

Rucker Cotton Seed records  
1883-1961  
MS 57



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Title: Rucker Cotton Seed records  
Dates: 1883-1961  
Extent: 8.5 linear ft. (18 boxes)  
Identification: 2004-12

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**Biographical or Historical Note**

Joel Jackson (J. J.) Rucker (1880-1960) founded the Rucker Cotton Seed Company circa 1911 in the area known as Crabapple, in present-day Milton, Georgia. The company developed and sold cotton seed both locally and across the cotton belt. J. J. Rucker also built and operated a cotton gin nearby. The company's assets were sold in 1961.

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**Scope and Content**

This collection contains the records of the Rucker Cotton Seed Company. Most prominently represented are financial records such as ledgers, statements from local banks, and checks written by J. J. Rucker and family. The collection also contains company correspondence, promotional materials, and artifacts relating to the Rucker Cotton Seed Company.

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**Organization Note**

The collection is divided into 2 series:

- (1) Rucker Cotton Seed Company records
- (2) Rucker Cotton Seed Company Cotton Gin papers.

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**Selected Search Terms**

Rucker Cotton Seed Company (Roswell, Ga.)

Rucker, Joel Jackson (J. J.), 1880-1960

Rucker, John, 1842-1918

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**Related Materials**

MS 89 Rucker family papers

VIS 8 Julia Rucker-Crisler photograph collection

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**Administrative Information****Citation**

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**Source**

Julia Rucker-Crisler

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