Phyllis E. Kite Manuscript (SC14)

Introduction

This collection consists of a typewritten draft manuscript of Phyllis Edward Kite’s *Golden threads of memories: History of the Westport Methodist Church* with handwritten marginalia, a photocopy of the draft manuscript; and a photocopy of a March 13, 1965, *Kansas City Star* article that was drawn from Kite’s published book.

Descriptive Summary

Creator: Phyllis Edwards Kite  
Title: Phyllis E. Kite Manuscript  
Dates: ca. 1964  
Size: 0.2 linear feet, 1 boxes and 3 folders  
Collection Number: SC14

Donor Information

Gift, 1976, Phyllis E. Kite.

Citation Note

Phyllis E. Kite Manuscript (SC14), Missouri Valley Special Collections, Kansas City Public Library, Kansas City, Missouri.

Administrative Information

The published version of Kite’s *Golden threads of memories: History of the Westport Methodist Church* can be found under the call number MVSC 287 K62G and MV-BROWSE ART&SOC 287 K62G. The volume includes a photograph of the author.

More information on the Westport Methodist Church can be found in Vertical File: Churches--Kansas City--Methodist--Westport.

Biographical Sketch

Phyllis Lucile Edwards Kite was born January 11, 1888 in Kingston, Hunt County, Texas to Mary and Claud Edwards. Kite married Herbert Hawkins Kite (1883-1962) in 1908 and gave birth to son Maurice (1909-1997) on June 22, 1909. Kite published her book on the history of Westport Methodist Church at 500 W. 40th St. in 1964. Per the book’s foreword, Kite was the daughter of a Methodist minister and an active member of the Westport Methodist congregation.

Scope and Content Note
This collection consists of a photocopy of a *Kansas City Star* article that drew on the published book and a catalog sheet about the collection that are foldered together, a typewritten manuscript with handwritten marginalia dated 1964, and a photocopy of the manuscript with no date specified. All items focus on the history of Westport Methodist Church published by Kite in 1964 as *Golden threads of memories: History of the Westport Methodist Church*.

**Collection Inventory**

f. 2  Manuscript draft with marginalia, ca. 1964
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