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<b>PART 1</b>
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**Rebecca (Kinsel) Stifler**

Box 1

Correspondence, 1849-1868

**Warren Leverett**

Box 1

Correspondence, 1858-1872  
Invitations, 1859-1870**Washington Leverett**

Box 1

Correspondence, 1864-1888

**Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett**

Box 1

Correspondence, 1835-1845, 1862-1888

Box 2

Correspondence, 1889-1901, undated  
Invitations, 1874-1899  
Quarterly statements, Upper Alton Baptist Church, 1894-1899**William H. Stifler**

Box 3

Correspondence  
1859-1889

Box 4

1890-1896  
Undated

Box 5

Address book, undated  
Autograph book, 1873, 1880  
Bank account books, 1890, 1895  
Canceled checks and receipts (4 folders)

Box 6

Canceled checks and receipts (2 folders)  
Clergyman's Vade Mecum, 1870-1873  
Conference notes, 1891-1893  
Diaries, 1859, 1864, 1869, 1881  
Financial account books, 1871-1874, 1881-1884

## Box 7

Funeral sermons, 1882-1895  
Invitations, 1883-1894  
Life insurance policies  
Marriage certificates, 1872-1883, 1888-1891

## Box 8

Marriage certificates, 1892  
Membership cards, First Baptist Church (Sioux Falls, South Dakota), 1893 (2 folders)  
Miscellaneous  
Mortgage, 1889  
Notebooks, 1864, 1866-1867, 1883

## Box 9

Notebooks, 1893-1895, undated  
Notes for sermons and Bible study (7 folders)

## Box 10

Pastoral Visiting Record, 1869  
"Pastor's Complete Handbook and Register," 1875  
"The Present Attitude of the Roman Catholic Church to American Institutions," undated  
"A Record of God's Dealings with the Band of Hope in Shurtleff College," 1869  
Register of church members, Pana, Illinois, 1870  
Report to Board of American Baptist Home Missionary Society regarding Roger Williams University incident, 1887  
Returns of marriage, 1880-1884  
Rock Island Prison Barracks materials (includes "Recollections of the Civil War"), 1864-1891  
Scrapbooks, 1860-1869, 1877-1895

## Box 11

Sermons  
1862-1877

## Box 12

1878-1882

## Box 13

1883-1894

## Box 14

1894-1895  
Undated (2 folders)

## Box 15

Undated (7 folders)

## Box 16

Undated (7 folders)

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Box 19	Specifications for building of William H. Stifler, 1889 Statements of church affairs, 1878-1879 Subscribers list, <i>Baptist Brevities</i> , 1889-1890 Treasurer's book, Missionary Society, Roger Williams University, 1885 Troy, Illinois, materials, 1867
Box 42	Estate and pension matters, 1889-1904, 1906-1912 Notebook, 1872
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<b>William Warren Leverett</b>	
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Box 19	Correspondence 1855-1870
Box 20	1871-1875, 1877-1885
Box 21	1886-1891
Box 22	1892-1895
Box 23	1896-1901
Box 24	1902-1906
Box 25	1907-1914
Box 26	1915-1930

Box 27	1931-1944 1945 (2 folders)
Box 28	1945 (7 folders)
Box 29	1945 (2 folders) 1947-1948 Undated Bank account book, 1899-1908 Canceled checks and receipts Diaries 1863-1865 1867-1868
Box 30	1869 Financial account books, 1892-1913 Greeting cards (2 folders)
Box 31	Greeting cards (6 folders) Invitations 1892-1903
Box 32	1904-1931 School notebook, 1857-1858
<b>Lucy L. (Greene) Chapin</b>	
Box 32	Correspondence, 1873-1890
<b>Mary Atherton Stifler</b>	
Box 32	Correspondence--From, 1880-1889
Box 33	Correspondence--To, 1884-1888 Drawings Financial account book, 1886 Miscellaneous
Box 42	Scrapbook, undated

**Juliet L. (Stifler) Burton**

Box 33

Correspondence, 1884-1893, 1895-1941

**William Warren Stifler**

Box 33

Correspondence  
1884-1901

Box 34

1902-1912

**Roy Blair (1886-1971)**

Box 35

Correspondence  
1901-1904, 1906-1909, 1913-1914, 1919-1930, 1934

Box 36

1938-1959  
Greeting Cards  
Miscellaneous  
Newspaper clippings  
Visitors book, funeral, 1971**Lucy Stifler Blair**

Box 36

Correspondence  
1887-1907 (13 folders)  
1893 [later accession; donated in 2019]

Box 37

1908-1918

Box 38

1919-1928, 1930-1976  
Composition book  
Drawing book  
Financial account book, 1922-1925  
Greeting cards (2 folders)  
Invitations  
Miscellaneous  
Newspaper clippings  
School writings  
Spelling blanks, 1896-1897



## The Blairs (Roy and Lucy)

Box 39

Correspondence  
1911-1919, 1923-1953

Box 40

1954-1971  
Greeting cards (4 folders)

Box 41

Greeting cards (6 folders)

## PART 2

### Photographs

The Photographs series of Part 2 dates from the 1850s to the 2000s, although the majority of photographs in the collection date from the 1870s to the 1940s. The bulk of the photographs are of family members. Pictures were also taken of places the families frequented, such as Alton, Illinois, including Shurtleff College; Crystal Lake, Michigan, where the Blair family owned a cottage for several years; the New England area, where family members traveled to research their genealogy; and other places.

Box 43

William H. Stifler, 1862  
Grace P. (Abbott) Blair, 1866, 1878, 1880s, 1942  
Edmund H. Blair, 1866, 1890, and undated  
Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1872, 1920s, and undated  
Sarah E. (Atwood) Blair and John L. Blair, 1882 and undated  
Abbott H. Blair, Roy A. Blair, and John L. Blair, 1880s-1900s  
Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1887, 1898, 1900s, 1920s-1940s  
William Warren Stifler and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1890  
Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett and Warren H. Leverett, circa 1891  
Allie (Farrar) Van Hee, 1893  
All Saints School in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, circa 1894  
Abbott and Blair families, circa 1896  
Abbott H. Blair, 1890s and undated  
Opheleo Class of 1st Baptist Church of Alton, Illinois, circa 1942  
Annette, Lilian, Sarah, and Edith Blair, undated  
Dorothy L. Blair, undated  
Jennie (Carr) Stifler and James M. Stifler, undated  
Mary A. (Preston) Abbott, undated

Box 44

Roy M. Abbott, 1872  
Roy A. Blair, 1880s-1900s, and undated

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of John and Rebecca Stifler, 1889  
 Blair and Abbott families, circa 1896  
 Taken by Roy A. Blair, circa 1905, 1922  
 (Includes Grace P. (Abbott) Blair, Edmund H. Blair, and John L. Blair)  
 Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair and Roy A. Blair graduation class, 1906  
 Roy A. Blair at Winyah Sanitarium, 1909  
 John L. Blair Sr. and John L. Blair Jr., 1910  
 Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1920  
 Ellen Miller and Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1934  
 Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, 1945  
 Dorothy L. Blair, undated  
 Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, undated  
 Inside of Stifler home in Alton, Illinois, undated  
 Juliet L. (Stifler) Burton, undated  
 Mary L. (Brodie) Blair, undated  
 Negatives from Roy A. Blair, undated  
 Sarah E. Blair, undated  
 Unknown people, undated  
 Warren H. Leverett(?), undated  
 William Warren Stifler, undated

Box 45

William H. Stifler, 1878, 1894, and undated  
 Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett and William H. Leverett, circa 1891 and undated  
 Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair and friends, 1898  
 Photo album, 1910s  
 Photo album, circa 1910s-1920s (includes Abbotts, Blairs)  
 Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, and Barbara A. (Blair)  
 Robinson, circa 1925  
 Elijah P. Lovejoy monument, undated  
 Levi A. Abbott, undated  
 Mary Atherton Stifler, undated  
 Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, undated

Box 46

Mary A. (Preston) Abbott and Grace P. (Abbott) Blair, circa 1853, 1862  
 Family of Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, 1887  
 (Includes Stifler, Leverett, and Greene families)  
 Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1887  
 Winyah Sanitarium, 1900s  
 Roy A. Blair and Dorothy L. Blair, 1908, 1952  
 Blair, Abbott, and Stifler family members, 1910s, 1940s-1960s  
 Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1910s, 1965  
 Photos from Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania, circa 1945  
 3103 Leverett Ave., Alton, Illinois, 1965  
 Faculty of Shurtleff College, undated  
 Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett and unknown women, undated  
 Mary Ann (Leverett) Greene and Warren Leverett, undated

Negative of Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, undated  
 Negatives, undated  
 Sarah F. (Leverett) Leonard, undated  
 Stella C. Chaney, undated  
 Stifler-Leverett family photo albums, undated (2 folders)  
 William Blair and Mary L. (Brodie) Blair, undated  
 William H. Stifler, undated

## Box 47

Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair and Myrtle Nixon, circa 1904  
 Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, John K. Burton, circa 1920  
 Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, Gordon Haxel, Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, Roy A. Blair and  
 friends, 1957  
 Kitchen, undated  
 Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, undated  
 Sarah E. (Atwood) Blair, undated  
 Unknown people, undated  
 Washington Leverett, undated

## Box 48

Family photo album, undated

## Box 50

Unknown woman, 1911

## Box 53

Frances Higley, 1931  
 Sutton family reunion, 2003  
 Alton Cemetery, Blair lot, undated  
 Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, undated  
 Unknown boy, undated  
 Unknown man, undated

## Box 70

Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, circa 1899  
 Abbott and Blair families, circa 1900s  
 (Includes Grace P. (Abbott) Blair, Edmund H. Blair, John L. Blair, Dorothy L. Blair,  
 Roy A. Blair, and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair)  
 Party at Sigma Phi Hall, Shurtleff College, circa 1900s  
 Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair in Crystal Lake, Michigan, 1911  
 Blair and Stifler families in Crystal Lake, Michigan, circa 1912  
 Miscellaneous people, 1945 and undated  
 Abbott H. Blair and family, Juliet L. (Stifler) Burton, undated  
 Blair family women, undated  
 Mary (Abbott) Enoc, Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, and Mary A. (Preston) Abbott, undated  
 Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair in miscellaneous locations, undated  
 Roy A. Blair at Winyah Sanitarium, undated

## Box 82

Unknown (Possibly University of Illinois history department), circa 1970  
(Robert M. Sutton pictured)

## Box 83

Mary A. (Preston) Abbott, circa 1890  
Homes in Beverly, Massachusetts, 1945  
(Taken by Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton  
Negatives of homes in Beverly, Massachusetts, 1945  
(Taken by Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton  
Blair family members, 1950, undated  
(Includes Roy A. Blair, Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, Dorothy L. Blair, Grace P. (Abbott)  
Blair, Bernard Haxel, and William (Bill) Sutton)  
Negatives of Blair family members, undated  
Sioux Falls Courthouse, undated (South Dakota)  
Key to Blair family photograph, undated  
(Photograph taken by Augustus L. Abbott, circa 1896)

## Box 84

Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton and Robert M. Sutton, undated

## Box 87

Blair family women, 1882, circa 1920s  
(Includes Grace P. (Abbott) Blair, Mary A. (Preston) Abbott, and Sarah A. Blair)  
Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1893, circa 1912  
(Includes Roy A. Blair and Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler)  
The Blair Agency office, undated  
John L. Blair Sr. and Jr., undated  
Levi A. Abbott, John L. Blair, and other men, undated  
Photo negatives, undated  
Preston and Abbott family members, undated  
(Includes Joseph K. and Mary M. Preston; Levi A. Abbott and Mary A. (Preston)  
Abbott)

## Box 90

John H. Stifler, undated

## Box 91

Presbyterian Church, New Boston, New Hampshire, circa late 19<sup>th</sup> century  
Cast of dramatization of Karen Sewine Society, 1933  
(Includes Roy A. Blair, Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair)  
Sutton)

## Box 94

Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, children, and grandchildren, 1887  
Blair family, 1890s-1920s, 1970s  
Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair and Beulah Baker, 1893  
Levi A. Abbott, circa early 1900s  
Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair and Stella Chaney, circa 1906

Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, and Barbara A. (Blair) Robinson, circa 1930s  
 Shurtleff College 1900-1914 graduates, 1952  
 Dorothy L. Blair in Japan, 1952-1954  
 Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1958  
 (Includes letter)  
 Trustees of Shurtleff College, 1958  
 (Includes Roy A. Blair)  
 Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair's golden wedding anniversary, 1961  
 Homes of John L. Blair, Alton, Illinois, undated  
 (Includes 1966 photograph of Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair)  
 Interior of the Blair home, undated  
 Mrs. Higley's cottage in Frankfort, Michigan, undated  
 Slide of Atwood family painting, undated  
 Unknown woman, undated

## Box 96

Negatives, undated

## Box 97

William Warren Leverett, undated

## Box 98

Family members, circa 1860s-1900s  
 William H. Stifler, 1867, 1890s  
 Mary Atherton Stifler, 1870s-1880s  
 Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, circa 1880s-1890s  
 Dorothy L. Blair, 1890s-1900s, undated  
 Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1906  
 Opheleo Club, 1949 (Includes Blairs and Suttons)  
 William Warren Stifler, 1951  
 Roy A. Blair, 1954  
 Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, Robert M. Sutton and family, 1960s-1990s  
 "Fall foliage," Urbana, Illinois, 1994  
 Christmas and Michigan, 1994-1995  
 Ben Sutton's birthday, 1995  
 "Cherry blossoms," Michigan, 1995  
 "Raising the cottage," Michigan, 1995  
 "Trillium," Michigan, 1995  
 Kittanning Point and Allegheny Tunnel, Pennsylvania Central Railroad, undated  
 Negatives, undated  
 Unknown people, undated

## Box 99

Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1906  
 Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler with Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, and John K. Burton, circa 1920  
 Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, and Barbara A. (Blair) Robinson, circa 1930s

Grace P. (Abbott) Blair with Roy A. Blair, Dorothy L. Blair, Abbott H. Blair, and John L. Blair, 1942  
 Faculty of Shurtleff College, undated  
 Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, undated  
 Mary Ann (Leverett) Greene, undated  
 Mary L. (Brodie) Blair, undated  
 Negative of Mary A. (Preston) Abbott and Grace P. (Abbott) Blair, undated  
 Warren Leverett, undated  
 Washington Leverett, undated  
 William Warren Leverett, undated

## Box 100

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1940

## Box 101

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1926 [10.18a]  
 Dorothy L. Blair, undated

## Box 102

The 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of John H. Stifler and Rebecca (Kinsel) Stifler, 1889  
 (Includes 12 children)  
 Grace P. (Abbott) Blair and her 4 children: Roy A. Blair, Abbott H. Blair, Dorothy L. Blair, and John L. Blair, 1942  
 Chapin family, undated [10.22a]  
 Glen Lake, Michigan, undated  
 John L. Blair, undated  
 Leverett family members visiting Edwardsville, Illinois, undated [10.22a]

## Box 109

Album, 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1942, 1990s  
 (Includes photographs, newspaper clippings, and cards)

## Box 110

William H. Stifler, undated

Daguerreotypes/Cased Photographs

## Box 118

Josiah Thomas (J.T.) Brown, 1859 (Son of Edmund M. Brown and Mary Ann (Treadwell) Brown)  
 Mary Ellen Brown, 1859  
 Lizzie Brown, 1859  
 Horace H. Brown, 1859  
 Edmund Brown, undated (Portsmouth, New Hampshire)  
 Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, Mary Ann (Leverett) Greene, William W. Leverett, undated  
 John L. Blair, undated  
 Unknown people, undated [2 photos]

## Box 119

Unknown people, undated [6 photos]  
 Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett and Warren Leverett, undated  
 Mary A. (Preston) Abbott, circa 1860  
 Joshua Brown, Dolly (Wiggins) Brown, and son, undated

## Box 120

Nathan Brown, undated  
 Solomon Dodge, undated  
 Mary (Wiggin) Brown, undated  
 Unknown woman and baby, undated  
 William C. Leverett, undated  
 Mary Cyrena Brown, 1859  
 Enoch William Brown, undated  
 Sarah F. (Leverett) Leonard, undated  
 Unknown man, undated

## Box 121

William [?] Brown, undated  
 Emma S. Moulton, 1859  
 George Preston, undated  
 Harrietta B. Moulton, undated  
 Mary Abbie Brown [?], undated  
 Nathan Moulton, undated  
 John H. Stifler, undated  
 Warren Leverett, undated  
 William Warren Leverett, undated (includes small American flag)

## Box 122

Mary A. (Preston) Abbott, circa 1854  
 Josiah Brown, undated [drawing]  
 William A. Blair and Mary L. (Brodie) Blair, undated

## Box 123

Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, undated  
 William A. Blair and Mary L. (Brodie) Blair, undated  
 William H. Stifler, undated  
 Mary A. (Preston) Abbott and Grace P. (Abbott) Blair, 1862  
 William A. Blair, Jr., undated  
 William Warren Leverett, undated  
 Abbott [?], undated  
 Rev. John Atwood, undated  
 Leverett family, circa 1850 [10.22a]

## Correspondence

The Correspondence series of Part 2 dates from the 1820s to the 2000s, although the bulk of the letters date from the 1840s to the 1970s. The majority of the correspondence is primarily written between family members, though letters with friends and other acquaintances can also be

found. Topics discussed include the daily activities and observations of the correspondent as well as news about family members and friends. Occasionally the letters mention national and international events, such as the Civil War, slavery and abolition, World Wars I and II, the 1918 Influenza Pandemic, and other large issues. Letters written by Robert M. Sutton during his service in World War II offer a glimpse into the training and operations of the Air Force on U.S. soil during the war.

## Box 49

To and from Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1941 and undated

## Box 50

To Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1880s-1890s  
 William H. Stifler to Mary (Stifler) Mitchell, 1887  
 William H. Stifler to William Warren Stifler, 1895

## Box 51

Stifler family, 1880s-1890s  
 Juliet L. (Stifler) Burton to Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1885, 1912  
 To Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1889  
 To Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, 1896 and undated  
 Mary Burdette to Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, 1901  
 Emma Upcraft to Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1917  
 Easter card, undated

## Box 52

Incomplete letters, 1870s-1910s, undated  
 To Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1908, 1917, 1936, and undated  
 William Warren Leverett to Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, undated

## Box 53

Letters between Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, Marjory Hague, and Bart Hague, 1968 (Regarding John B. Abbott's death)

## Box 56

To Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler from Margaret (Stifler) Chilson, 1908  
 To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Blair family members, 1935  
 To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Robert M. Sutton, 1935, undated  
 To Robert M. Sutton from Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1936-1940  
 Liz to Robert M. Sutton, 1938  
 Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair to Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1939-1940  
 To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from family members, 1945, 1947-1950  
 Elizabeth (Betty) S. Blair to Robert M. Sutton, 1940-1941, 1947, 1949

## Box 57

To Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1905, 1918, 1929, 1933, 1946  
 To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1924, 1930s-1940s, undated  
 To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton and Barbara A. (Blair) Robinson, 1936, 1938  
 To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Robert M. Sutton, 1941-1942, undated



To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1945, 1949-1950, 1973  
 Cards to Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1946-1947 and undated  
 To Robert M. Sutton, 1946-1947

## Box 58

Mixed correspondence, 1904, 1945, 1950, undated  
 To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1922-1928, 1943-1944, undated  
 To Robert M. Sutton from Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1937-1941

## Box 59

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Sutton family, May and  
 July 1941, August-October, 1941, November-December 1943 (2 folders)  
 Birthday cards for Robert M. Sutton, 1943

## Box 60

To Robert M. Sutton, June 1944  
 To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Sutton family, 1944  
 To Robert M. Sutton from Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, January 1946

## Box 61

To Robert M. Sutton from Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1943

## Box 62

To Robert M. Sutton from Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, October 1943  
 To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1941-1942  
 To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Robert M. Sutton, February-March 1943

## Box 63

To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Robert M. Sutton, April-July 1943

## Box 64

To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Robert M. Sutton, August-October 1943 and  
 undated

## Box 65

To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Robert M. Sutton, 1938-1941

## Box 66

To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Robert M. Sutton, 1936-1937, 1941-1942, 1944,  
 1946

## Box 67

To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Robert M. Sutton, 1938

## Box 68

To Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair from Sutton family, 1940, 1942-1949  
 To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from her brother Robert M. Sutton, 1943  
 To Roy A. Blair from Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1944, 1949  
 To Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair from Roy A. Blair, 1944-1946, 1949  
 To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Blair family, 1944-1953,  
 1955  
 To Barbara A. (Blair) Robinson from Sutton family, 1948

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Sutton family, 1950

Box 69

To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Blair family, 1925, 1941

To Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair from Sutton family, 1930s-1940s, 1960s

Cards for births of Sutton children, 1940s (2 folders)

Cards to Elizabeth (Sally) B. Sutton, 1940s

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Blair family, 1940s-1980s and undated

Birth announcement cards, 1946-1947

Cards to Sarah M. Sutton, 1947

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Sutton family, 1950s-1980s

To William (Bill) R. Sutton and David Sutton from Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1974

Box 71

To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1923-1924, 1926

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from family, 1943-1948, 1953-1954, undated

Box 72

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from family, 1955-1956

Box 73

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Blair family, 1947, 1951-1955

Box 74

To Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair from Sutton family, 1952-1954

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Blair family, 1955-1960

Box 75

To Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair from Sutton family, 1954, 1960s

Box 76

To Roy A. Blair from Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1953-1954

To Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair from Roy A. Blair, 1953-1954

To Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair

From John K. Burton, 1959, 1963

From Blair daughters, 1967, 1975 (2 letters)

Box 77

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Blair family, 1955-1960

Box 78

To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from family, 1939-1941

To Elizabeth (Sally) B. Sutton, 1951-1952

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Sutton family, 1955, 1958

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from the Van Rheeders, 1955, 1958

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Barbara A. (Blair) Robinson, 1957-1960

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Doris, 1958

To Sarah Sutton, 1958

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Blair family, 1960-1961, 1964

Box 79

From Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel to family, 1920s-1941

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Blair family, 1950s, 1959-1964

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Dorothy L. Blair, 1950s

To Sarah and Sally Sutton from Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1954-1959

Mixed Correspondence to Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1958-1962

To Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair from the Sutton family, 1962

Box 80

To Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair from Sutton family, 1930s-1970s and undated

To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Robert M. Sutton, 1943

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from family, 1940s-1960s

To Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel from Sutton Family, 1960-1963

To Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair and Roy A. Blair from one another, 1952-1953

To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, and Barbara (Blair) Robinson from one another, 1960s (Includes notes on correspondence)

Box 81

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from family, 1965-1973

Box 82

To Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair from Sutton family, 1948, 1964, 1966, 1970

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from family, 1950s-1980s and undated

Correspondence regarding family heirlooms, 1960s-1970s

To Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair from Sutton family, 1972-1974, 1976

To Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel from Sutton family, 1977, 1979-1986

Box 83

To John H. and Rebecca Stifler from James Madison (J.M.) Stifler, 1875

To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1923, 1935, 1938

To Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, Barbara A. (Blair) Robinson, and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from one another, 1940, 1977, 1979-1984

Roy A. Blair's financial correspondence, 1948, 1955, 1969

To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from family, 1940s-1980s and undated

## Box 84

To Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair congratulating them on the birth of Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1914  
 From Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel to family, 1920s, 1942-1976  
 To Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1920s-1942  
 (Contains newspaper article announcing wedding of Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel and Gordon Wilbur Haxel)  
 To Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1923, 1925, 1927-1931, 1933-1935  
 To and from Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1946, undated  
 To Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel from Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1967-1979 and undated

## Box 85

Typed copies of letters from Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, 1834, 1837, 1839-1843 (2 copies)  
 Photocopies of Leverett letters, 1837, 1839, 1841-1843  
 Typed copies of letters from Sarah A. Blair and William A. Blair to their brother John L. Blair, 1840-1847

## Box 90

To and from Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1897, 1960s-1970  
 Bliss Halling to Roy A. Blair, 1911-1912, 1918, 1920s-1952  
 Elsie Braun to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1910s, 1930s-1970s

## Box 91

William Warren Leverett to family, 1870-1871  
 Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler to family, 1872  
 (Regarding water cure)  
 William Warren Stifler and Jean Harshman, 1953  
 (Regarding William H. Stifler's pastorate in Pana, Illinois)  
 From Roy A. Blair  
 To his children, 1970  
 To Dr. Katz, 1970  
 Sympathy cards after death of Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1978 (3 folders)

## Box 92

To Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, 1836  
 Juliet L. (Stifler) Burton to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1911-1912  
 (Includes notes about letters)  
 Rev. James M. Stifler to Rev. Thomas W. Greene(?), 1871  
 Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler and family, 1885, 1904-1905, 1908, 1913  
 Florence Stookey to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1911-1930s, undated  
 Postcards from Sarah (Sadie) E. Blair, 1928  
 J.M. and Edith Warner to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair and Roy A. Blair, 1929-1962  
 Juliet L. (Stifler) Burton to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1930s-1950s  
 (Separated piece of fabric from letter dated June 16, 1952.)

## Box 93

John H. Stifler to William H. Stifler, 1890

To William H. Stifler, 1895  
 H.A. Baldwin to Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1907, 1914  
 Esther B. (Stifler) Sell to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1911  
 Postcard to Roy A. Blair from the Komitee von Oberndorf bei Salzburg, 1921  
 Juliet L. (Stifler) Burton to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1936  
 Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair to Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1936  
 A.E. Wolters to Robert M. Sutton, 1940(?)  
 Francis C. Stifler to J.A. Sell, 1947  
 William and Marie Burton to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1951, 1971  
 Christmas letter from Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1961  
 To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1963  
 Birthday card to Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Robert M. Sutton, 1964  
 Roy Blair's correspondence regarding positions in First Baptist Church and The Shurtleff  
 Fund, 1968, 1971  
 Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1976  
 Robert M. Sutton to Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 2001  
 Blank postcard of Cedar Falls, Iowa in 1868, undated  
 Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton to Robert M. Sutton, undated  
 Mixed Blair-Stifler correspondence, 1920s-1960s, undated

Box 96

Wedding invitations and marriage announcements sent to Stifler family, 1890s-1900s (2  
 folders)  
 Commencement invitations sent to Stifler family, 1894-1895, 1898  
 Invitations to Stifler family, 1901 and undated  
 To Stifler family, 1903, 1912  
 Juliet L. (Stifler) Burton to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1936  
 Wedding invitations sent to Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1939-1940s  
 Abbott H. Blair to Dorothy L. Blair, 1950s-1960s  
 Dorothy Blair to Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1957, 1959-1970s  
 Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair to Roy A. Blair, 1957  
 Roy A. Blair to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1957, 1959  
 Roy A. Blair to Shirley, 1957, 1967-1969  
 Mixed correspondence, 1960s-1972  
 Carolyn Blair to Barbara A. (Blair) Robinson, 1961  
 Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair to children, 1961-1964  
 Carolyn Blair to Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1968-1972  
 Dorothy L. Blair to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1972  
 Sympathy card to Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1978  
 Dorothy L. Blair to Barbara A. (Blair) Robinson, 1980s  
 Christmas card from Mr. and Mrs. Russell Galloway to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, undated  
 William H. Stifler to Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, undated

Box 97

To and from William Warren Stifler and Susan M. (Reed) Stifler, 1888, 1910s-1960s  
 (includes financial and personal records)  
 Juliet L. (Stifler) Burton to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, circa 1890s  
 Postcards to Stifler family, 1900s, 1912

Ruth and Joe Preston to Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1910s-1950s  
 Mixed correspondence, 1910s-1970s (2 folders)  
 Sarah E. Blair to Roy A. Blair, 1930  
 Edith Blair to Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1930s, 1950s-1960s  
 Myra and Dinnie Wood to Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1934, 1950s-1970  
 Roy A. Blair to children, 1960s  
 Grace P. (Abbott) Blair to Roy A. Blair, undated  
 Note to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair and Roy A. Blair, undated

Box 98

Christmas cards sent to Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1920s  
 To Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton from Blair family, 1954-1957

Box 99

Elizabeth S. (Blair) Sutton to Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1946  
 Juliet L. (Stifler) Burton to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1946, 1949, 1952  
 Cards for Sarah M. Sutton, 1946-1947  
 (Contains \$1.00 bills)  
 Mixed correspondence, 1948, 1981, undated  
 Roy A. Blair to Barbara A. (Blair) Robinson, 1953  
 To Roy A. Blair regarding Edith M. Blair, 1960s  
 Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. Blair to Sutton family, 1961  
 D. Annie Thompson to "Pastor," presenting Bible as a gift, undated  
 Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel to Elizabeth S. (Blair) Sutton, undated

Box 111

To and from Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1934, 1941-1948  
 To and from Robert and Elizabeth Sutton, 1939-1943

Box 112

To and from Robert and Elizabeth Sutton, 1943-1952

Box 113

Mixed correspondence to Sutton family, undated

## Personal Papers

The Personal Papers series of Part 2 dates from the 1830s to the 2000s. Papers include certificates and diplomas; poems, speeches, sermons, and other writings; notes; financial, estate, and legal papers; memorial materials; school notebooks, essays, report cards, and exams; newspaper clippings; friendship albums; journals, and other materials. The series is organized by family member and includes items created and collected by family members. Some materials in the series offer a glimpse into how family members experienced significant national and world events and issues, such as newlywed Elizabeth Sutton's journal describing her feelings after her husband left for the Air Force during World War II, as well as William H. Stifler's journal recording his experiences while serving at the Rock Island Arsenal (Illinois) during the Civil War. Roy A. Blair's materials collected from his stay at Winyah Sanitarium (Asheville, North Carolina) document tuberculosis treatment in the early 1900s.

## Box 49

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler  
 Log book, 1909-1913, 1915  
 Sarah B. Stifler chapter of the World Wide Guild program, 1941-1942  
 "Mrs. H.J.(?) Burnap: An Appreciation," undated (Upper Alton Woman's Club)  
 "The Song Illinois and its Author," undated

Susan L. Leverett  
 Composition notebook, 1857-1858

William H. Stifler  
 First Baptist Church (Sioux Falls, South Dakota) card, circa 1893

Unknown  
 Finance logbook, 1855-1858

## Box 50

Mary Atherton Stifler  
 Paper patterns, undated

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler  
 "Leaves of Affection" friendship album, 1857-1862, 1865  
 Wooden nametags, undated

Unknown  
 Address book, undated  
 Fabric sampler, undated  
 Notebook, undated

## Box 51

Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett  
 Centennial Commemoration Dollar Roll certificate, 1876

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler  
 Financial log books, 1896, 1902-1907  
 Meeting agendas, 1899 and undated  
 "Calls in new house," list of names, undated  
 Notebooks, undated  
 Write-ups, undated (includes letter from Josephine Leone to Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler dated November 25, 1894)

## Box 52

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler  
 Check, 1897  
 Notebooks, 1890s-1900s

## Box 53

Serena Stifler  
 Notebook, undated

Unknown  
 Record of sermons, 1879-1880

## Box 58

Elizabeth (Sally) B. Sutton

Materials related to birth, 1946-1948

(Includes certificate of immunizations, cards, notes, birth announcements, prescriptions, and appointment cards)

Box 69

Roy A. Blair

Mixed materials, 1863, 1890s-1933, 1951, 1960s

(Includes correspondence, First Baptist Church (Alton, Illinois) programs and yearbooks, newspaper clipping, and illustration)

Box 77

Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton

University of Illinois diploma, 1940

William H. Stifler

Letter regarding pension, 1894

(Includes note from brother-in-law William E. Chilson on the reverse side)

Box 80

Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton

Copies of birth certificate and marriage license, 2005

Robert M. Sutton

Army service induction orders, 1942

Box 82

Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton

Last Will and Testament, 1964

Robert M. Sutton

Last Will and Testament, 1964

Box 83

Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton

Report cards from Alton Public Schools and Shurtleff College, 1920s-1930s  
(2 folders)

Master's thesis, "Relation of the Radicals in Congress to Lincoln's Plan of Reconstruction," 1940

(Title pages and table of contents)

Childhood mementos, undated

Robert M. Sutton

Front of envelope, circa 1940s

Life insurance policy, 1951

Photos of the Illinois Sesquicentennial paintings commissioned by the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, 1968

Roy A. Blair

Trust Deed Note, 1922

Master's Deed, 1936

Licenses, identification, and insurance cards, 1940s-1960s

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler

Envelopes with political cartoons, circa late nineteenth century  
(Political cartoons contain Civil War topics)



William H. Stifler  
 Photocopies of diary, undated  
 (May-September, 1864)

Box 84

Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton  
 Mixed files, circa 1920s  
 (Includes National Honor Society membership card, story booklets, and notes)  
 Honeymoon, 1942  
 (Includes correspondence, photographs, and receipt)  
 Journal, 1942-1943, 1948  
 (Includes correspondence and U.S. Air Force documents)  
 Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel  
 "The Opheleo Times" newsletters, 1945  
 Robert M. Sutton  
 Class schedule, undated

Box 85

Blair Family  
 Pages from the Blair family Bible, 1820s-1960s  
 (Includes photo of Edmund H. Blair in 1912, birth and death information for Blair family members)  
 Estate materials, 1971, 1979  
 (Includes will of Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, inheritance tax return, correspondence, and affidavit)  
 Dorothy L. Blair  
 Mixed papers, 1970s-1990s  
 (Includes correspondence, memorial service materials, newspaper articles, and will)  
 Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair  
 School notebooks, 1894-1900  
 (Includes exams and penmanship books)  
 Shurtleff College admission and report cards, 1901-1906  
 Shurtleff College mixed materials, 1901-1908  
 (Includes course registration sheets, tuition records, chemistry exam, ruler, newspaper clippings, event materials, student newsletters, and invitations)  
 Roy A. Blair  
 Shurtleff College report cards, 1903-1906  
 Susan (Reed) Stifler  
 Mixed materials, 1906, 1914, 1920s, 1980s  
 (Includes photographs, correspondence, newspaper articles, and memorial service materials)

Box 88

William H. Stifler  
 Business cards, circa 1893 (2 folders)

## Unknown

Marriage licenses, 1876

## Box 90

## Cyrus Leverett

Photographs and friendship album, undated

## Edmund H. Blair

Letter and commencement program, 1878, 1906

## Grace P. (Abbott) Blair

Photographs and newspaper clippings, 1886, 1952

Diaries, 1931-1935, 1940

## Juliet L. (Stifler) Burton

Mixed materials, 1900s-1912

(Includes a letter, photographs, and paper cutting and design notebook)

## Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair

German book, 1829

Storybook written by Lucy L. (Greene) Chapin, 1892

School materials, 1892-1897, 1900s (2 folders)

*The Church News*, 1895 (Sioux Falls, South Dakota)

"Autobiographical sketch," journal entries, 1905

Account books, 1907-1909, 1912-1917, 1919-1922

Wedding cards and gift list, 1911

Wedding guest book and invitations, 1911

Pregnancy handbooks, circa 1917

Pregnancy pamphlets, circa 1917

Daughters of the American Revolution application and acceptance card, 1919

Diary, 1945

Memorial cards and obituary, 1978

Address book, undated

Mixed materials, undated

(Includes poems, notes, and postcard)

"Personal History of Lucy K. Stifler," notebooks, undated

## Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett

Memorial materials, 1901

[Separated: mourning pin, circa 1872; see artifacts. Joshua Brown's shirt, circa 1830s; see textiles]

## Mary Atherton Stifler

Childhood keepsakes, 1880s (3 folders)

(Includes drawings, friendship album, notebook, correspondence, photograph, and ephemera)

## Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler

Mixed materials, 1860s, 1891, 1922, 1930s-1940s

(Includes notebook, newspaper clippings, notes, calling cards, event programs, and memorial materials)

## Susan Lydia Leverett

Friendship album, 1850s

William H. Stifler

Mixed materials, 1890-1895

(Includes photocopies of 1864 diary, memorial booklets, newspaper article, and notes about William H. Stifler)

[Separated: wallet, 1890. See artifacts]

Box 91

Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair

Cards from memorial contributions, 1978

Memorial service guest book, 1978

Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel

"The history of Loomis Hall: the story of the oldest building in Illinois in continuous use for education," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1999 [OCLC 45462915]

Roy A. Blair

Account books, 1909-1932

Winyah Sanitarium photographs and booklet, circa 1900s

Licenses, 1911, 1940s

Financial records, 1917-1926, 1940-1945

Newspaper articles, 1961 and undated

Memorial materials, 1971

Mixed materials, 1911, 1918, 1935, 1970

(Includes military classification notice, notes, sonnet, receipt, and photograph)

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler

Notebook, undated

(Contains passage copied from a manuscript written by Margaret (Stifler) Chilson)

William Warren Stifler

Exam and report, 1896 and undated

Box 92

Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton

Mixed materials, 1905-1906, 1936, 1951, 1970, 1978-1979

(Includes financial and estate records, Shurtleff College publications, correspondence)

Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair

Description of snowfall in Alton, Illinois, 1901

Photocopy of will, 1971

Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel

Notes on Upper Alton business district in 1938, undated [A3.27]

Robert M. Sutton

Photocopies, minutes of the 9th anniversary meeting of the Illinois Baptist

Education Society, 2000 (Original document dated 1841)

(Mentions Warren Leverett and Washington Leverett)

Roy A. Blair

Sigma Phi Society programs, 1900, 1904-1906

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler

Speech to Daughters of the American Revolution regarding death of Lucy L. (Greene) Chapin, 1919

*The Unveiling of a Tablet to the Memory of a Revolutionary Soldier, Joshua Armstrong,* by Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1931 (2 copies)

William H. Stifler

Correspondence and notes on house for sale in Detroit, 1893-1894

"In Memoriam," 1895

Box 93

Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton

Drafts of letter to daughter Elizabeth (Betsy) B. (Sutton) Smith, 1981

Notes on Ewing College (Ewing, Illinois), undated

Poetry contest answer sheet, undated

Francis C. Stifler

"America's Cornerstone,' A Radio Address by Dr. Francis C. Stifler," 1938

John L. Blair

Signatures on agreement, undated

Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair

All Saints School (Sioux Falls, South Dakota) booklet, 1892

Checkbook, 1910s-1920s

Notes on expenses, 1922 and undated

"A Sketch of the History of the First Baptist Church of Alton, Illinois," 1960

Poems, undated (See Box 101 for copy of "Forsythia")

Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett

Anti-slavery ephemera, circa 1830s

Mary R. Atwood

Property tax receipts, 1883, 1885

Roy A. Blair

Tax records, 1924

Minutes of the Illinois Baptist Education Society of Alton, Illinois, 1941

Licenses, 1950s

Envelope with note: "Roy A. Blair's 50th Anniversary of connection with Citizens Insurance Company," 1957

Certificate of appreciation from First Baptist Church, 1965

Notes, undated

Directions to Champaign, Illinois from Alton, Illinois, undated

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler

Materials related to Rev. Samuel Francis Smith and "America," 1884, 1895

(Includes postcard, invitation to Rev. Smith's anniversary, and lyrics of "America")

"A Sleeping Servant," memorial tribute to Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1948

Box 94

Unknown

"A versified Account of the Theological Excursion to Monticello Seminary to attend the Gymnastic Review Mar. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1866," poem, 1866

Quit-claim deed to First Baptist Church (Alton, Illinois), 1905

Notebook, undated

(Includes copied excerpts from Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair's papers and article on William Warren Stifler)

Box 96

William H. Stifler

"The New Testament Doctrine of the Holy Spirit," undated  
(Includes *The Detroit Magazine*, YMCA, 1890)

Unknown

Memorandum of property list, undated

Box 97

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler

Writings for the Ninian Edwards Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, 1928, 1931

Upper Alton Woman's Club speeches, 1936, 1944 and undated

Box 98

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler

"The Students Miscellany," 1857

William H. Stifler

List of members of the Baptist Church in Pana, Illinois, 1872

Mailing list for *Baptist Brevities*, 1890

Unknown

Lectures and writings, 1830s-1860s

Essays, 1859 and undated

Box 99

Elizabeth S. (Blair) Sutton

Alton Senior High School diploma, 1935

Shurtleff College diploma, 1939

Wedding announcement, 1942 (See Box 107 for accompanying wedding book)

Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair

Travel log; Frankfort, Michigan to Alton, Illinois, undated

Roy A. Blair

Notary Public certificate, 1920

William H. Stifler

Sermons, writings, and notes, late 19<sup>th</sup> century

Calling cards, undated

(Includes Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler)

Box 101

Edward Rees

Citizenship approval, 1862

Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair

"Forsythia," poem, undated

Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel

Drawing of Shurtleff College, undated [11.23a]

Roy A. Blair  
 Abbott and Blair loan account statement, 1970  
 Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler  
 Shurtleff College Ladies' Centennial Roll certificate, 1876  
 Sutton family  
 Pages from family Bible, undated (Covers early 1800s-1906)

## Box 102

Roy A. Blair  
 Blair Insurance Agency 25 year service certificate, 1934  
 William H. Stifler and Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler  
 Marriage certificates, 1870  
 Unknown  
 Sketch prints of Shurtleff College's "Old Dorm," undated [11.27a] (3 copies)

## Box 105

Dorothy L. Blair  
 Guestbook, 1941-1952

## Box 107

Elizabeth S. (Blair) Sutton  
 Wedding book, 1942 (See Box 22 for accompanying wedding announcement)

## Box 113

Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton  
 Notebooks, 1940s  
 Calling cards, undated  
 Unknown  
 Bookmark, 1839 (Has "M.L.G." written on the bottom)

## Publications

The Publications series of Part 2, dating from 1818 to the 2000s, contains books, newspapers and newspaper clippings, periodicals, booklets, newsletters, and other publications. The series also includes printed materials written by and about family members, such as Dorothy L. Blair's *A History of Glass in Japan* or newspaper articles containing announcements regarding family members. Included are several religious, and specifically Baptist, publications, such as periodicals published by Shurtleff College, Baptist missionary societies, and other religious organizations. Other publications contain topics like the life of Robert Pershing Wadlow, a native Alton man who is recorded as being the tallest human in history, and histories of western Illinois towns and events.

## Box 49

*Remember Me; or The Holy Communion*, 1865 [OCLC 2182013]  
*Monographs on Education in the United States*, 1904 [OCLC 2493961]  
*Ewing News* (Ewing, Illinois), 1905  
*The Bubble Book*, 1917 [OCLC 38659975]  
*The Unveiling of a Tablet to the Memory of a Revolutionary Soldier Joshua Armstrong*, by Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1931 [OCLC 13553369] (2 copies)

## Booklets about Labrador by Sir Wilfred Grenfell, undated

## Box 50

Key to Smith's Diagram of Parliamentary Rules, Uriah Smith, 1883 [OCLC 9130948]  
 Bible Lilies: Scripture Selections for Morning & Evening, undated [OCLC 13476444]  
 A Cluster of Sweets, undated  
 Dew-Drops, undated

## Box 51

"The Secular Songster," 1854  
 Newspaper clippings, undated

## Box 52

*Hymns for Infant Minds*, 1818 [OCLC 63076204]  
 Baptist pamphlets, newsletters, and reports, 1880s-1910s

## Box 53

The Winyah Sanitarium booklet, circa 1900s  
*The Church Key*, undated (Includes photograph of William H. Stifler)

## Box 54

*The Illini*, 1877 [OCLC 34991410] (2 copies)  
*Evangeline and the Building of the Ship*, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, 1882  
 Booklets, 1883-1884  
*The Red Cross Magazine*, 1919-1920 [OCLC 7865675]  
 (Published by The American Red Cross, New York, New York)  
*The Student*, undated

## Box 55

*A Brief Outline of the Evidences of the Christian Religion*, Archibald Alexander, 1829 [OCLC 3137889]  
*The Red Cross Magazine*, 1919-1920 [OCLC 7865675]  
*Bulletin of the League of Red Cross Societies*, 1920-1921  
 [OCLC 10581983] (Published by the League of Red Cross Societies, Geneva, Switzerland)

## Box 77

Yearbook, 1928

## Box 83

Family newspaper clippings, Levi A. Abbott and John L. Blair, 1910-1911, 1914-1915  
 World War I newspaper clippings, 1912, 1914  
 (Includes copy of *The Shurtleff Sentinel*)  
 Newspaper clipping, "To the Young of Both Sexes," undated

## Box 87

Photocopies of newspaper clippings, 1864, 1872, 1901, 1908 (Include Leverett family members)  
 Shurtleff College student handbooks, 1901-1906  
 Newspaper clippings about Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1947-1948  
 Photocopy of newspaper article on Alton Prison, 1990

## Box 88

- "Manual of the First Baptist Church of Sioux Falls, S.D.," 1889  
*Baptist Brevities*, 1889-1890, 1893  
*Industrial Advantages of Detroit*, 1890  
*The Red Book containing order of exercises and songs for the Sunday school primary class and children at home*, 1890  
 "How I spent my Sabbath's abroad: a lecture delivered in Memorial Presbyterian Church, Sabbath morning, Nov. 4, 1888," 1891  
 "Minutes of the Sixty-fifth Anniversary of the Michigan Baptist Association," 1891  
 "Proceedings of the Baptist Young People's Union of America at its first meeting," 1891  
 "South Dakota's Corn Belt," 1892  
 "Marriage and Divorce," 1893  
*Baptist Young People's Union of South Dakota*, newsletter, 1894  
 "Proceedings of the Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the South Dakota Baptist Convention, the Ministerial Union, and the Baptist Young People's Union," 1894

## Box 89

- The Stylus*, Sioux Falls University, 1894  
 "Proceedings of the Fifth International Convention," Baptist Young People's Union of America, 1895  
 "The Youth's Companion Calendar," 1895  
*Wet vs. Dry Dialogue-Debate*, 1915  
 (Includes other Prohibition material)  
 Handbook of the Sioux Falls Mutual Aid Association, undated  
 Unused parish register, undated

## Box 90

- The Alton Daily Times*, article on John L. Blair's death, 1915

## Box 91

- "In Memoriam, Theodore Nelson, president of Kalamazoo College," 1892  
*The Alton Evening Telegraph*, article on death of Levi A. Abbott, 1919

## Box 94

- The Western Pulpit and Pew* (Des Moines, Iowa), 1882  
*The Daily American* (Nashville, Tennessee), 1887 [OCLC 12953467]  
 Newspaper clippings on Stifler family, 1880s-1900s, 1920s  
 Newspaper clippings related to Roger Williams University, circa 1886, 1948  
*The Church Messenger* (Huron, South Dakota), 1895  
 Newspaper article on Shurtleff College commencement, 1902  
 (William Warren Stifler pictured)  
 Newspaper clippings on William Warren Stifler, 1902, 1911, 1915, 1917, 1925, and undated  
*The College Review*, Shurtleff College, 1906  
*Shurtleff College Bulletin*, 1906  
 Burton family obituaries, 1906, 1914



## Box 95

Newspaper clippings on family, 1907, 1930s-1960s  
 Trustees of Shurtleff College, Illinois Pictorial Supplement of the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, 1937  
 (Photograph includes Roy A. Blair)  
 Newspaper clippings on Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1930s-1940s  
*Ophleo Times*, First Baptist Church, 1946  
 Newspaper articles on The Blair Agency, 1950, 1964  
*Amherst Alumni News*, tribute to William Warren Stifler, 1955  
*The Hartford Agent*, 1964 (Mentions Roy A. Blair)  
 "America" leaflet, undated  
 Photocopies of publications mentioning Roger Williams University, undated (Includes years 1886-1888)

## Box 96

Baptist missionary booklets and pamphlets, 1898, 1914, 1917, 1920  
 [Separated offering purses for the 25th anniversary of the Women's Baptist Home Mission Society, 1902; see textiles]  
*The Watchman Examiner*, 1940  
 (Francis C. Stifler pictured)  
 Photocopy, "White Liberals and Black Power in Negro Education, 1865-1915," *American Historical Review*, 1970  
 (Mentions Roger Williams University)  
 Articles regarding Roger Williams University, 1989  
 Clipping mentioning Alton Battalion in the Civil War, undated  
 Mixed newspaper clippings, undated  
 (Includes poem by William W. Greene)

## Box 97

*Shurtleff College Bulletin*, 1905, 1941-1944 [OCLC 16815005]  
 Congregational Assembly (Frankfort, Michigan), 1917, 1947, 1952  
 Shurtleff College booklet, circa 1940s

## Box 98

Tracts written about Rev. G.W. Wesselius, circa 1884

## Box 99

*Pax Vobiscum*, by Henry Drummond, 1890 [OCLC 967984218]  
 "Proceedings of the Fifty-sixth Annual Meeting of the Baptist Convention of the State of Michigan," 1891  
 Newspaper clippings on the death and funeral of William H. Stifler, 1895  
 Western Michigan automobile road map, 1930  
 The Blair Society brochure featuring Dorothy L. Blair, 1991

## Box 100

*The Old Settlers' Bulletin*, vol. 1, no. 1, 1935

## Box 101

Newspapers, Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair's wedding and 50th anniversary, 1911, 1961 [10.8a]  
*Alton Evening Telegraph*, 1935 [OCLC 24655855]  
 (Contains article "Betty Blair Wins Alton High Honor")  
 "Shurtleff Spirit," sheet music, 1939

## Box 103

*Preview of History*, by Raymond Gram Swing, 1943 [OCLC 394694]  
*A History of Glass in Japan*, by Dorothy L. Blair, 1973 [OCLC 730596]

## Box 104

Blair Society for Genealogical Research: Members' Applications and Lineage Charts, 1985 [Appendix 3, A3.22] [OCLC 866624288]

## Box 105

Descendants of George Abbott, of Rowley, Massachusetts, by Lemul Abijah Abbott, 1906 [1.6a] (2 volumes)

## Box 106

Descendants of George Abbott, of Rowley, Massachusetts, by Lemul Abijah Abbott, 1906 [1.6a] (2 volumes)

## Box 107

*Baptist History: from the foundation of the Christian church to the close of the eighteenth century*, by John M. Cramp, circa 1868 [OCLC 911907095]

## Box 108

*Jubilee Memorial of Shurtleff College, 1827-1877*, 1877 [11.18a] [OCLC 12014503]  
*Mitchell's School Atlas: comprising the maps and tables designed to accompany Mitchell's School and Family Geography*, by S. Augustus Mitchell [OCLC 852820911]

## Box 110

*The Church Messenger* (Huron, South Dakota), article on William H. Stifler, 1895

## Box 114

*The Holy Bible, containing the Old and New Testaments, translated out of the original tongues; and with the former translations diligently compared and revised*, 1848 [OCLC 182775173]  
 (Belonged to Warren Leverett and Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett)

## Box 115

*The Holy Bible, containing the Old and New Testaments, translated out of the original tongues; and with the former translations diligently compared and revised; together with marginal references*, 1867 [OCLC 28397879]

## Box 116

Map, "British India showing the principal Protestant Mission Stations in 1872," circa 1880

## Box 117

Unknown map, undated

## Ephemera

The Ephemera series of Part 2, dating from the 1860s to the 1970s, includes event materials, calling cards, business cards, calendars, childhood drawings and crafts, tickets and receipts, advertisements, church bulletins, and other items. Event materials include commencement and other collegiate event programs for Shurtleff College, Sioux Falls University (Sioux Falls, South Dakota), and Monticello Female Seminary (Godfrey, Illinois). Also included are event programs for Baptist organizations such as the Baptist Young People's Union, women's missionary societies, and various Baptist churches around the Midwest.

Box 49

Caldwell calendar and railroad booklet, 1918 and undated

Box 50

"A Wish" card, undated

Box 51

Programme of the 2nd Annual Meeting of the Sioux Falls Baptist Association, 1894  
 Certificate and program, Women's Baptist organizations, 1907-1908, 1915  
 Colorado Chautauqua Association's Summer School of Missions ticket, 1917

Box 53

Stamps, 1892-1895  
 Calling card of Miss Langworthy, undated

Box 58

Calendars, 1912, 1926  
 Miscellaneous childhood ephemera from Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, undated (2 folders)  
 (Note: The Mystic Painting Book is located in folder 1, the enclosing box is stored with the artifacts)

Box 87

Shurtleff College event tickets, 1900-1906  
 Shurtleff College contest and commencement programs, 1901-1910  
 Party games, undated

Box 89

Pastorate anniversary invitations and pamphlet, 1888-1889  
 Mixed ephemera, 1890s  
 Mixed event materials, 1890-1894  
 Baptist Young People's Union event programs, 1891, 1893-1895  
 Souvenir programs of the Baptist Young People's Union of America conventions, 1892, 1895  
 First Baptist Church of Sioux Falls, South Dakota event materials, 1893-1895  
 Sioux Falls University annual catalogues, 1893-1895  
 Page containing railroad information, Chicago to Baltimore, undated

## Box 95

Event advertisements, 1865, 1879  
 Shurtleff College event programs  
     1887, 1901-1902, 1911  
     1893, 1897, 1900  
     1904-1906, 1918, 1920 (Includes Sigma Phi Society constitution and bylaws)  
     1927, 1931  
 Homecoming and Lincoln-Douglas debate semi-centennial souvenir program, 1908  
 Congregational Summer Assembly program, 1911  
 (Frankfort, Michigan)  
 Program of the 24<sup>th</sup> spring rally of the Women's Missionary Union, Alton Baptist  
 Association, 1934  
 (Includes picture of Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler)  
 Grocery receipts for Blair family, 1939  
 Amtrak ticket from Bloomington to Alton, Illinois, 1980  
 Calling cards, undated  
 Motel business cards and receipt, undated

## Box 97

Shurtleff College event programs, 1865-1866, 1901-1902  
 Advertisements, circa 1890s  
 Alton community group programs, 1890s-1920  
 Monticello Seminary (Godfrey, Illinois) commencement program, 1892  
 Calling cards, undated (2 folders)

## Box 99

Shurtleff College and Upper Alton Baptist Church event programs, 1865, 1867, 1941  
 Used commemorative postage stamps  
     1892, 1953  
     1930s-1960s  
 Sioux Falls University commencement program, 1894  
 Used postage stamps  
     1866, 1872, 1900s-1930s, 1950s  
     1890s, 1910, 1920s-1940  
     1900, 1911, 1920s-1940s (4 folders)  
     1920s-1930s  
     1940s-1950s  
     1940s-1960s  
     1950s  
     Unknown dates  
 Event programs, tracts, and school guide, circa early 1900s  
 "Programme and Music for the Baptist Anniversaries," 1905  
 Revenue postage stamps, 1920  
 Metered postage stamps, 1940s-1950  
 Congregational Summer Assembly bulletins, 1968-1970s  
 Calling cards, undated  
 Scrap piece of paper with notes, undated

## Mixed Materials

The Mixed Materials series of Part 2, dating from the 1830s to the 2000s, includes groups of materials collected by family members that consist of several different formats. The series contains correspondence, event programs, publications, legal papers, ephemera, photographs, and other materials. Included in the mixed materials are wartime ration books from the 1940s, papers for the creation of John Mason Peck's historical marker in Alton, Civil War commission papers, as well as materials from family events such as Lucy and Roy Blair's wedding in 1911. Also included is correspondence between Rev. Samuel Francis Smith, composer of the song "America," and the Stiflers, who were friends of his.

Box 49

"Christmas Greeting" ribbon sent to Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, undated

Box 51

Notes and ephemera, 1899 and undated

Box 54

"Stifler-Greene Combination," 1892

Box 58

Insurance materials, undated  
(Includes permit forms, manual, stationery)

Box 83

Unemployment report card, 1937  
Letter from Dorothy L. Blair to Robert M. Sutton and Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 1949, 1952, 1974  
(Includes correspondence, *Museum News* from The Toledo Museum of Art, *Toledo Blade Pictorial*, and a leaflet on Dorothy L. Blair and her work *A History of Glass in Japan*)  
Lists, 1982, undated  
(List of Shurtleff College students in Co. D 133<sup>rd</sup> Regt. Illinois Volunteer Infantry and list of William H. Stifler materials in envelope)

Box 87

Rev. Smith's "America" materials, 1884, 1895, 2004  
(Includes correspondence and photocopies)  
Sigma Phi Society materials, 1900-1907, 1910 (2 folders)  
(Includes constitution and bylaws, position appointment cards, member lists, invitation, event programs, and membership notebook)

Box 89

William H. Stifler's materials from Detroit, Michigan, 1880s-1890s  
(Includes marriage license, event ephemera, and Baptist publications)

Box 90

Newspaper clippings and invitation, 1913, 1937

## Box 91

Roy A. Blair and Lucy K (Stifler) Blair's wedding, 1911  
 Cards and gift list  
 Correspondence  
 Guest book and invitations, 1911

## Box 92

Stifler family, 1860s-1900s, 1931  
 (Includes Sigma Phi Society program, church publications, and correspondence)

## Box 95

Stifler family, 19th-20th centuries  
 (Includes event programs, floral arrangement tag, correspondence, and religious tracts and publications)  
 Mary Atherton Stifler, circa 1878-1880s  
 (Includes photographs and newspaper clipping)  
 Calvary Baptist Church program and holiday gift related items, 1902 and undated  
 Materials for John Mason Peck's historical marker, 2000  
 (Includes a letter, biographical writings, newspaper clippings, historical marker applications, and event programs)  
 Lists of published materials in the Blair-Stifler collection, undated  
 Photograph of Mary L. (Brodie) Blair, Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler's calling card, and loose board and pages from a book, undated

## Box 97

Items from Roy A. Blair's and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair's graduation, Shurtleff College, 1906  
 (3 folders)  
 Blair Insurance Agency, 1910s, 1942, 1964  
 Wartime and ration papers, 1940s  
 Loose notes, undated  
 Newspaper clippings on Shurtleff College, a photograph, and a blank birthday card, undated  
 Print of the Elijah P. Lovejoy monument, Alton, Illinois, undated  
 Unframed prints of paintings, undated

## Box 99

Notes and ephemera, 1874, 1890s, and undated  
 (Includes event programs, a bookmark, and notes)  
 Correspondence and event programs, 1880s-1890s  
 Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair album, 1880s-1910s (2 folders)  
 (Includes correspondence, school materials, photographs, and event programs)

## Box 100

"Extracts from the pen of Mrs. 'Aff,'" 1887  
 The Blair Agency materials, 1905, 1911, 1930s, and undated  
 (Includes calendars, notebook, and business cards)  
 Publications and notes, 1930s-1960s  
 (Includes First Baptist Church in Alton programs, newspaper clipping, financial information, and notes on genealogy)

Sample, 1952  
 Passage from the Vedas, undated  
 Silk illustrations, undated

Box 102

Artwork, 1875 and undated

### Family History and Genealogy

The Family History and Genealogy series of Part 2 contains notes on family history, printed genealogies, published resources, correspondence regarding genealogy, research notes, and other papers. The materials primarily date from the 1980s through the 2000s. Notes include research on family members who lived as early as the 16<sup>th</sup> century and follow family lineage into the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The bulk of the family history and genealogy was compiled by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, Dorothy L. Blair, Elizabeth S. (Blair) Sutton, and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair.

Box 83

Stifler materials, 1989  
 (Discusses William H. Stifler, Roger Williams University, Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler)  
 Blair and Leverett family cemetery lots, 1990s  
 Notes on Brown, Clark, and Leverett families, 1990s  
 (Includes pamphlet on The Blair Society and Dorothy L. Blair)  
 "Notes on Letters to and From Will and Brownie Stifler, mostly 1880s and 1890s," 1991  
 (William H. Stifler and Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler)  
 Research on William H. Stifler and Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1991  
 Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton's notes on Leverett and Stifler families, 2003  
 Leverett family, undated  
 "Stifler Family Records. First Generation in the United States," undated (2 copies)

Box 86

Abbott materials, 1887, 1900s, 1912-1920, 1940s, 1952  
 (Typescripts and photocopies of newspaper clippings, writings, letters, and poems)  
 (Includes Levi A. Abbott and Grace P. (Abbott) Blair)  
 Genealogy of William Leverett (1773-1807) and Descendants, 1974  
 Blair family notes, 1980s-1990s  
 (Includes Blair, Brodie, and Atwood families)  
 (Includes photocopies of newspaper clippings)  
 "Family History Search," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1983  
 "Ancestor Charts for Daughters of Roy Atwood Blair and Lucy Kinsel Stifler," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1989  
 "The Leverett Story: The Lives of Warren and Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1997 (2 copies)  
 Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel materials, circa 1990s and 2000s  
 (Includes correspondence, genealogy charts, notes, family histories, and history in Alton; includes histories of Abbott, Blair, Stifler, and Atwood, Brown, and Leverett families, as well as "Ancestor Stories" about individuals in those families)

Notes from meeting of family to discuss inventorying collection, 2002  
 Stifler family notes and material, late 19th-early 20th centuries, 2002-2003  
 (Includes Shurtleff College material, newspaper clippings, 19th century) (Covers 17th-20th centuries)  
 Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton's notes on William H. Stifler, undated (Covers 1841-1870)  
 (Includes "An Ancestor Chronicle" by Susan (Reed) Stifler, circa 1965, covers Stifler, Leverett, and Brown families) (Includes William H. Stifler's degree from Shurtleff College, 1869)  
 Mary Abbot (Blair) Haxel's notes on the attendance of family members to Shurtleff College, undated (Covers years 1901-1906)  
 Mixed materials, undated  
 (Includes correspondence, notes, and book cover)

## Box 87

"Relatives in the Civil War," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, undated (4 copies)  
 Typescript of Levi A. Abbott's "Among the Last of the Pirates," undated

## Box 90

Brown family genealogy, 1985

## Box 91

"A Genealogy of the Descendants of William Leverett (1773-1807)," 1960  
 "Tangled Branches of my Family Tree," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 2003  
 Drafts and notes for Blair-Stifler collection inventory, undated  
 Notes on Leverett-Stifler families, undated

## Box 92

Notes on Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair and Leverett-Stifler families, 1998-2001  
 (Includes photographs, late 19th-early 20th C.)  
 Drafts and notes on Blair-Stifler collection inventory, 2002-2003  
 "Descendants of Prof. Warren and Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett," undated  
 Notes on Stifler family letters, undated  
 Typescripts, "An extract from the personal recollections of the Civil War, William Henry Stifler, April 28, 1891," and letter related to William H. Stifler, undated

## Box 94

Notes on Stifler family, 1940s, 2003  
 (Includes 1864 Sigma Phi Society program, two scrapbook pages of newspaper clippings from 19th-20th C., and 1908 Shurtleff College commencement invitation)  
 Lists and correspondence related to the Blair-Stifler collection at the Illinois Historical Survey, 1999-2001  
 List of Blair-Stifler birthdays, undated  
 List of furniture in Blair home, undated  
 List of Stifler and Shurtleff College materials, Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, undated  
 Notepad, undated  
 Notes on Leverett-Stifler families, undated  
 (Includes newspaper clippings)



## Box 96

Notes on Burton family marriages, undated  
 Notes on Leverett-Stifler children, undated  
 Notes on materials in Blair-Stifler collection, undated

## Box 99

Correspondence and notes sent to Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler from Frank Leverett, 1930s-1940  
 Correspondence and notes on Leverett family, 1960s-1970s  
 Research materials on Blair family, 1997 (Includes catalog, notes, newsletter, and forms)  
 Brown, Clarke, Fuller, Greene, and Griggs genealogy, undated  
 "Condensation of memory sketch by James Walker Leverett," undated  
 Notes on correspondence, undated

## Box 101

Notes on Leverett and Stifler letters, 1991

### Shurtleff College

The Shurtleff College series of Part 2, dating from 1877 to the 2000s, contains a variety of papers. Much of the Shurtleff College-related materials can also be found in other series throughout the collection. The series includes correspondence; research notes and publications on the history of the college; event programs; publications such as the *Shurtleff College Bulletin*, *The Shurtleff Sentinel*, and *The Shurtleff Pioneer*; and administrative records including financial and board reports.

## Box 91

Financial report, 1933-1935  
 Treasurer's reports, 1934-1938  
 Board reports and agenda, 1934, 1936-1937  
 "Appraised value of endowment investments," report, 1935  
 Budget reports, 1935-1936 and undated  
 Financial records, 1948-1954

## Box 95

Proposed budget, 1928-1929  
 Finance Committee meeting minutes, 1932-1934  
 Trustees administrative materials, 1937, 1942

## Box 97

Financial reports, 1895-1896, 1898, 1902-1904  
 Sigma Phi Society *Budget*, 1900s

## Box 101

Calendar, 1906  
 Mixed financial reports, 1934-1936

## Scrapbooks

The Scrapbooks series of Part 2 contains scrapbooks of newspaper clippings which date from the 1880s to the 1950s. The newspaper clippings are primarily about family members. Included are obituaries; articles or writings submitted by family members; and announcements such as weddings, births, events, milestone birthdays, and other family news.

### Box 95

Loose pages of newspaper clippings, 1880s-1890s, 1930s  
 (Mention William H. Stifler, Rebecca (Kinsel) Stifler, and John L. Leverett)  
 Notes on scrapbooks, Elizabeth (Betty) S. (Blair) Sutton, 2003

### Box 97

Mamie Mize's scrapbook, 1884

### Box 109

1888, 1890s, 1901  
 (Contains newspaper clippings and illustrations)  
 Circa 1890s, 1900s, 1917, 1920s, 1936, 1949, 1950s  
 (Greene, Leverett, and Stifler families)  
 (Contains newspaper clippings)

## Glass Plate Negatives

The glass plate negatives included in Part 2 of the Blair, Leverett, Stifler Collection are part of a later acquisition, donated to the Illinois History and Lincoln Collection by Betsy Smith in 2019. As part of the accession, the Illinois History and Lincoln Collection came into the possession of 15 glass plate negatives and 1 damaged letter.

### Box 124A

Glass plate negatives, circa late 19<sup>th</sup> century (box 1 of 2)

### Box 124B

Glass plate negatives, circa late 19<sup>th</sup> century (box 2 of 2)

## Artifacts and textiles, 19th-20th centuries

The Artifacts and Textiles series of Part 2 contains a variety of objects, clothing, scraps of fabric, cloth bookmarks, a quilt, and other materials belonging to family members. The majority of the artifacts date from the nineteenth century. Items include sewing materials, ribbons from the First Annual Convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of America in 1892, coins from the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, wallets dating from the late 19<sup>th</sup> century, pins, pieces of Lucy Blair's wedding dress from 1911, Mary Preston's nightcap dating from the early 1800s, a shirt made by Mary Ann Leverett during the 1830s, and other artifacts.

### Box 125

Item 1: Handwritten note and pins  
 Item 2: Pink pin cushion  
 Item 3: Brass bowl

Item 4: Red pin cushion

Item 5: Right baby shoe

Item 6: Left baby shoe

Box 126

Item 7: Box of icicle ornaments

Item 8: "Love Makes Our Burdens Seem Lighter" button

Item 9: Hard tack (cracker) and envelope

Item 10: Business card holder

Item 11: Colonial trademark needles

Item 12: Brown pouch with green string

Item 13: Six coins

Item 14: Pointed finger pin nib

Item 15: Metal Detroit hook/shoe lacer

Item 16: Wooden soldier doll

Item 17: Smoking pipe

Item 18: Metal pill box

Item 19: Ashes of roses sachet

Box 127

Item 20: Nurse's cap

Item 21: Box of pen nibs

Item 22: 2 children daguerreotype

Item 23: Single boy child in tintype

Item 24: Sarah E. Atwood ambrotype

Item 25: William Stifler knife

Item 26: 9 buttons

Item 27: Halftone copper printing plate on wood, mailed to Ms. Stifler

Item 28: Mourning pin

Item 29: William Stifler Sioux Falls stamp

Item 30: Small wallet from W. H. Stifler - Detroit, Michigan

Item 31: Red-brown W. H. Stifler wallet

Item 32: Red unlabeled wallet

Item 33: Reverend William Stifler dark brown wallet - Sioux Falls

Box 128

Item 34: Leather and cloth pieces

Item 35: Blue cloth

Item 36: Wedding napkins

Item 37: Mother Goose glass record

Item 38: Locks of hair in yellow envelope

Item 39: Locks of hair in white envelope

Item 40: Betty Blair hair dated January 29, 1923

Item 41: Warren Stifler hair

Item 42: William Leverett hair

Item 43: Davenport, Iowa casket flowers

Item 44: Unlabeled flower

Item 45: Pilgrim, Michigan flower

## Item 46: Blue silk fragments

## Box 129

- Item 47: Piece of lace
- Item 48: Green cloth album
- Item 49: Tan and blue bag
- Item 50: Joshua Brown shirt
- Item 51: Square patchwork quilt
- Item 52: Pink edged handkerchief

## Box 130

- Item 53: Baltimore Young People's Union of America banner
- Item 54: Baltimore Young People's Union of America banner
- Item 55: Baptist Young People's Union of American ribbon
- Item 56: Detroit Baptist Young People's Union of America
- Item 57: "S" letterman jacket patch
- Item 58: The Mystic Painting Book

## Box 131

- Item 59: Large tan cloth album
- Item 60: Doily
- Item 61: Soldier textile

## Box 132

- Item 62: Night cap
- Item 63: "Always Remembered" bookmark
- Item 64: "Search the Scriptures" bookmark
- Item 65: Women's Baptist Home Mission Society pouches [23 pouches]

## Box 133

- Item 66: Brass Bowl fabric wrap [bowl in Box 119]
- Item 67: Bouquet Ribbon

## Box 134

- Item 53: '06 pennant flag

## Box 135

- Item 68: Warren Leverett triangle
- Item 69: Lucy K. Blair wedding dress pieces
- Item 70: W. W. Leverett cloth
- Item 71: "This is mine" Preston/Abbott sheet
- Item 72: "Not" somebody's stock sheet

## Box 136

- Item 73: White box [contains scripture scrolls]
- Item 74: 1916 calendar, prepared by D. Blair
- Item 75: Williamson Pharmacy Box [contains stamps]
- Item 76: "One every 3 hours box" [contains stamps]

## Box 137

- Item 77: Mary B. Haxel glass photo

- Item 78: Unknown child glass photo  
 Item 79: John or Edmund Blair glass photo

Oversize

- New Hampshire Insurance Company certificate, 1908  
 Lawton-Byrne-Bruner Insurance Agency group photo, 1937  
 Plans for House Built by Cyrus Leverett, 1895

**PART 3**

Part 3 of the Blair, Leverett, Stifler Collection was organized in a collective effort by Blair-Leverett-Stifler family members Mary Abbott Blair Haxel, Gordon Blair Haxel, Elizabeth Blair Sutton, and Katherine Robinson Short. Some items in Part 3 have numbers enclosed in brackets, which correlate with the "Catalog of Blair-Stifler Family Historical Materials" that was created by the family concurrently with the creation of Part 3. The numbers enclosed in brackets indicate the section of the Catalog that an item can be found in, the item number, and the location – Alton (a), California (c), or Urbana (u) – where the item was located at the time of the Catalog's creation. Some items have bracketed indicators that begin with the letter A, followed by the number 1, 2, or 3. These items can be found in the family Catalog in Appendices 1, 2, or 3.

**Abbott**

Box 138

Correspondence

Grace P. (Abbott) Blair and Mary (Abbott) Enoc, transcriptions, 1944 [1.4c]

Personal Papers

Levi A. Abbott

Mixed file copies, circa 1890s-1920 [1.3a]

(Includes copies of his poems and letters, typescript of recounting childhood memories, and photocopies of newspaper clippings)  
 (Originals can be found in Dorothy L. Blair's binder #3)

Publications

*To Minister Unto...: 125 year history of First Baptist Church, Rochester, Minnesota*  
 by Daniel Carlson, 1982 [1.7a] (Covers from 1857-1982)

**Blair**

Box 138

Correspondence

To John L. Blair from Sarah A. Blair and William A. Blair, 1840-1847 [2.2a]

(Includes transcriptions and genealogy, 1989)

Family letters, 1840-1880, 1910s-1920s [2.4a] (2 folders)

(Includes Atwood, Chesnut, and Ballinger families)

(Includes transcriptions, 1989)

Family History and Genealogy

Research on Blair ancestry by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1980s-1996 [2.19a]

"The Blairs in Tennessee: a family history," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1989-1990 [2.1a]

"Blair Ancestors" book materials, 1991 [2.23a]

(Includes correspondence and genealogy charts)

Work on descendants of John Blair and Susannah Bowles, 1994-1995 [2.21a]

Blair research from Washington and Frederick Counties, Maryland, 1995 [2.20a]

#### Personal Papers

Alton, Illinois property materials

1867, 1890s, 1920-1970 [2.3a]

(Includes blueprints, deeds, plats, and correspondence)

1901-1911, 1919-1920s [2.22a]

(Includes deeds, deals, and records)

Edmund H. Blair

Real estate and insurance business papers, circa 1904-1905 [2.5a]

John L. Blair

Financial records, 1887, 1895-1906, 1911 [2.24a]

(Includes deeds, mortgages, and taxes)

Roy A. Blair

Souvenirs and mementos from Blair Agency, 1900s, 1913-1914, 1920-1950 [2.6a]

(Includes receipts, newspaper clippings, correspondence, and records)

#### Publications

*Lewis of Warner Hall*, by Merrow Egerton Sorley, 1935 [2.17a] [OCLC 244107154]

*Lower Illinois Valley, Color Me Greene*, by Eileen Smith Cunningham, 1980 [2.16a] [OCLC 3919620]

(History of Greene County, Illinois)

#### Mixed Records

Blair Agency files, 1860s-1910s, 1964 [2.9a] (2 folders)

(Includes insurance policies, deeds, certificates, correspondence) (Relates to gold mine stocks, Oklahoma land, Levi A. Abbott, and John L. Blair)

### Leverett-Brown-Clark

#### Box 38

##### Correspondence

Birthday letters to Mary Ann (Leverett) Greene, 1878, 1899, 1914 [3.22a]

##### Family History and Genealogy

Brown family genealogy, 1832-1880s [3.13a]

(Copied by Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler)

(Includes later family notes)

Book of family records by Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, circa 1880-1890 [3.1a]

"A Genealogy of William Leverett and his descendants: 1773-1807," 1960, 1974

(Includes 1937 letter to Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler from Dorothy L. Blair)

Notes on Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett and Warren Leverett letters and diary, 1993 [3.4a]

"The Leverett Story: the lives of Warren and Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett; part 1 - ancestry and early life," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1997 [3.5a]

Correspondence between Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel and Andover Newton Theological School, 2002 [3.20a]

Correspondence between Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel and Brown University Library, 2002 [3.20a]

Brown and Clark families, undated [3.12a]

(Notes by Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett and Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel)  
*History of Stratham, New Hampshire* by Charles B. Nelson, undated [OCLC 23006409]

Notes and suggestions for part II of the "Leverett Story," undated [3.19a]

#### Personal Papers

Josiah Brown

Transcription of daybook, 1980s [3.11a] (3 folders) (Covers 1790-1833)  
(Includes correspondence from Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel and photocopies of daybook and wills of Nathan [1761] and Jacob Brown [1798])

Warren Leverett

Sermons and dissertations, circa 1830s-1840s

Unknown

"On the Use and Abuse of Hypotheses in Science," undated [3.21a]

#### Box 139

##### Correspondence

Letters to Mary Ann (Leverett) Greene, 1887-1910s [3.22a] (Includes extract of 1913 speech from Mother Jones)

#### Stifler

#### Box 139

##### Correspondence

Letters between Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel and Dr. Eugene TeSelle regarding historical marker at Roger Williams University, 1991 [4.35a]

##### Family History and Genealogy

Stifler family genealogy, 1930s [4.1a]

"An Ancestor Chronicle, Stifler and Leverett families," by Susan Reed Stifler, circa 1970s, 2002 [4.4a]

"Ancestor charts for daughters of Roy Atwood Blair and Lucy Kinsel Stifler," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1989 [5.1a]

##### Personal Papers

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler

Correspondence, children's notes and drawings, and newspaper clippings from her desk, 1850s, 1870s-1920 [4.36a]

William H. Stifler

Photocopies of Civil War diary, 1864 [4.9a] (2 copies)

Extract from personal recollections of the Civil War, 1891 [4.11a]

##### Publications

*Baptist Brevities* (Detroit, Michigan), May 1889 [4.37a]

*The Church Messenger* (Huron, South Dakota), July 1895 [4.37a] (Contains article on William H. Stifler)

*History of the First Baptist Church, Davenport, Iowa*, by William J. Bonner, 1978 [4.30a] (Mentions William H. Stifler) [OCLC 6040215]

"Incredible Bishop Hare," *Prairie People*, 1978 [4.31a] [OCLC 8640853] (Founder of All Saints School in Sioux Falls, South Dakota)

*Mission in Sioux Falls: the First Baptist Church, 1875-1975*, by Ralph and Kathleen Tingley, 1975 [4.32a] [OCLC 1993109]

#### Scrapbooks

Newspaper clippings about family members, 1880s-1900s [4.34a]

### **Blair-Stifler**

#### Box 139

##### Family History and Genealogy

Chronology of the Blair family, undated [5.18a] (Covers 1911-1942)

##### Publications

Purina egg record books, 1915-1917, 1919 [5.17a]

Obituaries of family and friends, 1930s-2000s [5.28a]

### **Historical studies by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel**

#### Box 139

##### Family History and Genealogy

Narratives of family history research trips by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel and Gordon Wilbur Haxel, 1978-1989 [6.2a] (2 folders)

Research notes, 1981-1997 [6.1a] (2 folders)

Research materials, 19th-21st C. [6.2a - see Appendix 2 for detailed list of materials]

Color code materials, undated

##### Abbott

Levi A. Abbott and Mary A. (Preston) Abbott [1.1]

Abbott-Blair Alton Cemetery lot [1.2]

##### Atwood

Roger Atwood and Amy Atwood [2.1]

Solomon Dodge Atwood [2.2]

##### Blair

Alton ancestral houses, Blair and Abbott families [3.1]

Blair family Bible records [3.2]

Bible records from Inez (Blair) Frost [3.3] (Descendant of John and Susannah Blair)

Notes on family history by Sarah (Sadie) E. Blair [3.4]

Blair family lot in Alton Cemetery [3.5]

Charts of relatives by Roy A. Blair [3.6]

Notes on Blair letters in "Atwood box" [3.7]

John L. Blair business career [3.8]

John L. Blair property [3.9]

The Lyman Trumbull House (once owned by John L. Blair) [3.10]

Newspaper article on death of John L. Blair, 1915 [3.11]

Sarah E. (Atwood) Blair [3.12]

Letter from Edmund H. Blair to Roy A. Blair, photocopy, 1906 [3.13]



- Grace P. (Abbott) Blair [3.14]  
 Dorothy L. Blair [3.15]  
 Correspondence between Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel and Dorothy L. Blair regarding family history [3.16]  
 Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair [3.17]  
 Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair's trip to Asheville, North Carolina, 1960 [3.18]  
 Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair [3.19]  
 William A. Blair, family history [3.20] (2 folders)  
 "Cows to California" story [3.22] (John L. Blair)  
 "The Peaches" story [3.23] (John L. Blair)  
 "Slaves, the Civil War, and My Blairs" [3.24]  
 Blair coat of arms [3.25]  
 Correspondence with Inez (Blair) Frost [3.26]  
 Notes regarding Blair relatives [3.27]
- Blair-Brodie-Lewis
- Brodie family ancestry [4.1]  
 Correspondence with Joann Ruggles, 1999 [4.2] (Descendant of Brodie family)  
 Correspondence with William Lerman and Sandra Pay, 1990s [4.3]  
 Lewis ancestry [4.4]
- Leverett
- Biographies and obituaries, 1900s [5.1] (Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett and Warren Leverett)  
 Leverett house on College Avenue (Alton, Illinois) [5.2]
- Box 140
- William ("Willie") Warren Leverett [5.3]  
 Mary Ann (Leverett) Greene [5.4]  
 Leverett family genealogies, created by Washington Leverett, 1860s [5.5]  
 Leverett miscellaneous, 1890, 1909, 1959 [5.6] (Includes newspaper clippings and article excerpt)  
 Cyrus William Leverett and Jennie (Hayes) Leverett [5.7]  
 James Walker Leverett [5.8]  
 (Includes 1853 Shurtleff College program)  
 Lucy L. (Greene) Chapin [5.9]  
 Griggs family genealogy [5.10]  
 Notes on visitors looking for Leverett ancestry, 2000 [5.11]  
 Warren Leverett letters, 1830s-1850s [5.12]
- Stifler
- William H. Stifler [6.1]  
 Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler [6.2]  
 Drafts of "Forestry" by Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler [6.3]  
 Warren Stifler [6.4]  
 Francis Stifler [6.5]  
 William S. Burton [6.6]

- Martha (Stifler) Waller [6.7]
- Stifler miscellaneous [6.8]
  - (Includes newspaper and notes)
- Miscellaneous family history files
  - Ancestor charts for Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel [7.1]
  - "Family history, Abbott/Blair and Leverett/Stifler Ancestors," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel [7.2]
  - Relatives in the Civil War [7.3]
    - (Stifler, Leverett, and Preston)
  - Miscellaneous studies by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel [7.4] (Leverett, Griggs, Sloan, Bowles)
  - Relatives associated with Shurtleff College [7.5]
  - "Ancestry of Famous Persons--Connections with Ours," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel [7.6]
  - Notes on Brown, Leverett, and Stifler families [7.7] (Notes on genealogy by Lucy Kinsel (Stifler) Blair and SRS)
- Wedding clippings, photographs, and Illinois State Museum donation materials, 1911, 1942, 1944, 2002
- Unanswered correspondence, Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1980s [6.16a]
- "Adventures in family history" by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, presented to Upper Alton Woman's Club, 1982 [6.4a]
- Correspondence with Mary Eliza Arrington, 1990 [6.22a] (Includes photographs and Daughters of the American Revolution papers)
- Historical tour of Alton photographs and description, 1991 [6.19a]
- Research on Blair family and Pocahontas, 1995 [6.20a]
- "The history of Loomis Hall: the story of the oldest building in Illinois in continuous use for education," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1999 [OCLC 45462915] [6.9a]
  - (2 copies)
- "Our five-generation association with Loomis Hall," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1999 [6.10a]
- "Tangled branches of my family tree: parts 1-3," by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 2002-2003 [6.11a-6.13a]
- "Blair and Stifler family history, ancestors of Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel," undated [6.15a] (2 folders)
- Mixed research files [6.22a]
  - Late 19th-20th centuries
    - (Includes notes, Grover Cleveland campaign ribbon, photographs, correspondence, DAR application, and postcards)
  - Undated
    - (Includes correspondence, notes, and late 19th-century receipt)
- Research notebooks, undated [6.23a]
  - (Transcriptions of family letters and notes on *College Review Magazine* regarding Shurtleff College)
- Research notes from library, undated [6.22a]
- Research notes for "Tangled branches of my family tree: part 1, immigrant ancestors," undated [6.21a]

### Personal Papers

Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel

The Alton Museum of History and Art donation materials, 1990 [6.17a]  
(Includes correspondence, family history write-ups, and photocopies  
of materials)

Unknown

"History of an Oak tree," undated [6.22a]  
(Note on folder: "Probably Lucy Greene")

### Correspondence

To Josiah Brown from R. Emerson, 1840 [6.22a]  
(Includes transcription)

### Photographs

Alton, circa 1900s [6.22a]

### Publications

Family historical book collection inventory, undated

## Reminiscences by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel

Box 140

### Family History and Genealogy

"Memories of my childhood," circa 1989 [7.1a]

"Ancestor Stories," 1991 [7.2a]

"A grandmother's stories," 1997 [7.3a]

"Memories of Cole-Clark cottage," 2002 [7.4a]

Notebooks, undated [7.5a]

"Travel"

"Leverett Avenue"

"Christmases Past"

"Thoughts when walking through house"

"My Loomis Hall Stories"

Notes on Horace Mann, undated [7.6a]

## Blair-Abbott Family History: Dorothy Blair Research

Box 140

### Family History and Genealogy

Photocopies of materials from Dorothy L. Blair's notebooks, circa 1980-1990 [8.2a]  
Volume 1, A-L  
Volume 2, M-Z

### Publications

*Beverly, Massachusetts and the American Revolution: One Town's Experience*, by  
Thomas A. and Jean M. Askew, 1975 [8.3a] [OCLC 2050246]

*Chronicles of old Salem: a history in miniature*, by Frances Diane Robotti, 1948 [8.5a]  
[OCLC 779065896]

*Old Days at Beverly Farms*, by Mary Larcom Dow, 1921 [8.4a] [OCLC 11306175]

## Box 141

## Family History and Genealogy

Research notes, undated [8.8a]

## Publications

*A New England girlhood*, by Lucy Larcom, 1891 [8.7a]  
[OCLC 04004355]

*Salem witchcraft in outline*, by Caroline E. Upham, 1891 [8.6a] [OCLC 2415814]

**Ancestor Charts**

## Box 141

## Family History and Genealogy

Dorothy L. Blair, circa 1930 [9.1a]

**Photographs and Albums**

## Box 141

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler and William H. Stifler, circa 1860-1948 [10.18a]

Abbott, Blair, Stifler family, 1862-1900 [10.2a]

Abbott-Blair family, 1866-1880s, 1900s, 1922, 1941 [10.1a]

Leverett-Stifler family, circa 1870-1890 [10.16a]

Leverett, Stifler, Burton family members, 1877, 1925, 1927, 1931, 1942

Leverett family members, 1881, 1890s, undated [10.22a]

Blair, Atwood, Abbott family members, 1882, 1893, 1929, undated [10.22a]

Stereoscope photograph of Stifler family, 1889 [10.19a]

(50th Wedding Anniversary of John and Rebecca Stifler)

Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair photo album, 1886-1960 [10.8a] (2 folders)

(Includes marriage license, invitations, school records, etc.) (See Box 101 for separated newspapers)

Roy A. Blair and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1887-1913, 1950s [10.10a]

Leverett family and friends tintype photo album, late 1800s [10.17a]

John L. Blair, Dorothy L. Blair, and Abbott H. Blair, 1890-1930, 1955 [10.6a]

Leverett family, 1890-1910 [10.15a]

Leverett-Stifler family photo album, 1890-1910 [10.15a]

Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, circa 1893 [10.22a]

Stifler family members, late 1800s-1903 [10.22a]

Rev. Levi A. Abbott and two other ministers at First Baptist Church, circa early 1900s [10.3a]

Levi A. Abbott, John L. Blair, and other men, circa early 1900s [10.4a]

Pages from Dorothy L. Blair's photo album, 1900s-1920s [10.22a] (Includes Blair family, 1904 St. Louis World's Fair, and Alton, Illinois)

Roger Atwood's photographs of New Boston, New Hampshire, circa 1909 [10.5a]

Roy A. Blair in his office, 1912 [10.7a]

Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel and John Burton, circa 1920 [10.14a]

Blair-Stifler family reunion (Pilgrim, Michigan), 1991 [10.13a]

John L. Blair and William Blair, undated

Negative of William and Mary (Brodie) Blair, undated [10.22a]

## Box 142

Leverett-Stifler family photo album, circa 1870-1890 [10.16a]

## Box 143

Brown family relatives, 1860s-1920s [10.22a] (2 folders)  
 Relatives, 1884, 1897, and undated [10.22a]  
 Greene-Chapin family, 1895, 1917-1918, undated [10.22a]  
 (See Box 102 for Chapin family photograph)  
 Griggs family members, 1899 and undated [10.22a]  
 Abbott and Blair family members, undated [10.22a]  
 Dr. Greene and unknown woman, undated [10.22a]  
 Leverett-Goddard family, undated [10.22a]  
 Leverett family members, undated [10.22a]  
 Negatives of Preston-Abbott-Blair family, undated [10.22a]  
 Unidentified couple, undated [10.22a]

**Shurtleff College**

## Box 143

## Correspondence

1936 class reunions, from Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel, 1986, 2006 [11.15a]  
 (Includes 1936 commencement program)  
 From Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel regarding the Shurtleff College exhibit at the  
 Alton Museum of History & Art, 1996-2001 [11.14a]

## Personal Papers

## Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel

Research on Shurtleff College, early 1900s, 1944, 1990s [11.21a] (Includes  
 newspaper clippings)  
 Alton Museum of History and Art, 1990s [11.19a] (Includes notes and  
 newspaper clippings)  
 History of Loomis Hall, 1990s [11.20a]  
 "Shurtleff College and Loomis Hall," 1998 [11.20a]  
 Elias Loomis and Hubbel Loomis research, 2000 [11.20a]  
 Mixed files on Shurtleff College materials, 2001-2002 [11.23a] (Includes  
 correspondence, notes, and photocopies)  
 (See Box 23 for drawing of Shurtleff College)  
 Drawing of "Old Dorm," undated [11.27a] (3 copies)  
 Research on Hubbel Loomis and Cyrus Edwards family, undated [11.22a]

## Photographs

Shurtleff College faculty, 1860 [11.17a]  
 Wives of Shurtleff College faculty, circa 1860  
 Shurtleff College chapel and "Sunken Garden," 1991, undated [11.20a]  
 Copies of photographs of Shurtleff College faculty and wives, undated [11.1a]  
 (Includes Warren Leverett, Washington Leverett, and one original  
 photograph) (Original photographs date from 1860 and 1863)  
 Stereoscope photographs of faculty and students, undated [11.20a]

## Publications

- Notes on Shurtleff College materials in the Southern Illinois University-  
Edwardsville library, 1990s [11.7a]  
Photocopy of *Jubilee Memorial of Shurtleff College, 1827-1877, 1877* [11.18a] [OCLC  
12014503] (See Box 108 for book)  
*The Pioneer School: a history of Shurtleff College, the oldest educational institution in  
the West*, by A.K. DeBlois, 1900 [11.2a] [OCLC 3603613]  
*Semi-centennial history of the Alpha Zeta Society of Shurtleff College, together with  
complete rosters of active and honorary members*, by W.W. Greene, 1898 [11.3a]  
[OCLC 681915369]  
*Shurtleff College Bulletin* [OCLC 16815005]  
Vol. 2, no. 2, 1906 [11.24a]  
Vol. 25, no. 2-3, 1931-1933 [11.25a]  
Vol. 25, no. 3 and vol. 27, no. 2, 1933-1935 [11.25a]

### Blair-Abbott Family History: Dorothy Blair Research

#### Box 143

##### Family History and Genealogy

##### Notebooks

- Abbott-Bishop, 1960s-1970s [8.1a (1)]  
(Covers 17th-20th centuries)  
Grace P. (Abbott) Blair, 1860s-1944 [8.1a (2)]  
(3 folders)  
Levi A. Abbott, 1850s-1920 [8.1a (3)] (2 folders, folder 1 located in Box 143,  
folder 2 located in Box 144)

#### Box 144

- Blair family, 1839, 1860s-1915 [8.1a (4)] (2 folders)  
Blodgett-Friend, undated [8.1a (5)]  
(Covers 16th-19th centuries)  
G-N families, 1822 and undated [8.1a (6)]  
(Covers 16th-19th centuries) (Separated Mary Marshall Preston's  
nightcap and put with other textiles)  
Ober-Preston families, 1840s-1920s [8.1a (7)]  
(Covers 16th-20th centuries) (Separated Mary A. (Preston) Abbott's  
bookmarks made for Levi A. Abbott, placed with other textiles)  
Prince-Wright families, 1957 and undated [8.1a (8)] (Covers 16th-18th  
centuries)  
Relatives, 1850s-1960s [8.1a (9)]  
New England trip, Grace A. Blair and Dorothy L. Blair, 1939 [8.1a (10)]  
Ships, places, and other topics, 1930s-1970s [8.1a (11)]

### Leverett-Brown-Clark

#### Box 144

##### Correspondence

- To Leverett and Stifler family members [3.2a]  
1845, 1862-1863, 1866-1868  
1870, 1872-1873, 1877-1878

1880, 1884, 1888-1889  
 1895, 1901, 1904, 1912, 1921, 1934, 1940  
 (Includes event program and newspaper clippings)  
 Undated

To Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler and Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett from friends [3.2a]  
 1850, 1866, 1870s, 1895-1897  
 1899, 1902

To Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler from relatives, 1900, 1902-1903, 1906, 1912, 1914-1915, 1934 [3.2a]

To Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair from Leverett and Greene relatives [3.2a]  
 1901, 1912, 1914-1915, 1918-1919, 1923, 1935  
 1940-1944  
 1945-1949  
 1950s

Box 145

Robert F. Ellis to Warren Leverett, 1838, 1845, 1847, 1849-1850, 1852  
 J.C. Martin to Warren Leverett, 1838, 1857, 1866 [3.2a]  
 Kay family members to Warren Leverett, 1849-1850, 1852-1853, 1856-1857 [3.2a]  
 Tolman family members to Warren Leverett, 1852-1865, 1888-1889, and undated [3.2a]  
 John Russell to Warren Leverett, 1854-1855 [3.2a]  
 Cyrus F. Tolman to Warren Leverett, 1854-1855, 1862 [3.2a]  
 To Warren Leverett regarding estate finances, 1854, 1857 [3.2a]  
 W.A. Limerwell to Professor Leverett, 1855 (1 letter) [3.2a]  
 Charles F. Tillinghart to Washington Leverett, 1859 [3.2a]  
 Mary (Leverett) Greene and Thomas W. Greene, 1858-1862, 1865-1875, 1900s, 1912, and undated [3.2a]  
 (Separated blue piece of cloth from letter dated May 8, 1894. Placed with textiles)  
 J.C. Hart to Warren Leverett, 1861-1862 [3.2a]  
 Cyrus Leverett and Jennie (Hayes) Leverett, 1861, 1869, 1877, 1882-1885, 1890s, 1906, 1914 [3.2a] (2 folders)  
 Henry R. Hicks to Warren Leverett, 1863-1865 [3.2a]  
 Invitations sent to Washington Leverett, 1878, 1883, 1887, 1890 [3.2a]  
 (Includes invitations, calling cards, and Baptist Theological Seminary (Chicago) commencement program)  
 (Pen nib separated from envelope and placed with artifacts)  
 To Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett from Mary Ann (Leverett) Greene and Lucy L. (Greene) Chapin, 1885-1887, 1889 [3.2a]  
 (Separated pieces of leather from letter dated February 19, 1889; three scraps of cloth from letter dated February 27, 1889. Placed with textiles)  
 To Washington Leverett from family members, 1888-1889 [3.2a]  
 To Washington Leverett from Hattie Sherwood, 1888-1889 [3.2a]  
 To Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler and Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair from Leverett and Greene relatives, 1960s and undated [3.2a]

Calling cards and invitations sent to Warren Leverett and Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, undated [3.2a]

To Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, undated [3.2a]

#### Personal Papers

John Leverett and Amy Leverett

Receipts and correspondence, 1877, 1890s-1900s, 1929-1932 [3.2a]

Washington Leverett

Addresses and lecture notes, 1830s-1840s [3.10a]

Sermons [3.10a]

1830s-1840s (5 folders)

1854

#### Box 146

1865, 1867-1868

Addresses for pastor installations, 1840s [3.10a]

Church and Shurtleff College financial records, 1844, 1850s, 1866, 1870s, 1880 [3.2a]

Lecture notes, undated [3.10a]

Leverett family

Newton Theological Institution and Brown University catalogues, 1833, 1835-1837 [3.2a]

(Includes information on institutions, and lists of staff and students)

Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett

Papers from teaching career, 1833-1842 [3.2a]

(Includes correspondence, certificates, calling cards, and seminary catalogues)

Warren Leverett

Journal, 1805, 1820-1838 [3.2a]

Materials related to his dismissal from Shurtleff College, 1868 [3.2a]

(Includes correspondence, petition, and a check)

#### Correspondence

Warren Leverett to family and friends, 1831-1870s [3.2a]

(Includes papers related to teaching career, funeral sermon, and Sigma Phi Society program)

Warren Leverett to Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, 1834-1838, 1855, 1868 [3.2a]

Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett to her mother and siblings, 1834-1850s, 1868, 1870s-1880s [3.2a]

(2 folders)

Washington Leverett to Warren Leverett, trip from Providence to Upper Alton, 1836 [3.2a]

Funeral notices, 1839-1880s [3.2a]

Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett and Warren Leverett, trip to New England, 1842 [3.2a]

To Warren Leverett from non-relatives, 1848, 1852, 1867, 1870-1871 [3.2a]



- William Warren Leverett [3.2a]  
 1860-1870, 1874, 1898  
 (Includes Civil War orders)  
 (Removed small envelope with William Warren Leverett's hair)  
 1861-1862  
 1863  
 1864 (2 folders)  
 1865
- Warren Leverett to his son, 1864 [3.2a]  
 (Discusses a portrait of Abraham Lincoln)
- To William Warren Leverett from family, 1864-1872 [3.2a] (Includes Sigma Phi Society program)
- Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett to family, 1872-1877, 1882, 1886-1895 [3.2a] (3 folders)  
 (Removed envelopes of hair from letters dating November 24, 1872 and November 26, 1874)
- Frank Greene, 1881, 1883, 1893-1895 [3.2a]  
 William Greene, 1881-1914, 1940s [3.2a]  
 Lucy L. (Greene) Chapin and Lucy K. (Chapin) Foster, 1888-1905, 1935, 1968 [3.2a]  
 (Removed small bookmark with "M.L.G. 1839" written on back. Note says the ribbon probably does not belong with the July 12th letter it was attached to)
- Frank Leverett, 1934-1941 [3.2a]  
 Transcriptions of family letters, 1937 [3.2a]  
 (Transcribed from letters dating 1834, 1837, 1839-1843)  
 Photocopies of family letters, 1976 [3.2a]
- Publications  
*More Rhymes* by Edith Leverett Dalton, 1899 [3.2a] [OCLC 13470197]
- Mixed Materials  
 Leverett family in Upper Alton, Illinois, 1845, 1854, 1856 [3.2a] (Includes letter, records, and event program)  
 Upper Alton Ladies Aid Society and Upper Alton Soldiers' Aid Society records, 1860s [3.2a]  
 Commission ephemera, 1864-1865 [3.2a]  
 (Includes Mississippi Valley Sanitary Fair, American Freedmen's Aid Commission, and Northwestern Fair of the Sanitary Commission and Soldiers' Home)  
 Church records, 1879 and undated [3.2a]

### Blair-Stifler

Box 146

Family History and Genealogy

"Ancestor charts for daughters of Roy Atwood Blair and Lucy Kinsel Stifler,"  
 1989 [5.1a]

## Reminiscences by Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel

Box 146

Childhood memories, 2001 [7.7a]

## Shurtleff College

Box 146

### Publications

Jubilee Anniversary materials, 1877 [11.18a]

*The College Review*, 1897 [11.24a] [OCLC 16815131]

*Shurtleff College Bulletin* (1905) [OCLC 16815005], *The Shurtleff Sentinel* (1914), and

*The Shurtleff Pioneer* (1938) [OCLC 53622095] [11.26a]

### Ephemera

Event programs, undated [11.26a]

## Leverett-Brown-Clark

Box 147

### Correspondence

Joseph Leverett, 1826, 1830s-1870s [3.2a]

Washington Leverett to Eliza Ann Cole, 1831 [3.2a]

Farewell poems to Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, 1832-1833 [3.2a]

Washington Leverett to Warren Leverett and family, 1833-1880s [3.2a]

(Discusses President Andrew Jackson, Washington D.C., and slavery)

John W. Griggs and George Griggs, 1833, 1840s, 1865, 1923 [3.2a]

Warren Leverett, 1835-1840s, 1853, 1887 [3.2a]

(Includes handwritten copies)

Leverett family, 1835, 1859-1900s, 1917, 1934 [3.2a] (2 folders)

Sarah (Clark) Brown, 1837-1846 [3.2a]

Sarah (Leverett) Leonard, George Leonard Jr., Helen Maria (Leonard) Goddard,  
1837, 1840s-1880 [3.2a]

To Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett from Lucy A. (Griggs) Brabrook, 1838-1840s,  
1850s-1860 [3.2a]

Enoch William Brown and Hannah Brown, 1838, 1840s, 1856, 1880s-1890s [3.2a]

Josiah Perkins Brown to Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, 1838-1851, 1877 [3.2a]

Sarah (Brown) Moulton to Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett, 1839, 1840s-1851, 1874  
[3.2a]

Nathan Brown and Mary Brown, 1839-1850s, 1870s [3.2a]

Joshua Brown and Dolly Brown, 1839, 1840s-1850s, 1867 [3.2a]

Greenleaf Brown, 1839, 1840s, 1857, 1870s [3.2a]

Maria Jackson (Leverett) Dalton and William Cole Leverett, 1840s-1850, 1874,  
1880s-1900s [3.2a]

To Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett from friends, 1840-1843, 1849, 1870s-1900 [3.2a] (2  
folders)

William Leverett, 1842-1843, 1845-1846, 1850s-1860s [3.2a]

Edmund Brown and Mary Ann Brown, 1848-1849, 1852, 1864, 1880s-1890s [3.2a]

Warren Leverett and Washington Leverett to John Griggs, 1850s-1860s, 1880s  
[3.2a]

James Walker Leverett, 1850s-1860, 1890s [3.2a]  
 Children of Joseph Leverett, 1853, 1860-1861, 1894, 1902 [3.2a]  
 Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler, 1862-1863 1865 [3.2a]  
 Frances E. (Leverett) White, 1863-1866, 1871, 1889 [3.2a]  
 John L. Leverett, 1864, 1867-1868, 1872, 1890s-1900s [3.2a]  
 Charles Boardman Brown, J. Warren Brown, and Anna Louise Brown, 1867, 1869,  
 1890s-1901, 1912 [3.2a]  
 (Children of Joshua Brown)  
 Viola (Myers) Leverett to Mary Ann (Brown) Leverett and Sarah B. (Leverett)  
 Stifler, 1870, 1877-1910s [3.2a]  
 J.G. Griggs to Washington Leverett, 1888 [3.2a]

#### Personal Papers

Josiah Brown  
 Obituary and Articles of Faith, 1831, 1833 [3.2a]

#### Mixed Materials

Brown family, 1838, 1866-1867 [3.2a]  
 (Includes land sale advertisements and reports of Brown family associations)  
 Leverett family [3.2a]  
 1839, 1861, 1889, 1901  
 (Includes pages of a book about Baptist history in Illinois, Leverett  
 Book Store advertisement, writings, Leverett Memorial Fund at  
 Shurtleff College tracts, and memorial photograph of Mary Ann  
 (Brown) Leverett)  
 1850s, 1864  
 (Includes compositions and poems, newspaper article, and event  
 program)

### Correspondence [Appendix 1]

#### Box 147

Letters to Roy and Lucy Blair  
 Dorothy L. Blair, 1911-1916, 1918-1935  
 (1926-1935 is located in Box 147)

#### Box 148

Grace P. (Abbott) Blair, 1910-1911, 1913-1918, 1920, 1926-1935  
 Other correspondence, 1930 (Zula Blair and Florence)  
 Other Letters [Appendix 1]  
 Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair to Roy A. Blair, 1919, 1928, 1932  
 Roy A. Blair, 1932-1933  
 Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair to Roy A. Blair, 1933, 1935  
 John L. Blair and Carolyn Blair, 1934  
 Roy A. Blair to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1934  
 Ella and Roy A. Blair, 1935

## Box 149

## Letters to Roy and Lucy Blair

Dorothy Blair, 1936-1940, 1949-1956

Grace Preston (Abbott) Blair, 1936-1940

John L. Blair and Carolyn Blair, 1920s-1930s, 1949, 1952-1953

## Other Letters

Ella to Roy A. Blair, 1937-1938

Roy A. Blair to Ella, 1937-1939

Roy A. Blair to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1949

Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair to Roy A. Blair, 1952-1953

Roy A. Blair to family, 1956

To Dorothy L. Blair from family, 1956

Mixed letters, 1930s-1940, 1949, 1956

**Mary Atherton Stifler**

## Box 150

## Mixed Materials

Pencil drawings, circa 1886

Photograph of memorial stained glass window, undated

**Correspondence**

## Box 151

Cole family letters, 1837-1848 [A3.21]

Blair family letters, 1880s, 1910s, 1930s-1940s

[A1 "These are of special interest"]

Stella Cheney to Lucy K. (Stifler) Blair, 1911-1918, 1920-1921, 1928, 1931-1934, and undated

**Personal Papers**

## Box 151

## Abbott H. Blair

Mixed materials, 1929, 1956, 1972, and undated [A1]

(Includes photographs, memorial materials, newsletter, and copy of death certificate)

## Dorothy L. Blair

Mixed materials, 1898, 1904, 1936, 1950s-1990s (Includes travel brochure, photographs, will, correspondence, newsletters, estate records, and newspaper clippings)

## John Atwood and Mary Atwood

Records, 1840s-1900s [A3.1]

(Includes wills, certificates, cemetery documents, financial records, and correspondence)

## John L. Blair

Photographs and newspaper clipping, early 1900s and 1950s

## Mary Abbott (Blair) Haxel

Notebook, 1928 [A3.8]

## Family History and Genealogy

Box 151

Ancestors of the Members of the Present Blair Society for Genealogical Research, volume 1, 1990 [A3.23] [OCLC 26605597]

## Photographs

Box 151

Album, Blair-Stifler trip to Crystal Lake, Michigan cottage, circa 1912

## Event Materials

Box 151

"Upper Alton Home and History Tour" guide, 1997 [A3.16]

## Publications

Box 151

*The Friends' Review*, 1891 [A3.9] [OCLC 7651785] *The Alton Telegraph* newspaper clippings 1895, 1912

"25-75 years ago," undated [A3.3]  
(2 folders)

The Shadow, Quincy Senior High School yearbook, 1928 [A3.7]

*Preliminary Survey of East Asiatic Art in the Museums of Europe*, by Dorothy L. Blair, 1937 [OCLC 2066796]

*Historic Points of Interest in the Alton and Edwardsville Area*, by Mrs. Harry L. Meyer, 1950 [A3.25] [OCLC 13871543]

"A History of Illinois in Paintings," by Robert M. Sutton, 1968 [A3.15] [OCLC 434413]  
(Includes newspaper articles and pamphlets on Illinois history)

Newspaper articles on Elijah Parish Lovejoy, 1970, 1997, and undated [A3.18]

*History of the City of Quincy, Illinois*, by Gen. John Tillson, 1992 [A3.17] [OCLC 866465984]

*The Great Winged Monster of the Piasa Valley: The Legend of the Piasa*, by George E. Priest, 1995 [A3.12] [OCLC 49992864]

Articles on Lewis and Clark, 1990s-2000s [A3.20]

Newspaper clippings on history of Alton High School, *The Alton Telegraph*, circa early 2000s [A3.24]

(Covers 1924-1928, 1952)

*The Gentleman Giant: The Life of Robert Wadlow*, by Frederic Fadner and Harold F. Wadlow, undated [A3.10] [OCLC 4904888]

"Looking Back and Up," booklet on Robert Pershing Wadlow, undated [A3.11]

## Mixed Materials

Box 151

Signatures of family members, 1890s-1900s [A1 Misc.]

(Includes Levi A. Abbott, Sarah E. Blair, John L. Blair, Edmund H. Blair, and Sarah B. (Leverett) Stifler)

First Baptist Church in Alton, 1832, 1897, 1926-1927, 1933, 1942, 1950s, 1963, 1973 [A3.14]  
(2 folders)

(Includes building report, programs, yearbooks, histories, and photographs)

Materials on Alton history, 1973, 1984, and undated [A3.13]

(Includes booklets on the Piasa and the Jolliet-Marquette tri-centennial, event programs, newspaper clipping, postcard, and a booklet on the Madison County Historical Museum)

Materials for John Mason Peck's historical marker, 1999-2000 [A3.2] (Includes a letter, biographical writings, newspaper clipping, historical marker application, and event program)

## Publications

Box 152

The Tatler, Alton High School yearbook, 1929-1930, 1932 [A3.4-A3.6]

## PART 4

### William H. Stifler Family & Roger Williams University

This series consists of materials dating from 1885 to 1970 related to William H. Stifler's employment as president of Roger Williams University.

Roger Williams University was a historically black Baptist college in Nashville, Tennessee that was founded in 1864 to educate freed slaves. From 1885 to 1887 William H. Stifler served as the university's president. In 1886 controversy arose after students charged T. E. Balch, the university's treasurer and superintendent of industrial work, with inappropriate conduct. Stifler was reported to have dismissed the charges and threatened expulsion of the students who initiated them. This led to increased tensions between students and the administration, and ultimately led to Stifler's forced resignation.

The series contains letters between Stifler and his family and friends sent over the course of his tenure at Roger Williams University, which include discussion of the controversy and his departure. The series also contains research and correspondence about the controversy by Stifler's descendants in the 1960s and 1970. Items in the series have been kept in the original order in which they were arranged when donated. The family member who arranged the series made notes about many of the folders' contents, which are now housed in Mylar inside the corresponding folders.

Box 153

1880s Correspondence

April 1885-August 1885

May 1885

August 1885

September 1885-March 1887

October 1885 and August 1886

March 1885-July 1886

December 1885-January 1887

March 1887-June 1887  
 February 1887-May 1887  
 June 1887-July 1887  
 1960s/1970s Research and Publications  
 "White Liberals and Black Power" partial photocopy, 1970  
*The American Historical Review*, June 1970  
 Roger Williams University Research, 1960-1964

### **Elizabeth S. (Blair) Sutton**

This series consists of materials relating to Elizabeth "Betty" Stifler Blair Sutton. It consists of personal notes, greeting cards, newspaper clippings, and ephemera belonging to Betty, as well as items related to her death and funeral service. It also includes photographs of Betty and her relatives, and research related to her ancestors.

#### Box 154

Master's Thesis, 1939  
 Cards and notes, 1979-2008  
 Major events and death, 1935-2008  
 Personal papers, 1966-2008  
 Photographs, sisters and their families, 1929-2001  
 Stifler and Blair ancestors, 1887-2008

### **Robert M. Sutton**

This series consists of materials related to Robert "Bob" Mize Sutton. It contains genealogical research and photos of his ancestors; ephemera, correspondence and clippings from his military career; sports ephemera; materials related to his education and his professorship at the University of Illinois; and documentation of his involvement with the New Covenant Fellowship, a religious organization.

#### Box 155

Mize family photos, circa 19th century-2005  
 Photostat of sermon, 1956  
 Sutton ancestors, 1875-2008  
 Parents and siblings, 1910-1993  
 Mary Mize and R. Sutton marriage certificate, 1910  
 Military and career, 1942-2005  
 Sports and ephemera, 1937-2005  
 Military, 1943-1946

#### Box 156

Newspaper clippings, 1940-1998  
 New Covenant Fellowship, circa 1950s-1981  
 Faculty photos, 1960-1976  
 Portraits, undated  
 Genealogical research, undated  
 Professorship, 1937-2005  
*The Northwest Ordinance* publication, undated

## Box 157

Primary school diplomas, 1929-1933  
 Shurtleff College diploma, 1937  
 University of Illinois diploma, 1948

**Elizabeth and Robert Sutton**

This series consists of materials related to a European cruise taken by Elizabeth and Robert Sutton, as well as mementos and photos documenting their courtship and marriage.

## Box 157

Europe trip, 1967  
 Relationship, 1942-1996  
 Miscellaneous clippings and correspondence, 1943-2008

**Miscellaneous**

This series consists of miscellaneous bound publications, photographs, and correspondence.

## Box 158

Ida B. Dillon correspondence with politicians and government officials, 1956-1971  
 Lucy Stifler's *The Flower Sermon*, circa 19th century  
 William H. Stifler's *Kent's New Commentary*, 1880  
 Miscellaneous correspondence, 1869-1996  
*Kent's New Commentary for Young Ladies*, 1881  
*Colton's Map of Illinois*, 1860  
*Christmas Wishes*, circa 19th century  
*Christian Review*, 1849  
 Photo album, undated  
 Family photo, circa late 1800s  
 Army-Navy football game program, 1913

## Box 159

Photo album, undated  
*The New Self-Revising Matthews-Northrup Atlas of the World at War*, 1940  
*Delineator*, 1928