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Finding Aid to the Graver Hotel and Coffee Shop Records

Graver Hotel and Coffee Shop

Graver Hotel and Graver Coffee Shop records, 1935-1943 4 linear feet MSS 400

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OVERVIEW

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BIOGRAPHY

The Graver Coffee Shop was located inside the Graver Hotel which is situated at the corner of 2nd Ave N and Roberts Street in Fargo, ND. Built in 1917, on the site of the Fargo Opera House after it had burned down in 1912, but it did not become the Graver Hotel until 1928 when the Parker Hotel Company renovated the building. The Graver Coffee Shop was in operation until 1966 according to the Fargo/Moorhead City Directory.

The North Dakota State University Alumni Development Foundation acquired the building in 1976 and operated the Graver Hotel as student housing for about a decade until it became the Graver Inn Apartments. Fargo Housing and Redevelopment Authority purchased the property in 2003 where it has since been used as low-income housing.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The **Graver Coffee Shop Collection** consists mostly of invoices, reports, and ledgers from the business operations of the Graver Coffee Shop between 1935 and 1943.

The **Invoice Series** takes up much of this collection and consists of mainly Fargo businesses from the Fargo/Moorhead area from 1935 to 1936 and 1941 to 1943.

The **Employee Records Series** consists of one folder of employee earnings from the Graver Hotel in the early 1940s.

The **Check Stub Series** includes general and payroll records from the Graver Hotel and Coffee Shop from 1939 to 1940.

The **Reports Series** consists of Daily Room Reports from the Graver Hotel between 1941 and 1943.

The **Ledger Series** consists of Graver Hotel Coffee Shop ledgers between 1941 and 1943.

BOX AND FOLDER LIST

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Box/Folder	Content

Box 1

1/1 Finding Aid

Invoice Series

	1935
1/2	A
1/3	В
1/4	C
1/5	D
1/6	F
1/7	G
1/8	Н
1/9	K
1/10	L
1/11	M
1/12	N
1/13	P
1/14	R

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1/20	В
1/21	C
1/22	C
1/23 1/24	D
1/24	D E
1/25	F
1/27	F
1/28	F
1/29	F
1/30	G
1/31	G
1/32	G
1/33	G
1/34	Н
1/35	J
Box 2	
2/1	K
2/2	K
2/3	L
2/4	M
2/5	M
2/6	N

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1942-1943

2/18	A
2/19	A
2/20	В
2/21	C
2/22	D
2/23	D
2/24	E
2/25	F
2/26	F
2/27	F

Box 3

3/1	F
3/2	F
3/3	G
3/4	G
3/5	G
3/6	Н
3/7	I
3/8	J
3/9	K
3/10	K
3/11	M
3/12	M
3/13	N
3/14	O
3/15	P
3/16	R
3/17	S
3/18	S
3/19	T
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3/21	W

Employee Record Series

3/22 Employee's Earnings Records, c. 1943

Check Stub Series

3/23	Graver Hotel, 7/12/1939 - 2/29/40 and 11/15/1939 - 5/15/1940
3/24	Graver Coffee Shop Payroll, 9/15/1939 - 8/15/1940
3/25	Graver Coffee Shop, 3/31/1940 - 10/30/1940 and 6/30/1939 - 3/31/1940

Box 4

Hotel Report Series

4/1	Daily Rooms Reports, 11/01/1941 - 12/31/1941
4/2	Daily Rooms Reports, 7/01/1941 - 10/31/1941
4/3	Daily Rooms Reports, 01/01/1940 - 6/30/1941
4/4	Daily Rooms Reports, 10/16/1942 - 12/31/1942
4/5	Daily Rooms Reports, 8/01/1942 - 10/15/1942
4/6	Daily Rooms Reports, 4/01/1942 - 7/31/1942
4/7	Daily Rooms Reports, 3/31/1942 - 01/01/1941
4/8	Daily Rooms Reports, 12/31/1943 - 9/29/1943
4/9	Daily Rooms Reports, 9/28/1943 – 07/01/1943

Coffee Shop Ledger Series

4/10	Graver Hotel Coffee Shop Ledgers, 12/31/1941 – 7/08/1941
4/11	Graver Hotel Coffee Shop Ledgers, 7/07/1941 – 01/01/1941
4/12	Graver Hotel Coffee Shop Ledgers, 12/31/1942 – 7/24/1942
4/13	Graver Hotel Coffee Shop Ledgers, 7/23/1942 – 01/01/1942
4/14	Graver Hotel Coffee Shop Ledgers, 12/31/1943 – 07/03/1943
4/15	Graver Hotel Coffee Shop Ledgers, 7/02/1943 – 01/01/1943