Old Westport Shopping Center Survey Photographs

This collection contains photographs of the area where the Old Westport Shopping Center was eventually built.

Descriptive Summary

Creator: Folger and Pearson, AIA Architects

Title: Old Westport Shopping Center survey photographs

Dates: circa 1960

Size: 1 box, 7 folders, 13 photographs

Location: P17

Administrative Information

Restrictions on access: Unrestricted access.

Additional physical form available: Photographs have been digitized.

Acquisition information: Unknown

Citation note: Old Westport Shopping Center survey photographs (P17), Missouri Valley Special Collections, Kansas City Public Library, Kansas City, Missouri.

Collection Description

Scope and content note

This collection contains 13 black and white, 8" x 10" photographs taken circa 1960 by the Anderson Photo Company. In addition, the front cover drawing depicting the shopping center is included. The photography service noted for this cover is L.D. Jones Photo Service. The pictures are of the buildings contained within the property limits of the proposed shopping center to be known as Old Westport of the Santa Fe Trail, located at 1010 Westport Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri. Within this area the Kansas City Orphan Boys Home was located. Cover reads "Old Westport on the Santa Fe Trail, Folger and Pearson, AIA Architects". Folger and Pearson are listed in the 1960 Kansas City directory as architects at 1009 Baltimore Avenue.

There is a brief typed description for each photograph as shown below. This description sheet is captioned: "Pictures of the Present Buildings Contained Within the Property Limits of the Proposed Shopping Center To Be Known as Old Westport on the Santa Fe Trail, 1010 Westport Ave." This shopping center is located at the northwest corner of Westport Road and Southwest Trafficway, Kansas City, Missouri.

Collection Inventory

Photograph descriptions as found with collection

Photograph #1 - House occupied by school priests taken at an angle southeast and from across Greenwood Place.

Photograph #2 - The Duplex - 4248 Greenwood Place which is on the north line of the city property. The shot was taken from the traffic island of Southwest Trafficway looking almost due west.

Photograph #3 - Shows the city property abutting the trafficway and bounded on the north by duplex and west by school property. Taken on an island between Westport Road and 43rd Street.

Photograph #4 - A picture of the eastern part of school building looking north.

Photograph #5 - Taken from across Westport looking directly north showing the westerly part of the buildings, showing chapel in front.

Photograph #6 - Taken from the southwest corner of the property from across Westport showing the main buildings with the playground in front.

Photograph #7 - A shot from the northwest corner of the property taken from a point about 5 ft. south of the alley.

Photograph #8 - A shot looking southeast and from the center point of the property taken from the alley.

Photograph #9 - A shot of the interior of the property taken from the driveway at a point to the rear of and a little south of the priest's house, showing rear of the property and looking west and northerly.

Photograph #10 - This is a shot of the rear of the building showing the laundry building that is separate.

Photograph #11 - This is a shot of the playground now in use by the school and looking northwest.

Photograph #12 - A shot of the west end of the school taken from the playground directly in front of it.

Photograph #13 - A picture of the school taken from the playground in the southwesterly area of the property.

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