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**TENNESSEE  
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
DIVISION OF WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION  
RECORDS,  
1941-1964**

**RECORD GROUP 58**

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## SCOPE AND CONTENT

Record Group 58 is a random sampling of the claims filed for compensation under Tennessee's Workmen's Compensation Law. Year in and year out, Tennesseans are involved in job related accidents that result in injuries severe enough to cause workers to lose some off the job or cause death. In 1973, for example, twenty-two thousand claims were administered by the Tennessee Division of Workmen's Compensation.

The Act creating Workmen's Compensation was passed by the General Assembly (Chapter 123, Senate Bill 1000, by Todd) in 1919. The Act regulates the liabilities of employers to employees for injuries occurring while working, provides medical and surgical care for the injured, and cash payments to the injured employee or in the case of death, cash payments to any dependents.

Employers, under the terms of the act, are required to file within thirty days after an employee reports an on the job injury an accident report to the Division of Workmen's Compensation. The report contains several items. It must list the employer, time and place injury occurred, data on the injured person, the cause and nature of the injury. The board bases its initial determination of compensation of the report. The employer and employee are also able to submit additional information supporting or dissenting the claims.

The Accident Reports are arranged by year in chronological order. Within each year, the reports are arranged alphabetically by injury to specific parts of the body (i.e. arm, foot, head, etc.). The exception to this method of arrangement is that section of the Record Group dealing with fatalities. The fatalities are arranged by year in chronological order, within each year, the fatalities are arranged in alphabetical order by the industry or business in which they death occurred (i.e. Construction, Mining, Service, etc.).

The names of the claimants have been obliterated to ensure the privacy of the individuals involved.

## CONTAINER LIST

### Microfilm Roll #1

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#### Box 1

1	Amputations	1950
2	Arm Injuries	1950
3	Back Injuries	1950
4	Burns	1950
5	Contusions	1950
6	Eye Injuries	1950
7	Facial	1950
8	Foot	1950
9	Hand	1950
10	Head	1950
11	Leg	1950
12	Rib and Chest	1950
13	Amputations	1951
14	Arm	1951
15	Back	1951
16	Burns	1951
17	Contusions	1951
18	Eye	1951
19	Facial	1951
20	Foot	1951

#### Box 2

1	Hand Injuries	1951
2	Head	1951
3	Leg	1951
4	Rib and Chest	1951
5	Amputations	1952
6	Arm	1952
7	Back	1952
8	Burns	1952
9	Eye	1952
10	Facial	1952
11	Foot	1952
12	Hand	1952
13	Head	1952
14	Hernias	1952
15	Leg	1952
16	Rib and Chest	1952
17	Toxic Inhalation	1952

18	Silicosis	1953
19	Amputations	1954
20	Arm	1954
21	Back	1954
22	Contusions	1954
23	Eye	1954
24	Facial	1954
25	Foot Injuries	1954
26	Hand	1954
27	Head	1954
28	Hernias	1954
29	Leg	1954
30	Neck	1954
31	Rib and Chest	1954

**Box 3**

1	Amputations	1955
2	Arm	1955
3	Back	1955
4	Burns	1955
5	Contusions	1955
6	Eye	1955
7	Facial	1955
8	Foot	1955
9	Hand	1955
10	Hemorrhoids	1955
11	Hernias	1955
12	Leg	1955
13	Rib and Chest	1955
14	Toxic Inhalations	1955
15	Amputations	1956
16	Arm	1956
17	Back	1956
18	Burns	1956
19	Contusions	1956
20	Dermatitis	1956
21	Eye	1956
22	Facial	1956
23	Foot	1956
24	Hand	1956
25	Head	1956
26	Heat Prostrations	1956
27	Hernias	1956

28	Leg	1956
29	Neck	1956
30	Rib and Chest	1956
31	Toxic Inhalations	1956

**Box 4**

1	Amputations	1957
2	Arm	1957
3	Back	1957
4	Burns	1957
5	Contusions	1957
6	Dermatitis	1957
7	Eye Injuries	1957
8	Facial	1957
9	Foot	1957
10	Hand	1957
11	Leg	1957
12	Rib and Chest	1957
13	Amputations	1958
14	Arm	1958
15	Back	1958
16	Contusions	1958
17	Eye	1958
18	Fatalities	1958
19	Foot	1958
20	Hand	1958
21	Leg	1958
22	Rib and Chest	1958
23	Arm Injuries	1959
24	Back	1959
25	Burns	1959

**Box 5**

1	Contusions	1959
2	Eye Injuries	1959
3	Facial	1959
4	Foot	1959
5	Hand	1959
6	Head	1959
7	Hernias	1959
8	Leg	1959
9	Arm	1960
10	Back	1960

11	Burns	1960
12	Fatalities	1960
13	Hand	1960
14	Hernias	1960
15	Leg	1960
16	Pneumonia	1960
17	Rib and Chest	1960
18	Amputations	1961
19	Arm	1961
20	Back	1961
21	Burns	1961
22	Contusions	1961
23	Dermatitis	1961
24	Eye	1961
25	Facial	1961
26	Fatalities	1961
27	Hand	1961
28	Head	1961
29	Leg	1961
30	Rib and Chest	1961
31	Toxic Inhalation	1961

**Box 6**

1	Amputation	1962
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**Microfilm Roll #2**

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2	Arm Injuries	1962
3	Back	1962
4	Burns	1962
5	Fatalities	1962
6	Foot	1962
7	Hand	1962
8	Leg	1962
9	Arm	1963
10	Back	1963
11	Eye	1963
12	Fatalities	1963
13	Foot	1963
14	Hand	1963
15	Head	1963
16	Hernias	1963

17	Leg	1963
18	Ruptured Spleen	1963
19	Toxic Inhalation	1963

**Box 7**

1	Arm Injuries	1964
2	Back	1964
3	Burns	1964
4	Eye	1964
5	Fatalities	1964
6	Foot	1964
7	Hand	1964
8	Head	1964
9	Hernias	1964
10	Leg	1964
11	Neck	1964
12	Rib and Chest	1964
13	Correspondence	1945
14	Correspondence	1953
15	Correspondence	1954
16	Correspondence	1955
17	Correspondence	1956

**Box 8**

1	Manufacturing	1941
2	Public Utilities	1941
3	Service Industries	1941
4	Construction Industry	1942
5	Manufacturing	1942
6	Mining	1942
7	Public Utilities	1942

**Box 9**

1	Service Industries	1942
2	Wholesale Produce	1942
3	Construction Industry	1943
4	Freight Carriers	1943
5	Manufacturing	1943
6	Mining	1943

**Box 10**

1	Produce Industry	1943
2	Construction Industry	1944
3	Manufacturing	1944
4	Mining	1944
5	Natural Gas Production	1944
6	Poultry Industry	1944
7	Service Industries	1944