# Sleeper Collection 2015-05

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#### Summary

Title: Sleeper Collection Accession Number: 2015-05 Creator: Richard David "Dick" Sleeper (1930-2014) Extent: 3 boxes, consisting of 103 files (4075 pages) Language: English

**Abstract:** The Sleeper Collection was compiled by Richard David Sleeper over several decades. The research covers at least three generations of family histories of both his ancestors and those of his wife Martha Eloise McNutt. Files include correspondence, biographical sketches, an autobiography written by Dick's father Richard Crampton Sleeper, family group sheets, and descendant charts. In addition, there are several scrapbooks and photo albums. The bulk of the photos are dated between the 1890s and the 1940s. Many are identified. There are also school photos, some with the names of the students.

Prominent surnames include Conway, Crampton, McNutt, Pennington, and Sleeper. The most common locations were California, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, and Nebraska.

### Administrative Information

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### **Biographical Note**

Richard David "Dick" Sleeper was born on 11 February 1930 in Notus, Canyon County, Idaho. As a young man, he attended school in Notus and was active in Scouting, church, and school activities. Dick attended Multnomah University in Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon, and spent most of his career as a traveling book salesman. Dick and Martha Eloise McNutt married on 30 October 1951 in El Centro, Imperial County, California, where Martha was born. They settled in Idaho, later moving to Oregon. Dick died on 9 September 2014. He and his wife are buried in Canyon County, Idaho.

Box	File	Description	Prominent Surnames	Locations	Pages
1	1	Family group records, correspondence	Adams	Kansas	6
1	2	Correspondence, descendant reports, Oregon settler records	Booth, Carter, Greider, Lennox, Richey, Roork	Oregon, Kentucky	35
1	3	Correspondence, notes, "Descendants of David Freimeir Crampton"	Crampton, Freymeyer, Leather, Orcott, Uphoff	Oregon, Ohio, Pennsylvania	212
1	4	Correspondence, descendant chart, notes, family group sheets, ancestor chart	Bitner, Robinson Sanborne	California	33
1	5	Family group sheet, ancestor chart	Braun, Mordhorst	Idaho, California, Louisiana	3
1	6	Biographical sketches, correspondence, notes, family group sheets	Burtch, Cook	Michigan, Idaho, Montana	13
1	7	Correspondence, "Descendants of William Granville Lee"	Crampton, Lee	Indiana, Missouri	8
1	8	Family group sheets, descendant report, correspondence	Chamberlain, Kirby, McKee, Sleeper	Idaho, California, Nebraska	51
1	9	Correspondence, ancestor chart, notes	Clough, Sleeper	Massachusetts, New Hampshire	10
1	10	Notes, correspondence, First Families of America paperwork	Sleeper	England, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Missouri	76
1	11	Family group sheets, correspondence, notes, descendant chart, ancestor chart	Conway, Foreman, King, Parrish, Pennington, Wilson	Idaho, Utah	33
1	12	Correspondence, descendant report, notes	Crampton, Freymeyer, Leathers, Robison, Sleeper	Ohio, Indiana, Illinois	117
1	13	Correspondence	Arthur	Maryland	1
1	14	Correspondence, ancestor chart, family group sheets	Clough, Evans, Sleeper	Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Texas, California	32
1	15	Correspondence	Carlson, Eyestone, Lentz	Idaho	52
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## Finding Aid

1	16	Pedigree charts, descendant chart	Freimeyer, Frymire	Ohio, Pennsylvania	4
1	17	Correspondence, ancestor chart	Crampton, Frymire	Michigan, Ohio	13
1	18	"Descendants of Eunice Philena Griffin"	Griffin, Thrall	Ohio, Kansas	12
1	19	Correspondence, Notes on William Thrall	Thrall	Connecticut	6
1	20	Correspondence, descendant reports	Francisco, Gunder, Kyner, Spybey	Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana	18
1	21	Family group sheet	Haines, Hendrix	California	1
1	22	Family group sheet	Higgs	Colorado	1
1	23	"Ancestors of Nancy Della (Nannie Dell) Hill"	Griffin, Hill	Illinois, California	13
1	24	Correspondence	Warner	Nebraska	1
1	25	Correspondence	Chamberlain, Sleeper		1
1	26	Family group sheet, correspondence	Kartavil, Sleeper	Nebraska, Idaho	6
1	27	Correspondence, family group sheets, descendant reports	Cook, Hill, Kratavil, Kratochvil, Rosenberger, Steele	Idaho, Oregon	64
1	28	Family group sheets, descendant report	Blythe, Brubaker, Kyner	Pennsylvania, Ohio, Iowa	4
1	29	Correspondence, charts	Coyner, Kainet, Keinadt, Keinat, Koiner, Koiner, Kyner, Miller, Sleeper	Germany, Kansas	36
1	30	Correspondence, family group sheets	Capelle, Lee, Sleeper	Nebraska, California	10
1	31	Correspondence, charts, biographical sketches	Cowen, Ewing, Griffin, Hill, Marney, McNutt, Scow, Shawn, Walker	Illinois, Indiana, California	62
1	32	Funeral notice, family group sheets, photos, notes, ancestor charts	McNutt, Patten, Popham, Utter	Illinois, California	99
1	33	Personal correspondence, family group sheets	Montgomery, Sleeper	Washington, Oregon	21
1	34	Descendant report, notes	Mordhorst, Obenchain, Perkins, Sleeper	Idaho, Nebraska	18
1	35	Correspondence, ancestor report	McNutt, Patten, Swanson	Indiana, California	6
1	36	Descendant reports, family group sheets, notes, correspondence	Pennington, Penley	South Carolina, Virginia, Illinois	175

1	37	Birth records, photos, notes, descendant reports, correspondence, family group sheets, Logan School 1903 yearbook	Clark, Cook, Huff, Pennington	Kansas, Illinois, Idaho, Arkansas, Kentucky	94
1	38	Copy of "Oliver & Laura Pennington Photo Album"	Pennington, Sleeper		127
1	39	Descendant report for Abel Pennington	Pennington, Sweeten	North Carolina, Alabama	27
1	40	"The Descendants of Jesse Pennington and Elizabeth Penley"	Pennington, Penley		60
1	41	A narrative about the search for the burial site of Richard Pennington, photos, family group sheets, "Descendants of John Pennington born 1573"	Pennington	Tennessee	77
1	42	Descendants of George Phelps"	Dewey, Phelps	England	
1	42	Family group sheets, descendant	Leland, McKee, Rader,	California,	18
1	40	report	Sleeper	Nebraska	6
1	44	Pedigree charts, correspondence, research notes	Clough, Page, Sleeper		18
1	45	Correspondence, historical notes		Idaho	13
1	46	Correspondence, research notes	Sleeper	New Hampshire, Massachusetts	26
1	47	Photos, contact list	Sleeper		26
1	48	Research report with biographical sketches, ancestor chart for Richard David Sleeper, descendant charts for William Warde, William Sambourne, William Goodwin, and John Clough, family group sheets	Clough, Goodwin, Kyner, Sambourne, Sleeper, Warde		69
1	49	Family group sheets, pedigree charts,	Clough, Dow, Jenness,		09
		descendant reports	Sleeper		167
1	50	Family group sheets, biographical sketches, ancestor charts,	Sleeper		-
		correspondence			65
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		Descendant reports, correspondence "The Autobiography of Richard		•	100

1	54	Correspondence, family group sheets, descendant report	Douglass, LaTourettes, Sleeper		11
1	55	Family birth and death records, descendant chart, notes, family group sheets	Benner, Denney, Inkley, Marney, Sleeper	Iowa, Oregon, Idaho	22
1	56	Historical report	Inkley, Redmiles	England	23 17
1	57	Correspondence, descendant report	Sleeper	Michigan	17
1	58	Family photos, family group sheets	Foster, Steinmetz, Takanushi	Oregon, Japan	
1	59	Correspondence, family group sheets	Grimes, Sleeper, Stone, Stumbaugh	Illinois, Kansas, Iowa	6
1	60	Ancestor chart, family group sheets, correspondence	Davis, Pennington, Tibbs,	Tennessee, Illinois, Idaho	7
1	61	Family group sheets, correspondence	Tibbs	Idaho, Illinois, Virginia	7
1	62	Correspondence, descendant report for Robert Tilton born in 1560 in England	Tilton		33
1	63	Descendant reports, biographical sketches, correspondence, family group sheets	Sheldan, Tracy, Turner	Idaho, Washington	51
1	64	Correspondence, biographical memoir and sketches, funeral notice, descendant report	Crampton, Lackman, Meyer, Tracy	Indiana, Washington	20
1	65	Family group sheets, correspondence, copies of photos, ancestor charts, biographical sketches, descendant reports, "Recollections" by Lottie Tracy, "Carl Agenbroad Remembers," photos, family group sheets	Agenbroad, Sheldon, Sleeper, Tracy, Turner, Vittum, Winslow	Idaho, Iowa	
1	66	Photos, biographical sketches,	Tracy Thomson		154
1		descendant reports	Tracy, Thomson		33
1	67	Correspondence	Leach, Vittum	New Hampshire, Maine	6
1	68	Correspondence, land records	Sleeper	Nebraska	5
1	69	Correspondence, family group sheets	Widdows	North Carolina, Illinois	8
1	70	Family group sheets, memoirs, correspondence	Alexander, Meyer, Sleeper, Wildman	California	44

	1	71	Bible records, notes, family group sheets	Wilson	Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Idaho	26
ļ	1	72	Correspondence, descendant reports	Fauver, Wilson	Illinois, Kansas	18
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	2	1	Index to "The Sleeper Family of New Jersey and New York" published in 1931			24
	2	2	Pedigree chart, family group sheets, copies of family photos, including the 60th anniversary of John B and Mary Hill (1913), news clippings, announcements, memoirs, descendant charts	Baker, Cunningham, Griffin, Hill, Lutz, Wright	Illinois, Indiana	71
	2	3	Descendant and ancestor charts, family map (England), family group sheets, notes, correspondence	Blake, Campbell, Clough, Crampton, Diller, Elkins, Fuessen, Judkins, Kainath, Keinadt, Kyner, Sanborn, Shaw, Sleeper, Stambach, Tilton	Germany, England, Virginia, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, Indiana	144
	2	4	Correspondence, reunion notes and photos, news clippings, descendant	Hill	Illinois	111
			charts and family group sheets, cemetery photos, memoir			183
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	2 2	5	cemetery photos, memoir Manuscript "The Family McNutt" by	McNutt Crampton, Finfrock, Kiner, Leathers, Pembleton, Pennington, Taggart, Toole, VanBuskirk	Kentucky, Ohio	
			cemetery photos, memoir Manuscript "The Family McNutt" by Reata Lacy McNutt Excerpts from local history books,	Crampton, Finfrock, Kiner, Leathers, Pembleton, Pennington, Taggart, Toole,	Kentucky, Ohio Illinois, Indiana, Ohio	122
	2 2	6 7	cemetery photos, memoir Manuscript "The Family McNutt" by Reata Lacy McNutt Excerpts from local history books, research notes, pedigree chart Pedigree chart, family group sheets with source notes, family photos, transcript of Bible records, biographical sketches, news clippings	Crampton, Finfrock, Kiner, Leathers, Pembleton, Pennington, Taggart, Toole, VanBuskirk Coates, Griffin, Hill, McNutt, Phelps, Rittenhouse, Sleeper, Strickland, Thrall	Illinois, Indiana, Ohio	43
	2	6	cemetery photos, memoirManuscript "The Family McNutt" by Reata Lacy McNuttExcerpts from local history books, research notes, pedigree chartPedigree chart, family group sheets with source notes, family photos, transcript of Bible records,	Crampton, Finfrock, Kiner, Leathers, Pembleton, Pennington, Taggart, Toole, VanBuskirk Coates, Griffin, Hill, McNutt, Phelps, Rittenhouse, Sleeper,	Illinois, Indiana,	43

2	9	Ancestor and descendant charts, family group records	Norris, Patten, Pugh, Reulecke	Indiana, Illinois	32
3		Box 3 includes scrapbooks and photo albums, as well as loose photos and documents. Some of the files include both JPG images in a separate folder.			
3	1	Brown photo album - "To Mother from Bertie, July 14, 1918" - many photos missing from the album, a few loose photos. Bertie is probably Bertie Esther (Sleeper) Mordhurst (1896-1971)	Daniels, Harrington, Moore, Sleeper	California, Idaho, Nebraska	38
3	2	Photo Book 1925 - Photo album presented to Dick Sleeper by his wife Marie (Pennington) Sleeper; informal photos of family and friends dated 1923-1929	Bay, Bitner, Brown, Burtch, Chamberlain, Clouse, Coffey, Conway, Elhart, Montgomery, Moreland, Pennington, Pinkston, Purnell, Sleeper, Wildman, Wilson	Idaho, Nebraska, Oregon	77
3	3	Photo Book 1927 - Photo album presented to Dick Sleeper by his wife Marie (Pennington) Sleeper; informal photos of family and friends	Adams, Almquist, Burtch, Conway, Graham, Harvey, Kuhlman, Pennington, Platt, Ray, Sidrids, Sleeper, Wilson	Arizona, Idaho, Kansas, Oregon, Texas	103
3	4	Photo album, bulk dated from 1895- 1922, likely compiled by RC Sleeper; informal photos of family and friends	Barney, Bitner, Conway, Eberly, Elhart, Ellsworth, Gillespie, Hayman, Jenkins, Kennedy, Myers, Payne, Pettit, Scott, Sleeper, Smith, Stauber, Terry	Idaho, Nebraska	151
3	5	Photo album compiled by RD Sleeper, 1942-1945; select photos of family and friends	Burtch, Pennington, Sleeper, Thompson	Califonia, Idaho, Utah	19
3	6	Scrapbook compiled by RD Sleeper, 1946-1948; select photos of family. Classmates, and friends, personal correspondence, news clippings	Blele, Burtch, Sleeper, Southard	ldaho, Nebraska	40

3	7	Scrapbook compiled by RD Sleeper @ 1948; select photos of high school classmates		Idaho	27
3	8	Scrapbook compiled by RD Sleeper 1943-1949; World War II correspondence from his brothers; birth announcement; news clipping	Conway, Sleeper	Idaho	36
3	9	Scrapbook 1950s - Redacted - focus is on living people			6
3	10	Photo album compiled by RD Sleeper, 1955-1957; select photos of family and friends	Burtch, Elhart, Haines, Pennington, Pettitt, Sleeper, Wilson		15
3	11	Photo album compiled by RD Sleeper 1963; select photos	Burtch, Conway, Montgomery, Sleeper		4
3	12	Class photo with names - Central Union HS, El Centro, CA 1948		California	2
3	13	Photos and ephemera from Notus ID elementary school, many with names of students - 1920s-1944	Conway, Sleeper	Idaho	14
3	14	Photos and ephemera from Notus ID high school, many with names of students - 1944-1948		Idaho	28
3	15	Photos of other schools pulled from scrapbooks		Idaho, Nebraska	4
3	16	Loose photos, most identified	Babbs, Conway, Crampton, Dyer, McNutt, Pennington, Sleeper, Steinmetz, Vittum		24
3	17	Loose correspondence, photos, ephemera	McNutt, Shawn, Sleeper	Idaho	18
3	18	Draft registration cards	Sleeper	Idaho	2
3	19	Family Record with biographical sketches	Keiner, Kyner, McNutt, Sleeper, Vittum	Massachusetts, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Germany	10
3	20	Copies of photos and documents	Griffin, Hill	Illinois	6
3	21	Obituaries and funeral notices clipped from newspapers	Adair, Elhart, Hill, Litz, McNutt, Patten, Sleeper		9
3	22	Photo - United Brethren Summer Camp, Tahquitz Pines, Idyllwood		California	
		1946			2