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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Arkansas State Archives
<b>Title</b>	Griffith family papers
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1861-1906
<b>Extent</b>	0.25 Cubic feet 1 folder
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Language of Materials</b>	Materials entirely in English.
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## **Biographical Note**

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Joseph Griffith, son of Henry Griffith and Mary Boyd, was born July 5, 1845 in Little Rock, Arkansas. He enlisted as a private in Woodruff's Battery on June 19, 1862, where he served for a few months as an artilleryman before being stationed at Tyler, Texas, in the ordnance department for the rest of the duration of the Civil War.

After the war, Griffith worked with Thomas Scott, the Little Rock city collector. He was elected as Constable of Big Rock Township, Pulaski County, in 1876 and served for two years. In 1878, he was elected County Treasurer, where he served until 1888. In 1889, he began selling insurance with John M. Brisbin, which he continued until his death. He was a member of the Pat Cleburne Fire Company for twenty-two years and acted as secretary for the Arkansas Nursery Company.

He married Charlie Olina Hite, daughter of William Hite, on May 15, 1872. They had several children, Daisy, Nellie, Mamie, Ruby, Annie, Edward Parker, Florence, and John, who died during childhood. Joseph Griffith died October 19, 1902. His wife, Charlie, died July 16, 1937. They are buried at Mount Holly Cemetery.

Daisy, the oldest daughter of Joseph and Charlie, was born in 1875 and married John Nelson Bethea and died in 1963. Edward Parker Griffith was born in 1886 and died in 1959.

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## **Scope and Contents**

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This collection contains deeds, financial records, and miscellaneous papers of the Joseph Griffith family, residents of Pulaski County.

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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Publication Information**

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### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

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Deeds and related materials

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## Collection Inventory

### Deeds and related materials

1861 January 11: Deed of Conveyance, Christian and Agnes E. Brumback to Henry Griffith

1863 March 26: Deed, David A. Cole and wife to Henry Griffith

1874 August 18: Deed, William H. and Mary G. Hite to Joseph Griffith

1874 August 20: Letter, Smith Scogin, Garland County Surveyor, Hot Springs, to Joseph Griffith, Little Rock

1890s: Description of quit claim deed, Joe Griffith and wife to William G. Mannie

1890s: Description of deed, Joe Griffith and wife to M.E. Quinn

### Promissory notes

1888 August 4: W.H. Griffith and Joseph Griffith to W.B. Worthen and Company, \$30.00

1906 April 10: Mrs. C.O. Griffith, Ed P. Griffith, and Daisy Griffith to Parker, Reid and Company, \$25.40

### Statements

## Receipts

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1896 January 30: Joe P. Quinn Dry Goods Company to Joe Griffith

1902 November 29: Parker, Ewing and Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Mrs. Charley O. Griffith

1910 May 1: Arnold, Raines, and Company Insurance to Ed P. Griffith

1910 June 10: Weidman and Funk to Ed Griffith

## Receipts

1888 October 31: W.B. Worthen and Company, to Joseph Griffith

1895 March 21: Collector's Office, Pulaski County, Arkansas, to Joseph Griffith

1900 November 30: Parker, Ewing and Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Joseph Griffith and Charlie Griffith

1901 July 17: Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, Springfield, Massachusetts, to Joseph Griffith

1901 July 18: Parker, Ewing and Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Joseph Griffith

1901 November 30: Parker, Ewing and Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Joseph Griffith and Charlie Griffith

1901 December 6: City Collector's Office, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Joe Griffith



## Receipts

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1902 January 17: Massachusetts Mutual Life insurance Company, Springfield, Massachusetts, to Joseph Griffith

1902 January 17: Parker, Ewing and Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Joseph Griffith

1902 May 12: Parker, Ewing and Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Joseph Griffith

1902 July 17: Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, Springfield, Massachusetts, to Joseph Griffith

1902 July 17: Parker, Ewing and Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Joseph Griffith

1902 September 30: Parker, Ewing and Company to Joseph Griffith

1902 November 1: Office of City Collector, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Joseph Griffith

1903 February 2: Cantrell and Loughborough, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Daisy Griffith

1903 January 17: Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, Springfield, Massachusetts, to Joseph Griffith

1903 March 31: Collector's Office, Pulaski County, Arkansas, to Joseph Griffith

1903 June 20: State of Arkansas, City of Little Rock, to E. Griffith

1904 February 1: A.S. Fowler to Mrs. Joseph Griffith

1904 April 6: Collector's Office, Pulaski County, Arkansas, to Estate of Joseph Griffith

Miscellaneous

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1904 July 6: A.S. Fowler to Mrs. Joseph Griffith

1904 November 3: City Collector's Office, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Mrs. Joseph Griffith

1905 October 8: City Collector's Office, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Mrs. Joe Griffith

1905 January 19: A.S. Fowler to Miss Griffith

1906 January 18: A.S. Fowler to Mrs. C.O. Griffith

1906 November 28: City Collector's Office, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Mrs. Joseph Griffith

1907 April 8: Collector's Office, Pulaski County, Arkansas, to Mrs. Joe Griffith

1910 April 9: Collector's Office, Pulaski County, Arkansas, to Ed P. Griffith

1910 May 5: Arnold, Raines and Company, to Ed P. Griffith

Undated: Withdrawal of \$114

**Miscellaneous**

1868 April 29: Funeral Notice of Annie E. Griffith Bender

1876 October 12: Commission, Joseph Griffith, Constable of Big Rock Township, Pulaski County, Arkansas

Miscellaneous

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1886: Campaign card, Joseph Griffith, Democratic nominee for County Treasurer, Pulaski County

1888: Campaign card, Joseph Griffith, candidate for Sheriff and Collector, Pulaski County

1902 March 10: Summons, Mrs. Charlie Griffith

1909 October 9: Insurance Policy, The Mechanics and Traders Insurance Company, New Orleans, Louisiana

1910 April 28: Application to construct sidewalk in the city of Little Rock, Arkansas, Weidman and Funk, Sidewalk Contractor

Undated: Application for agent, Travelers Insurance Company, Joseph Griffith

Undated: List of names