

K Baird-Welsh-Chisholm Family Collection, 1894-1922
0655 0.5 cubic feet

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INTRODUCTION

The collection contains various scrapbooks such as photograph albums, baby books, and commemorative books of other events including deaths and weddings. The collection also contains personal papers such as correspondence and certificates pertaining to the family and family-friends as well as individual photographs of members of the family.

DONOR INFORMATION

The collection was donated to the University of Missouri by Helen Welsh on September 7, 1989 (Accession No. KA0531).

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Frank J. Baird, to whom most of the documents pertain, was born in 1838 in Ohio. After graduating with a degree in Law, he moved to the Kansas City area where he became very successful in the real estate industry. In Kansas City, Baird met his wife Sadie. The Bairds had two daughters, Myrtle and Blanche. Some of the documents also pertain to Myrtle and her husband, John Chisholm, as well as their daughter, whom they also named Blanche. As displayed in the photograph albums and papers, the Bairds were a wealthy family and travelled frequently.

The Welsh family is chronicled in the two photograph albums and are featured in most of the family papers. The Welshes were close friends of the Baird-Chisholm family. The patriarch of the family is Milton Welsh; he and his wife Rose Nelson Welsh had several children, most of whom are featured only briefly in the collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection has been arranged into the following three series:

Family Papers
Scrapbooks
Photographs

The **Family Papers** series consists of various documents primarily pertaining to the Welshes. There are certificates for Mrs. Milton Welsh declaring her membership in the Order of the White Crane and the Order of Lafayette, pamphlets of the National

Society of United States Daughters of 1812, letters written to Mrs. Welsh, and a copy of an article recounting the wedding of Blanche Baird and Robert Ralph Seymour. Also contained in the family papers is a promotional tourist booklet for Costa Rica, advertising locations to visit around the country.

The **Scrapbooks** series contains numerous types of books constructed by both families. There are photograph albums of the Welsh family at home and traveling. There are also baby books pertaining to children in the Baird family as well as books commemorating deaths and weddings in the Baird family.

The **Photographs** series consists of individual photographs of the Welsh family as well as a tintype photograph of a man, likely Frank J. Baird.

PREFERRED CITATION:

Specific item; box number; folder number; *Baird-Welsh-Chisholm Family Collection (K0655)*; The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Kansas City [after first mention may be abbreviated to SHSMO-KC].

FOLDER LIST

f. 1-2	Family Papers
f. 1	Family Papers, 1896-1922
f. 2	Costa Rica Tourism Book, n.d.
f. 3-9	Scrapbooks
f. 3-4	Photograph Albums, 1894
f. 5-6	Baby Books, 1900
f. 7-9	Commemorative Books, 1895-1899
f. 10-11	Family Photographs
f. 10	Photographs, 1899-1914
f. 11	Tintype, n.d.

INDEX TERMS

Index Term	Folder	Image
Baird family--Genealogy	1, 5-9	Yes
Baird, Frank J.	1, 7-9, 11	Yes
Baird, Sadie M.	1, 7-9	No
Chisholm, John	9	Yes
Chisholm, Myrtle Baird	9	Yes
Fraternal Organizations	1	No
National Society, United States Daughters of 1812	1	No
Order of Lafayette	1	No
Order of the White Crane	1	No
Photograph albums	2-9	Yes
Seymour, Blanche Baird	1	No
Travel photography	2-3	Yes

Index Term	Folder	Image
Welsh, Milton	1, 3-4	Yes
Welsh, Rose Nelson	1, 3-4	Yes
Women--Societies and clubs	1	No

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