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INTRODUCTION

Personal papers and materials collected by Olive J. Faulkner, a graduate of the Kansas State Teachers College, now Pittsburg State University. The Collection pertains to Faulkner's work as an educator, nurse, and Civil Defense official. The collection includes correspondence, certificates, clippings, manuals, photographs, pamphlets, and a commencement hood.

DONOR INFORMATION

Donor unknown.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Olive Jane Faulkner was born in Baxter Springs, Kansas. Her parents were Elmer Almon and Lena (Wade) Faulkner. Olive Faulkner was principal and teacher for Picher Public schools in Picher, Oklahoma, from 1924-1927. She obtained her B.S. Ed. degree from Kansas State Teachers College in Pittsburg in 1929. She then taught biology and chemistry for the Picher Public School system from 1930-1935. Faulkner received her M.S. Ed. degree from Kansas State Teachers College in 1936. In 1939 Faulkner received her B.S. degree in nursing from the University of Colorado Nursing School in Denver. She worked as a health nurse at the University of Wyoming from 1939 to 1941 where she also received her M.S. degree in the field of nursing. Olive Faulkner then worked as the director for the School of Nursing in Rock Springs, Wyoming from 1941 to 1942 and county nurse from 1943 to 1945. She accepted the position of health coordinator at a medical college in Virginia in 1945 where she worked until 1947. Faulkner then served in the field of advanced nursing for the State Department of Health in Virginia from 1947 to 1955 where she trained incoming Civil Defense nurses. She then took the position of professor and director of the School of Nursing of the Professional Institution at the College of William and Mary in 1955.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Collection contains certificates, correspondence, and a commencement hood pertaining to the academic career of Olive J. Faulkner at Kansas State Teachers College and her involvement with the school as an alumna. The collection also contains newspaper clippings, certificates, pamphlets, and manuals relating to Faulkner's professional life in Wyoming and the numerous positions she held in the field of nursing and civil defense in the state of Virginia. In addition, this collection contains photographs, certificates, and correspondence relating to the personal life of Olive J. Faulkner. The collection is arranged into four series: Kansas State Teachers College, Virginia, Clippings, and Miscellaneous.

The **Kansas State Teachers College Series** is comprised of material related to Olive J. Faulkner's academic career at Kansas State Teachers College and her interaction with the College as an alumna. Included in this series is Faulkner's Bachelors of Science in Education diploma as well as a letter from the college appointing Faulkner a Fellow for the school year of 1935-1936. This series contains a graduation program from 1936 as well as Faulkner's

graduation program from 1936 as well as Faulkner's Master of Science diploma. The series also contains programs from the Apple Day convocation of 1957 and alumni publications which either mention or honor Olive Faulkner. These publications include the April 1957 issue of the Kansas State Teachers College Alumnian as well as a clipping from an alumni newsletter dated 1959. In addition, the series contains correspondence from 1965 between Faulkner and the college in which Faulkner is asked to represent the institution at an inauguration. This series also contains the commencement hood from the graduation of Olive J. Faulkner.

The **Virginia Series** is comprised of certificates, publications, manuals, correspondence, and invitations pertaining to Olive J. Faulkner's professional life in the state of Virginia. The certificates include her nursing certification from the state of Virginia dated 1944, a certificate of merit dated 1955 for service in the Civil Defense, and a certificate of appreciation from the American Disabled Veterans Service Foundation. This series contains copies of two health bulletins from 1952 and 1955 which contain references to Faulkner's professional responsibilities as well as information pertaining to her resignation as Civil Defense Nursing Chief. This series also contains two Civil Defense medical manuals to which Faulkner contributed by writing the forewords. Also included in this series is a letter to Faulkner, dated 1965, which confirms her acceptance into the International Platform Association as well as an invitation from the governor's office of Virginia, dated 1966, inviting Faulkner to attend a conference on education.

The **Clippings Series** is comprised of various newspaper clippings which pertain to Olive J. Faulkner. Included in this series are clippings from the Northern Wyoming Daily News dating December 9, 12, 13, and 23 of 1944. These clippings mention Faulkner's acceptance of a teaching position in Virginia and her activity as a county health nurse in Wyoming. Also included in this series is a copy of the Pittsburg State publication, The Collegio, dated January 17, 1945. It describes Faulkner's visit to campus during her move to Virginia. In addition, this series contains a newspaper clipping from the Richmond Times-Dispatch, dated July 26, 1953, describing Faulkner's job as Civil Defense Nursing Chief in Virginia.

The **Miscellaneous Series** is comprised of a letter, certificates, and photographs related to the personal life of Olive J. Faulkner. The letter, dated 1935, is addressed to Faulkner from Charles Luckinbell. The letter pertains to Luckinbell's personal life and future academic aspirations but also contains information about Luckinbell's affiliation with the Civilian Conservation Corps in Keystone, Oklahoma. The certificates in this series are certificates of membership from the Dictionary of International Biography, dated 1972, and the International Clover Poetry Association, no date. The two photographs within this series are portraits of Olive J. Faulkner.

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