MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS
John A. Gallaher Geology Manuscript Collection

Abstract: Three manuscripts written by Missouri State Geologist John A. Gallaher.

Extent: 1 folder

Physical Description: Paper

Location: Missouri State Archives; Stacks

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Alternative Formats: None

Access Restrictions: None

Publication Restrictions: None

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HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

“John A. Gallaher (Democrat), elected State Geologist July 13, 1897, by the State Board of Geology and Mines, is a native of Missouri; born of James Arbuthnot Gallaher and Mary Thompson Wear, residents of Johnson county, October 5, 1842; his early education was in the public and select schools of his native state; at the close of the civil war Mr. Gallaher entered the Christian Brothers’ College, in St. Louis, where he devoted three years to the pursuit of classical and scientific knowledge, in that and the adjoining Missouri Medical College; after three years of training under illustrious educators, Mr. Gallaher took up mine engineering, and has made it, along with geology, the study of his life; his field of observation reaches from ocean to ocean
and from Canada to Mexico, inclusive.” (quoted from the *Official Manual of the State of Missouri 1899-1900*, p. 504)

Gallaher died of cancer while in office on June 21, 1900.

**ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION**

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Scope and Content

This is a series of three manuscripts written by hand on State Geologist John A. Gallaher’s letterhead. They concern the geologic history of Missouri. These essays will later be incorporated into his published work Preliminary Report on the Structural and Economic Geology of Missouri.

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