



Marvin E. Proffer Scrapbooks (CG0006)

Collection Number: CG0006

Collection Title: Marvin E. Proffer Scrapbooks

Dates: 1941-1949

Creator: Proffer, Marvin E., 1931-2019

Abstract: The Marvin E. Proffer Scrapbooks contain two scrapbooks that contain newspaper clippings, postcards, and other memorabilia related to Proffer.

Collection Size: 0.2 cubic foot
(2 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Donor Information: The scrapbooks were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Marvin E. Proffer on July 17, 2015 (Accession No. CGA0007).

Related materials: [Marvin E. Proffer Oral History Interview \(online\)](#); see also fellow congressman [Paul C. Jones Papers \(C3604\)](#), and former governor [John M. Dalton Papers \(C2417\)](#)

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Historical Note:

Marvin E. Proffer was born on February 3, 1931, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. He graduated from Cape Central High School in 1949, then went on to Southeast Missouri State University on a football scholarship. He graduated from Southeast Missouri State University in 1953. From 1953 to 1954, Proffer attended the University of Missouri where he obtained his Master of Education degree. After graduating from the University of Missouri in 1954, he went on to serve in the army until 1955.

At the age of 24, Proffer was elected to the city council of Jackson, Missouri. He served in this position for about 5 years. In 1962, he ran for state representative and was elected. From 1963 to 1988, he served in the Missouri General Assembly. He also served as Chairman of the House Budget Committee from 1981 to 1988. After retirement, Proffer became a lobbyist for Southeast Missouri State University; he was a lobbyist until 2006.

Proffer had three children with his first wife: Robert Kirk, Mary Louise, and James Kent. He and his first wife divorced. He remarried and moved to St. Louis in 1988. Proffer passed away on March 27, 2019 in Oakville, Missouri. He is buried in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in Lemay, Missouri.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into a single series.

Scope and Content Note:

The scrapbooks of Marvin E. Proffer contain one scrapbook consisting primarily of newspaper clippings from the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, *Southeast Missourian*, and *St. Louis Star Times* newspapers. The clippings are reporting World War II events and the death of Franklin D. Roosevelt. The second scrapbook contains newspaper clippings, postcards from California, and memorabilia personally related to Proffer, such as St. Louis Cardinals' scorecards and programs, ticket stubs, and a program from the 1948 World's Championship Rodeo held in Los Angeles featuring Roy Rogers as the grand marshal.

Container List:

Box 001	f. 1	Scrapbook, 1941-1945
	f. 2	Scrapbook, 1944-1949

Index:

Index Term	Folder
Central High School (Cape Girardeau, Mo.)	1
Proffer, Marvin E., 1931-	2
Roosevelt, Franklin D., 1882-1945	1-2
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World War, 1939-1945	1

