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Abstract

The Bell, Kent, Cloyd, Withrow Family Collection contains the personal papers and financial records of members of four prominent families. Included are members of the Bell, Kent, Cloyd, and Withrow families, as well as, materials from related families and acquaintances. This is a diverse collection containing materials dating from 1780 to 1998. Items of interest include several Land Deeds and Warrant from the late 18th Century, including one signed by Benjamin Harrison, then Governor of Virginia; American Civil War correspondence from Confederate POW, Edgar Withrow; Regimental listings from the 19th Brigade of the Virginia Militia; and correspondence and military documents dating from World War II. The main collection contains materials from Gen. Gordon Cloyd, James Randal Kent, David Fenton Kent, Gordon Cloyd Bell Sr., David Kent Bell, James and Edgar Withrow, and many others.

Creator

Withrow family

Creator

Cloyd family

Creator

Kent family

Creator

Bell family

Extent

9.5 Cubic Feet 18 boxes

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Source of Acquisition

The Bell, Kent, Cloyd, Withrow Family Collection was donated by James Gordon Bell to Special Collections in 2008: "In memory of my grandfather, Gordon Cloyd Bell, who collected items of historical interest, and my father, David Kent Bell, who treasured them, my wish is that these items be used to preserve our history."

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Family History

Gen. Gordon Cloyd was a descendant of David Cloyd. In 1764, Indians attacked the homestead of David Cloyd in Rockbridge County, Virginia. His wife, Margaret, was killed, as well as his son, John. Another son, Joseph Cloyd was away from the house at the time of the attack and was thus spared. David Cloyd passed away in 1792; Joseph Cloyd bought land and settled in Back Creek in present day Pulaski County in 1773. During the American Revolution, Joseph Cloyd served under Col. William Preston of Montgomery County. He is credited with saving Col. Preston's life when Preston was thrown from his horse during a skirmish at Wetzell's Mill in North Carolina. Following the war, Joseph Cloyd bought up more land in Pulaski County and built a brick house on Back Creek.

Joseph Cloyd married Mary Gordon and together they had three sons, Gordon, David, and Thomas. Gordon and David married two sisters, Sallie and Elizabeth McGavock. The McGavock sisters were the daughters of James McGavock and Mary Cloyd, Joseph Cloyd's sister. James and Mary McGavock also had a third daughter, Margaret, who married Joseph Kent.

David Cloyd and Sallie McGavock had five children: Margaret, Joseph, Gordon, Cynthia, and James McGavock. James McGavock Cloyd married Frances E. McNutt on November 5, 1853, together they had one child, David, in January of 1855. Frances died on December 21, 1858. James then married Harriet J. Ernest on January 10, 1861. They had four children: Fanny Ernest, Lucy McGavock, Sally, and Harriet Gordon. James Cloyd lived at the homestead on Back Creek in Pulaski County that was originally settled by Col. Joseph Cloyd.

Gordon Cloyd commanded the 19th Brigade of the Virginia Militia during the War of 1812; he was later promoted to Major-General and thereafter was known as General Cloyd. He later served as a land surveyor for the Montgomery County area, and together with his brothers, purchased a tract of land along the New

River know as Buchanan's Bottom. Gen. Gordon Cloyd and Elizabeth McGavock Cloyd together had six children, only two daughters, Mary and Elizabeth Cloyd survived. The two sisters married two brothers, James Randal and David Fenton Kent. David and James were the sons of Joseph Kent and Margaret McGavock Kent. Gordon Cloyd left the Buchanan's Bottom land to his daughter, Mary, and her husband, James Randal Kent. Elizabeth Kent and David Fenton Kent received the land at Back Creek and the house known as Springfield.

David Fenton Kent and Elizabeth Cloyd were married on January 2, 1834. Together they had seven children: Gordon Cloyd, born December 7, 1834, died November 11, 1837; an unnamed son, April 23, 1836 who lived eight days; Mary Elizabeth, born May 17, 1837, died December 14, 1837; James Randal, born August 15, 1838, died September 4, 1861; Sarah McGavock, born November 5, 1839, died March 9, 1891; Joseph Gordon, born March 22, 1841, died July 15, 1886; David Fenton, born May 17, 1844, died October 18, 1878. David F. Kent lived at the Springfield property and ran businesses with a Thomas Miller. He was reputed to have been an entertaining storyteller. David Fenton Kent died on January 28, 1850. Elizabeth Cloyd Kent outlived him by nineteen years, dying February 7, 1869.

James Randal Kent and Mary Cloyd Kent moved to Buchanan's Bottom and lived at first in the old Trigg house. Later, they built Kentland mansion, which stands to this day. Together James and Mary had five daughters, Elizabeth Cloyd, born 1819, Sarah James, born 1822, Mary Louisa, born 1824, Cynthia, born 1827, and Margaret Gordon, born 1840. James Randal Kent was an enslaver, prominent landowner, and successful farmer. He also held several minor public offices including Sheriff of Montgomery County from 1822 to 1823, he also served as a Justice and a land surveyor. Throughout the 1830s and 1840s, James Randal Kent bought up land, he owned around 8000 acres in 1860. In 1855, construction began on a resort at Montgomery White Sulphur Springs, a hotel that later served as a hospital during the American Civil War. In 1860, James Randal Kent became a founder of the Preston and Olin Institute, a Methodist school in Blacksburg that was the predecessor to present day Virginia Tech. He was among the wealthiest men in Montgomery County with an estimated wealth of \$196,000. Kent was a staunch supporter of the Confederacy, he enslaved more than 100 people at the start of the war. He served as an organizer for the Confederate Army, as well as a supplier of foodstuffs, providing grain and beef to the Confederate Army all the way up to the day Lee surrendered at Appomattox. Though Kentland survived the war, many barns and out-buildings were burned, including the plantation office with the majority of James Kent's personal papers, and in 1867 his land was valued at 41% less than it had been in 1860. James Randal Kent died on May 29, 1867.

Sarah James Kent, daughter of James Randal Kent, married Francis Bell, a cattle buyer from Staunton, in 1855. Together Sarah and Francis had four surviving children: twin sons, James Randal Kent Bell and Samuel Hays Bell in 1858, a daughter, Mary Louisa Bell in 1861, and Francis "Frank" Bell in 1864. They built a home on the land in Pulaski given to Sarah by her father. They lived at Mountain Home until the mid-1870s, when in 1872 Francis Bell purchased land from the Darsts and the Cloyds, their new home, Rockwood, was built c. 1876.

The four Bell children were well educated and all attended college for some period of time. Public schools were non-existent at this time, so a governess, Mary Eliza Sedgewick taught them while they lived at Mountain Home. James Randal Kent and Samuel Hays Bell both attended Washington College in Lexington from 1875 to 1877. Mary Louisa Bell went to Mary Baldwin College in Staunton. Frank Bell attended the Virginia Polytechnic Institute before transferring to the Virginia Military Institute and graduating with the class of 1885.

Sarah James Kent Bell died in April of 1884; Francis Bell followed her nine years later in 1893. In their will, all their land and properties were to be divided by the four children as they saw fit. James Randal Kent Bell received the Mountain Home properties, Samuel inherited the land in Augusta County, and Rockwood was split between Frank Bell and Mary Louisa Bell.

James Randal Kent Bell married three times. His first wife was Maria L. Sedgwick, the daughter of their governess, Mary Eliza Sedgewick, Maria died shortly after the birth of their daughter, Mary Peck Bell. His second wife was Lida Howell Whitsett, Lida died in January of 1902. Together they had five children, Amelia Louise, Elizabeth Kent, Sarah Frances, James, and Francis Joseph. The name of James R. K. Bell's third wife is unknown. All of his children were born at Mountain Home and grew up there.

Samuel Hays Bell married Bessie Arbuthnot on May 18, 1893. Together they had four daughters, Sarah James, Elizabeth, Mary Lou, and Margaret. They lived in Staunton on the land inherited from Francis Bell. Samuel Bell died in Staunton on June 26, 1903.

Mary Louisa Bell married Dr. Kent Black at Rockwood November 14, 1894. Dr. Black graduated from the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College in 1875, he worked as physician and surgeon at the school until 1890. Dr. Black died in 1909, following his death Mary Louisa Bell Black moved back to Pulaski to live with her family, she died at Rockwood December 12, 1943.

Frank Bell married Ellen Gordan Kent, the granddaughter of David Fenton Kent, in 1889. They had eight children: Sarah Kent Bell born September 28, 1890, Gordon Cloyd Bell born January 16, 1892, Ellen Howe

Bell born February 12, 1893, Francis Bell born August 16, 1894, Mary Lou Bell born July 1, 1896, Elizabeth Cloyd Bell born September 7, 1897, Samuel Hays Bell born May 16, 1901, and Agnes McGavock Bell born September 1, 1905. Frank Bell worked in the cattle business just like his father and grandfather, he was an accomplished business man and over the years he bought up the rest of the Rockwood property from his sister, Mary Louisa Bell Black. He died at Rockwood on December 21, 1939, just a few months after the celebration of his fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Frank Bell's son, Gordon Cloyd Bell married Mary Eliza Withrow on November 16, 1918. They had four sons, Edgar Withrow Bell, Gordon Cloyd Bell Jr., David Kent Bell, and Andrew Mathews Bell. Gordon Bell Sr. was a farmer and overseer of farm lands, he also served as the President of the Bank of Dublin. Mary Withrow Bell died September 30, 1938. Gordon Cloyd Sr. then married Lucy Preston King in October of 1942, they lived for a time in Phoenix, Arizona where Gordon Cloyd Bell Sr. died in 1965.

Edgar Withrow Bell, the eldest son of Gordon Cloyd and Mary Withrow Bell was born on October 27, 1919. He grew up in Dublin and attended Lees-McCrea College in North Carolina. He wrote articles about music trends and opened "The Record Bar" at Wysor Electric Appliance Co. in Dublin. He also served as a postal worker in Arlington where he died in November of 1971.

Gordon Cloyd Bell Jr. was born in Dublin on May 13, 1921. He was a farmer and overseer of the Withrow and Bell lands in Pulaski County, VA. He also served on the board of the Bank of Dublin. He attended the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and Furman College before entering the armed services in January of 1943 and served with the Black Panther Division during World War II. Gordon Cloyd Bell Jr. died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound in September of 1967.

David Kent Bell was born in Dublin on April 5, 1925. David attended the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and graduated with the Class of 1949. He also served in the armed services during World War II. He married Beverly Ann Gould from Baltimore, together they had two children: Sheri Lynn Bell born April 30, 1957 and James Gordon Bell born March 3, 1959. David Kent and Beverly Gould divorced and he married Helga Lewandowski. David Kent Bell died January 26, 2003.

Andrew Mathews Bell was born in Dublin on July 14, 1932. He died October 26, 1948.

Ellen Howe Bell was born February 12, 1893. She attended Mary Baldwin College. Ellen married Orrin Rankin Magill on September 30, 1915. Through the National YMCA, they moved to China where they lived for many years. Upon retiring, they moved to Blacksburg where they often entertained Chinese students attending Virginia Tech. Ellen Howe Bell Magill was elected the 1962 Mother of the Year in Blacksburg. She died January 19, 1968.

In 1918, Gordon Cloyd Bell married Mary Eliza Withrow. She was the granddaughter of James W. Withrow of Greenbrier County. James Withrow was born in Lewisburg, in what is now West Virginia, on October 23, 1818. Though not a licensed attorney he served as a judge and for many years, the Master Commissioner of the Circuit Court. He also represented the county in the state legislature where he served on the Judiciary Committee. He married Mary Jane Kincaid and had two sons, Edgar Daingerfield Withrow and Heber K. Withrow, and three daughters, Mrs. Helen Feamster, Miss Mary J. Withrow, and Mrs. Lucy Withrow Montgomery. James Withrow died June 26, 1901.

Edgar Daingerfield Withrow was born December 9, 1845. He married Mary See Renick on November 3, 1886. Edgar served in the Civil War as a member of Confederate company E of the 14th Virginia Cavalry. Edgar was captured at Berryville in 1864 and spent the end of the war at Camp Chare in Ohio. Following the War, Edgar went into business with his father, and later ran his own business selling agricultural implements. Together with Mary Renick, he had six daughters and one son: Mary Mathews Withrow, born September 16, 1887, died October 3, 1892; Annie Primrose Withrow, born January 26, 1889, died June 16, 1982; Mary Eliza Withrow, born November 29, 1892, died September 29, 1938; Helen Cameron Withrow, born January 9, 1895, died July 25, 1903; Letitia Renick Withrow, born July 1, 1897, died December 24, 1922; Geraldine Withrow, born August 1, 1901, died July 8, 1902; Edgar D. Withrow Jr., born July 8, 1903, died October 2, 1913. The Withrows moved to Pulaski County sometime around 1910. Edgar Withrow died March 9, 1926 and Mary Renick Withrow died January 7, 1929.

Annie P. Withrow never married. She was very close with her nephews, Edgar, Gordon, David and Andrew Bell, and much of their correspondence was written to her. She attended the Lewisburg Female Institute beginning in 1907. Annie Withrow died in June of 1982.

Letitia R. Withrow was born July 1, 1897. She moved with her family to Dublin and graduated from Dublin High School. She then attended Stonewall Jackson College in Abingdon until the school burned in 1914. She then entered Hollins College in Roanoke, VA, following graduation she became a special student of voice under Professor A. Y. Cornell of New York for two years. In 1919, she took a job as Assistant Voice Teacher at Greenville Women's College in Greenville, South Carolina. She taught there for two years, and one year at Annville College in Annville, Pennsylvania. She left Annville College to return to New York in order to resume her training with Professor Cornell in preparation for a singing career. Shortly thereafter she returned home, where she died from influenza on December 24, 1922.

Scope and Content

The Bell, Kent, Cloyd, Withrow Family Collection spans the dates 1780 to 1998. The collection contains the papers and business records of four prominent families from Montgomery County and Pulaski County, Virginia and Greenbrier County, West Virginia. Also included are documents relating to numerous other individuals and families from across Southwest Virginia and Southern West Virginia. Documents include correspondence, land deeds and warrants, as well as financial records including debt statements, receipts, account statements, and money orders. The collection is divided into thirteen major series: Gordon Cloyd Bell Sr. Papers, Edgar Withrow Bell Papers, Gordon Cloyd Bell Jr. Papers, David Kent Bell Papers, Bell Family Papers, James Withrow Papers, Edgar D. Withrow Papers, Annie P. Withrow Papers, Withrow Family Papers, Kent Family Papers, Cloyd Family Papers, Other Family Papers, and Other Materials.

Series I: Gordon Cloyd Bell Sr. Papers: This series spans the years 1917 to 1962 and includes personal correspondence to and from Gordon Cloyd Bell Sr. as well as business correspondence and materials from Bell's time as the President of the Bank of Dublin in Dublin, VA. The series also contains bank statements from 1940 to 1941.

Series II: Edgar Withrow Bell Papers: This series contains materials dating from 1919 to 1970, including a birth certificate for Edgar W. Bell. The papers are mainly personal in nature. There is extensive correspondence, dating from 1934 to 1970 as well as a scrapbook and some newspaper clippings. There is a limited amount of Edgar Bell's financial records including bank statements dating from 1942 to 1945.

Series III: Gordon Cloyd Bell Jr. Papers: these papers date from 1921 to 1967. These papers include a birth certificate and academic records, as well as, land deeds, tax documents, and financial records. Also included are materials from Gordon Bell Jr.'s time in the military including correspondence from the time of his service in World War II. World War II materials also include a "Save Conduct Leaflet." These leaflets were air dropped in Western Europe by Allied forces in order to aid in the surrender of German Soldiers, the leaflet in this collection was most likely the version distributed from December 1944 through April 1945, it contains both English and German text.

Series IV: David Kent Bell Papers: These papers date from 1925 to 1978. They range in scope from David Bell's birth certificate and education records to financial records and insurance documents. Also included is correspondence, some of which dates from David Bell's service in World War II. Also from this period are military documents dating from 1943 to 1948.

Series V: Bell Family Papers: This series is composed for documents from various members of the Bell family including James Bell, Mary Withrow Bell, Andrew Bell, Francis Bell, and Ellen Howe Bell Magill. These items range in date from 1834 to 1967. They include financial records for James Bell, along with correspondence from Mary Withrow Bell, Andrew Bell, and Ellen Howe Bell Magill. This series also contains information regarding the settlement of the estates of both Francis Bell and Mary Withrow Bell.

Series VI: James Withrow Papers: This series contains material ranging in date from 1848 to 1910. The bulk of the material in this series is financial records for James Withrow's business in agriculture, including contracts, correspondence, checks, receipts, money orders, debt statements, and account statements. Also present are documents relating to the settlement of James Withrow's estate.

Series VII: Edgar D. Withrow Papers: This series spans the dates 1864 through 1936. Included in this series are personal items including correspondence from Edgar Withrow's time as a Confederate Prisoner of War. Also included are records from the Greenbrier Light Infantry Grays of which Edgar Withrow was a member. The majority of this series is composed of financial records and business records from Edgar Withrow's business as an agricultural implements salesman.

Series VIII: Annie Primrose Withrow Papers: These papers consist of personal correspondence and items dating from 1889 to 1981, including land deeds and other legal documents as well as a 1908 "Greenbrier" yearbook from the Lewisburg Female Institute.

Series IX: The Withrow Family Papers: This series spans from 1870 to 1941, it contains materials from members of the Withrow family including business records from various businesses run by James Withrow and his son, Edgar, in addition to this are papers from Heber K. Withrow, Mary Renick Withrow, Helen Withrow, Mary E. Withrow, Mary J. Withrow, Letitia Withrow, and papers from Withrow Place as well as the Withrow Tourist Home.

Series X: The Kent Family Papers: This series includes materials dating from 1814 to 1881. The series includes the correspondence and financial records of two prominent Southwest Virginia landowners, James Randal Kent and David Fenton Kent.

Series XI: The Cloyd Family Papers: The Cloyd family papers include correspondence and financial records for Gordon, Mary, and James Cloyd. Also included are several land surveys done by Gordon Cloyd, a land surveyor for Southwest Virginia. These materials date from 1792 to 1866.

Series XII: Other Family Papers: This series is composed of land warrants and deeds, financial records, and

personal correspondence from numerous individuals and families from Southwest Virginia and what is now, Southern West Virginia. These materials range in date from 1780 to 1998 and are divided into two categories, those materials sorted by individual or family and items organized by category.

Series XIII: Other Materials: This series is composed of magazines, booklets, brochures, and photographs that could not be identified as belonging to any one person or family. The series spans the dates 1901 through 1997.

Related Archival Materials

A listing of individuals and families in the Biographical Vertical Files at Virginia Tech Special Collections and University Archives is available online, but files of particular interest may include:

- Bentley family (related to the Cloyd, Kent, and McGavock families)--this file contains a 2014 update to: Robert Gray's *The McGavock Family. A Genealogical History of James McGavock and His Descendants from 1760 to 1903*. Richmond: W.E. Jones, 1903. CS 71 .M144 1903 (copies in Special Collections and University Archives and Newman Library). The 2014 update is also available online.
- Kent

See the following materials related to these families, which are also at Virginia Tech Special Collections and University Archives:

Black, Kent, and Apperson Family Papers, Ms1974-003

James Randal Kent Papers, Ms1987-031

Elizabeth Kent Adams Papers, Ms1990-045

"Whitethorne Photographs of Kentland for Margaret K. Cowan" Photograph Album, Ms2021-020

Francis Bell Letter, Ms2024-088

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Arrangement

The collection is arranged into series corresponding to the creators. Each series arranged by type of material and then placed in chronological order.

Series I: Gordon Cloyd Bell, Sr. Papers, 1917-1962

Series II: Edgar Withrow Bell Papers, 1919-1970

Series III: Gordon Cloyd Bell, Jr. Papers, 1921-1967

Series IV: David Kent Bell Papers, 1925-1978

Series V: Bell Family Papers, 1834-1841

Series VI: James Withrow Papers, 1848-1910

Series VII: Edgar D. Withrow Papers, 1864-1936

Series VIII: Annie Withrow Papers, 1889-1981

Series IX: Withrow Family Papers, 1870-1941

Series X: Kent Family Papers, 1814-1881

Series XI: Cloyd Family Papers, 1792-1866

Series XII: Other Family Papers, 1780-1998

Series XIII: Other Materials, 1901-1997

Description of Subordinate Components

Series I: Gordon Cloyd Bell, Sr. Papers

Unit Date 1917-1962

Personal Items and Correspondence

Unit Date 1919-1953

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Container 1 (folder)

Business Correspondence

Unit Date 1927-1945

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Bank of Dublin - Newspaper Clippings and Correspondence

Unit Date 1945-1962

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Bank of Dublin - Ledger

Unit Date January 1919-April 1939

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Receipts and Bills

Unit Date 1918-1949

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Container 5 (folder)

Bank Records

Unit Date 1917-1942

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Container 6 (folder)

Bank Statements

Unit Date 1940-1941

Unit Date January 1940

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Unit Date February 1940

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Unit Date March 1940

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Unit Date December 1941

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Series II: Edgar Withrow Bell Papers

Unit Date 1919-1970

Birth Certificate and Baby Record

Unit Date 1919-1925

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Container 16 (folder)

Education - Certificates, Report Cards, and Transcripts

Unit Date 1927-1939

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 17 (folder)

Journal

Unit Date 1928

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Container 1 (folder)

Correspondence To

Unit Date October 1934-August 1970

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Container 2 (folder)

Correspondence From

Unit Date June-October 1937

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Container 3 (folder)

Scrapbook

Unit Date 1935-1936

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Newspaper Clippings

Unit Date 1947

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Bank Statement

Unit Date January 1942

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Bank Statement

Unit Date May 1942

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Bank Statement

Unit Date July 1942

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Bills and Receipts

Unit Date 1942-1970

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Bank Statement

Unit Date March 1945

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Series III: Gordon Cloyd Bell, Jr. Papers

Unit Date 1921-1967

Personal Items - Birth Certificate, Brochures, and Newspaper Clippings

Unit Date 1921-1967

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Container 11 (folder)

Education - Report Cards, Applications, and Graduation Announcements

Unit Date 1928-1942

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Container 12 (folder)

Correspondence To

Unit Date 1938-1948

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Correspondence From

Unit Date 1962-1967, n.d.

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Pilot Logs**Unit Date** 1941-1964**box-folder** 3 (box)**Container** 16 (folder)**Pilot Rating Book and Field Manuals****Unit Date** 1941-1943**box-folder** 3 (box)**Container** 17 (folder)**Patriotic Booklets****Unit Date** 1942**box-folder** 4 (box)**Container** 1 (folder)**Military Documents****Unit Date** 1943-1945**box-folder** 4 (box)**Container** 2 (folder)**Safe Conduct Leaflet****Unit Date** version distributed December 1944-April 1945**box-folder** 4 (box)**Container** 3 (folder)**40,000 Black Panthers of the 66th Division****Unit Date** c.1945**box-folder** 4 (box)**Container** 4 (folder)**Bank Statements and Bills****Unit Date** 1942-1965**box-folder** 4 (box)**Container** 5 (folder)**Land Deeds and Legal Documents****Unit Date** 1951-1963**box-folder** 4 (box)**Container** 6 (folder)**Tax Documents****Unit Date** 1957-1962**box-folder** 4 (box)**Container** 7 (folder)**Personal Items****Unit Date** n.d.**box** 12**Series IV: David Kent Bell Papers****Unit Date** 1925-1978

Personal Items - Birth Certificate, Identifications, Pamphlets, and Newspaper Clippings

Unit Date 1925-1955

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Education - Report Cards, Tests, and Programs

Unit Date 1932-1946

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Container 9 (folder)

Correspondence To

Unit Date October 1938-January 1944

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Container 10 (folder)

Correspondence To

Unit Date April 1945-August 1946

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Container 11 (folder)

Correspondence From

Unit Date October 1943-October 1945

box-folder 4 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Military Documents

Unit Date 1943-1945

box-folder 4 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Military Documents

Unit Date 1946-1948

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Diplomas and Certificates

Unit Date 1944-1978

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Financial Records - Receipts

Unit Date 1943-1961

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Insurance Documents

Unit Date 1947-1959

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Series V: Bell Family Papers

Unit Date 1834-1841

James Bell - Bills of Sale

Unit Date 1834-1841

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Container 5 (folder)

Mary Withrow Bell - Correspondence

Unit Date March 27, 1917-November 8, 1918

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Mary Withrow Bell - Correspondence

Unit Date December 1918-March 1937, n.d.

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Container 7 (folder)

Mary Withrow Bell - Bank Statements and Receipts

Unit Date 1925-1933

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Container 8 (folder)

Mary Withrow Bell and Annie Withrow - Land Deeds and Surveys

Unit Date 1929-1934

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Mary Withrow Bell Estate

Unit Date c.1938-1942

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Andrew Bell - Birth Certificate and Report Cards

Unit Date 1932, 1939-1941

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Andrew Bell - Correspondence

Unit Date 1941-1943

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Francis Bell (1864-1939) Estate

Unit Date 1939-1942

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Container 13 (folder)

Francis Bell (1864-1939) Estate

Unit Date n.d.

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Ellen Howe Bell Magill and Family - Newspaper Clippings, Programs, and Correspondence

Unit Date 1957-1969

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Bell Family

Unit Date 1938-1941

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Container 10 (folder)

Series VI: James Withrow Papers

Unit Date 1848-1910

Contracts, Correspondence, and Newspaper Clippings

Unit Date 1848-1899

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Container 16 (folder)

Checks and Receipts

Unit Date 1853-1904

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Container 17 (folder)

Money Orders, Debt Statements, Account Books and Statements

Unit Date 1859-1901

box-folder 5 (box)

Container 18 (folder)

Estate

Unit Date 1901-1910

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Series VII: Edgar D. Withrow Papers

Unit Date 1864-1936

Personal Correspondence

Unit Date 1864-1899, n.d.

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Greenbrier Light Infantry Grays

Unit Date 1878-1882

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

"This Wedded Life"

Unit Date 1886

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Financial Records

Financial Records

Unit Date 1873-1936

Statements of Debt

Unit Date 1873-1912

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Receipts

Unit Date 1876-1898

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Receipts

Unit Date 1900-1913

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Bank of Lewisburg Account Books

Unit Date 1877-1904

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Checks

Unit Date 1879-1902

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Contracts and Legal Documents

Unit Date 1880-1906

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Tax Payments

Unit Date 1881-1914

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Land Deeds

Unit Date December 1881-September 1915

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Account Statements

Unit Date 1881-1923

box-folder 6 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Correspondence

Unit Date 1882-1902

box-folder 7 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Correspondence**Unit Date** 1904-1911, n.d.**box-folder** 7 (box)**Container** 2 (folder)**Money Orders****Unit Date** 1884-1892**box-folder** 7 (box)**Container** 3 (folder)**Account Booklets****Unit Date** 1884-1892**box-folder** 7 (box)**Container** 4 (folder)**Insurance Documents****Unit Date** 1885-1914**box-folder** 7 (box)**Container** 5 (folder)**Agricultural Implement Sales****Unit Date** 1889-1892**box-folder** 7 (box)**Container** 6 (folder)**Product Information and Lists****Unit Date** 1893, n.d.**box-folder** 7 (box)**Container** 7 (folder)**Checkbooks****Unit Date** 1893-1895**box-folder** 7 (box)**Container** 8 (folder)**Checkbooks****Unit Date** 1896-1897**box-folder** 7 (box)**Container** 9 (folder)**Checkbooks****Unit Date** 1898-1906**box-folder** 7 (box)**Container** 10 (folder)**Ledger Books****Unit Date** 1893-1918**box-folder** 7 (box)**Container** 11 (folder)

Ledger Books**Unit Date** 1928-1936, n.d.**box-folder** 8 (box)**Container** 1 (folder)**Bank of Radford Statements****Unit Date** April 1898-1899**box-folder** 8 (box)**Container** 2 (folder)**State Personal Property Interrogatories****Unit Date** 1900-1914**box-folder** 8 (box)**Container** 3 (folder)**Estate****Unit Date** 1927**box-folder** 8 (box)**Container** 4 (folder)**Journal****Unit Date** 1883-1890**box** 17**Series VIII: Annie Withrow Papers****Unit Date** 1889-1981**Personal Items****Unit Date** 1889-1973**box-folder** 8 (box)**Container** 5 (folder)**"The Greenbrier"****Unit Date** 1908**box-folder** 8 (box)**Container** 6 (folder)**Personal Correspondence****Unit Date** 1928-1945**box-folder** 8 (box)**Container** 7 (folder)**Personal Correspondence****Unit Date** 1946-1970, n.d.**box-folder** 8 (box)**Container** 8 (folder)**Land Deeds and Legal Documents****Unit Date** 1929-1969**box-folder** 8 (box)**Container** 9 (folder)

Guest Book

Unit Date 1978-1981

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Series IX: Withrow Family Papers

Unit Date 1870-1941

James Withrow and Son - Money Orders and Debt Statements

Unit Date 1870-1893

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

James Withrow and Son - Account Booklets and Statements

Unit Date 1873-1893

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

James Withrow and Son - Receipts

Unit Date 1880-1895

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Withrow and Cary - Business Records

Unit Date 1873

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Hudson and Withrow - Business Records

Unit Date 1873-1875

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Heber K. Withrow - Business Records

Unit Date 1885-1897

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Mary Renick Withrow

Unit Date 1888-1915

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Withrow Family - Financial Records

Unit Date 1889-1911

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Helen Withrow

Unit Date July 25, 1903

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Mary E. Withrow - Report Cards, Certificates, and "Appletons' Standard Elementary Geography"

Unit Date 1903-1911

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Mary J. Withrow

Unit Date 1905-1910

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Letitia Withrow

Unit Date 1909-1920

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Withrow Place

Unit Date 1914-1989

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Letters from "Withrow Tourist Home"

Unit Date 1929-1941

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 15 (folder)

Withrow Family - Newspaper Clippings

Unit Date n.d.

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

Ledger - James Withrow and Son

Unit Date 1873-1888

box 16

Withrow Family

Unit Date 1854-1934

box-folder 18 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Withrow Family - Education

Unit Date 1909-1912

box-folder 18 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Unit Date 1814-1881

James Randal Kent - Correspondence

Unit Date September 1814-February 20, 1881

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 17 (folder)

James Randal Kent - Land Surveys

Unit Date March 1815

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 18 (folder)

James Randal Kent - Debt Statements and Receipts

Unit Date 1816-1857

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 19 (folder)

James Randal Kent - Contracts and Agreements

Unit Date 1817-1842

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 20 (folder)

James Randal Kent - Account Statements

Unit Date September 1829-May 20, 1850

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 21 (folder)

James Randal Kent - Land Warrants

Unit Date March 31, 1840, July 29, 1840

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 22 (folder)

David Fenton and James Randal Kent Partnerships

Unit Date 1838

box-folder 9 (box)

Container 23 (folder)

David Fenton Kent - Receipts and Debt Statements

Unit Date 1820-1850, n.d.

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

David Fenton Kent - Legal and Military Documents

Unit Date 1830-1846

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

David Fenton Kent - Correspondence

Unit Date 1840-1849

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

David Fenton Kent - Account Statements

Unit Date 1841-1849

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

David F. Kent and Thomas Miller - Account Statements and Money Orders

Unit Date 1849, n.d.

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

David F. Kent and Thomas Miller Daybook

Unit Date February-November 1849

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Letter to "Missis Kents" and Joseph Kent - Account Statements

Unit Date 1816, April 27, 1851

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Daybook - Springfield

Unit Date 1803-1851

box 13

Ledger - David Fenton Kent

Unit Date 1840-1845

box 14

Journal - David Fenton Kent

Unit Date 1842-1845

box 15

David Fenton Kent

Unit Date 1838-c.1847

box-folder 18 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Series XI: Cloyd Family Papers

Unit Date 1792-1866

Gordon Cloyd - Land Surveys

Unit Date April 5, 1792-March 8, 1827

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Gordon Cloyd - Correspondence

Unit Date 1794-1830

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Gordon Cloyd - Receipts and Land Transfers

Unit Date August 29, 1795-January 12, 1825

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Gordon Cloyd - Account and Debt Statements

Unit Date 1822-1831

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Mary Cloyd - Account Statement

Unit Date 1813

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

James M. Cloyd - Debt Statements and Receipts

Unit Date 1855-1866

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

James M. Cloyd - Account Statements

Unit Date 1861-1866

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

James M. Cloyd - Confederate Military Materials

Unit Date 1862

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 15 (folder)

James M. Cloyd - Correspondence

Unit Date January 23, 1863

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

Joseph L. Cloyd - Land Patent

Unit Date n.d.

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 17 (folder)

Cloyd Family

Unit Date 1824-1862

box-folder 10 (box)

Container 18 (folder)

Gordon Cloyd - Correspondence

Unit Date 1793-1821

box-folder 18 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Series XII: Other Family Papers

Unit Date 1780-1998

James McCorkle**Unit Date** 1785-1899**box-folder** 10 (box)**Container** 19 (folder)**Preston Family****Unit Date** 1787-1841**box-folder** 10 (box)**Container** 20 (folder)**James Watson - Land Deed****Unit Date** 1796**box-folder** 10 (box)**Container** 21 (folder)**James Montgomery - Will****Unit Date** 1808**box-folder** 10 (box)**Container** 22 (folder)**Mathews Family****Unit Date** 1809-1872**box-folder** 10 (box)**Container** 23 (folder)**Wygall Family - Deeds****Unit Date** 1817-1844**box-folder** 10 (box)**Container** 24 (folder)**Brotherhood Family****Unit Date** 1823-1830**box-folder** 11 (box)**Container** 1 (folder)**James W. Shields****Unit Date** 1843-1845**box-folder** 11 (box)**Container** 2 (folder)**Renick Family****Unit Date** 1852-1902**box-folder** 11 (box)**Container** 3 (folder)**Estate of Virginia Woodson****Unit Date** 1870-1899**box-folder** 11 (box)**Container** 4 (folder)

J.T. Trollinger - "Some Recollections of an Old Confederate"

Unit Date n.d.

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Larken Cleaveland - Poem

Unit Date n.d.

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Bell and Withrow Family Photographs

Unit Date n.d.

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Wygall Family

Unit Date 1824-1852

box-folder 18 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Land Warrants

Unit Date 1780-1813

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Land Sales and Surveys

Unit Date 1783-1876

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Correspondence

Unit Date 1785-1899

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Will

Unit Date September 1790

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Receipts

Unit Date 1803-1888

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Regimental Orders

Unit Date 1812-1818

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Regimental Listings - 86th Virginia

Unit Date April 29, 1816

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Debt and Claim Listings

Unit Date 1817-1837

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 15 (folder)

Legal Documents

Unit Date 1817-1902

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

Tax Payments

Unit Date 1822-1913

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 17 (folder)

Account Statements and Work Counts

Unit Date 1824-1891

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 18 (folder)

Debt Statements

Unit Date 1870-1897

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 19 (folder)

Wedding Announcements and Obituaries

Unit Date 1889-1998

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 20 (folder)

Newspaper Clippings

Unit Date 1939-1976, n.d.

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 21 (folder)

Land Surveys and Deeds

Unit Date 1783-1882

box-folder 18 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Other Materials - Photo of Confederate Memorial, Estate Listing of James Montgomery, Thompson Family Agreement, and Memorandum of Debts

Unit Date 1808-1906

box-folder 18 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Regimental Listings for the 35th, 75th, 86th, and 108th Virginia Regiments

Unit Date 1816-1819

box-folder 18 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Maps

Unit Date 1929-1989

box-folder 18 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Series XIII: Other Materials

Unit Date 1901-1997

Women's Magazines

Unit Date 1901-1914

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 22 (folder)

Presbyterian Church Publications

Unit Date 1914-1973

box-folder 11 (box)

Container 23 (folder)

Programs and Brochures

Unit Date 1919-1954

box-folder 12 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

New Dublin Presbyterian Church - Church Booklets

Unit Date 1939-1997

box-folder 12 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Virginia Polytechnic Institute - Booklets

Unit Date 1942-1949

box-folder 12 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Railroad Brochures

Unit Date 1944

box-folder 12 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

New Dublin Presbyterian Church - Newspaper Clippings and Photographs

Unit Date 1959-1962

box-folder 12 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Unidentified Ledger Pages**Unit Date** n.d.**box-folder** 12 (box)**Container** 6 (folder)**Farming Books****Unit Date** n.d.**box-folder** 12 (box)**Container** 7 (folder)**Unidentified Photographs (2 folders)****Unit Date** n.d.**box-folder** 12 (box)**Container** 8-9 (folder)