Guide to J. Raymond Claghorn Scrapbook

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Collection Overview

Repository: Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title: J. Raymond Claghorn Scrapbook
Identifier: NMAH.AC.0582
Date: 1881-1895
Extent: 0.25 Cubic feet
Creator: Claghorn, J. Raymond
Language: English
Summary: A scrapbook compiled by Claghorn relating to his corporate and civic activities, including mostly photographs, correspondence and clippings.

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition
Found in collection.

Ownership and Custodial History
Found in the collections.

Processing Information
Collection processed by Cathy Keen, undated.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

James Raymond Claghorn (1845-?) was a wealthy Philadelphia resident. He entered into the dry goods business in February of 1862 and continued until 1865. Mr. Claghorn then became a builder erecting 542 houses in the twenty-eighth ward. In 1880, he became president of the State Line and Sullivan Railroad, in addition to having interests in coal mines and properties in the city of Philadelphia. He was active in civic and social circles in Philadelphia in the late 19th century, belonging to the Sons of the Revolution, the Philadelphia Union League, among other organizations, and served on the city council.

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of a scrapbook compiled by Mr. Claghorn relating to his corporate and civic activities, including mostly photographs, correspondence and clippings. There is also a small amount of materials relating to family members including James W. Claghorn (grandfather), James Lawrence Claghorn (father), Clarence R. Claghorn (son) and Juliet Lockwood Claghorn (daughter).

Arrangement

1 series.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:
Railroads -- 19th century -- Pennsylvania

Types of Materials:
Clippings -- 19th century
Photographs -- 19th century
Scrapbooks -- 19th century

Names:
State Line and Sullivan Railroad.

Geographic Names:
Philadelphia (Pa.)
## Container Listing

| Box 1 | Scrapbook, 1881-1885 |