



Shannon County Records (R1415)

Collection Number: R1415

Collection Title: Shannon County Records

Dates: 1858-1915

Creator: Lowe, James L.

Abstract: The Shannon County Records consist of tax and deed documents for a variety of people living in Shannon County during the 19th and early 20th century, including Robert I. Davis the proprietor of the Rose Cliff Hotel which was located on the Current River.

Collection Size: 0.02 cubic foot
(2 folders)

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 documents were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by James L. and Imogene Lowe on February 15, 1998 (Accession No. RA0694).

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Shannon County Records can be found in the following collections:

Rose Cliff Hotel Collection (R0594)

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Historical Note:

Dr. Robert Isaiah Davis was born in December 1870, in DeKalb, Alabama, to Anaxa Gorus Davis (1844-1941) and Mary Jane Horton (1847-1931). On June 4, 1903, he married Lillian Annie McCloud (1881-1925). They had no children and she passed away in her early 40s. Robert Davis practiced as a fully licensed medical doctor, but he also ran the Rose Cliff Hotel in Van Buren, Missouri along the Current River. The hotel opened sometime between 1927 and 1929 and soon became a well-known landmark. The hotel was visited by many important Missourians such as Thomas Hart Benton, Dan Saults, Governor Forrest Donnell, Leonard Hall, and others. The Rose Cliff closed in the 1960s and burned to the ground during restoration in the 1980s. Robert Davis died on July 2, 1956, and is buried in Oak Forest Cemetery in Birch Tree, Missouri.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged in its original order in one folder.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection consists of eight tax documents and deeds for a variety of people living during the time period 1858-1915. Included in the collection are papers pertaining to Robert Isaiah Davis, a medical doctor and proprietor of the Rose Cliff Hotel which was located on the Current River.

Container List:

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- f. 2 Tax documents, 1901-1909

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