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Title: Crook family collection
Collection No: MSS.427
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Inclusive Dates: 1835-1935 and undated


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Biographical information

The Crook family came from South Carolina but some members moved to Tennessee in the 1830s. Members of the family mentioned in the collection include Dr. Andrew Barry Crook (1802-1862) and his wife Anne Catherine Smith Crook (1817-1896). They were living in Greenville, South Carolina, before the war and their children included Jesse Barry (1859-1926) and Harriet (Hattie) E. (b. 1844). Hattie studied at the Greenville Female College and then the Columbia Female College. After the war, she married her first cousin, Dr. William Jeremiah Crook (1836-1881), and moved to Henderson, Chester County, Tennessee, probably with her family. She later married William Lafayette Duckworth (1834-1915). Her brother, Jesse married Charlotte Olivia Farrow (b. 1856) and their children included Kate (b. 1876), Jennie B. (b. 1878), Hattie May (1879-1934); Lucille, Ruth (b. circa 1885), Cornelia (1881-1954), and Andrew Barry.

The son of William Jeremiah Crook’s brother Dr. Joseph Alexander Crook (1847-1922), Dr. Jere L. Crook (1874-1953), founded the Crook Sanatorium in Jackson, Tennessee, in the early 1900s.

Scope and contents

The collection contains a memory book of Hattie E. Crook, 1860-1865, a scrapbook containing newspaper clippings mostly from Greenville, South Carolina, 1835-1935, probably belonging to Ann Catherine Crook, and photocopies of a letter, narrative, and obituaries.

Provenance

The collection came from the estate of Carol Kelly Vaiden.

Related materials

William J. Crook letters, MS. 3064, 3069, 3412, Special Collections, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

Subject terms

Crook, Andrew Barry, 1802-1962--Photographs.
Crook, Hattie (Harriet E.)
Crook, Hattie May, 1879-1934.
**Inventory**

**Box 1**

**Folder**

1. **Letter**: Dr. A.B.C. Nicholls, Tuscaloosa, Ala. to J. B. Crook, 1896 February 16. Expressing sympathy on the death of Mr. Crook’s mother. (photocopy)
   Obituaries: Mrs. A.C. Crook, 1896; Cornelia Crook, *Chester County Independent*, Henderson, Tennessee, 1954 Friday 23. (photocopy)

2. **Narrative dated 1935 October 8, author unknown, about the death of his sister, Jennie at Dr. Crooks Sanatorium, Jackson, Tenn., in 1929. (photocopy)**

  **unfoldered Memory book**: Hattie Crook, South Carolina, 1860-1865. Includes drawings, photograph of father, Dr. A. B. Crook (1802-1862).

  **unfoldered Scrapbook**: contains newspaper clippings of obituaries of relatives, poems, home remedies, advertisements, essays, and legal notices, many from Greenville, South Carolina, 1835-1935. Of significance is a series of reports written by a correspondent with Butler’s Guards, 2nd Regiment, South Carolina Infantry, during and after the Battle of Bull Run, 1861.