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Title: Kathleen McMillan Caradine papers
Collection No: MSS.184
Extent: 0.25 cubic feet
Inclusive Dates: 1842-1940 and undated

Abstract: The collection contains materials collected by Kathleen Caradine on the history of West Tennessee and Memphis. It includes handwritten and typed notes, copies of letters and other documents, clippings, and unpublished papers.

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Biographical information

Nancy Kathleen MacMillan was born in Durant, Holmes County, Mississippi, on April 13, 1896, one of four children of William Henry (1864-1910) and Nancy Walton West MacMillan (1866-1932). She married Robert Sydney Caradine (1892-1985) and had two children, Nancy Kathleen (1918-1995) and Robert Sydney (1920-1997). Kathleen Caradine died in Memphis, Tennessee, on January 1, 1972.

Scope and contents

The collection contains materials collected by Kathleen Caradine on the history of West Tennessee and Memphis. It includes handwritten and typed notes, copies of letters and other documents, clippings, and unpublished papers. Noteworthy items include ‘A Story of Eugene Magevney’, by Evie S. Gray, 1940, and a copy of the minutes of the 24th Annual Meeting of the Mississippi River Association of Baptists held at Hopewell Meeting House, Fayette County, Tennessee, in 1855.

Processing information

The following newspapers were not retained because they are available on microfilm:

- Atlanta Journal, Atlanta, Georgia, 1938 March 10, p. 10. “Sherman’s Official Photos of Battle of Atlanta”.
- Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tennessee, 1923 April 8, p. 27. ‘Graves of Memphis Fathers Lost in March of Time”.

Subject terms

Memphis (Tenn.)
Tennessee--History.

Inventory

Box 1

Folder

1 West Tennessee local history papers. 11 items.
‘Church at LaGrange – Immanuel Episcopal Church, 1832’. Typescript history.
Deed of trust, from Frances Wright to General Lafayette and others…for the benefit of
the Negro race…, January 18, 1827. Handwritten transcript.
‘Early Religion in West Tennessee’, notes and maps. Indicates Baptists and Methodists
predominated, 1820-1831.
Deed: ‘Exact copy from original Shelby County Grant Book I, 1821’. Frances Wright,
grantor, to General Lafayette and others.
Samuel Brown will, 1817. Transcript of will from Haywood County.
Haywood County history notes. Handwritten.
History of Fayette County. Typescript.
History of Court House of Memphis. Typescript.
A Narrative of His Capture and Imprisonment During the War Between the States by
Private Thomas Battle Turley, C.S.A., Burrow Library Monograph 5,
Southwestern at Memphis, 1961. Typescript copy. Describes his unit’s capture,
his imprisonment in Nashville Penitentiary and later in Camp Chase, Columbus,
Ohio.
‘Indian Burials’. Handwritten, copied from a Memphis Commercial Appeal article.
‘Piomingo, the Mountain Leader’. Typescript of E.T. Winston article, Houston Post.

2  West Tennessee local history papers. 11 items.
Notes from John M. Keating’s History of the City of Memphis, Tennessee. Handwritten.
McCambell Cemetery, Henry County. Biographical information on Andrew
McCambell (b.1797).
‘Memphis’. Notes on early Memphis, taken from newspapers and early histories.
Thomas Alva Edison, 1866. Notes taken on Edison in Memphis and later from Memphis
City Directories and other sources.
Ramsey Family Tree.
Records of Court House of Memphis. Handwritten notes.
Epitaph of Colonel Ezekiel Polk, born December 7, 1747, died August 31, 1824. Typed
transcript.
Land Grant to John Ramsey and John Overton, 1828. Handwritten transcript of Shelby
County records of 5,000-acre grant with map.
Letter, 1899 January 10, from F.W. Luscumb, Dyersburg, Tennessee, to W.P. Hadden,
about removing the body of his father from Winchester Cemetery, Memphis.
Handwritten copy.
Letter, 1898 August 30, from Mrs. Cora Levier, Brownsville, to Hadden, on location of
father’s body in Winchester Cemetery. Handwritten copy.
Letter, 1897 July 16, from John H. Lenoir, Memphis, to mayor and vice-mayor, with list
of tombstone information from Winchester Cemetery. Mentions poor upkeep of
cemetery and vandalism.

3  West Tennessee local history papers. 4 items.
‘A Story of Eugene Magevney’, by Evie S. Gray, 1940. Typescript paper including
photographs of Magevney House, Adams Avenue, Memphis, taken in 1940.
‘Women’s Work’ by Mrs. Lizzie Hardy, Somerville, Tennessee. Short paper on women’s church work since 1861 and the Civil War. Refers to Ladies’ Aid Society, Women’s Missionary Society, Women’s Auxiliary in the Presbyterian Church.

‘Ancient Race - Beginnings of West Tennessee’. Handwritten notes on early history.


4 Newspaper clippings. 4 items.


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**Separated Materials**

The following items were separated from the collection and disposed of as follows:


Transferred to Special Collections periodical collection.