

CG Southeast Missouri Medical Society, Collection, 1877-1967
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INTRODUCTION

The Southeast Missouri Medical Society Collection consists of miscellaneous records from physicians and hospitals in the southeast region of Missouri.

DONOR INFORMATION

The collection was donated to The State Historical Society of Missouri by Dr. John Holcomb and accessioned on 18 December, 2015 (Accession No. CGA0004).

ORGANIZATIONAL SKETCH

The Southeast Missouri Medical Association functioned from 1877 to 2011, bringing together medical professionals from St. Louis to the Arkansas border. It was “[p]ursuant to a call from the medical fraternity of Southeast Missouri, the following named gentlemen met at Cape Girardeau, Missouri on the first day of June, 1877 for the purpose of organizing a medical association.” The members met biannually at different agreed-upon locations throughout the region.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains a 360 page journal beginning with the inception of the Southeast Missouri Medical Society in 1877. The last entry is dated May 6, 1896. Prominent physicians from the region are listed as members with a record of meetings’ minutes given with extreme detail. The entire southeast region of Missouri is represented. The journal contains hand-drawn memorials to deceased doctors throughout its pages.

There are twelve journals, published by the Cape Girardeau County Medical Association, from 1966, 1967, and 1970 containing essays, case reports, and medical studies. Three publications specific to Southeast Missouri Hospital in celebration of its 50th and 80th anniversary, and the mural commissioned for the hospital lobby.

Ten patent medicine trade cards c. 1880-1900 for distribution by area physicians and one special tax stamp to dispense opium, coca leaves, etc. dated 1952. A pamphlet of the revised constitution and bylaws of the society in 1925 and miscellaneous papers of society business with no dates, 1905, and 1912 completing the collection.

FOLDER LIST

f. 1	Southeast Missouri Medical Society Journal, 1877-1896
f. 2	SEMO Medical Association, Revised Constitution and Bylaws, 1925 (Pamphlet)
f. 3	Miscellaneous papers, 1905-1952
f. 4	Southeast Missouri Hospital Commemorative Publications, 1978-2008
f. 5	Advertising and marketing materials, 1880-1912

f. 6	Cape County Journal, no. 8, vol. 16-no.1-5, vol. 17
f. 7	Cape County Journal, no. 6, 8, 10-12, vol. 17, no. 2, vol. 20

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