Kansas City, Fort Scott, and Memphis Railroad Company Records (R1425)

Collection Number: R1425

Collection Title: Kansas City, Fort Scott, and Memphis Railroad Company Records

Dates: 1906-1908

Creator: Kansas City, Fort Scott, and Memphis Railroad Company

Abstract: The collection contains one ledger of receipts and expenses for the Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis Railroad Company for the period 1906-1908.

Collection Size: 0.1 cubic feet
   (1 folder)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri.

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Rolla. If you would like more information, please contact us at rolla@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Historical Note:

The Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis Railroad, also known as the Memphis Route, formed after years of railroad building in Southwest Missouri and Northern Arkansas. Originally organized as the Kansas and Neosho Railroad in 1865, it was reorganized into the Missouri River, Fort Scott and Gulf Railroad Company in 1868. An additional reorganization occurred in
1879. The line passed through Fort Scott, Kansas, and on into Springfield, Missouri. The Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis Railroad built the line that went from Springfield, Missouri, to Memphis, Tennessee, and became known as the Memphis Route. This line was completed in 1883. This line competed directly with the Frisco railroad. They fought over the same territory and branch lines. Frisco ultimately prevailed, taking possession of the Memphis Route in a formal agreement reached in 1928. The Frisco had gained control of the Fort Scott system by 1901.

**Arrangement:**

The collection has been arranged in its original order in one folder.

**Scope and Content:**

The collection contains one ledger of receipts and expenses for the Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis Railroad Company for the period 1906-1908.

**Container List:**

f. 1 Freight Cash Account Book 1906-1908

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