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**Doud Family Papers, 1880s-1936**

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**DONOR INFORMATION**

Papers were donated by Virginia Doud in June 1972.

**BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

Menzer Fairchild Doud was born February 29, 1856, in Indiana, and married Etta Herdman in Jefferson County, Illinois, in 1886. They had three daughters. He worked in publishing in Kansas City and St. Louis, and served as a member of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture from 1882 to 1890. He was active in Republican politics, and was a prominent member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He died December 26, 1936, at his home, 40 Aberdeen Place, Clayton, St. Louis County, Missouri, and was buried in Mount Vernon, Illinois.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

The collection includes a variety of documents of the Doud family including correspondence, invitations, stock certificates, programs, and circulars. Includes papers relating to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; the death of Odd Fellows member Richard Randolph in 1915; the Louisiana Purchase Exposition of 1904 (St. Louis World's Fair); and Miss Minnie Green and the Green family of Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

## Folder 1

- 18-- Illustrated Bank of Industry certificate “will pay two honors to [first name unclear] Herdman.” And illustrated reward of merit certificate for diligence and good behavior presented to Miss Lydia Herdman by her instructor, Mollie Harrison.
- 188- Handwritten list of personal names and business names (most names are crossed out), written on stationery of the Union Depot Hotel, St. Joseph, Mo. (includes illustration of hotel), and Meyer Brothers & Co., St. Louis, Mo. (6 pages)
- 1886 Circular advertising Doud’s patent nonpareil tablet press. Includes two images of the press. Verso advertises Doud’s Eureka tablet composition. Manufacturers and sole agents: Meyer Brothers & Co., St. Louis, Mo.
- 1886 Aug 31 Invoice of Wirths Bros., New York, to M. Fairchild Doud, Kansas City, Mo., for plain cards.
- 1887 Jan 19 Order of the Office of Public Printer, Washington, D.C., to Meyer Brothers & Co., to furnish the office with one gallon of Doud’s Eureka tablet composition.
- 1887 May 27 Circular of Thos. J. Lowry [Thomas J. Lowry], secretary of the Alumni Association of Missouri State University [University of Missouri], announcing railroad rates for those attending the annual reunion of the Alumni Association.
- 1887 June 2 Invitation of the University of the State of Missouri [University of Missouri] to the alumni reunion and dinner. Invitation committee includes Woodson Moss, E.W. Stephens, Thomas J. Lowry, W.J. Babb, and J.S. Clarkson.
- 1887 July 6 Invitation of Wildey Lodge, No. 2, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, to a reception. Committee members include W.E. Fisse, J.W. Dick, and D. Strawbridge.
- 1887 Oct 12 Letter signed J.E.G., on the letterhead of Cowling, Gowenlock & Co., bankers, Carmel, Illinois, to M.F. Doud, Kansas City, Mo.
- 1887 Dec 10 Invitation of Daniel Bontecou, engineer, office of the Grand Ave. Railway Co., 1500 Grand Ave., Kansas City, Mo., to attend an inspection trip on the Grand Avenue Railway.
- 1888 Feb 16 Three stock certificates of F.D. Ross in the Peacock Mining Company of Grant County, New Mexico.

- 1888 Sept Circular advertising the *Farm and Commercial Review*, Kansas City, Missouri (M. Fairchilds Doud, editor and business manager). Includes an illustration of the Cass County exhibit at the exposition. **(oversize)**
- 1888 Dec 3 Plat of survey of City Block 4975 at McCausland Ave. and Euclid Ave. made for Nelson P. Sandling by the Joyce City Surveying Company, St. Louis, Mo. **(oversize)**
- 1889 Apr 15 Stock certificate of G.A. Benton in the Willow Creek Mining Co.
- 1889 Apr 15 Stock certificate of B.J. Fine in the Willow Creek Mining Co.
- 1890 June 13 Stock certificate of E.F. Thompson in the St. Louis Concentrating Company.
- 1893 Jan 27 St. Louis Public Schools certificate of scholarship awarded to Carrie Gertrude Hardy for having completed the Eight District School Grades, and passed the required examination for admission to the high school. **(oversize)**
- 1893 Sept 1 Typescript circular letter regarding the publication of an Odd Fellows' souvenir for the World's Fair in Chicago.
- 1894 July 5 Invitation to the public installation of officers of Laclede Lodge, No. 22, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Committee members include E.J. Hardesty, F.C. Hout, and M.F. Doud. (4 copies)
- 1895 Sept 16 Ticket of Maj. J.A. Keller to travel from St. Louis to Chicago on the Chicago & Alton Railroad Co.
- 1897 Apr 9 Note signed Mrs. Etta H. Doud, 5746 Maple Ave., St. Louis, to the editor, submitting a paper titled "The Easter Rabbit."
- Folder 2**
- 1899 or after Remittance form of the M.W. of A. Promotes the use of Best coin machines, manufactured by the Best Manufacturing Co. of Cambridge City, Ind.
- circa 1900 Copy of page titled "Mr. and Mrs. Daniel C. Nugent," which includes genealogical information on the ancestry of the Casey family. Mrs. Nugent's maiden name was Casey.
- 1901 June 14 Typescript note signed C.O. Frye, The Joplin Club, Joplin, Mo., to M.F. Doud, special representative, *World's Fair Bulletin*: "I am pleased to inform you that after a conference with Judge O.H. Picher, President, and other members of the Club, we have decided to close with you for 1,000 copies of the World's Fair Bulletin, of the issue containing the article from Joplin, illustrative of the Mineral Resources and development of this part of the Louisiana Purchase. . . ."

- 1903 July 10      Typescript letter signed Norris B. Gregg, director of Division of Concessions and Admissions, Louisiana Purchase Exposition, to Geo. J. Kinsky [George J. Kinsky], St. Louis, regarding the application of the National Baby Incubator Company.
- 1903 Aug 1        Letter signed Richard Bartholdt, Schleiz, [Germany], to Mr. Kinsky. Letter written on letterhead of the Committee on Levees and Improvements of the Mississippi River, U.S. House of Representatives.
- 1903 Aug 17      Letter signed Richard Bartholdt, Schleiz, [Germany], to "Friend Kinsky" regarding baby incubator concession at the World's Fair.
- 1905 Dec 8        Vandalia Railroad Company press ticket of Mr. M.F. Doud to travel from Vandalia, Illinois, to East St. Louis, Illinois.
- [1910?]           Letter signed M.W. Hickman, 2032 Sidney St., to Mr. M.F. Doud. Provides some biographical information on his father, William Wilkinson, who was born in Philadelphia in 1818, and subsequently lived in Pittsburgh, St. Louis, and Avoca, Jefferson County, Mo.
- 1913 May 25      Program for a special musical service in memory of Felix Alexandre Guilman (1837-1911) at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, St. Louis, Mo. Includes portrait of Guilman. Rev. ZeBarney Thorne Phillips, rector; Charles Galloway, organist and choirmaster. Program includes the names of members of the choir: Alex. Major, Reed Cornwell, Miss Marie Becker, Miss H.S. Cunningham, Mrs. Frank A. Gooding, Miss Olga Nielsen, Miss Margaret Owen, Miss Blanche Wilkinson, Miss Mabel Kraus, Miss Olga Buehler, Miss Adele Koch, Miss Von Tilburg, Mrs. C.P. Strother, Miss Emma Sampson, Rozier Brundege, Mr. A.A. Clark, Charles B. Hardin, Mr. C.M. Mantor, Edward F. Dunker, Mr. T.B. Morton, Jr., Mr. L.C. Niedner, Mr. E. Cornelius Reed, and Mr. G.C. Tandy.
- circa 1914        Circular advertisement of the Manatee River Land Company, Tampa, Florida. **(oversize)**
- circa 1914        Promotional brochure of the Manatee River Land Company, Tampa, Florida, titled "Grapefruit, Oranges, Truck and Diversified Farming Land, Water Front."
- circa 1915        Prospectus of the Dolores Gold Mining Company of El Dorado County, California. Cover page of prospectus reads, "Read Carefully! Acquire Knowledge! Then Pass Judgment."
- [1915]            Trade card of Herriott Shoe Polish Co., manufacturers of shoe polishes, dressings, and shoe blackings, 2801-2807 North Broadway, St. Louis, Mo.

Includes image of company building. Verso includes price list.

- [1915] Typescript petition of the creditors of the estate of Richard Randolph to St. Louis Probate Court judge Chas. W. Holtcamp [Charles W. Holtcamp], requesting him to revoke the letters of administration granted to the public administrator and appoint Mr. M.F. Doud as administrator.
- [1915] Typescript agreement regarding stock in trade of Richard Randolph. (2 copies)
- 1915 Mar 23[?] Typescript death notice of Richard Randolph, who died March 23, 1915.
- 1915 Mar 30 Typescript circular letter addressed to the officers and members of Woodlawn Park Lodge, No. 825, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Chicago, regarding the death of Odd Fellows member Richard Randolph. Verso contains typescript circular letter of the Executive Committee, Nation's Birthday Celebration, announcing upcoming Fourth of July celebration. Committee members include Chas. W. Holtcamp [Charles W. Holtcamp], W.B. Woodward, William Zachritz, Anthony Ittner, M.F. Doud, Seneca N. Taylor, O.H.P. Grundon, William T. Jones, M. Hartmann, Seldon P. Spencer, L.P. Aloe, E.W. Banister, L.D. Kingsland, and Chas. R. Graves [Charles R. Graves].
- 1915 Apr 1 Circular of Chief of Police William Young, St. Louis, Mo., offering a \$200 reward for the arrest and conviction of Charles August Biederman, alias Charles Baker, alias Ed Murray, alias Ralph Holliday, who is wanted for the murder of Richard Randolph. Includes three photographs of Biederman.
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- 1915 Apr 7 Typescript letter addressed to Mr. S.H. Stiefel, Springfield, Missouri, stating that he has filed a motion to have the public administrator removed.
- 1916 May Program for a performance of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and other Shakespeare plays, performed by students of Soldan High School in Forest Park.
- 1916 Oct 17 Program of the Church Pageant to be given in the St. Louis Coliseum in honor of the General Convention of the Episcopal church.

1917 June 3-7 Entertainment coupon book of M.F. Doud, a registered attendant at the Thirteenth Annual Convention Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, St. Louis, June 3-7, 1917.

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- 1918 Circular of the Pan-American Motors Corporation, Decatur and Chicago, Illinois, advertising the Pan-American automobile. Includes illustrations and specifications for the car.
- 1919 Apr 3 Program for a concert of the Music Supervisors' National Conference Chorus at the Odeon, St. Louis, Missouri. (2 copies)
- 1921 Apr 17 Program for an organ recital at Graham Memorial Chapel, Washington University.
- 1921 Oct 16 Program for an organ recital at Graham Memorial Chapel, Washington University.
- 1922 Apr 22 Receipt of Wm. Waltke & Co., East Grand Blvd. & 2nd Street, St. Louis, to the St. Louis Chemical Products Co., for shampoo. Includes engraved illustration of company building.
- 1922 Dec 2 Program for a joint convocation of the Royal Arch Masons, St. Louis, Missouri, at the Moolah Temple. Includes photographs of William Frederick Kuhn, Edmund E. Morris, and Edward V. Von Gunden. Committee members and cast members include Walter H. Niestrath, William E. Kennedy, Percy B. Eversden, John C. Iselin, Martin E. Sheets, Richard R. Smith, Oliver S. Hargate, Arthur J. Madden, Harry F. Kienker, Charles D. Potts, Bert S. Lee, William M. Campbell, William Y. Bean, Alexander G. Cochran, Chas. A. FitzGerald [Charles A. FitzGerald], William Wagner, Elmer Shepard, John Zelch, Jas. T. Roan [James T. Roan], Arthur Stein, Fred Heckel, Harold Reader, Lee Carroll, Homer Lloyd, Percy Wilson, Harry Krueger, Bernal L. Tatman, J. Will Finlay, Geo. C. Marquis [George C. Marquis], John T. Hall, Jesse Holland, Florian Wolz, Col. Clarence A. Sinclair, Ray V. Denslow, Robert L. Thompson, Geo. Pennington [George Pennington], Robert C. Duffin, Alfred A. Vetter, Henry Falkenhainer, and Geo. Eckhardt [George Eckhardt].
- 1928 or after Brochure of Newman Brothers Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio, specialists to the N.S.D.A.R., advertising the sale of grave markers, memorial tablets, and historic site markers.
- 1929 June 29 Last will and testament of Minnie Green of Mt. Vernon, Illinois, in which she leaves her property to her sister, Laura Reed Green, and her brothers, William Henry Green and Earl Green.

- 1930-1931 Two health bonds of the Tuberculosis and Health Society of St. Louis in the amount of \$25 to fund the campaign against tuberculosis.
- 1932 Aug 2 Typescript copy of document dated Mt. Vernon, Illinois, August 2, 1932: "Received from Laura R. Green and Minnie Green, 715 Broadway, Mt. Vernon Illinois, One Bond of Davidson Biscuit Company of Mt. Vernon, Illinois, dated May 15, 1925 due January 1, 1937, No. 51, for \$1,000.00 with January 1, 1933 and subsequent coupons attached. . . ."
- 1934 Title page and page 2 of a publication titled *Mary Institute News Diamond Jubilee, 1859-1934*.
- 1934 June 23 Copy of letters of conservatorship in the County Court of Jefferson County, Illinois, appointing Minnie Green conservator of the estate of Laura R. Green, who is insane.
- 1934 July 12 Petition of Minnie Green to the County Court of Jefferson County, Illinois, requesting the court to admit the will of Laura Reed Green to probate.
- 1935 Jan 9 Typescript poem of Minnie Green titled "Just Before Committal." (3 copies)
- 1935 Jan 9 Newspaper clipping titled "In Critical Condition, Result of Revolver Wound." Miss Minnie Green suffers self-inflicted gunshot wound.
- 1935 Jan 9 Newspaper clipping titled "Mt. Vernon, Ill., Woman Kills Self with Pistol."
- 1935 Jan 10 Newspaper clipping titled "Miss Minnie Green Died Last Night; Be Buried Friday." Also includes article titled "Brother of Mrs. Mary Dickson Died in Springfield, Ill.," regarding the death of Lewin George.
- 1935 Jan 11 Newspaper clipping titled "In Poem Read at Funeral, Motive for Suicide Told." Regarding suicide of Miss Minnie Green.
- 1936 Dec 7 [St. Louis Post-Dispatch] newspaper clipping titled "Wreckers Ending Troubled Annals of Civil War Home. Once the Center of Social Life in Mount Vernon, Ill., Green Residence Outlasted the 10 Unhappy Children of Its Builder." Includes photograph of the home of Dr. and Mrs. Willis Duff Green, which is being wrecked to clear a site for the Illinois National Guard armory.
- no date Printed poem of Laura Reed Green, Mt. Vernon, Illinois, titled "The Turn of the Road."
- no date Circular advertising the "Safety" iron. Includes illustrations of iron.
- no date Advertisement for Cassity's improved stump burner (W.J. Cassity, Guthrie, Oklahoma). Includes images of stump burner.

- no date Printed poem titled "The Lincoln Handshake" by S. Louise Marsh, dedicated to Mrs. Stanley M. Riggs, president, Abraham Lincoln Club of America.
- no date Reproduction of 1886 menu of Tony Faust's Oyster House and Restaurant. Includes illustration of the restaurant.
- no date Christmas greeting card signed Peter B., showing four silhouette images.
- no date Business card of W.F. Wakeman, city circulator of the *Kansas City Times*.
- no date Business card of E.G. Ford, Jr., maker of high grade carbon and platinum photos, Jefferson City, Missouri.
- no date Ticket of the Philadelphia School of Phonography, issued to Mrs. M.F. Doud.