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Summary Information

Repository	Arkansas State Archives
Creator	Caple, Gus, 1893-1981
Title	Gus Caple collection
Date	circa 1941-1948
Extent	1.5 Cubic feet 2 boxes
Language	English
Language of Materials	Materials entirely in English.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical/Historical Note

Gus Caple was born January 16, 1893, in Saline County, Arkansas, the son of Frank and Lela Rowland Caple. At age 19, he moved to Little Rock and began work for the Hays Grain and Commission Company. Except for service in World War I, he operated a grain brokerage business from 1916 through 1930. His career also included representing Marquette Cement Company and selling automobiles and insurance. He served one term in the Arkansas House of Representatives before becoming Pulaski County Sheriff in 1940. During his three terms as sheriff, he was president of both the Arkansas and National Sheriffs' Associations. He did not seek a fourth term as sheriff. After leaving office, Caple owned the Caple Tractor Company, which he sold in 1961.

Caple was a member of Trinity Methodist Church in North Little Rock, Arkansas, the M.M. Eberts American Legion Post 1, the Little Rock Lions Club, of which he served as president, and the Scimitar Shrine Temple. He died on June 28, 1981, at the age of 88. He is buried at Roselawn Memorial Park.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists mainly of a scrapbook compiled during Caple's tenure as Pulaski County Sheriff, and papers relating to the Methodist Church, Lions Clubs, and Sheriffs' Associations.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Rachel Donaldson, North Little Rock, Arkansas, 1985.

Related Materials

Separated Materials

The Gus Caple photographs were transferred to General Photograph File series #5018.

Controlled Access Headings

Personal Name(s)

- Caple, Gus, 1893-1981

Subject(s)

- Grain trade
- Legislators
- Sheriffs

Collection Inventory

Scrapbook, 1941-1946	Box 1
Correspondence	Box 2
Sheriffs' associations materials	
Lions Club materials	
Methodist church materials	
Printed materials	
Clippings	
Interviews	
Pamphlets, brochures, etc.	
Periodicals	
Postcards	

Calendar

Calendar

Sheet music

Tickets

Sign

Awards

Cards

Speech

Circuit court order

List of delegates to “1948 National Convention”

Miscellaneous