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Summary Information

Repository	Arkansas State Archives
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Biographical/Historical Note

Daniel Webster Jones (1839-1918) was the nineteenth governor of the State of Arkansas, 1897-1901. Jones was born December 15, 1839, in Bowie County, Texas. In 1840, his family moved to Washington, Arkansas. When Arkansas seceded from the Union in May 1861, he enlisted in the Third Arkansas Regiment. During the war, Jones was wounded in battle, captured twice and attained the rank of colonel. He married Margaret P. Hadley on February 9, 1864, and they eventually had two daughters and three sons.

Jones was elected prosecuting attorney of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in 1874, and served as a presidential elector in 1876 and 1880. He was elected attorney general in 1884 and 1886, and he served in the Arkansas House of Representatives in 1890. On September 7, 1896, Jones was elected Governor of Arkansas, and was sworn in on January 18, 1897. He was reelected to a second term in 1898. During his tenure, money was appropriated for a new state capitol, and a law was enacted that rendered a system of uniform textbooks in public schools. After leaving office, Jones resumed his law practice, and he was elected in 1914 to the Arkansas House of Representatives. Governor Daniel Jones died December 24, 1918, and he is buried at the Oakland Cemetery, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Jeff Davis was born May 6, 1862, in Little River County, Arkansas. He studied law at Vanderbilt University and served as governor of Arkansas from 1901-1907. He then went on to become a United States senator. Davis died January 3, 1913, only a few months after his re-election to the senate.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains one letterbook of outgoing correspondence by Dan W. Jones and Jeff Davis.

Administrative Information

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