

John Hardee King family papers  
1889-1972 (bulk 1916-1972)  
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**Biographical or Historical Note**

John Hardee King (1863-1951), was the son of Clifford Alonzo King and Eliza Hardee. He was the grandson of Barrington King and great-grandson of Roswell King, founders of the town of Roswell, Georgia. In the early 1900s, John Hardee King was a Vaudeville performer. He married Mary Florence Fox (1864-1933). Their two daughters, Mary Alice "Mamie" King Cornish (b. 1894) and Jane Hardee King Baker (1897-1971), performed in Vaudeville and on Broadway as the "King Sisters."

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**Scope and Content**

The John Hardee King family papers include newspaper clipping, programs, and an account ledger regarding Vaudeville and Broadway performances of the King family. It contains materials for an application by Jane King Baker for membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution National Society (DAR) that includes marriage, death, and baptismal certificates and genealogical information. Correspondence of Jane

King Baker and King family descendants is included in the collection. There are a CD of Vaudeville songs performed by Jane King Baker and a CD with image files of family documents and photographs, primarily regarding the family's Vaudeville association. The collection also includes correspondence of Rachel S. Kirk. No relationship has been established between the King family and Kirk.

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### **Organization Note**

The folders are sorted by record type. The material in each folder is arranged in chronological order. The collection is organized into 4 series:

- (1) John Hardee King papers
- (2) King Sisters (Mary Alice King and Jane Hardee King) papers
- (3) Jane Hardee King Baker papers
- (4) Rachel S. Kirk correspondence

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### **Selected Search Terms**

King, John Hardee, 1963-1951  
Baker, Jane Hardee King, 1897-1971  
Cornish, Mary Alice King, (b. 1894)

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### **Related Materials**

VIS 24 John Hardee King family photograph collection

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### **Administrative Information**

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Mary Jane Macartney  
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