

## Information Sheet

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This is a booklet promoting the Cape Girardeau Business College, a commercial trade school located at Cape Girardeau in Cape Girardeau County, Missouri.

G. W. Moothart established the predecessor of the Cape Girardeau Business College in 1904 as one of several similar schools under his control. Around 1919, R. F. Allison purchased the school and was operating it at the time that this 20-page illustrated booklet was published. The booklet is undated, but it includes a photograph of the class picnic in June 1918, a group portrait of faculty and students in May 1919, and an announcement that the fall term would commence on 6 September 1920.

With an enrollment of about 300, the school offered courses in bookkeeping, banking, telegraphy, shorthand, typewriting, stenotype, penmanship, and commercial teacher training. R. F. Allison was owner and president, supported by Principal T. C. Tade and a faculty consisting of Emma Barnes (Principal for Shorthand and Typing), Mary Baggott (Principal for Telegraph), and Verena E. Recker (Principal for Bookkeeping). All have photographic portraits in the booklet, along with those of a number of students.

The booklet includes views of the school (but not its location), and descriptions of its course offerings and tuition charges.

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