

# Austin Collection 2012-48

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## Summary

**Title:** Austin Collection

**Accession Number:** 2012-48

**Creator:** Lewis Henry Austin (1907-2005) Esther Margaret (Paine) Austin (1908-1993)

**Extent:** 4 boxes, containing 72 files (6003 pages)

**Language:** English

**Abstract:** Lewis Henry Austin and his wife Esther Margaret (Paine) Austin researched their ancestors through correspondence and research trips primarily in the 1970s. Austin family research includes the surnames Children, Smith, Rigby, and Kalb; Paine research includes the names Kent, Brown, and Templin. Lewis and Esther also researched the ancestors of their extended families, including the surnames Stevens and McAlpine; Kephart, Haseltine, Schell; Ayers and Oldenberg. The collection contains research of the Children family back to the 14th century. Other material traces the Paine family in America to before the Revolution.

## Administrative Information

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## Biographical Note

Lewis Henry Austin was born 10 May 1907, in Dumont, Butler County, Iowa. He married Esther Margaret Paine in 1930. She was born 8 July 1908 in Fayette County, Iowa. Not long after they married, the couple moved west, settling in Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon. Esther died on 22 February 1993, Lewis on 4 August 2005, both in Portland. They are buried at Lincoln Memorial Park.

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## Finding Aid

Box	File	Description	Prominent Surnames	Locations	Pages
1	1	Pedigree chart, family group sheets, correspondence	Anderson, Johnson, Cleghorn	Illinois, Oregon, Massachusetts	28
1	2	Pedigree chart, family group sheets, notes	Brady, Stevens	Maine, Massachusetts	184
1	3	Descendant reports, family group sheets, copy of Bible record, correspondence	Templin, Wilson, Brown, Shepherd, Rordin	Pennsylvania, Indiana	361
1	4	Family group sheets, correspondence, notes, pedigree charts	Smith, Prall, Austin	New Jersey, England	103
1	5	Correspondence, family group sheets, cemetery and other notes, pedigree charts	Rigby, Ridgley, Fate, Orrick, Pumphrey, Kalb	Maryland, Ohio, Iowa, England	86
1	6	Correspondence, family group sheets	Fletcher, Lane	Vermont, Connecticut	7
1	7	Research notes	Fate	Ohio	9
1	8	Correspondence, family group sheets, pedigree charts, notes	Kephart, Schell, Austin, Children	Oregon, Iowa, Wisconsin, England	215
1	9	Application to New England Historical Society, pedigree charts	Paine, Austin, Washbourne, Hallock		39
1	10	Correspondence	Kalb, Culp	Iowa	6
1	11	Correspondence, family group sheet, pedigree chart, Will	Pumphrey, Cromwell	Ohio	158
1	12	Pedigree chart, family group sheets, correspondence, Bible records	Collins, Fry	Pennsylvania, Iowa	66
1	13	Family group sheets, correspondence, notes	Rhodes, Clough	England	84
1	14	Family group sheets, descendant reports, correspondence	Force, Bunn	New Jersey, New York, Massachusetts	21
1	15	Family group sheets, correspondence, vital records, newspaper clippings	Ayers, Oldenburg	New York, Vermont, Wisconsin	89
1	16	Correspondence, notes	Dumont, Shaver, Yapple	New York	12
1	17	Correspondence, descendant report, transcript of court records Children men of Kent, England, biographical sketches, research notes	Austin, Brown, Hemingway, Shoobridge, Children	New Jersey, Indiana, England	111

1	18	Family group Sheets, manuscript "Our Kirby Line"	Allen, Kirby, Merihew	Massachusetts	97
1	19	Family group sheets, notes	Paine , Templin	Ohio, Wisconsin	212
1	20	Family group sheets, research notes, correspondence	Children, Prall, Austin, Smith, Rigby	England, New York, Wisconsin, Illinois, New Jersey, Ohio	125
1	21	Letters dated from the late 1800s, family group sheets, death records, correspondence, research notes, pedigree charts	Austin, Paine, Ridgely, Rigby, Orrick, Francis	Iowa, England, Maryland	185
1	22	Pedigree charts, correspondence, cemetery records, marriage records, research notes	Griffith, Griffen, Allen, Hallock, Allen	Massachusetts, Vermont, New York	127
1	23	Family group sheets, correspondence, notes	Ayers, Austin, Oldenburg, Prall	Wisconsin, New York, Oregon	34
1	24	Family group sheets, correspondence, notes	Paine, Phelps, Hallock, Kent, Austin, Fletcher	Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Iowa , Vermont	45
2	1	Correspondence, family group sheets	Pumphrey, Ridgely, Rigby	England, Maryland	18
2	2	Family group sheets, biographical sketches, descendant charts	Diprose, Children	England	42
2	3	Correspondence, descendant charts, biographical sketches, family group sheets	Rigby, Austin, Pumphrey	Iowa, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Oregon	55
2	4	Correspondence, copies of letters dated 1843-1877, baptismal records	Children, Austin, Edwin	England, Iowa, Washington	40
2	5	Pedigree charts, correspondence, "The Children family in America," transcripts of wills	Children, Austin	England, Wisconsin	64
2	6	Correspondence, notes	Prall, Austin, Smith		18
2	7	Photo, biographical sketch, correspondence, copies of death and marriage records	Austin, Smith	England, Wisconsin	89

2	8	Correspondence, descendant charts, transcriptions of court documents	Rigby, Pumphrey, Greathouse, Stull	Maryland, Pennsylvania, Iowa, Virginia, Kentucky	50
2	9	Correspondence	Kalb	Iowa	8
2	10	Pedigree chart	Paine		2
2	11	Correspondence, biographical notes	Children, Austin		79
2	12	Descendant report for Titus Rigby, obituaries, biographical sketches, correspondence	Rigby, Hagerman	Ohio, Iowa	150
2	13	Copies and transcriptions of wills dated 1516-1558	Children	England	98
2	14	Correspondence	Smith, Webb		10
2	15	Correspondence, biographical notes, photos, descendant chart	Austin	England, Iowa, Wisconsin	40
2	16	Research notes, descendant charts	Children	England, Wisconsin	31
2	17	Correspondence, family group sheets	Smith, Prall, Praal, Quick, Fisher	New Jersey, Iowa	66
2	18	Family group sheets, copies of birth, marriage and death records, correspondence, biographical sketch, charts	Guptill, Libby	Maine, Minnesota	74
2	19	Newspaper obituaries, biographical sketches	Austin, Voogd, Moore, Eckles, Burnham, Smith, Rigby	Iowa, Kentucky	28
2	20	Photo, family group sheets, correspondence, descendant charts, research notes	Burdick, Hallock, Shuttleworth, Powell, Griffith, Washburn, Swasey	Vermont, England, New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut	64
2	21	Family group sheets, correspondence, notes, descendant charts, transcript of Bible records	Templin, Brown, Wilson	Indiana, Iowa, Oklahoma, Kansas	123
2	22	Copies and transcripts of wills, indentures, and other documents, correspondence, notes, descendant chart	Hemingway, Lane, Kent	England, New Jersey	48
2	23	Family group sheets, research notes, correspondence, property and estate records, church and Bible records	Kent, Fletcher, Cook, Lightle, Brindley, Knight, Hoyt	New Jersey, Vermont, Wisconsin, New York, Connecticut	191

2	24	Pedigree charts, notes, biographical sketches, correspondence	Vandercook, Van Der Cook	New York, Ohio	30
2	25	Family group sheets, correspondence, notes	Green, Doughty, Swayze, Smith	New York	143
2	26	Family group sheets, correspondence, notes, pedigree charts	Green, Greene, Hallock, Doughty, Smith	Rhode Island, New York	88
2	27	Family group sheets, correspondence, notes	Children, Austin, Thorp	England, Wisconsin	99
3	1	Family group sheets, correspondence	Kephart, Stevens, Gass, Thomsen, Brown		32
3	2	Correspondence, family group sheets	Brown, Hemingway, Corbett, Newham, Badgley	England, New Jersey, Indiana, Iowa	153
3	3	Correspondence, obituary, family photos, family group sheets, research notes, Bible records	Brown, Hemingway, Badgley, Corbett, Talbott, Templin, VanSickle	New Jersey, Indiana, Kansas, Oregon	131
3	4	Death records, biographical sketches, research reports, correspondence, notes, Bible records	Freeland, Templin, Newham, Newman, Hemingway	Indiana, Maryland, Kentucky	132
3	5	Marriage and death records, copies and transcripts of Civil War letters and land grant certificates, correspondence, notes, manuscript "Our Browns"	Brown, Templin, Paine	New Jersey, Iowa, Kansas	109
3	6	Research notes, correspondence, descendant reports, photos, funeral notices	Brown, Davis, Witt, Pyle, Mansur, Harrison, Galvan, Barnes	Iowa, Kansas, Idaho	116
3	7	Biographical sketches, family group sheets, transcripts of wills, military pension records, family photo, Bible records, descendant reports, correspondence	Paine, Kent, Evans, Pease, Hallock, Fletcher, Hemingway, Brown, Templin, Rhodes	Iowa, Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut, England, Indiana, Missouri	161
3	8	Military and pension records for John L. Brown	Brown, Templin	Indiana, Missouri	100
3	9	Family group sheets, photos, correspondence, notes, transcripts of probate records, pedigree chart	Griffith, Potter, Green, Allen, Merihew, Hallock	New York, Massachusetts	65

3	10	Correspondence, research notes focused on Friends (Quaker) records in New York	Hallock, Griffith, Allen	New York	96
3	11	Manuscript "John Lee Brown and Esther Ann Templin Ancestors and Progeny" by Esther Paine Austin			53
3	12	Copy and transcript of 1860s memoir, correspondence, photos, pedigree chart, biographical sketches	Paine, Brown, Austin, Children, Rigby	Indiana, England, Iowa	52
4	1	Pedigree chart, family group sheets, research notes, correspondence	Johnson, Hallock, Anderson, McGinnis, Griffith, Culp	Illinois, Iowa, Massachusetts	26
4	2	Family group sheets, research notes, correspondence	Brady, Stevens, Cooke, Whiting, Prescott, Sawyer, Churchill, Francis	New York, Maine, Massachusetts	171
4	3	Correspondence, research notes	Children, Austin, Frazee	England, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania	93
4	4	"Ancestry of Esther Paine Austin," pedigree charts	Paine		61
4	5	Research notes	Ridgely, Cromwell, Pumphery		17
4	6	"John Lee Brown and Eshter Ann Templin Ancestors and Progeny," Bible records, family group sheets	Brown, Templin		166
4	7	Family group sheets, research notes, correspondence	Wilson, Henderson, Templin	Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana	65
4	8	Death records, family group sheets, correspondence, biographical sketches, pedigree charts	Schell, Kephart, Allen, Blakey, Templin, Smith	California, Iowa, Minnesota, New York	52