Guide to Alex Van Hoose Davies family paper
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# Summary Information

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<td><strong>Abstract</strong></td>
<td>Photocopies of the family history of an early northwest Alabama family, one of whom became mayor of Birmingham in the 1890s; also some personal recollections of the Union Army raid on Tuscaloosa led by John T. Croxton in April 1865, augmented with notes by grandson Alexander Van Hoose Davies, copies of memorials of various Van Hoose men, and newspaper clippings.</td>
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**Preferred Citation note**

Alex Van Hoose Davies Family papers, University Libraries Division of Special Collections, The University of Alabama
Biographical/Historical note

Judge Jesse Van Hoose was an early Alabama settler, merchant, probate judge. He was born 3 July 1787. His son, James McLester Van Hoose (born 1824) was the father of James Alexander Van Hoose (1852-1936), one of the cadets who attempted unsuccessfully to defend the University of Alabama from Union attack in April 1865, and subsequently a Presbyterian minister and mayor of Birmingham 1894-1896.

Scope and Contents note

The collection contains photocopies of the family history of an early northwest Alabama family, one member of whom became mayor of Birmingham in the 1890s. The collection includes personal recollections of the Union Army raid on Tuscaloosa led by John T. Croxton in April 1865, as well as a sketch of the same for a proposed movie script with notes by grandson Alexander Van Hoose Davies. There are also photocopies of memorials of various Van Hoose men, and newspaper clippings.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

University Libraries Division of Special Collections, The University of Alabama

Revision Description

December 2012; May 2013

Conditions Governing Access note

None

Conditions Governing Use note

None
Provenance
Gift of Alex V. Davies, 1990

Processed by
Unknown; updated by Andrew Harris, 2012; updated by Martha Bace, 2013

Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

• Clippings (information artifacts)
• Family histories
• Notes
• Obituaries

Geographic Name(s)

• United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Personal narratives, Confederate

Personal Name(s)

• Van Hoose, James Alexander, 1852-1936
• Van Hoose, James McLester, 1824-1902
• Van Hoose, Jesse, b. 1787

Subject(s)

• Alabama
• Civil War
• Daily Life and Family
• Government, Law and Politics
• Mayors
• Politicians--Alabama
• University of Alabama
• War and Military
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