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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 folder of photographs, 1 OM folder
COLLECTION DATES:	Ca. 1860s–ca. 1910s
PROVENANCE:	Photographs possibly from Mrs. Myrtle Rose Vann of Indianapolis; date unknown. Certificate from Mrs. Vann; June

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Arnon Cunningham Withrow was born in Greensburg, Indiana, in 1839. At the time the census was taken in July 1860, he was still living with his family in Greensburg and working as a printer. On 7 October 1860 he married Ellen Jane St. John (b. 1840) in Greensburg.

During the Civil War, Arnon mustered in to the 5th Cavalry of the 90th Regiment of Indiana Volunteers, Company H, on 17 August 1862. He was appointed as the regiment's chief bugler on 8 January 1864, and mustered out on 15 June 1865.

Arnon and Ellen had a daughter, Lorena May Withrow (b. 15 May 1862, d. October 1910), and two sons: Harry A. "Deck" Withrow (b. 16 September 1866, d. October 1931), and Aurelian Marine Withrow (b. 23 December 1868, d. November 1936). Arnon died 20 November 1869 in Chicago, Illinois, and Ellen died on 27 May 1890. All except for possibly Arnon were buried in Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis. Harry A. "Deck" Withrow was buried in the soldier's plot of Crown Hill Cemetery.

Lorena May Withrow married William Weber (b. 8 December 1861, d. January 1916) on 11 August 1886 in Marion County, Indiana. Their children included Myrtle R. Weber (Vann) (b. July 1889), William Morris Weber (b. 12 March 1891, d. 1 June 1947), Annie Laurie Weber (Stalnaker) (b. 27 October 1895), and Hattie L. Weber (Irwin) (b. March 1898).

William Morris Weber (1891–1947) was a veteran of World War I, and was an employee of the Indianapolis Power and Light Company for twenty-one years. He lived on North Alabama Street in Indianapolis, and was a member of the American Legion, the Ipalco Club, and his company's bowling league. He died at the Veterans Hospital in Indianapolis and was buried in Crown Hill Cemetery.

Annie Laurie Weber married Cecil Stalnaker. She was a long-time member of the Seventh Christian Church, later the Central Christian Church of Indianapolis.

Sources:

Items in the collection.

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National Park Service. "Civil War Soldiers & Sailors System" (<u>http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/index.html</u>). Accessed 25 September 2006.

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"William M. Weber Dies; Rites Today." Obituary from the Indianapolis Star, 3 June 1947.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of nine black-and-white photographic portraits of members of the Arnon C. Withrow family of Greensburg, Indiana, and the family of his daughter, Lorena May Withrow Weber (Mrs. William M. Weber), of Indianapolis. Also included is a certificate documenting the appointment of Arnon C. Withrow as his regiment's chief bugler during the Civil War. The collection is arranged into two series as detailed below.

Series 1, Photographs: This series contains nine portraits. Two of them are tintypes identified as being of Arnon C. Withrow, but they do not look like the same person. Other portraits included are: Lorena May Withrow Weber, Harry A. "Deck" Withrow, Annie Laurie Weber as a toddler, and two of William Morris Weber. There are also two portraits of Annie Hiner as a young woman, but it is not known if she is the same person as Annie Laurie Weber Stalnaker, or how Annie Hiner might be related to these families.

Series 2, Certificate: This series consists of one document, which is a certificate regarding the appointment of Arnon C. Withrow as Chief Bugler, 5th Cavalry, 90th Regiment Indiana Volunteers, 8 January 1864.

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Arnon Cunningham Withrow – tintype portrait of a man with a full head of dark hair, beard, and mustache wearing a suit with dark vest. This photo is labeled as being of Arnon Cunningham Withrow, born 1839, died 1869, but it does not appear to be the same man as in the photo described below.

Arnon Cunningham Withrow – tintype portrait of a seated man with thin hair, a beard, and mustache, wearing a suit with a light-colored vest. This photo is labeled as being of Arnon Cunningham Withrow, born 1839, died 1869, but it does not appear to be the same man as in the photo described above.

Lorena May Withrow Weber – head-to-toe standing portrait (n.d. [ca. 1880s–1890s]).

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Photographs, Folder 1 Harry A. "Deck" Withrow – standing head-to-knees portrait in military uniform (photo by Hamaker of Prescott, Arizona, n.d. [ca. 1880s–1890s]).

Annie Laurie Weber – standing head-to-toe portrait as a toddler (n.d. [ca. 1890s]).

William Morris Weber – portrait in military uniform, turned slightly to his left (photo by Roberts Studio of Portland, Maine, n.d. [ca. 1910s]).

William Morris Weber – portrait in military uniform and hat, turned slightly to his right (n.d., but he looks a little older in this photo than in the one described above).

Annie Hiner – two mounted portraits in same dress but different poses – one looking slightly toward her left and down, and the other a profile view looking toward her right (photos by Harrod's Studio of Indianapolis, n.d.).

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Certificate documenting the appointment of Arnon C. Withrow as Chief Bugler, 5th Cavalry, 90th Regiment Indiana Volunteers, 8 January 1864. Photographs, Folder 1

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