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Mary C. Cayton Collection

Collection Number	MS 260
Title	The Mary C. Cayton Collection
Repository	Pittsburg State University, Special Collections & University Archives, Pittsburg, Kansas 1701 S. Broadway Pittsburg, Kansas 66762 (620) 235-4883 speccoll@pittstate.edu
Dates	1974-1977
Collection Size	1 scrapbook
Creator	Lois Bellm
Scope and Content	A scrapbook on the Pittsburg Centennial in 1976 and Mary Cayton's creation of the scrapbooks for the celebration described by a summary of each page.
Access Restrictions	This collection is open for access. 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	Mary Catherine Cayton was born to Will and Lillie Ingles on April 30, 1903 in Missouri. She married Sam E. Cayton and they moved to Pittsburg, Kansas between 1935 and 1940. Mary compiled a scrapbook on Pittsburg for the Centennial celebration in 1976. Lois Bellm, donor of the scrapbook, lived and studied in Pittsburg. She graduated from Kansas State Teachers College with a music degree and worked and owned the Ernie Williamson Music House in Joplin, Missouri.

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Processing Note

Collection processed in December 2019

Content Description

This collection is primary sources and consists of:

1. Scrapbook, p. 1-72

Detailed Description of the Collection

Front Inside Cover - Photos of Cayton and the scrapbook with an article on the project

1. "Camp '76 begins march to reality" September 3, 1974 article plus photos of the scrapbook and of the miner's house in a parade
2. Camp '76 photos and newspaper clippings by Tom Murry
3. Open House, November 24, 1974 article and photos
4. Cayton compiling the scrapbook in a New Franklin news article
5. Penny Bitner's Country Kitchen in Besse photos
- 6-7. Doll Collections photos
- 8-10. Downtown Stores photos
11. "Correction being sought on list of Centennial facts" article by John K. Hay
12. Congratulations to Cayton from Chicken Mary's
13. Centennial Choir Concert program and a reminder of the dedication of Cayton sent to her.
14. Pittsburg birthday articles and photo
15. "Yesterdays" program
16. Letter of thanks to Cayton from the Pittsburg Pride Committee
17. Article on Centennial flags
18. Flags up for the Centennial celebration article and photo
19. "Early Pittsburg Pictures" with Student Manual Training Normal School statistics and photos of women performing domestic arts
20. Pittsburg churches photos
- 21-28. These pages are missing
- 29-31. "Cast, Staff: Who's Who of Cast, Staff and Crew" photos and biographies
- 32-33. Programs and Show Songs
- 34-35. Mrs. James Fulton's work as a "China Painter"
36. William J. Snider and his woodwork (Con't on p. 53)
37. Obituary, Facts, and Photo of Essie Stahl
- 38-40. Stillwell Hotel news article and photos
41. Article on the Opie family
42. People and Businesses in Pittsburg
43. Senior Citizens Parade, September 19, 1975
- 44-45. Arts and Crafts at Lincoln Park photos
46. Article on Dr. Robert Strawn helping foreign exchange students learn American slang

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- 47-48. KSCP Homecoming Parade – 1975 photos
 - 49-51. Chris Mundt's Train Collection photos: model trains, lanterns, signs
 - 52. Article on the dedication of 2nd Lt. William M. Benefield Jr., a black Korean War hero
 - 53. Article on William J. Snider, woodworker and tinkerer (Con't from p. 36)
 - 54-55. America's Bicentennial: production, articles, and celebration
 - 56. *Immigrants We Were, Americans We Are*, Centennial magazine
 - 57. Historic Homes Open for View article, photo of Eugene DeGruson's home
 - 58. Edward McNally's and Howard Wilbert's homes
 - 59. Harold Loys' home, originally the Besse home, and article on Bicentennial fads
 - 60-64. Articles on the weather from 1976 to 1977 (Con't on p. 66)
 - 65. Tony Baima and Baker Printing Co. article
 - 66. Storm damage article (Con't from p. 64)
 - 67. Weather and the morale of the Pittsburg Pride of the Plains band article, October 23, 1976
 - 68-69. Parade article and photos
 - 70-71. Animal Photos and articles
 - 72. Photos of Cayton's apartment at Hotel Besse
- Back Inside Cover – Moving away card and photos of friends and neighbors.