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Summary:

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Creator: Robert L. Archer

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Biographical Notes:

Robert Lamley Archer (August 24, 1871-November 13, 1945) was born in Hanging Rock, Ohio to Thomas (1815-1877) and Frances Louisa (Mather) Archer (1833-1917). He was married to Irma Knight. Working as a bank cashier, Archer worked his way up to Vice-President of Huntington's First National Bank before becoming the President of Union Bank, also in Huntington.

Scope and Content:

This collection is composed of copies of Robert L. Archer's manuscript titled "Chronicles of Early Huntington, 1871-1896" as well as materials related to it. The manuscript covers the history of Huntington during the time through vignettes featuring the C&O Railroad, other industry and transportation, and more. Also included is a short manuscript titled "Making the Constitution Safe for Democracy (Marbury vs. Madison)" which begins with the midnight appointment of John Marshall to the Supreme Court. Also included in the collection are notations by Doris C. Miller, author of "A Centennial History of Huntington, West Virginia, 1871-1971" that were found in Archer's "Chronicles..."

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Folder 1	"Chronicles of Early Huntington" by Robert Archer (COPY, 146 pages)
Folder 2	"The Birth of the City" (original from "Chronicles...") by Robert Archer
Folder 3	"Early Merchants" (original from "Chronicles...") by Saggiarius
Folder 4	"The Scene (about 1880)" (original from "Chronicles...") by Saggiarius
Folder 5	"Making the Constitution Safe for Democracy (Marbury vs. Madison)" by Robert L. Archer
Folder 6	Doris Miller Notations found in Robert Archer's "Chronicles..."