

THE PHILIP JACOBS FAMILY PAPERS

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SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION

The Philip Jacobs family collection contains items from the White House Clothing Company, S. Jacobs and Son, and the Reno General Relief Committee I.O.O.F., Solomon Jacobs and Philip Jacobs. There are a few items for Murray Jacobs, Philip's son.

Solomon Jacobs a tailor, and clothier, started the White House Clothing Company with his son Philip, in 1904 in Reno, Nevada. Later Phil took it over when his father retired. When he retired he turned it over to his son Murray.

The White House Clothing Company items contain the Stock certificate book and stock ledger dated 1916 to 1923. There are blank invoices for the company, memo books dated 1923, three photographs of the company and five photographs of the Reno area. Also included are a few financial items.

Solomon Jacobs was the Grand Master of the I.O.O.F and there are blank forms and letter heads from the 1890's.

Phil Jacobs took over, from his father Solomon, the duties of treasurer of the Reno General Relief Committee I.O.O.F. There is a book of meeting notes from 1890 to 1937, funeral ceremony books and lodge books from Nevada, California, and Colorado. There is correspondence regarding the health and death benefits for some of the lodge members dated 1936 to 1942.

Included is a large certificate for Philip from the Knights of Khorassan dated 15 December 1904. There are three large unidentified photographs in the collection.

THE JACOBS FAMILY

Solomon Jacobs was born September 22, 1855 in Poland, his wife, Hannah Hersh was born May 1855, also in Poland. They married in 1869 and immigrated the same year and settled in New York City. Their son Philip was born in May 22, 1870 there. Later the family moved to Hollister, California where their other son, Morris was born on September 22, 1877.

In 1878 the family had moved to Reno, Nevada, where Solomon's brother, Hirsch Jacobs and other family members resided. Solomon opened a merchant tailoring business. As the town grew he kept enlarging the business. In 1903 Solomon Jacobs & Son opened the White House Clothing Co. at 24 Commercial Row.

He intended to retire and turn the business over to his son Morris but when he drowned in a boating accident in May of 1904 Solomon and Philip ran the business. Solomon later went into the banking business with his brother Hirsch and Philip ran the business by himself.

Hanna Jacobs died February 22, 1917 and later Solomon married Jennie Peyser. He died December 9, 1939. Solomon, Hannah and Morris are all in the Jewish Cemetery in Reno.

Philip married Sylvia Lachman and they had a son, Newton Nevada Jacobs, on March of 1898. After Philip and Sylvia divorced Philip married Jennie Davidson on October 31, 1905. A son, Murray P. Jacobs was born on August 25, 1906.

Philip turned over the White House Clothing Company to his son, Murray . He operated it as a clothing store until his father died then in 1942 when he turned it into a liquor store and later a bar called Murray's Club. Eventually he put in slot machines and table games at the location. In 1944 he leased part of the property bill Harrah. In 1952 he sold the business to the Nevada Club but retained the property and in 1966 he then sold them the property.

Murray died on May 29, 2002 in Reno, Nevada and is buried in Colma, California.

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Box Folder Description

I WHITE HOUSE CLOTHING COMPANY - RENO, NEVADA

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|---|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | 1 | Stock Ledger. 1916 to 1923 |
| | 2 | Stock Certificate Book - 1916 to 1923 |
| | 3 | White House Clothing Company - Three different blank invoices |
| | 4 | Miscellaneous February 13, 1930 Loan document Two bank signature cards. One blank one filled out. One Business card for Phil Jacobs Four 1923 memo books for White House Clothing Company |
| | 5 | Photographs |

Three photographs of the White House Clothing Company. Five Reno scenes.

SOLOMON JACOBS

- 6 Blank letterheads. S. Jacobs, Grand Master I.O.O.F. Blank forms 1890's. General Relief Committee, Dr. I.O.O.F.

III MURRAY PHILIP JACOBS

- 7 Business cards - Three
Correspondence 1942 - 1972

IV PHILIP JACOBS

Reno General Relief Committee I.O.O.F.

- 8 Book of meeting notes. Reno General Relief Committee I.O.O.F. 1890-1937
- 9 Funeral Ceremony Book Truckee Lodge No. 14. I.O.O.F.
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Constitution and By Laws - Other lodges.

Nevada

Dayton Lodge No. 5 1902 California

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| Bridgeport, Calif. Bridgeport Lodge, No. 386 | 1896 |
| Lodi, Calif. Lodi Lodge No. 259 | 1888 |
| Downieville, Calif. Sierra Lodge No. 24 | 1901 |
| lone, Calif. lone Lodge, No. 51 | 1900 |

This volume has a list of past deceased members. It also has a list of All the lodges of California at this time.

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| San Francisco, Calif. Oriental Encampment, No. 57 | 1901 |
| Sacramento, Calif. El Dorado Lodge, No. 8 | 1888 |
| Santa Clara, Calif. Santa Clara Lodge | 1881 |
| Sierra Valley, Calif. Mountain Vale Lodge, No. 140 | 1901 |
| Susanville, Calif. Silver Star Lodge No. 135, Lassen County | 1896 |
| Taylorville, Plumas County, Indian Valley Lodge No. 136, | 1883 |
| Truckee, Calif. Dormer Lodge, No. 162 | 1903 |

Colorado

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| Uncompahgre Lodge No. 65, IOOF, Montrose, Colorado | 1904 |
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Correspondence Reno General Relief Committee I.O.O.F. 1936 to 1942

Financial Reno General Relief Committee I.O.O.F. Checks
and invoices for 1937 Checks for 1942
Western Union Telegraph March 1937 Check
book stubs: 1908- 1911

Red Men Organization

Blank letterheads for: "Julius Teitelbaum, Deputy Great Inchoonee of the Reservation of Nevada" 38 East Commercial Row, Reno, Nevada. One certificate "Knights of Khorassan" KOP dated 15 December 1904 for Philip Jacobs.

Three unidentified photographs