

**PRELIMINARY INVENTORY  
ACCESSION CA4298  
RALPH J. SHOEMAKER PAPERS**

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**Dates:** 1965-1980

**Creator:** Shoemaker, Ralph Joseph, 1906-1980

**Collection Size:** 6.2 cubic feet, 1 oversize volume

**Introduction**

Postcard collections, scrapbooks, and miscellaneous writings of a newspaper librarian at the State Historical Society of Missouri.

**Note:** In addition to CA4298, this preliminary inventory also includes accession CA4500. See also [Ralph J. Shoemaker Papers \(C3350\)](#).

**Box List**

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**Box 1**

Pictured Places on Postcards, v. 1-23 [bulk of photos are magazine clippings, rather than postcards]

Pictured Subjects on Postcards, v. 1-1A

**Box 2**

Pictured Subjects on Postcards, v. 2-6

Friendship Booklets

Fancy Valentines

Advertising--Use of Business Cards and Calendars

History of our Kewpie Dolls

History of our Punch, Judy & Daughter Dolls

History of our Dolls "Illustrated"

History of our Antiques

Magic Lantern

Chatterbox

Visiting or Calling Cards

It Could Be Verse [Shoemaker poetry]

Fond Recollections of Early SLA [Special Libraries Association] Days

Wonderland: Looking Through the Picture Postcards, 2 Vol. [good variety of older special event postcards]

Amusement Letters

**Box 3**

Booklet of snapshots taken on trips

    Lincoln Country

    A Trip to Atlantic City, New Jersey

    Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska Visit

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A Visit to the White House  
A Trip to the White House  
A Trip to St. Petersburg, Florida  
A Trip to Santa Claus Land  
Trips to Florida  
A Trip to St. Augustine  
Our Honeymoon Trip  
A Trip to Miami Beach  
A Trip to the Carolinas  
A Visit at Biltmore

Manuscripts

The Streakers Craze  
It's A Fact  
Jury Duty  
Stories of the Weak  
Drawing Caption Cartoons  
A Broken Marriage  
Have They Changed?  
A Wicked Sermon  
Makes Who's Who  
Presidents of the United States  
Christmas Always (Collected Readings)  
Newspaper Technology Terms by Earl Wilkin  
The World Today  
University of Missouri Library "rare book covers"  
Memorial to Joseph P. Kwapil  
Old Newspapers and Magazines  
Newspaper Libraries and Morgues  
Microfilm in Newspaper Libraries  
Newspaper Division Awards presented to Shoemaker, 1978-1980  
This is My Life  
Prisoner of War Notes  
Patriotism  
A Bit O' Humor  
Number 13 in My Life  
Drummer and Minstrel Man

Family Appreciation  
Retirement and Achievements  
Not Exactly Stamp Collecting, v. 1-5

**Box 4**

Not Exactly Stamp Collecting, v. 6, 7 [bulk postage mailing labels, organizational stamps, etc.]  
East Lansdowne  
Early Facts and Fond Recollections  
Residents

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History  
Tidbits  
Letters  
Speech, SLA, Newspaper Division, 1973  
Newspaper Library Filing Systems  
Kwapil Award to Shoemaker (posthumously), 1980  
*Uncle Ralph Jokes*  
*High Glory: No Return*  
Appreciation Notes for *High Glory: No Return* and *Uncle Ralph Jokes*, 2 vol.  
Record of *High Glory* and *Uncle Ralph* (to whom sent)  
Photo Albums, 2 vol.  
Index to material sent to UMC Library "Shoemaker Collection"  
Letters, 1965-1980 (2 loose leaf volumes)

**Box 5**

*Literary Lessons Now as Then* (3 volumes)

**Box 6**

*Literary Lessons Now as Then*, Addenda and Index [quotes from various sources with  
Shoemaker's comments]  
*In the Classics* (2 volumes) [similar to above]  
Manuscripts, Miscellaneous writings

**OVERSIZE**

v. 1 Scrapbook containing various awards, certificates, etc.

**ACCESSION CA4500**

**Box 1**

Miscellaneous collected material and some writings