

Vertical Files Special Collection (SC63)

Introduction

The Vertical Files Special Collection is an artificial collection that was compiled in the mid-1990s when items in the regular vertical files were withdrawn for preservation purposes to be reprocessed as a special collection. This collection consists of pamphlets, reports, articles, correspondence, and ephemera for businesses, organizations, homes, buildings, and people in the Kansas City area.

Descriptive Summary

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Historical Sketch

The Vertical Files Special Collection files were compiled in the mid-1990s when items in the regular vertical files were withdrawn for preservation purposes due to age and value, and were reprocessed as a special collection. Items document various subjects relating to the businesses, organizations, homes, buildings, and people within the Kansas City area.

Scope and Content Note

This is an artificial collection composed primarily of items pulled from the department vertical files, but some items have been added from additional donations. The material is arranged into subject files, which are thereunder arranged alphabetically. In most cases, folder titles reflect the same subject terms found in the department's regular vertical files. The collection contains an assortment of items relating to the history of the Kansas City area, including postcards, correspondence, event programs, brochures, pamphlets, advertising cards, letterheads, articles, sheet music, guides, posters, manuscript items, unpublished accounts, newsletters,

invitations, reports, diagrams, tickets, and other types of ephemera. An index of names, places, titles, and terms is provided.

This is an open collection, with new items added as they are acquired.

Collection Inventory

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- f. 14 Boys’ Hotel, 1922-1931
- f. 15 Bradley, James (Young and Bradley Company), 1883 and n.d.
- f. 16 Bridges – Hannibal, n.d.
- f. 17 Browning, King & Co. – Illustrated Monthly, V.11, #1, July, 1895
- f. 18 Bullene, Moore, and Emery – Shopping Guide, August 22, 1891
- f. 19 Burton Publishing Company, 1924-1954
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