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Scope and Contents

The collection includes just over 320 postcards from the 1900s through the 1970s, photographs, and additional family papers.

The initial accession includes roughly 160 West Virginia postcards dating from the 1900s through the 1970s, with and without messages, both black & white and color. Images include landscape scenery and buildings across West Virginia. Also includes approximately 60 early 20th century holiday greeting postcards (ca. 1900-1935). Many of the postcards are written to members of the Jones family of Buckhannon, WV: Ralph Jones and his parents, May/Mae and Fay F. Jones. Collection also includes three mounted photos dated 1918, showing Student Army Training Corps (SATC) of West Virginia Wesleyan College--two images include Ralph Jones.

The addendum of 2017 March includes roughly 42 postcards. This addendum includes one black and white photo postcard from Buckhannon labeled "The Depot March 13, 1918" that shows street flooding; six black and white photo postcards from 1961 of Camp Horseshoe, a state YMCA camp in Parsons, WV; roughly 35 contemporary color postcards with various West Virginia scenes; and a souvenir folder of postcard-style images of Wheeling, WV (undated). Note that the postcard with the fake potato on a truck includes Ralph Jones, standing second from right.

The addendum of 2017 May includes approximately 64 postcards (ca. 1907-1956), a US Army discharge paper for Walter S. Jones (1919), and a group photo of local West Virginia Wesleyan sorority Chi Kappa Alpha (Eugenia Eib, wife of Ralph Jones, is 6th from left in glasses; ca. 1926). Eugenia took classes at West Virginia Wesleyan, WVU, and Salem College, but did not matriculate. Also included are digital copies of an obituary for Eugenia Eib Jones and a tribute article documenting her contributions to 4-H (1993), as well as her WVU honorary cadet captain certificate (1926).

The addendum of 2017 June includes two "Memories" yearbooks from Lost Creek High School, 1921 and

1922, the junior and senior years for Eugenia Eib; 9 postcards showing WV scenes (ca. 1927-1952, undated); two group portraits including Ralph Jones (ca. 1906-1912); Ralph Jones' diplomas from grammar school, high school, and college (1914-1922); and the Buckhannon High School diploma of Ralph's mother (1897).

The addendum of 2025 August includes a Harrison County, Virginia (now West Virginia) land grant to Israel Brown. This farmland was acquired by the donor's maternal great grandfather (family name Eib) by inheritance and purchase.

The addendum of 2025 December 9 includes assorted ephemera and photographs, including two visitors' passes to the United States House of Representatives and a visitors' pass to the United States Senate (1953); two tickets to the 1953 presidential inauguration; assorted brochures on Summersville, WV, locations; and other material. Also includes several photographs of accordion groups and other youth music groups in the Summersville area.

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Postcards

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