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THOMAS JAMES DE LA HUNT PAPERS, 1916–1921

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 2 folders (23 items)

COLLECTION DATES: 1916-1921

PROVENANCE: Norman A. Richards, Fort Wayne, Indiana, July-October 1990 (3 accessions)

RESTRICTIONS: None

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

Thomas James De La Hunt (1866-1933) was born in Cannelton, Perry County, Indiana, and was educated in local schools prior to attending Sewanee College (now University of the South) in Tennessee. He returned to Cannelton where he served as the local historian. His writings included a column on local history in the Evansville Courier titled "Pocket Periscope," a 1916 history of Perry County titled Perry County; A History, and a script for the Perry County pageant commemorating Indiana's centennial (which he also produced). De La Hunt also served as president of the Perry County Historical Society from 1931-1932.

Source: Indiana Authors and Their Books, Volume 1, p. 86

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of 22 letters from De La Hunt in Cannelton to Ansel A. Richards in Roanoke, Huntington County, and Bloomington, Monroe County. Correspondence discusses various local (Cannelton and environs) social events, parties, pageants, local theater productions, Chautauqua's, courting, and fraternity business and social functions in Roanoke and Indiana University. There are also two theater programs from Cannelton (1917), and a photograph of De La Hunt next to a Paulownia tree in Cannelton around the summer of 1918 that was enclosed in the letter of September 8, 1918.

FOLDER LISTING

Folder 1: Correspondence and Programs, 1916-1917

Folder 2: Correspondence, 1918-1921

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- 2. Click on the "Basic Search" icon.
- 3. Select "Call Number" from the "Search In:" box.

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