



## C.V. Criss Papers (C0246)

**Collection Number:** C0246

**Collection Title:** C.V. Criss Papers

**Dates:** 1894-1920

**Creator:** Criss, Curtis V., 1851-1926

**Abstract:** Papers concerned with the Sedalia District Quarterly Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Criss was the district superintendent.

**Collection Size:** 0.2 cubic feet  
(6 folders)

**Language:** Collection materials are in English.

**Repository:** The State Historical Society of Missouri

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### **Historical Note:**

Reverend Curtis V. Criss was the district superintendent of the Sedalia, Missouri, district of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Criss was born in Florence, Pennsylvania, on November 11, 1851. He married Mary Alice Toland and they moved to Missouri in 1879. The couple had two

children: Vance Curtis and Mary Susanna. Rev. Criss died on September 11, 1926, and is buried in Springfield, Missouri.

**Arrangement:**

The collection has been arranged by material type.

**Scope and Content Note:**

The C.V. Criss Papers include miscellaneous papers, sermon, and account books concerning the Sedalia, Missouri, district quarterly conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The collection also contains local newspapers, conference programs, and other printed materials.

**Container List:**

- f. 1 Receipts and member lists, 1904-1915
- f. 2 Account book; two notebooks recording sermons preached, n.d.
- f. 3 Newspapers reporting on church conferences, 1905, 1917
- f. 4 Conference programs, 1911, 1912, 1915; *Catechism of the Methodist Episcopal Church*, 1852; Reprint: *Christian Experience*, Benjamin Franklin, n.d.
- f. 5 *Bible Gems*, 1889; Voting tablet for General Conference Delegates, 1920; Clergyman's Pocket Diary, 1896
- f. 6 Six volumes: District Superintendent's Record Book, 1911-1916

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