

**Stewart Bell Jr. Archives**  
**Handley Regional Library & Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society**  
P.O. Box 58, Winchester, Virginia 22604  
Tel.: (540) 662-9041, ext. 17 • Email: [archives@handleyregional.org](mailto:archives@handleyregional.org)  
Website: [www.handleyregional.org/archives](http://www.handleyregional.org/archives)

**Charles Cochran Collection**  
**Collection Number: 459 WFCHS**

**CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS:** Collection is open to all researchers.

**CONDITIONS GOVERNING REPRODUCTION AND USE:** Restrictions may apply concerning the use, photoduplication, or publication of items in this collection. Consult a member of the archives staff for information concerning these restrictions. The user assumes all responsibility for identifying and satisfying any claimants of copyright. Some materials may require special handling. **Note: Archives staff cannot copy and mail these materials in large quantities.**

**PROCESSING INFORMATION:** Processed by Buffy Knappenberger. Last updated in June 2024.

**EXTENT:** 2.29 linear feet

**DATE:** 1733 - 1977

**EXISTENCE AND LOCATION OF COPIES:** Photographs in this collection have been digitized and are available to view online through the Past Perfect online database: <http://handley.pastperfectonline.com/>

FamilySearch (then operating as the Genealogical Society of Utah) digitized this collection in 2007. The collection is available online through FamilySearch.org. Use the catalog to search for Image Group Number (DGS) [4180750, 4180763, 4180776, 4180786, 4180803, 4180816] to find “Genealogical collections, Cochran, Charles collection, 1-6, 1600-2005.”

**SCOPE AND CONTENT:** This collection contains genealogical material of families of Winchester and Frederick County, VA, and photographs compiled by Charles Cochran. This is comprised chiefly of genealogies, photoprints, tintypes, and albumen prints relating to the Bageant, Clark, Clowser, Cochran, Cooper, Hottel, Keller, Lauck, McFarland, Milhorn, Rosenberger, and Yeakley families. Also included are six papers written by Shenandoah University (Winchester, VA) professor Warren Hofstra relating to colonial history and the American Civil War, 1861-1865, in Winchester, VA and the Shenandoah River Valley (VA and WV).

**BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL:** Charles Henry Allen Cochran (1925-1990), son of Walter Smith Cochran (1886-1973) and Gertie Pearl McFarland (1884-1957), was born in Frederick County, VA. A 1943 graduate of Handley High School (Winchester, VA), he served in the United States Navy during World War II, 1939-1945. He was vice president of marketing for Sechran Electronics, Inc. of Lititz, PA.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY:** Obituary, *The Winchester Star*, Dec. 21, 1990

**IMMEDIATE SOURCE OF ACQUISITION:** Gift of Charles Cochran.

**CONTAINER LIST:**

## BOX 1

Babb Family—genealogical material, 10 leaves, typescript; 1 page, typescript; 17 leaves, manuscript

Bageant Family (4 folders) — genealogical material, unnumbered items  
(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

Baldwin Family—genealogical material, 2 leaves, manuscript

Carlyle, John—letters and will, 1741-1761, 43 leaves, typescript; 2 pages, printed

"Cartmell Family Quarterly," 1979-1981 – **Did Not Digitize** (folder contains the following):

1979—issues #1, #2

1980—issues #3, #4, #5

1981—issues #6, #7, #8, #9

(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

“Cartmell Family Quarterly,” 1982-1985 – **Did Not Digitize** (folder contains the following):

1982—issues #10, #11, #12, #13

1983—issues #14, #15, #16, #17

1984—issues #18, #19, #20, #21

1985—issue #21

(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

Cartmell Pioneers, 52 pages, bound – **Did Not Digitize**

Clowser Family—genealogical material/notes, 36 leaves, typescript/manuscript  
(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

## BOX 2

Cochran, Charles – certificate membership in Navy League, July 1972

**Physical Location: Oversize, Box 3**

Cochran, Henry – will, January 1, 1920

**Physical Location: Oversize, Box 3**

Cochran, Martha—obituary (Mrs. William), in memoriam, 2 leaves, printed

Cochran, William—life insurance policy from Northwestern Mutual Life, 1 item, printed; 14 leaves, printed form/manuscript

"Cochran, William, of Winchester and Frederick County and His Children," 71 leaves, typescript

Cochran Lodge #271—Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, The Plains, VA, 29 leaves, printed – **Did Not Digitize**

Cochran and related families - 5 folders contain the following: notes used to compile “William Cochran of Winchester and Frederick County and His Children,” unnumbered items  
(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

### **BOX 3**

Cooper Family, unnumbered items  
(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

Cothren/Cochran(e) —newsletter *The Family Connection of the Cothren Cochran(e) Surname (and other related spellings)*, vol. 1, no. 1, Spring 1988, 1 item, 38 pages – **Did Not Digitize**

Crismore Family, 4 leaves, typescript; 7 leaves of notes, manuscripts

Frederick County land records, including cadastral index—maps of Greater Frederick County, VA, prepared by Galtjo L. Geertsema, surveyor, c. 1980s, 39 leaves, typescript/manuscript – **Did Not Digitize**

Frederick County, VA (folder contains the following):  
Order books, 1743-1781 (abstracts), 56 leaves, unnumbered, typescript  
Minute book, 1782-1786 (abstract), 1 leaf, typescript, photocopy

Hawkins Family—Bible records: 2 leaves, printed, 4 pages, manuscript on printed form

Hawkins Family Memorabilia; 26 items, manuscript/newsprint

Hottel Family; unnumbered items, typescript/manuscript  
(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

Jones (Gabriel) Family, 7 leaves, typescript, photocopy; 7 leaves, manuscript; 1 leaf, manuscript, photocopy.  
Original letters filed in Ann Cary Randolph Jones Papers

Keller Family; unnumbered items, typescript/manuscript  
(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

Lamp Family; 16 items, typescript/manuscript

Lauck Brothers of Winchester, VA—notes (used to prepare following item), unnumbered items  
(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

Lauck Brothers - Peter, Simon, and Abraham of Winchester, VA, 1 item, 21 leaves, typescript

### **BOX 4**

"The McFarlands of Frederick County, Virginia"; 1 item, 22 leaves, typescript  
(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

McFarland Family—notes (2 folders); unnumbered items  
(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

Mercer, Captain George, 1733-1784; 13 leaves, manuscript

Milhorn Family; 56 leaves, manuscript/typescript

Mt. Olive E.U.B. Church—history; 4 leaves, manuscript

Rosenberger Family; 8 leaves, typescript/manuscript

"Rosenberger, Jacob: Son of Erasmus Rosenberger and His Descendants," by Fietta Rosenberger,

1 item (57 leaves), typescript

Stokes, William J.—probated February 24, 1898; 2 items, manuscript

Washington Family; 1 leaf, manuscript

Book, Washington, DC, 1 volume (248 pages), illustrated book – **Did Not Digitize**  
(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

Winchester Fire Department—souvenir booklet; 1 item, printed

Yeakley Family—Bible records; 2 pages, manuscript on printed form; 5 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

Yeakley Family—notes; unnumbered items  
(Archives staff cannot photocopy and mail)

Yeakley, Miss Mary Jane—an acrostic to a friend; 1 leaf, manuscript

## **BOX 5**

Bethel Grange #576—application for membership (folder contains the following):

187\_ 3 items, 1871 1 item, 1875 2 items, 1876 8 items, 1877 2 items, 1878 3 items, 1879 5 items, 1880 8 items, 1881 1 item, 1882 7 items, 1885 1 item

Bethel Grange #576, organized April 30, 1873 - minutes, resolutions, etc., folder contains the following:

Bethel Concerns, 6 pages, manuscript

Reports, 11 pages, manuscript

Resolutions, 2 items

Secretary's Report, 2 pages

Bethel Grange #576—dimit card (withdrawal from membership), 3 items, manuscript on printed form

Tax receipts, 1833-1920, 17 leaves, manuscript on printed form

Toll road receipts, 1881-1920, 36 items, manuscript/manuscript printed on form

Account Books of Henry Cochran, Round Hill (folder contains the following):

Cash Book 1867-1880—lists of incoming expenses, 1 volume, manuscript

Day Book 1867-1901—includes expenses, accounts of money, and crop reports, 1 volume, manuscript

Cash Book 1880-1885, lists income/expenses, 1 volume, manuscript

Account Book 1867-1903—lists debits and credits of customers, 1 volume, manuscript

## **BOX 6: Articles by Warren Hofstra**

"The Debatable Ground": Sectionalism and Civil War in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia," by Warren R. Hofstra, 1990, paper presented at "Uplands Archeology in the East, Symposium IV," James Madison University, Harrisonburg VA, 25 pages, typescript – **Did Not Digitize**

"Land, Ethnicity, and Community at the Opequon Settlement, Virginia, 1730-1800," by Warren R. Hofstra, article in *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*, Volume 98, No. 3, July 1990  
13 pages, typescript – **Did Not Digitize**

"Opequon Inventories, Frederick County, Virginia, 1749-1796," by Warren R. Hofstra, article in *Ulster Folklife*, Volume 35, pages 42-71, 1989, 15 pages, typescript – **Did Not Digitize**

"Rural Community and Urban Culture in Ulster—Settled Areas of the Eighteenth Century Virginia Backcountry," by Warren R. Hofstra and Robert B. Mitchell, 1990, paper presented at the Eighth Ulster-American Heritage Symposium, East Tennessee State University, 25 pages, typescript – **Did Not Digitize**

Shenandoah Valley Settlers—"A Parcel of Barbarians and an Uncouth Set of People"—Settlers and Settlements of the Shenandoah Valley," by Warren R. Hofstra, 1989, paper presented at the conference, "George Washington and the Virginia Backcountry," Shenandoah University, Winchester, 45 pages, typescript – **Did Not Digitize**

Shenandoah University—endowed local history professorship, 45 pages, typescript – **Did Not Digitize**

## **PHOTOGRAPHS**