Robert W. Little Collection
Special Collections – Akron-Summit County Public Library

ACCESSION #: 2002-24

ACQUISITION: This collection was donated by Dean Burgan in June of 2001.

ACCESS: Restricted access: materials fragile; access by request at Main Library Special Collections only; material does not circulate.

VOLUME: 4 LF

SCOPE AND CONTENT: This collection consists mainly of photographs and postcards of Akron, including a few small history pamphlets and realia from various Akron churches. Also photographs and cards from England.

ARRANGEMENT: By type of material.

INVENTORY:

SERIES 1: MISCELLANEOUS PHOTOCOPIES, CARDS, ETC.
Box 1
   Folder 1: Akron church history pamphlets:
       First Baptist Church.
       St. Paul’s Episcopal Church.
       St. Sebastian Church.
       Grace Reformed Church.

   Folder 2: Color photocopies of Akron postcards.

   Envelope storage binder: 18 cards from oil painting series of England scenes by Andrew Murray.

   1 ceramic tile with black and white etching: “First Akron Baptist Church, Akron, OH, founded 1834”.

   1 reel of microfilm: contains thesis by Robert W. Little

SERIES 2: PHOTOGRAPHS
Box 1: Photograph envelope 1: 9 reproduced photographs of old Akron:
   #1 Hammel’s Business Shorthand College, 1890s
   #2 “Akron’s leading playhouses,” 4 small photos (dates unknown):
       Colonial Theatre, Mill St.
       Keith-Albee Palace Theatre, High St.
       Grand Theatre, N. Main St.
       Goodyear Theatre, East Akron
   #3 Looking East fro St. Bernard School, 1890
#4 300-400 S. Broadway, 1890s
#5 Howard St., 1890s
#6 Masonic Temple (date unknown)
#7 Exchange and Main, early 1930s
#8 Main St., Civic Theater (?), c. 1932
#9 (duplicate of #8)

Box 2: Photograph sets 1-12 (3” x 5” and 4” x 6” color) (see corresponding negatives sheet sets below).

Set 1: Main St. downtown Akron, Innerbelt (early 1990s?).
Set 2: Main St. downtown Akron, Innerbelt (mid-late 1990s?).
Set 3: Canal Park, Main St. downtown Akron (late 1993, early 1994).
Set 4: Demolition of 8-16 High St. South, Old Stone School (August 1994).
Set 5: Main and Mill St., Main and Market St., downtown (August 1997).
Set 6: Children’s Hospital, Canal Park Stadium, demolition of O’neil’s parking deck (Sept. 1997).
Set 7: Main St., Canal Park, demolition of O’neil’s parking deck, Schumacher Valley (?) (Sept. 1997).
Set 8: St. Bernard’s, downtown, Convention Center construction, Canal (behind Main St.), B. F. Goodrich (Oct. 1997).
Set 10: Canal (Main St.), demolition of B.F. Goodrich building. (Nov. 1999).

Box 3: Photograph sets 13-20 (3” x 5” and 4” x 6” color) (see corresponding negatives sheet sets below).

Set 14: High St., Main St., Downtown Akron (no date).
Set 15: Canal Place (no date).
Set 16: Destruction of Oneil’s parking deck (no date).
Set 17: Canal, First United Methodist Church of Akron (no date).
Set 18: First United Methodist Church of Akron, Canal Fulton boat ride on canal (no date).
Set 19: Fort Laurens State Memorial and grounds, Zoar, OH (no date).
Set 20: Marietta, OH (no date).

Box 4: Photograph set 21: Miscellaneous; Cleveland Zoo, Cuyahoga Valley Recreation Area, Downtown Akron, mid-1990s (3” x 5” and 4” x 6” color).

Box 5: Photograph set 22: Miscellaneous Downtown Akron, Main St., various
stages of building construction and demolition, mid-1990s (3” x 5” color).

Box 6: Photograph set 23: Miscellaneous Downtown Akron, mid-1990s (3” x 5” color).

Box 7: Photograph set 24: Miscellaneous Downtown Akron Oct. 1990-June 1993 (3” x 5” color).


Box 9: Photograph set 26: Trip to England, June 1993 (3” x 5” color)

**SERIES 3: NEGATIVES**

Box 1:

Envelope 2: contains negatives for photograph sets 1 thru 20.

Envelope 3: contains negatives from disc camera photographs, not in order.

**SERIES 4: POSTCARDS**

Box 10: Collection early Akron postcards, also some from England.