



John Elmer McKinzie Business Ledgers (CG0029)

Collection Number: CG0029

Collection Title: John Elmer McKinzie Business Ledgers

Dates: 1922-1940

Creator: McKinzie, John Elmer, 1892-1995

Abstract: Three business ledgers from the farming and saw mill business of John Elmer McKinzie of Marquand, Missouri, from 1922-1940.

Collection Size: 0.9 cubic feet
(3 oversize ledgers)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Historical Note:

John Elmer McKinzie was born on February 14, 1892 at Marquand, Missouri, to William Christopher McKinzie and Sarah Jolly McKinzie. The family lived for a few years in

Washington state and Kentucky. They moved to Kentucky after the death of John's mother, Sarah, in 1912. When the United States entered World War I, McKinzie enlisted in the 5th Company, 2nd Division, 159th Depot Brigade on August 27, 1918. He saw little service before the Armistice was declared in November. He was honorably discharged on December 15, 1918.

McKinzie married Helen Elizabeth Stebelton on July 5, 1919 in Tiptonville, Tennessee. They had four children: Raymond Elmer, Opal, Helen, and Betty Lou. Raymond died in service to his country at the age of 18 on May 19, 1945, in the Philippines.

John and Helen moved to Zalma, Missouri, soon after their marriage. He opened a sawmill with his brother Bill before buying his own portable machine. In the 1930s, he bought a store and gas station in Fredericktown. He ran the store with his wife for about five years before moving, briefly, to Jackson, Missouri. He ended up residing in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, where he lived until passing away at the age of 103 on February 20, 1995. He is buried in Oak Hill Cemetery in Poplar Bluff.

Arrangement:

The collection is arranged chronologically.

Scope and Content Note: The three business ledgers of John Elmer McKinzie from his saw mill business in Marquand, Missouri, from 1922 to 1940. The account ledgers include expenses, employees, amount of lumber sanded, and poultry records.

Container List:

Box 001	v. 1	Ledger, 1936-1937
	v. 2	Ledger, 1937-1940
	v. 3	Ledger, 1922-1939 (includes poultry record)

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