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## Horace Sylvan Stansel papers MSS.28

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**Donor:** Mrs. Horace S. Stansel, Ruleville, Mississippi.

### Scope and Contents

Papers of Horace S. Stansel (1888-1936), civil and structural engineer and Mississippi State legislator, of Ruleville, Mississippi. Correspondence, newspaper clippings, photos, and other papers relating to Stansel's legislative interests, including a State highway program, the Federal Civil Works Administration and to his years as a student at Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College and engineer in Sunflower County, Mississippi. Includes papers of Stansel's wife, Dovie Pearl (High) Stansel, concerning her service in Mississippi Legislature, and the Horace S. Stansel Memorial Library, Ruleville, Mississippi. Additions: drawings, letters, photographs, artifacts and other materials concerning Horace and Dovie Pearl Stansel and the extended Stansel family.

1<sup>st</sup> accession

Series I, 1911-1915, covers Stansel's years as a student at Mississippi A & M College and contains correspondence and miscellaneous items mostly concerning his work with the Dramatic

Club and his job as a motion picture agent. Included are photographs of college activities, a script for a Dramatic Club production, college annuals (1911-1914), and issues of *The Reflector* (1914-1915).

Series II, 1914-1931, contains correspondence and miscellaneous items pertaining to Stansel's career as a civil and structural engineer in Sunflower County, Mississippi. Included is J. W. Welch's book of surveying records, 1890-1913.

Series III, 1924-1936, is made up of Stansel's correspondence during his years of service as legislator, miscellaneous legislative material, newspaper clippings, and photographs. Much of the correspondence covering the months of November and December of 1935 and January and February of 1936 concerns Stansel's candidacy for Speaker of the House, and contains letters of support, job requests, letters of recommendation, requests for favors, letters and telegrams of congratulations, letters re committee assignments, etc. Included are letters from Thomas L. Bailey (3), Mike Sennett Conner (3), Hugh Critz (1), Whitman Davis (1), Pat Harrison (4 letters, 2 telegrams), Frank C. Holloman (1), Nelson Trimble Levings (1), Dan R. McGeehee (1), Dennis Murphree (10), John E. Rankin (1), Greek L. Rice (2), Walter Sillers, Jr. (3), John Stennis (1), A. H. Stone (2), Mildred Spurrier Topp (1), Hugh White (9), Walker Wood (1), and Fielding Wright (2). The legislative material mostly concerns committee assignments and the highway program.

Series IV, 1936-1966, contains Mrs. Stansel's correspondence, snapshots, programs, and newspaper clippings regarding the Horace S. Stansel Memorial Library at Ruleville, Mississippi. Included in this series is a photograph and biographical sketch of Mrs. Stansel and legislative material from her period of service in the legislature and Edwin N. Stansel, *The Stansel Family*, 1969.

Further additions in 1999 and 2002.

## Biographical Data

Full name of person about whom biographical data is needed:

Horace Sylvan Stansel

Date and place of birth:

Nov. 5, 1888 - Columbus, Mississippi

Date and place of death:

April 4, 1936 - Jackson, Mississippi

Names of parents, wife or husband, children, or other family relationships:

Parents: James Polk Stansel and Rebecca Josephine Land Stansel

Wife: Dovie Pearl High of near Starkville

Children: Mary and Virginia Stansel

Brother: Eugene Stansel

His occupation, activities, and place or places where he flourished:

Attended Franklin Academy at Columbus and Mississippi A & M College at Starkville (graduated 1914). He was a civil and structural engineer in Ruleville, Sunflower County. He was elected representative from his county in 1923 and died in office. He was known as the Father of Mississippi's State Highway System, P.W.A. State Director, and Speaker of the lower house of the legislature.

Titles of books or other sources where further information can be found:

Mississippi Blue Book, 1924-1928, p. 273.

Name and address of person supplying data (and relation to biographee):

Date

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Dovie Pearl High Stansel (1886-1968). Daughter of Dr. John Thomas High (c.1848-c.1889) and Mary Anna Lawrence High (1866-1913). Siblings: Marvin Merritte, John. Pearl High Stansel was a Starkville native and 1911 Industrial Institute and College, Columbus, graduate, who succeeded her husband in office in 1936 and was elected to a succeeding term, serving until 1944. She served on the Mississippi Library Commission and was instrumental in supporting the rural library service in Mississippi. The Ruleville Library was named the Pearl Stansel Memorial Library in her honor.

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- Box 4            Folders: Series III, folder D1 through folder G12.
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**Inventory**  
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<u>Folder</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>No. Items</u>
<b>Series I. College, 1911-1915. 260 items</b>			
A	Correspondence	1911	3
B1	Correspondence	1913 Jan. - June	17
B2	Correspondence	1913 July - Aug.	11
B3	Correspondence	1913 Sept.	22
B4	Correspondence	1913 Oct. 1-17	18
B5	Correspondence	1913 Oct. 18-31	16
B6	Correspondence	1913 Nov. 4-16	17
B7	Correspondence	1913 Nov. 18-29	18
B8	Correspondence	1913 Dec.	20
C1	Correspondence	1914 Jan. 1-17	14
C2	Correspondence	1914 Jan. 18-30	15
C3	Correspondence	1914 Feb. 1-19	14
C4	Correspondence	1914 Feb. 23-28	16
C5	Correspondence	1914 March	17
C6	Correspondence	1914 April	16
D	Correspondence	1915 and undated	6
a	Photograph: Stansel in Mississippi A & M uniform		1
b	Miscellaneous: Mississippi A & M Calendar (1914)		1

c	Annuals (1923 annual removed and placed in Special Collections)	1911, 1914	2
c1	Broadside, clipping, photograph	1914-1968 and undated	6
d	Script for <u>Strongheart</u> (College Play)		1
e	<u>Reflector</u>	1914-1915	8

**Series II. Civil Engineering Career, 1914-1931.** 240 items

A	Correspondence	1915	28
B1	Correspondence	1916 Jan.- April	22
B2	Correspondence	1916 June - Oct.	17
C	Correspondence	1917, 1919, undated	8
D1	Correspondence	1922 May – July	16
D2	Correspondence	1922 Aug. - Dec.	17
E1	Correspondence	1923 Jan. - Aug.	21
E2	Correspondence	1923 Sept. - Dec.	17
F	Correspondence	1924	3
G	Correspondence	1925	24
H	Correspondence	1926-1931	18
a	Misc. items	1914-1923	32
b	Survey book (J. W. Welch)	1990-1913	1
c	Leather case		1
d	Misc. Material	1917-1931	17

**Series III. Legislative, 1924-1936.** 1,780 items

A	Correspondence	1924-1927	21
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	Dennis, Murphree to H. Stansel (7-16-25)		
B	Correspondence Walter Sillers, Jr. to H.S.S. (9-17-30)	1928-1930	22
C1	Correspondence	1931 Jan. - July	7
C2	Correspondence Thomas L. Bailey to HSS (8-15-31) Dennis Murphree to HSS (8-20-31) Walker Wood to HSS (8-26-31)	1931 Aug.	19
C3	Correspondence Thomas L. Bailey to HSS (9-10-31) Dennis Murphree to HSS (9-11-31) See also 28-ITI-C2 for additional letter from this period.	1931 Sept.	23
C4	Correspondence Walter Sillers, Jr. to HSS (11-2-31)	1931 Oct. - Nov. - Undated	11
D1	Correspondence Mike Sennett Conner to HSS (5-17-32) John E. Rankin to HSS (5-20-32)	1932 Jan. - May	25
D2	Correspondence Mike Sennett Conner to HSS (6-14-32) (6-15-32)	1932 June 2-15	20
D3	Correspondence	1932 June 17-29	17
D4	Correspondence	1932 July - Sept.	22
E1	Correspondence	1933 March 9-20	14
E2	Correspondence Whitman Davis to HSS (3-24-33) Pat Harrison to HSS (3-28-33) Hugh Critz to HSS (3-30-33) See also 2R-III-E3 for additional letter from this period.	1933 March 21-31	16
E3	Correspondence Greek L. Rice to HSS (4-7-33)	1933 April and June	16
E4	Correspondence Thomas L. Bailey to HSS (7-14-33) Mildred S. Topp to HSS (7-24-33)	1933 July	20

E5	Correspondence	1933 Aug. - Dec.	14
F1	Correspondence See also 28-ITI-F2 for additional letter from this period.	1934 Jan. 3-25	18
F2	Correspondence See also 28-III-F3 for additional letter from this period.	1934 Jan. 26-30	20
F3	Correspondence Greek L. Rice to HSS (2-5-34) See also 28-III-F4 for additional letter from this period.	1934 Feb. 1-13	25
F4	Correspondence See also 28-III-F3 for additional letter from this period.	1934 Feb. 15-24	23
F5	Correspondence	1934 March - May	23
F6	Correspondence	1934 Nov. 11 - Dec. 8	19
F7	Correspondence Hugh White to HSS (12-10-34), (12-12-34) See also 28-III-G1 for additional letter from this period.	1934 Dec. 10-28	17
G1	Correspondence	1935 Jan. 1-3	10
G2	Correspondence	1935 Jan. 4	18
G3	Correspondence	1935 Jan. 7-29	20
G4	Correspondence	1935 Feb. - March	12
G5	Correspondence Frank C. Holloman to HSS (4-29-35)	1935 April	21
G6	Correspondence See also 28-III-G7 for additional letter from this period.	1935 May 1-17	14
G7	Correspondence Nelson Trimble Levings to HSS (5-20-35)	1935 May 18-31	16
G8	Correspondence	1935 June 1-11	18
G9	Correspondence Pat Harrison to HSS (6-21-35)	1935 June 12-27	20
G10	Correspondence	1935 July	4



	See 28-III-G11 for additional letter from this period.		
G11	Correspondence See also 28-III-G12 for additional letter from this period.	1935 Aug.	22
G12	Correspondence A. H. Stone to HSS (9-9-35) (9-11-35)	1935 Sent. 2-11	15
G13	Correspondence Pat Harrison to HSS (9-13-35) Dan R. McGeehee to HSS (9-15-35)	1935 Sept. 12-28	16
G14	Correspondence	1935 Oct.	8
G15	Correspondence See also 28-III-G16, 28-III-C18 for additional letters from this period.	1935 Nov. 2-11	11
G16	Correspondence See also 28-III-C17, 28-TTT-G18 for additional letter from this period.	1935 Nov. 12	17
G17	Correspondence John Stennis to HSS (11-13-35).See also 28-ITT-C22, for additional letters from this period,	1935 Nov. 13-18	15
G18	Correspondence See also 28-ITI-Cr9 for additional letters from this period.	1935 Nov. 19	11
C19	Correspondence See also 28-IIT-G20 for additional letters from this period.	1935 Nov. 20-22	17
G20	Correspondence Hugh White to HSS (11-23-35). See also 28-III-G21, 28-ITT-r,22, 28-ITT-G23 for additional letters from this period.	1935 Nov. 23-27	25
G21	Correspondence See also 28-III-C22, 2R-ITI-G25 for additional letters from this period.	1935 Nov. 28-30	27
G22	Correspondence Hugh White to HSS (12-2-35)	1935 Dec. 2-4	25
G23	Correspondence Hugh White to HISS (12-5-35). See also 28-IIT-G24, 28-III-G5, 28-III-G27, 28-ITI-C28, 28-IIT-C g for additional letters from this period.	1935 Dec. 5-9	29
G24	Correspondence	1935 Dec. 10	17

See also 28-ITI-G25 for additional letters from t-is period.

G25	Correspondence Pat Harrison to HSS (12-9-35) attached to letter from HSS to Harrison (12-11-35). See also 28-III-G27 for additional letters from this period.	1935 Dec. 11-12	22
G26	Correspondence	1935 Dec. 12	25
G27	Correspondence Fielding Wright to HSS	1935 Dec. 13	21
G28	Correspondence Hugh White to HSS	1935 Dec. 14	25
G29	Correspondence	1935 Dec. 14	16
G30	Correspondence Walter Sillers, Jr. to HSS (12-7-35) attached to letter from HSS to Sillers. See also 28-TTT-G32 for additional letters from this period.	1935 Dec. 16	19
G31	Correspondence	1935 Dec. 17	21
G32	Correspondence Dennis Murphree to HSS (12-16-35) attached to letter from HSS.	1935 Dec. 18	29
G33	Correspondence 6 letters from Dennis Murphree to various people asking support for Stansel's candidacy for Speaker of the House. See also 28-III-G34 for additional letters from this period.	1935 Dec. 19-20	26
G34	Correspondence	1935 Dec. 21-26	18
G35	Correspondence	1935 Dec. 27-31	27
H1	Correspondence Hugh White to HSS (1-2-36)	1936 Jan. 1-4	21
H2	Correspondence	1936 Jan. 6-8	23
H3	Correspondence	1936 Jan. 9-12	26

H4	Correspondence 2 telegrams Pat Harrison to HSS (1-17-36, 1-30-36). See also 28-III-H5 for additional letters from this period.	1936 Jan. 13-30	27
H5	Correspondence	1936 Feb.	22
H6	Correspondence	1936 March, April, Undated	16
a1	Legislative material Includes copy of <u>Mississippi State Highway Law of 1928</u>	1926-1928	4
a2	Legislative material Miscellaneous	1930-1931	4
a3	Legislative material Miscellaneous	1932	22
a4	Legislative material Miscellaneous	1933-1935	7
a5	Legislative material Committee assignments	1936	5
a6	Legislative material	Undated	23
b1	Legislative material Maps of Mississippi showing committee assignments by counties and congressional districts.	1936	25
b2	Legislative material Same as 28-ITT-b1	1936	24
b3	Legislative material Same as 28-ITI-b1	1936	25
b4	Legislative material Same as 28-TIT-b1	1936	15
c	Legislative material Estimates of general fund revenues, summary of 1936-1937 budget, estimate to governor from highway department, P.W.A. reports.	1936	8
d	Legislative material Miscellaneous		13

e	Legislative material Miscellaneous	4
f1	Newspapers, clippings P.W.A. See also folders <u>re</u> C.W.A. and highway program.	25
f2	Newspapers, clippings P.W.A. See also folders <u>re</u> C.W.A. and highway program.	25
f3	Newspapers, clippings P.W.A. See also folders <u>re</u> C.W.A. and highway program.	16
f4	Newspapers, clippings C.W.A. See also folders <u>re</u> P.W.A. and highway program.	27
f5	Newspapers, clippings Highway program. See also folders re P.W.A. and C.W.A.	25
f6	Newspapers, clippings Highway program. See also folders re P.W.A. and C.W.A.	29
f7	Newspapers, clippings Highway program. See also folders re P.W.A. and C.W.A.	25
f8	Newspapers, clippings Highway program. See also folders re P.W.A. and C.W.A.	25
f9	Newspapers, clippings Highway program. See also folders re P.W.A. and C.W.A.	25
f10	Newspapers, clippings Highway program. See also folders re P.W.A. and C.W.A.	25
f11	Newspapers, clippings Notebook containing clippings re highway program. See also folders re P.W.A. and C.W.A.	1
f12	Newspapers, clippings Gasoline tax controversy	14
f13	Newspapers, clippings Miscellaneous. Includes clippings re Mississippi levees.	9
f14	Newspapers, clippings Miscellaneous. Many <u>re</u> Mike Sennett Conner.	12

f15	Newspapers, clippings Miscellaneous. Includes 1924-25 appropriations, clippings re sales tax and truck tax, 1934 legislature accomplishments, etc.	20
f16	Newspapers, clippings Miscellaneous. Includes list and description of alphabetical organizations.	17
f17	Newspapers, clippings Re: Stansel. Includes clipping announcing Stansel's victory as Speaker of House, many re his death.	33
f18	Newspapers A & M College Reflector                    5-16-24 Ruleville Record                            7-14-27; 9-20-34; 4-9-36; 7-7-38 Indianola Enterprise                        9-29-27 Vicksburg Evening Post (2)                6-14-33 Jackson Daily                                4-4-36 M.S.C.W. Spectator                         4-8-36 Drew Leader                                 4-9-36; 2-17-44	12
g1	Published material Includes Mississippi Legislature Directory 1932-1936, 1936-1940; Report of the Legislative Highway Committee, 1930 (2 copies); other published material <u>re</u> legislative and highway program.	13
g2	Published material Miscellaneous. Includes published tribute to HSS by Order of Eastern Star giving biographical sketch.	16
h	Photographs Gov. Hugh White signing Stansel Highway Paving Program. Picture includes HSS. Field officers, P.W.A. Engineers, Washington, D. C., 1934. Includes HSS. (Oversized) Conference of State Directors and State Engineer Inspectors, P.W.A., Washington, D.C., 1936. Includes HSS. (Oversized) Horace S. Stansel.	4

**Series IV. Mrs. H. S. Stansel, 1936-1966. 30 items**

A	Correspondence                            1938-1966 Re: legislative work and library work.	6
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a	Legislative material	1936-1938	9
b	Miscellaneous		15
	Biography and biographical sketch of Mrs. Stansel Photograph of Mrs. Stansel Three snapshots of Stansel Memorial Library, Ruleville, Mississippi. Invitation to dedication of Stansel Memorial Library Program of dedication service Three newspaper clippings re: libraries M.S.C.W. Alumnae News, April 1967 containing picture and write up of Mrs. Stansel Name tag Edwin N. Stansel, <i>The Stansel Family</i> , 1969; cover letter: Mary Harvey to Mrs. Halsell, 1970.		

### 1999 Accession

<b>Box 1</b>	<b>Engineers' Field Books:</b>		
	Beaver Dam D.D., (1929-1930). Beaver Dam D.D., (1930). Sunflower Mississippi Waterworks, etc., (1930). Survey Book, (1889-1907). T23R3W and T23R4W, J. W. Welch, Transit Book 7, (1895-1903). T18R4W and T18R3W, (1890-1910). Town of Ruleville, (1927-1929). T17R3W and T17R4W, (1890-1928). T19R5W and T20R5W, (1890-1910). Sunflower County, Mississippi, (1889-1912). Notebook, (1929). Notebook, (undated). Notebook (Undated). Notebook, (undated). Mississippi Legislature Roster, (1932-1936). Mississippi Legislature Directory, (1936-1940). Specifications and Notes on Beaver Dam Drainage District, (1929).		
<b>Box 2</b>	<b>Folders:</b>		
	College Reflector, Mississippi A & M College, Correspondence and Miscellaneous, (1912-1914). Correspondence, Maps, Reports of the Highway Committee, (1930-1932). Newspaper Clippings and Correspondence, Mainly from Mary Stansel, (1927-1944). Scrapbook, (1923-1937).		
<b>Box 3</b>	<b>Miscellaneous:</b>		
Unfoldered	Correspondence, Newspapers, and Miscellaneous Items		

(1923-1986).  
Various Engineering Tools and Notebooks, (1917-1931).  
Correspondence from White House Signed by Franklin D. Roosevelt, (1933).

**Box 4**

**Letter Boxes:**

Correspondence and Miscellaneous, of HSS (1925-1929).  
Correspondence and Miscellaneous of PHS (1913-1967).  
Correspondence and Miscellaneous of HSS, Mainly Personal and Dealing with  
His Illness, (1911-1936).

**Box 5**

**Folders:**

Loose Blueprint and Newspapers, (1922-1949).  
Metal File Box  
Correspondence Between PHS and HSS, (1914-1936).  
Correspondence, HSS Personal and Family Business, (1913-1917).  
Correspondence and Miscellaneous, (1914-1934).  
Masonic Lodge, (1932).  
Newspaper Clippings, Miscellaneous, (1924-1944).  
Newspaper Clippings on HSS, (1936-1960).  
Correspondence Between PHS and HSS (1912-1914).  
Report of the Highway Commission, (1930).

**Rolled Maps and Drawings:**

- (1) Road Map of 5<sup>th</sup> District. HSS. Sunflower County: 1922, 1.
- (2) Drawings of Ditch for PHS. J. G. Turnage. Sunflower County: 1944, 3.
- (3) Map of Sunflower County. HSS. Sunflower County: 1927, 1.
- (4) Map of Beck Estate. Henry Allen. 1926, 1.
- (5) Drawing of Concrete Road thru 16<sup>th</sup> Section Brake to Powel Bayou:  
Undated, 1.
- (6) Cain Lake Drainage District. HSS. Undated, 1.
- (7) Ruleville Drew Road. Sunflower County. Undated, 1.
- (8) Road Map of 5<sup>th</sup> District. HSS. Sunflower County: 1922, 1.
- (9) Grand Chapter, Order Eastern Star. HSS. State of Mississippi: 1931, 1.
- (10) Plan and Profile, Moorhead Storm Sewer. HSS. Undated.
- (11) Drew Street Improvement. HSS. Sunflower County: 1920, 2.
- (12) Map of Beck Estate. Henry Allen. 1926, 1.
- (13) Map of Sunflower County. HSS. Sunflower County: 1918, 1.
- (14) Map of Curb and Gutter for Ruleville, MS. Henry Allen. Sunflower  
County: 1929, 1.
- (15) Map of Ruleville. HSS. Sunflower County: 1917, 1.
- (16) Map of Ruleville Fire District. HSS. Sunflower County: 1927, 1.
- (17) Map of C. E. Shelton's Subdivision. Ruleville, MS: 1928, 1.
- (18) Map of Ruleville. HSS. Sunflower County: 1917, 1.
- (19) Plantation of J. Levingston. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1925, 1.
- (20) Map of Ruleville Fire District. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1922, 1.
- (21) Map of Colony Town. HSS: 1922, 1.
- (22) State of Mississippi Progress Map. C. A. McKie. Mississippi: 1937,

- 1.
- (23) Acreage Map for Section G.T.17N.R.4W. and South 1/2 of 31.T.18.N.R.4W. Henry Allen. Sunflower County: 1930, 1.
- (24) Map of 5<sup>th</sup> District. HSS. Sunflower County: 1919, 1.
- (25) State of Mississippi. Mississippi: 1925, 1.
- (26) Map of Sunflower County. HSS. Sunflower County: 1927, 1.
- (27) Map of Acreage, G. W. Stillions' Sons. HSS. Rome, Ms: 1925, 1.
- (28) Road Map 4<sup>th</sup> District. HSS. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (29) Map of Sunflower County. HSS. Sunflower County: 1918, 1.
- (30) Map of Dawson Plantation. Henry Allen. Mileston, MS: 1928, 1.
- (31) State of Mississippi Traffic Density Map. Mississippi: 1929, 1.
- (32) Chart, Engineers Report of Disbursement of District No. 5 Bond Fund Up To January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1922, Excluding Payment to John Gerkins and Freight for Federal Aid Project #96. Sunflower County: 1922, 1.
- (33) Original Map of C. E. Shelton's Subdivision. Henry Allen. Ruleville, MS: 1928,1.
- (34) Plan of Street Improvement. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1919, 1.
- (35) Map of Sunflower City. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (36) Original Map of Kaplan's Subdivision. Henry Allen. Drew, MS: 1927, 1.
- (37) Map of Ruleville Fire District. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1928, 1.
- (38) Original Map of Ruleville. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1917,1.
- (39) Original Map of Rome. Henry Allen. Rome, MS: 1925,1.
- (40) Plantation Map E. T. Avent. HSS. Sunflower County: 1920, 1.
- (41) Floor Plan of Ruleville Power-House and Jail. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1922, 1.
- (42) Blank Plan Sheets. 5
- (43) Map of Ruleville. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1917, 1.
- (44) Map of Ruleville Fire District and Water System. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1928, 1.
- (45) Plan of Ruleville Power Plant. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1922, 1.
- (46) Map of Ruleville Fire District and Water System. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1928, 1.
- (47) Plan of Curb and Gutter for Ruleville. Henry Allen. Ruleville, MS: 1929, 1.
- (48) Blue Lake Drainage District. A. L. Dabney. Tallahatchie and Sunflower Counties: 1920, 1.
- (49) Sketch Map of Quiver River Drainage District. Undated. 1.
- (50) Moorhead Drainage District. HSS. Undated. 1.
- (51) Map of Jones-Watson Drainage District. HSS. Leflore County: 1921, 1.
- (52) Profile of Canal for Sunflower Plantation. HSS. Undated. 1.
- (53) Map of Ruleville. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1917, 1.
- (54) Map of Sunflower County. Sunflower County: Undated. 1.
- (273) Map of Ashwood Plantation. Henry Allen. Yazoo County: 1928, 1.

**Folder 1      Flat Maps and Drawings:**



- (55-73) Beaver Dam Drainage System. HSS. Sunflower County: 1929-1930, 18. [See also Folder Two, and Specifications in Box 1.]
- (74-75) Bridge Across Sunflower River East of Shelby. HSS. Sunflower County: 1929, 2.
- (76) Fifth District Roads. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (77) Road Map of the Fifth District. HSS. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (78-80) Original Map of Shelton's Subdivision. Henry Allen. 1928, 3. [See Folder Two.]
- (81) Untitled Map of Part of J. K. Miller Estate. Henry Allen. Undated, 1.
- (82-87) Highway Swing-Bridge over Sunflower River. Inverness, MS: Undated, 6.
- (88) Bridge Across Quiver River East of Doddsville. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1929, 1.
- (89) Double Box Culvert. 1927, 1.
- (90) Plan and Profile of Proposed State Highway from Milo Corners to Station Corners. Smith County: Undated, 1.
- (91) Untitled Drawing of Road from Ruleville to Drew. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (92) Double Box Culverts. 1921, 1.
- (93-110) Plan and Profile of Proposed State Highway, Ruleville-Drew Road. Sunflower County: 1920, 18. [See Folder Two.]
- (111) Plans for Drew Theatre. Drew, MS: Undated, 1. [See Folder Two]
- (112) Pipe Culverts and Concrete End Walls for Federal Aid Projects. 1918, 1.
- (113) Sunflower City. HSS. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (114) Untitled Project No.10, Sheet 18 of 30. 1918, 1.
- (115) Untitled Project No. 77, Sheet 2 of 19. 1919, 1.
- (116) Untitled Project No. 35, Sheet 2 of 40. 1919, 1.
- (117) Untitled Project No. 2300, Sheet 4 of 26. 1918, 1.
- (118) Pipe Culverts and Concrete End Walls. 1918, 1.

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- (119) Plans for Drew Theatre. Undated, 1. [See Folder One.]
- (120) Map of Shivers Plantation. HSS. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (121) Sketch Map of Ruleville-Drew Road. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (122) Community House for Ruleville. C. H. Lindsley. Ruleville, MS: Undated, 1.
- (123-124) C. E. Shelton's Subdivision. Henry Allen. Ruleville, MS: 1928, 2. [See Folder One.]
- (125) Acreage, G. W. Stillions' Sons. HSS. Rome, MS: 1925, 1.
- (126-128) Plan and Profile of Proposed State Highway, Ruleville-Drew Road. Sunflower County: 1920, 3. [See Folder One]
- (129-131) Profile of Canal for Sunflower Plantation. Undated, 3.
- (132) Plan of Street Improvement for Ruleville. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1919, 1.
- (133) Drew Street Improvement. HSS. Drew, MS: 1920, 1.
- (134-144) Beaver Dam Drainage System. HSS. Sunflower County: 1931, 11. [See Folder One.]

- (145-147) Drew Separate School District. HSS. Sunflower County: 1927, 3.
- (148-150) Proposed Bridge over Sunflower River. Sunflower County: Undated, 3.
- (151) Untitled. Henry Allen. Coahoma County: 1928, 1.
- (152) Acreage Map for Mrs. F. R. Burchfield. Henry Allen. Ruleville, MS: 1928, 1.
- (153) Profile and Plan of McLean Land North of Blaine. HSS. Blaine, MS: Undated, 1.
- (154) Upper Quiver Drainage District. H. L. French. Tallahatchie, Coahoma, and Sunflower Counties: 1921, 1.
- (155-156) Bridge Across Quiver River East of Doddsville. HSS. Sunflower County: 1929, 2.

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- (157) Federal Aid Project No. 65, Sheet 12 of 25. 1919, 1.
- (158) Profile and Plan of McLean Land North of Blaine. HSS. Blaine, MS: Undated, 1.
- (159) Pipe Culverts and Concrete End Walls. 1918, 1.
- (160) Federal Aid Project No. 77, Sheet 2 of 19. 1919, 1.
- (161) Map of Compress Lots. Henry Allen. Drew, MS: 1927, 1.
- (162-163) Map of S.A.H.S. Moorhead, MS: Undated, 2.
- (164) Poster of Ruleville Fire District Contractors. Undated, 1.
- (165) Untitled Map Showing Greenwood and Surrounding Area. Undated, 1.
- (166) Road Map 5<sup>th</sup> District. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1919, 1.
- (167) Sketch Map of Ruleville-Drew Road. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (168) Plantation Map, L. D. Warnock, Est. HSS. Omarga, Ill. 1922, 1.
- (169-174) Plan of 5<sup>th</sup> District Concrete Culverts. HSS. Sunflower County: 1918, 6.
- (175) Plantation J. Livingston. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1925, 1.
- (176) Sketch Map, Ruleville-Drew Road. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (177) Section 16 Township 20 North, Range 3 West. HSS. Sunflower County: 1922, 1.
- (178) Detail Layout of Pipe and Valves Near Tank, Reservoir, and Power House. HSS. Sunflower, MS: Undated, 1.
- (179) Section 16 Township 23 North, Range 3 West. HSS. Sunflower County: 1927, 1.
- (180) Detail Layout of Pipe and Valves Near Tank, Reservoir, and Power House. HSS. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (181) Cain Lake Drainage District. HSS. Undated, 1.
- (182) Moorhead Drainage District. HSS. Undated, 1.
- (183) Tallahatchie Drainage District No. 1. Elliot and Harmon. Quitman, Tallahatchie, and Grenada Counties. Undated, 1. [1/2 of Map is Torn and Missing.]
- (184) Profile Royal rake Outlet Canal. Undated, 1.
- (185) Untitled Drawing. Undated, 1.

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- (186) Map of the R. W. Swope Land. HSS. Sunflower County: 1916, 1.
- (187) Section 16 Township 22 North Range 3 West. HSS. Sunflower County: 1918, 1.
- (188) Profile: North Side of Street in Front of F. Rules House To Dougherty Bayou. HSS. 1918, 1.
- (189) Section 16 Township 22 North Range 4 West. HSS. Sunflower County: 1928, 1.
- (190) Acreage Map for O. E. Wiley. Henry Allen. Ruleville, MS: Undated, 1.
- (191-196) Principal Traveled Highways. Mississippi: 1929, 6.
- (197) Section 16 Township 23 North Range 3 West. HSS. Sunflower County: 1927, 1.
- (198) Ruleville Cemetery. Ruleville MS: Undated, 1.
- (199) Wade Consolidated School District. HSS. Undated, 1.
- (200) Map of Shelton's Subdivision No. 2. Henry Allen. Sunflower County: 1929, 1.
- (201) Map of Rule Morgan Subdivision. HSS. Sunflower County: 1920, 1.
- (202) Plat of Land Owned by Mrs. G. B. Gilliland. HSS. Sunflower County: 1916, 1.
- (203) Blunt, Dattle, and Fisackerly. HSS. 1918, 1.
- (204) Plan of Street Improvement. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1919, 1.
- (205) Gravel Chart. HSS. Undated, 1.
- (206) Map of Shivers Plantation. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1922, 1.
- (207) Cane Lake Drainage District. HSS. Undated, 1.
- (208) Section 16 Township 22 North Range 4 West. HSS. Sunflower County: 1928, 1.
- (209) Alford and Franklin. HSS. Undated, 1.
- (210) Headwall Plan for Tile Drain Inlets on Main Canal Sunflower Plantation. Henry Allen. Merigold, MS: 1927, 1.
- (211) Plan of 5<sup>th</sup> District Concrete Culverts. HSS. Sunflower County: 1918, 1.
- (212) Section 16 Township 21 North Range 3 West. HSS. 1921, 1.
- (213) Detail Layout of Pipe and Valves Near Tank, Reservoir, and Power House. HSS. Sunflower, MS: Undated, 1.
- (214) Plans and Details for a City Hall. HSS. Ruleville, MS: Undated, 1.
- (215) Standards for Street Paving. Undated, 1.
- (216-219) Alford and Franklin. HSS. Undated, 4.
- (220) Earthwork Table Cubic Yards for Sum of End Areas 100' Apart. Undated, 1.
- (221) Profile and Plan of McLean Land North of Blaine. HSS. Blaine, MS: Undated, 1.
- (222) W. C. Trotter. HSS. 1923, 1.

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- (223) Bridge Timber Standard. C. Simmons. 1925, 1.
- (224) Location of Tank and Reservoir for City of Ruleville. HSS. Ruleville, MS: Undated, 1.

- (225) Spill Way and Head Wall to be Located at Moorhead Bayou Bridge. HSS. 1922, 1.
- (226) Seion 16 Township 20 North Range 3 West. HSS. Sunflower County: 1922, 1.
- (227) R. D. McLean and W. C. Trotter Elevation Map. HSS. Undated, 1.
- (228) Plan of Street Improvement for Ruleville MS. HSS. Ruleville, MS: 1919, 1.
- (229) Section 16 Township 22 North range 4 West. HSS. Sunflower County: 1918, 1.
- (230) Section 16 Township 22 North Range 4 West. HSS. Sunflower County: 1918, 1.
- (231) Map of a Portion of Ruleville. HSS. Sunflower County: 1915, 1.
- (232) 5th District Roads. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (233) Road Map 4<sup>th</sup> District. HSS. Sunflower County: Undated, 1.
- (234) Ruleville Compress. HSS. 1920, 1.
- (235) Gravel Chart. Undated, 1.
- (236) Plan of 5<sup>th</sup> District Concrete Abutment. HSS. Sunflower County: 1918, 1.
- (237) Residence for Mr. Oscar Livingston. HSS. Undated, 1.
- (238-239) Plans for Drew Theatre. Undated, 2.
- (240) Map of Ruleville. 1907, 1.
- (241) Fire District Ruleville. HSS. Undated, 1.
- (242) Levels foe C. E. Shelton. HSS. Ruleville, MS: Undated, 1.
- (243) Half Plan Reinforced Concrete Reservoir. HSS. Sunflower, MS: 1923, 1.
- (244) Reinforced Concrete Reservoir. HSS. Sunflower, MS: 1923, 1.
- (245) Original Map of Shelton's Subdivision No. 2. Henry Allen. Sunflower County: 1929, 1.
- (246) W. R. Ellis. Henry Allen. Sunflower County: 1931, 1.
- (247) Section 16 Township 21 North Range 3 West. HSS. Sunflower County: 1918, 1.
- (248) Rules Duplicate Map of Ruleville. Ruleville, MS: 1897.
- (249) Sketch Map Ruleville Drew Road. Undated, 1.
- (250) Proposed State Highways. Mississippi: Undated, 1.
- (251) E. D. Looney. Henry Allen. Undated, 1.
- (252-262) Sketch Map Quiver Drainage Basin. HSS. Undated, 11.
- (263-266) Sketch Map Ruleville Drew Road. Undated, 4.
- (267-272) Untitled. 1939, 6.
- 3 Blank Sheets.

### **2002 Addition**

#### **Box 1**

Land, associated stuff [sic], 1929-2000.

Unfolded Map, "Soil Conservation Survey, T17N, R4W, S35, Mrs. Horace Stansel, Owner".  
Deeds, abstracts of title, other documents, 1929-1986.

### Box 2

Unfolded James Polk Stansel Mason's certificate, 1891  
J.P. Stansil [sic] Shriner's certificate, 1895.  
First draft of plans for Stansel Ruleville house, undated (2 rolled sheets).  
Family photos, ca. 1870s-2000 ((Includes photos of Stansel, Arnold, High Harvey families, Ruleville, Starkville, Gulfport, Columbus.

### Box 3

Unfolded Postcards, 1935, Horace Stansel to wife and children.  
Scrapbook: clippings, autographed letters, Eastern Star certificates, 1930s.  
Income tax, 1927.  
Pearl Stansel will.  
Marriage license, birth record, Mary S. Harvey.  
M.S. Harvey certificates.  
Horace and Pearl Stansel marriage license, 1914.  
Horace Stansel election certificates and election materials, 1927-1935.  
*Mississippi A and M College: A Book of Views.*  
*The Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College: the President's Report, 1913-1915.*  
*Report of the Legislative Highway Commission on the Investigation of Matters Relating to a State Highway Program for Mississippi, 1930.*  
Horace Stansel commencement program, 1914.  
"In Memoriam, Horace Stansel", 1937.  
*Mississippi Blue Book*, Stansel copies, 1929-1964.  
James P. Stansel invoice forms, ca. 1900.  
Materials concerning dedication of Stansel Building, Mississippi Delta Community College, 1996.  
J.P. Stansel deed, 1909.  
Mississippi Department of Archives and History materials concerning nomination for Stansel house, 1999.

### Box 4

Unfolded Horace Stansel notebook, undated.  
Panoramic photo, 1925 Eastern Star, with Horace and Pearl Stansel.  
*Mississippi Hails New Governor*, Hugh White inauguration film, 1936 (nitrate film, good condition).  
Postcard album (red), ca. 1900-1910 (contains some Mississippi, African-American subjects).  
Postcard album (green), ca. 1900s (some Mississippi subjects).  
Postcard album (black), ca. 1900-1950s (some Mississippi subjects).  
Dress worn by Pearl Stansel to Hugh White inaugural ball, Jan., 1936.  
Horace S. Stansel Architectural Correspondence School certificates, 1906-1907.

Pearl Stansel certificate, New York World's Fair Advisory Committee, 1939.

### Box 5

Photographs and other documents:

James Polk Stansel family (includes information on Stansels as builders).

W.B. Harvey photographs .

Arnolds.

Trip photographs, Alberta, Canada, 1981, Mississippi Queen, undated.

Harvey, Arthur Stansel reproduction photographs.

Harveys: Mary Anna Lawrence High family Bible record (bound).

Highs (and Lawrences).

Lawrence family and copies of materials sent to Dero Ramsey.

Unfolded Arnold photographs

Pearl High Stansel

Horace Stansel

Unfolded Mississippi State College for Women Student Government Handbook, 1934-1935.

### Box 6

Unfolded Photographs: Harvey family, Stacy family, Stansel family, miscellany.

Hickok beltogram, Rotary gift to Horace Stansel.

Postcard album, early 1900s.

Rebecca Land Stansel's bonnet.

Christening dress.

Shawl.

### Box 7

Unfolded Clippings, 1900s-1999.

Letters and other family information.

"Mr. and Mrs. Horace Stansel" monogram plate.

Family tree information notebook.

*Report of the Legislative Highway Commission on the Investigation of Matters Relating to a State Highway Program for Mississippi, 1930 (2 copies).*

### Box 8

Unfolded Harvey family photographs.

Horace Stansel photographs.

Special editions of newspapers: *Mississippi Industry, Columbus Commercial, Ruleville Record.*

### Box 9

Unfolded Framed certificates and plaques:

Horace S. Stansel, Masons, 1920.

Horace S. Stansel, Professional Engineer's Registration, 1920.

Horace S. Stansel, Shriners, 1920.

Mary Stansel Harvey, Ruleville BPW, 1973-1974.  
Mary Stansel Harvey, Ruleville Rotary, 2001.  
Mary Stansel Harvey, Mississippi Dietetic Association, 1997.  
Mary Stansel Harvey, Ruleville United Methodist Women, 2002.  
Mary Stansel Harvey, United Methodist parsonage project, undated.  
Virginia S. Tolbert, Mayoral service, 1977.  
Virginia Pearl Stansel, B.A., M.S.C.W., 1937.  
Virginia S. Tolbert, Mayor, 1973.  
Virginia S. Tolbert, Board of Corrections, 1983.

**Box 10**

Unfolded      Oversize framed certificates:  
                    Dovie Pearl High, Starkville High School diploma.  
                    Dovie Pearl High, I.I.C. college diploma.  
                    Dovie Pearl High, I.I.C. Dressmaking Proficiency, 1910.  
                    Horace S. Stansel, Masons, 1920.  
                    Mary Stansel Harvey, Ruleville resolution, 2000.  
                    Horace S. Stansel, American Society of Civil Engineers, 1920.  
                    Horace S. Stansel, Mississippi A&M diploma, 1914.

Oversize      Wall map of Sunflower County, by Horace S. Stansel, 1927, with wooden case.

**Separation Sheet**

Small Oversized Manuscripts Box 3

The following item has been routed to the above unit for appropriate disposition:

Photograph of Governor Hugh White signing Stansel Highway paving program

**Separation Sheet**

Oversized Manuscripts Drawer V

The following items have been routed to the above unit for appropriate disposition:

Photographs:

Field officers, P.W.A. Engineers, Washington, D. C., 1934.

Conference of State Directors and State Engineer Inspectors, P.W.A., Washington, D.C. ,1936.

**Separation Sheet**

Rolled drawings

The following items have been routed to the above unit for appropriate disposition:

Drawing numbers:

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41, 42, 43, 44, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 273

**Separation Sheet**

Oversize Rolled Boxes

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Stansel Box 1: Drawings 1, 3, 8, 12, 13, 16, 21

Stansel Box 2: Drawings 24, 25, 29, 45, 54



## **Separation Sheet**

### Oversized Newspapers

The following items have been routed to the above unit for appropriate disposition:

*The Drew Leader*, Drew, Miss., Sunflower County centennial edition, April 9, 1936;  
Special edition, February 17, 1944.

*Jackson Daily News*, Jackson, Miss., April 4, 1936.

*The Ruleville Record*, Ruleville, Miss., July 14, 1927; September 20,  
1934; April 9, 1936; July 7, 1938.

*Vicksburg Evening Post*, Vicksburg, Miss., June 14, 1933.

## **Separation Sheet**

### Artifacts

The following item has been routed to the above unit for appropriate disposition:

Folder II-c: Horace Stansel leather case with belt attachment, ca. early 1900s.

## **Separation Sheet**

### Costumes

To be routed to: Mississippi State University School of Human Sciences Historic Costume and Textile Collection/Dr. Wanda Cheek and Dr. Phyllis Bell Miller, Curators

The following items have been routed to the above unit for appropriate disposition:

Evening dress worn to the inauguration of Governor Hugh Lawson White, King Edward Hotel, Jackson, Mississippi, January 1936, by Dovie Pearl High (Mrs. Horace) Stansel. Probably made by Mrs. Stansel, who was talented at sewing and made clothing for her children and grandchildren.

Includes:

1. Hand-made silk evening dress, rhinestone trimmed, purple.
2. Hand-made silk overblouse, rhinestone trimmed, purple.
3. Hand-made rayon slip, blue/purple.

## **Separation Sheet**

University Archives

The following items have been routed to the above unit for appropriate disposition:

Photographs:

- Mississippi A&M Band
- Mississippi A & M Football Team
- Mississippi A & M Dramatic Club
- Mississippi A & M Senior Class Officers (1914)
- Class Supper in Mississippi A & M Cafeteria (1914)

- Commencement Program (1914)
- Mississippi A & M Belt Buckle