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Rich and Grove Family Papers, 1835-1946

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Scope and Content Note: The Rich and Grove Family Papers contain correspondence and ephemera of the Rich and Grove families of Marietta. Autograph albums, school books, wedding invitations, cards, a flier for Accomac summer resort, and teaching certificates give a glimpse of the social and educational activities of family members. Deeds trace the ownership of property in Marietta from Dr. John Huston to Henry S. Rich. The correspondence is primarily from Annie Grove (1921) and Henry and Fanny Rich (1925) during their travels in Europe and North Africa.

Creators: Mapes, Fanny Rich, 1932-2020; Rich family; Grove family.

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People:

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Coble, David
Dellinger, Samuel S.
Ehler, S. Amandus
Engle, Bella C.
Engle, James Monroe
Gottschall, Maria
Gottschall, Peter
Grosh, Alpha Virginia "Alfie" Grove
Grosh, Esta Edward
Grove, Amos
Grove, Annie K.
Grove, Sarah A. "Sallie" O'Brien
Hanifan, Fanny Rich
Hanifan, John Francis
Harlan, Addie K. Rich
Harlan, Charles
Harting, James
Heistand, Theophilis
Huston, Albert
Huston, Edwin L.

Huston, John
Huston, Thomas
Kendig, Willis Gross
Laming, Sallie
Laming, William
Mapes, Fanny Rich
Mehaffey, James
Ohmit, Benjamin
Ohmit, Charlotte
Reynolds, Robert Walter
Reynolds, Sarah E. "Sallie" Engle
Rich, Anna Martha
Rich, Elmira
Rich, Fanny Clark Grove
Rich, Henry Spangler
Shirk, Adalaide
Shirk, William H.
Spangler, Barr
Spangler, Mary Ann Sultzbach
Stauffer, Henry
Stauffer, Margaretta "Margie" Huston

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Related Materials:

Administrators' accounts for John W. Rich, 1892 (AdAcct 1892 F013 R)

Guardian account of Addie K. Rich, 1892 (AdAcct 1892 F012 R)

Petit jury notice and excuse for John W. Rich, 1878 (JAN 1878 F002 QS)

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Folder 1 School Books

Insert 1 *Cobb's Juvenile Reader No. 1: Containing Interesting, Moral, and Instructive Reading Lessons, Composed of Easy Words of One and Two Syllables, Designed for the Use of Small Children in Families and Schools*, by Lyman Cobb. Printed and published by Hickok & Blood, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. 1835. "Amos Grove's Book, January 12th, 1844."

Insert 2 *The New National Spelling Book and Pronouncing Tutor, on an Improved Plan: Exhibiting the Precise Sound of Each Syllable in Every Word According to the Most Approved Principles of English Orthoepey, with Progressive Reading Lessons Designed for the Use of Schools in the United States*, by B. D. Emerson. New edition. Shepard, Clark and Brown, Boston. 1859. "Amos Grove."

Insert 3 *The Girls of 1776: A Drama in Three Acts for Female Characters Only*, by Dora Adele Shoemaker. Baker's Edition of Plays. Walter H. Baker & Co., Boston. 1905. (cover is in poor condition)

Insert 4 *The Richest Man in Babylon: A Study for Those Who Desire Much Gold*, by George S. Clason. The Clason Pub. Co., Denver. 1930. With financial information about "How to Apply the Wisdom of the Richest Man in Babylon." Booklet provided by the Pennsylvania Income Foundation, Inc., Colonial Trust Building, Penn Square and 5th Street, Reading, Pennsylvania.

Two female paper dolls cut out from the comics section of the newspaper. Each has two outfits—sailor, [riding], ball gowns—one was colored with crayon. All tucked inside the volume. No date.

Folder 2 Autograph album of Sallie O'Bryan. *Album of Friendship*. Published by Leavitt & Allen, New York. No date. "Sallie O'Bryan's book. Presented to her by her friend on Christmas 1859." Contains dedication, messages from friends and family, and printed images such as "Woman's Triumph" and "The Stolen Kiss." 1859-1890.

Folder 3 *The Christian Minister's Affectionate Advice to a Married Couple*, by Rev. James Bean, A.M. Including a letter from the Rev. Henry Venn, M.A., author of *The Complete Duty of Man*. Published by the American Tract Society, 150 Nassau Street, New York. No date. Certificate at front for Amos Grove and wife, Sallie O'Brien, who married in Marietta on February 2, 1862.

Folder 4 *Pictures of the Months*. Cover title, *A Child's Duty*. Picture books for little children. Religious Tract Society, London. "Presented to Annie Grove as a reward of merit by St. John's S.S. Whitsunday—1879." (cover has separated from textblock)



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Folder 5 Autograph album of Annie Grove. "Presented to Annie K. Grove by her Sunday School teacher, Mary Carroll. Dec 25 1881" Contains messages from friends, signatures, drawings, poetry, and a wax seal on the back endpaper. 1881-1887.

Folder 6 Autograph album of Alfaretta Grove. "Alfaretta Grove, Christmas 1882." Contains messages and poems from friends and family and signatures from her Sunday School class in 1889. 1882-1889.

Folder 7 Scrapbook. The items in this folder were all housed in the scrapbook cover in Insert 1.

Insert 1 Scrapbook cover, *Scrap Book*. Picture books for children. Blue cover with image of young boy playing the violin. No date.

Insert 2 Letter to Santa Claus from Henry S. Rich Jr. requesting an orange, some nuts, candy, beads, a "little horsie," and a horn. Letterhead of Concordia Fire Insurance Co. of Milwaukee. 11 December 1902.

Insert 3 Wedding invitation. Mrs. Sarah A. Grove announces the marriage of her daughter, Fanny Clark, to Henry Spangler Rich on 12 November 1902 in Marietta. Visiting card announcing that [Fanny] will be at home after December 15 at Prospect Place, Marietta. No date.

Visiting card of Miss Fanny C. Grove.

Insert 4 Wedding invitation. Mrs. Sarah A. Grove announces the marriage of her daughter, Fanny Clark, to Henry Spangler Rich on 12 November 1902 in Marietta. (2 copies)

Insert 5 Wedding invitation. Mr. and Mrs. James Monroe Engle announce the marriage of their daughter, Sara, to Mr. Robert Walter Reynolds on 1 September 1915 in Philadelphia. With envelope addressed to Mrs. A. Grove and daughter.

Insert 6 Wedding invitation for the marriage of Rev. Esta Edward Grosh and Miss Alfie Virginia Grove on 12 June 1934 in Marietta.

Insert 7 Flier for the opening of the third season of Accomac summer resort, owned by Amos Grove. 6 June 1892.



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Folder 8 Teachers' Provisional Certificates

Insert 1 Envelope addressed to Miss Alpha V. Grove, Marietta. Return address: A. Summy, dealer in coal, Marietta. Postmarked 8 June 1891.

Insert 2 Teachers' Provisional Certificate, good for one year only, for Fanny C. Grove. She received the following marks: Orthography—P, Reading—P, Writing—1, Mental Arithmetic—P, Written Arithmetic—1 ½, Geography—P, Grammar—P, U.S. History—P, Physiology and Hygiene—P, Theory of Teaching—1 ½, Practice of Teaching—1. (P=pass, 1=very good) Signed in Lancaster, 15 June 1892.

Insert 3 Five Teachers' Provisional Certificates certifying Alfie Grove. Marks range from P (pass) to 2 ½ (good). Signed in Lancaster County, [1887]-1889, 1891-1892.

Folder 9 Family Memorabilia

Insert 1 Obituary for John W. Rich of Marietta, born in 1838. Contains much biographical information including his education, employment, and family. No date. Envelope addressed to John W. Rich, Esq., Marietta with a return address of St. John Hotel, Marietta, Henry Kiefer, proprietor. Postmarked November 1881.

Insert 2 Wedding invitation. Mrs. Sarah A. Grove announces the marriage of her daughter, Fanny Clark, to Henry Spangler Rich on 12 November 1902 in Marietta. Visiting card announcing that [Fanny] will be at home after December 15 at Prospect Place, Marietta. No date.

Insert 3 Commercial Mother's Day card from Henry. Lavender card with gold edging and cream-colored ribbon. Front reads, "To Mother" and inside, "Tender little memories that I cherish year by year, Are singing in my heart these words, 'I love you Mother, dear.'" No date.

Insert 4 Letter to Addie R. Harlan from Aunt Fanny expressing thanks for the early notice of her engagement and their congratulations. With envelope. 25 December 1923.

Insert 5 Wedding invitation. Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Rich announce the marriage of their daughter, Fanny Grove, to John Francis Hanifan on 24 February 1934 in Philadelphia. Addressed to Miss Alfaretta Grove.

Insert 6 Postcard to Mrs. John Hanifan from Addie regarding a road trip in Florida. Mailed from Hollywood, Florida. Image on front of CG-6—Gardenia Lane, Florida Cypress Gardens. 23 April 1952.

Postcard to Miss Alfie V. Grove from Harry and Fanny regarding their travels in Egypt—river trips, animals, and the weather. Image on front of Thebes, Valley of the Tombs of the Kings, sculptures in the tomb No.15 of Seti II. No date.

Insert 7 Envelope from The First National Bank, Marietta, PA. "First open a savings account with this bank: Then add to this account as rapidly as circumstances will allow you. By doing so you will soon become financially independent." American Fiber-velope Mfg. Co., 229-31 North 63rd Street, Philadelphia. No date.



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Folder 10 Holiday Cards and Ephemera

Use of these items requires staff assistance.

Insert 1 3-dimensional Valentine's Day card with image of two young children and a puppy. On reverse: "To Miss Grove from James Harting." No date.

3-dimensional Valentine's Day card with image of an angel and flowers. On reverse: To Miss Grove from Gloria Billett." No date.

Insert 2 Handwritten Valentine's Day card. "Here is my heart but you will never find the other half of yours. Because I have it. Fanny Rich." No date.

Insert 3 Valentine's Day card addressed to Miss [Sarah] Obrien, Marietta. Card of fabric, paper, and paper lace with golden decorations and a love poem attached. Inside is blank. With envelope. No date.

Insert 4 Thanksgiving place cards, cut-out images of turkeys. One is labeled Jack and the other, Muffet. No date.

Insert 5 Printed Christmas poem by Henry S. Rich. No date.

Folder 11 Correspondence

All of the items in the folder were stored in an envelope marked "Letters from Europe 1920s." Most of the letters and postcards in this folder are from Annie Lynch during her travels in Europe in 1921 to her mother, Mrs. Sarah A. Grove, and sisters.

Insert 1 Postcard to Mrs. Rich regarding the French method of harvesting grain. No signature. Picture of two people harvesting grain. No date.

Unused postcard. Picture of baby and dog in a rocking chair. No date.

Insert 2 Souvenir postcard from Atlantic City. H. Phillips, 1619 Boardwalk. Photograph of a woman, [Mrs. Tom Lynch]. (2 copies) 20 June 1906.

Souvenir postcard from Atlantic City. Harry Phillips, 1619 Boardwalk. Photograph of a man, Tom Lynch. June 1906.

Insert 3 Postcard and ring (had been attached to card) to John W. Rich. Message is an inquiry about the photograph on the front. Atlantic City souvenir. S. H. Cope, F. S. Cope, 1635 Boardwalk, Atlantic City, New Jersey. Photograph of a couple framed inside carriage labeled, "The Honeymoon." 30 March 1914.

Insert 4 Letter from Annie to her mother, Mrs. Sarah A. Grove in Marietta, describing the train trip from Lancaster to New York and other details of her trip. With envelope. Mailed from New York. 18 May 1921.

Insert 5 Letter from Annie to her mother describing the cruise ship and their first few days at sea. With envelope. Written on the S.S. Rotterdam, Holland-America Line 22 May 1921. Mailed 29 May 1921.

Insert 6 Letter from Annie to her mother describing their trip, exercising on the ship, class divisions by deck, and the activities of children and young adults. With envelope. With envelope. Written on the S.S. Rotterdam 25 May 1921. Mailed 29 May 1921.



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Insert 7 Letter from Annie to her mother describing some passengers going to [Carlsbad] to “take the cure,” her eagerness to go to Spain, the weather, the food, and detailed of their expected trip. With envelope. Written on the S.S. Rotterdam 26 May 1921. Mailed 29 May 1921.

Insert 8 Postcard from Annie to Miss Alfie Grove in Marietta regarding the end of their cruise. Image of the D.D. Rotterdam, Holland-Amerika Line, Rotterdam-New York. Sent from Plymouth. Written 23 May 1921, mailed 29 May 1921.

Postcard from Annie to her mother announcing a safe arrival in London. Postcard of the Hotel Cecil, Strand, London. Written 29 May 1921, mailed 30 May 1921.

Postcard from Annie to Mrs. Henry S. (Fanny) Rich announcing a safe arrival in London. Postcard of the Hotel Cecil, Strand, London. Written 29 May 1921, mailed 30 May 1921.

Postcard from Annie to Alfie V. Grove regarding Westminster Abbey and the weather. Image of Westminster Abbey, London. Written 1 June 1921, mailed 2 June 1921.

Postcard from Annie to Alfie V. Grove about going to the races and travels. Image of La Place et la Colonne Vendôme. Mailed from Grand-Hotel, Paris. Written 23 June 1921, mailed 26 June 1921.

Insert 9 Letter from Annie to her mother regarding traveling through England, the next boat they took, and being seasick. Letterhead of the Grand Hotel, Paris. With envelope. Written 3 June 1921, mailed 8 June 1921.

Insert 10 Letter from Annie to her mother regarding the rough trip over the English Channel, their stay in France, and the landscape of Spain. Letterhead of the Hotel Ritz, Plaza de las Córtes, Barcelona. With envelope. Written 10 June 1921, mailed 11 June 1921.

Insert 11 Letter from Annie to her mother regarding sightseeing in Barcelona, going to a bull fight, the Spanish women, and Tom’s trip to Portugal. Letterhead of the Hotel Ritz, Paseo del Prado, Madrid. With envelope. Written 14 June 1921, mailed 15 June 1921.

Insert 12 Letter from Annie to her mother regarding Annie’s solo travels in Madrid, Toledo, befriending an English woman on the train, and the church in Toledo. Letterhead of the Grand Hotel, Paris. With envelope. Written 22 June 1921, mailed 23 June 1921.

Insert 13 Card from Annie to Miss Alfie V. Grove about the ship and their impending arrival in New York. Written on the Steam Ship, Olympic, 7 July 1921. Mailed 13 July 1921.

Insert 14 Postcard from Harry and Fanny to Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Lynch regarding a trip to Thousand Islands with a party from Reading. Image of Grenell Island and Yacht Club, Thousand Islands, New York. 21 July 1925.

Postcard from Harry and Fanny to Alfie Grove regarding their arrival. Image of Echo Lodge, Thousand Islands, Canada. 21 July 1925.

Insert 15 Holiday card from Annie to Alfie with note regarding a check, gifts, and a new dress. Religious image on front of card with a holiday greeting. 20 December 1932.



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Folder 12 Letters and Postcards to Henry S. Rich, Jr. from his Parents, Henry S. Rich and Fanny G. Rich

Insert 1 Postcard to Henry from Mother and Dad about the sights of Constantinople and their English-speaking guide. Image of Mosquée du Sultan Ahmed et l'Hippodrome, Constantinople. No date.

Postcard to Henry from Mother and Dad regarding their travel plans to London. Image of columns and a reflecting pool at Parc Monceau. Postmarked Exposition Internationale, 22 March 1925.

Postcard to Henry from Mother and Dad regarding the museums and weather in London. Image of the British Museum. Written 29 April 1925. Mailed from London, Defenead Stadium, Wembley, 6th-27th May.

Insert 2 Letter to Henry from Mother and Dad regarding their first ten days on the ship, friends they have made, their journey (Naples, England, and France), the beggars in Medena, and mountain climbing by sledges. Letterhead of Canadian Pacific, Mediterranean Cruise, S.S. Empress of Scotland. With envelope. Written February 18. Mailed 20 February 1925.

Insert 3 Letter to Henry from Mother and Dad regarding a city [in Spain] and its sights, a train ride to Seville, going to a Spanish ball, foul weather on the way from Cadiz, and good sailing along the coast of Spain to Algeria. Letterhead of Canadian Pacific, Mediterranean Cruise, S.S. Empress of Scotland. With envelope. Written February 25. Mailed 3 March 1925.

Insert 4 Letter to Henry from Dad regarding the bad weather at [Algiers] harbor, the city's history, working conditions at rug factories, the Morrish Palace, a costume ball, diversity of people in the city, and instructions to type copies of letters (send copies and keep originals). Letterhead of Canadian Pacific, Mediterranean Cruise, S.S. Empress of Scotland. With envelope. Written February 28. Mailed 1 March 1925.

Insert 5 Letter to Henry from Dad regarding breakfast food and exercise aboard ship, trip to [Judea], scenery on the way to Constantinople, and sightseeing in Constantinople. Letterhead of Canadian Pacific, Mediterranean Cruise, S.S. Empress of Scotland. With envelope. Written March 6. Mailed 9 March 1925.

Insert 6 Letter to Henry from Dad regarding news from home about a baby girl, sizes of various Egyptian monuments, visiting Syria, a trip through the mountains, the Sea of Galilee, train to Jerusalem, and purchasing a bottle of water from the Jordan River to baptize the baby with. Letterhead of Canadian Pacific, Mediterranean Cruise, S.S. Empress of Scotland. With envelope. Written 15 March 1925.

Insert 7 Letter to Henry from Dad and Mother regarding the European hotel and meals, the heat, their enjoyment of the trip through the Holy Land, riding camels, seeing the pyramids, and mentioning Naples as their next destination. Letterhead of Shepherd's Hotel, Shepherds, Cairo. Written 17 March 1925. Mailed 18 March 1925.



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Insert 8 Letter to Henry from Dad regarding the good weather out of Egypt, their upcoming itinerary (Rome, Florence, Monte Carlo, Paris, Brussels, Amsterdam, London), Alexandria and the train to Cairo, the pyramids and the Sphinx, Valley of the Kings, the hot and crowded train ride with very little water, hotel difficulties, and end with "to be continued." Letterhead of Canadian Pacific, Mediterranean Cruise, S.S. Empress of Scotland. With envelope. Written March 29. Mailed 30 March 1925.

Insert 9 Letter to Henry from Mother and Dad regarding their enjoyment of London, their trip from Calais to Paris, the calm Channel crossing, sights in Paris, a visit with friends living in Paris, chatter about friends in letters from home, and a fellow traveler who took the plane from Paris to London. Letterhead of the Savoy Hotel, London. With envelope. Postmarked "British Empire Exhibition May-1925-Oct." Written April 23. Mailed 24 April 1925.

Folder 13 Birthday Celebration Announcements for Henry S. Rich
Flier for 67th birthday with poem and images of Mr. Rich. Printed on Henry S. Rich, real estate and insurance letterhead. 20 July 1934. (2 copies—one addressed to Fanny Rich Hanifan, 4800 Pine Street, Philadelphia)

Flier for 70th birthday with text and drawing of a dog. Celebration to be held at Prospect Place on 20 July 1937.

Folder 14 Deeds

Insert 1 Deed from Thomas Huston of Maytown to David Coble of Marietta for Lot no. 259. 2 December 1865.

Insert 2 Deed from Dr. John Huston (attorney for Albert Huston, Adalaide and William H. Shirk, Margie and Henry Stauffer, Charlotte and Benjamin Ohmit, Edwin L. Huston, James Mehaffey, Sallie and William Laming, and S. Amandus Ehler) of Marietta to Theopholis Heistand of Marietta for Lot no. 233 and half of Lot no. 234. 15 January 1869.

Insert 3 Deed from Dr. John Huston (attorney for Albert Huston, Adalaide Shirk, William H. Shirk, Margie Stauffer, Henry Stauffer, Charlotte Ohmit, Benjamin Ohmit, Edwin L. Huston, James Mehaffey, Sallie Laming, William Laming, and S. Amandus Ehler) to Peter Gottschall for Lots no. 260-265. 29 March 1869.

Insert 4 Deed from Peter and Maria Gottschall to John W. Rich, both of Marietta, for Lots no. 262-265. 1 April 1869.

Insert 5 Deed from Barr and Mary A. Spangler to John W. Rich, all of Marietta, for Lot no. 235 and the eastern half of Lot no. 234 in Marietta. 7 December 1875.

Insert 6 Deed from Maria Gottschall and Samuel S. Dellinger, executors of the estate of Peter Gottschall, of Marietta to Barr Spangler, guardian of Henry S. Rich of Marietta for Lots no. 259-261. 31 March 1886.



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Folder 15 Deeds

Insert 1 Deed from Elmira Rich, widow of John W. Rich, of Marietta to Henry S. Rich of Marietta for all of her estate as left to her in the will of her late husband—Lots no. 262-265, 235, and the eastern half of Lot no. 236. 28 August 1893.

Insert 2 Deed from Charles and Addie Harlan of Philadelphia to Henry S. Rich of Marietta for Lots. no. 262-265, 235, and the eastern half of Lot. no. 236. 2 September 1893. (Addie and Henry were siblings and their father's will included both children.)

Insert 3 Deed from Henry S. and Fanny G. Rich of Marietta to Charles Harlan of Philadelphia for Lots no. 262-265, 235, and the eastern half of Lot. no. 236. 12 December 1914.

Insert 4 Deed from Charles and Addie Harlan of Philadelphia to Fanny G. Rich of Marietta for the eastern half of Lot no. 234 and Lots no. 235, 259-265. 7 July 1916.

Insert 5 Deed from Fanny G. and Henry S. Rich of Marietta to Anna Martha Rich of Marietta for Lots no. 235, 259-265 and the eastern half of Lot no. 234. 20 January 1920.

Insert 6 Deed from Anna Martha Rich of Marietta to Henry S. Rich of Marietta for the Lots no. 235, 259-265 and the eastern half of Lot no. 23 January 1920.

Insert 7 Letter to Henry S. Rich from Willis G. Kendig, attorney in Lancaster, regarding the recording of deeds and that they did not originally have stamps. 2 July 1935.

Receipt to Henry S. Rich from the Office for the Recording of Deeds, &c., Lancaster. No date.

Folder 16 Newspapers

Insert 1 *The Marietta Times*, 21 October 1932. Letter to the editor by Henry S. Rich Jr. concerning political insecurity and its link to economic depression, written 20 October 1932.

Insert 2 Photocopy of the obituary of Henry S. Rich Jr. *Intelligencer Journal*. 31 May 1946.

Photocopy of "300 Parade at Marietta," *Intelligencer Journal*. 31 May 1946.