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**HENDERSON, THOMAS FEARN PERKINS (1882-1966)
PAPERS, 1795-1960
ADDITION, 1802-1966**

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INTRODUCTION

The Thomas Fearn Perkins Henderson Papers (1795-1960), Addition, 1802-1957 are centered around Thomas Fearn Perkins Henderson (1882-1966), lawyer, of Franklin, Tennessee. The Thomas Fearn Perkins Henderson Papers--Addition are a gift of Thomas Perkins Henderson, Nashville, Tennessee.

The collection occupies 16.8 cubic feet of shelf space, and contains approximately 415 items. Single photocopies of unpublished writings in the Thomas Fearn Perkins Henderson Papers, Addition may be made for purposes of scholarly research.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Thomas Fearn Perkins Henderson Papers, Addition, containing approximately 415 items, span the period 1802-1957, although the bulk is largely concentrated in the years 1920-1945. The collection is composed of correspondence, court records, genealogical data, land records, photographs, slavery items (bills of sale) and several miscellaneous items.

The majority of the collection consists of correspondence. The correspondence is divided into four different sections: business and general; family; legal; and court correspondence. Within the business and general correspondence is a letter from Governor Prentice Cooper (1895-1969) of Tennessee appointing Thomas F. P. Henderson (1882-1966) to the Arbitration Board for Williamson County to assist in the adjudication of claims expected to result from damages caused by Army maneuvers in Middle Tennessee in 1942 (Box 1, Folder 3). A large number of the family letters are from Mary ("Mary Sam") Smithson Perkins (1876-____), a cousin, of Henderson. Mr. Henderson was administrator of the estate of Mrs. Perkin's late husband, Newton Cannon Perkins (1869-1924) and later managed Mrs. Perkin's real estate holdings in Franklin, Tennessee.

The historical value of the collection is in the numerous photographs. Several photographs depict units of the U. S. Army in encampment in the United States and also in service in France during the First World War. There is a substantial number of smaller photographs with captions that provide an overview of the war on the Western Front in France. Thomas Henderson served as a Captain in the 114th Field Artillery and several pictures show Henderson and his comrades including Colonel Luke Lea (1879-1945). There are also many unidentified photographs.

The Thomas Fearn Perkins Henderson Papers--Addition supplement the earlier collection of the Thomas P. Henderson Papers in the Tennessee State Library and Archives (see Ms. Ac. No's 68-280 and 89-12).

CONTAINER LIST

Box 1

1. Correspondence--Business and General--Author unknown
2. Correspondence--Business and General--American National Bank - Bullock
3. Correspondence--Business and General--Cantrill - Durham
4. Correspondence--Business and General--Edward Thompson Co. - Gordon
5. Correspondence--Business and General--Hargrove - Hughes
6. Correspondence--Business and General--Johnson - Murray
7. Correspondence--Business and General--Nagle - Pyron
8. Correspondence--Business and General--Rhodes - Smith
9. Correspondence--Business and General--Southern Cities Power Co..
10. Correspondence--Business and General--Stubbs - Vincent
11. Correspondence--Family--Author unknown - Edwards, Bessie
12. Correspondence--Family--Hamilton, Theresa (Henderson) - Henderson, Tom
13. Correspondence--Family--Horton, Lucy - Hunter, Robbie
14. Correspondence--Family--Johnson, Eston
15. Correspondence--Family--McGavock, Theresa Ewin (Perkins) - O'Brien, Susan (Henderson)
16. Correspondence--Family--Minton, Elizabeth Carter (Henderson)
17. Correspondence--Family--Perkins, Mary Sam
18. Correspondence--Family--Perkins, Mary Sam

Box 2

1. Correspondence--Highway Construction in Tennessee
2. Correspondence--Legal--Blake - Trabue
3. Court records--Correspondence--Alred - Augustin
4. Court records--Correspondence--Bellenfant - Brown
5. Court records--Correspondence--Cannon - DeBusk
6. Court records--Correspondence--Ellis - Ewing
7. Court records--Correspondence--Hall - Hunt
8. Court records--Correspondence--McGavock - Perkins
9. Court records--Correspondence--Rediker - State of Tennessee
10. Court records--Correspondence--Thomas - Woodward

Box 3

1. Financial records--Check register, 1907-1912
2. Franklin and Carter's Creek Turnpike--Ledger and Minute Book, 1865-98
3. Franklin and Carter's Creek Turnpike--Stock certificates, 1857, 1874, 1879
4. Genealogical data--Hughes family

5. Genealogical data--Perkins family
6. Land records--Deed--Thos. J. Miller et al to John B. McEwen, 1846
7. Land records--Plats--Miscellaneous
8. Legal records--Agreement--J. H. Henderson and T. F. P. Henderson, 1963
9. Legal records--Estate papers--Brown, J. P. W., 1869-1873
10. Legal records--Petition--Erecting a high school in Franklin, Tennessee, 1923
11. Lists--Members of John E. Stephens Post No. 22, 1934
12. Lists--War Memorial Public Library - Board of Directors, n.d.
13. Maps--New county road through property of Mrs. Y. M. Rizer, 1913
14. Memorabilia--Miscellaneous
15. Music--"The Beggar's Opera"

Box 4

1. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Battery F, First Tennessee Field Artillery, Columbia, Tenn., Sept. 6, 1917
2. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Celebration 30th Division, April 5, 1919
3. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Chickamauga Historic Site Marker, 1952
4. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Dumas, Samuel Henderson
5. Photographs, drawings, etc.--First World War--France
6. Photographs, drawings, etc.--First World War--U. S. Army encampment scenes
7. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Gordon, Mrs. Julie Perkins
8. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Henderson, John and Sallie
9. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Henderson, Margaret (Herron)
10. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Henderson, Thos. F. P. et al
11. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Henderson and Henderson law offices, 1952
12. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Lea, Col. Luke, Capt. Thos. Henderson et al
13. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Norvell, W. E., Jr.
14. Photographs, drawings, etc.--114th Field Artillery - Arrival from France, March 23, 1919
15. Photographs, drawings, etc.--114th Field Artillery Veterans Reunion, 1929
16. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Perkins, Sarah and Annie
17. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Perkins, Tom
18. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Truett's Livery Stable, Franklin, Tenn., n. d.
19. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Winstead, Susie, 1931
20. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Unidentified
21. School records--Grade report--Elizabeth Henderson, 1924-25
22. Slavery--Sale of slaves, 1832, 1834, 1839, 1844, 1858
23. Slavery--Tribute--"Old Tom," 1859
24. Vital statistics--Birth registration--Mary Hamilton, Dec. 18, 1916
25. Writings--Water, Judge (?)--"Harpeth Academy"