

## **Henry Boyd Neff Collection, 1914-1978**

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Scope and Content Note: The Henry Boyd Neff Collection contains legal documents about Neff Taxi, as well as Neff Taxi service cards and correspondence. The majority of the collection consists of legal documents from the Pennsylvania Public Service Commission, which later became the Public Utility Commission. The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission regulates transportation services, in addition to gas, water, electricity, and telephone services, for consumers in the state. The commission maintains licenses and fair rates and ensures proper insurance coverage for the taxicab companies.

Creator: Neff, Dorothy H., d. 2018.

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<u>Biographical and Historical Note</u>: Henry Boyd Neff was born in 1877, the son of Levi Neff and grandson of Samuel Neff. He started his Lancaster-based taxi business in the 1910s, although he first had a confectionary store on West James Street. Henry Neff and his wife, Emma, resided on East End Avenue (formerly Chester Avenue) in Lancaster city with their two children—Dorothy and Raymond. While their business was originally located on Penn Square, it moved to East Mifflin Street by 1950. Henry Neff ran the business until his death on May 16, 1959, at which time his daughter Dorothy took over. Dorothy Neff managed Neff Taxi through the mid-1970s, and she sold the business to Friendly Taxi in 1978.

Source of Acquisition: Gift of Dr. Dorothy Neff.



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## People:

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## Subject Headings:

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<u>Processing History</u>: This collection was cataloged and the finding aid was prepared by MEB, Spring 2006. This collection has been documented, preserved and managed according to professional museum and archives standards. The finding aid was updated using DACS conventions.



**Folder 1** Pennsylvania Public Service Commission **Insert 1** General Order No. 8 of the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In the matter of filing tariffs with the Public Service Commission. 9 April 1914.

**Insert 2** Certificate of Public Convenience issued to H. B. Neff by the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the right to operate autos in the City of Lancaster. 10 January 1921.

Report and order from the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania granting approval of H. B. Neff to operate one 7-passenger Oakland Touring car, one 5-passenger Ford Sedan, and one 5-passenger Ford Touring car. 10 January 1921.

General Order No. 18 of the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Rules and regulations governing the issuance of Certificates of Public Convenience for taxicabs. 21 October 1919.

**Insert 3** H. B. Neff rates and rules governing the transportation of passengers and baggage in Lancaster, Pennsylvania and vicinity. With envelope. 7 February 1921.

**Insert 4** Correspondence regarding filing of tariff from P. E. Fickenscher, Chief of Bureau of Rates and Tariffs, the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The tariff does not meet the commissions' requirements. 10 February 1921.

**Insert 5** Certificate of Public Convenience issued to H. B. Neff by the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the right to operate motor vehicles in the City of Lancaster. 17 April 1924.

Report and order from the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania granting approval to H. B. Neff to operate two 5-passenger Ford sedans. 17 April 1924.

General Order No. 18 of the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Rules and regulations governing the issuance of Certificates of Public Convenience for taxicabs. 21 October 1919.



**Insert 6** Certificate of Public Convenience issued to H. B. Neff by the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the right to operate motor vehicles in Lancaster. 12 July 1926.

Report and order from the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania granting approval to H. B. Neff to operate two 5-passenger Overland sedans. 12 July 1926.

General Order No. 10 of the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Rules and regulations governing the issuance of Certificates of Public Convenience for taxicabs. 10 October 1919.

**Insert 7** Certificate of Public Convenience issued to H. B. Neff by the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the right to operate motor vehicles as a common carrier in Lancaster. 21 May 1928.

Report and order from the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania granting approval to operate two 5-passenger Hupmobile sedans. 21 May 1928.

General Order No. 10 of the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Rules and regulations governing the issuance of Certificates of Public Convenience for taxicabs. 10 October 1919.

**Insert 8** Equipment certificate issued to H. B. Neff from the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to authorize and grant permission to operate two Hubmobiles. 5 July 1929.

**Insert 9** Certificate of Public Convenience issued to H. B. Neff by the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the right to operate motor vehicles in Lancaster. 12 May 1930.

Report and order from the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania granting approval to H. B. Neff to operate motor vehicles. 12 May 1930.

**Insert 10** Certificate of Public Convenience issued to H. B. Neff by the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Stamped on the document: "Cancelled Apr 11 1960." 21 May 1935.

Report and Order approving passenger service issued to H. B. Neff by the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania approving the right to transport persons in Lancaster, subject to conditions. 21 May 1935.



Folder 2 Public Utility Commission Documents

**Insert 1** Correspondence regarding rates and the annual report for the Public Utility Commission from William G. Hassler, attorney, to H. B. Neff. Mr. Neff must submit definite rates for the transportation to and from points outside the City of Lancaster, and he must complete an annual report for 1938. 12 May 1939.

**Insert 2** Rates and rules governing the transportation of persons in the city of Lancaster, issued to H. B. Neff in compliance with order of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. 16 June 1939.

**Insert 3** Correspondence regarding a revised tariff from B. Frank Morgal, Director of the Bureau, Bureau of Accounts, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. The revised tariff is to establish the rates that were in effect at the present time. 20 June 1939.

**Insert 4** Correspondence regarding revised instructions on accident reports from C. Radford Berry, Director of Bureau, Bureau of Engineering, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. Reporting of accidents must conform to rule number 9 of Revised General Order No. 29. 1 July 1939.

Revised instructions governing the filing of accident reports by common carriers from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. 1 July 1939.

**Insert 5** Certificate of Public Convenience issued to Dorothy H. Neff, trading and doing business as Neff Taxi by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. 19 May 1960.

**Insert 6** Certificate of Public Convenience issued to Dorothy H. Neff by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. Stamped on the document: "Cancelled Feb 8 1978." With envelope. 7 June 1966.

Supplemental report and order canceling Certificate of Public Convenience from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, issued to Dorothy H. Neff. The certificate has been transferred to Dorothy H. Neff, and is now contained in a Certificate of Public Convenience issued to her. 11 April 1960.

Supplemental report and order modifying the Certificate of Public Convenience from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission issued to Dorothy H. Neff. The right contained in the report and order issued on April 11, 1960, will be amended to state that the right shall be to transport persons in the City of Lancaster. The applicant will not be permitted to operate any transportation until they comply with Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission requirement, relative to filing a tariff. 13 November 1961.



Report and order approving passenger service from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, issued to Dorothy H. Neff. Commission grants approval to transport persons in the City of Lancaster with some conditions. 11 April 1960.

**Insert 7** Correspondence regarding the application of Dorothy H. Neff from William P. Roan, Secretary, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. The applicant cannot operate until a tariff has been prepared and filed. 15 November 1961.

Correspondence regarding the application of Dorothy H. Neff from J. W. Reinhard, Secretary, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. The applicant has complied with the necessary tariff requirements. With envelope. 7 June 1966.

**Insert 8** Supplemental order canceling Certificate of Public Convenience from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, issued to Dorothy H. Neff. The right granted on April 11, 1960, and the Certificate of Public Convenience has been transferred to Model Management Services, Inc. 8 February 1978.

**Insert 9** Supplemental order canceling Certificate of Public Convenience from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, issued to Dorothy H. Neff. The right granted on May 23, 1966, and the Certificate of Public Convenience has been transferred to Model Management Services, Inc. 8 February 1978.

**Insert 10** Correspondence regarding the supplemental orders canceling Certificates of Public Convenience from C. J. McElwee, Secretary, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Public Utility Commission. 14 March 1978.

**Insert 11** Acknowledgment receipt of the supplemental order canceling the Certificate of Public Convenience, signed by Dorothy H. Neff. 16 March 1978.

Folder 3 Service Cards

**Insert 1** Two service cards advertising pleasure cars of H. B. Neff. No date.

Folder 4 Restricted