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**JOHN AND CARRIE HOAGLAND POSTCARD  
COLLECTION  
1906–1938**

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## **COLLECTION INFORMATION**

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COLLECTION: 28 postcards

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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

John H. Hoagland was born in Indiana in March 1870. At the time of that year's census, he and his parents, Stephen and Catherine "Katie" Hoagland, were living with relatives in the Ray township of Morgan County, Indiana, where his father was working as a farmer. Stephen Hoagland (May 1846–15 August 1924) and Katie Lines (born February 1851) had married 17 September 1868 in Franklin County. By 1880, they had four children and were living in the Butler township of Franklin County, where Stephen worked as a laborer. By 1900 Stephen and Katie were living in the Washington township of Decatur County. Their children included: John (born March 1870), George E. (May 1872–1959), Martha "Mattie" F. (born September 1874), Pearl (born ca. 1879), Andy (born June 1881), Oliver (born August 1883), Daisy (born January 1886), and Bertha (born January 1888).

John H. Hoagland married Carrie B. Fiscus on 3 May 1899 in Decatur County, Indiana. Carrie, born in May 1876, was the daughter of George R. (born August 1842) and Mary E. (born July 1843) Fiscus. At the time of the 1880 census, her family lived in the Clay township of Decatur County where her father was a farmer. Carrie had an older sister, Nancy, born ca. 1873.

John H. Hoagland was a carpenter. In 1900 he and his wife Carrie lived in Greensburg, Decatur County, Indiana. According to the postcards in the collection addressed to them, they lived on Hamilton Avenue in Indianapolis at least from 1906 to 1908. In the summer or fall of 1908 they moved to 815 W. 3rd Street in Madison. Sometime between January and May 1910, they moved to West 29th Street in Indianapolis with their son, Kenneth E. (born ca. 1905), and daughter, Elvia F. (born ca. 1908). The 1920 census shows the family renting a home on West 34th Street in Indianapolis with two sons -- Kenneth and John A. (born ca. 1912). At the time of the 1930 census the Hoaglands rented a home on Beville Avenue in Indianapolis. Their only child still at home was John A., who was working as a bookkeeper in a photo shop. Indianapolis city directories from 1942 and 1943 show John [H.] and Carrie living at 527 Tacoma Avenue and John continuing to work as a carpenter.

Carrie B. Hoagland was buried in Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis on 29 August 1946. John H. Hoagland was buried by her on 11 April 1956.

George E. Hoagland (May 1872–1959) worked as a building contractor and later as an architect.

In 1897 Mattie Hoagland married Taylor Goddard. They had two children by 1900 -- Hazel (b. Nov 1892) and Jessie (b. Feb 1899).

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## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

This collection consists of 28 postcards of Indianapolis scenes that contain correspondence to and from members of the Hoagland family. Some were mailed in Greensburg but have Indianapolis scenes. The collection is arranged in three series, as follows.

**Series 1, Postcards to Carrie Hoagland** consists of fourteen postcards that were sent to Carrie Hoagland (wife of John H. Hoagland) at addresses in Madison and Indianapolis between 1906 and 1938 from her sister, husband, nieces, sister-in-law, and a friend.

**Series 2, Postcards to John H. Hoagland** includes twelve postcards addressed to John H. Hoagland from his parents, his siblings, and his wife, sent from 1908 to 1916. Several of these are addressed in care of General Delivery in various towns where he apparently traveled for work.

**Series 3, Other Hoagland Family Postcards** contains two postcards. One is addressed to the Hoaglands' children from their cousin Jessie in Greensburg (year is unclear on postmark). The other postcard is addressed to Bertha Hoagland (sister of John H. Hoagland) in Greensburg in 1910 with no signature.

## **SERIES CONTENTS**

### **Series 1: Postcards to Carrie Hoagland**

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Card of Capitol building, addressed to 422 Hamilton Ave., Indianapolis, written 31 October 1906 from J.H.H. [her husband], states: "I got to Union Station in time to train is over 1 hr. late. [sic]"	Box 1, Folder 1
Card of Washington Street with Monument and Capitol in background, addressed to 419 Hamilton Ave., Indianapolis, mailed 10 May 1908 from her sister in Indianapolis. She writes: "I will get you a phone No. before long I feel like I was a hundred miles away from you. Kiss the babys [sic] and bring them over."	Box 1, Folder 1
Card of Riverside Park, addressed to 419 Hamilton Ave., Indianapolis, on 30 July 1908 from her sister, informing that "We will be over tomorrow."	Box 1, Folder 1
Card of Traction Terminal building, addressed to 815 W. 3rd Street in Madison, mailed 2 October 1908 from her sister, writing about missing her.	Box 1, Folder 1
Card of Indiana Limited train, sent to the Madison address on 15 November 1908, from a friend who wrote: "Tell Keneth [sic] he can take that interurban to Greensburg."	Box 1, Folder 1
Card of the "New Terminal and Traction Building," sent to the Madison address on 5 December 1908, with the greeting of "Dear Bro & Sister" and signed "Your loving sister & Bro." Christmas plans are mentioned.	Box 1, Folder 1
Card of Crown Hill Cemetery entrance, sent to the Madison address on 29 June 1909, with the greeting of "Dear Bro, Sister & Babies." No signature, but appears to match the handwriting of her sister. She urges her sister to visit and bring her husband to hunt for a job so they can move back to Indianapolis because she misses them.	Box 1, Folder 1

Card of the Traction Terminal, mailed in August [1909?] to the Madison address, from her sister, who writes that she is sorry to hear that Carrie's baby [Elvia] is sick and that "Bro Charlie is hear [sic] now looking for work. If he gets work they will move up hear [sic]."	Box 1, Folder 1
Card of United States Court House and Post Office, mailed 17 December [1909?] to the Madison address, from her sister, who writes about Christmas plans.	Box 1, Folder 1
Card of the Claypool Hotel, mailed 21 December [1909?] to the Madison address, from her sister, asking Carrie to let her know her plans for Christmas. She writes: "If you have been planning to come up hear [sic], you had better get a <u>Huckleberry</u> move on you."	Box 1, Folder 1
Card of "30th Street Bridge, Riverside Park," mailed to the Madison address in January 1910, from niece Grace in Indianapolis, thanking her aunt and uncle for the present and saying that she would have loved to have had them visit [for Christmas].	Box 1, Folder 1
Card of Brookside Park, sent to 959 West 34th Street in Indianapolis on 5 April 1916, from John [her husband] in Greensburg. He writes: "Dear Carrie and Kenneth, Elva and John. I am O.K. Ma is better or well. I was to see Ellen last night she is well. I am making good time on my work. I have not had any word from you."	Box 1, Folder 1
Card of a country club, sent to 959 West 34th Street in Indianapolis on 23 June [1916?], from Pearl [her sister-in-law?]. She writes that she is in Greensburg and may still till after the 4th [of July] and that she wishes that Carrie and the children were there.	Box 1, Folder 1
Card of the public library from War Memorial Plaza, addressed to 500 Blk. N. Tacoma in Indianapolis, and mailed on 24 July 1938 from her niece Dorothy in Indianapolis. She writes that she has to go to a church meeting on Tuesday but plans to visit on Thursday.	Box 1, Folder 1

## Series 2: Postcards to John H. Hoagland

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Card of IOOF [Independent Order of Odd Fellows] building, addressed in care of the Kirk Hotel in North Madison, from George [his brother] who mentions "Maggie and the kids" and his plans to go to Greensburg on Saturday. Postmarked in Indianapolis at 1:30 PM on 1 July 1908; arrived in North Madison by 7 PM the same day per second postmark.

Card of Central Union Telephone building, addressed in care of the Kirk Hotel in North Madison, from his brother George who mentions that he was home yesterday and their mother was not very well. He also writes that he heard John was going to move. Postmarked in Indianapolis at 7 PM on 20 July 1908 and arrived in North Madison by 11 AM the next day per second postmark.

Another card of the IOOF building, addressed to 815 W. 3rd Street in Madison, mailed 23 September 1909, from his brother George in Indianapolis. He writes: "Did I leave my umbrella and suspenders down there / I wanted an excuse to come down again."

Card of Fall Creek Boulevard and Meridian Street bridge, mailed 18 October 1909, addressed to 823 West 3rd Street in Madison, from his brother George in Indianapolis. He writes about people they know and asks John how he likes his new house.

Card of the Dennison Hotel, mailed from Greensburg in January 1916 and addressed to General Delivery in Champaign, Illinois. Written by one of his sisters for their mother, saying they were surprised to hear of where he was and that their sister Pearl and mother are sick.

Card of Saint Agnes Academy, mailed 11 January 1916 to Champaign, Illinois, from his wife in Indianapolis. She writes that they are getting along all right and signs it "love from all, Carrie and Babies."

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Card of the Ford Motor Company, mailed 12 January 1916 in care of General Delivery, Champaign, Illinois, from his wife. She writes that she was glad to get his letter and tells about the day's visitors.

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Card of River Ave. bridge, mailed 13 January 1916 from Greensburg, to General Delivery, Champaign, Illinois. It appears to be written by his brother Oliver in behalf of their parents. He writes that they received his card and that it "turned terrible cold in the night."

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Card of North Meridian Street at night, mailed 23 May 1916, addressed to General Delivery in Decatur, Indiana, from his sister Pearl in Indianapolis. She writes that she received his card and also a letter from their sister Bertha.

Box 1, Folder 2

Card of the Claypool Hotel, mailed 16 June 1916 from his parents in Greensburg, addressed in care of General Delivery in Anderson, Indiana. They write that they received his card, they are well, and for him to come when he can. It is signed "Pa. and Ma."

Box 1, Folder 2

Card of Union Station, mailed 28 June 1916, addressed to General Delivery in Terre Haute, from his wife. She writes that she received his card and that they are well.

Box 1, Folder 2

Card of Morris Street bridge, mailed 22 September 1916, addressed in care of General Delivery in Springfield, Illinois, from his brother Andy in Indianapolis. He writes that he received his card and that everybody is all right.

Box 1, Folder 2

### **Series 3: Other Hoagland Family Postcards**

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Card of St. Agnes Academy, addressed to Kenneth, Elvia, and John Hoagland from their cousin Jessie in Greensburg. It was sent to 959 W. 34th Street in Indianapolis, on 28 November, but the year is unclear on the postmark. She writes: "guess you haven't been catching any butterflies lately." She asks that they write to her and gives her address as 622 N. Broadway.

#### CONTAINER

Box 1, Folder 3



Card of the diving tower at Riverside Bathing Beach, addressed to Miss Bertha Hoagland at 737 West Walnut Street in Greensburg. There is no postage stamp and no postmark. An unsigned and unfinished message, written on 18 July 1910 reads: "Dear Sisters and all / we are all well except the baby / she took sick Friday with."

Box 1, Folder 3

## CATALOGING INFORMATION

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1. Go to the Indiana Historical Society's online catalog:  
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2. Click on the "Basic Search" icon.
3. Select "Call Number" from the "Search In:" box.
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5. When you find the collection, go to the "Full Record" screen for a list of headings that can be searched for related materials.