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Hatfield family

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## Scope and Contents

Papers and artifacts of the Hatfield family of southwest West Virginia, as compiled by their descendants. Best

known for the Hatfield and McCoy feud during the late 19th century, this collection is connected to Devil "Anse" Hatfield, his wife Louvisa Hatfield, and four of their 13 children: Elias, Tennyson ("Tennis"), Joseph Davis ("J.D."), and Detroit ("Troy"). The most common types of materials found in the collection are newspaper clippings, correspondence, photographs, and later academic writings on the Hatfield and McCoy feud. To complement the archival material, biographical and online print outs have been included in the collection by the donor. When possible, we have kept the original order of photographs, newspaper clippings, and correspondence. Most of the content is regarding the everyday life of the Hatfields and their extended family, including the children's experiences working for the Pocahontas Coal Company, holiday and greeting cards, delinquent account notices, and land deeds.

Record Series include

Series 1. Correspondence, 1894-2000, undated.

Series 2. Legal and Financial Documents, 1872- 1983, undated.

Series 3. Printed Material, 1897-2019, undated.

Series 4. Photographs, ca. 1900-1940, undated.

Series 5. Oversized Materials, 1824-1995, undated.

Series 6. Artifacts, 1928-2003, undated.

## **Keywords**

Hatfield-McCoy Feud

Hatfield family

Hatfield, Devil Anse, 1839-1921

Hatfield, Louvisa, 1842-1929

## **Description of Subordinate Components**

## Series 1. Correspondence

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176902

**Unit Date** 1894-2000, undated

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

### Scope and Contents

Majority of content is correspondence between Anse and Louvisa Hatfield and their children. Most are from Elias, J.D., Troy, and Tennis Hatfield while they were away working at Pocahontas Coal Company. Content is mainly regarding family updates, although there are some sympathy letters regarding the deaths of Elias and Troy in 1911. Also included in the series is a folder of supplemental printouts regarding the history of the Hatfield and McCoy feud and Hatfield genealogy, along with a folder containing newspapers and newspaper clippings. More detailed information on correspondents is available on request or in the control folder.

### Hatfield Correspondence

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**Unit Date** 1894-1925

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 1-22 (Folder)

### Keywords

Hatfield-McCoy Feud

## Hatfield Correspondence

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**Unit Date** undated

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 23 (Folder)

## Supplemental Information

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176913

**Unit Date** 2000s

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 24 (Folder)

## Clippings

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176915

**Unit Date** 1978-1999, undated

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 25 (Folder)

## Series 2. Legal and Financial Documents

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176903

**Unit Date** 1872-1983, undated

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)

**Container** 1-9 (Folder)

### Scope and Contents

Includes grocery receipts, general store receipts, delinquent account notices, circuit court documents, checks, and land deeds related to Anse and Louvisa Hatfield. Notable documents are related to Louvisa Hatfield and J.C. Williamson, regarding land disagreements in Mingo county. Also included in this series is a 1983 Logan Banner article regarding Hatfield family history.

### Series 3. Printed Material

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176904

**Unit Date** 1897-2019, undated

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 1-4 (Folder)

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 1-5 (Folder)

#### Scope and Contents

Includes various pamphlets on the Hatfield-McCoy feud, newspaper articles regarding the Hatfields and the Matewan massacre, West Virginia Goldenseal articles, and printed pages from a genealogy website.

Notable contents include a 1920 Logan County Sheriff Election letter from Joe D. Hatfield and the 2003 signed Hatfield-McCoy peace treaty.

#### Keywords

Hatfield-McCoy Feud

#### Pamphlets and Books

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176916

**Unit Date** 1945-1974

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

### **Miscellaneous Articles**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176917

**Unit Date** 1983-2003, undated

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176918

**Unit Date** 1897-2003, undated

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 3, 4 (Folder)

### **Genealogy Materials**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176919

**Unit Date** undated

**Graphic Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 1, 2. (Folder)

### **Miscellaneous Hatfield Information**

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176920

**Unit Date** 2019

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

### **"Peace Treaty" Documents and Postcards**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** [Previous Archival Resource Key](#)

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176921

**Unit Date** 2003

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

#### **Series 4. Photographs**

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176908

**Unit Date** ca. 1900-1940, undated

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)

**Container** 10-11 (Folder)

**Mixed Materials** 3 (Box)

**Mixed Materials** 8 (Box)

#### **Processing Information**

Many of the photographs were originally arranged in scrapbook style albums which were numbered by their creator. For preservation, the original page arrangements of the photographs were scanned, and the photographs were removed.

#### **Scope and Contents**

Includes print photographs (and scans) from photograph albums of Hatfield family members (many with identification), greeting cards, and postcards. Subjects are mostly the children of Louvisa and Anse Hatfield. More detailed information on subjects of the photos is available on request or in the control folder.

#### **Series 5. Oversized Materials**

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176909

**Unit Date** 1842-1995, undated

**Mixed Materials** 11 (Box)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Includes a vintage cloth, newspapers, 1842 Parcel of Land document, and oversized photographs. Notable items include a 1924 "Vote for Tennis Hatfield" poster and an oversized image from Louvisa Hatfield's funeral.

### **Series 6. Artifacts**

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176910

**Unit Date** 1928-2003, undated

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)

**Mixed Materials** 7 (Box)

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Mixed Materials** 10 (Box)

**Mixed Materials** 11 (Box)

### **Scope and Contents**

Includes physical objects belonging to the Hatfield family, many of which belonged to Louvisa Hatfield. Notable artifacts include a vintage teapot and stand, a 1914 military morphine kit, and various trinkets.

### **Red Letter Testament Bible**

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176922

**Unit Date** 1928

**Realia** 5 (Box)

**Container** unfolded (Item)

### **VHS with recording of a Hatfield Family subject**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/180296

**Unit Date** 2003

**Moving Images** 6 (Box)

**Container** unfolded (Item)

**Military Morphine Field Kit**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** [Previous Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176962

**Unit Date** 1914

**Realia** 7 (Box)

**Container** unfolded (Object)

**Vintage Boxes**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** [Previous Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176963

**Unit Date** undated

**Realia** 7 (Box)

**Container** unfolded (Item)

**Louvisa Hatfield Umbrella**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

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**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/176967

**Unit Date** undated

**Realia** 11 (Box)

**Container** unfolded (Item)