



Albert Aven Kinder Papers (CG0005)

Collection Number: CG0005

Collection Title: Albert Aven Kinder Papers

Dates: 1919-1967, 2012, no date

Creator: Wright, Eugene Harold, 1933-2017

Abstract: The Albert Aven Kinder Papers contains photographs, yearbook pages, and correspondence between members of the Kinder family. There are 29 photographs of the Kinder family from 1919 to 1967, yearbook pages from *The Girardot* (Central High School), *The Sagamore* (Southeast Missouri State University), *The Savitar* (University of Missouri-Columbia), and correspondence to Sherrill Kinder Wright from Marcia Kinder Geer and Edna Kinder Anderson.

Collection Size: 0.2 cubic feet
(4 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Historical Note:

Albert Aven Kinder was born on January 16, 1902, to Albert and Sylvia (Bean) Kinder in Gordonville, Missouri. He graduated from Central High School in 1923, where he played basketball, ran track, and was in the Order of Honor and Boys' Minstrel and Glee clubs. He attended Southeast Missouri State University for two years before transferring to the University of Missouri-Columbia where he majored in journalism.

Kinder worked for the *Sikeston Herald* for eighteen months before beginning his career with the *Southeast Missourian* in 1929. He was the news and farm editor for 38 years. His farm column editorials won several awards. He retired in March 1967.

Kinder married Berenice Piles on October 5, 1930. They had one daughter Sherrill Sue Kinder. Berenice died on March 20, 1970. She is buried in Cape County Memorial Park in Cape Girardeau, next to her husband. Aven married his second wife, Verrell W. Pender on May 5, 1973. She passed away three weeks later on the 21st. Aven Kinder died on January 23, 1986. He is buried in Cape County Memorial Park in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Arrangement: The collection has been arranged into a single series.

Scope and Content Note:

This collection contains photographs, yearbook pages, and correspondence from members of the Kinder family. There are 29 photographs of Aven Kinder, his wife Berenice Piles Kinder, and other identified and unidentified Kinder family members. Also includes partial yearbook pages for Kinder and Berenice Piles when they attended Central High School, Southeast Missouri State University, and the University of Missouri-Columbia. Additionally, there are two letters to from Edna Kinder Anderson and Marcia Kinder Geer to Sherrill Kinder Wright, Kinder's daughter. The Geer letter thanks Wright for reading her article on "Wild Ginger", while Anderson's letter discusses family information.

Container List:

Box 001	f. 1-2	Kinder family photographs, 1918-1967, no date
	f. 3	Correspondence and other papers, 2012, no date
	f. 4	Partial yearbook pages for Albert Aven Kinder and Berenice Piles, 1922-1930

Index:

Index Term	Folder	Image
Alton (Mo.)	2	Yes
Anderson, Edna Evelyn Kinder, 1906-2002	1	Yes
Cape Girardeau (Mo.)	1, 4	Yes
Central High School (Cape Girardeau, Mo.)	4	
Faris, Louis Shy, 1908-1982	1	Yes
Geer, Marcia Kinder	3	

Index Term	Folder	Image
Gordonville (Mo.)	2	Yes
Kinder family	1-2	Yes
Kinder, Albert Aven, 1902-1986	1-4	Yes
Kinder, Berenice J., 1908-1970	1-2, 4	Yes
Kinder, Bern Benton, 1896-1953	1	Yes
Kinder, Clem Chester, 1892-1984	1	Yes
Kinder, Homer Clay, 1906-1990	1	Yes
Kinder, Leemon Newton, 1903-1978	1	Yes
Kinder, Louise D.	1	Yes
Kinder, Myrtle M.	1	Yes
Kinder, Paul B., 1904-2003	1	Yes
Kinder, Ross Roscoe, 1894-1980	1	Yes
Kinder, Virgil William, 1894-1953	1	Yes
Morgan, Ida Idell Kinder, 1899-1967	1	Yes
Musgraves, Vergie V. Kinder, 1904-1964	1	Yes
O'Neal, Myrtle Marie Kinder, 1897-1988	1	Yes
Piles, Susie E. Gum	2	Yes
Rafferty, Lenore	1	Yes
Southeast Missouri State University	3	Yes
University of Missouri--Columbia	3	Yes
Wilkening, Arthur C., 1894-1940	1	Yes
Wright, Sherrill Sue Kinder, 1932-2015	3	