Collectors. This collection contains manuscripts (1938–1949) by James Henry Shears, also known as “Oklahoma Jim,” regarding his life and experiences; newspaper clippings regarding Shears and Charles Dunn, also known as the “Oklahoma Kid”; and a scrapbook (1941–1949) of newspaper clippings about Shears.

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Box 1
Folder:
2. Untitled, handwritten manuscript, 387 pages, not dated

Box 2
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2. Appendices to *The Recollections of Oklahoma Jim*, handwritten manuscript, 1938
3. Preface to *The Recollections of Oklahoma Jim*, handwritten manuscript, 1938
4. "Highlights of Oklahoma Jim, His Career as a Pioneer--Here and There," handwritten manuscript, not dated
5. "The Cowboy of Yesterday" by Oklahoma Jim, includes poem and photos, 1945
6. "Pioneering, Homesteading, Trouping and the Covered Wagon Days" by Oklahoma Jim, not dated
7. "In and Around Norman Some 64 Years Ago" by Oklahoma Jim Shears, handwritten manuscript, not dated
8. "A Few Early-Day Hardships" by Oklahoma Jim Shears, handwritten manuscript, not dated

9. "The Merry-Go-Round Song" by James H. Shears, handwritten manuscript, 1937

10. "Hello Folks, Oklahoma Jim Speaking," handwritten scripts for radio programs, not dated

11. Correspondence with publishers concerning James Henry Shears' various manuscripts, 1942-1949

12. Letters regarding store displays (John A. Brown Company) 89er Celebrations and "The Open Window" T.V. program, 1939-1952

13. Capitol Hill "Dope," concerns 89er Celebration, not dated

14. 89er Celebrations, press stuff concerning Oklahoma Jim Shears as a Pioneer, suggestions for 89er Advance Noise, and Shear and Dunn in parade, not dated

15. Genealogical information on the Shears and Starrs families, not dated

16. "Moonshiner's Daughter," Ralph Dearborn, handwritten manuscript, not dated

**Box 3**

Folder:

1. Textual material, includes legal brief--U.S. Tubbs vs. James H. Shears; Story of how William Cody came to be known as Buffalo Bill; "4,000 Times"--the life of aeronaut C.C. Bonette; *Nuggets in Verse*; and "Exhibition of Models for a Monument to the Pioneer Woman,"1927, 1946, 1952

2. Newspaper clippings primarily concerning the lives of James Henry Shears (Oklahoma Jim) and Charles Dunn (the Oklahoma Kid), 1901-?

3. Scrapbook consisting of newspaper clippings and a few photos primarily concerning the life of Oklahoma Jim, 1941-1949


5. Route book for medicine shows such as Griswold's, Inland Theatre Co., and Sutton's Stock Co., 1892-1905