

## Finding Aid to the Annie Dwight Tyler Papers

### Tyler, Annie Dwight, 1856-1936

Anne A. Dwight Tyler Papers, 1879-1881, 1903-1944

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### BIOGRAPHY

Annie Dwight was born in May 1856 at Dryden, New York, the daughter of Jeremiah W. and Rebecca Ann (Cody) Dwight. Her father had extensive holdings in Richland and Steele counties of North Dakota which was organized as the Dwight Farm and Land Company. One of its stockholders and directors was Richard S. Tyler whom Miss Dwight married in 1887. Mr. Tyler was born in Tompkins County, New York on December 3, 1848, the son of Oliver and Harriet (Lampman) Tyler. After various employments in New York, Mr. Tyler came to Fargo in 1881. He invested heavily in business and residential property, and had extensive land holdings as well in the area. He established R.S. Tyler and Company which was continued after his death by his widow as R.S. Tyler Company. He was very active in Fargo civic affairs and was

instrumental in the establishment of the Commercial Club of Fargo. Mr. Tyler died on January 8, 1903. After his death Mrs. Tyler operated the loan and real estate business. The business was incorporated in 1914 with E.T. Hunkins and Augusta B. Peterson as partners. Miss Peterson was secretary of the company and later handled the Annie Dwight Tyler estate. Mrs. Tyler became a very successful businesswoman and was a member of the local Business and Professional Women's Club. Mrs. Tyler died in Fargo on September 25, 1936 and was buried beside her husband in Riverside Cemetery.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT

The **Annie Dwight Tyler Papers** consist of probate records for Mr. and Mrs. Tyler, business records of the R.S. Tyler Company, and of Mrs. Tyler. The biographical folder includes obituaries and other historical items on the Dwight and Tyler families. A small ledger containing loans made between 1879 and 1881 is presumed to be of Mr. Tyler. The probate files include various court documents, trial balances and deeds for both Mr. and Mrs. Tyler's estates.

The **R.S. Tyler Company Series** is the largest series, which was incorporated in 1914. The files include the original articles of incorporation and the "corporate record" book containing meeting minutes of the stockholders and directors who are the same three individuals (Mrs. Tyler, Augusta B. Peterson, and E.T. Hunkins) from 1914 to 1928. Other files include two stock shares and a listing of land holdings, presumed to be of the company. The financial volumes of journal, ledgers, and mortgage books give a good, detailed account of the business from about 1920-1934. The mortgage books do contain entries for Mrs. Tyler as well.

The **Annie Dwight Tyler Series** consists of Mrs. Tyler's personal investment and financial records which give a very detailed look at her own business affairs from about 1910 to the closing of her estate in 1944.

## BOX AND FOLDER LIST

<b>Box/Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
1/1	Biographical material, and Finding aid
1/2	Business ledger R.S. Tyler, 1879-1881
<b>Probate Records Series</b>	
1/3	Richard S. Tyler, 1903, 1927
1/4	Annie Dwight Tyler, 1935-1943
<b>R.S. Tyler Company Series</b>	
1/5	Articles of Incorporation, 1914

1/6 Stockholders and directors minutes, 1914-1928  
1/7 Land holdings  
1/8 Stock shares, 1914  
Financial records -  
2 Journal, 1925-1944  
Ledger, 1920-1925  
2 Ledger, 1925-1934  
Mortgage Records -  
3 1920-1916  
4 1916-1932

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Ledgers-  
6 1910-1942  
6 Estate, 1941-1944  
7 Journal, 1917-1942