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Summary Information

Repository	Arkansas State Archives
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Biographical/Historical Note

Clio Harper (1872-1932) was a newspaperman and publicist active in Little Rock and statewide. Born in Iowa, Haper was raised in the Harrison, Arkansas area and received his education in public schools there. Harper began his journalism career at the Boone [County] Banner in 1893 and moved to the Arkansas Democrat later that year, where he occupied increasingly responsible positions as reporter, editor and part-owner of the paper. In 1897, Harper married Zella Armitage of Harrison. He was involved in many public and civic activities, serving several clerkships with the state legislature, as longtime secretary to the Arkansas Press Association, as city alderman from 1912-20, and also on the board of education. From 1911, he was associated with Parker-Harper News Service, a news, advertising and publicity concern that later focused more on publishing.

Harper wrote poetry and lyrics as well as reportage. Other interests and affiliations included the Democratic Party, the Masons, the Christian Church, and the Ku Klux Klan. Clio Harper died on December 2, 1932 in Harrison, Arkansas after a lengthy illness. He is buried in Little Rock.

[Note: Zella Armitage Harper was active in public affairs as well, in areas of literacy and women's concerns. She was a candidate for the Arkansas legislature in 1922.]

Scope and Contents

Literary and business papers of newspaperman and publicist, Clio Harper (1872-1932), approximately 20 items, ranging from newsletters to poetry.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

C. Armitage Harper, 1987.

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[?] January 31: Thomas Elmore Lucey, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma to "My dear Clio"

1918 February 27: Jason Lawson, City Collector, City of Little Rock, Arkansas to Mr. and Mrs. Clio Harper, 1922 West 22nd, Little Rock, Arkansas

1924 May 18: Appreciation of Charles E. Rosenbaum 33-degree Mason on occasion of dedication of Albert Pike Temple in Little Rock by Clio Harper, 32-degree Mason

Undated: More Poems by Clio Harper, dedicated to the memory of my mother, Jennie Ceis Harper, February 27, 1850-November 28, 1923

1917 May 14-16: Beneath the Sign of Capricornus, Annual Poem of Arkansas Press Association, held in Fort Smith, Arkansas, written by Clio Harper of Little Rock, poet laureate [2 copies]

1919 May 19-20: The Press, Ally of Mars, annual poem of the Arkansas Press Association, Little Rock, Arkansas, written by poet laureate Clio Harper. Also contains 1915-1918 annual poems.

Undated: Sheet music, hymn, "Oh, Keep Our Faith in Thee Secure." Music by Will M. Ramsey, lyrics by Clio Harper. [2 copies]

Undated: Sheet music, hymn, "The Guiding Star." Music by D.W. Moore, lyrics by Clio Harper. [2 copies]

1915 February 27: "When the Final Roll is Called," "joke bill" naming all members, end of Fortieth General Assembly, Arkansas House of Representatives, by Clio Harper

Undated: Rival Stars Or The Mystery of the Multiple Marvels. 21-page manuscript [outline?] for an adventure story set with urban newspaper setting [Daily Planet, corruption, romance etc.].

1920 August 1: A Dream or A Reality? Subscription brochure, Albert Pike Masonic Temple, Little Rock, Arkansas

1920 August: Out of the Mud, Volume 2, Number 13, Newsletter, Arkansas Department of State Lands, Clio Harper, Assistant Editor [2 copies]

1917 October 15: Official bulletin United States Food Administration, Vol. 1, No. 3, Little Rock, Arkansas, Clio Harper, Chairman Publicity Committee [9 copies]

1917 October 20: Official Bulletin, United States Food Administration, Vol. 1, No. 4, Little Rock, Arkansas, Clio Harper, Chairman, Publicity Committee [16 copies]

1909 October: The Congo News Letter, Boston, Massachusetts

Undated: Newsclipping, The Legend of Petit Jean by Will A. Berry in The Log Cabin Democrat, Conway, Arkansas

1916 September 3: Newsclipping - The Battle of the Marne p. 11, verso, p. 12, Fantomas or the Exploits of Juve

1932 January 2: Fayetteville Arkansas, Daily Democrat, New Year's Address by William Quesenbury. Reprint of January 1, 1854 pamphlet.

1913 May 13: Souvenir Edition, Arkansas Press Association, Little Rock, Arkansas, pages 1-8

1913 May 13: Souvenir Edition, Arkansas Press Edition, Little Rock, Arkansas, pages 9-16

1913 May 13: Souvenir Edition, Arkansas Press Association, Little Rock, pages 17-24