

**Guide to the  
Papers of Philip M. Biklé and Family**



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## **MS-070: The Papers of Philip M. Biklé and Family**

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### **Biography**

Philip Melancton Biklé was born in Smithsburg, Maryland, on December 1, 1844. He attended Pennsylvania College from 1862-1866 where he was a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity and the Phrenakosmian Literary Society. While he was a student, he attended the dedication of the National Cemetery and heard Abraham Lincoln deliver the Gettysburg Address.

After Biklé graduated second in his class in 1866, he was a professor of Latin and Mathematics at the York County Academy in Pennsylvania for one year. Biklé then returned to Gettysburg to study at the Lutheran Theological Seminary from 1867-1869. He took a position as a professor of Latin and Greek from 1869-1870 at North Carolina College and was the vice-principal and a Latin professor at the Lutherville Female Seminary from 1870-1873. He studied at Dartmouth College from 1873-1874, and upon finishing his studies, he returned to teach at Gettysburg College. He was the Ockershausen Professor of Physics and Astronomy from 1874-1881 and the Pearson Professor of Latin and Literature from 1881-1925. In 1889, Biklé also assumed the role of the Dean of the College, a position that he held until 1924. Biklé continued to teach while he was Dean, retiring in 1925 after fifty-one years of service. He died in 1934 at the age of ninety.

Biklé first married Annie M. Wattles in 1868 who died in 1872. He remarried in 1877 to Emma J. Wolf, who later died in 1918. He had four children, all of whom graduated from Gettysburg College. Horace, his only child with Annie Wattles was born in 1877 and graduated from the college in 1889. His children with Emma Wolf were Henry Wolf, class of 1897, Paul Harold, class of 1900, and Philip Raymond, class of 1905. Biklé lived with his family on campus in Cottage Hall until December of 1913 when he was ordered to vacate the house because it was going to be converted into a dormitory.

While at Gettysburg College, Biklé edited the *Pennsylvania College Monthly*, a magazine about the college, its history, and academics from its first issue in 1877 until its last issue in December of 1893. Additionally, Biklé edited the *Lutheran Quarterly* from 1880-1907. He was instrumental in implementing changes to the college's admission requirements in 1907 and also introduced new courses into the curriculum. Biklé helped to bring a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa to campus in 1922 and encouraged the formation of the first alumni clubs. Publications by Biklé include "Educating Young Men for the

Ministry,” “Faraday, the Scientist and Christian, “Female Education in the Church,” and “Our Present Knowledge of the Sun.”

Biklé held various positions in the Lutheran Church: he was the Secretary of the Maryland Synod in 1874 and again from 1876-1879; the secretary of the Lutheran Minister’s Insurance League from 1874-1876; and served as the first president of the Lutheran Educational Conference.

### **Series Description**

The manuscript is divided into nine series. **Series I:** Biklé as a Student; **Series II:** Biklé as professor and dean, **Series III:** *Lutheran Quarterly*, **Series IV:** Pennsylvania College Monthly, **Series V:** Correspondence, **Series VI:** Henry Wolfe Bicklé, **Series VII:** Paul Harold Bicklé, **Series VIII:** Philip Raymond, and **Series IX:** Miscellaneous.

### **Scope and Content Note**

The papers of Philip Biklé consist of mostly personal correspondence between Biklé and Emma, and the correspondence of Emma and their children. Also included are class notes from Biklé’s years as a student, and account books from the *Lutheran Quarterly* and *Pennsylvania College Monthly*. This collection does not include any information on Biklé’s publications, the classes he taught, or his work as a professor and dean. The collection consists of seven boxes and nine series.

#### ***Series I: Biklé as a Student***

This series contains class notes taken by Biklé at Pennsylvania College, the Lutheran Seminary, and Dartmouth College.

#### ***Series II: Biklé as professor and dean***

This series contains various papers relating to Biklé’s years working on the faculty of Gettysburg College. Included are the plans for his home at Cottage Hall, undated sermons, and a collection of letters from the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration for Biklé and Edward Breidenbaugh in 1924. All college alumni were asked to donate \$1 to be split among the two professors. The response was enthusiastic, and this series includes letters sent by alumni with their donations. The letters were sent to the college and are arranged chronologically.

#### ***Series III: Lutheran Quarterly***

This series contains account books and miscellaneous correspondence relating to the *Quarterly*.

#### ***Series IV: Pennsylvania College Monthly***

Included here are account books and miscellaneous correspondence.

#### **Series V: Correspondence**

The correspondence series contains nine sub-series. Sub-series A includes the correspondence between Emma and Philip Biklé. Sub-series B contains letters to Philip

M. Biklé from various family members and acquaintances. Sub-series C contains letters to Emma Biklé from her father, H.G. Wolf. Letters to Emma from her brother, Harold Wolf are located in sub-series D. Sub-series E contains letters to Emma from her sister, Edith Wolf. Sub-series F holds letters to Emma from her friend Ludie, and sub-series G contains letters addressed to “Pythias” [Emma] from “Damion,” who is presumably Ludie. Sub-series H contains letters to Emma from miscellaneous family and friends. The letters in sub-series I were written by Emma to her children.

***Series VI: Henry Wolf Biklé (born October 20, 1877)***

The folders in this series include the correspondence of Henry W. Biklé arranged chronologically.

***Series VII: Paul Harold Biklé (born June 6, 1879)***

This series contains the correspondence of Paul H. Biklé arranged chronologically.

***Series VIII: Philip Raymond Biklé (born June 5, 1885)***

The one folder in this series contains the correspondence of Philip R. Biklé arranged chronologically and two newspaper articles relating to Philip’s life as an adult.

***Series IX: Miscellaneous***

This series contains an autograph book of Annie Wattles and miscellaneous receipts, calling cards, and letter fragments.

*(Box-Folder)*

**Box 1**

1-1: Inventory

1-2: Biographical Information

**Series I: Biklé as a Student**

1-3: Notebook containing religion class notes from the Lutheran Theological Seminary (1868) and 1862 minutes of Pi Sigma Phi at Pennsylvania College.

1-4: Notebook containing physics class notes from Pennsylvania College in 1865 and religion notes from the Lutheran Theological Seminary in 1868.

1-5: Notebook containing physics and astronomy class notes at Dartmouth from 1873.

**Box 2**

**Series II: Biklé as Professor and Dean**

- 2-1: Notebook containing Biklé's personal accounts from 1885-1909.
- 2-2: Residence places (1895) and specifications for Cottage Hall.
- 2-3: Book of Biklé's sermons, undated.
- 2-4: Biklé's Address to the Lutheran Theological Seminary, undated.
- 2-5: Biklé's and Breidebaugh 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration:  
Card sent to alumni asking for one dollar and two visiting cards to be given to Biklé and Breidenbaugh on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary reception on June 10, 1924.  
May 22, 1924- Letter from Bert Clinton Ritz from Columbia, PA,  
May 23, 1924- Letter from Wilbur H. Fleck from Kingston, PA.  
May 23, 1924-Letter from J.M. Francis from Waynesboro, PA.  
May 23, 1924-Letter from J.H. Meyer from Jersey City, NJ.  
May 23, 1924-Letter from M. Reed Minnich from Philadelphia, PA.  
May 23, 1924-Letter from Harry H. Penrod from Johnstown, PA.  
May 23, 1924-Letter from Charles H. Tilp from Beaver Falls, PA.  
May 24, 1924-Letter from Frederick C. Sternat from Millersburg, PA.  
May 24, 1924-Letter from Karl Irvin from Altoona, PA.
- 2-6: Biklé and Breidenbaugh 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, cont.:  
May 26, 1924-Letter from Dimner Beeber from Philadelphia, PA.  
May 26, 1924-Letter from Edward E. Blint from Leechburg, PA.  
May 26, 1924-Letter from S.J. McDowell from Baltimore, MD.  
May 26, 1924-Letter from Lillian Gantt from Akron, Ohio.  
May 26, 1924-Letter from Morris F. Good from Williamsport, PA.  
May 26, 1924-Letter from P.D. Hoover from Waynesboro, PA.  
May 26, 1924-Letter from Edward O. Keen from York, PA.  
May 26, 1924-Letter from John F. Knittle from Manheim, PA.  
May 26, 1924-Letter from George Miller from Milwaukee, WI.  
May 26, 1924-Letter from J. M.R. Snyder from Milton, PA.  
May 26, 1924-Letter from Frank C. Rugh from Pittsburg, PA.
- 2-7: Biklé and Breidenbaugh 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, cont.:  
May 27, 1924-Letter from H.M. Becker from Sunbury, PA.  
May 27, 1924-Letter from Albert Bell from York, PA.  
May 27, 1924-Letter from Earl J. Bowman from Gettysburg.  
May 27, 1942-Letter from M.R. Harmsher from Mechanicsburg, PA.  
May 27, 1924-Letter from Joseph F. Hartman from Philadelphia, PA.  
May 27, 1924-Letter from J. Frank Heilman from Sioux City, IA.  
May 27, 1924-Letter from Joseph N. K. Hickman from Lawrenceville, NJ.  
May 27, 1924-Letter from David McConaughy from New York, NY.  
May 27, 1924-Letter from John McPherson of Boston, MA.  
May 27, 1924-Letter from H.C. Reller from Pittsburgh, PA.  
May 27, 1924-Letter from Howard P. Sadtler from Baltimore, MD.  
May 27, 1924-Letter from Hefred Shipman from Johnstown, PA.

- May 27, 1924-Letter from Samuel E. Wicker from Wilmington, DE.  
 May 27, 1924-Letter from H.B. Smith from Greensburg, PA.
- 2-8: Biklé and Breidenbaugh 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, cont.:  
 May 28, 1924-Letter from M.S. Cressman from Lewistown, PA.  
 May 28, 1924-Letter from WC. Dunlap from Reading, PA.  
 May 28, 1924-Letter from W.H. Ehrhart from Brodbeck's, PA.  
 May 28, 1924-Letter from William L. Leisher from Wabasso, FL.  
 May 28, 1924-Letter from Lewis C. Manges from Harrisburg, PA.  
 May 28, 1924-Letter from David H. Miller, from Altoona PA.  
 May 28, 1924-Letter from H.T. Richards from Nashville, T.  
 May 28, 1924-Letter from Simon Snyder from Wheeling, WV.  
 May 28, 1924-Letter from H.L. Stahler from Norristown, PA.  
 May 28, 1924-Letter from J. Harold Wolf from Mount Carmel, PA.  
 May 28, 1924-Letter from Norman Wolf from Bloomsburg, PA.  
 May 28, 1924-Letter from Robert W. Woods from Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2-9: Biklé and Breidenbaugh 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, cont.:  
 May 29, 1924-Letter from Charles Baum from Philadelphia, PA.  
 May 29, 1924-Letter from George W. Engler from Pittsburg, PA.  
 May 29, 1924-Letter from V.B. Hausknecht from Harrisburg, PA.  
 May 29, 1924-Letter from George Hay Kain from York, PA.  
 May 29, 1924-Letter from James M. Lotz from Dayton, OH.  
 May 29, 1924-Letter from Paul S. Miller from Meriden, CT.  
 May 29, 1924-Letter from W. G. Minnick from Baltimore, MD.  
 May 29, 1924-Letter from F.S. Schultz from Summerhill, PA.  
 May 29, 1924-Letter from William L. Seabrook from Westminster, MD.  
 May 29, 1924-Letter from M.H. Stine sent with donation.  
 May 29, 1924-Letter from Rufus M. Weaver from Washington, DC.  
 May 29, 1924-Letter from Luther B. Wolf from Baltimore, MD.
- 2-10: Biklé and Breidenbaugh 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, cont.:  
 May 30, 1924-Letter from J.A. Singmaster from Bronxville, NY.  
 May 31, 1924-Letter from Henry Harter from Conton, OH.  
 June 1, 1924-Letter from George E. Scheffer from Covington, KY.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from Frank C. Brinkerhoff from Springfield, MA.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from Sara B. Brumbaugh from Roaring Spring, PA.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from Clarence A. Eyler from Collingswood, NJ.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from Christian Gosh from Nevada, MO.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from Oscar H. Gruver from Oakland, CA.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from M. Valentine Miller from Philadelphia, PA.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from William J. Miller, Jr., from Philadelphia, PA.
- 2-11: Biklé and Breidenbaugh 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, cont.:  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from W.B. Rice from Williamsport, PA.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from Titus C. Rohrbaugh from Cleveland, OH.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from J.C.I. Rupp from Wellsville, OH.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from H. Hall Sharp from Cumberland, MD.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from May Sieling from New Freedom, PA.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from L.V. Simpson from Rick Island, IL.

- June 2, 1924-Letter from Jacob D. Snyder of Boston, MA.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from W.Y. Sprenkle from Pittsburgh, PA.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from S.J. Taylor from Altoona, PA.  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from W.B. Walter from Beatrice, NE.
- 2-12: Biklé and Breidenbaugh 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, cont.:  
 June 2, 1924-Letter from N.C. Barbehenn from Philadelphia, PA.  
 June 3, 1924-Letter from William A. Buedinger from Fairfield, CT.  
 June 3, 1924-Letter from Joseph L. Gensemer.  
 June 3, 1924-Letter from Oscar G. Klinger from Newport, TN.  
 June 3, 1924-Letter from William J. Miller of Philadelphia, PA.  
 June 3, 1924-Letter from B. Frank Rosenberry from Palmerton, PA.  
 June 3, 1924-Letter from Mark H. Secrist, from Saranac Lake, NY.  
 June 3, 1924-Letter from John Weidley from Washington, DC.
- 2-13: Biklé and Breidenbaugh 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, cont.:  
 June 4, 1924-Letter from I. Bruce Amick from Philadelphia, PA.  
 June 4, 1924-Letter from David Lincoln Baker from St. Louis, MO.  
 June 4, 1924-Letter from William E. Buhler from Philadelphia, PA.  
 June 4, 1924-Letter from Philip M. Graff from Duluth, MN.  
 June 4, 1924-Letter from John B. Zinn and Effie Zinn from Worcester, MA.  
 June 5, 1924-Letter from Holmes Dysinger from Fremont, NE.  
 June 5, 1924-Letter from A.G. Fastnacht from York, PA.  
 June 5, 1924-Letter from Charles W. Hess from Brunswick, MD.  
 June 5, 1924-Letter from Luther M. Kuhns from Omaha, NE.
- 2-14: Biklé and Breidenbaugh 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, cont.:  
 June 6, 1924-Letter from John G. Fleck from Baltimore, MD.  
 June 6, 1924-Letter from Edred J. Pennell from Norristown, PA.  
 June 6, 1924-Letter from R.C. Ruby from York, PA.  
 June 7, 1924-Letter from Mabel I. Johnson from Akron, OH.  
 June 7, 1924-Letter from Hubert Royer from Mount Vernon, NY.  
 Undated-Letter from G.B. Baker from Wenonah, NJ.  
 Undated-3 cards from George E. Faber from Clarksboro, NJ.  
 Undated-Letter from Richard M. Miller from Harrisburg, PA.  
 Undated-Letter from G. W. Nicely.  
 Undated-Letter from H.H. Weber from York, PA.  
 Undated-Letter from Henry Eberhardt.  
 Undated-Letter from Martin Luther Enders from Baltimore, MD.
- 2-15: Miscellaneous programs and invitations from Gettysburg College.  
 Invitation to the Phrenakosmian Literary Society on February 22, 1882.  
 Invitation to the Junior Exhibition on June 23, 1886.  
 Invitation to Philip Biklé and family to the Junior Exhibition on June 23, 1886 in envelope.  
 Invitation to Philip Biklé and family to the Christ Lutheran Church on October 10, 1888 in envelope.

**Series III: *Lutheran Quarterly***

- 3-1: Notebook containing the *Lutheran Quarterly* account book: 1880-1886
- 3-2: Notebook containing the *Lutheran Quarterly* cash book: 1880-1891
- 3-3: Notebook containing the *Lutheran Quarterly* account book: 1883-1889

**Box 4**

**Series III: *Lutheran Quarterly* Cont'd**

- 4-1: Notebook containing the *Lutheran Quarterly* cash book: 1892-1906
- 4-2: Notebook containing the *Lutheran Quarterly* account book: 1896-1908
- 4-3: Correspondence regarding the *Lutheran Quarterly*
  - October 12, 1886-Letter from Sylvanus Stall from Lancaster, PA.
  - February 26, 1887-Letter from Samuel Schwarnner from Tiffin, OH.
  - June 3, 1897-Postcard from G.F. Behringer from Brooklyn, NY.
  - January 6, 1898-Agreement signed by Milton Valentine, James Richard, Philip, Biklé, and Thomas.

**Box 5**

**Series III: *Pennsylvania College Monthly***

- 5-1: Notebook containing the *Pennsylvania College Monthly* subscription list: 1877-1882
- 5-2: Notebook containing the *Pennsylvania College Monthly* subscription list: 1888-1892.
- 5-3: *Pennsylvania College Monthly* correspondence
  - December 29, 1893-Letter from the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company requesting curtailment of their advertisement in the *Monthly*.

**Series IV: Personal Correspondence**

**Sub-Series A: Letters between Emma and Philip Biklé**

- 5-4: Letters from January 8, 1878-January 6, 1882
  - January 8, 1878-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA. Philip discusses his enjoyment of reading Transcendentalism.
  - January 10, 1878-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.
  - January 24-1878-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA. Philip mentions that people in town know about her "sickness."
  - January 22, 1880-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.
  - January 6, 1882-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA. Philip discusses that there are new students at the college for the term.
- 5-5: Letters from May 18, 1883-October 4, 1888



May 18, 1883-Letter to Emma from Philip from Springfield, Ohio. Philip is at a meeting of the Lutheran Synod.

May 19, 1883-Letter to Emma from Philip from Springfield, Ohio. Philip writes of proceedings of the Synod

September 5, 1883-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.

September 8, 1883-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA

May 31, 1887-Letter to Philip from Emma from Gettysburg, PA. Emma mentions that Philip is in Omaha, NE.

June 2, 1887-Letter to Philip from Emma from Gettysburg, PA. Mention of Stuart McKnight.

June 4, 1887-Letter to Philip from Emma from Gettysburg, PA. Philip is in Michigan, mention of Mrs. Breidenbaugh and Baugher.

October 6, 1887-Postcard to Emma from Philip. Philip at Dickinson College.

November 25, 1887-Letter to Emma from Philip from Savannah, GA. Discusses the meeting of the United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South.

October 4, 1888-Letter to Emma from Philip from Martinsburg, WV. Philip on the way to a synod meeting.

5-6: Letters from January 15, 1890-January 20, 1891

January 15, 1890-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA. Philip writes of the work necessary to compile the *College Monthly*.

April 21, 1890-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA. Emma is in Baltimore.

September 5, 1890-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.

September 22, 1890-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.

January 9, 1891-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA. Philip writes that Henry is ill.

January 13, 1891-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA. Mention of social gathering with Dr. Baugher, Dr. Stahley, and other members of the town.

January 17, 1891-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA. Mentions a gathering at the McKnight house with Dr. Stahley, Dr. Baugher, and Dr. Nixon.

January 20. 1891-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.

5-7: Letters from January 5, 1894-January 23, 1894

January 5, 1894-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.

January 9, 1894-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA. Philip considers the professors at the college to be underpaid, mentions the Board of Trustees and the college debt, and writes about the ending of the *College Monthly*.

January 11, 1894-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA. Mentions sickness at the college.

January 12, 1894-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.

January 15, 1894-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA. Writes of their home being enlarged.

- January 19, 1894-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 20, 1894-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mention of Dr. McKnight.  
 January 23, 1894-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mention of Dr. Baugher and his wife and Emma's sickness.
- 5-8: Letters from January 4, 1895-March 26, 1895  
 January 4, 1895-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA. Writes  
 of personal banking and stocks.  
 January 5, 1895-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mention of Emma's illness, new saloons in Gettysburg,  
 January 17, 1895-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 18, 1895-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 24, 1895-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mention of rejected license for saloon in Gettysburg.  
 January 25, 1895-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 March 25, 1895-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 March 26, 1895-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.
- 5-9: Letters from January 20, 1896-January 12, 1897  
 January 20, 1896-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Writes of Board of Trustees meeting and student perceptions of the  
 meeting.  
 September 4, 1896-Letter to Philip from Emma from Mifflinburg, PA.  
 January 4, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 5, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mention of notices/ads for the *College Monthly*.  
 January 7, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 8, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 10, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 11, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 12, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mention of the Board of Trustees meeting.
- 5-10: Letters from January 13-September 10, 1897 and two undated.  
 January 13, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 15, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 19, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 September 6, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mentions *Lutheran Quarterly* and possible transfer of control.  
 September 9, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mention of possible investment in property.  
 September 10, 1897-Letter to Emma from Philip from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Undated-Letter to Philip from Emma.  
 Undated-Letter to Emma from Philip.

## **Box 6**

### **Series V: Personal Correspondence Continued**

### **Sub-series B: Letters to Philip M. Biklé from misc. family/friends**

- 6-1 Letters from July 9, 1878-November 29, 1894  
July 9, 1878-Letter to Professors Biklé, Young and Bice from L.A. Brown, class of 1842, from Virginia. Mentions reunion for Southern alumni.  
December 10, 1879-Invitation to Biklé from Mr. and Mrs. William McClean from Gettysburg, PA for a wedding anniversary.  
March 11, 1881-Letter to Biklé from N.H. Skyes from Jefferson, MD. Requests information on Classics at Gettysburg College.  
February 8, 1884-Letter to Biklé from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA. Concerns investments.  
November 29, 1884-Letter to Biklé from Mrs. James Edelman [cousin] from Richmond, OH.
- 6-2-Letters from January 21, 1886-September 9, 1897  
January 21, 1886-Letter to Biklé from Dayton, OH from Eugene Weichert. Letter intended for Weichert's partner, who was in Europe.  
August 26, 1886-Letter to Biklé from E. Woodward from Gettysburg, PA.  
April 19, 1887-Letter to Biklé from M.A. Harner.  
July 29, 1887-Postcard to Biklé from G.J. Ornst from Lincoln, NE.  
November 1, 1884-Letter to Biklé from T.C. Billheimer from the Lutheran Seminary, Gettysburg, PA.  
September 8, 1897-Letter to Biklé from unknown regarding the cost of two homes.  
September 9, 1897-Letter to Biklé from unknown regarding cost of two different properties.

### **Sub-series C: Letters to Emma Biklé from H.G. Wolf [Emma's Father]**

- 6-3-Letters from January 15, 1877-November 19, 1880  
January 15, 1877-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
February 6, 1877-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
March 22, 1877-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
October 17, 1877-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
October 22, 1877-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Philadelphia, PA. Received news of the birth of Henry.  
November 23, 1877-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
March 21, 1878-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
March 25, 1878-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
November 19, 1880-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.
- 6-4-Letters from February 18, 1881-May 28, 1893, one undated.  
February 18, 1881-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
March 16, 1881-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
April 4, 1881-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
March 10, 1882-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.

July 5, 1882-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
1884-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
June 11, 1886-Postcard to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
June 20, 1886-Letter to Emma from H. G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.  
Mention of McKnight, Board of Trustees  
April 16, 1888-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf on train.  
April 29, 1888-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Philadelphia, PA.  
April 22, 1890-Postcard to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Baltimore, MD.  
May 28, 1893-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Canton, OH.  
Mention Dr. Valentine.  
Undated-Letter to Emma from H.G. Wolf from Mifflinburg, PA.

**Sub-series D: Letters to Emma Biklé from Harold Wolf [brother]**

6-5: Letters from October 1, 1879-March 23, 1886  
October 1, 1879-Letter to Emma from Harold from Gettysburg, PA.  
December 9, 1881-Letter to Emma from Harold from Mifflinburg, PA.  
November 21, 1884-Letter to Emma from Harold from Mifflinburg, PA.  
March 23, 1886-Letter to Emma from Harold from Mifflinburg, PA.

**Sub-series E: Letters to Emma from Edith Wolf [sister]**

6-6: Letters from September 7, 1877-April 5, 1893 and two undated.  
September 7, 1877-Letter to Emma from Edith from Mifflinburg, PA.  
September 14, 187-Letter to Emma from Edith from Mifflinburg, PA.  
October 10, 1877-Letter to Emma from Edith from Mifflinburg, PA.  
February 25, 1884-Postcard to Emma from Edith from Mifflinburg, PA.  
April 16, 1890-Letter to Emma from Edith from Lewisburg, PA.  
June 10, 1891-Postcard to Emma from Edith from Mifflinburg, PA.  
April 5, 1893-Letter to Emma from Edith from Mifflinburg, PA.  
Undated-Letter to Emma from Edith from Gettysburg, PA.  
Undated-Letter to Emma from Edith

**Sub-series F: Letters to Emma Biklé from Ludie [friend]**

6-7: Letters from February 23, 1884-May 22, 1890  
February 28, 1884-Letter to Emma from Ludie from Baltimore, MD.  
December 30, 1884-Letter to Emma from Ludie from Baltimore, MD.  
Refers to Emma as "Pythias."  
May 12, 1890-Letter to Emma from Ludie from Baltimore, MD.  
May 23, 1890-Letter to Emma from Ludie from Baltimore, MD.

**Sub-series G: Letters to "Pythias" [Emma] from "Damion" [presumably Ludie]**

6-8: Letters from January 28, 1877-December 9, 1881 and one undated.  
January 28, 1877-Letter to Pythias from Damion.

June 22, 1877-Letter to Pythias from Damion  
September 29, 1877-Letter to Pythias from Damion  
November 13, 1877-Letter to Pythias from Damion  
February 23, 1878-Letter to Pythias from Damion  
July 2, 1881-Postcard to Pythias from Damion  
December 9, 1881-Letter to Pythias from Damion  
Undated (near Christmas)-Letter to Pythias from Damion

**Sub-series H: Letters to Emma Biklé from miscellaneous family/friends**

- 6-9: Letters from November 23, 1873-November 30, 1877  
November 23, 1873-Letter to Emma from Ada Reichert [friend].  
December 15, 1873-Letter to Emma from Ida Hackley [cousin] from Lock Haven, PA.  
April 17, 1874-Letter to Emma from Ada Reichert from Lutherville, MD.  
April 25, 1874-Letter to Emma from Hattie Ridgely.  
April 30, 1874-Letter to Emma from Alice Wright [friend] from Mooresburg, TN.  
June 5, 1874-Letter to Emma from J.C. Steams from Cowan, PA.  
November 21, 1874-Letter to Emma from J.M.H. from Gettysburg, PA.  
June 5, 1876-Letter to Emma from Sarah C. Sadtles [friend]  
January 19, 1877-Letter to Emma from unknown.  
February 2, 1877-Letter to Emma from Alice Wright from Mooresburg, TN.  
September 20, 1877-Letter to Emma from Amy Sadtles [friend] from Lutherville, MD.  
October 19, 1877-Letter to Emma from T.H. Ridgely from Baltimore, MD regarding friends of Hattie.  
November 30, 1877-Letter to Emma from unknown.
- 6-10: Letters dated January 21, 1878-September 8, 1897  
January 21, 1878-Letter to Emma from unknown.  
February 5, 1882-Letter to Emma from Annie K. Flenner [friend] from Huntingdon, PA.  
February 13, 1882-Letter to Emma from H.M. Lentz from Mt. Morris, IL. Lentz graduated Gettysburg College in 1878.  
May 25, 1882-Letter to Emma from unknown from Center Hall, PA.  
May 28, 1883-Letter to Emma from Annie K. Flenner from Huntingdon, PA.  
March 2, 1884-Letter to Emma from Strawbridge and Clothier in Philadelphia, PA regarding dress samples.  
June 14, 1884-Letter from B.K. Focht from Lewisburg, PA.  
August 7, 1890-Letter to Emma from C.E. Foutz [friend].  
September 8, 1897-Letter to Emma from Lillie McClean [friend] from Gettysburg, PA.  
Undated-Letter to Emma from M.G. Valentine from Seminary Hill in Gettysburg.

## **Sub-series I: Emma Biklé to her children**

6-11: Letters dated October 11, 1892-September 9, 1896

October 11, 1892-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA  
Mentions the Board of Trustees

January 5, 1896-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

July 22, 1896-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

September 3, 1896-Letter from Emma to her children from Lewisburg, PA.

September 7, 1896-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

September 8, 1896-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

September 9, 1896-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

6-12: Letters dated January 4, 1897-January 23, 1897

January 4, 1897-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

January 4, 1897-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

January 9, 1897-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

Mentions Board of Trustees, Dr. McKnight, and Dr. Baugher.

January 13, 1897-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

January 13, 1897-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

January 18, 1897-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

Mention of President Hansen.

January 18, 1897-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

6-13: Letters dated September 9, 1897-September 16 1897 and three September 1897.

September 9, 1897-Letter from Emma to her children from Lewisburg, PA.

September 16, 1897-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

September 1897-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

September 1897-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

September 1897-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

6-14: Letters dated January 6, 1898-January 11, 1898

January 6, 1898-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

January 6, 1898-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

January 9, 1898-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

Emma's father is ill.

January 10, 1898-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

Emma attends the funeral of her grandmother.

January 11, 1898-Letter from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

Mentions Lutheran Seminary.

6-15: Undated letters

1898-Postcard from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.

1898-Letter from Emma to her children.  
Undated 1-postcard from Emma to her children from Mifflinburg, PA.  
Undated 2-letter from Emma to her children.  
Undated 3-letter from Emma to her children. Mention of the *Pennsylvania College Review*.  
Undated 4-Letter from Emma to her children.  
Undated 5-Letter from Emma to her children.  
Undated 6-Letter from Emma to her children.  
Undated 7-Letter from Emma to her children  
Undated 8-Letter from Emma to her children.

## **Box 7**

### **Series VI: Henry Wolf Biklé**

7-1: Emma and Henry Biklé Correspondence—January 27, 1888-January 17, 1891

January 21, 1887-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
January 6, 1889-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
Mention of McKnights.  
April 19, 1890-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
September 4, 1890-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
September 16, 1890-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
Mention of Dr. McKnight. Also included is a note from Philip M. on the bottom.  
September 18, 1890-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
Mention of Mrs. McKnight.  
January 9, 1891-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
Mention of McKnights and Nixons.  
January 17, 1891-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

7-2: Emma and Henry Biklé Correspondence—January 5, 1894-November 12, 1894

January 5, 1894-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
January 6, 1894-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
January 8, 1894-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
Mention of Dr. Baugher.  
January 10, 1894-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
January 12, 1894-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
January 15, 1894-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
January 19, 1894-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
Mentions Dr. Brown, describes Dr. Nixon's geometry class.  
January 20, 1894-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
January 20, 1894-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
November 12, 1894-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

7-3: Henry and Emma Biklé Correspondence—January 2, 1895-September 21, 1896

- January 2, 1895-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 5, 1895-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 11, 1895-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 24, 1895-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mention of Dr. Baugher.  
 January 11, 1896-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 20, 1896-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 September 21, 1896-Letter from Emma to Henry from Mifflinburg, PA.
- 7-4: Henry and Emma Biklé Correspondence—January 4, 1897-January 13, 1897  
 January 4, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 5, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 References Henry's initiation into Phi Kappa Psi.  
 January 8, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 8, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mentions college plays and upcoming lectures at the YMCA.  
 January 11, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 11, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Henry is nominated for Master of Ceremonies for Class Day.  
 January 12, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 13, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mentions class elections.  
 January 13, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.
- 7-5: Henry and Emma Biklé Correspondence—January 14, 1897-January 21, 1897  
 January 14, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 14, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 15, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mention of Dr. McKnight, Dr. Eisenhart, and the *College Monthly*.  
 January 15, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mention of a concert at the college.  
 January 18, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 19, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mention of class election.  
 January 19, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 January 20, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Mention of the Board of Trustees.  
 January 21, 1897-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA
- 7-6: Undated Henry Biklé Correspondence and one drawing  
 Undated (Friday morning)-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA. Mention of the *Mercury*, Judge McClean, and painting of the college church.  
 Undated 1-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Undated 2-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 September 10-Letter from Henry to Emma from Mifflinburg, PA.  
 Undated 3-Letter from Henry to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
 Undated-Letter to Henry from a friend.



Misc. drawing presumably by Henry Biklé of Lafayette's crossing at the Brooklyn Bridge.

**Series VII: Paul Harold Biklé**

7-7: Paul Biklé Correspondence—January 1891-undated 1895

January 7, 1891-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

January 5, 1894-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

March 30, 1894-Letter to Paul from Henry from Gettysburg, PA.

March 30, 1894-Letter to Paul from Emma from Gettysburg, PA. Mention of Dr. Breidenbaugh.

Friday 4, 1895-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Thursday 17, 1895-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Thursday, 24, 1895-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Friday, 25, 1895-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Saturday, 1895-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

7-8: Paul Biklé Correspondence—March 24, 1896-undated 1897

March 24, 1896-Letter from Paul to Emma from Mifflinburg, PA.

Saturday, 1896-Letter from Paul to Emma from Mifflinburg, PA. Mention of Dr. Baugher and Dr. Klinger.

Monday 20, 1896-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Tuesday, 1896-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

September 1, 1897-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Tuesday, 1897-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Wednesday, 1897-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Tuesday, 1897-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Thursday, 1897-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA. Mention of Professor Hines.

7-9: Paul Biklé Correspondence—Undated

Undated 1-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA. Mention of the *Mercury*.

Undated 2-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Undated 3-Letter from Paul to Emma from Mifflinburg, PA.

Undated 4-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Undated 5-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Undated 6-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Undated 7-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Undated 8-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Undated 9-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

7-10: Paul Biklé Correspondence—Undated

Undated 1-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Undated 2-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA. Mention of Dr. Stahley.

Undated 3-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Undated 4-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Undated 5-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Undated 6-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
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Undated 10-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.  
Undated 11-Letter from Paul to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

### **Series VIII: Philip Raymond Biklé**

7-11: Philip R. Biklé Correspondence-October 28, 1893-September 8, 1897 and 2 misc. newspaper articles

October 28, 1893-Letter to Philip R. from Philip M. Biklé regarding Philip Raymond's "newspaper," the Pennsylvania News.

February 2, 1895-Letter from Philip R. to Philip M. asking his "reporter [Philip M. Biklé] for notes.

June 25, 1895-Letter from Philip R. to Emma from Mifflinburg, PA

January 4, 1896-Letter from Philip R. to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

January 8, 1897-Letter to Philip R. from Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

January 12, 1897-Letter from Philip R. to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

January 13, 1897-Letter from Philip R. to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

Mention of skating on the Tiber.

January 14, 1897-Letter from Philip R. to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

January 19, 1897-Letter from Philip R. to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

September 6, 1897-Letter from Philip R. to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

September 8, 1897-Letter from Philip R. to Emma from Gettysburg, PA.

On back is a note from Philip M. Mention of freshman "rush."

September 30, 1897-Newspaper article regarding Philip R. Biklé's job as one of the first editors of the *Gettysburg Times*.

Undated-newspaper article about assault and battery of Philip R. Biklé.

### **Series IX: Miscellaneous**

7-12: Autograph book of Annie Wattles

7-13: Miscellaneous receipts, cards, and letter fragments

June 6, 1879-Telegraph from H.G. Wolf to Philip M. Biklé.

June 18, 1879-Receipt from Herman and Thorn Groceries, Gettysburg, PA.

June 20, 1880-Letter to Reverend H. Wifster from N.R. Graham, Ohio.

January 15, 1884-Receipt from John Wanamaker of Philadelphia.

January 17, 1884-Receipt from Houghton, Mifflin & CO, Boston.

March 8, 1884-Note from M.H. O'Neal from Gettysburg, PA.

May 16, 1887-two notes written about "The Child's Bible."

May 22, 1892-Telegraph from H.G. Wolf to Philip M. Biklé from Mifflinburg, PA.

May 26, 1893-Telegraph from Horace W. Biklé to Emma from Pittsburgh, PA.

January 1, 1894-Receipt from John Wanamaker from Philadelphia, PA.  
February 4, 1896-Calling cards from Mrs. Francis H. Walter and Cornelia L. Walter.  
January 14, 1897-Receipt from Gimbel Brothers from Philadelphia, PA.  
Certificate of a donation to the Home Mission Fund of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.  
Letter fragment from unknown from Lewisburg, PA.  
Letter fragment from Emma. Date unknown.  
Envelope addressed to Emma Biklé with a drawing.