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Baehl, Zelma I. Papers, 1918–1964. .10 foot.

Collector. Correspondence (1926–1930), newspaper clippings (1927–1964), and printed materials (n.d.) regarding the life and career of Colonel George H. Wark, Prohibition Director of Kansas, and U.S. Prohibition Administrator for the Fifteenth District (Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Arkansas).

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Packet 1

- FF1** Correspondence to George Wark from James Robinson, regarding Robinson's return home. Mar. 14, 1926.
- FF2** Telegram to George Wark from John B. Madden, regarding prohibition bill, May 17, 1926.
- FF3** Correspondence to Judge Wark from George M. Scruggs, regarding Robinson's defeat, and Scruggs's visit. Aug. 9, 1926.
- FF4** Correspondence to George Wark from C. M. Paxson, regarding trials and legal matters on prohibition. Feb. 2, 1928.
- FF5** Correspondence to George Wark from George P. Leary, regarding Leary's candidacy for inspector. Feb. 5, 1928.
- FF6** Correspondence to George Wark from George P. Leary, regarding trials and legal matters. March 14, 1928.
- FF7** Correspondence to "Judge" (Wark) from (illegible), regarding a "still" in Rice County. n.d.
- FF8** Correspondence to "Judge" (Wark) from G. E. Knapp, regarding prohibition conditions and bootleggers in Thomas County, Kansas. Apr. 4, 1928.
- FF9** Correspondence to "Judge" (Wark) from G. E. Knapp, regarding prohibition conditions in Sherman County, Kansas. Apr. 5, 1928.
- FF10** Correspondence to "Judge" (Wark) from G. E. Knapp, regarding prohibition problems with the Kansas-Nebraska-Colorado borders. Apr. 8, 1928.

- FF11** Correspondence to “Judge” (Wark) from G. E. Knapp, regarding Wark’s replacement of Senator Curtis. June 16, 1928.
- FF12** Correspondence to “Judge” (Wark) from J. McCormick, regarding general news. Oct. 29, 1928.
- FF13** Correspondence to George Wark from F. M. Watkins, regarding cartoon of Wark (enclosed), Feb. 6, 1930.
- FF14** Two poems by Mildred M. Surber, one on prohibition, n.d.
- FF15** Note to “Judge” Wark, unsigned, re: “I have run”. Date illegible.

Packet 2

- FF1** Certificate of “good conduct” in French. “Certificat de Bonne Conduite pour les Militaires en conge limite...” By the mayor of Gerardmer, Sept. 2, 1918.
- FF2** Brief biographical sketch of George H. Wark by Edith Mary White, a reporter. n.d.
- FF3** Typescript of paper or speech on state and federal prohibition laws, n.d.
- FF4** Bureau of Prohibition annual report on prohibition activities in the Ninth District, 1931.
- FF5** *Good News*, Number 38, n.d. Prohibition newsletter published by the Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tennessee.
- FF6** “Traces Dry Law History,” *The Kansas City Times*, Sept. 21, 1927.
- FF7** “Dry Post to George Wark,” *The Kansas City Star*, Jan. 19, 1928.
- FF8** “Mr. Wark’s Promotion,” *The Wichita Beacon*, Jan. 20, 1928.
- FF9** “Wark Gets Dry Post,” *The Caney Chronicle*, Jan. 20, 1928.
- FF10** “Close-up of New Federal Administrator,” *The Topeka Daily Capital*, Feb. 26, 1928.
- FF11** “Dry Chief to Round-Up,” *Dodge City Globe*, Nov. 4, 1929.
- FF12** “Sunday Lays Out Liquor in a Redhot Sermon Last Night,” *The Wichita Eagle*, Mar. 9, 1930.

- FF13** "The Nation's Expenditures in 1916," showing the cost of the "drink bill." Oct. 4, 1931.
- FF14** "U.S. Dry Chief Sees Progress in Enforcement in Kansas," *The Wichita Beacon*, Sept. 19, 1932.
- FF15** "Editorial Notes," *Caney Daily Chronicle*, Apr. 10, 1944.
- FF16** "Former Prohibition Boss Dies," (Amos W. Woodcock) *Kansas City Star-Times*, Jan. 17, 1964.
- FF17** "1,500 Out of 2,000 Dry Agents Flunk in Required Tests," n.d.
- FF18** "Mrs. Mitchner Is Re-Elected by the W.C.T.U.," n.d.
- FF19** "Agree Kansas City Is Oasis," n.d.
- FF20** "To Be Chief?" n.d.
- FF21** "Kansas Prohibition Director," n.d.
- FF22** "Sunday Lays Out Liquor," n.d.
- FF23** "Prohibition and Law Enforcement," n.d.
- FF24** "Country Needs Men Like General Wark," n.d.
- FF25** "Fanatic Wilson and the Legion," *The Grandview Sentinel*, n.d.