- С Flory, Josephine, Papers, 1845, 1931-1939
- 4120 0.3 cubic feet (8 folders), 2 oversize items

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INTRODUCTION

The papers of Josephine Flory contain a large collection of programs from theatrical plays and concerts, as well as a variety of records from the University of Missouri. Within the University of Missouri records are invitations to a number of sororities, graduation certifications, and newspaper clippings regarding W.S.G.A. events. The papers also include a variety of miscellaneous documents from the 1930s.

DONOR INFORMATION

The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Josephine Flory on 9 June 1980 (Accession No. 2315).

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Josephine Flory was born on October 3, 1913, in Missouri. She attended Roosevelt High School in St. Louis, Missouri. Flory attended the University of Missouri from 1931 to 1935. While attending the University, Flory joined the Delta Delta sorority, she became the treasurer of Cwens, joined the Y.W.C.A Cabinet, and became the president of the Home Economics Club. She received a degree of Bachelors in Science with an education certificate in 1935. Afterwards she became a teacher of Home Economics at the University of Missouri. Josephine Flory relocated to St. Louis, Missouri, and never married. She died on October 3, 2005.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Josephine Flory papers contain letters, invitations, and other records from the University of Missouri, as well as a variety of brochures and miscellaneous records. The papers are arranged into five series: Theater and Concerts, University of Missouri, Newspapers, Personal, and Miscellaneous.

The **Theater and Concerts** series have been arranged into two folders by date, from 1931 to 1937. The folders contain programs for a number of events in Columbia, Missouri and at the University of Missouri; including in the Brewer Field House, University Auditorium, Jesse Auditorium, and Jefferson Junior High School, many were hosted by the Missouri Workshop. One program described an event at Christian College hosted by the Lions Club of Columbia. Events held in St. Louis and Kansas City, Missouri were hosted at the Municipal Opera in Forest Park and the American Theatre in St. Louis, and the Kansas City Municipal Auditorium. The Pla-Mor Ice Palace in Kansas City, Missouri hosted the world famous ice skater Sonja Henie in 1937.

The University of Missouri series has been arranged into two folders. One folder consists of letters and invitations concerning rush week in 1931. A number of sororities wrote to Josephine Flory inviting her to tour their institute. The second folder consists of a variety of records from the University of Missouri from 1931 to 1935. The papers contain a W.S.G.A handbook and banquet record. There are several note cards from the

University Co-Operative Store and the Missouri Store. This series also includes a variety of programs from athletic events, graduation recital, a biblical banquet hosted by Students Religious Council, and an official program from Missouri State Day in 1934.

The **Newspaper** series contains newspaper clippings and entire newspaper editions. There are two complete newspaper editions from the *Wentworth Trumpeter*, from 1936 and 1937. The *Wentworth Trumpeter* is based in Lexington, Missouri, by the military academy. The newspaper clippings contain a variety of articles pertaining to Josephine Flory's involvement in the University of Missouri's Y.W.C.A., Cwen, and W.S.G.A. One newspaper article regards Flory's appearance as an outstanding scholar in 1935.

The **Personal** series has been arranged into two folders. One folder contains two letters from 1845 and 1939. The first letter was written in 1845 by Edward R. Roger to Mary Barclay Harrison a few months before the couple was married. The second letter was written in 1939 explaining the origins of the first letter, as well as exchanging pleasantries with family. The second folder contains a variety of invitations and cards. The invitations included are for a wedding, the request to join the Junior, Senior Service as a student, and Cwen's Tea event. There are also several score keeping cards and art pieces.

The **Miscellaneous** series contains photographs of Ruth Settle Rizer and a number of records and programs for events. The programs are for the events of the Wentworth Military Academy Military Ball, the Annual Commencement of Lexington High School, the State Lions Club Convention, and the Lexington High School Baccalaureate Service. There are two larger records, one titled "The Droopy Scoop," and the other is a program commemorating an arching team of Missouri.

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Personal Series

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Miscellaneous Series	
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f. 8	Boone County Pinnacles Photograph; Ruth Settle Rizer,
	University of Missouri photos, Lexington High School
	ephemera, etc., 1936-1937

Oversi	ize	Location D18-C
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