

**PRELIMINARY INVENTORY  
ACCESSION CA6401  
PERCY W. MARKHAM PAPERS**

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**Dates:** 1890-1980

**Creator:** Markham, Percy W., 1886-1974

**Collection Size:** 7.6 cubic feet

**Introduction**

The papers of a Brookfield, Missouri, businessman and developer include materials concerning the Consumer Public Services Company and the development of Markham Estates. The collection also includes numerous glass plate negatives documenting life at the turn of the twentieth century, likely in the Brookfield, Missouri, area.

**Donor Information**

The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by John G. Harris and Kay E. Harris on behalf of John G. Harris Jr. and Charlene Harris on 18 July 2013. An addition was made by James M. Bradley on 17 May 2016.

**Box List**

**Box 1**

Letterbook, 1890s

Chillicothe Ice and Fuel Co. abstract, 1931

Abstract for lots in Marceline, MO, 1936

Property appraisals, 1927, 1942

Missouri Power and Light Company

Consumer Public Services Company (CPS)

    Certificates of redemption and misc. corporate papers

    Miscellaneous (2 folders)

    Employee census, 1959

    Schedule of rates, 1932-1951 (2 folders)

    Graph of revenue

    Customer complaints

    Correspondence, 1964-1965

    Meter deposit correspondence, 1959-1962

    Electric meter tests, 1959-1963

**Box 2**

Markham Estates

    General information

    Water system

    E.I. Myers, Sewer data

    Sewer, septic, and lagoons

    Financial statements

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Subdivision water line (2 folders)  
City of Brookfield annexation matter  
Young Construction Company, Kansas City  
Roads  
E.I. Myers, Civil engineer  
Bales & Schechter  
Prints and specifications, Sewage lagoon  
Atkinson-Winde Co.  
Subdivision  
Miscellaneous (2 folders)  
Consumer Public Services Company, Monthly financial reports, 1950-1954

**Box 3** Consumer Public Services Company, Monthly financial reports, 1955-1964

**Box 4**

Consumer Public Services Company  
Financial reports, 1963-1964  
Closing papers given to trustee  
Opinion of counsel, Good title free from all encumbrances  
Engineer's certificate, 1962  
Net boundables, 1962 (2 folders)  
Franchise—Lineville, Iowa  
Study of Electric Plant Accounts for Purpose of Determination of Original Cost  
Markham Construction Account, Costs of Penney and Sears Building  
Application of CPS to sell electric co-ops, 1963  
KCPL certificate applications, 1963  
Classification of accounts  
Misc. account ledger pages  
Markham construction account (disbound)  
Wheeler Building account, P.W. and E.O. Markham (disbound)  
Investment portfolio, P.W. Markham  
Account book, 1950s-1960s

**Box 5**

Appraisals, 1929-1930  
Statements and briefs before the Public Service Commission and Supreme Court of  
Missouri, 1929, n.d.  
Notes  
Out-of-Town telephone numbers  
Stock purchase agreements, 1962 (2 folders)  
REA, Ground return power lines  
Preliminary negotiations  
P.W. correspondence with Farmers Electric  
CPS, Annual reports, 1961-1962  
J.C. Penney Co.  
Distribution and Transmission Unit Costs as of March 1, 1929

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Inventory of securities owned by P.W. Markham  
Memorandum—Statistical figures  
Missouri Power and Light Co. (2 folders)  
Missouri Public Service Co.  
Mercer, Missouri  
Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co. (3 folders)

**Box 6**

Selective Service Act  
Correspondence, Paul D. Kitt  
Life insurance policies, Correspondence, P.W. Markham  
Personal financial inventory of life insurance policies, Percy W. Markham  
Account book, Estate of Marsha Ann Markham (disbound)  
Funeral book, Louis N. Markham  
Ledger, Brookfield Banking Co., 1964-1979  
Correspondence, Markham Estates and estate of Percy W. Markham, 1960s-1970s (2 folders)  
Subdivision map  
Markham Development Company, Articles of Incorporation, 1959  
State of Missouri Public Service Commission, Transcripts of hearing, Sept. 16-17, 1963, Vol. 3-4 (matter of the application of Consumers Public Service Company to sell all of its electric generating, transmission and distribution properties to Farmers' Elective Cooperative, Grundy Electric Cooperative, and North Central Electric Cooperative)  
P.W. Markham, Tax matters  
Marsha Ann Markham, Settlement of 1963 Deficiency  
Estate of Percy W. Markham  
Estates of E.O. Markham and Rosetta C. Markham  
"Your Key to Industrial Development in Our City: May We Be of Service to You?" (Brookfield Chamber of Commerce, c. 1960)  
Stock agreements, contracts, etc.  
Land sales and deeds  
Markham Estates, 1970s-1980s  
Miscellaneous

**Box 7**

Ledgers and negatives

**Boxes 8-14**

Glass plate negatives, 1915, n.d. (Everyday scenes of unidentified people, presumably from the Brookfield, Missouri, area, including riding in automobiles and trains, eating, swimming, studying, and other activities)

**OVERSIZE (Location: UO-15A)**

Photograph, 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, Missouri Ice Manufacturers, Coronado Hotel, St. Louis, Dec. 5-6, 1934