### **McLean County Museum of History**

# **Tyner Farm Collection**

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## **Collection Information**

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	6 boxes
DATE RANGE:	1857-2007
RESTRICTIONS:	None
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ALTERNATIVE FORMATS:	None
OTHER FINDING AIDS:	None
LOCATION:	Archives
NOTES:	Donated by Martha Tyner and Mary Lou Lael, daughters of Merlin E. "Gene" Tyner, in 2013

# **Brief History**

John Lewis Tyner married Jane Hindman in 1841. They had 9 children together. They were William L. Tyner, Thomas Harrelson Tyner, Joseph N. Tyner, John L. Tyner, Oprah T. Tyner Jones, James A. Tyner, Emma C. Tyner Staley, Rosa M. Tyner Baldwin, and Cora Alice Tyner Rouse. Upon Jane's death, John married Anna Cox in 1866. They had two children together, Frank E. Tyner and Charles A. Tyner. The Tyners lived near Stanford, Illinois and ran a family farm.

Thomas T. Stubblefield married Flora E. Quinn in 1851. Four of their children lived to adulthood. They were Minnie Stubblefield Tyner, Amie Eliza (Lida) Stubblefield, Irma V. Stubblefield, and Essa Stubblefield Doud. Effie and Earl died in childhood. The Stubblefields lived in Stanford, Illinois and Thomas was instrumental in founding the Stanford State Bank as well as the upkeep of the Funk's Grove farm.

Frank E. Tyner married Minnie Stubblefield in 1894. They had two children, Ora T. Tyner and Eula Tyner Lash. They lived near Stanford, Illinois and continued the upkeep of the family farm for several generations.

# Scope

This collection contains documents relating to the Stubblefield and Tyner families as well as the Tyner family farm.

Box 1 includes biographical family information, a family member's journal, farm ledgers, business papers and planting record notes.

Box 2 includes Farm Business records for the Tyner farm and a few other farm accounts.

# **Folder Inventory**

#### Box 1

## Folder 1: Family Background

Contains articles concerning the Tyner and Stubblefield families including biographical information such as birthdates, marriages, deaths, and other significant events.

- 1.1.1 "Stubblefield, Thomas T.", Encyclopedia of Illinois and History of McLean County
- 1.1.2 "Draft Horses: Pencil Pictures of a Few New Ones," *Pantagraph*, 16 Apr 1875, concerning T.T. Stubblefield's horses
- 1.1.3 "Married at Stanford," *Pantagraph*, 24 Feb 1894, concerning the marriage of Minnie Stubblefield and Frank E. Tyner
- 1.1.4 "Death of Milburn Tyner," Pantagraph, 6 Oct 1896, son of John L. Tyner (1852-1931)
- 1.1.5 "Bought New Car," *Pantagraph*, 4 Apr 1912, concerning Frank E. Tyner purchasing a car
- 1.1.6 "Oat Smut Demonstration: On the Frank Tyner Farm Yesterday Near Stanford—Another Today on the White Farms Near Colfax," *Pantagraph*, 7 July 1915
- 1.1.7 "Legume Tour Program: Sweet Clover, Alfalfa, Soy Beans, Cow Peas and other Legumes to be Seen on Many Farms—Legumes Are Most Important Crop—The Schedule," *Pantagraph*, 12 Aug 1915, concerning a program involving Tyner Farm
- 1.1.8 "Thomas T. Stubblefield Is Dead at Stanford," Pantagraph, 10 Sept 1918
- 1.1.9 "Quinn-Barclay Reunion," *Pantagraph*, 26 Aug 1920
- 1.1.10 "Mrs. Stubblefield of Stanford Dies," *Pantagraph*, 5 Apr 1922, concerning the death of Flora E. Stubblefield
- 1.1.11 "John Tyner Funeral: Special to the Pantagraph," Pantagraph, 10 Jan 1931
- 1.1.12 "Mrs. Frank E. Tyner" Obituary, *Pantagraph*, 8 Oct 1935, concerning the death of Minnie Stubblefield Tyner
- 1.1.13 "Stanford," *Pantagraph*, 12 Mar 1941, concerning Lida Stubblefield suffering a heart attack
- 1.1.14 "Central Illinois Deaths: Frank E. Tyner," Pantagraph, 23 Aug 1941
- 1.1.15 "Stanford," *Pantagraph*, 7 Apr 1957, concerning Lida Stubblefield returning home from Brokaw Hospital and being visited by Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Lash
- 1.1.16 "Miss Lida Stubblefield" Obituary, Pantagraph, 29 June 1957
- 1.1.17 John Lewis Tyner grave record

#### Folder 2: Journal of Lida Stubblefield

1.2.1 Personal daily journal of Lida Stubblefield from 1897-1902

## Folder 3: Farm Ledgers

Contains Frank E. Tyner's personal and business ledgers and income registers.

- 1.3.1 1893-1901
- 1.3.2 1902-1909
- 1.3.3 1910-1922

#### **Folder 4: Finance and Business**

- 1.4.1 Envelopes addressed to Frank E. Tyner
- 1.4.2 Letter from Fred J. Blum (Farm Bureau), Dan Augstin (Percheron Breeders), G.C. Johnstone (Shorthorn Breeders), W.D. Brickey (Swine Breeders), H. Fahrnkopf (Farm Adviser) regarding the upcoming Live Stock Banquet, 10 Mar 1922
- 1.4.3 Handwritten personal finance notes including church contributions, grain, hog, and cattle records, taxes, etc.
- 1.4.4 Individual Income Tax Return 1920-1921 mostly blank from Frank E. Tyner
- 1.4.5 Farm Business Management Association description

## Folder 5: Planting Notes 1965-1986

1.5.1 21 Mini notebooks containing notes on planting activity, environmental and soil conditions, etc.

## Box 2

#### **Farm Business Records**

This box contains records of the Tyner farm from the Farm Business Management Association of Illinois, kept by several different members of the Tyner family, detailing farm activity and conditions.

1947-1960: Merlin E. Tyner (for 1947, envelope only, no record)

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1961-1974: Merlin E. Tyner

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1975-1986: Merlin E. Tyner

## Box 5

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1959: O.T. Tyner

1987-2000: Tyner-Lash Farm Account, Merlin Tyner

## Box 6

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1988-1999: Otto and Otto-Tyner Farm Account, Merlin E. "Gene" Tyner

2001-2007: Merlin Frances Tyner