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McCollum v. Board of Education


Scrapbooks
1. Vashti McCollum’s incoming and outgoing correspondence about the case, correspondence written on her behalf, and other correspondence; newspaper and magazine clippings about religion and about the McCollum case in particular; religious pamphlets, 1943-54.

Additional newspaper and magazine clippings about the case:
2. 1945
3. 1945-48
4. 1948-51
5. 1946-51

6. 1950-63. This scrapbook also contains items relating to Vashti McCollum’s lecture tour after the decision and the publication of her book, One Woman’s Fight.

Box 2:

Photocopies, mounted on legal-size pages, of clippings from newspapers and magazines, and some unmounted clippings, 1945-46.

Clippings, unmounted
1947
Jan.–Mar. 1948
Apr.–Dec. 1948
1950s
1960s
1980s
Litigation
Circuit Court of Champaign County, Illinois, Plaintiff’s Brief (typescript), File 6031, 1945.
Circuit Court of Champaign County, Brief of Defendant and Intervenors, Case 18101, Bound cataloged copy: IHLC, 377.1 M13p.
Supreme Court of Illinois, March Term, 1946 (concerns Latimer v. Board of Education of the City of Chicago).
Supreme Court of Illinois, Case 29678 Sept. and Nov. Terms, 1946 (3 briefs, 3 duplicates.)
Appeal from the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois to the Supreme Court of the United States, Oct. Term, 1946.
Supreme Court of the United States, Case 90, Oct. Term, 1947 Appellees' Brief; amici curiae briefs filed by American Ethical Union, American Civil Liberties Union, Synagogue Council of America, Seventh Day Adventists, and Joint Conference of Baptist Conventions.
Transcript of Record.
Publications
Chicago Civil Liberties Committee. “Violation of Religious Liberty,” typescript (4 pages), ca. 1946
Church and State Newsletter (Protestants and other Americans United for Separation of Church and State), v. 1-7 (1948-54).
Congressional Record, v. 94, no. 50 (Mar. 16, 1948) and v. 94, no. 70 (Apr. 19, 1948).

Cromwell, Arthur G.
Rationalism vs. Religious Education in the Public Schools. [Rochester, N.Y.: A. Cromwell], 1940; 2nd ed., 1945.]
Letter as President, Rochester Society, Freethinkers of America, and related pamphlet.


Box 3:

Dannel McCollum, Writings about the McCollum case:
“A Civil Liberties Case from Champaign.” The Public 7:6 (Aug. 2007)
The Lord Was Not on Trial, typescript:
“Foreword” - Ch. 6
Ch. 7 - 11
Ch. 12 - 18
Writings about Vashti Cromwell McCollum (1912-2006)


Conservation

Dannel McCollum: Writings
Households Involved in Pollution Solutions, 1970-1979: A History (Champaign, Ill., HIPS, 1979), cataloged copy, IHLC, 301.3 H613

Newspapers (gray cabinet)
“Always a River: Ohio River Culture in Illinois” The Spokesman [Herrin, Ill.], ca. 1991

Illinois Waterways

McCollum, Dannel
Illinois Times Rivers of Illinois Series (flat storage)
June 4, 1976: “Scenes of the Sangamon”
June 11, 1976: “Sangamon Scenes, Part 2”
Apr. 1, 1977: “The Mississippi”
May 12, 1978: “Saving Illinois’ Finest River” (Middle Fork)
Oct. 12, 1979: “A Spoon River Album”
June 13, 1980: “Land of the Hidden River” (Cache)
June 20, 1980: “Cache River’s Enchanted Swamp”
June 19, 1981: “The La Moine”


Mississippi River Corridor Study Commission
Publications
Mississippi River Corridor Study Commission. Mississippi River Corridor Study, 2 v., 1995

Ohio River
Locks Materials (includes pamphlets and brochures), ca. 1983-88
Printed Materials and Notes, ca. 1988-95
Publications
Publications - West Virginia and the Ohio

Ohio River Corridor Commission
Background Information/Position Papers, 1991-98
Conferences
Beyond “Always a River”: Setting a New Agenda. University Center, Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio, June 17-18, 1993
Contacts, ca. 1992-93
Correspondence, 1992-97
Publications
Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission. What’s a River Worth?: A Valuation Survey of the Ohio River Corridor, ca. 1994 (3 copies, 1 spiral bound)

Embarras River
Clippings, 1979-85

Wabash River
Clippings, 1982-85

Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission
Poster promoting Wabash River Heritage Corridor, ca. 1990s (gray cabinet)
Publications
L’Esprit De Ouabache: Special Activities in the Wabash River Heritage Corridor (Winter 1994)
Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission. Wabash River Heritage Corridor Plan, 1993. [Indianapolis: Indiana Department of Natural Resources], 1993
Box 4:

Dannel McCollum: Writings

Articles about McCollum

Clippings, including Guest Commentaries and Letters to the Editor in the [Champaign-Urbana] News-Gazette, and articles in the The Leader and The Weekly, 1981–2010

Books on Champaign County history: Essays on the Historical Geography of Champaign County: From the Distant Past to 2005 (Champaign: Champaign County Historical Museum, 2005), copy in IHLC, Q.977.366 M133e; and Remembering Champaign County (Charleston, S.C.: History Press, 2010).

Historical Review of the Champaign City Buildings Over the Years (1988), cataloged copy, IHLC, 977.366 M133h.


Political advertisements and flyers: Dan McCollum, 1983-87

Other Materials


Illinois Central Railroad, elevation of the tracks and construction of the viaducts under the line line in downtown Champaign, 1924, 135 photographs, on a CD.

Lincoln Fest, Virginia Theater, Champaign, March 13-15, 2009: brochure; flyer signed by Hal Holbrook (event host), postcard (flat storage)

Political Photographs and Cards, 1983-2010 [contains materials from Presidents Carter, Reagan, George H. W. Bush, Clinton,
George W. Bush, and Obama; Vice-Presidents Dan Quayle and Al Gore; and their families] (one item in flat storage)

Julian H. Steward Materials (flat storage)
Framed photograph of Steward, ca. 1960s

McCollum, John, obituaries, 1984

Cromwell Family

Correspondence, World War I
Stationed at Verdun, Harrigan discusses camp life, the difficulties of war, his contempt for the French, and his exploration of the French countryside.

Correspondence, World War II
E. M. “Mac” Swengel to Anne Blomquist, Sept. 5, 1943, concerning Japanese relocation.

Soldiers to Cromwell family, 1942-44
Letters describe soldiers’ immediate experiences, mostly in the states, and assignments.

Carr, Victor, Somewhere in France, Sept. 6, 1944
Dey, Luther M., Walla Walla, Wash., Dec. 9, 1944
Evans, William I., Treasure Island, Calif., July 6, 1944
Hoffmeier, Oliver V. J. (“Whity”)
Aug. 9, 1942, Fort Niagara, N.Y.
Nov. 18, 1942, Nashville, Tenn.
Feb. 19, 1943, McChord Field, Tacoma, Wash.: 40 years old, seeking “limited” service due to a bad back, which he had when living with the Cromwells.
Mar. 7, 1943
Mar. 15, 1943
Hughes, Roger
Apr. 6, 1942 (posted), Maxwell Field, Ala.: 45 years old
July 16, 1944, India (?)
Jan. 23, 1945, India
July 1, 1945, India

Kennedy, Frank
Oct. 26, 1942
[?], 28, 1942
Nov. 18, 1942
Jan. 2, 1943
Mar. 15, 1943
[?], 18, 1944
Frank Kennedy's “Japanese Hunting License,” 1942

Kingsbury, Richard, posted Sept. 2, 1942

Stemwachs, Oscar F.
Feb. 8, 1944 (posted), Fort McClellan, Ala.
Aug. 7, 1944 (posted), Fort McClellan, Ala.
Aug. 21, 1944 (posted), Fort McClellan, Ala.
Sept. 12, 1944
Oct. 11, 1944, Fort McClellan, Ala. (includes Cromwell’s reply)
June 6, 1945, Fort McClellan, Ala.
Jan. 11, 1946, Fort McClellan, Ala.

Young, Jack
Aug. 28, 1943, San Francisco
Sept. 26, 1943, San Francisco
Nov. 7, 1944, San Francisco

Soldiers to Arthur G. Cromwell, concerning Free Thinkers
Austin, Neil F.
Nov. 6, 1945, Fort Niagara, N.Y.
Nov. 13, 1945, Fort Niagara, N.Y.
Connale, John G., Corpus Christi, Tex., Sept. 16, 1945
Gillespie, Urban L., Chatham Field, Ga., Nov. 4, 1945
Littell, A. R., Calcutta, India, Nov. 30, 1945
Maxwell, A., Honolulu, Sept. 14, 1945
Soucy, Gerard R., Newport, R.I., Sept. 20, 1945

Publications
Newspapers (gray cabinet)
Bombs-Away [Ardmore, Okla.] 1:18 (Mar. 18, 1944)

Cromwell, Arthur G., eulogy, 1984