



**L. L. Wittich, “Joplin News Herald’s Zinc and Lead Handbook”
Collection
(R0275)**

Collection Number: R0275

Collection Title: L. L. Wittich, “Joplin News Herald’s Zinc and Lead Handbook” Collection

Dates: 1916

Creator: Wittich, Lucius L., 1882-1916

Abstract: The L. L. Wittich, “Joplin News Herald’s Zinc and Lead Handbook” Collection contains a pamphlet concerning the zinc and lead industries and mineral production in the Joplin District of Missouri, Oklahoma, and Kansas. Included are production figures for mines and mining companies in the Joplin District, and statistics on the international production, pricing, and consumption of zinc and lead.

Collection Size: 0.01 cubic foot
(1 folder)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Rolla](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at rolla@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Donor Information: The collection was donated to the University of Missouri by Karl L. Koelker on May 23, 1980 (Accession No. RA0011).

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the L. L. Wittich, “Joplin News Herald’s Zinc and Lead Handbook” Collection can be found in the following collections:

Karl L. Koelker Papers (R0011)

Joplin Globe Magazine Collection (R0621)

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Historical Note:

The Joplin District as described in the handbook consisted of Jasper, Lawrence, and Newton counties in Missouri, Cherokee County, Kansas, and Ottawa County, Oklahoma. Joplin was the hub of the district, although mining development in 1916 was greatest around Webb City, Missouri.

Lucius Lee Wittich was born on August 10, 1882 in Franklin County, Arkansas to Colonel Lucius L. and Charlotte *Berry* Wittich. The family moved to Carthage, Missouri when Lucius was an infant. He worked as a newspaper reporter, working for the *Los Angeles Times* before moving to Alton. He later moved to Joplin, Missouri where he joined the editorial staff at the *Joplin Globe* and then became the mining editor and advertising soliciter for the *News Herald*. In 1903, Lucius married Grace Lawder and the couple had two children, Porter and Katherine. Lucius died on June 26, 1916.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged in its original order.

Scope and Content Note:

The zinc and lead handbook for 1916 was the second annual edition published by the *Joplin News Herald*. Sold at a nominal cost of twenty-five cents per copy, sales revenues were augmented by advertising subscriptions. The handbook contains statistical information through 1915 on many aspects of the lead and zinc industries. Much of the information is presented in tabular form for easy comparisons of local, regional, and international trends. Twenty-four mining camps in the Tri-State region are noted. A separate index to advertisers in the handbook is also included.

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