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Unit ID

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Unit ID

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Unit Date

1924-1929

Language

English

Creator

Cocke, William H. (William Horner), 1874-1938

Creator

Virginia Military Institute. Office of the Superintendent.

Extent

6 cubic feet

Physical Location

Archives stacks, Record Group 02, Superintendent

Repository

Virginia Military Institute Archives

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

There are no restrictions

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Biographical / Historical

Brigadier General William Horner Cocke (b. 1874 d. 1938) graduated from VMI in 1894, having received the Institute's highest academic award, the Jackson-Hope Medal, First Honor. After graduation he taught at Kemper Military Academy (Missouri), earned a law degree from Washington University and practiced law in St. Louis from 1899-1907. Cocke served as a U. S. Army officer in both the Spanish-American War and World War I. He was the founder and president of Southern Acid & Sulphur Company (St. Louis). He was named VMI's fourth Superintendent on October 1, 1924 and served until ill health forced his retirement on June 30, 1929. The construction of VMI's gymnasium, Cocke Hall, was made possible by Gen. Cocke's significant donation towards the cost of construction. He died on June 9, 1938.

Scope and Contents

Correspondence, memoranda and other records from the administration of William H. Cocke.

Related Materials

Additional correspondence from this era is located in the Superintendents' Administrative Subject Files series.

Keywords

Virginia Military Institute—Administration

Virginia Military Institute—History—20th century

Virginia Military Institute—Class of 1894

Description of Subordinate Components

William H. Cocke official correspondence files

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Extent 3 cubic feet

William H. Cocke biographical and personal file

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/2836

Unit Date bulk ca. 1894-1940

Language English

Scope and Contents

William H. Cocke individual biographical file, compiled over decades. Contains biographical and genealogical information. Cocke served as VMI's fourth Superintendent, from 1924-1929

Scrapbook, Superintendent and Mrs. William H. Cocke

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Unit Date 1920's-1930's

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