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Overview of the Collection

Title	The Robert W. Hart Papers
Collection Number	MS 406
Dates	1924-1966
Creator	Robert W. Hart
Collection Size	.4 linear feet
Scope and Content	Personal documents, correspondence, and financial records of Robert W. Hart, former professor at Pittsburg State University.
Repository	Pittsburg State University, Special Collections & University Archives, Pittsburg, Kansas 1701 S. Broadway Pittsburg, Kansas 66762 (620) 235-4883 speccoll@pittstate.edu
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	Robert William Hart was born in 1896 to William and Sarah Hart and grew up in Crawford County, Kansas. In 1916 he graduated from the State Manual Training Normal School (now Pittsburg State University), and found early work as an engineer. Robert served as an ensign in the navy during World War I. He taught in the public schools in Fort Scott and Pittsburg from 1916-1918; 1921-1923. In 1920 he married Retta Statler and they had two children. In 1923 he was hired as an assistant professor of mathematics at the Kansas Teachers College of Pittsburg, formerly the State Manual Training School. He received a masters degree in 1925 from the University of Illinois. During World War II he served as an instructor at the USNR Midshipman's School at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. In 1946 he returned to Pittsburg to continue teaching at the school, which was now the Kansas State Teachers College. The following year he was named the head of the Placement Bureau at the college. He also served one year as the mayor of Pittsburg. Robert Hart continued working at the college until his retirement in 1966. He passed away in Pittsburg in 1972.

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Series

The Robert W. Hart Papers contain the following series:

Personal; Financial/Medical; Correspondence; Kansas State Teachers College; Military; and Photographs.

Folder List:

Folder 1: Personal- Personal and family records

Folder 2: Financial/Medical- receipts and medical bills

Folder 3: Correspondence- 1930s-1940s correspondence from Robert to Retta and others.

Folder 4: Kansas State Teachers College- records and documents from the college

Folder 5: Military- documents related to Robert Hart's service in the Navy

Folder 6: Photographs- photographs of Robert Hart in military uniform and other photos