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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Arkansas State Archives
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## Biographical Note

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Harris Flanagin was born in Roadstown, New Jersey, on November 3, 1817. After attaining his law degree in Illinois, he moved to Greenville, Clark County, Arkansas, and began practicing law. He served as deputy sheriff of Clark County in 1841, and was elected state representative the following year. He was again elected to public office in 1848, serving in the state senate for two years. In 1851, Flanagin married Martha E. Nash of Washington, Arkansas. They had three children: Duncan, Nash, and Laura.

Following Arkansas's secession from the Union in 1861, Flanagin served as representative from Clark County to the Constitutional Convention in Little Rock. Flanagin fought in the Second Arkansas Mounted Rifles during the Civil War. In camp near Knoxville, Tennessee, the news of Flanagin's nomination did not reach him until after the election. By the time he was able to arrange for a leave of absence, a telegram arrived announcing that he had been elected governor. Therefore in 1862, Flanagin left active duty to take office. His administration dealt primarily with war-related measures, maintaining order, and continuing government while enduring an invasion. The capitol at Little Rock fell to Union troops on September 10, 1863, at which time Flanagin moved the state government to Washington, Arkansas.

At the end of the war, he received a presidential pardon, but remained disfranchised until 1873. In 1874, Flanagin became a member of the Constitutional Convention and was selected to be chairman of the Judicial Committee. While in Little Rock working to form the new constitution, he fell ill, returned to Arkadelphia, and died October 23, 1874.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collections contains photocopies of a diary, various papers, and correspondence of Harris Flanagin between 1861-1874. The items pertain to the political situation in Arkansas, the Reform Campaign Committee, the Brooks Campaign, and other topics.

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## Administrative Information

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## **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Duncan Flanagin (great-grandson of Harris Flanagin), Arkadelphia, Arkansas, 1986.

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## **Related Materials**

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### **Related Archival Materials**

This collection contains photocopies of some of the same materials that are included in the Flanagin papers (MS.000061).

## Collection Inventory

### Diary

Harris Flanagin diary 1861

### Miscellaneous papers

List of signatures of volunteers for the Mexican War 1846 May 30

Proclamation by the Governor asking for volunteers to appear at Little Rock to engage in military service for 60 days in order to repulse the enemy...H. Flanagin 1863 January 14

Proclamation by the Governor calling for the General Assembly to convene in session extraordinary, at Washington, Hempstead County...H. Flanagin 1864 August 9

Copies of Flanagin's Civil War records 1864

Amnesty papers for Harris Flanagin signed for Andrew Johnson 1865 December 9

Oath of Office of Harris Flanagin, office of Director of the [ ] School District of Arkadelphia 1873 December 27

### Telegrams

**Correspondence**

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Operator, Vicksburg, Miss., to Operator, Knoxville, Tn. 1862 October 25

B.F. Rice, Little Rock, to Gov. Flanagin and McMillan, Arkadelphia 1872 October 8

G.N. Peay, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1873 October 5

Jas. L. Witherspoon, Little Rock, to Ex. Gov. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1874 April 17

M.L. Jones, et al, Pine Bluff, to H. Flanagin, Little Rock 1874 September 3

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Ben T. Embry, Marionville, to Capt. Flanagin 1861 September 4

H.S. Bradford, Cumberland Gap, to Col. Flanagin 1862 October 28

B.F. Askew, Magnolia, Ark., to Harris Flanagin 1872 March 25

Gordon N. Peay, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1872 May 7

Geo. C. Watkins, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1872 May 13

G.D. Royston, Washington, to H. Flanagin 1872 May 14

U.M. Rose, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1872 May 31

A.H. Garland, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1872 June 6



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A.H. Garland, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1872 June 13

A.H. Garland, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1872 July 3

W.E. Woodruff, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1872 July 13

D. Walker, Fayetteville, to H. Flanagin 1872 July 25

R.K. Garland, Washington, Ark., to H. Flanagin 1872 August

A.H. Garland, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1872 September 4

Albert Pike, Washington, to H. Flanagin 1872 September 4

B.F. Rice, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1872 September 7

B.F. Rice, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1872 September 14

C.B. Moore, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1872 October 4

B.F. Rice, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1872 October 7

Gordon N. Peay, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1872 October 11

Williams and Battle, Washington, Ark., to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1872 October 23

Joseph Brooks, Little Rock to "Dear Sir" 1873 January 16

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U.M. Rose, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1873 January 16

U.M. Rose, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1873 March 31

A.H. Garland, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1873 April 17

Jas. L. Witherspoon, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1873 April 21

H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia, to Jas. L. Witherspoon 1873 April 22

Jas. L. Witherspoon, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1873 April 26

R.C. Newton, Washington, Ark., to H. Flanagin 1873 May 16

Gordon N. Peay, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1873 May 18

Geo. A. Gallagher, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1873 May 19

U.M. Rose, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1873 July 1

Sam W. Williams, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1873 September 15

Wm. E. Woodruff, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1873 September 30

F.W. Compton, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1873 November 14

D.C. Casey, Arkadelphia, to H. Flanagin 1874 January 23

Correspondence

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Jno. R. Eakin, Washington, Ark., to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1874 February 20

G.D. Royston, Washington, Ark., to H. Flanagin 1874 April 9

A.H. Garland, to H. Flanagin 1874 April 26

A.H. Garland, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1874 April 30

T.W. Gunter, Washington, D.C., to H. Flanagin 1874 May 2

W.P. Grace, Grace and Johnson, Pine Bluff, to H. Flanagin 1874 May 4

B.F. Askew, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin, Arkadelphia 1874 May 17

A.H. Garland, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 1874 July 23

Jesse Turner, Van Buren, to H. Flanagin 1874 August 1

W.J. Slemons, Monticello, Ark., to H. Flanagin 1874 August 1

M.L. Jones, Pine Bluff, to H. Flanagin, Little Rock 1874 August 4

D.H. Reynolds, Lake Village, to H. Flanagin, Little Rock 1874 August 7

E.W. Gault, Little Rock, to H. Flanagin 18[ ] July 29