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Collection Title: Walter W. Tooley Papers

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Date Span: 1957-1990

Size of Collection: 1.0 linear foot.

Number of Boxes: 1 legal half size document case and 1 oversized box.

Type of Material: Correspondence and newspaper clippings.

Condition of Material: Fair, with fading and foxing caused by improper storage and aging.

Arrangement: Chronological arrangement.

Biographical / Historical Information: Walter W. Tooley was the band director at McKell High School in South Shore, Kentucky from the late 1930s to 1963. Jesse Stuart hired Tooley when he served as principal of the school. Tooley relocated to Columbia, Kentucky in 1963 to become band director at Adair County High School. He died in Columbia on April 3, 1990 at age 82.

Scope and Content: Collection consists of correspondence and newspaper clippings kept by Walter W. Tooley related to Kentucky author Jesse Stuart from 1957 to 1979. The letters written by Stuart discuss local and state politics, praise McKell High School and Tooley's successes as a band director and mention Stuart's health issues. The collection includes newspaper clippings of Stuart's activities, greeting and Christmas cards and a 1957 manuscript by Stuart titled "How not choose a man with a horn," which was based on Tooley's tenure at McKell High School.

Subject Headings / Descriptors:

Stuart, Jesse, 1906-1984.

Tooley, Walter William, 1907-1990.

McKell High School (South Shore, Ky.)

Authors, American – Correspondence.

Notes: Collection was donated by Jerry Vaughn of Columbia, Kentucky on March 18, 2016.