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1916-1917

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Abstract

The Affidavits for Ardent Spirits Collection, 1916-1917, consists of one Hollinger box of records documenting the inventory, sale, and transport of alcohol for medicinal purposes in Rockingham County. The collection references carrier companies such as Southern Express, Adams Express, and Wells Fargo, and local pharmacies and druggists such as Elkton Bottling Co., Aldhizer & Son Druggists, and Fletcher's Pharmacy.

source

Harrisonburg-Rockingham Historical Society

Extent

0.33 cubic feet 1 box

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Acquisition Information

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Historical Note

On March 10, 1916, the General Assembly of Virginia passed Chapter 146, an act foreshadowing the 18th Amendment of 1920. In this act, the General Assembly defined ardent spirits and went on to prohibit their manufacture, sale, transportation for sale, and general distribution. It further regulated the sale of alcohol for medicinal purposes by requiring those business who were allowed, by court license, to sell alcohol to file a monthly report, or inventory, of their alcohol on hand. This act was not written to prevent manufacture for consumption; it was intended to stimulate Virginia's temperance movement.

Chapter 146 was strengthened on March 19, 1918 with the passage of Chapter 388, which required that common carriers of ardent spirits be required to keep their records of quantities transported in an alphabetical file box. This was to include affidavits attesting to whom the alcohol was shipped, the amount and kind received, the date of delivery, and the cosignee. Both of these acts were repealed, however, with the passage of Chapter 403, section 504 (March 20, 1920), which required that the clerk of the circuit court of each county keep these affidavits in an alphabetically arranged book; therefore relieving the transportation companies of the duty.

Scope and Content

The Affidavits for Ardent Spirits Collection, 1916-1917, consists of one Hollinger box of records arranged in two series: Affidavits and General Documents.

Series 1: Affidavits, 1916-1917, documents the individual to whom the alcohol was shipped, the amount and kind received, the date of delivery, and the cosignee. Most affidavits are from the carrier companies Southern Express, Adams Express, and Wells Fargo. They are alphabetically arranged by county locale and further organized chronologically. Due to their smaller size (4" x 6"), they are filed vertically and separated by tabs in lieu of folders. Oversize affidavits are foldered separately.

Series 2: General Documents, 1916-1917, consist of a single folder of monthly alcohol inventories from pharmacies and druggists such as Elkton Lithia Bottling Co., Aldhizer & Sons Druggists, and Fletcher's Pharmacy.

Keywords

Alcohol -- Law and legislation

Liquor laws -- Virginia
License system -- Virginia -- Rockingham County
Prohibition -- Virginia
Temperance
Affidavits
Virginia (Title of work: Ardent Spirits Act of 1916.)
Virginia (Title of work: Ardent Spirits Act of 1918.)
Virginia (Title of work: Ardent Spirits Act of 1920.)
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Bibliography

Acts and Joint Resolutions of the General Assembly of the State of Virginia, Sessions of 1916, 1918, 1920. Richmond: Davis Bottom, Superintendent of Public Printing, 1916, 1918, 1920, respectively. LAW: Laws, Statutes, Codes.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged in two series. Series 1 is arranged alphabetically by county locale and further organized chronogically.

- Affidavits, 1916-1917
- General Documents, 1916-1917

Description of Subordinate Components

Affidavits

Unit ID 1

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2494

Unit Date 1916-1917

Bridgewater

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2495

Unit Date 1916-1917

Mixed Materials [1000886545] 1 (box)

Container 1 (Tab)

Broadway

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2496

Unit Date 1916-1917

Mixed Materials [1000886545] 1 (box)

Container 2 (Tab)

Daphna

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2497

Unit Date 1916-1917

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Container 3 (Tab)

Dayton

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2498

Unit Date 1916-1917

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Container 4 (Tab)

Elkton

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2499

Unit Date 1916 December 2-1917 June 16

Mixed Materials [1000886545] 1 (box)

Container 5 (Tab)

Elkton

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2500

Unit Date 1917 June 16-June 30

Mixed Materials [1000886545] 1 (box)

Container 6 (Tab)

Grottoes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2501

Unit Date 1916-1917

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Container 7 (Tab)

Harrisonburg

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2502

Unit Date 1916 December 19-1917 June 6

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Harrisonburg

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2503

Unit Date 1917 June 8-June 25

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Harrisonburg

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2504

Unit Date 1917 June 26-June 30

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Container 10 (Tab)

Island Ford

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2505

Unit Date 1916-1917

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Container 11 (Tab)

Keezletown

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2506

Unit Date 1916-1917

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Container 12 (Tab)

Linville

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2507

Unit Date 1916-1917

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Container 13 (Tab)

McGaheysville

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2508

Unit Date 1916-1917

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Container 14 (Tab)

Penn Laird

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Unit Date 1916-1917

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Container 15 (Tab)

Rockingham (unspecified)

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2510

Unit Date 1916-1917

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Container 16 (Tab)

Timberville

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2511

Unit Date 1916-1917

Mixed Materials [1000886545] 1 (box)

Container 17 (Tab)

Oversize Affidavits

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2512

Unit Date 1916-1917

Mixed Materials [1000886545] 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Broadway and Harrisonburg

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2513

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Container 1A (folder)

Mt. Crawford

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2514

Mixed Materials [1000886545] 1 (box)

Container 1B (folder)

Penn Laird

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2515

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Container 1C (folder)

Pleasant Valley

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2516

Mixed Materials [1000886545] 1 (box)

Container 1D (folder)

Port Republic

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2517

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Container 1E (folder)

General Documents

Unit ID 2

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2518

Unit Date 1916-1917

General Documents

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/2519

Unit Date 1916-1917

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