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Office of Secretary of State

Cornelius Roach, 1909-1917

Records of Secretary of State Cornelius Roach, 1906-1915

Abstract: Records (1906-1915) of Secretary of State Cornelius Roach (1863-1934).

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Historical and Biographical Notes

Cornelius Roach was born on August 9, 1863 in Jersey County, Illinois. He taught school and was a principal in Fidelity, Illinois. He moved to Carthage, Missouri in 1890 and

published the *Jasper County Democrat*. He served as the secretary of the senate from 1893 to 1907. In 1900 Governor Stephens appointed Cornelius Roach to the Missouri Pan American Commission. He ran for Secretary of State as a Democrat in 1908 and was elected. He was reelected in 1912. In 1916 Cornelius Roach ran for Governor but was defeated in the primaries by Frederick Gardner. After leaving office in 1917, Cornelius Roach moved to Kansas City and worked in the banking industry.

Cornelius Roach married Anna Bell McClure on June 13, 1889 in Jerseyville, Illinois. The couple had three children. Anna Roach died on October 13, 1895. Cornelius Roach married Sallie Elizabeth Millard on June 8, 1897 in Carthage, Missouri. The couple had nine children. Cornelius Roach died on September 3, 1934 in Kansas City, Missouri. Sallie Roach died on December 28, 1963 in Kansas City, Missouri.

Additional Descriptive Information

Bibliography

Stevens, Walter Barlow. 1915. *Missouri: The Center State, 1821-1915 Volume III*. Chicago-St. Louis: The S. J. Clarke Publishing Company.

Related Material

RG3.32 Governor Herbert Spencer Hadley, 1909-1913
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Arrangement: Alphabetical

Scope and Content

Contains various administrative papers from Cornelius Roach. Included are statistical census data for Cainsville, Missouri, various forms related to railroad companies, and receipts for various state transactions.

Container List

Box	Folder	Contents	Date
1	1	Census report for Cainsville, Harrison County [statistical data only, no names recorded]	June 15, 1912
1	2	Contractor liens against railroads	1914
1	3	Panama-Pacific International Exposition correspondence and Missouri Building inventory	July, 1915
1	4	Printing and shipping receipts	1911
1	5	Receipt of Jno. E. Swanger, Bank Commission for papers received from the Secretary of State	September 21, 1909
1	6	Senate Investigation on Enumeration of School Children in St. Joseph, MO	March 9, 1906