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*Descriptive Inventory*

**MSS 189 GRAHAM, Vere, 1897-1971**

1 box. 15 folders. 100 items. 1915-1969. Originals.

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**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

Vere Graham, the son of Mr. & Mrs. George W. Graham, attended public schools in Vevay, Indiana. He graduated from Vevay High School in 1915, after which he attended Purdue University. His college education was interrupted by World War I. During the war he served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He later received his Bachelor's of Science degree from Purdue in 1921, after which he immediately enrolled in its graduate school. He received his Masters degree in agriculture in June 1922 and began taught agriculture classes at Western Kentucky State Teachers College from 1927 to 1933. He left Western to matriculate at the University of Louisville School of Dentistry. After graduating from UofL, he set up a dental practice in Bowling Green at 401 ½ Park Row.

While in Bowling Green, Graham was active in the local Kiwanis Club, the American Legion, and the Masons. He and his wife Ruth (Nelson) Graham had four children: Nelson Vere (1922-1942), Shirley Well, James Crouse (1922-1944), and Lewis Wayne. Vere Graham died in 1971 and was interred in Bowling Green's Fairview Cemetery; later his wife, Ruth (1896-1985) was interred there also.

**COLLECTION NOTE**

This collection consists of materials chiefly related to Graham's career as a dentist in Bowling Green, Kentucky in the 1930s. The collection is chiefly made up of Graham's dental practice appointment books. It also includes his educational records, financial records, materials from the Bowling Green Kiwanis Club and other organizational activities, a certificate for service in World War I, copies of family photographs, and a recommendation letter (1930) from Henry Hardin Cherry of Western Kentucky State Teachers College.

## ***SHELF LIST***

<b>BOX 1</b>	<b>GRAHAM, Vere</b>	<b>1915-1969</b>	<b>100 items</b>
Folder 1	Inventory		1 item
Folder 2	Correspondence	1922-1938	5 items
Folder 3	Appointment book	1933	1 item
Folder 4	Appointment book	1934	1 item
Folder 5	Appointment book	1935	1 item
Folder 6	Appointment book	1936	1 item
Folder 7	Appointment book	1937	1 item
Folder 8	Appointment book	1938	1 item
Folder 9	Certificates	1950-1968	2 items
Folder 10	Dental practice – Related items	1932-1969	18 items
Folder 11	Educational records	1915-1933	12 items
Folder 12	Financial records and membership cards	1920-1946	25 items
Folder 13	Kiwanis Club of Bowling Green – Information	1936-1938	7 items
Folder 14	Photographs (originals transferred to Kentucky Library)	1924-[1967?]	23 items
Folder 15 (C1, D2b #13)	<b><i>OVERSIZED FOLDER</i></b> War Service Certificate – U.S. Marine Corps, May 1918-June 1919	1919?	1 item

## **BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD**

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