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### **Manuscript Finding Aid**

Title: Smith Family Papers  
Collection #: Ms B121  
Dates: 1866-1982  
Size of Collection: .21 linear ft (1 box + oversize)  
Accession Number: L2010.25  
Donor: Martha Warner Olson  
Restrictions: None  
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#### Biographical/ historical note:

The Smith family in Fairfield and the surrounding area dates from the mid-17<sup>th</sup> century with Giles Smith. His (4) great grandson Horace (1823- 1900) married Elizabeth Couch (1830-1905) in 1850. They had 5 children: Eli Couch, Horace Winfield, Daniel Truman, Eveline Matilda and Chary Couch.

#### Scope and content note:

This collection covers Horace and Elizabeth Couch Smith and their descendants through their son, Horace Winfield Smith. It is a related collection to the Couch Family Papers (M5), from whom Elizabeth Couch is a descendant.

There are two series in this small collection, Series A: Genealogy and Series B: Documents.

Box 1

Series A: Genealogy

Bound volumes: Record of the Smith-Couch Ancestry compiled by Eveline Matilda Smith Foster

Bound volume: Genealogical Records of the [Smith] Family  
Appears to be taken by Chary Couch Smith from the handwritten record created by Elizabeth Buchard (see Folder 3)

- Folder 1 Items removed from Record of Smith-Couch Ancestry  
Photostats of *Ancestors and Descendants of Horace Smith and Elizabeth Matilda Couch* and a copy of handwritten descendant chart of Horace Smith and Elizabeth Couch
- Folder 2 Chart of the ancestors of Horace Smith and Elizabeth Couch Smith, c1915 by Charles L.N. Camp
- Folder 3 Genealogical Record of the Smith Family compiled by Elizabeth Belcher Buchard  
Handwritten notes
- Folder 4 Genealogy notes  
Scraps with handwritten notes with names, dates, etc. gathered by various family members

Series B: Documents

- Folder 1 Estate of Daniel Smith, 1866-1876
- Folder 2 Family of Horace W. Smith, 1875-1942
- Folder 3 Family of Lucien T. Warner, 1901-1961
- Folder 4 Receipts, 1901-1928  
Various receipts of services and products paid for by the family, including from the undertakers to Elizabeth Couch following the death of her husband.
- Folder 5 Miscellaneous, 19<sup>th</sup> century-1982  
Various documents with some relationship to the family, including an undated list of the Estate of Benj. Banks (?) and a wax seal with the design of the crest.

Folder 6      Newspaper clippings, 1933-1962  
                  Clippings covering marriages and other news of the Warner  
                  branch of the Smith family.

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*Ancestors and Descendants of Horace Smith and Elizabeth Matilda  
Couch, 1635-1935*