SUMMARY INFORMATION

Title: Richard D. Sawyer Historic Postcard Collection
Dates: 1904-1969
Accession #: 2012-058
Collector: Sawyer, Richard D., 1944 -
Physical Description: 2.5 linear ft. (5 boxes)
Languages: Collection material in English.
Summary: This collection contains postcards from around the U.S., with a strong emphasis on Greenville, S.C. and the surrounding area.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition:
Richard D. Sawyer donated this collection in 2012 as part of the Richard D. Sawyer Historic Greenville Collection. It was made a separate collection due to its size.

Existence and Location of Copies:
A selection of approximately 137 postcards primarily from Greenville and the Upstate region of South Carolina were digitized and are available to view on the Tumblr blog, Richard D. Sawyer Historical Postcard Collection http://sawyerpostcardcollection-blog.tumblr.com/.

Related Material:
• Richard D. Sawyer Historic Greenville Collection, Special Collections, Furman University

Publication Note:
Sawyer has published six books, including two about Greenville postcards; Greetings from Greenville, S.C. : the golden age of post cards, 1900-1930, and 10,000 years of Greenville County, South Carolina history : the Reedy River Falls Historic Park.
USING THE COLLECTION

Access Restrictions: None.

Preferred Citation: [Identification of item], Richard D. Sawyer Historic Postcard Collection, Acc. 2012-058 [Box #, Folder #], Special Collections and Archives, Furman University, Greenville, S.C.

Biographical Sketch:

Richard D. Sawyer is a local history author who has been collecting Greenville memorabilia since the 1980s in order to record the history of Greenville, especially the buildings that have been destroyed. A member of S.C. Postcard Collectors Club, Sawyer’s postcard collection grew as he traveled extensively visiting postcard shows. He shared the collection with lectures to schools and organizations.

Sawyer worked for Fiber Industries in Greenville before serving in the U.S. Marines in Vietnam. Sawyer has worked as printing manager for the Greenville Technical College print shop for many years.

ARRANGEMENT

This collection is arranged in folders alphabetically by location pictured. Subjects of each postcard within the folders is listed.

   Box 1. Anderson, South Carolina to Greenville, Donaldson Air Force Base
   Box 2. Greenville, Downtown, Confederate Monument to Greenville, Greeting Cards/Novelty Cards
   Box 3. Greenville, Historic Homes to Greenville, U.S. Postal Cards
   Box 4. Greenville County to Waterloo, South Carolina
   Box 5. Sample Set from Asheville Post Card Co.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection contains approximately 1,266 postcards collected by Richard D. Sawyer. It contains a wide range of images of places, mainly from South Carolina and Greenville in particular, though there are a few from other states. Some of these postcards have been used for correspondence. Some of the subjects include Greenville aerial scenes, schools, colleges and universities, churches, city parks, commercial businesses, downtown buildings, hospitals, historic homes, mills, motels and hotels Reedy River/Falls, Paris Mountain, railroads, residential street scenes, rural scenes, and Upstate war-related camps, and Donaldson Air Force Base. Box 5 contains a Sample Set from Asheville Post Card Company containing 78 postcards.
COLLECTION INVENTORY

Box 1: Anderson, South Carolina to Greenville, Donaldson Air Force Base

Folder 1. **Anderson, SC**: Panorama of Court House Square (Panoramic)
Folder 2. **Army Division Postcards**: 81st Division, 30th Division
Folder 3. **Asheville, NC**: Battery Park Hotel and Grounds (Panoramic)
Folder 4. **Augusta, GA**: Nicholson Buick Co.
Folder 5. **Boazman, W. M.**: The Last of the Confederacy
Folder 6. **Brevard, NC**: Conestee Falls
Folder 7. **Caesar’s Head, SC**: Caesar’s Head, Hotel, Lodge, The Swimming Pool, Raven Cliff Falls
Folder 8. **Charleston, SC**: Carolina Savings Bank, Barber-Colman Co.
Folder 9. **Chicago, IL**: R.D.F. News
Folder 11. **Cleveland, SC**: Greetings from Cleveland
Folder 12. **Clinton, SC**: Lydia Cotton Mills
Folder 13. **Columbia, SC, Camp Jackson**: Company Street, Infantry Barracks, Artillery Barracks, Major General Bailey and Staff, Regimental Street, Afternoon Sports, Army Truckers Headquarters, Officer Giving the Boys Guard Manual, Camp Jackson (Panoramic)
Folder 14. **Columbus, GA**: Swift Manufacturing Co.
Folder 15. **Easley, SC**: North Main Street, Easley Mill, Easley Graded School
Folder 16. **Fountain Inn, SC**: High School, Going South, Main Street, Presbyterian Church, Baptist Church, Methodist Church, Home and Study of Robert Quillen, Monument to Eve at the Home of Robert Quillen, Cannon’s Memorial Park, Plant of Julius Kayser and Co.
Folder 17. **Greenville, Aerial Scenes**: Bird’s Eye View (Panoramic), Airplane View of Business Section, Air View of Greenville
Folder 19. **Greenville, Camp Sevier**: How I Feel When I Get No Mail, My Present Address is Camp Sevier, Camp Sevier Greenville, On Guard In The Sunny South, If This is Paris I Hope I Never See London, Guard Mount, Gay Paris, Greetings from
Camp Sevier, Instructing Company, U.S. National Guard, Song of Camp Sevier, Camp Sevier’s Plank Affair, Mess Halls, Turning the Mess Hall into Sleeping Quarters, Pals in Camp, A Busy Street Scene, Celebration 30th Division, Troops of the 30th Division Trained at Camp Sevier, A Message from Camp Sevier, Machine Gun Squad Drilling, Company Orchestra, Range Pits, Loading Rifles, Squad Drill, Signaling, Practice March, The Beauty Shop, Setting Up Exercise, Company Inspection, Guard Mount, Awkward Squad, Horse Exercise, Eating Their Rations, Encampment Street, Row of Mess Halls, Drill Grounds, Quarters of Tenn. Troops, Quarters of S.C. Troops, 117th Inf. Quarters, Football Team of 117th Inf., 55th Depot Brigade, Post Office, Camp Library, Division Headquarters, Town of “Paris” at Sevier, Officer’s Quarters, A Quiet Hour

Folder 20. Greenville, Chicora College: Chicora College, Panoramic

Folder 21. Greenville, Churches, Baptist: First Baptist, Pendleton Street Baptist, Central Baptist, White Oak Baptist, Tabernacle Baptist

Folder 22. Greenville, Churches, Catholic: St. Mary’s, Monastery of St. Clare

Folder 23. Greenville, Churches, Episcopalian: Christ Church, Christ Church Cemetery

Folder 24. Greenville, Churches, General: Lutheran Church, St. James Memorial Church, Tremont Avenue Church of God

Folder 25. Greenville, Churches, Methodist: Buncombe Street, St. Paul M.E. Church, Pendleton Street

Folder 26. Greenville, Churches, Presbyterian: First Presbyterian, Second Presbyterian, Mitchell Road Presbyterian

Folder 27. Greenville, City Parks: Scenes in City Park, Lake at Cemetery Park, A Scene in McPherson Park, Springtime Scene in Cleveland Park, Beautiful Scenes in Cleveland Park, Municipal Swimming Pool in Cleveland Park, Pools in Beautiful McPherson Park, Woodlawn Memorial Park


Folder 29. Greenville, Donaldson Air Force Base: NCO Club, Greetings From Army Air Base, B-25 in Flight, Chapel, Retreat, I’m Do’n Ok, How Are You?, Planes at DAFB
Box 2: Greenville, Downtown, Confederate Monument to Greenville, Greeting Cards/Novelty Cards

Folder 1. **Greenville, Downtown, Confederate Monument**: Confederate Monument, Monument Place, Main Street Looking South (from Monument)

Folder 2. **Greenville, Downtown, County Court House**: Greenville Court House, Court House and Poinsett Hotel, Court House at Night


Folder 4. **Greenville, Downtown, High Rise Buildings**: Woodside Building, Chamber of Commerce, Liberty Life Building, The South Carolina National Bank Building, Panoramic View of Main Street Showing the Tall Woodside Building, Calhoun Towers, Daniel Building

Folder 5. **Greenville, Downtown, The Imperial Hotel**: Imperial Hotel, Hotel Imperial, Greenville Hotel

Folder 6. **Greenville, Downtown, Main Street**: Mainstreet, Mainstreet (Panoramic), Snow Scene, Main Street Bridge, Bird’s Eye View of Main Street from Masonic Temple, Main Street Viaduct, Main Street from McBee Avenue, View on South Main Street, North Main Street, Panoramic View of Main Street, Main Street at Night, Main Street Looking East, Main Street Statue of Joel Poinsett

Folder 7. **Greenville, Downtown, Main Street, “Looking North”**: Main Street Looking North, Main Street Looking North Showing Viaduct

Folder 8. **Greenville, Downtown, Main Street, “Looking South”**: Main Street Looking South, Main Street at Coffee Looking South, South Main Street Looking South/North Main Street Looking South

Folder 9. **Greenville, Downtown, Masonic Temple**: Masonic Temple, Masonic Temple and Post Office, Post Office, Masonic Temple, and Greenville County Court House

Folder 10. **Greenville, Downtown, Ottaray Hotel**: The Ottaray Hotel, Hotel Ottaray, The Ottaray-M. Quin Prop, Ottaray Hotel, Confederate Monument, and Main Street, College Street from Ottaray Hotel

Folder 11. **Greenville, Downtown, Poinsett Hotel**: Lobby of Poinsett Hotel, The Poinsett Hotel, County Court House and Poinsett Hotel, The Poinsett Hotel Receipt of Favor, Hotel Poinsett, The Dining Room

and Post Office, Main St. at Broad looking North, United States Post Office, U.S. Post Office Woodside Building to the Right

Folder 13. **Greenville, Downtown, Public Buildings, General:** The Record Building, Y.M.C.A., Public Library, Memorial Auditorium, Coliseum and Exhibit Hall Complex, Greenville County Library, Bi-Lo Center, Heritage Green, The Peace Center

Folder 14. **Greenville, Downtown, Street Scenes/Cityscapes:** Greenville “At Rest”, Corner of Lawrence and Buncombe Streets/Macabee Street Looking East, Washington Street Looking West, Bird’s Eye View from Masonic Temple, Bird’s Eye view of Greenville from Furman University, Greenville, Downtown Greenville, Exciting Skyline

Folder 15. **Greenville, Furman University, Men’s Old Campus:** Judson-Alumni Hall, Alumni Hall, Main Building and Library, Furman College (Panoramic), Main Building and Carnegie Library, Drive –Furman University Campus, Carnegie Library, Furman University and Carnegie Library, Refectory, Science Hall, Richard Furman Hall and Library, John M. Geer Hall, Geer Hall, Chas S. Webb Memorial Infirmary, Gymnasium, Sirrine Stadium, Campus Scene, Main Building and Bell Tower

Folder 16. **Greenville, Furman University, New Campus:** Gate House, Looking Across Lake at Furman University, James Buchanan Duke Library, Panoramic View of Furman University, McAlister Auditorium, Judson Hall Girl’s Dormitory, Bell Tower, Classroom Building, Dining Hall from the Rose Garden, Administration Building, Bell Tower and Swimming Area, Aerial of Furman University

Folder 17. **Greenville, Grade Schools:** Graded School, Park School, Sacred Heart Academy, Greenville High School, Odd Fellows Orphan Home, Woodside School and Community Building, South Side School, Donaldson School, Central High School, Ursuline Academy of the Sacred Heart, Hayne School, Senior High School, Parker District High School

Folder 18. **Greenville, Greenville-Spartanburg Airport:** New Air Terminal, Municipal Airport, Greenville-Spartanburg Airport, Terminal Building, Aerial View of Greenville-Spartanburg Airport

Folder 19. **Greenville, Greenville Technical College:** Greenville Technical College, Greenville Tech

Folder 20. **Greenville, Greenville Woman’s College:** Greenville Female College, G.F.C., Greenville Female College (Panoramic), Greenville Female College Annex, Greenville Female College Class Day, Women’s College, Field Day at Female Baptist College, Greenville Women’s College, Fine Arts Building, Administration Building, Campus Scene at Greenville Women’s College

Folder 21. **Greenville, Greeting Cards/Novelty Cards:** Greetings From Greenville, Views of Greenville, Reproduction Reedy River Falls, I’ll Whisper I Love You In Greenville, SC, Greenville, Some Cornfed Chickens in Greenville, So Carolina, The Girls are Very Stingy in Greenville, SC, Wish You Were in Greenville, Py Gollys! How I Vish You Vas Back In Greenville Der One Best Town On Dis
Box 3: Greenville, Historic Homes to Greenville, U.S. Postal Cards


Folder 2. Greenville, Holmes Bible College: Holmes Bible College and Church, Holmes Memorial Church and Bible Institute, Holmes Memorial Church and Bible College

Folder 3. Greenville, Hospitals: The Corbett Home for Nervous Diseases and Addictions, Dr. Jervey’s Private Hospital, , City Hospital, St. Francis Hospital, Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, Greenville General Hospital -Sims Memorial Building in Foreground, Drs. Banyon and Banyon Clinic, Entrance to St. Francis Hospital, Aerial View of Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, Aerial View of Greenville General Hospital, Shrine Hospital


Folder 9. Greenville, Motels, Hotels, and Motor Courts: Catalina Hotel Court, Colonial Court Hotel, Collins Motor Court, Spanish Motor Court, Wade Hampton Motel, Auto Hotel Court, Cabana Inn, King’s Court (Panoramic), Best Western, Holiday Inn, TraveLodge, Town House Motel, University Park Motel, Sunset Tourist Court, Hill Top Inn, Collins Tourist Court, Traveleze Motel, Downtowner Motor Inn, Orvin Court, Orvin Inn, Hyatt Regency

Folder 11. **Greenville, Personal Photograph Cards**: 2 cards


Folder 13. **Greenville, Reedy River/Falls**: Falls, Reedy River Falls, The Falls, Falls at Reedy River, A Glimpse of Greenville, Reedy River and Falls, View Along Reedy River, Reedy River in Winter, Looking Up Reedy River, Reedy River from Main Street Viaduct, Looking Up Reedy River from Main Street, Mill and Dam, Mill Dam, Falls at Greenville, Reedy River Falls Historic Park

Folder 14. **Greenville, Residential Street Scenes**: Broadus Avenue- A Residence Section, North Street looking West, Broadus Avenue, East Coffee Street looking West, North Main Street-A Residence Section, West Washington Street Looking West, College Street Looking West/Main Street Looking North, Views on Washington Street, Buncombe Street West, North Main Street, Pendleton Street

Folder 15. **Greenville, Rural Scenes**: Horse Show, Shoals Near Greenville, City Fish Pond, Cotton Field, The Lake-Greenville, Park Scene-Greenville, Hauling Cotton, “Moonshine Still” in the Heart of the Mountains Near Greenville, A Lake in Springwood, Super Highway Entering Greenville, A Greenville County Road, Three Mile View of the Geer Scenic Highway, Good Roads of Greenville County, The Mountain Highway Near Conestee Falls Between Asheville and Greenville, One of the Beautiful Highways Approaching Greenville,Greetings from Scenic Greenville


Folder 17. **Greenville, San Souci/The Poinsett Club**: Country Club, Poinsett Club, Sans Souci Country Club, Sans Souci Club

Folder 18. **Greenville, Souvenir Folders**: Souvenir Folder-Greenville, S.C., Souvenir Mail Card, Souvenir Folder of Greenville, Greetings from Greenville

Folder 19. **Greenville, Textile Hall**: Textile Hall, Aerial View of Textile Hall

Folder 20. **Greenville, U.S. Postal Cards**: 3 cards

**Box 4: Greenville County to Waterloo, South Carolina**

Folder 1. **Greenville County**: Tiny Town Motor Court and Grill
Folder 2. Greenville County, Symmes Memorial Chapel, (“Pretty Place”): A View of the Mountains As Seen from Symmes Memorial Chapel

Folder 3. Greer, SC: Skyline Motor Court

Folder 4. Holiday Postcards: My Dear Little Friends (leather)

Folder 5. Honea Path, SC: The McCullough Farm


Folder 7. Landrum, SC: Landrum, Main Street

Folder 8. Morristown, TN: United States of America Postal Card


Folder 11. Pelzer, SC: Cottage on Adger Street, Dam and Power House/Cotton Mill No. 4/Weave Room Mill No. 4, Aerial View, Cottage-Lebby Street, Upper Mill, Grade School

Folder 12. Piedmont, SC: Mill 1, 2, 3 and 4, Piedmont Inn and Oak Hill Park, Main St. Looking West, Stores and Opera House, Presbyterian Church, Y.M.C.A. Building, Piedmont High School, Piedmont Mills, Office of the Piedmont Meeting Co.

Folder 13. Rock Hill, SC: Anderson Motor Company

Folder 14. Seneca, SC: The Palmetto House

Folder 15. Simpsonville, SC: Simpsonville Drug Company Building, Simpsonville Methodist Church

Folder 16. Spartanburg, SC: American Red Cross Building-Camp Croft, The Spartan Inn


Folder 18. Table Rock, SC: Table Rock, Table Rock Club and Mountain, City Reservoir and Table Rock, Night-Time Scene of City Reservoir and Table Rock Mountain, Beach at Table Rock State Park, Foothills Tranquility Scene

Folder 19. Taylors, SC: Buttonwood Manor Motor Court, First Baptist Church, Rimer Trailer Sales

Folder 21. **Travelers Rest, SC**: Greetings and Best Wishes from Travelers Rest, I’ve Just Visited Joe’s Gift Shop, Nicoll’s Garage, Holly Farms Motel, Mark’s Motel, Guy’s Restaurant, Travelers Motel, Skyway Mobile Homes, Rainbow Mobile Home Estates

Folder 22. **Twentynine Palms, CA**: Hawk Ground to Air Missile

Folder 23. **U.S.S. South Carolina**: U.S.S. South Carolina, U.S. Battleship “South Carolina”

Folder 24. **Waterloo, SC**: Aerial View

**Box 5  Sample Set from Asheville Post Card Co.**

- Greenville, S.C. local view, general view, Dixieland & Comic Post Cards, October 14, 1941