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Edna Elizabeth Davis Collection

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Created by Edna Davis and Hiram Davis
Title	The Edna Elizabeth Davis Collection
Dates	1909- 1960
Quantity	1 linear foot
Collection Number	MS 180
Summary	A collection of documents, records, and items pertaining to the teaching career of Edna Elizabeth Davis
Repository	Pittsburg State University, Leonard H. Axe Library, Special Collections & University Archives 1701 S. Broadway Pittsburg, Kansas 66762 (620) 235-4883 speccoll@pittstate.edu
Access Restrictions	There are no restrictions and collection is open for research. Researchers must use the collection in accordance with the policies of the Special Collections & University Archives, Leonard H. Axe Library, Pittsburg State University
Languages	English
Biographical Note	Edna Elizabeth Davis, a teacher in Kansas public schools, was born February 22, 1892 and died January 8, 1986. Her first post as a teacher was in a one room schoolhouse in 1909 in Greely County, Kansas. She attended State Manual Training Normal School, now called Pittsburg State University, and graduated in 1926 with a B.S. in Education. While at the Kansas State Teacher's College (Pittsburg State University) she was a member of the Delta Sigma Epsilon sorority. Edna Davis taught from 1909 to 1960 in Greeley County and Elk County, Kansas; in the Eureka school district, and several other towns in Kansas. After teaching for 51 years she retired in 1960.

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Processing Note

Collection formally processed in October 2017

Content Description

This collection is primary and secondary resources and is divided into the following series:

1. Personal Correspondence
 - a. Birthday
 - b. Valentine Scrapbook from students
2. College Education at the State Manual Training Normal College/Kansas State Teacher's College
 - a. Sororities
 - b. Yearbook
 - c. Report cards
 - d. Commencement
3. Teaching
 - a. Contracts and Recommendations
4. Photographs
5. Miscellaneous

Detailed Description of Collection

Series 1: Personal Correspondence

F. 1 Birthday card 1909; Souvenir card 1912; Luncheon invitations 1922 and 1923; Delta Sigma Epsilon pledge 1929; Teaching correspondence; Valentine

Valentine Scrapbook

Series 2: College Education

F. 2 Newspaper clippings about sorority events (Alpha Sigma Alpha, Delta Sigma Epsilon, and Lambda Phi Delta); invitations to sororities and luncheons; State Manual Training Normal School pin; State Manual Training Normal School and Kansas State Teacher's College commencement invitations; University luncheons; and Certificates

F. 3 Essays and report cards
Yearbook/ Scrapbooks 1919-1920, 1923

Series 3: Teaching

F. 4 Teaching contracts from Greeley County, Kansas; Elk County, Kansas; Eureka, Kansas; certificates 1950 and 1952; Correspondence regarding recommendations to be a teacher; Student coursework; The Hawk yearbook 1960

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Series 4: Photographs

F. 5 Photographs of Edna Davis; First schoolhouse; Classes taught by Davis and faculty she worked with

Series 5: Miscellaneous

F. 6 National Education Association ribbon pin; framed quote from Hattie Moore Mitchell

Class picture 1926 KSTC

State Manual Training Normal School Diploma 1921

Common School course 1908 diploma

National Education Association of the United States Active Member for Life certificate 1953

American Flag House and Betsy Ross Memorial Association 1924

Notary Public for the State of Kansas 1931-1935

Coffeyville Daily Journal 1916

Two paperweights