

Harvey B. Belcher Collection of Mayor James Collins' Memorial Proclamation, 1901:

A Guide

Descriptive Summary

Creator: Belcher, Harvey B.

Title: Harvey B. Belcher Collection of Mayor James Collins' Memorial Proclamation, 1901

Inclusive Dates: 1901

Abstract: The collection consists of a Memorial Proclamation issued by Mayor James Collins on September 18, 1901 and information about the provenance of the material.

Identification: AR76

Extent: 1 folder, 2 items

Shelf location: Small Collections Box 3, Folder 2, 7:E:1

Language(s): Collection is in English.

Repository: Tarleton State University, Dick Smith Library, Archives and Special Collections, Stephenville, Texas

Biographical Note

Harvey B. Belcher was born in 1904 in Texas. His father was Henry Belcher. Their family lived in Stephenville, Erath County, Texas in 1940. Harvey ran the Belcher Service Station in Stephenville in 1957. His friend Roy Geran, a step-grandson to James Collins, gave the proclamation to Harvey. Harvey donated it to the Dick Smith Library on November 3, 1954.

Sources:

"Harvey Belcher in the 1940 Census," *Ancestry*. Accessed August 30, 2021. https://www.ancestry.com/1940-census/usa/Texas/Harvey-Belcher_5fbg54

Stephenville Empire-Tribune (Stephenville, Tex.), Vol. 87, No. 45, Ed. 1 Friday, December 20, 1957, newspaper, December 20, 1957; Stephenville, Texas. (<https://texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph1133412/m1/7/?q=%22Belcher%22>; accessed August 30, 2021), University of North Texas Libraries, The Portal to Texas History, <https://texashistory.unt.edu>; crediting Dublin Public Library.

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of a Memorial Proclamation issued by Mayor James Collins on September 18, 1901 and information about the provenance of the material. The proclamation declared the Stephenville, Texas ceremonies to observe the assassination of United State President William McKinley.

Rights and Access

Access Restrictions

Collection is open for research.

Physical Access Restrictions

None.

Technical Access Restrictions

None.

Publication Rights

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Administrative Information

Provenance

Donated to the Dick Smith Library at Tarleton State University by Harvey Belcher on November 3, 1954.

Preferred Citation

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Processing Information

Finding aid prepared by Phyllis Kinnison, 2021.

Note to the Researcher

The collection is processed, but advance notice is required with time allowed to retrieve the records from an offsite location before conducting research. There may be occasions when staffing or weather conditions may delay or prevent retrieval of the records. For more information, contact Librarian/Archivist Phyllis Kinnison at pkinnison@tarleton.edu.