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John Alley Collection

Alley, John. Papers, 1890–1940. 2.50 feet.

University professor. A letter (1912) to Alley from Victor M. Locke, Jr., principal chief of the Choctaws, listing present and former principal chiefs of the Five Civilized Tribes, and discussing the status of the Choctaw government; a four-page manuscript (n.d.) entitled “For the First Time: The True Story of the Last Oklahoma Indian Uprising as Told by the Man Who Put It Down,” as related to Alley by Col. Roy V. Hoffman of the Oklahoma National Guard; Hoffman’s official reports (1909) concerning the Crazy Snake Rebellion, along with Governor Charles N. Haskell’s orders (1909); correspondence (1926–1942) concerning Kingfisher College; documents (n.d.) about the Dalton family; and miscellaneous research notes and professional correspondence (1920–1942) accumulated by Alley as a professor of government.

John Alley was a professor of Government at the University of Oklahoma during the 1920s and 1930s. He was a graduate of Harvard and served in the military during World War I. After the war he continued to be active with the National Guard. Professor Alley's collection consists generally of correspondence, research notes, manuscripts, and other papers related to his work and research.

This collection retains, for the most part, the original order and organization of Professor Alley's original files. The first portion of the collection consists of the Professor's correspondence. These letters are arranged in alphabetical order. They are then arranged in chronological order for each separate individual.

The second section of the collection is comprised of subject files arranged in alphabetical order. The majority of these files were created by Alley, with only minor modification and subject expansion occurring during the creation and organization of the collection.

Included in the subject files section are letters, manuscripts, and documents which exhibit Professor Alley's interest in military, Indian, and western history. These include letters from Victor M. Locke, Jr., Principal Chief of Choctaw Nation; a four page manuscript relative to the Crazy Snake Rebellion of 1909; a manuscript by U.S. Marshal George Tucker relating his frontier experiences; letters and documents concerning Kingfisher College and a few documents about the Dalton family.

Box 1: Correspondence of John Alley, 1921-1941

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Box 2: Correspondence of John Alley, 1921-1941

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Box 3: Correspondence of John Alley, 1921-1941

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Box 4: Correspondence of John Alley, 1921-1941

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Subject Files:

5. Alley, Reverend Fredrick 1838-1925 (uncle): Letters concerning the life of Rev. Alley (Genealogy)
6. Alley, G.T. - Newspaper photo of G.T. Alley. A member of the New Zealand Moascar Cup Championship rugby team

7. Articles (Journal & Magazine) written by Alley:
 - "Gayfree Ellison, Pioneer University Physician", April 1933
 - "George Bowman, Regent Head"
 - "Genoble, Queen of the Alps: Government & Politics of a French Provincial City," September 1930
 - "The Government of a Canadian City," March 1934
 - "The School of Citizenship & Public Affairs at the University of Oklahoma" (pamphlet), 1931
 - "Memories of Round Up Days," January 1934
8. Articles (Newspaper) written by John Alley:
 - "Final Dash of the Oklahoma Brigade," The Daily Oklahoman, November 9, 1930
 - "First Aid on Hill 255," The Daily Oklahoman, October 4, 1936
 - "Flashbacks at the Ninetieth," The Daily Oklahoman, September 22, 1929
 - "Propaganda Back of the Lines," The Daily Oklahoman, November 7, 1937
 - "States Story of the Great War," Am. Legion Convention Ed.
 - "Ten Years After," The Daily Oklahoman, May 5, 1929
 - "Ten Years After," Pt. 8, The Daily Oklahoman, September 15, 1929
 - "The Sparkling Fourth...Back in 98", The Daily Oklahoman, July 4, 1937
9. Certificates and Awards:
 - Oklahoma National Guard certificate of appointment to rank of Captain, August 15, 1905
 - R.O.T.C. (Univ. of OK) certificate of appointment to rank of Captain, November 8, 1932
10. Bookplate - 8.5 x 11 copy of Prof. Alley's bookplate in black and white. See Outsize #8346 for larger color copy of bookplate (matted).
11. Financial Records (Personal) - Checks and receipts
12. Letters (Personal)
13. Manuscript (Original) for "City Beginnings in Oklahoma Territory"
14. Manuscript (Edited Typescript) for "City Beginnings in Oklahoma Territory"
15. School Papers - Two class term papers by Alley while in school
16. American Academy of Political and Social Science Announcement/program for the 30th annual meeting of the Academy, May 14, 1926
17. American Legion, The (Department of Oklahoma)
 - List of departmental Commanders, Adjutant, & Serv. Off., 1919-1935
 - Committee Report
 - Misc. correspondence

18. American Political Science Association, The
Tract for membership into the Association
University of Oklahoma permission voucher to attend annual convention
Miscellaneous correspondence
19. Berried, Brig. Gen. Charles F.
Personal history and military record, 1st Inf. Natl. Grd., 1917
Enrollment nomination address inducting Gen. Berried into the Oklahoma Historical Society Hall of Fame, 1933
Typed copy of Who's Who in American, 1928-29. Vol. 15
Typed copy of newspaper article on Gen. Berried, August 21, 1933
Gen. Berried's own personal history
See also letters "B"
20. Board of Regents, Univ. of Oklahoma: Misc. Correspondence
21. Burwell, Bess: Copy of Miss Burwell's last will and testament, November 9, 1929
22. Carter Oil Company: A pamphlet and letter
23. Citizenship, School of (University of Oklahoma)
Correspondence, articles, & publications related to the formation and existence of The School of Citizenship at O.U.
Pamphlet - "The School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at the University of Oklahoma," by Alley, 1931

Box 5

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1. Citizenship, Schools of (other academic institutions)
Correspondence & bulletins from other institutions concerning their schools of citizenship
Pamphlets from other universities: University of Illinois, June 15, 1925; University of Iowa, May 15, 1925; William and Mary
2. County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas: Misc. Correspondence
3. Crazy Snake Uprising (rebellion)
"Annual Report of the Adjutant General, State of Oklahoma 1909." Col. Roy V. Hoffmann's report concerning the uprising along with W.C.N. Haskell's report
"For the First Time the True Story of the Last Oklahoma Indian Uprising is Told By the Man Who Put it Down," by Roy. V. Hoffmann as told to Alley, 4 pp. ms.
4. Dalton Family, The
List of Dalton family members, occupations, and deaths
Newspaper article with photograph of deceased Dalton boys
5. Dangerfield, Royden J.

Typescript of address delivered before a faculty conference, May 1935
See also letters "D"

6. Enid, City of: Municipal costs of the Government Springs Park area
7. Ewing, Cortez A.M.
Newspaper articles about Ewing
Article "The Impeachment of James E. Ferguson", June 1933
See also letters "E"
8. Frankfurter, Prof.: Article "The Public and Its Government," 1930
9. French Elections, 1929
Article "Grenoble, Queen of the Alps: Government and Politics in a French Provincial City," by Alley, September 1930
Various pamphlets concerning elections in Grenoble France
Various news clippings of the elections in Grenoble France
Grenoble Mayor Paul Mistral's inaugural address
10. French Municipal Expenditures, City of Grenoble: A list of municipal offices and their salaries
11. Foreign Policy Association - 2 pamphlets
"Recommendations Regarding the Future of the Philippines," January 1934
"Recommendations of the Committee on Commercial Policy," March 1934
12. Government I (class)
Exams, grade listings, grade reports & review questions
Faculty report on Government I for 1932-33
13. Government I (text)
Proposed test outline
Professors joint agreement for text production
Typed Ms. for chapter I of text; by Alley
Typed Ms. for chapter II of text; by Cortez A.M. Ewing
14. Government 41 (class) exam
15. Government 160 (class) "Comparative Government"
Exams, quizzes, and handouts
Required text and reading lists
Student paper - "Short Ballot Principals"
16. Government 161 (class) exams
17. Government 211 (class)

Term paper topics
Reserve room reading list

18. Government 262 (class) exams
19. Government, Department of - Enrollment Statistics 1915-1928
20. Expenses / Budget 1926-1930
21. General Business
Memorandums, course descriptions, lists of professors and curriculum
Misc. Correspondence
22. Graduate School. Bulletins, reading lists, and misc. correspondence
23. Supplies 1927-1928. Orders, receipts, and requisitions

Box 6

Folder:

1. Applications and Appointments for teaching positions
2. Applications for Student Assistantships
3. Applications for Teaching Positions
4. Guthrie, City of - Copy of the city's first council minutes, April 26, 1889
5. Hall, Arnold Bennett: Brief personal history and life accomplishments. See also letters "H"
6. Hart, Albert Bushnell
Newspaper articles concerning Hart's visit/lecture at O.U., March 1925
Lecture announcement poster
Brief personal history and accomplishments
See also letters "H"
7. Harvard College: Presidents report 1932-1933, and misc. correspondence
8. Harvard Endowment Fund: Misc. correspondence
9. Horgan, Willard N.: Article- "Growth of Kentucky State Tax Commission", December 1935
10. Johnston, Henry S. (Governor of Oklahoma): Newspaper article by Johnston, April 10, 1927
11. Kingfisher College

- Typed sketch on Kingfisher College
Constitution of Kingfisher College, 1927
Alumni lists and alumni news letters
Minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting, June 4, 1931
Misc. correspondence
Misc. News clippings on Kingfisher College, including merger with the University of Oklahoma
12. Locke, Victor M. Jr. (Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation)
Four page letter from Locke listing the former principal Chiefs of the Five Civilized Tribes and discussing the status of the Choctaw government, April 27, 1912
See also letters "Lm-Lz"
 13. Louisiana State University: Program - 1st Annual Conference on International Relations and American Diplomacy, February 3, 1927
 14. Manne, Maurice Lynden: Thesis submitted to the graduate faculty at O.U., 1938
 15. Maps
Cleveland County, Oklahoma
Oklahoma State map showing voting areas
"Western Theatre of War," National Geographic Soc. map, 1918
 16. Munro, William Bennett: Posters announcing Professor Munro's visit and lecture at O.U.
See also letters "Mm-Mz"
 17. Nagle, Patrick S.: Typed copy of "Patrick Nagle: A Party Leader," short bio.
 18. National Civil Service Reform League: Pamphlet- "A Sketch of the Merit System," by Edward C. Marsh, notes, and a copy of Cong. act for retirement of Civil Service personnel
 19. National League of Women Voters
Pamphlet- "Mending the Constitution of the United States," July 1925
Newspaper clippings
Misc. Correspondence
 20. National Municipal League
Pamphlet- "A New Kind of County Government"
"The County Manager Plan"
 21. Newspaper Clippings related to the School of Government and Professor Alley
 22. Norman League of Women Voters: 1 letter
 23. Oklahoma Historical Society: Misc. correspondence

24. Oklahoma Municipal League
Balance sheet, October 31, 1930
Minutes of meeting, June 22, 1932
Misc. correspondence and misc. news clippings
25. Oklahoma Municipal Review
Vol. X, No. 7 (July 1936)
Vol. X, No. 8 (August 1936)
Reprint of Article- "The Government of a Canadian City," by John Alley, March 1934
26. Oklahoma National Guard
Report- "Third Army Maneuvers," August 1938
"The General Officers of the National Guard," 1934
General orders and memorandum
27. Oklahoma Political Science Association
Program for the first annual institute
Mailing List
Misc. correspondence
28. Oklahoma State League of Women Voters
Program for 1st Annual institute, October 29, 1925
Proceedings of the 1st annual institute, November 1925
Misc. correspondence
29. Oklahoma Tax Commission: Statistics for July 1, 1941-January 31, 1942

Box 7

Folders:

1. Peterson, Elmer T.: News clippings- "The Spell of Kiamish," by Peterson, January 16, 1944
Photographs: See photo archives collection listings. All photographs from the collection were separated and moved to photo archives.
2. Piquet, Howard S.: Booklet-Outline of the "New Deal" Legislation of 1933
3. Police
Program for 1st police training institute (Ok), November 14, 1938
Tract for public support on State Question #187
Newspaper article about the police school, November 5, 1934
4. Political Leaders of Oklahoma: Brief historical sketches of prominent Oklahoman Political leaders:
Admire, Capt. J.V.
Campbell, Hon. W.H.
Flynn, Dennis T.
Grimes, William

Nagle, Patrick S.
Roberts, Judge J.C.
Seay, Abraham J.

5. Roberts, Ralph: Articles- "The Lynching That Failed"
6. Roosevelt, Franklin D.: Typed copy of F.D.R.'s talk at Queen's University, August 19, 1938
7. Royal Canadian Mounted Police: Notes concerning the R.C.M.P
8. Salter, J.T.: Article- "Roosevelt and the Higher Politics". See also letters "SA"
9. Shibley, George: Typed manuscript, "The Ideal World Settlement, a Plan to End the War"
10. Southern Conference for Human Welfare
Statement of conference plans and purpose
Misc. correspondence
11. Spanish-American War: Correspondence with fellow comrades concerning disability pensions
12. Stephens College, Columbia, Missouri
Outline of courses in international relations program, 1939
Misc. correspondence
13. Thomas, A. Vernon: Pamphlet- "Main Street, Manitoba's Historic Highway"
14. Tilghman, Zoe A.: Article- "The Significance of the University Inaugural," February 13, 1926
15. Tucker, George: Typed manuscript, "George Tucker, Gunman. An autobiography of 102 pages about the life of Tucker as an early U.S. Marshal
16. Walker, Hon. Paul A.: Typed copy of address delivered by walker as Federal Communications Commissioner, April 1, 1938. See also letters "Wa-Wg"
17. Wind-Electric Power articles:
"Wind-Electric Power for Small Oklahoma Farms," March 1936
"Electricity from Nebraska Wind," November 1926
"Rural Electrification in Oklahoma," December, 1932
18. Winnipeg, Manitoba Canada: Misc. correspondence and research related to Alley's article entitled "The Government of a Canadian City"
19. World War I: Typed-translated letter from a German family to their son serving in the German army, September 25, 1918