

# **Indiana Centennial Celebration collection S1562**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Rare Books and Manuscripts
<b>Creator</b>	Cockrum, William Monroe, 1837-1924
<b>Title</b>	Indiana Centennial Celebration collection
<b>Date</b>	1916
<b>Extent</b>	0.01 Cubic feet 1 folder
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Text [Folder]</b>	S1562

### Preferred Citation

Indiana Centennial Celebration collection, Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library

## Historical Note

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Indiana became a state upon President James Madison signing the congressional resolution admitting Indiana into the Union on December 11, 1816. In 1916, Indiana celebrated its 100th anniversary, as local, county and state government bodies and organizations created pageants and other projects to document Hoosier history and commemorate the changes of the past century. For example, the Indiana Centennial Jubilee was held in Indianapolis during October 2-15, 1916.

The Indiana Historical Commission was formed on March 8, 1915 in anticipation of the state centennial the following year. The commission consisted of nine members led by Indiana Governor Samuel M. Ralston, including James A. Woodburn, Harlow Lindley, Charles W. Moore, Rev. John Cavanaugh, Frank R. Wynn, Samuel M. Foster, Lew M. O'Bannon, and Charity Dye. The commission's mandate was to collect, edit, and publish materials on Hoosier history and to prepare and execute plans for the state centennial in 1916. The commission still exists today in the form of the Indiana Historical Bureau.

Sources:

Items in the collection.

Indiana State Library. "Centennial Indiana" online exhibit. Rare Books and Manuscripts, 2000. Accessed August 6, 2015. <http://www.in.gov/library/2518.htm>.

Lindley, Harlow, ed. *The Indiana Centennial, 1916: A Record of the Celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of Indiana's Admission to Statehood*. Indianapolis: Indiana Historical Commission, 1919. Accessed August 8, 2015. <https://archive.org/details/indianacentennia00indirich>.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection includes a letter from W.M. Cockrum in Oakland City, Indiana to Indiana Governor Samuel M. Ralson on December 8, 1916 regarding thanking him for an invitation to celebrate the 100th birthday of Indiana statehood and to attend the meeting of the Indiana Historical Commission at the State House on December 11, 1916. There are also 11 colored stickers, which read: "You are most cordially invited to come to the Indiana Centennial Celebration at Indianapolis, October 2-15, 1916."

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## Arrangement

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This collection is arranged chronologically.

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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Publication Information**

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### **Processing Information**

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

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### **Corporate Name(s)**

- Indiana Centennial Commission.

- Indiana Historical Commission.

**Geographic Name(s)**

- Indianapolis (Ind.)

**Personal Name(s)**

- Ralston, Samuel M.

**Subject(s)**

- Authors and publishers
- Correspondence
- Governors--Indiana
- Indiana--Anniversaries, etc.
- Stickers