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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Coon Chicken Inn Records and Graham Family Papers
Date:	1914-1973, undated
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.1153
Creator:	Graham, Adelaide (Creator)
Extent:	2 Cubic feet (6 boxes)
Language:	English .
Summary:	The collection consists of materials relating to the creation and operation of the restaurant chain known as the Coon Chicken Inn.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The collection was purchased by the Museum from Maxon and Adelaide Graham's grandson in 2009.

Processing Information

Processed by Anne Jones, volunteer, 2010; supervised by Vanessa Broussard- Simmons, archivist.

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Biographical / Historical

Coon Chicken Inn was founded in Salt Lake City, Utah, by Maxon Lester Graham and his wife Adelaide Burt Graham. At only sixteen years of age, Mr. Graham was already an established businessman, having secured the ownership of a Metz automobile dealership in 1913. Newly married and in possession of both an easily-prepared fried chicken recipe and two thousand dollars from a recent business deal, the couple went into the

restaurant business and opened the first Coon Chicken Inn in 1925. Initially it was a simple lunch counter that served hamburgers, chili, sandwiches, cakes, pies and their signature "southern fried Coon Chicken sandwich." The chicken was a big hit. The restaurant expanded after a 1927 fire, completely rebuilding on a larger scale. In 1929, the Grahams opened another Coon Chicken Inn in Seattle, Washington. The couple moved to Seattle, retaining the Salt Lake City restaurant. Business boomed, and a cabaret, dance floor, and orchestra were added to both restaurants along with larger dining rooms and delivery trucks for catering. In 1930, a third restaurant opened in Portland, Oregon. The Grahams operated their small chain successfully into the 1950s, when they closed the restaurants and leased out the properties.

This small restaurant chain is memorable, unfortunately, because of the image the Grahams choose as the logo, sign, and symbol to distinguish their establishments—a round, toothy, grinning face of an African American man wearing a porter's cap and a winking eye. The mouth of this huge head formed the entrance to the restaurants; customers literally walked in through the gaping mouth. According to an account written by Scott Farrar, the Graham's grandson, his grandfather decided "if a gimmick were added for the children it would help bring in the parents." The image appeared on every menu, napkin, utensil, and dish used in the restaurants; the Grahams may have seen the grinning face as representing persons skilled in the art of "southern" cooking, a highly-regarded cuisine until then virtually unavailable in Utah and the Pacific Northwest. Today, Coon Chicken Inn artifacts and other stereotypical images of African Americans are highly collectible items.

See website: <http://www.ferris.edu/jimcrow/links/chicken/> for more information about Coon Chicken Inn.

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of materials collected by Maxon L. Graham, the founder and operator of Coon Chicken Inn. The restaurants were located in Salt Lake City, Utah; Seattle, Washington and Portland, Oregon and operated from the 1920s into the 1950s. There were materials in a loose leaf notebook consisting of personal papers, business ephemera and photographs. These materials are arranged by type. For preservation purposes the scrapbooks were dismantled and the covers and pages were placed in folders while still maintaining the original order.

Series 1, Coon Chicken Inn Business Records, 1926-1948, undated, consists of agreements, bills, checks, contracts, receipts, promotional materials and other business ephemera. There are also menus, matchbooks, postcards, placemats, table cards, sales checks, and recipes. The materials are arranged in chronological order.

Series 2, Maxon L. Graham Personal Papers, 1933-1942, undated, relates primarily to his professional activities and gun collection. The materials are arranged in chronological order. Series 3, Photographs, 1925-1930s, undated, primarily documents interior, exterior, and aerial views of Coon Chicken Inns in Salt Lake City, Utah; Seattle, Washington and Portland, Oregon. There is also a photograph of Mr. Graham's gun collection and an unidentified group.

Series 4, Scrapbooks, 1917-1973, includes, two scrapbooks created to document the Coon Chicken Inn restaurants and the Graham family. Scrapbook One, 1917-1941, undated, includes a front cover, thirty eight loose sheets, seventy six pages and a back cover. The materials in this scrapbook are not arranged in any particular order and consist of menus, table cards, business cards, advertisements, brochures, photographs, newspaper clippings and publications. Some pages have small objects attached to them, including meal tokens, a belt buckle and a pointing hand. Materials relating to the Graham family include Maxon Graham's draft card, a wedding announcement and photographs of their homes. In addition there is an autographed photograph of entertainer Webb Holmes. The pages are numbered and divided into folders in the original order.

Scrapbook Two 1914-1973, undated, includes a front cover, thirty six loose sheets seventy two pages and a back cover. Materials in this scrapbook are not arranged in any particular order and consist of menus, table cards, checks, a survey for a building lot, advertisements, annual reports, a liquor permit, photographs of restaurant staff, newspaper clippings and publications. Personal materials relating to the

Graham family include an obituary for Adelaide Graham, articles about the purchase of a private residence, realtor's advertisement for new home, a telegram about a party, M. L. Graham's international driver's license, Christmas cards and M.L. Graham's high school report card. The pages are numbered and divided into folders in the original order.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged into four series.

Series 1, Coon Chicken Inn Business Records, 1926-1948, undated

Series 2, Maxon L. Graham Personal Papers, 1933-1942, undated

Series 3, Photographs, 1925-1930s, undated

Series 4, Scrapbooks, 1917-1973, undated

Container Listing

Series 1: Coon Chicken Inn Business Records, 1926-1948, undated

Box 1, Folder 1	Cancelled and blank checks, Salt Lake City, 1925, 1926, 1936, 1941
Box 1, Folder 2	Promissory note for purchase of cash register, 1926 August
Box 1	Receipt for sale of cash register to Associated Inns, 1926 December
Box 1, Folder 3	Agreement with Berntson Brothers, Salt Lake City, for addition to restaurant,, 1927 September
Box 1, Folder 4	Bills from M.A. Strand for electrical work, Salt Lake City, 1927, 1928
Box 1, Folder 5	Envelopes, 1930s-1940s
Box 1, Folder 6	Application for ashtray design patent, 1936 December 9
Box 1, Folder 7	Certificate for record of trademark, "Cre-Made," state of Utah, 1936 June 20
Box 1, Folder 8	Universal Match Company order, 1939
Box 1, Folder 9	Dairy Machinery Company, order for bottle caps, 1939
Box 1, Folder 9	Contract for signage, Salt Lake City, 1940 September 25
Box 1, Folder 10	Rental agreement with Multi-Light Neon Company, Seattle, 1940
Box 1, Folder 10	Newspaper clipping about picketers at Coon Chicken Inn, Seattle, 1940
Box 1, Folder 11	Invoice, Pacific Travel Bureau of British Columbia, 1940 July
Box 1, Folder 12	Leasing documents, Associated Poultry Company, Seattle, 1941 March 4
Box 1, Folder 13	Letter from M.L. Graham regarding patent, 1944 January 18
Box 1, Folder 14	Football program, Washington Sideliner, Coon Chicken Inn advertisement, page 28, 1948 October 9
Box 1, Folder 15	Letterhead stationery for Coon Chicken Inns, Salt Lake City and Seattle; and Associated Inns Incorporated, Salt Lake City, undated
Box 1, Folder 15	Envelope, Portland, Oregon
Box 1, Folder 16	Die-cut for circulars, undated

Box 1, Folder 17-18	Promotional materials, undated
Box 1, Folder 19	Menu cards, undated
Box 1, Folder 20	Menus, die-cut, undated
Box 1, Folder 21	Table cards for reserved seating
Box 1, Folder 22	Placemats, undated
Box 3, Folder 1	Food wrappers
Box 1, Folder 23	Sales checks, undated
Box 1, Folder 24	Recipes, handwritten and typed, undated

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Series 2: Maxon L. Graham Personal Papers, 1933-1942, undated

Box 1, Folder 25	Calling cards, undated Brochure relating to Graham's gun collection, undated
Box 1, Folder 26	Menu, Suttons, 1933 Menu, Restaurant Association meeting, undated
Box 1, Folder 27	Affidavit for surrender of firearms, undated Letter from Treasury Department to M. L. Graham, 1938 February 2
Box 1, Folder 28	Letter and franchise agreement, Robert Burbridge Enterprises, "CHICK-EN-HAND", 1939
Box 1, Folder 29	Washington state appointment of L.R. Ence as notary public, January 1, 1941
Box 1, Folder 30	Article, "M. L. Graham elected Association President," Washington State Restaurant and Tavern News, page 3, 1942 July

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Series 3: Photographs, 1925-1930s, undated

Box 2	Coon Chicken Inn, 2950 Highland Drive, Salt Lake City, Utah
Box 2	Coon Chicken Inn, 8500 Bothell Way, Seattle, Washington
Box 2	Coon Chicken Inn, 1488 Sandy Boulevard, Portland, Oregon
Box 2	M. L. Graham's gun collection, undated
Box 2	Unidentified group in touring vehicle, undated

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Series 4: Coon Chicken Inn Scrapbooks, 1917-1973, undated

Subseries 4.1: Scrapbook One, 1917-1965, undated

Box 4, Folder 1	Inside front cover, M. L. Graham, undated; clippings, This Week in Seattle and Washington State Restaurant and Tavern News, 1942 July
Box 4, Folder 1	<p>Pages 1 and 2, promotional folder, inside spread and outside spread; die-cut for shape of smiling face logo</p> <p>[Coon Chicken Inn map and list of locations with cartoon logo of grinning, winking blackface porter], [undated.] 1 Item (12 in. x 18-3/16 in.) Image(s) Image(s)</p> <p>Collector: Graham, Maxon Creator: Coon Chicken Inn Language: English. Notes: AC1153-0000001.tif (AC Scan No.: face with restaurant list) AC1153-0000002.tif (AC Scan No.: map) Map on one side, cartoon face on the other; device folds in the center.</p> <p>Names: Sambo (Fictitious character) Topic: Cookery (Chicken) Caricatures and cartoons Blackface entertainers Cookery (Chicken) Stereotypes (Social psychology) Racism Ethnic imagery Restaurants</p> <p>Genre/Form: Maps -- 20th century Advertisements Ephemera</p>
Box 4, Folder 1	Page 3, menus and menu cards, undated
Box 4, Folder 1	Page 4, correspondence regarding trademarks, 1926, 1932; receipt, 1927; business card, undated
Box 4, Folder 1	Page 5, lease for land in Salt Lake City, 1925 June 26; agreement between Mr. and Mrs. Graham, 1925 May 24; 50 peso note; business cards and snapshot of Coon Chicken Inn, undated
Box 4, Folder 1	Page 6, advertising poster, undated; photograph of first Coon Chicken Inn, Salt Lake City, circa 1925

[Coon Chicken Inn : Advertisement for Coon Chicken Inn and John Maxson [sic] and his Club Cotton [sic] Merry-Makers, [1934.]

1 Item (scrapbook page; Silver gelatin on paper.; 17-1/2 in. x 22-5/16 in.)

Advertiser: Graham, Maxon

Collector: Graham, Maxon

Creator: Graham, Adelaide

Language: English.

Notes: AC1153-0000003.tif (AC Scan No.)

"Coming direct from the Coon-Chicken / Club Cotton at Seattle, Wash."

Names: Sambo (Fictitious character)

Topic: Stereotypes (Social psychology)

Racism

Cookery (Chicken)

Ethnic imagery

Restaurants

Place: Seattle (Wash.)

Salt Lake City (Utah)

Genre/Form: Advertisements

Clippings -- 1930-1950

Ephemera

Box 4, Folder 1 Page 7, handwritten confession of theft at restaurant, 1926; police document, 1926; cancelled checks, 1926, 1928, 1929; safe combination card

Box 4, Folder 1 Page 8, statement of taxable property, 1929; Coon Chicken Inn "smiling face," embroidered cloth; Liberty Bond materials, 1926

Box 4, Folder 1 Page 9, photographs of Salt Lake City restaurant, undated; autographed photograph of entertainer Webb Holmes

Box 4, Folder 1 Page 10, photographs of Salt Lake City restaurant, undated

Box 4, Folder 2 Page 11, postcard showing three restaurants, 1930s; "Keys to S. L. C. Coon Chicken demolished June 1, 1969;" Thanksgiving menu

Box 4, Folder 2 Page 12, photographs of poultry farm and bakery, Salt Lake City, undated; holiday dinner menu; business card; receipt for piano purchase, 1926

Box 4, Folder 2 Page 13, business license, Salt Lake City, 1928 January; newspaper clipping and proposed restaurant location in Portland, Oregon; contract with Peterson Sign Company, Salt Lake City

Box 4, Folder 2 Page 14, newspaper clippings, 1930 and undated; fryer advertisement, undated; permit for cigarette sales, Salt Lake City, 1929 January; business card for Seattle restaurant

Box 4, Folder 2 [Page 15, newspaper advertisements for Club Cotton in Seattle restaurant, 1934 February; promotional postcards with menus for Club Cotton](#)

Box 4, Folder 2	<p>[Coon Chicken Inn: newspaper advertisement for Coon Chicken Club Cotton, etc., on scrapbook page], [1934] 1 Item (Newspaper advertisement) 1 Item (Scrapbook page; 22.747 x 17.122".) Image(s): [Coon Chicken Inn : Newspaper advertisement for Coon Chicken Club Cotton, etc., on scrapbook page, 1934.] Collector: Graham, Maxon Graham, Adelaide Creator: Coon Chicken Inn Language: English. Notes: AC1153-0000004.tif (AC Scan No.) Clipping for grand opening of Club Cotton from Twice-a-Week University District Herald, Seattle, marked 2/20/1934. Other items include: another clipping, a souvenir postcard, and a souvenir opening night menu.</p> <p>Topic: Cookery (Chicken) Stereotypes (Social psychology) Racism Restaurants Musicians</p> <p>Place: Seattle (Wash.) Genre/Form: Clippings -- 1930-1950 Newspapers</p>
Box 4, Folder 2	Page 16, letterhead, Seattle Post-Intelligencer; newspaper clippings, 1933 and undated; corporation license, 1932 July 22
Box 4, Folder 2	Page 17, holiday menus, business cards; war ration book, 1940s
Box 4, Folder 2	Page 18, newspaper clippings, 1930s, undated; holiday menu and table card
Box 4, Folder 2	Page 19, News clippings about pickets at Seattle restaurant, 1937 March
Box 4, Folder 2	Page 20, Western Restaurant articles, 1933 May and 1934 April; menus
Box 4, Folder 3	Page 21, Seattle restaurant and Club Cotton, circa 1934; receipt for order of matchbooks,, 1927
Box 4, Folder 3	<p>[Coon Chicken Inn : Black-and-white photoprints on scrapbook page], [1929.] 1 Item (scrapbook page; Silver gelatin on paper, mounted on paper scrapbook page.; 22-1/2 in. x 17-3/4 in.[incorrect]) Collector: Graham, Maxon Graham, Adelaide Creator: Coon Chicken Inn Language: English. Notes: AC1153-0000005.tif (AC Scan No.) 5 photographs: 3 exterior views of the restaurant with automobiles parked around it, including 2 daylight views and 1 night view, a restaurant interior, and a restaurant delivery vehicle with the blackface image on the side.</p>

At the right is a document, a copy of an order for matchbooks, advertising the restaurant, to the Diamond Match Company.

Names: Sambo (Fictitious character)
Diamond Match Company

Topic: Matches
Cookery (Chicken)
Stereotypes (Social psychology)
Racism
Ethnic imagery
Restaurants

Place: Seattle (Wash.)

Genre/Form: Ephemera
Photographs -- 1920-1930 -- Black-and-white photoprints
-- Silver gelatin

Box 4, Folder 3	Page 22, Washington State Restaurant, Tavern and Tobacco News, cover, 1940 May; article from Soda Fountain, 1935 May; photograph of Mr. and Mrs. Graham
Box 4, Folder 3	Page 23, bar and bandstand areas and dance band, undated; hand-painted tie with smiling face
Box 4, Folder 3	Page 24, Seattle restaurant with Shriner face, undated; newspaper clipping about Adelaide Burt [Mrs. Graham], undated; unidentified group on boat, undated; unidentified group with Mrs. Graham, undated
Box 4, Folder 3	Page 25, Seattle restaurant and picnic, undated; Washington State Restaurant Association meeting; unidentified group at restaurant
Box 4, Folder 3	Page 26, Seattle restaurant; "Christmas Party of the Hoover Company," 1936
Box 4, Folder 3	Page 27, Associated Poultry, Seattle, undated; Associated Poultry, Seattle, undated; Club Cotton, Seattle, undated
Box 4, Folder 3	Page 28, Coon Chicken and Cre-Maid logotypes, 1925, 1929, 1936
Box 4, Folder 3	Page 29, Playbill, "Hellzapoppin" at Forty Sixth Street Theater, circa 1939; autographed photographs of "Hellzapoppin"
Box 4, Folder 3	Page 30, Coon Chicken Inn placemat and business card; Associated Poultry Company circulars
Box 4, Folder 4	Page 31, Salt Lake City Coon Chicken Inn delivery vehicles and drive-in area, 1930s; Coon Chicken Inn die-cut advertising card, 1930s; newspaper clipping about M. L. Graham's shopping center, 1960s
Box 4, Folder 4	Page 32, attorney's letter, 1928 February 17; patent sales contract, 1937 January 30; receipt for purchase of Victrola, 1926 July 1928; bill of sale for piano, 1928 April 3

Box 4, Folder 4	Page 33, full page advertisement for restaurant opening in Portland, Oregon Daily Journal, 1931 September 11
Box 4, Folder 4	Pages 34-36, full-page advertisement for restaurant opening in Portland, Oregon Daily Journal, 1931 September 11; Portland restaurant exterior and kitchen; Salt Lake City restaurant interiors
Box 4, Folder 4	Page 37, woman at jukebox, Portland restaurant; Coon Chicken Inn die-cut menus
Box 4, Folder 4	Page 38, newspaper clippings about proposed Seattle airport restaurant Seattle Sunday Times, 1963, 1965; loose page from a memo about Allied Foods and airport restaurant, 1960 February 8; Coon Chicken Inn business forms; airport courtesy card
Box 4, Folder 4	Page 39, newspaper clippings about airport restaurant, 1963 January and undated
Box 4, Folder 4	Page 40, Coon Chicken Inn blank checks, undated; newspaper clipping, Mrs. Graham in Palm Springs, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, 1960 March 6; Coon Chicken Inn napkin and business card
Box 5, Folder 1	Page 41, Coon Chicken Inn die-cut menus
Box 5, Folder 1	Page 42, Coon Chicken Inn envelopes and business cards; Salt Lake restaurant and signboards; phonographs displayed in a store window
Box 5, Folder 1	Page 43, Coon Chicken Inn die-cut advertising fliers; table card regarding alcoholic beverages
Box 5, Folder 1	Page 44, Salt Lake City restaurant, signage and parade float, undated; Chicken Inn sign at Long Beach, California, undated
Box 5, Folder 1	Page 45, hand-painted tie with smiling face; Coon Chicken Inn playing cards; letters requesting recipes, 1928, 1931; letter regarding cook, Seattle 1931; newspaper clipping of Kingston Marina, undated
Box 5, Folder 1	Page 46, photographs of M. L. Graham alone and with unidentified groups; photographs of M. L. Graham alone and with unidentified groups; copy of cancelled check, 1963 April 4
Box 5, Folder 1	Page 47, Coon Chicken Inn take out bags and matchbooks; miscellaneous business cards; Pacific Motor Sales order of Citroen for M. L. Graham, 1945 April 15
Box 5, Folder 1	Page 48, Pacific Motor Sales order of Citroen for M. L. Graham, 1945 April 15; Mr. and Mrs. Graham and others, 1920s-1940s; newspaper clipping of Shriners, undated; Coon Chicken Inn takeout boxes, undated
Box 5, Folder 1	Page 49, Coon Chicken Inn letterheads and envelopes

Box 5, Folder 1	Page 50, Coon Chicken Inn order forms; newspaper clippings about burglary at Seattle restaurant, 1939 May 8; unidentified group
Box 5, Folder 2	Page 51, Coon Chicken Inn takeout box
Box 5, Folder 2	Page 52, business cards, Coon Chicken Inn and others; letter from Charles E. Hires Company, 1930 August 28; sales receipt for piano, 1926
Box 5, Folder 2	Page 53, group of restaurant menus and cards; advertisement and menu for Fagan's Chicken Inn using smiling face resembling Coon Chicken Inn
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Box 5, Folder 2	Page 55, wedding announcement for Adelaide Burt and Maxon Lester Graham; caricature "Kurt 10-10-38 New Orleans"
Box 5, Folder 2	Page 56, restaurant and tobacco sales licenses, Salt Lake City, 1928; receipt, Salt Lake City Corporation, 1926
Box 5, Folder 2	Page 57, Salt Lake City restaurant, circa 1930s; licenses and tax stamps, Salt Lake City, 1928, 1929, 1933; M. L. Graham's draft card, 1918
Box 5, Folder 2	Page 57, picketers, Salt Lake City restaurant, 1937; tax notices, 1927-1928
Box 5, Folder 2	Page 58, newspaper clipping about Kingston Marina, 1965 November 16; business card, M. L. Graham
Box 5, Folder 2	Page 59, aerial photograph of Seattle restaurant, 1930s; unidentified group photographs; bill of sale for automobile, 1937 December 19; Coon Chicken Inn flyer
Box 5, Folder 2	Page 60, Clucks, [Coon Chicken Inn newsletter] 1939 February, May, June
Box 5, Folder 3	Page 61, Clucks, [Coon Chicken Inn newsletter] 1939 February, May, June; Clucks, 1939 August, September, October
Box 5, Folder 3	Page 62, Clucks, 1939 November, December, undated
Box 5, Folder 3	Page 63, Clucks, 1939 April; undated
Box 5, Folder 3	Page 64, Clucks, undated; stock certificate for Associated Poultry, 1936; newspaper clipping about apartment units built by M. L. Graham, undated
Box 5, Folder 3	Page 65, businesses on Bothell Way, Seattle
Box 5, Folder 3	Page 66, M. L. Graham Company, Salt Lake City, Dort and Gray Motor Car distributor, 1923; photographs and advertisement; mileage ration card, 1941

Box 5, Folder 3	Page 67, M. L. Graham Company Motor Cars, photographs and cards, 1917; newspaper clipping of M. L. Graham, 1917; cancelled check, 1915
Box 5, Folder 3	Page 68, car and M. L. Graham at M. L. Graham Company Motor Cars; advertisements for cars, 1923
Box 5, Folder 3	Page 69, advertisements for M. L. Graham Company Motor Cars, 1923; newspaper clipping about Gray coupe, undated; M.L. Graham Company business card
Box 5, Folder 3	Page 70, full-page advertisement in the Salt Lake Telegram for the 4th Annual Auto Show,, 1917 February 20
Box 5, Folder 4	Page 71, advertisement for Gray automobiles, 1922; newspaper clippings about Dort automobiles, 1923; M. L. Graham Company letterhead and business card
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Box 5, Folder 4	Page 73, advertisements for Gray and Dort automobiles, undated; letter from Rafael Valiente, 1941
Box 5, Folder 4	Page 74, article about M. L. Graham's Wild West Exhibit, 1961 August; brochures about M. L. Graham's gun collection, undated
Box 5, Folder 4	Page 75, metal pointing hand; photographs of Graham family and Graham residences, 1940s
Box 5, Folder 4	Page 76, letter and business card from M. L. Graham Company, 1920s; newspaper clippings about Coon Chicken Inn, 1931; article about stamp collecting, undated
Box 5, Folder 4	Inside back cover, newspaper clipping about stage show, 1923; guest ticket for Republican Party convention, 1892; metal sign for Coon Chicken Inn; brass plaque; four Coon Chicken Inn meal tokens, metal; belt buckle and metal pointing hand

Subseries 4.2: Scrapbook Two, 1914-1973, undated

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Box 6, Folder 1	Page 6, restaurant license, Salt Lake City, 1926; agreement with builder, 1927 September 27; shopping center, 1960s
Box 6, Folder 1	Page 7, Coon Chicken Inn checks, used and blank, 1926; Coon Chicken Inn sales checks and letterhead, undated; shopping center under construction, [1960s?]
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Box 6, Folder 2	Page 11, Seattle Sunday Times, 1930 August 31; Coon Chicken Inn advertisement and article about the restaurant opening
Box 6, Folder 2	Page 12, Coon Chicken Inn, Seattle, 1930s; article, Western Restaurant, 1934 April; article, Western Restaurant about Club Cotton addition to Seattle restaurant
Box 6, Folder 2	Page 13, Club Cotton addition to Seattle Coon Chicken Inn, 1934; advertisement for Club Cotton, 1934
Box 6, Folder 2	Page 14, interiors of Seattle Coon Chicken Inn, 1930s; Club Cotton menus
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Box 6, Folder 2	Page 17, articles, Washington State Restaurant-Tavern News, about M.L. Graham's election to presidency of Washington State Restaurant Association, 1942 July
Box 6, Folder 2	Page 18, Washington State Restaurant Association Annual Report, 1938-1939
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Box 6, Folder 3	Page 21, liquor permit, King County, Washington, 1933 April; Pacific Gas advertisement featuring Coon Chicken Inn, 1933; newspaper clippings, undated

Box 6, Folder 3	Page 22, apartment complex built by M. L. Graham, undated; newspaper clipping, undated
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Box 6, Folder 3	Page 25, Coon Chicken Inn delivery van, Seattle; unidentified log house, unidentified couple
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Box 6, Folder 3	Page 27, Coon Chicken Inn interiors, Portland; Nohlgren's 99 Cent Diner
Box 6, Folder 3	Page 28, Coon Chicken Inn interiors, locations uncertain; smiling face sign with Halloween decor
Box 6, Folder 3	Page 29, advertisement for opening of restaurant at Seattle-Tacoma Airport, Seattle Times, undated
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Box 6, Folder 4	Page 32, Trolley Times, 1973 February
Box 6, Folder 4	Page 33, Trolley Times, 1972 December, article "De Coon Chicken Inn," includes photograph of Coon Chicken Inn waitresses, circa 1940s
Box 6, Folder 4	Pages 34-35, snapshot of unidentified people, 1930s; photographs of people at a party, 1960s; newspaper clipping, undated
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Box 6, Folder 4	Page 37, Christmas cards
Box 6, Folder 4	Page 38, blank
Box 6, Folder 4	Page 39, blank
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Box 6, Folder 5	Page 42, advertising for Dort automobiles, circa 1917

Box 6, Folder 5	Page 43, photograph of Metz automobile being driven up a flight of stairs by M. L. Graham, with others, undated
Box 6, Folder 5	Page 44, incorporation agreement for Coon Chicken Inn in Spokane, Washington, 1936 August 25; land purchase agreement, Spokane, Washington, 1936 August 25; letter concerning Spokane land purchase, 1936 September 23
Box 6, Folder 5	Page 45, blank
Box 6, Folder 5	Page 46, first meeting of incorporators of Nevada Distributors, Incorporated, 1944 June 5; certificate of dissolution for Nevada Distributors, Incorporated, State of Nevada, 1949 June 14-15; newspaper clipping, undated
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Box 6, Folder 5	Page 48, photographs and plan for shopping center signage
Box 6, Folder 5	Page 49, color rendering of new sign for shopping center, 1967
Box 6, Folder 5	Page 50, newspaper clipping, Salt Lake Tribune, 1923 April 1
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Box 6, Folder 6	Page 58, newspaper clipping about Mrs. Graham, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, 1962 April 6; photographs of the Grahams in Egypt, of Mr. Graham as a Shriner and of Mrs. Graham with others, undated
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Box 6, Folder 6	Page 60, telegram from "Ole" [Olsen], 1938, October 21
Box 6, Folder 1	Front cover
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