



Grace Small Allen Collection (K1411)

Collection Number: K1411

Collection Title: Grace Small Allen Collection

Dates: 1903-1964

Creator: Allen, Grace Small, 1895-1987

Abstract: This collection contains materials that belonged to Grace Small Allen, as well as members of her family, who were residents of northwestern Missouri. Materials include books, yearbooks, photographs, a slate, and a diploma.

Collection Size: 0.75 cubic feet
(16 folders, 70 photographs)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Kansas City](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at kansascity@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Grace Small Allen Collection can be found in the following collections:

Sweeney Automobile School Collection (K1412)

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Historical Note:

Grace Small Allen was born in 1895 to William and (Rose) Mary Small. She was one of nine children: Alexander, Thomas, Nellie, Edith, Mae, Grace, Harriet, Lena B., and Florence. William and Mary were immigrants from Northern Ireland and married in Pekin, Illinois, before moving to Kansas and Missouri.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following 4 series:

Family History
Photographs
School Materials
Textbooks

Scope and Content Note:**Family History**

This series contains a spiral-bound book entitled “William and Mary,” which encompasses the history of the Small family from the mid-1800s to the mid-1900s. It was compiled by Harriet Small Taylor in the 1960s.

Photographs

This series contains photographs pertaining to the Small family’s life in rural Missouri and Kansas communities: Bosworth, Triplett, and Warrensburg, Missouri, and Stilwell, Kansas. The photographs depict rural life, family, and educational activities. This series is arranged by type and then location.

School Materials

This series contains materials related to the education of Grace Small and her sister Harriet, including yearbooks, a slate, a school diary, and a high school diploma. The series is arranged chronologically.

Textbooks

This series contains textbooks used by some of the Small sisters in their education, as well as one used by Lena Small during her first years of teaching in Triplett. This series is arranged chronologically.

Container List:

f. 1	Family History, 1960s
f. 2-6	Photographs
Box 001 f. 2	Photograph album, 1915-1920
f. 3	Bosworth, Missouri, 1910-1964
f. 4	Triplett, Missouri, 1910-1920, no date

f. 5	Warrensburg, Missouri, 1916
f. 6	Stilwell, Kansas, 1903-1910
f. 7-11	School Materials
f. 7	Triplett High School yearbook, 1912-1913, original
f. 8	Triplett High School yearbook, 1912-1913, included photocopy
f. 9	Slate and diary from Grace Small, 1915
f. 10	Triplett High School diploma, issued to Grace Small, 1915
f. 11	Yearbook and school reunion booklet, 1916, 1958
f. 12-16	Textbooks
f. 12	<i>The Howe Readers: A Fifth Reader</i> , 1909
f. 13	<i>Scott's Ivanhoe</i> , 1911
f. 14	<i>First Steps in the History of England</i> , 1911
f. 15	<i>Students' History of the United States</i> , 1913
f. 16	<i>A History of English Literature</i> , 1923

Index:

Index Term	Folder	Image
Allen, Claude James (C.J.)	3	Yes
Allen, Elaine	3	Yes
Bosworth (Mo.)	3	Yes
Chaffin, Dean	2	Yes
Small, Alexander	2-3, 6	Yes
Small, Edith	2, 4, 6	Yes
Small, Florence	2-4, 6	Yes
Small, Grace	2-8, 9-11	Yes
Small, Harriet	1-2, 4, 6-8, 11	Yes
Small, Jim	3	Yes
Small, Joe	3	Yes
Small, Lena	2-4, 6, 12, 14, 16	Yes
Small, Mae	2-4, 6, 13	Yes
Small, Mary	1, 3	Yes
Small, Nellie	2, 4-6	Yes
Small, Thomas	2-4, 6	Yes
Small, William	1, 3	Yes
Stilwell (Kan.)	6	Yes
Triplett High School (Triplett, Mo.)	7-8, 10-11	Yes
Triplett (Mo.)	4	Yes
Warrensburg Normal School (Warrensburg, Mo.)	5, 11	Yes