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Julius A. Wayland Collection

Collection Number	MS 039
Title	The Julius A. Wayland Collection
Name and Location of Repository	Pittsburg State University, Special Collections & University Archives, Pittsburg, Kansas
Dates	1871 – 1985
Collection Size	15 linear feet
Creator	Pittsburg State University from various sources

Scope and Content The papers of the Julius A. Wayland Collection contain material concerning Wayland's career as a socialist publisher, particularly that of his newspaper, *Appeal to Reason*, which he published from his Girard, Kansas publishing company. The collection also includes family papers and items, documents, and genealogical research.

The Special Collections also holds print and microfilmed copies of the *Appeal to Reason*, and *The Coming Nation*.

Access Restrictions This collection is open for access

Languages English

Biographical Note Julius A. Wayland (1854-1912) was the founder and publisher of the *Appeal to Reason*, America's largest socialist newspaper in the first two decades of the 20th century. Wayland first started *The Coming Nation*, also a socialist newspaper, in the 1890s. Originally from Indiana, Wayland had been successful in real estate before turning to journalism. In 1895 he started up a socialist utopian colony, the Ruskin Colony, in Tennessee but after two years left it and moved to Kansas City. There he started the *Appeal to Reason*, and in 1897 relocated to Girard, Kansas, bringing with him the *Appeal*, which soon became the nation's leading socialist newspaper with circulation numbers exceeding 150,000. He published the *Appeal* from Girard until his death in 1912.

Series **Correspondence; Business and Legal Records; Family Papers; Photographs; Family Financial Ledgers; Walter Wayland Financial Records; Stevenson/Lashley/Wayland Family Correspondence; Family Research and Genealogy; China and Clothing; Personal Items; Oversized Items.**

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