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## Dixie College collection

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Tennessee Tech University Archives
<b>Creator:</b>	University of Dixie
<b>Creator:</b>	Whitson, Jere (Jeremiah), 1853-1928
<b>Title:</b>	Dixie College collection
<b>ID:</b>	RG.0000.0173
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1909-1930
<b>Physical Description:</b>	.4 Cubic Feet
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English .
<b>Mixed Materials [Box]:</b>	1
<b>[Folder]:</b>	1-10

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## Scope and Contents

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Many of the records relate to the establishment of the college including publications, minutes, receipts, histories, contracts, catalogs, donations, lawsuits, by laws, committees, and the charter. The college was supposed to have a School of the Bible, which never came to fruition. Lawsuits against Jere Whitson's estate regarding donations for the proposed bible school building are included in the collection. Petitioners complained that Whitson schemed their money and then sold the proposed school of the bible land to the state for profit after the dissolution of Dixie College. The collection also includes correspondence with architect William R. Ittner regarding campus building construction. The papers date from 1909-1930, and the later papers predominately deal with the lawsuit. The papers document the transition of Dixie College to Tennessee Technological University and Thomas Alva Early stepping down. There are numerous histories of Dixie College from a few perspectives and a history of the Broad Street Church of Christ.

Publications include the Dixie Derrick and catalogs (1912-1915), which functioned as annuals and promotional materials. The publication discusses agriculture, faculty, sports, music, and

social literacy programs at the college. On and off-campus buildings are highlighted and the town of Cookeville. Faculty is included.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- School yearbooks
- Student publications
- Women basketball players
- Male basketball players
- Baseball
- Football
- Societies and clubs
- Cookeville (Tenn.)
- Putnam County (Tenn.)
- receipts (financial records)
- minutes (administrative records)
- Tennessee. State Board of Education
- Early, Thomas Alva, 1881-1939