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#### INTRODUCTION

Two Civil War letters; World War II letters; miscellaneous correspondence of Nelson family; speeches by Nelson on U.S. Constitution, history of Sullivan County, and proposal of new Missouri constitution; University of Missouri Law School Foundation bulletin; notes; and other miscellaneous material.

#### DONOR INFORMATION

The papers were placed on deposit with the University of Missouri by Mrs. Earl F. Nelson on 22 November 1946 (Accession No. 2880).

#### BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Earl F. Nelson was born in Milan, Missouri, on January 2, 1884. A member of the board of curators of the University of Missouri from 1937 to 1943, he graduated from the law school and the Arts and Science College. He was prosecuting attorney of Sullivan County, 1906-1908; deputy superintendent of the state insurance department, Jefferson City; and a lawyer in St. Louis after 1916. Founder of the School of Law Foundation of the university in 1928, he was one of the principal financial contributors and officers. He established the Henry F. Schulte and Gwin Henry Awards in 1936 and 1937.

#### FOLDER LIST

- f. 1-3 Correspondence, 1862-1945. Letters and correspondence of Mr. and Mrs. Earl F. Nelson. Two Civil War letters, letters from Chas. A. Adams, Missouri, House of Representatives. Mentions Gov. Dockery, 1901, debate trip with William Nordin and Forrest Donnell, 1903. Circulation letter for Missouri Publication *Independent*, 1904, on Architecture of Missouri State Capitol, on period furniture. Latin letter from M.U. professor, Dr. Eva Johnston, letter on Luther M. Defoe, World War II letters of Pvt. R.A. McDowell.
- f. 4-8 Speeches by Earl Nelson and delivered at Milan, Missouri, July 4, 1915, for Chapter 0, P.E.O. on the Constitution, at Cape Girardeau for Bar Association, at Newtown, Missouri, on history of Sullivan County, on a new Constitution for Missouri, proposal, Jan. 1926.
- f. 9-14 Notes on bills and acts passed in U.S. Senate. Outline of the Appellate, jurisdiction and procedure. Outline of Judicial power, note on prohibition act. University of Missouri Law School Foundation Bulletin with speech by Earl F. Nelson and Foundation bylaws, 1928. Court brief, Insurance Case, 1916 -- tax receipt, Dec. 30, 1911.

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