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**ELLIS FAMILY
PAPERS AND PHOTOGRAPHS, 1826-1954**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 half-size manuscript box, 4 photograph folders

COLLECTION DATES: 1826-1954

PROVENANCE:

RESTRICTIONS: None

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NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

The Ellis family were early settlers of Harrison Township, Fayette County, in the areas known as Yankeetown (post office Plum Orchard, then Bentonville) and Harrisburgh. Lewis and Samantha Ellis had two sons. Minor Ellis (1842-1863), born in Harrison Township, enlisted in the 69th Indiana Volunteers in October 1862, fell sick at Vicksburg in the summer of 1863, and died in a hospital at New Orleans in September 1863. His brother, Melvin Ellis, lived in Connersville, and Melvin's daughter, Irene, married Daniel T. Roots in 1892. Roots owned a factory variously described as a wool factory and a foundry.

Sources: collection

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection, covering the years 1826-1954, consists of correspondence, deeds, printed matter, photographs and clippings. It is arranged by category, and chronologically within category.

There are letters from 1842 and 1854 from members of the Thomas and Ellis families, Civil War letters, mainly addressed to Melvin Ellis by his brother Miner and his friend Lyme Frink, letters 1869-1871, two from Lyme Frink to Melvin Ellis. There are dated: deeds 1826-1855, those from 1839 on including Anson King as one of the parties. By legal papers of 1880-1881 Anson King disposes of his property. There are printed matter including Connersville club rosters, a 1915 brochure on Connersville, and a magazine article on the Root factory.

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Correspondence, 1862-1865

Correspondence, 1869-1871

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Daniel T. Roots Photographs

Irene Ellis and May Roots Photographs

Pratt and King Family Photographs

Irene Ellis May Roots Photographs

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