



*Archival and Manuscript Collections Finding Aid*

**ACCESSION No.:** HRHS-88

**COLLECTION TITLE:** J. Houston Harrison Papers

**DATES:** 1923 - 1935

**SIZE:** 4 boxes, one is OV (34 folders)

**DONOR:** John H. Byrd, Jr. 2004

**PROCESSED:** Processed 7/10/14 by Karen Craun, Jean Litten & Brenda Hopkins

**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:** J. Houston Harrison (1887-1954) was the author of Settled by the Long Grey Trail

Settled by the Long Grey Trail Book description: Many of the early Valley of Virginia settlers resided on or near the Long Grey Trail, and the author brings the full weight of his acumen to bear on the Valley settlements, more especially on that part of Augusta County later formed into Rockingham. There was perhaps no family more intimately associated with the early history of Rockingham County than the Harrisons and their connections, the county seat itself being named for one of them. Appropriately, then, this work sets forth a detailed genealogy of the Harrisons of Augusta and their Harrison cousins throughout Virginia and in large parts of the United States and Britain. The author also traces the ancestry of about 50 other families who settled in this area, as well as provides articles on colonial and Indian wars and the Revolution, documentary accounts of political upheaval and transition, analyses of Virginia Valley migrations, including German, Scotch-Irish, and Pennsylvanian migrations, and sketches of early churches, militia, and courts.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT:**

Four boxes of research and other work pertaining to J. Houston Harrison, author of Settled by the Long Grey Trail (Harrison History).

**COLLECTION INVENTORY:**

**Box 1:**

Folder 1: Handwritten document titled "Long Flight of Ancient Golden Eagle"

Folder 2: Letters to Mr. J. Houston Harrison

Folder 3: Two Huntington Historical Society Books, 1925-1926, 1926-1927

Folder 4: Miscellaneous genealogy correspondence

- Folder 5: First half of galley proof of "Settlers by the Long Grey Trail"
- Folder 6: Second half of galley proof of "Settlers by the Long Grey Trail"
- Folder 7: Pamphlet titled Settlers by the Long Grey Trail
- Folder 8: Correspondence concerning The Long Grey Trail
- Folder 9: Various genealogical correspondence
- Folder 10: Various genealogical correspondence
- Folder 11: Various genealogical correspondence
- Folder 12: Various genealogical correspondence
- Folder 13: Census information 1810-1820
- Folder 14: Tribe of John Harrison
- Folder 15: Tribes of Daniel Harrison; Capt. Robert Cravens; Thomas Harrison; Alexander Herring; Jeremiah Harrison; List of Descendants
- Folder 16: Miscellaneous written documents of historical persons and places
- Folder 17: Various genealogical correspondence
- Folder 18: Various genealogical correspondence

**Box 2:**

- Folder 19: Notebooks used for research
- Folder 20: Miscellaneous photos
- Folder 21: Typed book titled "John Harrison of the Old Linville Creek Baptist Church and his Family"
- Folder 22: Original typed draft of "Settlers by the Long Grey Trail, Vol. I
- Folder 23: Original typed draft of "Settlers by the Long Grey Trail, Vol. II
- Folder 24: Original typed draft of "Settlers by the Long Grey Trail, Vol. III
- Folder 25: Original typed draft of "Settlers by the Long Grey Trail, Vol. VI
- Folder 26: Original typed draft of "Settlers by the Long Grey Trail, Vol. VII
- Folder 27: Misc. catalogs and booklets
- Folder 28: Book titled: "Judicial Process"
- Folder 29: Various genealogical correspondence
- Folder 30: Various genealogical correspondence

**Box 3:**

- Folder 31: Various genealogical correspondence
- Folder 32: Various genealogical correspondence
- Folder 33: Handwritten historical documentation of various persons and places
- Folder 34: Handwritten historical documentation of various persons and places

**Box 4 (OV):**

- Index of research
- Family tree of 1855-1946, Thomas Carr Houston family of Butler Pendleton Co. Kentucky
- Family tree of Robert Cravens and Mary Harrison
- Family tree of Peter Wright and John Townsend
- Class photo, not identified