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Graham, Vere, 1897-1971 (MSS 189)

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BIOGRAPHY

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

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.
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CATALOG CARD

MSS  GRAHAM, Vere, 1897-1971  1915-1969
189   Appointment books and financial
       records relating to Graham’s Bowling
       Green dental practice in the 1930s. Includes
       information about his education, Kiwanis
       Club activities, and copies of family
       photographs.
       1 box.  15 folders.  100 items. Originals.
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