

McLean County Museum of History

N. P. Ewing Family Farm Collection

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Collection Information

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 Box
COLLECTION DATES:	1910 - 1949
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Brief History

The Ewing family, headed by Nathaniel Porter Ewing (4 Oct 1812 – 24 Jun 1876) and Nancy Elmira Young (24 Mar 1813 – 18 Mar 1897) came to Mt. Hope Township, McLean County in 1853. Their son, Samuel Young Ewing (25 Aug 1845 – 5 Mar 1889) was the father of Nathaniel Porter Ewing (1879 – 1930), who was the father of Samuel Young Ewing (1905 – 1979) who was the father of Representative Thomas Ewing. The Ewing family continuously operated the family farm in Mt Hope Township from 1853.

Scope

This collection is composed of letters written between the Ewing family in 1921, miscellaneous letter written to Samuel Y. Ewing and farm records kept by Nathaniel Porter and Jane Ewing between 1910 and 1949.

Box and Folder Inventory

Folder 1: Correspondence to Samuel Ewing at Camp Grant and Camp Grant memorabilia

- 1.0. Letter to Samuel Ewing from War Department 31 May 1921 regarding Citizen's Military Training Camp.
- 1.1. Letter to Samuel Ewing from War Department 25 Jun 1921 regarding acceptance to Citizen's Military Training Camp and instructions.
- 1.2. Memo to Samuel Ewing regarding instructions for Citizen's Military Training Camp. 9 Jul 1921.
- 1.3. Memo to Samuel Ewing regarding instructions for Citizen's Military Training Camp. 15 Jul 1921.
- 1.4. Memo to Samuel Ewing regarding instructions for Citizen's Military Training Camp. 20 Jul 1921.
- 1.5. Letters to Samuel Ewing (at Camp Grant) from classmates: Allen Houser, Brock, Shorty, Willie, unnamed, 21 Jul 1921.
- 1.6. *The Booster*, camp newsletter, 23 Jul 1921
- 1.7. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Mother, 24 Jul 1921.
- 1.8. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Ruth, 24 Jul 1921.
- 1.9. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Father, 26 Jul 1921
- 1.10. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Willanna Little (NY), 26 Jul 1921.
- 1.11. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Hazel, 28 Jul 1921.
- 1.12. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Ruth, 28 Jul 1921. (2)
- 1.13. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Mother, 28 Jul 1921.
- 1.14. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Ruth, 29 Jul 1921.
- 1.15. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Ruth, 30 Jul 1921.
- 1.16. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Father, 1 Aug 1921
- 1.17. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Ruth, 1 Aug 1921.
- 1.18. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Ruth, 2 Aug 1921.
- 1.19. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Mother, 2 Aug 1921.

- 1.20. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Ruth, 3 Aug 1921.
- 1.21. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Ruth, 4 Aug 1921.
- 1.22. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Mother, 4 Aug 1921.
- 1.23. Postcard to Samuel Ewing from unknown, possibly Hazel, 6 Aug 1921.
- 1.24. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Mother, 6 Aug 1921.
- 1.25. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Donald Hammitt, 7 Aug 1921.
- 1.26. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Father, 8 Aug 1921.
- 1.27. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Ruth, 8 Aug 1921.
- 1.28. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Willanna Little (New York), 8 Aug 1921.
- 1.29. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Ruth, 10 Aug 1921.
- 1.30. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Ruth, 11 Aug 1921.
- 1.31. Letter to Lyle Witham & Sam Ewing from L B H "Jazz baby," 12 Aug 1921
- 1.32. Letter to Samuel Ewing from Ruth, 14 Aug 1921.
- 1.33. Letter to Samuel Ewing from W. P. Ewing, 15 Aug 1921.
- 1.34. Letter to Samuel Ewing (at Kemper Military School, Boonville, MO) from Ruth (at Elmhurst School, Connersville, IN) 26 May 1925.
- 1.35. Letter to Samuel Ewing (Atlanta) from Virginia Verry (Armington, IL) 29 Jan 1927.
- 1.36. Letter to Samuel Ewing (Atlanta) from Virginia Verry (Armington, IL) 8 Apr 1927.
- 1.37. Certificate of vaccination.
- 1.38. Train schedule, train pass, receipt for train pass.
- 1.39. Card: General orders for sentinels.

Folder 2: Business records for N. P. Ewing

- 2.1 McLean County Tax Collector Receipts, 1901 – 1910. (one from Logan Co. and One from Tazewell Co.
- 2.2 Insurance policy for Mt. Hope farm owned with Tavenner.
- 2.3 Receipt from Bloomington Live Stock Commission Co. to Ewing & Brown, 4 Mar 1915.
- 2.4 Receipt from Bloomington Live Stock Commission Co. to Ewing & Brown, 1 Apr 1915.
- 2.5 Letter to N. P. Ewing from Ed Holmes, 8 Mar 1915 regarding Merry Go Round privilege at Atlanta Fair.
- 2.6 Cards for Bloomington Live Stock Commission Co. (N. P. Ewing, Pres.).
- 2.7 Passbook, The Peoples Bank, Atlanta, IL.
- 2.8 Passbook, First National Bank, Sparta, IL.
- 2.9 Checkbook, First National Bank, Ridgeway, MO.
- 2.10 Ledger sheet, N. P. Ewing Sale, 4 Feb 1913.
- 2.11 Cancelled checks, The Peoples Bank, Atlanta, IL.
- 2.12 Receipt from The Atlanta Water Works, 7 Nov 1932.

Folder 3: Business records for Jane Ewing

- 3.1 Farmer's Pocket Ledger, compliments of Martin Implement Co. Roanoke, IL.
- 3.2 Financial statement of State Farm Insurance Co. with semi annual premium call for auto policy held by Jane Ewing.

- 3.3. Receipt, Shatwell's Drug Stop, Atlanta, IL.
- 3.4. Receipt, Ben H. Stubblefield, Grain Mill, McLean, IL to Jane Ewing. 27 Jun 1933.
- 3.5. Receipt, Central Live Stock Commission Co., Chicago, to Jane Ewing. 26 Jun 1933.
- 3.6. Handwritten record, of notes due, 10 Jan 1930.
- 3.7. Release, regarding levied sedan owned by Jane Ewing, 24 Aug 1933.
- 3.8. Letter to Jan Ewing from Attorney Frank S. Bevan regarding property in Normal, IL, 10 Jun 1933.
- 3.9. Letter to E.D. Comstock from Jane Ewing (written by Attorney Bevan), 12 Jun 1933.
- 3.10. Note, and receipt of satisfaction to Sam Ewing and Jane Ewing, 11 Jan 1937.
- 3.11. Collection of notes due to Shores and Ewing or Jane Ewing dated from 1920 – 1937.
- 3.12. Receipt, Donkle & Webber Lumber Co. to Jane Ewing, 2 Jul 1930.
- 3.13. Letter from Attorney Bevan regarding debtor Alonzo Rousey, 10 Jun 1936.
- 3.14. Notice of Election to Party Elected, to N. P. Ewing, Town Supervisor, 6 Apr 1927.
- 3.15. Note of introduction from Luwinna Little, introducing her sister, Mrs. N. P. Ewing.
- 3.16. Receipt, Donkle & Webber Lumber Co. to Jane Ewing, 4 Nov 1932.
- 3.17. Assignment of Corn hog allotment from Sam Ewing to Jane Ewing, 31 May 1934.
- 3.18. Car ownership records, Jane Ewing.
- 3.19. U.S. Department of Agriculture Farmers' Bulletin # 1419: Care and Management of Farm Work Horses, 1940.
- 3.20. U.S. Department of Agriculture Farmers' Bulletin # 779: How to Select a Sound Horse, 1949.
- 3.21. U.S. Department of Agriculture Farmers' Bulletin # 1368: Breaking and Training Colts.
- 3.22. Sale notice, Sale of Dairy Cattle, Thursday, March 18, by Sam Ewing and Earl Terrell.
- 3.23. Letter, from Gifford & Company re insurance policy, 24 Sep 1933.
- 3.24. Letter, from F. A. Tate Realty Co., 8 May 1936.
- 3.25. Letter, from Costigan & Wollrab, 3 Jul 1936.

Folder 4: Miscellaneous

- 4.1 Eighth Grade Diploma, Sam Y. Ewing, 21 May 1920.
- 4.2 Hand made Valentine
- 4.3 Invitation, Wedding of John Belton Sparling and Rachel May Finley, Whigsville, Ohio, 24 Nov 1898.
- 4.4 Card, Easter, to Tommy Ewing from Mother, 6 Apr 1944.
- 4.5 Card, Christmas, from Ira, Kodiak, AL.
- 4.6 Letter, from C. Carmichael (Canton, OH) to Jane Little (Caldwell, OH), 23 Sep 1897.
- 4.7 Announcement, Wedding, Robert Howard Jones and Ella Hull Shertzer (Caldwell, OH), 22 Sep 1897.

- 4.8 Invitation, Wedding, John Powelson, Jr. and Selena Louisa Young, 7 Sep 1898.
- 4.9 Invitation, Graduation, Lena Irene Mills, Caldwell High School, 20 May 1898.
- 4.10 Invitation, party, and newspaper clipping regarding Valentine Day party, card 1 Mar 1898.
- 4.11 ConMuTopics, Sep 1935.
- 4.12 Program, 56th Kentucky Derby, Derby Day, 1930.
- 4.13 Program, Kentucky Derby, Sixth Day, 1930.