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Keller-Clarke Seed Store Collection

Keller-Clarke Seed Store Collection. Records, 1908–1953. 4 feet.

Retail business. Ledgers (1927–1929); receipts, invoices, and bank books (1920–1921); legal papers (1920); correspondence (1930–1943); and blueprints (1920), all concerning the Keller-Clarke Seed Store in Shawnee, Oklahoma, together with reports (n.d.) of Oklahoma agricultural colleges; typescripts (n.d.) of radio advertisements; and minutes (1908) of the Shawnee (Oklahoma) Fanciers Association.

Biographical Note:

Frank D. Keller was a member of the Oklahoma State Board of Agriculture.

Scope and Content Note:

Included in this collection are the papers of the Keller Seed Store of Shawnee, and reports from each of Oklahoma's agriculture-related colleges and universities such as Oklahoma A & M (now Oklahoma State University), Connors State College, and others. The collection also includes correspondence and files regarding Frank D. Keller's position on the Agriculture Board.

Inclusive dates: 1908-1953 (bulk: 1920-1944).

Volume: Three document cases.

Box 1

Folder:

1. Contract between Clarke & Keller and the Jones-Hettelsater Construction Co., 7/13/20

Other misc. legal documents.

Bank receipts.

Misc. legal correspondence.

Abstract of Title for Lot 11, Block 3, Richard and Mary Addition, Shawnee, OK.

2. "Would a License Tax on all Seed Dealers be for the good of the Industry?"
"Proposed Code of Fair Competition for the Seed Trade" -- National Recovery
Administration, GPO, 1934.

Meeting of the Oklahoma Seedsmen's Association, 10/10/34.

Southern Seedsmen's Assn. 16th Annual Convention, June 1934.

22nd Annual Convention, June 1940.

Oklahoma State Plant Board and Amended Seed Law, 10/4/29.

Southern Seedsmen's Assn., Auditor's Report, 5/31/42.

Southern Seedsmen's Assn., Dec. 1940 Financial analysis.

- 3. Five bank books; Clarke & Keller Seed Store Account with the Shawnee National Bank, 1916-1932.
- 4. Seed World V. 34 no. 6, 9/15/33 V. 36 no. 1, 7/6/34 V. 57 no. 9, 5/4/45 no. 12, 6/15/45 V. 58 no. 12, 12/21/45 V. 59 no. 1, 1/4/46

Southern Seedman, June 1945.

5. "Agricultural Situation" GPO, Feb. 1940. Misc. correspondence.

Box 2

Folder:

- 1. Oklahoma A & M Correspondence, personnel and payroll reports to the State Board of Agriculture, 1943-44.
- 2. Payroll and financial reports to the State Board of Agricultural Colleges, 1943-44.
- 3. Oklahoma A & M Department of Agronomy -- Competitions, 1935, 1940, 1941.
- 4. Connors State Agricultural College. Financial claims and statements, May and June 1944, Aug. and Sept. 1943.
- 5. Eastern Oklahoma A & M. Monthly financial reports, Sept. 1943, June and July 1944.
- 6. Cameron State Agricultural College. Monthly financial statements for Aug. and Sept. 1943, May and June 1944. Control budgets for 1943-44 and 1944-1945.
- 7. Murray State School of Agriculture. Monthly financial reports for Aug. and Sept. 1943, May and June 1944. 1944-45 Budget.
- 8. Northeastern A & M College. Monthly financial reports for Aug. and Sept. 1943, May and June 1944.
- Langston. Monthly financial reports for August and Sept. 1943, May and June 1944.
 Salaries for personnel.

- 10. Panhandle A & M. Monthly financial reports for Aug. 1943 and May 1944.
- 11. *The Southwestern Journal*, V. 1 no. 1, May 1944. Langston University Bulletin, July 1943. "Culture of a Contemporary All-Negro Community" by Mozell C. Hill and Thelma D. Ackiss.

Langston University Review, V. 6, August 1943.

Bulletin of Cameron State Agricultural College, V. 36, 1944-45.

12. Payroll and Claims for Oklahoma A & M. August 1943, June and July 1944. "Per capita cost per student for the five Junior Colleges under the State Board of Agriculture" prepared by Joe M. Sales, Jr., Agricultural statistician. 1936-1940.

Box 3

Folder:

- 1. Blueprints for Clarke-Keller warehouse, Sept. 1920. Jones-Hettelsater Construction Co., Kansas City, MO.
- 2. Purina Radio Spot Announcements, 1944-45.
- 3. Newspaper articles and clippings.
- 4. Record of Minutes of Shawnee Fanciers Association, 11/18/08.
- 5. Materials re: rabbits (care and feeding, supplies, hutches).
- 6. Miscellaneous receipts.
- 7. Accounts payable and received.
- 8. Jones-Hettelsater Construction Co. Invoices, bills, receipts, 1920-21.

Box 4

Folder:

- 1. U.S. Department of Agriculture Bulletins, 1938-1946.
- 2. War Food Administration Bulletins, 1943-1945.
- 3. Arkansas State Plant Board Regulations, 1943. "Oklahoma Common Alfalfa," 1937-1938.
- 4. Shawnee, Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce Bulletins, 1941.
- 5. Shawnee, Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce Correspondence, 1941.

Boxes 5 and 6

These boxes contain account books from the Clarke-Keller Seed Store.

An additional account book is shelved without a box.