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Introduction
Approximately 0.1 cubic foot.

The collection consists of correspondence and telegrams congratulating George W. Brownson on his retirement from the Western Union Telegraph Company in 1929, after fifty-five years of service. Additional materials include a brief history of the telegraph in Kansas City, Missouri.

George W. Brownson was born on October 31, 1858, in New York to Walter Gale and Alice Ann Coffey Brownson. He married Ella E. Brownson in 1890 and worked from the Western Union Telegraph Company for fifty-five years, retiring in 1929. Brownson died on May 14, 1950, in Kansas City, Missouri, and is buried at Forest Hill Cemetery in Kansas City, Missouri.

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Box 1
Letters of Congratulations, A-Y, 1929 (3 folders)
Petition of Congratulation from Omaha Staff, 1929
History of the Telegraph in Kansas City