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**HENRY LESTER SMITH  
PHOTOGRAPHS, CA. 1897–CA. 1920**

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## COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 document case of photographs  
4 OVA photograph folders

COLLECTION DATES: Ca. 1897–ca. 1920

PROVENANCE: Ruth Smith Kivett-Burns, February 1990

RESTRICTIONS: None

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ALTERNATE FORMATS:

RELATED HOLDINGS: Smith, Henry Lester. *The Underground Railroad in Monroe County* / Bloomington, Ind. : Monroe County Historical Society, [1961] Pamphlet Collection: E450 .S63 1961

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1990.0219

NOTES:

## **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

Henry Lester Smith (2 April 1876–25 October 1963), was born in Bloomington, the son of Samuel and Ella (Cathcart) Smith. He received the A.B. and A.M. degrees from Indiana University in 1898 and 1899, and a second A.M. and Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1910 and 1916. Smith married Johnnie Rutland in 1915, and the couple raised two daughters.

He began his career as a teacher and administrator at Hayden, Indiana in Jennings County in 1897. He later taught and served as principal at Brookville, North Vernon, and Indianapolis before joining the faculty of Indiana University in 1914. Smith was dean of education at the Indiana University School of Education; two years later he became dean of the school and continued in that capacity until his retirement in 1946. Since that time he was active in the planning of school buildings. In addition to his work as dean, he was director of the Indiana University Summer School from 1919 to 1942 and a member of the Indiana Historical Society since 1932.

Sources:

Items in collection

Dr. Henry Smith is dead at 87, "Indianapolis News, 26 October 1963, p.7, col.5

Indiana Historical Society Bulletin 4: 31 (January 1964)

The Arbutus, 1917. Bloomington: Indiana University, 1917

## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

The collection includes seventy-eight black and white photographs, and two photographic postcards made or collected by Henry Lester Smith during his career as a student, teacher and public school administrator. The photographs include portraits of family members, students at rural schools in Jennings and Franklin counties, and group portraits of students at Indiana University. Seven group portraits show students and teachers from Brookville School in Franklin County from ca. 1897 to ca. 1902. These items are identified. Other identified portraits include students who attended school in Brookville, Hayden, and North Vernon. Family photographs include two portraits of Smith as a young man.

Photographers represented in the collection include Spriggs and Whilite and Nicely of Bloomington, Otto White of Hayden, Otto Sarony of New York, and G.W. Glanville, of Idaho. Printed material consists of a program from Jennings County Teacher's Institute meeting, August, 1897. The photographs are stored in one document case, and in 4 OVA photograph folders. Photographs in the OVA folders include group portraits of Brookville students.

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[Henry Lester Smith]

McCloud, Gus, and Frank Smith – (5 portraits)

[Group portrait : Fred Miller, Arthur Hoover, Grant Baker, Carl McClure, Walter Bassert]

Ruby Popper [one portrait and one group picture]

“Miss Erwin,” and Stella Jeannette O’Byrne

[6 Portraits made by Brookville Studios]

[6 Portraits made by Bloomington Studios]

[6 Portraits of Women]

[4 Portraits of Women: Brookville & North Vernon]

[5 Portraits of Women: Hayden, Ind.]

[9 Group Portraits]

[2 Group Portraits]

[11 Snapshots : Groups and individuals]

[3 Photographs of Children]

### CONTAINER

Photographs:  
Box 1, Folder 1

Photographs:  
Box 1, Folder 2

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[2 Portraits of Unidentified Men]

Photographs:  
Box 1, Folder 15

Jennings County Teacher's Institute

Photographs:  
Box 1, Folder 16

*Annual Session Jennings County Teacher's Institute,*  
1897

Printed Collections:  
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[4 Snapshots of Schools and School Children]

Photographs:  
Box 1, Folder 17

[Man, Woman, and Baby]

OVA Photographs:  
Folder 1

[School Group Photograph by G.W. Glanville,  
Blackfoot, Idaho]

OVA Photographs:  
Folder 2

[School group Photograph by G.W. Glanville,  
Blackfoot, Idaho]

OVA Photographs:  
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OVA Photographs:  
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3. Select "Call Number" from the "Search In:" box.
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5. When you find the collection, go to the "Full Record" screen for a list of headings that can be searched for related materials.