

Ham, Connelly, Parks and Snodgrass Families Papers
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Collection Summary

Title: Ham, Connelly, Parks, and Snodgrass Families Papers

Span Dates: 1870-2018

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1888-1953)

ID No.: MSS 86311

Creator: Ham family

Creator: Connelly family

Creator: Parks family

Creator: Snodgrass family

Extent: 350 items

Extent: 1 container

Extent: 0.4 linear feet

Extent: 1 digital file (115.11 MB)

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: The related members of the Ham, Connelly, Parks, and Snodgrass families. Family correspondence, printed matter, and photographs documenting everyday American life in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Connelly family.

Connelly, Ella Ham, 1868-1953--Correspondence.

Connelly, Walter T. (Walter Thaddeus), 1862-1934--Correspondence.

Hamm family.

Park family.

Snodgrass family.

Organizations

Memphis Keeley Institute (Memphis, Tenn.)

Subjects

Agricultural implements--United States.

Alcoholism--Treatment--Tennessee.

Genealogy.

Traveling sales personnel--United States.

Places

United States--Social life and customs--19th century.

United States--Social life and customs--20th century.

Titles

Connelly family papers

Ham family papers

Parks family papers

Snodgrass family papers

Provenance

The Ham, Connelly, Parks, and Snodgrass families papers were given to the Library of Congress by Janet B. Parks in 2018. Materials in this collection were transferred to the Manuscript Division from the Prints and Photographs Division, Library of Congress.

Other Repositories

Other collections of materials relating to the Ham, Connelly, Parks, and Snodgrass families are located in the Prints and Photographs Division of the Library of Congress, which houses a small collection of tintype photographs.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of the Ham, Connelly, Parks, and Snodgrass Families Papers is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The Ham, Connelly, Parks, and Snodgrass Families Papers are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Digital Format

Digital files were received as part of the Ham, Connelly, Parks and Snodgrass Families Papers. Reference copies were created from the original digital media. Advanced notice is required for access to digital content; consult reference staff in the Manuscript Division for more information.

Preferred Citation

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Scope and Content Note

The papers of the Ham, Connelly, Parks, and Snodgrass families span the years 1870-2018, with the bulk of the material dating from 1888 to 1953. The collection documents life for everyday Americans in the late-nineteenth and early-twentieth century. Materials include love letters from Walter T. Connelly to Ella Ham from 1888 to 1890; Connelly was a traveling agent for agricultural implement companies and his line of work is described in a number of the letters. Other notable correspondence in the collection includes letters written by Ella Ham Connelly to various family members from 1929 to 1949, and a letter from David Nathan Snodgrass to his daughter, Maggie Snodgrass, addressed from the Memphis Keeley Institute (Memphis, Tenn.), an early twentieth century addiction treatment facility. Also included are publications produced by the Parks family (descendants of the Connelly family), which provide transcripts of the correspondence and additional historical context and biographical information about the subjects and individuals mentioned in the letters.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged chronologically within each folder grouping.

Container List

Container	Contents
BOX 1	Correspondence from Walter T. Connelly to Ella Ham, 1888, 1890 (2 folders)
BOX 1	Publication, "My Dear Ella: Letters from Walter T. Connelly to Ella Ham, July 6, 1888 - October 9, 1888, & February 4, 1890 - November 19, 1890," 2014 Digital ID: mss86311_182_001
BOX 1	Family correspondence and related papers, 1878, 1900, 1929-1953, 2013-2018, undated
BOX 1	Photographs, 1870, undated