

# **Guide to the Emery Huston Papers Relating to the 1920 Pikes Peak Hill Climb**

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**TITLE:** Emery Huston papers relating to the 1920 Pikes Peak Hill Climb

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**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 3 linear feet (2 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English (Latin script)

**SUMMARY:** Photograph album, scrapbook, and newspaper clippings collected by Joseph Emery Huston primarily documenting the use of Lexington automobiles in the 1920 Pikes Peak Hill Climb in Colorado. Materials relate to the Lexington Motor Company, the hillclimb, and drivers Otto Loesche and Al Cline. Some materials relate to the Ansted family.

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

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## Emery Huston

Following his graduation from Wabash College in 1913, Joseph Emery Huston (1891-1951) of Connersville, Indiana, became an advertising and assistant sales manager of the Lexington-Howard Company, manufacturers of the Lexington automobile.

Huston married Nelle Ansted (1890-1974) in 1914. Ansted's father, Edward Willard Ansted (1852-1917), had acquired the Lexington Motor Company in 1913. Edward Ansted's son, Frank B. Ansted (1884-1933), served as President of the company with Emery Huston as Vice President.

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## Pikes Peak Auto Hill Climb

The first Pikes Peak Auto Hill Climb (later known as the Pikes Peak International Hill Climb or The Race to the Clouds) took place in 1916 to publicize American entrepreneur and philanthropist Spencer Penrose's creation of the Pikes Peak Highway in Colorado. The second race took place in 1920, following World War I.

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## Lexington Motor Company

The Lexington Motor Company was founded in Lexington, Kentucky, in 1909. The Lexington automobile was manufactured in Connersville, Indiana, from 1910 to 1927. The company built two short-wheelbase race cars with Ansted engines for the 1920 Pikes Peak Hill Climb. The cars placed first and second with drivers Otto Loesche and Al Cline, respectively.

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## Scope and Contents

Photograph album, scrapbook, and newspaper clippings collected by Joseph Emery Huston primarily documenting the use of Lexington automobiles in the 1920 Pikes Peak Hill Climb in Colorado. Materials relate to the Lexington Motor Company, the hillclimb, and drivers Otto Loesche and Al Cline. Some materials relate to the Ansted family.

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## Arrangement

Organized into three series: I. Photographs, 1920-1957. II. Scrapbook, 1896-1919. III. Newspaper Clippings, 1914-1980.

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## Collection Contents

### Series I: Photographs, 1920-1957

Series I consists of a photograph album with loose materials removed from the album. Photographs are primarily of the two Lexington automobiles--with drivers Otto Loesche and Al Cline--that placed first and second in the Pikes Peak Hill Climb on 1920 September 8. Included is an undated lantern slide portrait of Emery Huston.

Series I is arranged chronologically following the album.

b. 1, f. 1	Photograph album	1920-1925
b. 1, f. 2	Hubbard, Elbert, "A Little Journey to Connersville"	circa 1914
b. 1, f. 3	Statement of account with Lexington Motor Company	1918
b. 1, f. 4	Revery poem dedicated to Edward Ansted Huston	1918?
b. 1, f. 5	Lewis, Reverend W. D. "The Anthem of Industry"	1918?
b. 1, f. 6	Thank you letter from the Ansted family	1918?
b. 1, f. 7	Lexington Motor Company, "The Personal Side of a Factory Family"	circa 1919
b. 1, f. 8	Letter from William B. Ansted, Jr. to Joseph E. Huston	1957 March 26
b. 1, f. 9	Huston, Emery, "Journey's End"	undated
b. 1, f. 155	Lantern slide portrait of Emery Huston	undated

**Series II: Scrapbook, 1896-1919, undated**

Series II consists of a scrapbook (now empty) and miscellaneous newspaper clippings and correspondence (removed from scrapbook).

Series II is not arranged in any particular order.

b. 1, f. 10	Scrapbook (empty)	undated
b. 1, f. 11	"In Society - Bridge Luncheon"	undated
b. 1, f. 12	Coolidge, Dr. Mary Roberts, "Ladies in the Making"	circa 1912
b. 1, f. 13	Galloway, Julia R. "My Lassie (To a June Bride)"	circa 1905
b. 1, f. 14	West, Phoebe, "Reflections"	undated
b. 1, f. 15	Mackay, Charles, "The Miller of the Dee"	undated
b. 1, f. 16	"Clio Club"; "Tri Kappa"	circa 1915
b. 1, f. 17	"F. B. Anstead Big Mogul," The Chicago Evening Post	1915 October 6
b. 1, f. 18	Letter from Ella Wood to Nelle Huston	circa 1915
b. 1, f. 19	Woollen, William Watson, "Believes Little Christmas Gifts Most Enjoyable," Indianapolis Sunday Star	circa 1917
b. 1, f. 20	"Christmas and its Meaning"	circa 1915
b. 1, f. 21	Letter to "Bernard" from his sibling	undated
b. 1, f. 22	Wilcox, Ella Wheeler, "A Wish"	circa 1919
b. 1, f. 23	Paine, Albert Bigelow, "The Parish School"	undated
b. 1, f. 24	"Monday Bridge"	1913 February 4
b. 1, f. 25	"Girls' Glee Club at South Central High School"	undated
b. 1, f. 26	"Sues for Large Amount"	undated
b. 1, f. 27	"The Thiebaud Scholarship"	circa 1919
b. 1, f. 28	Morris, "Did It Ever Occur to You?" The Spokesman-Review	circa 1907
b. 1, f. 29	Kipling, Rudyard, "Mother o' Mine"; Orred, Meta, "In the Gloaming"	undated
b. 1, f. 30	Williams, Charles Richard, "To Phyllis Pouring Tea"	circa 1905
b. 1, f. 31	Painted envelope	undated
b. 1, f. 32	"Sees Own Appendix Cut"	undated
b. 1, f. 33	"Brilliant Pre-Nuptial Affair"	undated
b. 1, f. 34	Envelope addressed to George W. Ansted	1896 February 15
b. 1, f. 35	Photograph of Mrs. Virginia G. Meredith	circa 1900

b. 1, f. 36	Photograph of John W. Burk, "President of Millers," The Cincinnati Times-Star	1906
b. 1, f. 37	"Quincy A. Mount Suddenly Called"	1915 March 6



**Series III: Newspaper Clippings, 1914-1980, undated**

Series III consists of newspaper clippings relating to the 1920 Pikes Peak Hill Climb and the Lexington Motor Company.

Series III is arranged chronologically.

b. 2 (Oversize), f. 156	"Mrs. W. B. Ansted Taken From Life"	1914 April 24
b. 2 (Oversize), f. 157	Front Page, The Evening News, Connersville, IN	1915 December 13
b. 2 (Oversize), f. 158	Page Three, Connersville Evening News	1915 December 13
b. 2 (Oversize), f. 159	Page Five, Connersville Evening News	1915 December 13
b. 1, f. 38	"Racing Camp Liven's Up As Mulford Arrives For Trials," The Evening Telegraph, Colorado Springs, CO	1920 August 21
b. 1, f. 39	"Racing Cars Petted Like Blooded Horses By Pilots," The Evening Telegraph, Colorado Springs, CO	1920 August 26
b. 1, f. 40	Gustin, Bruce A., "Speed Devils Are Tuning Up For Post Thrilling Race To Top Of Pike's Peak Sept. 6," The Denver Post	1920 August 29
b. 1, f. 41	Hall, Alco, "Thrills of Chase By Hun Plane Pale Before Those of Dash to Peak Summit," The Evening Telegraph, Colorado Springs, CO	1920 August 8
b. 1, f. 42	"Trial Race Time Secret Closely Held By Drivers," The Evening Telegraph, Colorado Springs, CO	1920 September 1
b. 1, f. 43	"Racers Test Cars for Big Race On Pike's Peak Tomorrow," Rocky Mountain News	1920 September 5
b. 1, f. 44	"Otto Loesche, in Lexington, Wins Pike's Peak Race"	1920 September 7
b. 1, f. 45	"Loesche Wins Hill Climb," The News, Indianapolis, IN	1920 September 7
b. 1, f. 46	"Loesche Wins Auto Classic in Snow-storm"	1920 September 7
b. 1, f. 47	Gustin, Bruce A., "Death Leers Thru Foggy Clouds As Drivers Speed To Peak's Top" (empty)	1920 September 8
b. 1, f. 48	"Loesche and Kline in Lexingtons are Victors," Indianapolis Star	1920 September 8
b. 1, f. 49	"Loeshe Victor of Hazardous Pikes Peak Race"	1920 September 8
b. 1, f. 50	"Pike's Peak Race Won By Loesche," Orange California News	1920 September 8

b. 1, f. 51	"Lexington Takes Hard Hill Climb," Pomona, CA Progress	1920 September 9
b. 1, f. 52	"Lexington Wins in Hill Climb," Los Angeles California Examiner	1920 September 10
b. 1, f. 53	"Lexingtons Win in Pike's Peak Hill-Climbing Contest," Stockton Cal. Record	1920 September 11
b. 1, f. 54	"Lexington Wins Pike's Peak Hill Climb," Modesto California News	1920 September 11
b. 1, f. 55	"Lexington Victors in Big Hill Climb," Cleveland News	1920 September 11
b. 1, f. 56	"Crowds at Station Would Hinder Plan," Connersville Indiana Examiner	1920 September 11
b. 1, f. 57	"Lexington Wins Pike's Peak Climbing Contest," Schenectady Union-Star	1920 September 11
b. 1, f. 58	"Line of March for Play Night Parade," Connersville Indiana Examiner	1920 September 11
b. 1, f. 59	"Lexingtons Take Honors, Both First and Second, In Pike's Peak Contest," San Diego Sun	1920 September 11
b. 1, f. 60	"Huston Brings a Broader Account," Connersville, IN Examiner	1920 September 11
b. 1, f. 61	"Celebrates Pike's Peak Lexington Victory," Boston Globe	1920 September 12
b. 1, f. 62	"Lexington Wins Pike's Peak Race," Charlotte North Carolina News	1920 September 12
b. 1, f. 63	"Lexingtons Win Famous Pike's Peak Hill Climb," The Illustrated Buffalo Express	1920 September 12
b. 1, f. 64	Terre Haute Indiana Tribute	1920 September 12
b. 1, f. 65	"Lexingtons Win Race Up Famous Pike's Peak," Milwaukee Sentinel	1920 September 12
b. 1, f. 66	"Lexington Heads Caravan to the Top Pike's Peak," Boise Idaho News	1920 September 12
b. 1, f. 67	"Lexington Scored Big Victory at Pike's Peak," The North American	1920 September 12
b. 1, f. 68	"Lexingtons Win Pike's Peak Climb," The New Orleans States	1920 September 12
b. 1, f. 69	"Lexingtons Win Famous Pike's Peak Climb," Terre Haute Tribune	1920 September 12
b. 1, f. 70	"Lexingtons Win Pike's Peak Race," The New York Morning Telegraph	1920 September 12

b. 1, f. 71	"Lexington Auto in Pike's Peak Hill Climb," The New York Morning Telegraph	1920 September 12
b. 1, f. 72	"Fete Race Drivers Today," The Indianapolis Star	1920 September 13
b. 1, f. 73	"Lexington Wins Race up Pike's Peak," Greensburg, PA Tribune	1920 September 14
b. 1, f. 74	"Connersville Fetes Hill Climb Victors," Indianapolis Indiana Times	1920 September 15
b. 1, f. 75	"Welcome Race Winners Home," The Morning Star	1920 September 15
b. 1, f. 76	"Mulford Gets Up At Last," Colorado Springs Telegraph	1920 September 16
b. 1, f. 77	"Lexington Cars Made Great Record," San Diego Tribune	1920 September 18
b. 1, f. 78	"Lexington Cars Made Great Record," San Diego Tribune	1920 September 18
b. 1, f. 79	"Lexingtons in Two Victories"	1920 September 18
b. 1, f. 80	"Famous Labor Day Classic is Won By Lexington Cars Despite Keen Competition," San Diego Sun	1920 September 18
b. 1, f. 81	"Lexington Victory Deep Significance," Duluth Minnesota Herald	1920 September 18
b. 1, f. 82	"Lexington's Climb Feat Making New Hill Record," Binghamton, NY Press	1920 September 18
b. 1, f. 83	"Long Roll," Connersville, IN Examiner	1920 September 18
b. 1, f. 84	"Famous Hill Climb Won By Lexington," Buffalo Sunday Times	1920 September 18
b. 1, f. 85	"Lex Victory of Deep Significance," The New York Morning Telegraph	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 86	"Lexingtons Win Honors in Climb Up Pike's Peak"	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 87	"Great Significance Attached to Climb," Buffalo Sunday Times	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 88	"Drivers Face Many Dangers in Hill Climb," The Cincinnati Commercial Tribune	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 89	"Lexingtons Win Pike's Peak Climb," The Cleveland Press	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 90	"Annex Pike's Peak Climb," Los Angeles Times	1920 September 19

b. 1, f. 91	"Pike's Peak Climb Had Big Entry," Oakland California Tribune	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 92	"Annex Pike's Peak Climb"	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 93	"Lexington Winner in Pike's Peak Climb," Columbus Ohio Journal	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 94	"They Led the Field Up Pike's Peak," Cleveland Ohio Dealer	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 95	"Pike's Peak Climb is Becoming Auto Classic," New Orleans Item	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 96	"Lexington Victory of Deep Significance," Charlottle North Carolina Observer	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 97	"Lexington [...]," Philadelphia Record	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 98	"They Led the Field Up Pike's Peak," Cleveland Ohio Dealer	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 99	"Modern Version of Pike's Peak or Bust!" Seattle Sunday Times	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 100	"Lexington Climb Victor," Portland Oregonian	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 101	"Lexington Victory at Pike's Peak of Deep Significance," Wheeling News	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 102	"Lexington Won," Columbus, OH Dispatch	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 103	"What Pike's Peak Hill Climb Involves," Terre Haute Tribune	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 104	"Lexington Sport Models Winners," Portland Journal	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 105	"Lexington Win of Deep Significance," Dayton, OH News	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 106	"Explains Pike's Peak Climb By Lexington," The Boston Globe	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 107	"Lexington Win Famous Pike's Peak Hill Climb," Charleston, W. Va. Gazette	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 108	"Excellent Record Made By Lexingtons," San Diego Union	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 109	"'Lex' Victory of Deep Significance," Nashville, TN Banner	1920 September 19
b. 1, f. 110	"Pike's Peak Climb Won By Lexington," Asheville, NC Citizen	1920 September 19

b. 1, f. 111	Birmingham, Walter A., "Hometown Out to Honor Heroes of Pike's Peak"	1920 September 22
b. 1, f. 112	Birmingham, Walter A., "Hometown Out to Honor Heroes of Pike's Peak," Chicago Post	1920 September 22
b. 1, f. 113	"Velie 34 Climbs Pike's Peak in Race," The News, Minneapolis, MN	1920 September 25
b. 1, f. 114	"Sister Car of Pike's Peak Climb Champions," Minneapolis, MN Journal	1920 September 26
b. 1, f. 115	"Lexingtons Win Pike's Peak," Detroit, MI Press	1920 September 26
b. 1, f. 116	"Pike's Peak Climb Is Full Of Thrills," Oklahoma City, OK	1920 September 26
b. 1, f. 117	"Pike's Peak Climb Of Significance"	1920 September 26
b. 1, f. 118	"Lexington The Victor At Peak," Richmond, IN Item	1920 September 26
b. 1, f. 119	"Lexington Victory at Pike's Peak of Deep Significance," Boise, ID News	1920 September 26
b. 1, f. 120	"Pike's Peak Climb Is Made This Year Amid Difficulties," Boise, ID News	1920 September 26
b. 1, f. 121	"Notes on the Show," Cincinnati Commercial Tribune	1920 September 29
b. 1, f. 122	Article in Cincinnati, OH Newspaper	1920 September 29
b. 1, f. 123	"Pikes Peak or Bust" and "Pleasure Cars Assemble on the Summit of Pike's Peak, 14000 Feet Above Sea Level"	1920 September
b. 1, f. 124	Gustin, Bruce A., "Stage is Set For Speed Classic to Pike's Peak Summit, Monday"	1920 September
b. 1, f. 125	"Handsome Silver and Gold Trophy for the Pike's Peak Motor Races"	1920 September
b. 1, f. 126	"Notes of the Auto"	1920 September
b. 1, f. 127	"Lexington Welcomes Pike's Peak Winners"	1920 September
b. 1, f. 128	"Lexington Wins Famous Pike's Peak Hill Climb," Tampa, FL Examiner	1920 September
b. 1, f. 129	"Lexingtons Win Famous Pike's Peak Hill Climb"	1920 September
b. 1, f. 130	"Lexington Cars Win Victory in Mountain Climb"	1920 September
b. 1, f. 131	"Lexingtons That Won Pike's Peak Climb," The New York Morning Telegraph	1920 October 3
b. 1, f. 132	Ansted, Frank B., "Photographs By Wire To Be Next Wonder of Age," El Paso, TX Sunday Times	1920 October 3
b. 1, f. 133	"Winning Auto in Toledo," The News-Bee	1920 October 8

b. 1, f. 134	"Lexington Thorobreds Capture High Honors" The Toledo Blade	1920 October 8
b. 1, f. 135	"Lexington Car and Driver Who Won Pike's Peak Climbing Contest Attract Interest Here"	1920 October 10
b. 1, f. 136	"Lexingtons Win Famous Pike's Peak Hill Climb," The Reporter	1920 October 11
b. 1, f. 137	"Sets Gates Mill Record," The Cleveland Press	1920 October 16
b. 1, f. 138	"Winner of Pike's Peak Climb Now In Boston," The Boston Globe	1920 October 17
b. 1, f. 139	"Lexington Pike's Peak Publicity"	1920
b. 1, f. 140	"Lexingtons Win Grueling Pike's Peak Climb"	1920
b. 1, f. 141	"Lexington Wins Pike's Peak Race"	1920
b. 1, f. 142	"Lexington's Win Famous Pike's Peak Hill Climb"	1920
b. 1, f. 143	"Lexington Wins Pike's Peak Race"	1920
b. 1, f. 144	List of car numbers	1920
b. 1, f. 145	"Ansted To Stage Celebration For Contest Victors"	1920
b. 1, f. 146	Spillane, Robert F., "Lexington Cars Win Hard Test at Pike's Peak"	1920
b. 1, f. 147	"Cup Holder Wants Chance in Races, But Is Too Late"	1920
b. 1, f. 148	"Many Lexington Tourists Arrive in City"	1920
b. 1, f. 149	"Reporter Given Real THrill as Speed Fiends Whisk Him Round Turns To Top Of Peak," The Gazette, Colorado Springs, CO	1920
b. 1, f. 150	"Excellent Record Made By Lexingtons"	1920
b. 1, f. 151	"Greatest Crowd Yet on Peak Yesterday"	1920
b. 1, f. 152	"Greatest Crowd Yet On Peak Yesterday"	1920
b. 1, f. 153	Article about the Pike's Peak race	1920
b. 1, f. 154	"Auto Racing Star Coming to Toledo"	1920
b. 2 (Oversize), f. 160	Front Page, Connersville News-Examiner	1923 August 3
b. 2 (Oversize), f. 161	Walters, H. Max, "Grinding Wheels Have Colorful Background," Connersville News-Examiner	1973 November 8
b. 2 (Oversize), f. 162	"Lexington Car Produced Here in Early 1900's," Connersville News-Examiner	1980 February 11
b. 2 (Oversize), f. 163	"The Passing of the Tea Towel - By the Country Contributor"	undated
b. 2 (Oversize), f. 164	"Connersville, Indiana, A Thriving Industrial City and Seat of Fayette County, In Pictures"	undated

b. 2 (Oversize), f. "Connersville, Indiana, A Thriving Industrial City and Seat of Fayette County, In      undated  
165      Pictures"

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## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Geographic Names**

Colorado -- Pictorial works  
Pikes Peak (Colo.) -- Pictorial works

### **Subjects**

Automobile racing -- Colorado -- Pictorial works  
Hillclimbing (Automobile racing) -- Colorado -- Pictorial works  
Lexington automobiles -- Pictorial works  
Pikes Peak Race to the Clouds -- Pictorial works

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Lexington Motor Company

### **Names**

Cline, Al -- Portraits

### **Families**

Ansted family

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