

Biographical Category

THE EMORY ARMSTRONG COLLECTION

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The Clark County Historical Society Museum and Archives

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INTRODUCTION

The papers of Emory Armstrong were donated to the Clark County Historical Society by his nephew, Jerry Hartman, in 2003.

The papers date from 1942 and 1943 until his death February 12, 1943. The collection fills two legal size Hollinger boxes, one slim line and one regular and is comprised of 31 file folders. The collection is arranged into four series as follows:

- Series 1: Purple Heart certificates
- Series 2: Letters Home
- Series 3: Miscellaneous
- Series 4: Photographs

There are no restrictions on the use of this collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The span years for this collection are 1942 and 1943. The bulk of the collection concerns the letters written by Private First Class Emory Armstrong to his sisters, Glenna and Bertha. Typically, Bertha's letters were included in the envelopes of letters to Glenna. In addition, there are two extra wartime letters, one to Glenna from her cousin, M. Armstrong, and one to Glenna from Bill Harnberger, a friend. A 1942 postcard from Bertha to Glenna is included in this series. All the letters are contained in Series 2 and are arranged in chronological order.

Emory Armstrong was killed February 12, 1943. He was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in the south Pacific. His certificates are contained in Series 1. One certificate is stored in a file folder, the other is rolled and sits with its mailing tube in the front section of the Hollinger box. His medal is with the three-dimensional collections.

Series 3 contains a postcard, a World War II flyer for war bonds, newspaper clippings, and a memorial booklet and flower cards. The memorial booklet has no name attached to it.

Series 4 consists of two photographs, one of Emory Armstrong in his dress uniform. The other is a black and white photograph of a group of men standing outside a tent. It looks to be a group of cooks.

BOX AND FOLDER LISTING

Series	File	Description
1	1	Purple Heart Certificates (2)
2	1	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 2/23/1942
	2	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 5/21/1942
	3	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 5/27/1942
	4	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 6/22/1942
	5	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 7/5/1942
	6	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 7/9/1942
	7	Letter to Bertha Armstrong 7/9/1942
	8	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 7/15/1942
	9	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 7/18/1942
	10	Letter to Bertha Armstrong 7/18/1942
	11	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 7/26/1942
	12	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 7/31/1942
	13	Letter to Bertha Armstrong 9/1942
	14	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 9/9/1942
	15	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 10/11/1942
	16	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 10/16/1942
	17	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 12/25/1942
	18	Letter to Bertha Armstrong 12/25/1942
	19	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 1/10/1943
	20	Letter to Bertha Armstrong 1/10/1943
	21	Letter to Bertha Armstrong 1/12/1943
	22	Letter to Glenna Armstrong 1/14/1943
	23	Misc. envelopes from box of letters
	24	Letter to Glenna from M. Armstrong 12/17/1942
	25	Letter to Glenna from Harnberger 3/25/1942
	26	Postcard from Bertha to Glenna 7/22/1942
3	1	War Bonds flyer
	2	Newspaper clippings
	3	Memorial book and flower cards
4	1	2 photographs

BOX LIST

Biographical Category – Gish Collection

<u>File #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Biographical information
2	Awards & Honors
3	Misc. news articles
4	Rizer family information (connected to Gish)
5	Letter – Lillian Gish to Mr. & Mrs. Assante (signed) – 23 May 1977
6	Note – Lillian Gish to Brigit Mills (signed) – 1987
7	Reproduction of autographed photo of Lillian Gish
8	Cigarette & other promotional cards of Lillian Gish
9	Postcard – Dorothy Gish in “Mary Ellen Comes to Town”
10	Playing card – Dorothy Gish (5 of Clubs)
	3 videos – “The Birth of a Nation” “The Wind” “Broken Blossoms”
	book – <i>Lillian Gish: The Movies, Mr. Griffith and Me</i> by Lillian Gish with Ann Pinchot

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Keifer Collection- Keifer’s Military Career Box 1

File	Description
1	1864-65 Correspondence to & by another, not Keifer
2	1864 Receipts for issues
3	Rosters of Soldiers and Officers
4	Additional Rosters- Musicians
5	Speeches, memos, letters by Keifer
6	Personal correspondence to Gen. Keifer, 1865
7	Letter from Keifer to an army friend inviting him & John Foos to visit him
8	Reports and Orders, 1864
9	Reports and Orders, 1865
10	U. S. Register, Blue Book, 1865; War Dept. General Orders Book; The State Convention Call by Union Exec. Comm, 1865
11	Civil War song heralding Gen. Keifer fame
12	Society of the Army of the Cumberland 18 th Reunion, 1889
13	Keifer Military Records

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Keifer Collection / Keifer Family
Box 2

File	Description
1	E. H. Keifer- Misc. receipts, money
2	Geo. Keifer- Act for Naturalizing Protestants, 1765
3	Letter to George- 1839
4	Promisory notes- George Keifer estate, 1845
5	Horace Steele Keifer-Letter to Historical Society, 1936
6	H. S. Keifer- Williams College handbooks, 1913-15, constitution, & regulations, 1913
7	H. S. Keifer-Wms. College bulletin, Nov. 1915
8	H. S. Keifer- Graduation, June 25, 1917
9	H. S. Keifer- Wms. College newspapers, 1917
10	H. S. Keifer-Listing of undergraduates, Wms. Inn booklet, souvenir views of Williamstown, MA
11	J. Donnel Keifer- obituary, July 3, 1977
12	John Keifer- bank book 1814-15, used as record of sales, cost, etc.
13	Gen. John Keifer- correspondence, 1831, 1846, statement
14	Joseph Keifer- journal, 1811

15	Joseph Keifer-warranty deed, April 29, 1812
16	Joseph Keifer-road repair, 1824
17	Joseph Keifer-contract for maintenance & care of minor child, 1815
18	Joseph Keifer-list of items purchased July 1818
19	Joseph Keifer-transfer of goods, Nov. 11, 1837
20	Joseph Keifer-school contract
21	Joseph Keifer-notice of stray calves
22	Joseph Keifer-promisory note, Oct. 1858
23	William W. Keifer- newspaper articles
24	William W. Keifer-alumni report-Delpha Upsilon, 1916, 1919; copy of dedication of new chapel, 1828
25	Map of Williamstown, 1917
26	The Keifer Family from Germany to Springfield, OH

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Keifer Collection- J. W. Keifer, misc.
Box 3

File	Description
1	Letter to Joseph Keifer from Henry Jennings- 1831
2	J. Warren Keifer- Biographical sketch
3	J. Warren Keifer- Register of his papers in the Library of Congress; Who's Who article
4	J. Warren Keifer- obituary, 1932
5	Letters to and from J. Warren Keifer
6	Information regarding portraits of Gen. J. W. Keifer & his wife Eliza Stout Keifer
7	Program and Reception for Gen. Keifer on his 90 th birthday; "Gen. Keifer Honored," booklet by G. B. Galbreath
8	Correspondence ref. Lincoln letter
9	J. Warren Keifer, telephone subscription, 1881-82
10	Reception for Keifer at Arcade Hotel, 1885
11	J. Warren Keifer – 2 cancelled checks, 1892
12	J. Warren Keifer- Invitation to Columbian Exposition, 1892
13	Keifer & Keifer- cancelled checks, 1898-1899

- 14 Banquet in honor of J. Warren Keifer, 1908
- 15 J. Warren Keifer- membership cards
- 16 New Year's greeting to Gen. Keifer, 1927
- 17 Gen. Keifer's radio remarks about Lincoln
- 18 Blank papers & envelopes, Civil War era
- 19 Copies of Keifer autograph

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Keifer Collection/ J. W. Keifer, Statesman/Writings
Box 4

File	Description
1	Speeches & Decisions as Speaker of the House of Representatives 1877-1883, 4 books
2	58 th General Assembly of State of Ohio pamphlet, 1868
3	Misc. speeches of House of Rep. 1883-1 - 4 books
4	Keifer speech to House of Representatives, 1909
5	Keifer Oration before "State Re-union of Soldiers & Sailors" 1878
6	Letter concerning Keifer bill to restore Henry O. Flipper's rank & grade in the Army (1 st black graduate of West Point)
7	Address of Keifer at Jamestown Exposition, 1907
8	Address on Declaration of Independence
9	Address before the Literary Club, 1917
10	Letter of introduction given at a banquet
11	Little known Lincoln humor- 1937 pamphlet; Abraham Lincoln A Concise Biography, 1934
12	Career as a soldier, statesman, lawyer, & citizen

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Keifer Collection/ Oversize

File	Description
1	Public Sale poster- Mary Keifer, Sat. Oct 25, 1856
2	Letter to John Ure, Dundalke, Ireland, April 7, 1821
3	Cyphering book, 1796- Joseph Keifer
4	Last Will and Testament of Michael Havener
5	Deed- 1830

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MALOWNEY, OBENBAUGH, WHITE AND RELATED FAMILIES BOX 1

Ash Airways
Book - Campbell-Rea and Related Families
Craig, David
Curry
Frey
Fulton DAR Application
Fulton Family Westmoreland PA
Fulton Family extra
Gibson veteran information
Gibson booklet
History Of Faggs Presbyterian Church, Hook
Malowney Family
Malowney, George
McCalmont
McCoy
Memorials
Misc.
Mitchell
Murphy

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MALOWNEY, OBENBAUGH, WHITE AND RELATED FAMILIES BOX 2

Odenbaugh
Thomas J. Odenbaugh
PA Chester Co.

Rose
Westmoreland Co.
White
White Family History
White & Mitchell
Correspondence
“Growing Up in the 1950s”

Box List

Miller-Smith Collection
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The Genealogy of the Descendants of Samuel Smith, Sr. and Elizabeth
(McCleave) Smith. John Peery Smith, A. M., 1922.

The Genealogy of the Descendants of Frederick and Mary Elizabeth Peery
Miller. John Peery Miller, A. M., 1913.

File 1	Early History
File 2	Early Settlers and Early Times on Donnels Creek... Samuel S. Miller, 1887.
File 3	Bethel Twp.- 1859 Section Map, copy
File 4	Genealogy List
File 5	Recollections. J. Peery Miller
File 6	Benjamin Thomas Cottrell
File 7	Margaret K. Gaines
File 8	Milton J. Miller
File 9	Dr. Hezekiah Smith
File 10	Eliza Stout Keifer
File 11	Mad River Church
File 12	Correspondence re: Mad River Church
File 13	Bethel Baptist Church History
File 14	Bethel Cemetery Endowment Fund
File 15	Bethel Cemetery
File 16	“Olden Ways and Scenery”
File 17	Clippings

See Photograph Category, Biographical, Family Groupings for photographs from this collection.

1 Tintype	William Donnel
6 photographs	Bethel Cemetery; Miller Home, Bethel Twp.
1 photograph	Bethel Teachers and Pupils Reunion, Aug. 1899---See Biographical Collection, Miller-Smith Collection PC006.111 for additional information.

Biography Category

William B. Patton, M.D. Collection

File	Description
1	The Phagocyte- Vol. I No. 2, September 1896
2	The Phagocyte- Vol. I No. 3, October 1896
3	The Phagocyte- Vol. IV No. 6, March 1896
4	Young Men's Literary Club programs; Clark County Medical Society program
5	Appointment to local [draft] Board, city of Springfield
6	Intern Certificate, The Protestant Hospital, Columbus, Ohio 1898-9

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Nancy Mechlin Collection

File	Description
1	Funeral, greeting, and visiting cards
2	Visiting and Sunday School cards
3	Bills and receipts 1885-1918
4	Wedding and anniversary announcements
5	Wedding and anniversary announcements
6	Social invitations, Valentines
7	Graduation/ Commencement
8	Club books
9	Advertisement cards, memo pad/ O. S. Kelly advertisement
10	Tax receipts- Emma Mechlin 1925-35
11	Emma Anderson-lock of hair and songbook

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Meehan Collection

File	Description
1	Greeting cards 1927
2	Receipts 1927
3	Correspondence from Wm. J. Rath 1927
4	Correspondence between Agnes & Emmet Meehan
5	Misc. tickets, passes, account book
6	Railroad timetables, passes, other railroad misc. of Emmet Meehan 1924-5
7	Religious memorabilia
8	Bank books, insurance papers
9	Miscellaneous
10	Miscellaneous booklets

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Quentin Family Collection

File	Description
1	Ancestor Charts
2	Boyd Family documents
3	Quentin Family obituaries
4	Wm. John Quentin military discharge, promotions, etc.
5	WWI letters to Henry Quentin from his brother, Wm. John, 1917-8
6	Henry Philip Quentin biography
7	Henry P. Quentin & Edith E. Boyd marriage certificate
8	Henry Quentin- Brooklyn Rowing Club, newspaper clippings
9	Boston Store, newspaper articles
10	Banquet program honoring Henry Quentin, Feb. 2, 1949
11	Henry P. Quentin - Certificate of Appreciation
12	Henry P. Quentin – NASA and aviation interests
13	Various messages from U. S. House of Representatives and Presidents
14	65 th anniversary congratulations
15	100 th birthday congratulations
16	Copy of Henry's favorite prayer
17	Congressional Record Vol. 118, No. 134, 1972
18	Masonic Home certificates and letter
19	Naval Discharge- 2, rolled

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Reeder-Bennett Collection

File	Description
1	Roger Enoch Bennett, military, college papers, etc.
2	Roger Enoch Bennett, mortgage deed
3	Letter from Wm. Milton Bennett to ? Reeder, 8/9/1864
4	Reeder M. Bennett marriage certificate, deeds, will
5	Bennett cemetery documents
6	Deed- Park to Titus
7	Deed- Peters to Murray
8	Deed- Warren to Murray
9	Deed- Peters to Griffith
10	Deed- McMillen to Stroup, Sr.
11	Deed- Nicholson to Warren
12	Misc.

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Orton Rust Collection Clark County Historical Society

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Introduction

The collection consists of essays, poems, correspondence, speeches, photographs, and other material dating from 1901 to 1947. The bulk of the essays, poems, etc, are undated. The collection fills one large box and is comprised of 72 file folders. The collection is arranged into seven series as follows:

- Series 1 Biographical
- Series 2 Correspondence
- Series 3 Poetry
- Series 4 Essays; Scripts
- Series 5 Speeches
- Series 6 Miscellaneous
- Series 7 Photographs

Scope and Content

The collection spans the years 1901, which includes his one year teaching certificate, to a 1947 letter from the Wisconsin State Historical Society regarding an inquiry about William Ward. The bulk of the collection concerns his poetry which includes a bound typescript copy of eighty-seven of his poems copyrighted 1923, a sixty-three page poem entitled "The Birth of Poetry", and a typescript of "Sleep," a poem that was published by Antioch Press according to an undated letter under the Associated Press letterhead.

Also includes numerous undated essays, articles, and observations, many of which may have been published in the Springfield Daily News regarding a letter to the editor, Bert Teeters, by Orton Rust relative to contributing to a semi-weekly or weekly column and dated January 22, 1925.

Orton Rust was born August 14, 1882 in Dialton, Ohio. He was a historian, author, and former newspaper man. He was noted as a scholar and authority on literature. He served on many civic committees and was serving his second term as President of the Clark County Historical Society at the time of his death, November 4, 1951 at the age of 69. No further information regarding his tenure as President of the Historical Society is contained in this collection.

Box and Folder Listing

Series	Folder	Description
1	1	Biographical Information
	2	Necrology- Newspaper Death Notices
	3	Teaching Certificates
2	1	<i>Escalade</i> publication
	2	Historical Publishing Company
	3	John H. James
	4	John H. James re Lagonda Motor Car
	5	Gabe McCullough Boxing Promoter
	6	Springman, PA 1928
	7	Springfield Daily News re weekly column
	8	U. S. Senate
	9	Works Progress Administration 1935-36
	10	16 letters, assorted
	11	Letter concerning Columbus & Xenia RR
	12	Letter concerning Simon Kenton monument
3	1	Bound copy, typescript "Poetry" 111 pages
	2	Unbound manuscript "The Birth of Poetry"
	3	Manuscript: "Sleep"
	4	Early typescript poetry
	5	Miscellaneous poetry- 9
4	1	Aberfelda History
	2	Architecture, Springfield
	3	Brains in Horticulture
	4	Carpet Weavers

5	Change Seat Mates
6	Clark Co. Rural Schools
7	Clark Co. Sanitation in the 19 th Century
8	The Cold Days of 1883
9	Country Roads
10	Crime Magazine Acc'ts. in Clark County
11	Cyclone Notes
12	Death of Joe Rogers
13	Dreams
14	East St. Shop Fire
15	Food & Feeding in Clark Co.
16	Funerals in Clark County
17	The Importance of Piqua & Vincennes
18	Industrial Simplification/ Compared
19	Industrial Springfield
20	The New Home & Progress Edition
21	The Not So Gay '90's
22	History of Logan County's Manary's Block House
23	Peddlers

Box and Folder Listing, page 2

Series	Folder	Description
4	24	Photography, Early
	25	Scouring Day
	26	Springfield in 1852
	27	Two War Presidents Compared
	28	The Ship Tries to Find Herself
	29	Two Jacks & a Queen
	30	Misc. Essays, manuscripts, articles for Springfield News (2 folders)
	31	Misc. writings- some handwritten
	32	The Kenton Papers- Morning Sun, 1927-8
	33	Kenton-Ward stockade
	34	General Simon Kenton by Albert L. Slager
	35	Transcript of Kenton-Ward lawsuit
	36	What Went On Here- Kenton Farm
	37	Article concerning Rust's series on Simon Kenton
38	Scrapbook of Rust's Kenton articles	
5	1	Power Club
	2	Municipal Stadium
	3	B.P.O. Elks- Flag Day
	4	Kiwanis- Logan Co.
	5	Address on Simon Kenton
6	1	Pamphlet- "Who was Who in Springfield"
	2	Pamphlet- "People in the Public Eye ca. 1850"

	3	History of West Central Ohio 1933
	4	Forward to book: "Yesteryear"
	5	Map showing Kenton's 2 nd home
7	1	2 photographs ca. 1930
	2	Negatives- unknown men

BIIOGRAPHICAL CATEGORY

Snyder Family Collection Box 1

File	Description
1	Memorandum of Our Ages
2	Snyder, Christian
3	Snyder, David F.
4	Snyder, David F.- Big Four Accident Statement, Tax receipts, etc.
5	Snyder, David L.
6	Snyder, Henry Sr.
7	Snyder, Henry
8	Snyder, John
9	Snyder, William L.- obituaries
10	Snyder, William L.- Will
11	Sale of Stock
12	Assorted Correspondence
13	Mad River Mill
14	Snyder Park- Land and Upkeep
15	Correspondence concerning Memorial Day

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Snyder Family Collection Box 2

File	Description
1	Warranty Deed from John Swonger to John & David L. Snyder
2	Article of Agreement- Peter McLaughlin & John & D. L. Snyder
3	Agreement between Wm. L. Snyder & Erie Railroad Co., 1909
4	Sale of land from Wm. L. Snyder & Shell Petroleum Corp.
5	Snyder, Wm. L. – Sale of Property to Edgar Witten
6	Snyder, Wm. L. – Sale of Property to D. J. Parson
7	Warranty Deed- Joshua & Louisa Rust- Elizabeth C. Jordan
8	Assorted receipts
9	Greene-Geron Wedding
10	Greene, Glenna S. – Settlement of the Estates of Wm. L. & Catherine Snyder, File 1
11	Greene, Glenna S. – Settlement of the Estates of Wm. L. & Catherine Snyder, File 2
12	Building Contract
13	Photographs

(See also Cartmell Family)

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Cartmell Family Collection

File	Description
1	Genealogical information- Cartmell Family Group Sheets
2	Cartmell, Edward Patterson
3	Cartmell, Margaret
4	Cartmell, Robert
5	Catherine Cartmell Uhlman & Marietta Cartmell- DAR Applications
6	Cartmell Family Quarterly
7	Cartmell Ancestor History of Lofland Family. William M. Cartmell
8	Woolwine Bible Records (Margaret Snyder Cartmell, daughter of David F. Snyder & Mabel Lewis Woolwine)
9	Cartmell, Jacob- Deed, July 13, 1825
10	Cartmell, Nathaniel & Rebecca- Deed to John L. Cartmell
11	Cartmell, Joseph- Deed for Property in Village of Catawba, 1845
12	Cartmell & Snyder – Receipts, etc
13	WWI Newspaper clipping
14	Misc. booklets

(See also Snyder Family)