

**Nashville Banner Reporter Reference Files:
Series IV. Tennessee Series, 1934 - 1997**

Collection Summary

Creator: Nashville Banner

Title: Tennessee Series

Inclusive Dates: 1934 -1997

Summary/Abstract: A wide variety of materials, from 1934 -1997, documenting Tennessee subjects and used by Nashville Banner reporters for reference during their daily work. Items were originally housed in the Banner Clippings Files and were removed for preservation purposes by Nashville Public Library staff to form this collection.

Physical Description/Extent: 2.5 cu. ft.

Series: IV. Tennessee

Linking Entry Complexity Note: Forms part of the Nashville Banner Reporter Reference Files, part of the Nashville Banner Archives.

Accession Number: RT-102

Language: English

Stack Location: Closed stacks Banner Room

Repository: Special Collections Division, Nashville Public Library, 615 Church Street, Nashville, TN 37219

Biographical/Historical Sketch

The Nashville Banner newspaper began publication on Apr. 10, 1876 and ceased publication Feb. 20, 1998.

Scope and Contents of the Collection

The Nashville Banner Reporter Reference Files, Tennessee Series has information about statewide topics, places, organizations, and county government outside of Davidson County that received news coverage in the Nashville Banner newspaper. Materials date from the 1930s to the 1990s. Formats include press releases, brochures, booklets, reports, texts of legislative bills, clippings and magazine articles, wire service stories, and more. Quantity of materials is usually less than ten items for each topic. Some items are photocopies.

All the materials in this collection were originally housed in the Banner Clippings Files, but were removed by library staff for preservation purposes. Thus, although the Banner Reporter Reference Files is a separate collection, due to its size, it nevertheless bears a very close relationship and indeed should be viewed as an extension of the Banner Clippings Files. Information in both instances was compiled and used by reporters at the Nashville Banner as references when writing about significant events of the time. Researchers are advised that due to its being a much more comprehensive resource, the Banner Clippings Files will likely be a more useful and productive source of information than the isolated items to be found in the Banner Reporter Reference Files.

Some items of special note include various materials about state government, departments, and specific legislative bills; and information on the 1996 Olympics whitewater canoe/kayak slalom event at the Ocoee Whitewater Center on the Ocoee River in the Cherokee National Forest.

Additional materials include: historical information compiled around 1966 on the 101st Airborne Division of Fort Campbell including brigade histories, as well as considerable information about the Military Air Transport Service (MATS) and training exercises around 1962 called "Big Slam/Puerto Pines." Other materials document Sewart Air Force Base, the 18th Air Force, and the 314th Troop Carrier Wing. Significant quantities of materials concern: the legal case of the merger of the L&N and N.C. & St.L. Railroads; various aspects of the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA); and the University of the South at Sewanee, including information about segregation and race relations in the late 1950s and early 1960s.

Additional materials of interest to individuals researching Tennessee's Civil Rights history include: wire service stories about the desegregation of Clinton High School in Anderson County; a blank membership form for the White Citizen's Council; items relating to organizations such as the National Association for the Advancement of White People, and the Tennessee Federation for Constitutional Government, which opposed desegregation; and a legal complaint filed in the Baker v. Carr reapportionment case.

Organization/Arrangement of Materials

Arrangement: Alphabetical by subject.

Restrictions

Restrictions on Access: In library use only. Available by appointment.

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Index Terms

Corporate Names/Organizations:

Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company
Nashville, Chattanooga, and St. Louis Railway
National Association for the Advancement of White People
Tennessee Federation for Constitutional Government
Tennessee Valley Authority
Tennessee White Citizens Council. Davidson County Division.
Tennessee. General Assembly
United States. Air Force. Military Air Transport Service
United States. Army. Airborne Division, 101st
United States. Army. Infantry Division, 30th
United States. Army. Infantry Regiment, 117th

University of the South
Zion Presbyterian Church (Columbia, Tenn.)

Conference Names:

Olympic Games (26th : 1996 : Atlanta, Ga.)

Subjects:

Apportionment (election law) – United States – Cases
Aquatic sports – Competitions -- Tennessee
Aquatic sports – Ocoee River (Ga. and Tenn.)
Aquatic sports facilities – Ocoee River (Ga. and Tenn.)
Aquatic sports facilities – Tennessee
Associations, institutions, etc. – Tennessee
Bills, Legislative – Tennessee
Canoes and canoeing – Competitions -- Tennessee
Canoes and canoeing – Ocoee River (Ga. and Tenn.)
Church buildings – Tennessee – Columbia
Clubs – Tennessee
Consolidation and merger of corporations – United States – Cases
Counties – Tennessee
Dams – Tennessee
Dams – Tennessee River Valley
Dwellings – Tennessee – Columbia
Electrification – Southern States
Electrification – Tennessee
Historic sites – Tennessee -- Columbia
Historic sites – Tennessee -- Franklin County
Hydroelectric power plants – Tennessee
Hydroelectric power plants – Tennessee River Valley
Kayaks and kayaking – Competitions -- Tennessee
Kayaks and kayaking – Ocoee River (Ga. and Tenn.)
Military bases – Tennessee
Olympics -- Planning
Power-plants – Tennessee
Public utilities – Tennessee
Railroads – Mergers – Southern States
Railroads – Mergers – Tennessee
Railroads – Mergers – United States
Railroads – Southern States
Railroads – Tennessee
Rural electrification – Tennessee
School integration -- Tennessee
Segregation – Tennessee
Societies – Tennessee
White Citizens councils – Tennessee
White supremacy movements – Tennessee

Places:

Anderson County (Tenn.) – Race relations
Beersheba Springs (Tenn.)
Cherokee National Forest (Tenn.)
Clinton (Tenn.) – Race relations
Columbia (Tenn.)
Fort Campbell (Ky. and Tenn.)
Grundy County (Tenn.)
Kentucky – Boundaries – Tennessee
Maury County (Tenn.)
Ocoee River (Ga. and Tenn.)
Ocoee Whitewater Center (Tenn.)
Sewanee (Tenn.)
Sewart Air Force Base (Tenn.)
Tennessee – Boundaries – Kentucky
Tennessee – Capital and capitol
Tennessee – History – 20th century – Sources
Tennessee – Officials and employees
Tennessee – Politics and government
Tennessee – Race relations
Tennessee River – Power utilization
Tennessee River Valley

Genre/Document Types:

Articles
Bills (legislative records)
Booklets
Brochures
Clippings (information artifacts)
Correspondence
Legal documents
Maps
Pamphlets
Press releases
Reports
Typescripts

Occupations:

Lawyers
Public officers

Added Author (Corporate Heading):

Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company
Nashville, Chattanooga, and St. Louis Railway
National Association for Advancement of White People
Tennessee Federation for Constitutional Government

Tennessee Valley Authority
Tennessee White Citizens Council. Davidson County Division.
Tennessee. General Assembly
United States. District Court (Tennessee : Middle District)
University of the South

Associated and Related Material

Nashville Banner Archives, including clippings and photographs, is housed in the Nashville Room of the Nashville Public Library. Full issues of the Nashville Banner newspaper are available on microfilm.

Separated Material

Occasionally some items were removed to separate storage. Separation notices have been used when this occurred. Some publications were removed to the Banner book collection, and have been cataloged separately.

Administrative Information

Additional Physical Form Available: Full issues of the Nashville Banner newspaper are available on microfilm in the Special Collections Division. The Nashville Banner Clippings Files (ca. 1935-1995) contains numerous news clippings compiled by the Banner staff. Inquire at service desk for more information.

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Immediate Source of Acquisition: Irby C. Simpkins, Jr., and Brownlee O. Currey, Jr. donated this collection along with many other materials belonging to the Nashville Banner, including clippings and photographs, to the Nashville Public Library in 1999.

Ownership and Custodial History: In possession of Irby C. Simpkins, Jr., and Brownlee O. Currey, Jr. until donated to the Nashville Public Library in 1999.

Processing Information: Non-clipping items removed from Banner Clippings Files at random as encountered by staff from 2001-2009. Staff member Jennifer Quier systematically removed and rehoused non-clipping items from Banner Clippings Files, and created initial inventory in 2013-2014. Additional physical processing and preliminary preservation and conservation work, completed by intern Poppy Krump, summer 2016. Final processing and formal finding aid

completed by intern Quinntana Slaughter, summer 2017 under supervision of staff member Linda Barnickel.

Accruals: No further accruals are expected.

Detailed Description of the Collection:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>EARLY YEAR</u>	<u>LATE YEAR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
<u>A</u>			
Accidents – Fire	---	ca. 1947	wire service
Adoption Law	---	ca. 1948	brochure advocating change in law
Agriculture	---	1962	typescript, “People to People” tour
Anderson County	---	ca. 1956	wire service regarding integration of Clinton High School
<u>B</u>			
Banks			
-Hamilton Bank	---	1976	typescript
Barkley Dam	---	1963	map, pamphlet
Battle Ground Academy	---	ca. 1959	brochure
Bell Witch	---	1986	article from Tennessee Traveler, typescript
Boundary Disputes (Tenn.)	---	1942	map, typescript
Business			
- Foote Mineral	---	ca. 1960	typescript
- Nationwide Express, Inc.	---	1991	press release
- Trane Company	---	1959	press release
<u>C</u>			
Census	1958	1960	Reports on Tennessee population
Chattanooga			
- The Baylor School	---	n.d.	typescript history
Clay County	---	1989	article about “rolley hole” marbles
Crime			
- Escapes and Captures	1948	1953	article on unnamed Negro escapees from Central State Hospital; typescript on Dewey Pankey

E

Epiphany Mission (Sherwood, Tenn.) --- 1960 booklet

F

Federal Bureau of Investigation 1961 1962 wire service
Franklin County --- 1989 Franklin County Historical Review, Vol. XX No. 2 – National Register properties

Fort Campbell
- Historical --- 1966 typescript histories of 101st Airborne Division & its brigades
- Military Air Transport Service --- ca.1962 press releases on Big Slam / Puerto Pines exercises; maps; official insignia of MATS; photographs

Fort Donelson National Military Park --- 1961 press release on proposed land acquisition

G

General Election – 1954 --- 1954 Results by county for governor, US Senate, RR and Public Utilities

Government
- Corrections
- State Training and Agriculture School for Colored Boys (Pikeville) --- n.d. typescript
- Department of Conservation --- 1942 brochure on State Office Building murals

- Department of Finance and Taxation --- ca. 1945 typescript of HB No. 857, local liquor option (FRAGILE!)
press release

- Department of Highways --- 1963
- *General Assembly -- (see Legislature)*
- Social Security and Employment Committee --- 1948 typescripts
- State Planning Commission --- 1946 report on State Finances

Grundy Co. --- 1990 Beersheba Springs info incl. map and postcards

H

Harbert Hills Academy	---	ca. 1950	booklet, pamphlet
Highlander School	---	1983	wire service
Homecoming 1986 (Oversize only)	---	1986	<i>Tennessean</i> pullout
Houston Oilers	---	1995	photocopy of article
Humphreys County			
- Battle of Johnsonville	---	n.d.	typescript
(Oversize)	---	n.d.	maps, posters

L

Labor	1957	1967	Tennessee Industrial Development Personnel Conference flyer; Tennessee Industrial Development News (2 issues)
Legislature			
- Bills	---	n.d.	HB. No. 1238, (Tenn. Industrial School); Morgan "Gag Bill"
- 1939 Bills	---	1939	HB. No. 96, (defining habitual criminals and punishment); bulletin on County Consolidation Acts; HB. No. 478 (voting machines)
- 1941 Bills (Folder 1 of 2)	---	1941	Some documents have annotations. HB. No. 153, (general appropriation); House Joint Resolution No. 15, (proposed amendment to State Constitution re: pay of General Assembly members); SB No. 166 & SB No. 164 (regulation of liquor); HB. No. 113 (Municipal Court Warrants in Shelby County); HB. No. 190 (regulation of sale of oleo margarine); Authorization of Reelfoot Lake to the United States
- 1941 Bills (Folder 2 of 2)	---	1941	Appointment of receivers to collect rent; wire service on newspaper and radio tax bills; Rutherford County Teacher Civil Service Bill

- 1957 Session	---	1957	brochure listing members elect of 1957 Tennessee Legislature and Eightieth General Assembly
<u>M</u>			
Maury County	---	n.d.	typescripts: "The Homes of the Pillows," "The Black Home Near Spring Hill"
- Hamilton Place	---	1942	photocopy of article "The Home of the Polk's"
Monuments	---	n.d.	Cordell Hull Building sculptures
<u>O</u>			
Oak Ridge	---	1950	booklet: Cancer Research Program of Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies
Oil Lines Data	---	1949	typescript
Old Hickory Division (30 th Infantry Div.)	---	1945	typescripts on 30 th Infantry Division and 117 th Infantry Regiment
1996 Olympics	1994	1996	Booklets, program, unofficial and official list of medalist results, typescripts
(Oversize) Drawer K-4 Folder4	---	1996	Bradley County map; Tennessee Overhill map; Cherokee National Forest map brochure
Organizations			
- Association for the Preservation of Tennessee Antiquities	1953	1957	tour brochures
- D.A.R.	---	1963	press release
- National Association for Advancement of White People	---	1954	press release
- Save Our Lake Association, Inc. (Old Hickory Lake)	---	1982	press release
- Tennessee Federation for Constitutional Government	---	1956	booklet: "Tyranny at Oak Ridge"; promotional pieces incl. opposition to desegregation
- Tennessee Historical Society	---	n.d.	brochure
- Tennessee Municipal League	---	ca. 1960	press release

- White Citizens Council	---	ca. 1958	blank membership form [photocopy]
- Young Democrats	1940	1954	Constitution and By-laws; 1940 convention program

P

Politics	1968	1977	delegates to Constitutional Convention of 1977; Charter of Incorporation for American Independent Party of Tennessee
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Railroads			
- Louisville & Nashville Railroad	---	ca. 1962	booklet: "The Great Locomotive Chase" of 1862
- L & N and N. C. & St. Louis Merger folder 1	---	1956	U.S. House Report: "Merger in a Regulated Industry..."
oversize Nash. Rm. Map Coll. Drawer J		1956	map: "Louisville & Nashville RR and Affiliated Lines" from above report
folder 2	---	1957	Complaint, U.S. District Court
folder 3	---	1957	Brief, U.S. District Court
folder 4	---	1957	Finance Docket, Interstate
- N.C. & St. Louis Railway	---	n.d.	photocopy of newspaper article re: parlor cars
- Tennessee Central	---	1950	article: history
(Oversize)	---	1947	article "Jere Baxter's Tennessee Central Trip"
Reapportionment	1950	1960	legal document: Complaint, Baker v. Carr case

S

S.S. Hope	---	ca. 1966	press release from Vanderbilt News Bureau
School Desegregation	---	1955	booklet "Educational Desegregation in Tennessee – One Year Afterward" by George N. Redd, Dean of Fisk University
Scott County	---	n.d.	typescript, Pine Creek Watershed Project

(Oversize)	---	1967	article: "White Water and Hard Rocks"
Sevier County	---	n.d.	Tipton Haynes Place typescript
Sewanee – Univ. of the South folder 1	1958	1962	telegram concerning desegregation; St. Luke's Journal special issue: "Univ. of South and Race Relations"; typescript: "One Nation Indivisible: American Dialogue on Race Relations & the Law"
folder 2	1953	1963	student directories: 1953-54; 1962-63
folder 3	1951	1964	correspondence; "The Living Church"; "The Battle at Sewanee"; centennial pageant program
folder 4	ca. 1953	1983	promotional booklet & several brochures; Bishop Gailor 40 th anniv. & All Saints' Chapel
folder 5	1945	1953	Founder's Day address; commencement program w/map; list of commencement visitors; booklet: "Sewanee, A Towered City..."; typescript: "Found in the Files"
folder 6	1946	1949	scattered issues: Sewanee Alumni News
folder 7	n.d.	1962	undated newsclippings & galley; typescript re: Dromgoole
folder 8	---	1944	correspondence re: Garrett Foundation mental hospital
Oversize	---	1953	article reprint, "Sewanee Not the Only Institution on Mountain – "There's Miss Clara", article on the Gentlemen of Sewanee
Sewart Air Force Base	1952	1960	typescripts, histories of base and 18 th Air Force, 314 th Troop Carrier Wing
Southern Regional Education Board	---	n.d.	press release
State Parks - Montgomery Bell	---	1967	booklet history and description of the Laurel Furnace and Montgomery Bell's Forge at Narrows of the Harpeth
Oversize	---	1983	40th Anniversary Pullout

T

Tennessee Graduates of Air Force Academy ---	1966	1966	typescript
Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame ---	1994	1994	typescript, 1995 inductees
Tennessee State Fair ---	1960	1960	blank entry form for livestock, premium list for 55 th Annual Exhibition
(Oversize)	1973	1977	State Fair Pullout
Tennessee Valley Authority folder 1	1936	1939	Tepco v. TVA U.S. District Court; typescripts, press release, "March of Time"; booklet: "The Cost of Distributing Power"
folder 2	1937	1947	booklets: "Shadow and Substance in the TVA Power Controversy"; "The Tennessee Valley Land of Modern Miracles"; typescript (FRAGILE) "TVA A Summary of Accomplishments 1933- 1945"; press release "The Role of TVA in Agricultural Development"; typescripts on power costs; Nashville Coal Company letterhead
folder 3	1934	1941	news articles
folder 4	1963	1986	Power Program Summary; press handbook; "Tributary Area Development in the Tennessee Valley"; press release; maps & statistics on nuclear reactors in U.S.; "Outdoor Recreation for a Growing Nation"
folder 5	---	1978	legal case, consent decree, regarding sulfur dioxide emissions and pollution by TVA
Trail of Tears	---	1988	press releases
Trenching	---	1997	OSHA Trenching rules, fatality report in Gallatin, deaths of Barber & Galyon

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U.S.S. Arizona	1960	1966	correspondence with fact sheet from <i>The Honolulu Advertiser</i>
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U.S. Warships named for Tennessee	---	1946	<i>Memorial Fund Campaign;</i> typescript press release
U.S.S. Tennessee (Oversize only)	---	1966	Modern Living Article, Clarksville Leaf Chronicle Pullout on the Battleship Tennessee
University of Tennessee	---	1951	press release, Arnold Engineering Center at Tullahoma
 <u>Z</u>			
Zion Presbyterian Church (Columbia, Tenn)	---	1957	Sesquicentennial Celebration history booklet