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Summary

Title: Bridgewater Collection

Accession Number: 2022-02

Creator: Hazel Pauline Bridgewater (1926-2007)

Extent: 3 boxes consisting of 34 files (2553 pages)

Language: English

Abstract:

The Bridgewater Collection consists of the correspondence and research papers compiled by Hazel Pauline Bridgewater. It includes correspondence with family members, other researchers, and archives throughout the United States. There are research notes accompanied by copies or transcripts of birth, marriage, death, Bible, and land records. A few files contain family photos. There are pedigree charts and family group sheets to aid researchers.

The most common surnames are Reynolds, Bridgewater, Henry, Harmon, and Easterly. The most common locations are Tennessee, Illinois, Oregon, Virginia, and Washington.

Administrative Information

Provenance: The genealogical research papers of Hazel Pauline Bridgewater were donated to the Genealogical Forum of Oregon in 2018. They were included in the papers of Julie Kidd. The relationship between the collections is not known. They do not share surnames.

Retention and Access: Scanned images of the collection are currently retained by the GFO Manuscripts Committee in three separate digital storage locations and can be accessed at the GFO library or by contacting manuscripts@gfo.org.

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Biographical Note

Hazel Pauline Bridgewater was born in Milton-Freewater, Umatilla County, Oregon on 25 June 1926. Her parents were Ray Earl and Ada Ellen (Reynolds) Bridgewater. She moved to Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon, in the 1950s and remained there until her death on 30 September 2007.

Finding Aid

| Box | File | Description | Prominent Surnames | Locations | Pages |
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| 1 | 1 | Descendant charts with source notes | Reynolds, Bridgewater, Stilwell, Harmon, Reynolds, Easterlee, Bible | Nebraska, Indiana, Oregon, Tennessee, Illinois | 181 |
| 1 | 2 | Family group sheets | Reynolds | Tennessee | 11 |
| 1 | 3 | Family group sheets | Gibbs, Flowers, | Georgia | 38 |
| 1 | 4 | Pension record, research notes, family group sheets, copies of family photos | Jenkins, Reynolds, Bridgewater, Stillwell, Mitchell, Easterly | Illinois, Nebraska, Indiana, Missouri | 115 |
| 1 | 5 | Descendant report, research notes, family group sheets | Jenkins, Henry, Harper | Rhode Island, Illinois, Oregon, New York | 88 |
| 1 | 6 | Family group sheets, notes, descendant report, excerpts from family history books | Howard, Wooley, Truesdale, Sweet, Scoos, Griffin, Jeoffrey, Almy | England, New York, Illinois, Rhode Islands, New Jersey | 175 |
| 1 | 7 | Correspondence, research notes | Bridgewater, Jenkins, Sweet, Howard | Illinois, Missouri | 42 |
| 1 | 8 | Descendant reports with source notes, research notes, family group records | Crawford, Fraser, Bridgewater, Troyer, Henry, Harmon, Coffelt, Reynolds | Scotland, Pennsylvania, Tennessee | 44 |
| 1 | 9 | Descendant chart, census notes, family group records | Bible, Ryan, Harmon, Bridgewater | Germany, Tennessee, Missouri | 142 |
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| 2 | 1 | Research notes | Henry | Virginia, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Tennessee | 14 |
| 2 | 2 | Family group sheets, pedigree charts, descendant report | Lorenz, Spaeth, Kalmbach, Weck, Amend, Diehl, Kenneman, Schrod, Kreh | Germany, Russia, Michigan, Oregon | 38 |
| 2 | 3 | Correspondence, will of Christian W. Bible, family group sheets | Bridgewater, Reynolds, Harmon, Bible | Oregon, Virginia, Tennessee | 164 |

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| 2 | 4 | Family group sheets, pension files, correspondence, research notes, family group sheets, "Harris Family Record" (dated 1924) | Bronson, Stanfield, Harris, Buff, Vancil, Harris | Illinois, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Georgia, North Carolina, Oregon, Washington | 168 |
| 2 | 5 | Transcript of probate record, correspondence, pension record, research notes, pedigree chart | Cooper, Crawford, Henry, Thornburgh | Oklahoma, Missouri, Kentucky, Illinois, Nebraska | 79 |
| 2 | 6 | Correspondence, research notes, descendant report, biographical sketch, excerpts from local history and record books | Henry, Foley | Illinois, Kentucky | 215 |
| 2 | 7 | Pedigree charts, family group sheets, research notes | Bridgewater, Reynolds, Darling, Howland, Spencer, Shepard | Oregon, Washington, Nebraska, Massachusetts, England | 66 |
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| 3 | 1 | Pedigree charts, fan chart | Stutzman, Pettibone, Tyrell, Bridgewater | Pennsylvania, Oregon | 4 |
| 3 | 2 | Pedigree charts | Bridgewater, Troyer, Whipple, Angell | Washington, Indiana, Rhode Island | 2 |
| 3 | 3 | Research notes, family group sheets | Hammond, Norris | Virginia, Kentucky, Maryland | 17 |
| 3 | 4 | Family group sheets, research notes | Cox, Accuff | Missouri, Virginia, Tennessee | 9 |
| 3 | 5 | Pedigree charts | Medley, Malone, Epperson, Donahue | Virginia, Utah, Oregon | 5 |
| 3 | 6 | Research notes, death and marriage certificate | Henry, Jenkins | Tennessee, Nebraska, Illinois | 3 |
| 3 | 7 | Family group sheets, deed, research notes, correspondence | Elkin, Bailey, Akers | Indiana, South Carolina, Virginia | 22 |
| 3 | 8 | Correspondence, death certificate, biographical sketch, pension records | Reynolds | Tennessee, Missouri | 27 |
| 3 | 9 | Correspondence, family group sheets | Harmon | Tennessee, Missouri | 11 |

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| 3 | 10 | Death certificate, correspondence, notes, funeral notice, marriage announcement, biographical sketch | Henry, Reynolds, Bridgewater, Easterly | Washington, Illinois | 35 |
| 3 | 11 | Family group sheets | Reynolds, Harmon, Bridgewater | Tennessee, Illinois, Oregon | 7 |
| 3 | 12 | Biographical sketch, news clippings, funeral notice, notes | Henry, Reynolds, Bridgewater | Illinois, Nebraska, Oregon | 13 |
| 3 | 13 | Biographical sketch, family group record, correspondence, research notes, cemetery and family photos | Reynolds, Easterly, Nelson, Harmon | Tennessee, Virginia, Minnesota, Washington | 59 |
| 3 | 14 | Correspondence, family photos | Reynolds, Henry, Hill | | 27 |
| 3 | 15 | Deed, mortgage records | Reynolds | Nebraska, Illinois | 15 |
| 3 | 16 | Research notes, excerpt from local history book | Harmon | Washington, Indiana | 11 |
| 3 | 17 | Transcript of will of Henry Reynolds, research notes, correspondence | Reynolds | Tennessee | 8 |
| 3 | 18 | Family group sheets, ancestor chart, correspondence | Troyer, Stutzman, Hertzler, Yoder, Bridgewater | Switzerland, Pennsylvania, Indiana | 53 |
| 3 | 19 | Correspondence, research notes | Reynolds | Arkansas, Virginia | 10 |
| 3 | 20 | Correspondence, research notes, family group records | Reynolds, Easterly, Bible | Tennessee, Virginia, Kentucky | 78 |
| 3 | 21 | Correspondence | Harmon | Tennessee | 9 |
| 3 | 22 | Correspondence, copy of will, research notes, family group sheets | Easterly, Bible, Reynolds | Illinois, Tennessee | 53 |
| 3 | 23 | Correspondence, family group sheets | Easterly, Bible, Reynolds, Ayre, Bennett | Tennessee, Illinois | 39 |
| 3 | 24 | Correspondence, cemetery and family photos | Reynolds, Easterly | North Carolina, Illinois | 20 |
| 3 | 25 | Family group sheets, correspondence, notes, biographical sketch, marriage records | Saylor, Darland, Sherrill, Henry, Harper, Jenkins, Elkins | Virginia, Indiana, Washington, Oregon, Illinois, Kentucky | 155 |

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| 3 | 26 | Correspondence, family group sheets, ancestor chart, descendant charts, research notes, family photos | Shearer, Troyer, Howard, Harmon, Reynolds, Bridgewater, McManway, Elkins, Mooney, McCardle, Crawford, Reynolds, Easterly, Barton | | 211 |
| 3 | 27 | Descendant reports, some with source notes, family group sheets, research notes | Easterly, Cooper, Henry, Foley, Bridgewater, Akers, Buff | | 70 |
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