

Kansas City Star Collection (SC225)

Introduction

The Kansas City Star newspaper company was founded in 1880 by William Rockhill Nelson and Samuel Morss. Nelson and his family went on to retain ownership of the company until their deaths in 1926 when ownership was bought by employees of the newspaper. Local stockholders owned the newspaper until 1977 when it was sold to corporate ownership. This collection, made up of a portion of the company's records, documents the history of the newspaper and its founding family.

Descriptive Summary

Creator: Kansas City Star Company

Title: Kansas City Star Collection

Dates: 1829-2007 and n.d.

Size: 104 linear feet, 86 boxes, 4 volumes, 3 map drawer folders

Collection Number: SC225

Donor Information

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Gift, Lynn Horsley, 2018.

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Administrative Information

Related Collections: For information on accessing archived copies of the Kansas City Star newspaper please see our research guide at <https://kchistory.org/faq/how-do-i-access-old-newspapers>.

Historical Sketch

On September 18, 1880, the Kansas City Star newspaper was founded by William Rockhill Nelson and Samuel Morss as the *Kansas City Evening Star*. Nelson became the sole owner of the Star when Morss dropped out of the business about a year and a half later due to health reasons. Nelson was a major figure in politics and local public works, including advocating for city improvement with the parks and boulevard system, which was reflected in his influence over the newspaper. Additional publications started by Nelson were subsequently added to circulation, including *The Weekly Kansas City Star* in 1891 and the Sunday edition of the Star in 1894. Then in 1901, Nelson added a morning addition with the purchase of the Kansas City Times.

The Kansas City Times ran as a morning daily along with the afternoon edition of the Kansas City Star until they became one daily newspaper in 1990.

The first building the newspaper was printed out of was at 407-409 Delaware. In 1911, the Kansas City Star moved to a new building at 18th and Grand, designed by Jarvis Hunt. The Star remained in the building for 107 years. It was sold in 2017 and the company vacated it in 2018.

William Rockhill Nelson died in his home at 4525 Oak Street, known as Oak Hall, in 1915, leaving everything in his will to his wife and daughter. His wife, Ida, died in 1921. Then in 1926 his daughter, Laura Nelson Kirkwood, died leaving her husband, Irwin Kirkwood, left to care for the estate of the Nelson family. The newspaper was then purchased by the staff of the Kansas City Star, with the proceeds and Nelson estate being donated to the creation of the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art. Oak Hall was then torn down and the museum built on its site.

The Star broadened its reach with the founding of the WDAF radio station in 1922 and the WDAF-TV television station in 1949. But the Star was forced to sell both stations after the Truman administration had filed antitrust charges against the company in 1957.

The Star was owned by local stockholders until 1977 when it was sold to Capital Cities. The Star continued to change ownership with the paper's sale to Disney in 1996, then Knight Ridder Inc. in 1997. Then in 2006 the *Star* was acquired by the nation's third largest newspaper company, The McClatchy Co., the same year the *Star* moved into its new glass building at 1601 McGee Street.

The Kansas City Star newspaper won eight Pulitzer Prizes from 1931-1992. In 2020 the newspaper company announced they would be vacating their iconic glass building at 1601 McGee Street and the printing of the paper would move to a third party in Des Moines, Iowa.

Scope and Content Note

This collection contains records of the Kansas City Star Company's organization and operation, reporter/editor files, and personal records of the company's founding family as they relate to the operation of the newspaper. This collection of materials was donated at the time of a building move and is not a complete collection of the company's records. The Kansas City Star's newspaper clipping files were donated to LaBudde Special Collections.

[Series 1: Administrative, 1829-1985 and n.d.](#)

This series consists of three subseries arranged by type of record. Items relate to the administrative side of the newspaper company's business including financial, insurance, and personnel records.

[Series1-1: Tax Returns, 1911-1976](#)

This subseries consists of tax returns and other financial records for the Kansas City Star Company, Kansas City Star Building and Investment Company, and the Nelson estate (Ida H. Nelson, J. R. Kirkwood, William R. Nelson, Aug. F. Seested).

Series 1-2: Financial, Stock, and Insurance Records, 1888-1985

This subseries consists of reports, statements, and correspondence related to the financial accounts and assets of the Kansas City Star Company and stockholders.

Series 1-3: Payroll and Personnel, 1890-1982 and n.d.

This subseries consists of registers, correspondence, and forms related to payroll and benefits of employees. Some records in this subseries are restricted due to Personal Identifiable Information (PII).

Series 1-4: Estates and Property Agreements, 1829-1976

This subseries consists of records relating to the estate of William Rockhill Nelson and family. Also included in this subseries are land abstracts, building leases, and other property records.

Series 2: Legal Cases, Contracts, and Union Records, 1901-1976 and n.d.

This series consists of court cases, incorporation records, contracts with other companies, and union agreements. Also included are contracts and related materials with the Star's radio and television broadcasting networks, WDAF and WDAF-TV. Items in this series are arranged by subject.

Series 3: Rates and Reports on Circulation, Subscriptions, and Advertising, 1895-1995

This series consists of records relating to the Kansas City Star newspaper's circulation, including subscription and advertising rates and reports. Items in this series are arranged by subject.

Series 4: Correspondence, 1874-1975

This series consists of correspondence with people associated with the Kansas City Star Company, as well as correspondence regarding the newspaper business. Items in this series are arranged loosely by subject but were kept in the original order that the files of correspondence were found.

NOTE: Documents in this series contain racist language.

Series 5: KC Star Editor and Reporter Files, 1912-2003

This series consists of files of documents that are thought to have been collated by individual employees of the Kansas City Star. Original order was left intact where possible. The folders in this series are arranged by subject.

Series 5-1: Edward Bernard (Ruby) Garnett Files, 1873-1975 and n.d.

This subseries consists of files related to Edward Garnett, who served as the Kansas City Star's first Sunday editor until his retirement in 1960.

Series 5-2: Lynn Horsley Desegregation Files, 1977-1999

This subseries consists of the files from journalist Lynn Horsley, including coverage of the Kansas City school desegregation case in the 1970's. Horsley retired from the Kansas City Star in 2019.

Series 5-3: Monroe Dodd Files, 1974-2007 and n.d.

This subseries consists of the files of Monroe Dodd, who served as a longtime reporter and editor of the Kansas City Star.

Series 6: Photographs and Artifacts, 1916-2005

This series consists of an assortment of photographs and artifacts from the Kansas City Star's donated records. The Kansas City Star's photograph archives were not donated with this collection.

Series 7: Newspaper and Other Publications, 1858-1968

This series consists of compilations of newspaper articles and publications about the Kansas City Star.

Series 8: Blueprints, 1909-1979

This series consists of building blueprints for the Kansas City Star building at 18th and Grand, as well as other buildings operated by the Kansas City Star Company.

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