Collector. Correspondence (1893–1915) to and from members of the Whistler family regarding life in Oklahoma Territory, and describing a first ride in an automobile, sicknesses and quarantines, floods, Sac and Fox Indian dances and customs, the Sac and Fox Indian Agency and its agent, Lee Patrick, the Chilocco Indian School, wild west shows, Christmas traditions, and Independence Day celebrations. Correspondents include Maude Mayes Whistler, Pearl Mayes Whistler, and Gertrude Nadan.

Box 1 Correspondence

1. Mayes to Maude: July Fourth festivities, school, consumption, saw mill, robberies, the Kickapoo Opening, the Indian Agency, typhoid, flooding, and the Chandler Bank Robbery. 1893-1898

2. Bee to Maude: Sac & Fox Indian girls, masquerade party, education, and Miss Reel, the superintendent of all the Indian schools. 1898-1899

3. Maude to Bee: Mission, smallpox, because of which the agency was under quarantine enforced by men and guns, squaw dance, and an abortion. 1898-1900

4. Bee to Maude: Sac & Fox Indians, quarrel between normal and commercial school factories. 1891-1900

5. Mayes to Maude: Whooping cough, Haskell under quarantine, pension papers, President McKinley, and Dennis Flynn, the Territory of Oklahoma's delegate to Congress. 1900


Box 2 Correspondence

1. Maude to Bee: Medicine dance, Indian Service. 1900

2. Mayes to Maude: Smallpox, causing the school to close, and Grand Army of the Republic Week. 1901

3. Mayes to Maude: The flood of 1902, the current flood, scarlet fever, and the railroad. 1902

4. Bee to Maude: Scarlet fever, clothes, grass fight, Buckskin Bill's Wild West Show, a trip to Minnesota, and Bee when a freshman at Kansas University. 1902
5. Maude to Bee: Death of Uncle Isaac. 1902

Box 3 Correspondence

1. Maude to Bee: Kaw River damage. 1903

2. Maude to Bee: Wild West Show in Stroud, Grandpa Keokuk's pneumonia, the brown book contest, and Guy Whistler in military school. 1903

3. Mayes to Maude: Weather and crops, the railroad, July Fourth festivities at Sparks, oil well drilling, and Christmas. 1903

4. Bee to Maude: Frank Keokuk, Woodbury's Hair Tonic, Lawrence, Kansas flood, civil service exams, and visiting clergy determine degree of Indian blood of people. 1903

5. Mother Mayes to Maude, Grandma Mayes to Don, Mayes to Maude: Railroad to Okmulgee surveyed, measles causing death, and Lincoln County Producer's Association. 1895-1903

Box 4 Correspondence

1. Bee to Maude: Indian costumes, the Frisco Railroad, retrieving runaways. 1904

2. Bee to Maude: Going to Chicago to study harp, first ride in an automobile, the World's Fair, concert by John Philip Sousa's band, ride on a camel, and the Prince Pu Lun. 1904

3. Bee to Maude: Work in St. Louis, Hagenbeck's Animal Show, Chilocco Indian School, and Miss Tonner, the daughter of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. 1904

4. Maude to Bee: Christmas, the World's Fair, Indian dance on the North Fork River, and a bill in Congress. 1904

5. Mayes to Maude: Lice and the measles, the World's Fair, and bridges and crops washed away in flooding. 1904

Box 5 Correspondence

1. Mayes to Maude: Mrs. Riley and Fred Neal. 1905

2. Bee to Maude: Chilocco Indian School, and Little Max. 1905-1906

3. Bee to Maude: Chicago, animal show. 1906


**Box 6 Correspondence**

1. Mayes to Maude: Kansas, and the restaurant business. 1912-1913

2. Bee to Maude: Boston, Europe, Tom St. George at Yale University, the trial of Margaret Kenneth. 1910

3. Bee to Maude: Vaudeville. 1911

4. Bee to Maude: Boston. 1912

5. Bee to Maude: General news. 1913

6. Bee to Maude: New York, Belgian relief work, gas and oil. 1914

7. Mayes to Maude: Typhoid fever, and opera and movie house. 1915

8. Mayes to Maude: Gladstone Hall and theater, and oil deed. 1915

**Box 7 Correspondence**

1-4. Don Whistler and Leo Whistler to Maud Whistler - Letters from Sacred Heart College. 1909-1912

5. Letters received by Bee Mayes (Pe-ahm-e-squeet). 1910, 1913

6. Letters to and from Bee Mayes. 1898-1911

**Box 8 Correspondence**

1. Letters from Bee Mayes to Mrs. Carol Rogers re. trip to Europe. 1910

2. Letters and postcards from Bee Mayes re. trip to Europe. 1910
3. Letters to Pearl Mayes. 1900-1902
4. Letters to Maude Whistler from Dr. Carroll Rogers. 1908
5. Letters to Maude Whistler from Don Whistler, Jr. 1908-1912, 1926, 1943-1944
7. Letters to Don Whistler. 1912, 1939
8. Letters to and from Leo Whistler. 1906-1918
9. Letters to and from Rex Rogers. 1911-1912, 1915
10. Letters to and from Ramona Rogers. 1888, 1911, 1912, 1915, 1928, 1941-1942

Box 9 Miscellaneous Documents
1. Advertisements and receipts. 1896-1914, 1931
2. Announcements. 1899-1923
3. Compositions by Don Whistler. 1912
4. Greeting cards and locks of hair. 1896, 1901, 1941
5. Important documents (marriage license, divorce decree, etc.). 1894-1915, 1941
6. Invitations. 1891-1915, 1945
7. Newspaper clippings. 1913, 1931
8. Orchard planting. n.d.
9A-B. Poems, songs, drawings, diary and autograph book. 1889-1898, 1912
10. Recipes. n.d.
13. Polo Rodeo program, College of Engineering vs. College of Arts and Sciences, University of Oklahoma, December 8, 1923. [fragile]
Box 10 Correspondence

1. Don Whistler correspondence: re. the Sac & Fox school and agency lands and buildings; and McKeown's Bill providing for "unconditional" title in the Sac & Fox tribe. Also includes letter from Ralph Cameron, U.S. Senate. 1926-1943

2. Correspondence to Leo Whistler from family members and friends: re. "the old timers." 1930-1936

3. Correspondence between Pearl B. Mayes, Thomas Henneberry, Margaret Kenneth and other family members: re. illnesses, daily affairs, and a legal matter. 1910-1916

4. Correspondence between Thomas Henneberry and Pearl Mayes: poem of love from Tom to Bee, and letter from Bee to Tom asking for details of his divorce. 1916

5. Correspondence to E.C. Mayes from his daughter, Dot Mayes from various locations throughout Europe: re. farm and mortgage, and various activities such as going to the opera. 1910

6. Correspondence to G.W. Choate from family members: re. farming, daily affairs, preaching, learning the "telegraphy trade," the murder of a white man by some full blood Indians near Boggy Depot, shipment of cattle, housing for Indian orphan children, etc.. Also includes letter from the Secretary of the Interior. 1882-1916

7. Government related documents and correspondence: re. title to certain lands in Oklahoma to the Sac & Fox Nation of Indians (House of Representatives Report No. 895); memo to all employees in the Indian Service from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs concerning whisky and the American Indian; and speech of Hon. James A. Frear of Wisconsin concerning the confiscation of Navajo Indian funds. 1914-1915, 1926

8. Real estate material: release of real estate mortgage, and extension agreement and coupons. 1910, 1952

9. Pearl B. Mayes, Thomas Henneberry marriage certificate. 1913

10. Printed material and newspaper clippings. Includes "Indian Legends, Music and Dances: Stories of Indian Life with Melodies on the Harp" by PE-AHM-E-SQUEET (Floating Cloud), with programs, press notices, etc.; announcement of dedication exercises of the Canadian High School, Canadian, Oklahoma; and pictures (printed). 1904, 1911, 1966-1967

11. Printed material: Lindell Hotel commutation ticket, picture postcards sent to Mrs. Don Whistler, and xerox copies from a book titled Checagou. 1910, 1972
Box 1 Printed Materials

History of Braman (town), photocopies, 3 pages

Newspaper clippings (Whistler Ranch) 1915

"Die Musik Des Barocks" von Dr. Robert Haas 1928

"Die Musik Des Rokokos Und Der Klassik" von Dr. Ernst Bucken 1928

Postage stamps