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Introduction
Approximately 4.5 cubic feet

The collection consists of correspondence, paperwork, political cartoons, and various notes and booklets written by and collected by James W. Scott, editor and vice president of The Kansas City Star.

James W. Scott was born in 1926, in Lebanon, Kansas. He served as a private first class in the 16th Armored Division in France, Germany, and Czechoslovakia, during World War II. Scott earned a degree in journalism from the University of Kansas and worked as a reporter for The Kansas City Times in 1950. By 1954, he was appointed to the editorial board where he specialized in Kansas City and Missouri governmental affairs. In 1966, he was awarded the Freedom Award and George Washington Honor Medal from the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, for his editorial “A Declaration of 1776 Stands in 1964.” Scott became the vice president of The Kansas City Star in 1987 and retired from the company in 1993. Scott died in 1995, and is buried at Corinth Cemetery in Prairie Village, Kansas.

Donor Information
The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Mrs. James Scott on September 1, 2011 (Accession No. KA1959). An addition was made on September 14, 2011 by Mrs. James Scott (Accession No KA1037).

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Box List

Box 1
General Correspondence, 1936, 1939-1940, 1958-1988, no date (31 folders)

Box 2
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Personal Letters
Correspondence
Kansas City, Missouri, Schools, Dr. Girard T. Bryant, and Race Relations and
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JAMES W. SCOTT PAPERS

Education
“Out in Left Field”
  Charles Connett, 1985-1989 (2 folders)
Letters to “Scrivenger John,” 1985-1986
John Welter Letters, 1984-1990
Miscellaneous, undated
Job Requests, 1979-1989 (10 folders)

Box 3
General Correspondence
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  Applications for Editorial Cartoonist, 1981-1985
Political Cartoons
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  Anton, 1984-1987
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  Joseph H. Sharpnack, 1987
  Various Artists, 1985-1993 (2 folders)
Various Papers
  Harassment Policy, 1991-1993
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  Travel Documents, 1965
  Church Program for the “American Church” in Paris, “First Church Mr. and Mrs. John W. Stark attended in 1913”
  Stylebook for The Kansas City Star, 1956
  Kansas City Star Style Book, 1991
  Miscellaneous, 1992, no date (2 folders)
  NATO, 1984-1988 (2 folders)

Box 4
Various Notes and Booklets
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Various Notes and Booklets
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