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Harshman/ Snyder Collection
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INTRODUCTION

The papers of the Harshman/ Snyder Collection were donated by Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Holland on April 3, 2003. The papers date from February 26, 1848 to July 6, 1959. The collection fills one box and 48 files and is arranged into six series as follows:

- Series 1: Deeds: Warranty, Quit Claim, Mortgage, Executors, etc.
- Series 2: Deeds pertaining to Masonic Home
- Series 3: Deeds and Right-of-Ways pertaining to railroads
- Series 4: Probate and Common Pleas of Clark County and Hamilton
County
- Series 5: Shares of Stock
- Series 6: Miscellaneous

There are no restrictions on the use of this collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The span years for the Harshman/ Snyder Collection is from February 26, 1848 to July 6, 1959. The bulk of the collection contains deeds and certificates of stock. Other portions of the collection cover a variety of topics, for example, agreements, plat blueprints, court information, surveying statements, lists of deeds, and household goods.

Series 1 is a large series, containing lists of deed and land tracts, surveying and property valuations, and plat blueprints. The deeds date from 1828 to 1944 with 28 files. There is a list of deeds and pages describing land tracts. These do not necessarily match the deeds included here. There are a number of blueprints. They seem to be in the area of West Main Street in Springfield, Ohio. John Knepper has some surveying information that he did for Anna H. Huffman in 1954. Mrs. Dillard had some valuation of properties done in 1959.

The various types of deeds are arranged in chronological order. Most of the deed pertain to members of the Snyder and Harshman families. Other deeds are for Buckles, Hertzler, Cross, Miller, Holcomb, Rothwell, Crabtree, Baker, Bryant and Minnich families.

Series 2 contains deeds that pertain to the Masonic Home. There are two files in this series, one dated 1917 and the other dated 1922. Both deeds seem to refer to the same portion of land.

Series 3 contains deeds pertaining to railroads. There are three railroads mentioned in this series of two files. There is a deed of right of way of D. Hertzler to the Mad River and Lake Erie Railroad in 1849. The folder contains a handwritten deed from the Atlantic and Great Western Railroad Company to John Snyder, David Snyder, and Henry Snyder. The last deed is that of Thomas Conway, Jr. and John C. Durfey, receivers of the Cincinnati and Lake Erie Railroad Company to Mary S. Harshman, August 30, 1941. It is unclear from the deeds whether the companies and tracts of land noted are indeed the same in each transaction with just changes in the name of the railroads.

Series 4 contains four files, but there is no relationship between the contents of each folder. There is a receipt of Mae Harshman from Dade County, Florida. Mae is not mentioned in any of the other papers. The Daniel H. Snyder estate folder deals with land in Clark County, Ohio that was under the management of "Farm Management, Inc." There is a certificate of partition with Charlotte Snyder as plaintiff and Mary S. Harshman as defendant. In the entitled case, partition was made of real estate of which Daniel H. Snyder died seized. The last file deals with the estate of George W. Harshman, Hamilton County, Ohio, 1956, with George P. Huffman, Sr. as co-executor with Provident Savings Bank and Trust Company. There is also a letter to Mrs. James O. Dillard and the Account of Final Distribution of the estate of Betsy Southgate Harshman.

Series 5 contains five files in chronological order. The first two files contain certificates of shares from the Victor Mining Company, Columbus, Ohio, for Frank P. Jackson and

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Jacob L. Sheperd dated 1904. The next file contains a certificate of shares from Victor Mining and Smelting Company, Columbus, Ohio for John S. Harshman, dated 1904. The fourth file has a certificate for shares of Capital Stock of Progressive Production Company issued to George M. Harshman, June, 1920. The last file contains a certificate of shares for Mary S. Harshman from The Huffman Reality Company, Dayton, Ohio, dated January 1, 1923.

Series 6 contains six files in no particular order and covering a variety of topics. The first file has the will of David L. Snyder dated October, 1898. It tells of improving, beautifying, equipping, and maintaining the public Park of Springfield, designated as Snyder Park. David gave \$200,000. to the city, face value of U. S. Registered Government Bonds. The money was to be invested and kept as a separate fund. He also stipulated that uncompensated committees should be formed to guard the principle of the fund and secure its investment. There is a report to Snyder from Katherine Keeler stating that the signature of David L. Snyder on the Last Will and Testament is genuine.

Another file in this series contains a letter from Bowser-Morner Testing Laboratories to George P. Huffman concerning a chemical analysis on the core from the Enon Quarry site dated October 25, 1954. There is a short undated note to "Aunt Din" concerning the analysis of stone.

There is a file containing a statement from The Kinnane Brothers Company to Mrs. Henry Snyder for a cloak, dated 1905.

There is a three-page list of household goods with no name, date, or location attached.

There is a file of newspaper clippings reporting the deaths of John Snyder, J. S. Harshman, and Mrs. Annie Hertzler.

The last file in the series has a letter from H. A. Vivian, tax agent in Miami, Florida, to Mrs. J. S. Harshman, dated 1927 concerning back taxes.

Harshman/ Snyder Collection, Box and File Listing

BOX AND FILE LISTING

Series	File	Description
1	1	List of deeds- Mary S. Harshman et. al. Townships- Bethel, Mad River, Springfield
	2	5 pages describing land tracts from 1 to 15
	3	Plat blueprints for Mary E. Harshman, est. April '52 to November '53/ December 30, '53/ December, '53/ April 9, '55
	4	In acct. with Anna H. Huffman et. al.- surveying by John Knepper, February 4, 1954. Surveying statement from John Knepper to Mr. and Mrs. James Dillard, February 4, 1954
	5	To Mrs. James Dillard- Valuation of property on West Main, July 6, 1959
	6	Hand written deed of William Buckles and wife, Lois, to Lemiel Crawford, August 6, 1828. Recorded August 5, 1922.
	7	Daniel Hertzler & wife, deed to John Crabtree, February 26, 1848
	8	Deed of Transfer of Property- David & Rhoda Cross to John Miller and Charles Cook- September 30, 1857. Then to Adam Baker, John Minnick, and John Snyder
	9	Executor's deed- Peter Sintz, executor of George Albin to Albert Holcomb. Recorded November 20, 1875. Warranty deed from Albert Holcomb, Eliza E. Holcomb to Daniel H. Snyder, July 30, 1896
	10	Quit Claim Deed- David F. Snyder to Mary S. Harshman, January 3, 1899
	11	Quit Claim Deed- Daniel H. Snyder, John Snyder, Catharine Snyder, John S. Snyder, and Mary S. Harshman to Ann H. Snyder, December 15, 1899
	12	Warranty deed from Jonathan S. Harshman to Mary S. Harshman, April 30, 1904
	13	Mortgage from Mary S. Harshman and John. S. Harshman, December 22, 1904
	14	Mortgage deed from Daniel H. Snyder to Mary S. Harshman, June 14, 1906
	15	Warranty deed from L. Ray Snyder and Mabel Snyder to Mary S. Harshman, September 2, 1908
	16	Warranty deed from Mary S. Harshman and John S. Harshman to Daniel H. Snyder, April 16, 1909. Warranty deed from Daniel H. Snyder to Mary S. Harshman, August 17, 1910

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Series	File	Description
1	17	Warranty deed from Anna H. Snyder to Daniel H. Snyder, March 10, 1910 Warranty deed from Anna H. Snyder to Daniel H. Snyder, June 28, 1913
	18	Daniel H. Snyder and Charlotte Snyder to Mary S. Harshman, May 31, 1922
	19	Agreement between John Snyder and Mary S. Harshman, June 1, 1922
	20	Agreement between Daniel H. Snyder, party of the first part, John Snyder, party of the second part, May, 1922 and May 31, 1922. Agreement- Daniel H. Snyder, party of the first part, John Snyder and Mary S. Harshman, party of the second part, May 31, 1922
	21	Warranty deed- Daniel H. Snyder et al. to Mary S. Harshman, May 29, 1922
	22	2 copies of deed and transfer of property, Anna Snyder to Daniel Snyder, 1924
	23	Warranty deed- State of Florida, County of Dade- L. K. Cone and Kate P. Cone and W. H. Bryant, January 6, 1925 Warranty deed from W. H. Bryant to Mary S. Harshman- County of Dade, State of Florida, February 18, 1925
	24	Warranty deed- Mary S. Harshman to Daniel H. Snyder, July 20, 1926
	25	Mortgage- Mary S. Harshman, Virginia Harshman Dillard, Anna S. Huffman, George W. Harshman, January 11, 1934 Release of mortgage- Louisville, KY, March 7, 1946
	26	Five pages- in re: Real estate of Daniel H. Snyder. Last page- Probate Court of Certificate for Transfer of Real Estate of Daniel H. Snyder, December 26, 1940
	27	With Dower Mortgage Deed from Mary S. Harshman et al. to Charlotte Snyder, November 30, 1942
	28	Warranty deed- Mary S. Harshman to Rothwells, October 1944 Letter to Snyder & Snyder Realtors from Raymond H. Rothwell and Marie Agnes Rothwell for property, September 29, 1944
2	1	Letter to Board of Trustees- The Ohio Masonic Home from Mary S. Harshman concerning land, March 26, 1917
	2	Quit claim deed- The Ohio Masonic Home to Mary S. Harshman, November 21, 1922

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Series	File	Description
3	1	D. Hertzler- Right of way to Mad River and Lake Erie Railroad Company in February 14, 1849 The Atlantic and Great Western Railroad Company deed dated June 15, 1865, Recorded 1868
	2	Deed from Thomas Conway, Jr. and John C. Durfey- Receivers of Cincinnati and Lake Erie Railroad Company to Mary S. Harshman, August 30, 1941
4	1	Office of Clerk of Circuit Court, Dade County, Florida 4-29-27, received of Mae Harshman, \$2.13 account of taxes due
	2	Probate Court of Clark County, Ohio- Matter of the Estate of Daniel H. Snyder, decd., April 27, 1942
	3	Certificate of Partition, Court of Common Pleas, Clark Co., Ohio – Charlotte Snyder- plaintiff, against Mary S. Harshman et al, defendant, July 2, 1943
	4	Probate Court- Hamilton County, Ohio- Estate of Betsy Southgate Harshman and George W. Harshman- 1954 Probate Court- Hamilton County, Ohio- Estate of George W. Harshman, 9/57
5	1	Victor Mining Company, Owned by Jacob L. Sheperd, December 5, 1904
	2	Victor Mining Company, Owned by Frank P. Jackson, February 1, 1904 and December 5, 1904
	3	Victor Mining and Smelting Company, Owned by John S. Harshman, April 18, 1906
	4	Certificate for 100 shares of Capital Stock of Progressive Production Company. Issued to George M. Harshman, June 22, 1920
	5	Certificate of 15 shares of (preferred) stock, The Huffman Realty Company, Dayton, Ohio, to Mary S. Harshman, January 1, 1923 Certificate for 7 ½ shares (common) stock, The Huffman Realty Company, Dayton, Ohio to Mary S. Harshman, June 1, 1923
6	1	Wills of David L. Snyder- his signatures- questions concerning same
	2	Bowser-Morner Testing Laboratories to George P. Huffman and a note to Aunt Din, analysis of stone
	3	The Kinnane Bros. Company- Dry Goods. Statement for Mrs. Henry Snyder, November 18, 1905
	4	List of household goods
	5	Undated clippings on the death of John Snyder and J. S. Harshman and Anna Hertzler Snyder

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Series	File	Description
6	6	Letter from H. A. Vivien, tax agent, Miami, Florida, May 2, 1927 to Mrs. J. S. Harshman