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Esther Atkinson Perry Collection

Collection Number	MS 269
Title	The Esther Atkinson Perry Collection
Repository	Pittsburg State University, Special Collections & University Archives, Pittsburg, Kansas 1701 S. Broadway Pittsburg, Kansas 66762 (620) 235-4883 speccoll@pittstate.edu
Dates	1908-1978
Collection Size	.4 linear feet
Creator	Unknown
Scope and Content	A collection of photographs, a program, and a newspaper clipping related to Esther Atkinson Perry, her family, and her friends from the 1910s to the 1970s.
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 Esther Atkinson Perry was born to John and Mary Atkinson on April 29, 1897. She grew up in southeast Kansas, and lived in Pittsburg, Girard, and Webb City, Missouri. In 1933, Esther married Thomas Hall Perry in Jackson County, Missouri. Afterwards, they moved to Webb City where Thomas was the manager of a café before working as a chemist at the Eagle-Picher Smelting Company in Joplin. Thomas passed away in 1947 of coronary thrombosis. Esther Atkinson Perry passed away in 1985.

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Processing Note

Collection processed in December 2019

Content Description

This collection is primary sources and is divided into the following series:

1. Photo Albums
2. Individual Photos, 1910s-1970s
 - a. People
 - b. School
 - c. Places and Organizations
 - d. Other Media

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series 1: Photo Albums

Photos and albums of the Atkinson family, other families, and friends of Esther Atkinson Perry from the 1910s and early 1920s.

Series 2: Individual Photos, 1910s-1970s

F. 1 Photos, 1910s-1920s:

- Parade, 1918
- Esther
- People in the 1920s
- Schools and school events, 1920s
- A house and backyard
- Barber shop and train

F. 2 Photos, 1940s-1970s

- Various people, 1940s
- Open house program and photo, 1963
- Choir photo
- Friends and family, 1967-1978
- Vacation places, 1971 and 1975
- Swearing in of President Ford, August 9, 1974
- Choir program, 1978
- Newspaper clipping of George Atkinson winning a contest
- Photos of pets 1966-1993