Knowles Postcard Collection

This collection of postcards includes scenes of Kansas City and places in Missouri, as well as a postcard from Montana of the Fort Peck Dam on the Missouri River.

Descriptive Summary

Creator: K. Johnson and Catherine M. Knowles

Title: Knowles postcard collection **Dates**: pre-1960, primarily 1960-1980

Size: 1 box, 201 postcards

Location: SC13-3

Administrative Information

Restrictions on access: Unrestricted access.

Additional physical form available: None

Acquisition information: Gift, K. Johnson and Catherine M. Knowles, January 9, 2007, Accession #: 2007-3.

Custodial history: Thirteen additional items, originally donated to the Kansas State Historical Society, were later transferred to the Kansas City Public Library on request of Mrs. Knowles and are in the current collection.

Citation note: Knowles postcard collection (SC13-3), Missouri Valley Special Collections, Kansas City Public Library, Kansas City, Missouri.

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Scope and content note

The collection consists of chrome postcards and postcards which include a wide variety of subjects such as buildings, parks, streets, libraries, and fountains. The cards cover a wide variety of towns in Missouri, but Kansas City is the primary focus. Also included is a postcard of the Fort Peck Dam in Glasgow, Montana, on the Missouri River. The collection is organized into three categories: (1) Kansas City; (2) Missouri; and (3) Other States. An inventory of the postcards, prepared by the donor that gives full descriptions, is located in the collection folder.

Collection Inventory

Categories

Kansas City

American Hereford Association (1)
Auditoriums
Municipal (1)
Buildings
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (1)
United States Federal Building (1)

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City Hall (3)
Country Club Plaza (2)
Fountains
    Haff, Delbert J., Circle Fountain (1)
    Meyer Circle Fountain (1)
    Muse of the Missouri (2)
    Nichols, J. C., Memorial Fountain (3)
    Wild Boar Good Luck Fountain (1)
Gardens
    Governors Sunken Garden (1)
Hospitals
    Research Medical Center (1)
    Simpson-Major Sanitarium (1)
Hotels
    Hotel Continental (3)
    Hotel Sherman (1)
Jackson County Court House (First) (1)
Jackson County Court House (Third) (3)
Kansas City – Views – Skyline (3)
Libraries
    Main at 9<sup>th</sup> and Locust (1)
    Harry S. Truman Presidential Library (1)
Liberty Memorial (3)
Museums
    Kansas City Museum of History and Science (1)
    Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art (3)
Parks
    Auditorium Plaza (1)
    Loose (1)
Post Office (1)
Residences
    Long, R. A. (1)
Schools
    Loretta Academy (1)
Stadiums
    Municipal (1)
Statues
    Scout (1)
Streets
    Kersey Coates Drive (3)
Theaters
    Starlight (1)
Zoos
    Kansas City Zoo (2)
Missouri
Arcadia (1)
Arrow Rock (1)
Aurora (1)
Bloomfield (2)
Bowling Green (1)
Bolivar (1)
Branson (1)
Burfordsville (3)
Cape Girardeau (1)
Carthage (3)
Caruthersville (1)
Cassville (1)
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Charleston (1)

Columbia (1)

Defiance (2)

Eminence (4)

Excelsior Springs (30)

Forsyth (2)

Florissant (1)

Hannibal (11)

Hermitage (1)

Hollister (1)

Independence (14)

Jefferson City (5)

Joplin (1)

Kennett (2)

Keytesville (1)

Lesterville (1)

Lexington (2)

Liberty (4)

Marshall (1)

Mexico (1)

Missouri (4)

Nevada (2)

New Madrid (1)

Old Appleton (1)

Ozarks (11)

Paris (3)

Poplar Bluff (1)

Portageville (1)

Saint Joseph (2)

St. Louis (6)

Ste. Genevieve (2)

Sedalia (3)

Sibley (1)

Springfield (4)

Trenton (1)

Unionville (1)

Other States

Montana (1)

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