Collection Title: Pearl Bach Family History Collection

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Processed by: Jessey C. Reed

Cataloged by: Dieter C. Ullrich

Date Listed: September 24, 2014; relisted August 13, 2015

Date Span: 1920-1966

Size of Collection: 21.0 linear feet.

Number of Boxes: 10 letter size document cases, 94 legal size document cases, 1 record center box and 8 oversized boxes.

Type of Material: Correspondence, records, notebooks and scrapbooks.

Condition of Material: Fair to poor depending on age of material.

Arrangement: Organized somewhat alphabetically by surname; Arranged by creator.

Biographical / Historical Information: Pearl Day Bach was born June 19, 1887 in Hazel Green, Kentucky. She graduated from Hazel Green Academy in 1905 and later moved to Lexington, Kentucky where she began her work as a genealogist. Bach was a member of several historical and genealogical organizations during her lifetime, including the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Colonial Dames of the XVII Century, Huguenot Society, Daughters of Colonial Wars, Daughters of the American Revolution, United States Daughters of 1812, Kentucky Mountain Club and the Kentucky Historical Society. She passed away January 9, 1968 at the age of 80.

Scope and Content: Collections consists of correspondence and genealogical information assembled by Pearl Day Bach that relate to pioneer families that resided in Kentucky in the late 18th and early 19th century. The collection contains extensive research in family histories, prominent surnames and early pioneer communities in Kentucky. It also includes numerous notebooks that document Bach’s research at various library and archival institutions across the United State from 1932 to 1960, bible and cemetery records, family scrapbooks and other materials associated with her childhood in Hazel Green and genealogical research.
Subject Headings / Descriptors:
Families – Kentucky – History.
Genealogists – Kentucky.
Women genealogists – Kentucky.
Kentucky – Genealogy.
Hazel Green (Ky.) -- History
Hazel Green Academy

Notes: Collection was reprocessed, inventoried and cataloged during the summer of 2015. At present it is organized through thousands and thousands of hand written index cards which are arranged alphabetically by surname to numbered file folders in the collection. Published materials have been either removed or added to the library’s collection. Envelopes, blank sheets of paper and empty notebooks have removed and recycled.

The published materials below have been removed from the collection.

- *Lincoln Lore* newsletter nos. 387-1473 (numerous missing issues)
- *Lincoln and Herdon: Religion and Romance* by Holman Hamilton (Lexington, KY: University of Kentucky, 1959)