

Baylor University . The Texas Collection

Roxie Henderson Collection. Inclusive: 1852-1919, undated, Bulk: 1914-1918, undated

Summary Information

Creator	Henderson, Roxie, d. 1941
Extent (quantity/size)	1 oversized document box.
Language	English; French
Abstract	This collection contains personal items and collected materials of Roxie Henderson. Henderson was a Baylor University graduate who served during World War I as an American Red Cross nurse.

Subjects

Baylor University-- History. / Baylor University-- Alumni and alumnae. / Baylor University-- History-- 20th century. / Baylor University-- History, Military. / World War, 1914-1918 -- United States. / World War, 1914-1918.

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Scope and Content

The Roxie Henderson Collection was acquired as a gift in one transaction from Roxie Henderson in 1940 November 19. This collection's contents begin in 1852 and end in 1919. The Collected Materials series is the largest in the collection.

Administrative/Biographical History

Roxie Henderson was from West, Texas, and attended Baylor University from 1917-1920. In 1920, she received her Bachelor's Degree from Baylor University in education. While at Baylor, Henderson was a very active member of the Baylor student community. She was a participating member and secretary of the Overseas Club for which she hosted numerous meetings and parties in her home.

Henderson also served overseas during World War I as a nurse in the American Expeditionary Forces and as a member of the American Red Cross. During World War I, the American Red Cross experienced phenomenal growth and helped staff hospitals, ambulance companies and provided national and international relief. Throughout the war, more than eighteen thousand Red Cross nurses served in the Army and Navy Nurse Corps.

The majority of Henderson's time overseas was spent in France. While abroad, Henderson stayed in contact with Baylor University through the university's publications, *The Lariat* and *The Daily Lariat*. In her column in the newspaper, she wrote on her experiences overseas, her travels, her time in the Officers' Club, her observations of the troops and her experiences while serving in hospitals. Overall, she spoke highly of her time overseas. Henderson also worked as a traveling representative in France for the vocational education department for disabled soldiers. She was one of twenty-five representatives in France.

Henderson was a wide collector of various items that ranged from autographs of historical figures, postcards dating to the World War I period, and letters with historical signatures. The collection has one letter from William Frederick "Buffalo Bill" Cody and another from Daniel Webster.

Roxie Henderson passed away on 1941 August 8, and is buried in Vaughan Cemetery in Hill County, Texas.

Related Resources

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Archival Arrangement

The Roxie Henderson Collection was not organized prior to this finding aid. All of the items were compiled into one folder. There were two incomplete inventories. Currently, the Roxie Henderson Collection is arranged in two series: I. Personal and II. Collected Materials.

Series 1: Personal. 1887-1888, undated

Administrative/Biographical History

The Personal Series contains the personal items of Roxie Henderson. This includes her autograph book, her bible and a collection of historical signatures. The materials are in good condition.

Item List

Box 1. Folder 1. Personal: Bible, undated
Box 1. Folder 2. Personal: Autograph Book, 1887-1888
Box 1. Folder 3. Personal: Historical Signatures, undated

Series 2: Collected Materials. 1852-1919, undated

Administrative/Biographical History

The Collected Materials Series contains items collected by Roxie Henderson. These items include letters from William Frederick "Buffalo Bill" Cody and Daniel Webster, an American Red Cross pamphlet, World War I era postcards and editions of *The Stars and Stripes* and *The New York Herald*. The materials are in good condition.

Item List

Box 1. Folder 4. Collected Materials: Letters, 1852 and undated
Box 1. Folder 5. Collected Materials: Pamphlets, 1919
Box 1. Folder 6. Collected Materials: Postcards, 1914-1918
Box 1. Folder 7. Collected Materials: Periodical, *The Stars and Stripes*, 1918 December 20
Box 1. Folder 8. Collected Materials: Periodical, *The New York Herald*, 1918 December 14 and 1919 June 7
Box 1. Folder 9. Collected Materials: Periodical, *The Stars and Stripes*, 1919 June 13
Box 1. Folder 10. Collected Materials: Periodical, *The New York Herald*, 1919 June 28