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Descriptive Inventory

#### MSS 136 JACKSON, William Neel, 1899-1993

1 box. 12 folders. 62 items. 1902-1993. Originals and photocopies.

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#### **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

William Neel Jackson was born in Warren County, Kentucky, on 15 October 1899, to William Alonzo (Lon) Jackson and Mamie (Neel) Jackson. He first attended Smithland School, a one room school in Warren County. In 1918, the family moved to Bowling Green where they resided on Twelfth Street. Jackson attended Bowling Green's Ogden College for a brief time and then registered for service in the Army, but World War I ended before he was drafted. On 24 October 1921, he married Dorothy May Gadd whom he had met at a church picnic.

His first job was working in a restaurant at the L & N Depot in Bowling Green. He then took a job with Bowling Green's Hill Hardware Company. Jackson's employment in the electric utility realm began in Bowling Green in 1929, when he was hired by the Kentucky-Tennessee Light and Power Company. During the year 1940, Kentucky Utilities purchased the company and transferred Jackson to Lebanon Junction, Kentucky, as a manager. Jackson remained there until 1944, when he moved to Danville as manager of the Inter-County Rural Electric Co-Op Corporation. After his retirement in 1966, Jackson and his wife returned to Bowling Green.

Throughout his lifetime, Jackson was deeply involved in community service. He served as trustee for the Central Baptist Hospital, secretary-treasurer of the Danville Youth Center chapter, chairman of the Board of Directors for the Danville area American Red Cross, and president of the Danville Kiwanis Club. Jackson was also an active Baptist church member. He died December 11, 1993, and was survived by his second wife, Evelyn Evans Jackson and three sons, Robert Julian Jackson (b.1923), David Carroll Jackson (b.1927) and Joseph Newton Jackson (b.1943) Other survivors included two brothers, Douglas Jackson (b.1901) and John Mark Jackson (b.1916), and two sisters, Sally Doud (b.1904) and Juanita Durbin (b.1910).

#### Bibliographical Notes

Jackson, William Neel. *Jacksons of Kentucky*, McDowell Publications: Owensboro, 1982

## **COLLECTION NOTE**

The collection consists of the personal reminiscences and writings of Jackson. His genealogical, personal and business correspondence are also included. A draft of the *Warren Association of Baptists* (for the years 1890-1978), a notarized 1902 Warren County bill of sale, and an early 1900s personal account book comprise the remainder of the collection.

#### **SHELF LIST**

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Folder 5	Devotional writings	1959-1980	10 items
Folder 6	Genealogy papers	1954-1992	6 items
Folder 7	Bill of sale – Horse	1902	1 item
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Folder 11	Baptist church – Money Counting Committee records	1991-1992	1 item, 53p.
Folder 12	Fayette J. (Jasper Lafayette) and William Alonzo (Lon) Jackson – Personal account book	1906-1921	1 item,101p.

## **BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD**

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Papers and collected materials of Jackson, a Bowling Green, Kentucky native. The collection contains his personal and business correspondence and autobiographical materials. Also includes Warren Association of Baptists, 1890-1978 draft, Jackson family genealogy and Warren County history.

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#### SUBJECT ANALYTICS

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