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Descriptive Summary

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Language

The materials in the collection are in English.

Abstract

This collection includes the papers of Floyd Gray, Bedford County Republican Committee chairman and distillery general storekeeper-gauger for the Internal Revenue Service. It includes correspondence and notes relating both to Gray's political activities and his civil service work. Also includes personal correspondence and financial records.

Creator

Gray, Floyd, 1867-1941

Extent

0.5 Cubic Feet 1 box

Repository

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

Administrative Information

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Source of Acquisition

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Processing Information

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Biographical Note

Floyd Gray, civil servant and Bedford County Republican Committee chairman, was born in Bedford County, Virginia on September 25, 1867. The son of Mercer H. and Ann Jane W. Robertson Gray, Floyd Gray played an active role in local politics and became chairman of the county's Republican Party committee in 1896. Around 1903, Gray was appointed a general storekeeper-gauger, charged with overseeing the operation and taxation of distilleries in Virginia's sixth internal revenue district. Because his civil service position forbade an active role in politics, Gray resigned from the chairmanship of the county's Republican organization in 1904. He was succeeded as chairman by his brother, W. B. Gray, but apparently continued to be the driving force behind the party's county organization. Floyd Gray died in Bedford County on December 5, 1941 and is buried in Gray Cemetery.

Scope and Content

This collection contains the papers of Floyd Gray, a local Republican Party official and civil servant from Bedford County, Virginia. The collection contains correspondence and notes relating to Gray's work as chairman of the Bedford County Republican Party Committee, including many letters regarding party organization and appeals for assistance in obtaining local civil service positions. (A number of letters to W. B. Gray, who succeeded his brother as chair of the committee, are included as well.) The collection also contains correspondence, duty assignments and reports from Gray's general storekeeper-gauger civil service position. A small number of Gray's personal correspondence and financial records (including receipts, account statements, deeds, etc.) completes the collection.

Keywords

Bedford County (Va.)

Local/Regional History and Appalachian South

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Arrangement

The collection is arranged by subject matter, then chronologically.

Description of Subordinate Components

Bedford County Republican Committee

Unit Date 1902-1906, n.d.

Unit Date 1902

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Unit Date 1903

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Unit Date 1904

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Unit Date Jan-Jun 1905

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Unit Date Jul-Dec 1905

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Unit Date 1906, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

General storekeeper-gauger

Unit Date 1903-1908, n.d.

Unit Date Jan-Aug 1903

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Unit Date Sep-Dec 1903

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Unit Date Jan-Jun 1904

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Unit Date Jul-Dec 1904

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Unit Date 1905-1908, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Personal correspondence and notes

Unit Date 1901-1905, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Personal financial records

Unit Date 1895-1908, n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

