



Alice Bock Heckmann Glass Plate Negatives (C4384)

Collection Number: C4384

Collection Title: Alice Bock Heckmann Glass Plate Negatives

Dates: 1906-1913

Creator: Heckmann, Alice Bock, 1888-1969

Abstract: Glass plate negatives of scenes and residents of Hermann, Missouri, photographed by Alice Bock Heckmann.

Collection Size: 0.39 cubic feet
(166 glass plate negatives)

Language: No linguistic content.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Donor Information: The negatives were donated to the University of Missouri by Dorothy Heckmann Shrader on October 19, 1999 (Accession No. CA5834).

Other Finding Aid: Individual descriptions for each photograph are available in conjunction with the digital reproductions.

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Alice Bock Heckmann Glass Plate Negatives can be found in the following collections:

Dorothy Shrader Heckmann Papers, (CA5925)
Edward Kemper Collection, (CA4633)

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Historical Note:

Alice Bock was born on September 16, 1888, in Hermann, Missouri, to parents Henry and Lydia Baecker Bock. She was a teacher at Gasconade and Hermann schools, attended summer school sessions at the University of Missouri, and was a church organist. As a teenager, Bock learned about photography from her mother's cousin, Edward Kemper, and she continued this hobby throughout her life.

In 1911, she married Edward Heckmann, a steamboat pilot. From 1920 to 1928 they operated a steamboat, the John Heckmann, first as a freight steamer and then an excursion boat. The steamer ran on the Missouri River, and docked mainly in Kansas City, Missouri, Omaha, Nebraska, and Sioux City, Iowa. Their daughter, Dorothy, joined Alice and Edward on the steamboat in the summers. The family moved to Columbia when Dorothy attended the University of Missouri, and then lived for a time in Neosho, and St. Louis. Following Edward's retirement, they returned to Hermann. Alice died there on August 12, 1969.

Arrangement:

The negatives have been arranged by subject.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection of 4" x 5" glass negatives documents the experiences of Alice Bock Heckmann, through her lens as an amateur photographer, from approximately 1906 through 1913. The bulk of the images focus on her life in Hermann, Missouri, including landscapes, time spent with family and friends, and work as a schoolteacher. Beyond Hermann, the collection records Heckmann's time at the University of Missouri, waterways and steamboats, and visits to her brother's family in Omaha, Nebraska. Dorothy Heckmann Shrader supplied identifying information for many of the images.

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