

Introduction:

This is a transcription of the *Table of Contents* of a handwritten autobiography by Charles Daniel Randolph.

The 7.5 x 9.5" manuscript was bound together with string and a cardboard two-hole punched cover. The string was severed so as not to tear the brittle paper, which was two-hole punched, when turning pages of the manuscript. Most of the very legible handwriting is in ink, a few pages in pencil. There is script on front and back of most pages. A few snapshot photographic images and a few clippings from newspaper are adhered to some of the pages. There are three postcards adhered to the back inside cover. The pages were placed into an archival binder. The original cover and the pages are in a manuscript box.

Charles Daniel Randolph was born 3 December 1888 in Pleasant Valley, Scott County, Iowa to Aaron Peter Randolph and Mineville Louella (Clemons) Randolph. He was the eldest of eight children born to the couple.

Charles D. Randolph married Alma Farber in 1907. Together they had two children; daughter Frances and son Gail Clifford Randolph.

The manuscript describes many neighbors and farms and agricultural activities in Scott County, especially in the Pleasant Valley area. He shares information on various employment experiences at Iowana farms, the Rock Island Arsenal, the Tri-City Railway and his World War I experiences.

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