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## Descriptive Summary

### Unit ID

Ms.2023.072

### Unit Date

1945-1960

### Language

The material in this collection is in English.

### Abstract

The G. C. Bales Tourist Camp Collection contains tourist ledgers and ephemera related to the Southwest Virginia Co-op.

### Extent

1.4 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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## Preferred Citation

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# Biographical / Historical

Groseclose, Virginia is named for Henry Casper Groseclose (1892-1955), also known as the Father of the Future Farmers of America. Groseclose taught at Virginia Polytechnic Institute (VPI) where he helped found the Future Farmers of Virginia, which ended up being the framework for the Future Farmers of America. Groseclose served as the FFA's executive secretary from 1928-1930 and the treasurer from 1930-1941.

External source:

"Henry Casper Groseclose", findagrave.com, <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/38452474/henry-casper-groseclose/photo>, accessed on July 18, 2023.

# Scope and Content

The G. C. Bales Tourist Camp Collection contains tourist ledgers and ephemera related to the Southwest Virginia Co-op. The ledgers contain tourist's names, address, cabin number, and vehicle information. The collection also includes a small group of ephemera containing stations, post cards, a P. O. Box key from G. C. Bales, receipts, and a newsletter.

# Keywords

Local/Regional History and Appalachian South

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# Arrangement

The material in this collection is arranged by material type.

# Description of Subordinate Components

## Ledgers

**G. C. Bales Ledger****Unit Date** 1945**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 1 (folder)**G. C. Bales Ledger****Unit Date** 1949-1950**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 2 (folder)**G. C. Bales Ledger****Unit Date** 1950-1951**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 3 (folder)**G. C. Bales Ledger****Unit Date** 1953-1954**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 4 (folder)**G. C. Bales Ledger****Unit Date** 1954-1955**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 5 (folder)**G. C. Bales Ledger****Unit Date** 1955-1956**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 6 (folder)**G. C. Bales Ledger****Unit Date** 1956-1957**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 7 (folder)**B. C. Bales Ledger****Unit Date** 1957-1958**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 8 (folder)**Ephemera****Mailbox Ephemera****Unit Date** Undated**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 10 (folder)**Postcards****Unit Date** Undated**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 11 (folder)

**Blank Stationary**

**Unit Date** Undated

**box-folder** 2 (box)

**Container** 12 (box)

**Dry Cleaning Receipts**

**Unit Date** 1955

**box-folder** 2 (box)

**Container** 13 (folder)

**Southwest Virginia Co-op Newsletter**

**Unit Date** 1955

**box-folder** 2 (box)

**Container** 14 (folder)