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Descriptive Summary

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Language

The materials in the collection are in English.

Abstract

The Doctor V. Jewell Account Books detail the customer accounts of a Montgomery County, Virginia general store as well as staff and customers of Crockett Springs Hotel, also in Montgomery County.

Extent

0.7 Cubic Feet 3 boxes

Repository

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

Administrative Information

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Source of Acquisition

The Doctor V. Jewell Account Books were donated to the university in 1939 or 1940 and transferred to Special Collections and University Archives in 1955.

Processing Information

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Biographical Note

Doctor Valentine Jewell was born in Floyd County, Virginia, on September 12, 1885, to parents Commodore H. and Arena Ellen Shank Jewell. He married Effie Myrtle Hoback Sisson (1890-1962), the daughter of Noah and Gillie Ann Sowers Hoback, in 1910. The Jewells had one child, an adopted son named Trent Lee Jewell (1920-1938). The 1930 census describes Doctor V. Jewell as a general store merchant, residing in Montgomery County's Elliston township. Jewell died on July 5, 1942, and is buried in Montgomery County's Piedmont Cemetery.

Scope and Content

This collection contains account books maintained by Doctor V. Jewell, a Montgomery County, Virginia general store merchant and, with his wife, manager of the Crockett Springs Hotel near Shawsville.

Included is a ledger covering the years 1898-1900, and showing the accounts of the hotel employees, with one column showing charges to individual staff members for goods purchased, uniforms, and breakages, and the other column showing wage credits (with most being paid \$.50 per day). The back of the volume contains several pages on which the 1899 wage expenses of the hotel have been grouped by labor type (dining room, livery, kitchen, and laundry), including the total amount paid to each worker.

The collection also includes two ledgers, for the years 1898-1900, detailing customer accounts and containing names, dates, and charges for such things as boarding, transportation, and laundry. The second of these ledgers contains an illustrated brochure for the Crockett Springs Hotel.

Also contained in the collection is a single account book relating to Jewell's general store. The first section of the volume details customer accounts, including names, dates, items purchased and prices paid. The latter half of the ledger seems to relate to the store's accounts with banks and other businesses. The back of the ledger contains several business documents, consisting mostly of invoices and receipts.

Keywords

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Arrangement

The collection is arranged by ledger type.

Description of Subordinate Components

Hotel staff accounts

Unit Date 1899-1900

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Hotel customer accounts

Unit Date 1898-1899

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Hotel customer accounts

Unit Date 1900-1902

box-folder 2 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

General store accounts

Unit Date 1908-1923

box-folder 3 (box)

Container 1 (folder)