "My Grandchildren" photo album

Box 3

- Item 1, Handkerchief from France
- Item 2, Margaret Steinhauser's black silk apron

Box 4

Series 4, Photographs

- Folder 1, Butcher, Fred & Pike, Eugenia Louise
- Folder 2, Campbell family
- Folder 3, Carmack family
- Folder 4, Clevenger, Toliver James & Pike, Louisa Alta
- Folder 5, Harless—American War Mothers
- Folder 6, Harless family
- Folder 7, Harless family, cont.
- Folder 8, Jelley, Ernest & Steinhauser, Evelyn
- Folder 9, Middleton, Dave & Clevenger, Joyce
- Folder 10, Morgan, Frank & Steinhauser, Ida May
- Folder 11, Pike family
- Folder 12, Rees, William Milford
- Folder 13, Steinhauser—Miscellaneous
- Folder 14, Steinhauser—Scrapbook pages
- Folder 15, Steinhauser—Scrapbook pages, cont.
- Folder 16, Steinhauser—Scrapbook pages, cont.
- Folder 17, Steinhauser—Photos removed from old scrapbooks
- Folder 18, Steinhauser, Frank P. & Campbell, Nancy Ellen
- Folder 19, Steinhauser, George & Leavy, Nettie
- Folder 20, Steinhauser, John M & Pike, Rena Pearl
- Folder 21, Stevenson, Scott & Nixon, Lola
- Folder 22, Woodcock, Robert & Steinhauser, Bernice
- Folder 23, Unidentified Tintypes
- Folder 24, Unknown relationships

Box 5

Series 5, Oversized photographs

- Item 1, Red photograph album
- Item 2, Black photo album
- Item 3, Brown Scrapbook
- Item 4, Tan Photo Album
- Item 5, 4-oversized photographs



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The collection is open for research use by appointment.

Physical Access

Most records within this collection are housed in file folder.

Conditions Governing Reproduction and Use

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Languages and Scripts of the Material

Materials in the collection are entirely in English.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

This collection was donated by Sylvia Harless.

Accruals

No further accruals are expected for this collection.

Existence and Location of Originals

Originals owned by the Midwest Genealogy Center.

Notes

The following sources were consulted during the preparation of the biographical history:

- Ancestry.com. *1870 United States Federal Census* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2009.
- Obituary for John Steinhauser