



## Summary Information

**Title:** Ina McCall Retirement Scrapbook

**Collection Number:** 2006:031

**Creator:** Nobie Cambell

**Collection Dates:** 1914-1955, bulk 1955

**Extent:** .5 cubic feet (2 boxes)

**Language:** English

## Collection Abstract:

Ina Eret McCall, daughter of Daniel Bynum McCall, served as postmistress of Burke from September 21, 1914 to August 31, 1955. This collection consists of a scrapbook compiled and gifted to McCall by Nobie Cambell, containing letters concerning her retirement and career as postmistress and her impact on Burke, Texas.

## Repository:

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Diboll, TX, 75941  
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**Author/Processing Information:** Processed by Emily E. Hyatt on January 4 and October 10, 2006.

## Biographical/Historical Note:

Miss Ina Eret McCall, daughter of Daniel Bynum McCall, served as postmistress of Burke from September 21, 1914 to August 31, 1955. She died on July 29, 1970. The McCall family owned land and businesses in the surrounding area and were prominent citizens in Angelina County, particularly in Burke. Miss Ina McCall's father was the Burke depot agent for 30 years and served as postmaster of Burke until her appointment to the post in 1914. The Burke Post Office had several homes in the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, including the Burke railroad depot and the Burke and McCall Store. Upon Miss Ina's retirement, the Burke post office closed and mail has since come through Diboll.

## Collection Scope and Content:

This small collection contains one scrapbook and 3 certificates. Assembled in 1955 as a gift to Miss Ina McCall upon her retirement as Burke Postmistress, the scrapbook's contents mostly date from that time. The scrapbook consists of letters written to McCall concerning her retirement and career as postmistress, with a few letters dated earlier from Postmaster Generals Albert S. Burlison and Jesse M. Donaldson, and a letter from President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Several vintage prints appear to be earlier, but are undated. Three appointment certificates are dated 1914, 1944, and 1948.

### **Arrangement:**

When The History Center received the scrapbook, it already showed signs of age, with brittle, crumbling pages, unattached photographs, and yellowing cellophane tape. The photographs, letters, and cards contained in the scrapbook were in excellent condition, but the structure of the scrapbook itself (the paper and adhesives) was not. It became clear that even careful use would continue to cause irreparable damage possibly resulting in damage to photographs and letters and a loss of the principle of original order. Therefore, the scrapbook could either be restricted and made unavailable for staff and patron use, or the items could be removed from the scrapbook and arranged in their original order in a manner that would preserve their integrity and allow staff and patron use of this resource.

In the course of processing the scrapbook, the archivist photographed each page in order to preserve its original order and allow future users to get a sense of its original arrangement and to see it as a scrapbook. The archivist then removed each photograph, letter, and card, labeling it with its original page number. The photographs that were not connected with any letter or card were labeled and placed in protective sleeves inside Folder 1. Handwritten captions were copied and placed with the photographs. Each and letter and card was then carefully removed from the page, labeled, and placed in original order in folders. The archivist then made a list of each name on each card or letter to facilitate searching. Names are listed as supplied, some without surnames.

### **Subject Terms:**

#### **Topics**

- Retirement -- Texas -- Burke
- Postal service -- Texas -- Burke

#### **Personal Names**

- McCall, Ina, 1914-1970

#### **Genres**

- Scrapbooks

#### **Occupations**

- Letter carriers
- Postmasters
- Postmasters general

#### **Locations**

- Burke (Tex.)

### **Access and Use**

**Access Restrictions:** There are no access restrictions.

**Acquisition Information:** Donated by Ward Burke in 2006.

**Custodial History:** Compiled by Mrs. Nobie Cambell and given to Miss Ina upon her retirement in 1955. In succeeding years it came to be in Ward Burke's possession, and he donated to The History Center in 2006.

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## Collection Inventory

One scrapbook assembled in 1955 contains 10 photographs, 2 articles, and 157 cards and notes. Scrapbook was disassembled as described above and placed in 7 folders. One folder contains 3 postmaster appointment certificates, one from September 21, 1914 signed by Postmaster General Albert S. Burluson, one from December 21, 1948 signed by Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson, and one from September 1, 1944 signed by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

Folder 1 – Photos

Folder 2                      Pages 02-15  
Death Announcements (2)  
"Friends"  
Hallye Youngblood Ricks and Husband  
Unsigned  
Evaline Currie Hogan  
Congressman Jack Brooks  
Etta Sanders  
Robert Jeff Lee  
Mr. and Mrs. Edd Wilson  
James A. Brannen  
Sammie Morrison  
R.S. and C.L. Wheeler  
Wood Russell  
Mrs. Wood Russell

Folder 3                      Pages 16-30  
The Monroe Smiths, The Edwin Nelsons, The Lyn Williams  
Mrs. E.H, Kelley, Jewel, Helen  
Katherine Mae  
Mrs. Brown B. (Aggie) Kerr  
Pearl Conner and Children  
Susie Stevens  
R.S. Wheelers  
Ray Hambrick, Grace and the boys  
Neoma Campbell  
T. L. McClendon  
Shira Weir  
Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Anderson  
Evaline, Leon, Suzelle, Agnes, Jim

Mabry Massingill and Family  
Mrs. Luella Hambrick and Ernest  
John, Gladys, John Lee, Martha Cary, and Mellie Anne Hopkins  
Andrew and Mattie Lee  
Mr. and Mrs. Jake Lee and Billie  
Wesley, Gertrude, Frank, and Gay Ryan  
Emma Jones  
Mrs. W. R. Smith  
W.R. Smith  
Venneye Sellers  
Katherine Mae Brown  
The B.B. Franklin Family  
Carl Brown, Jr.  
Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Stringer  
George and Evelyn Pate and all the family  
Ola Johnston  
Mrs. S.L. Petty  
Rose Mary Toney  
Lois Squyres Bridges  
The Hobby Emsoff Family  
Ida Wilkens  
Jessie Squyres Thompson  
Velma Squyres Forrest  
Iza and Gladys Fuller  
Arzy Squyres  
Bill and Eugenia Kizer  
Evaline  
Jim, Anita, and LaValle Biehles  
Morris and Pauline Ryan  
Joe, Alice, and Neysa Burrows  
Matt and Felicia McKinney  
Miss Ida Fuller  
Mr. and Mrs. R.B. Clark  
Evelyn, Jimmy, Milton, J.W. and Kenneth Watson

Folder 4                      Pages 31-45

I.R. Currie  
Joe Johnston  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Waller  
Mr. and Mrs. L.B Neyland  
Mrs. Paul Jackson  
Benjie, Louise, and Suzanne McKinney  
Mr. and Mrs. John Chandler  
Pearl Wills  
Iris McCarty and Family  
Mr. and Mrs. Clay Gibson and children  
Franklin, Elaine, Virginia, and Judy Taylor  
C.E. Carroll

Sharon Carroll  
The Kings Taylors  
Lloyd, Bilijo, Jimmy and Andy Taylor  
Flossie Parrish Kirtley  
Rosa Lee Parrish  
Mr. and Mrs. Marion Grimes and Family  
The Woodrow Lees  
Corrinne Nelson  
Nobia Campbell  
Mrs. B.K. McCarty  
Ben and Lucy Treadwell  
Maxine  
Howard and Ruth Mullins  
The Linwell Campbell Family  
Frances Crager  
Franklin Weeks  
Lee Frank and Hazel Mullins  
Owen and Marie Lewis  
Mary Lena Edens and Emma E. Edens  
Wilfred and Cordia Edens  
Emmett Samford  
Mrs. Henry Evans  
Harold, Billie Jeanne, Esther, and Elaine Crager  
Ernest and Violet and Family  
M.S. Wright, Sr.  
Rev. Raymond Drews  
Rev. Charles Weisner and Family  
Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Toney  
Jim and Natlie Crawford  
The Morris's  
Oneta Victory

Folder 5                      Pages 46-60

Jack Tucker  
Grover and Lola Vinson  
J.L. and Verna Mae Bell  
Nola Clifford  
Anna Youngblood and family  
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith, Eddie and Ann  
Nannie and Earnest Breazeale  
Jon Thomas Holder  
Jeannette Smith  
Claude and Tussie Smith  
The Melvin Parrishes  
Ida Crager  
William and Laverne Emigh  
Short, Mom, and Novice Samford  
The Monk Warners

Sallie, Maurine, and Joe Bill Pigford  
Ola and Joe  
J.T. and Zanie McDonald and family  
J.L. Emigh  
Lucy Treadwell  
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lee  
Darlene Emsoff  
Drew, Gladys, and Jon Holder  
Mrs. C. Hodges and family  
Mrs. Margaret and Atmar Lester

Folder 6                      Pages 61-75

Ollie and Lee Hallis  
Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Bell  
Eunice and Jim (Spears?)  
Ruby and Lawrence Knighton  
Leola Prater  
Mrs. Sally Ryan and Jack  
Cora and Gordon McCarty  
Annie and Lloyd Burrows (?)  
Jack, Mary, and Lawrence Weaver  
A.D. Goins (?)  
Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Rice and Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Waller  
Loncie Russell  
Ida Renfro  
Lizzie Parrish  
Helen Read  
Lilly Townsend  
Ruby McGinnis and Mother  
Carl, Vivian, Shirley, Mike, and Gary Johns  
Mr. and Mrs. ? Stringer and family, Mr. and Mrs. G.E. Nash  
Mrs. J.J. Ivy  
Fayette, Tennie, and Lou Emma Havard  
The Quarles Family  
Mary Alice, John, and Eloise Copeland

Folder 7                      Page 76-82

Carl and Margaret Brown  
Fanny Ivy Young  
Mrs. Burke Atley (?)  
Mary Ida Weisinger  
Bob Weisinger  
Name Lists  
Unsigned  
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