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INTRODUCTION

Papers of a prominent Cape Girardeau, MO, family including family and professional correspondence, patriotic organizations materials, legal firm records, family financial and legal records, speeches and writings, genealogical materials, information on Missouri State Normal School and First Presbyterian Church of Cape Girardeau, photographs, and miscellany.

DONOR INFORMATION

The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Allen L. Oliver on 19 June 1969 (Accession No. 626). Additions were made on 20 October 1978 by Elizabeth P. Oliver (Accession No. 2197), 15 June 1984, by John W. Oliver, Jr. (Accession No. 2527) and 1 August 1985 by John W. Oliver, Jr. (Accession No. 2569).

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Robert Burett Oliver was born at "Pleasant Gardens" in Cape Girardeau County, 23 January 1850, and received his preparatory education at home and later at Pleasant Hill Academy. In 1877 he graduated from the Law Department of the University of Missouri, where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Psi. He began his career as an attorney in Jackson, Missouri, and was elected prosecuting attorney for Cape Girardeau County in 1878.

In 1882 he was elected to the state senate where he was appointed to committees on criminal jurisprudence, the University of Missouri, and normal schools. Later, in 1902, he was elected to the Missouri House of Representatives. He also served on the University Of Missouri Board Of Curators from 1889 until 1905. In 1905 Oliver was retained by a group of the largest holders of "swamp lands" in southeast Missouri and was the author of the drainage laws of Missouri. He helped organize the Little River Drainage District, an area covering parts of seven southeast Missouri counties which was converted from swamp to farm land. He served as counsel for the district until his death in 1934.

Robert Oliver married Marie Elizabeth Watkins of Ray County, Missouri, on 10 December 1879. Marie Watkins was born on 11 January 1854 and was educated at Richmond College, Richmond, Missouri. Throughout her life Marie Oliver was active in civic, historical, patriotic, and church work as well as being a wife and the mother of six children. She was state vice regent (1909-1910) and state regent (1911-1912) of the Daughters of the American Revolution and president of the Cape Girardeau Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. She also held memberships in the Colonial Dames of Missouri, the Huguenot Society, and the Cape Girardeau Wednesday Club. Her major contribution, however, was the promotion, design, and creation of the State Flag of Missouri. She was also largely responsible for having it adopted by the General Assembly as the official flag of the state. Oliver Heights was the home in Cape Girardeau

Marie and Robert Oliver shared with their children: Robert Burett, Jr., Charles Watkins, John Byrd, Allen Laws, William Palmer, and Marguerite Marie. Later, two of their sons served as officers of the Missouri Bar Association. Robert B. Oliver, Jr. was its vice president and Allen Laws Oliver its president at the time the Missouri Bar Association was transformed into the integrated Missouri Bar. In the early 1930s Marie Oliver retired with her husband to winter in Delray Beach, Florida. She died in Cape Girardeau in 1944.

Additional biographical information on the Oliver family can be found in *Missouri and Missourians*, 1943, by Floyd C. Shoemaker and *Missouri, Mother of the West*, 1930, by Walter Williams and Floyd C. Shoemaker.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Oliver Family Papers center around the legal and legislative career of Robert Burett Oliver of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and his personal life with his wife, Marie Elizabeth Watkins Oliver of Ray County, and their family. Information on both the Oliver and Watkins families exists in the collection, with the strength of the collection lying in the personal correspondence. Since the Olivers were avid genealogists, the genealogy section is important as well. Information on Oliver's career as an attorney is found in the legal firm's correspondence section. Another area of note is Allen Laws Oliver's research on the history of the Missouri Bar Association.

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