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Benjamin F. Goodwin Papers

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Anonymous
Title	Benjamin F. Goodwin Papers
Dates	1864 - 1945
Quantity	.25 linear feet
Collection Number	MS 320
Summary	This collection includes pensions, speeches, and special orders of Benjamin Goodwin.
Repository	Pittsburg State University, Leonard Axe Library, Special Collections & University Archives 1701 S. Broadway Pittsburg, Kansas 66762 (620) 235-4883 speccol@pittstate.edu
Access Restrictions	There are no restrictions and the collection is open for research. Researchers must use the collection in accordance with the policies of the Special Collections & University Archives, Leonard H. Axe Library, Pittsburg State University
Languages	English, Spanish, French

Biographical Note Benjamin Franklin Goodwin, a Civil War veteran, was born in 1834, in Steubenville, Ohio. Goodwin was married to Louisa A. Klaberg (1844-1923) in 1859, and enlisted in the Company C of the 119th Illinois Infantry Regiment in August of 1862. He began as a private and saw promotions to the rank of second lieutenant. He served in such campaigns as the Yazoo River Expedition, the River Campaign, Savannah Campaign, and the Mobile Campaign. The most notable battles he fought in was the Battle of Pleasant Hill and the Battle of Nashville. In the late 1860s, he moved with Louisa to Pittsburg, Kansas. A blacksmith by profession, Goodwin was said to have been personally acquainted with Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas. B. F. and Louisa Goodwin had several children, including two sons, Charles

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W. and Harry F., and a daughter, Pearl. He was involved in local organizations including the Grand Army of the Republic, and the Masonic Order. He passed away in 1926.

This collection of primary and secondary resources and is divided into the following series:

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Certificates, Forms, and Pensions

Letters to the Representatives, Senators, Masonic Lodge, Pension Office, Political Committees, Newspapers and Businesses

Speech Transcripts

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Campbell: August 24th, 1907, W.R. Stubbs, September 22nd, 1908, The Salina Journal: February 18th, 1909, Republican County Central Committee, November 18th, 1918, War Department: March 23rd, 1915, P.P. Campbell: July 18th, 1918, Charles Curtis: May 15th, 1920, Pensions Offices, May 19th, 1924, Board of Trade: December 11th, 1925, Pittsburg Elevator Company: December 26th, 1925

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