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Rufus J. Johnston collection

Title: Rufus J. Johnston collection
Collection No: MSS.524
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Abstract: The collection comprises mostly correspondence and publications related to Rufus J. Johnston's work as a foreman with the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company in Memphis, Tennessee.

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Scope and contents

The collection comprises mostly correspondence and publications related to Rufus Johnston's work with the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company in Memphis, Tennessee, in the 1940s.

Rufus James Johnston (1899-1977) worked for the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company in Morganton, Cleveland and Davidson, N.C., and Memphis and Chattanooga, Tenn. Johnston was supervising central office foreman in Memphis from 1942. He was married to Lucille Burkhead Johnston (1903-1993).

Subject terms

Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Inventory

Folder

Box 1

- 1 Business documents: Personnel matters re: Cecil B. Keltner, Lonnie Young, 1946-1948.
- 2 Business documents: Personnel matters, 1946-1947.
- 3 *Bell Tel News*, Memphis, Tenn., Vol. 18, No. 8, 1942 August. Refers to Johnston.
- 4 Program: Dinner in honor of Frank Flournoy, Memphis district manager, Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, Peabody Hotel, 1943.
- 5 *Memphis Bell Clapper*, 1944 August. Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company employees serving in the military.
- 6 Telephone Pioneers of America: Programs:
Dinner in honor of Charles Lawrence Winn, Andrew Jackson Hotel, Nashville, Tenn., 1941.
Dinner, Jackson Council, Tennessee Chapter, New Southern Hotel, Jackson, Tenn., 1949.
- 7 *The Bond Press*, Bond Stores Inc., 1948 June.
- 8 Annual reports: Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, 1947, 1948.
- 9 Postcards: Addressed to Anne and Jimmy Johnston, Memphis, Tenn., 1934, 1936. Re: Sunday School (4).
- 10 Medallion: Memphis Cotton Carnival, 1992.