

## Information Sheet

**R Salem Academy (Salem, Mo.).**  
**500 Booklet, 1930.**  
**One folder.**

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The Salem Academy was a subscription school founded in 1872. It was an outgrowth of earlier subscription schools of the 1850s and 1860s. The Academy and public education in Salem made a substantial gain in 1873 when Professor William H. Lynch, a native of Texas County, came to Dent County to superintend the school. Lynch stayed for eleven years and oversaw the beginnings of the public school system in Salem. He left Salem in 1884 to take over the West Plains Academy.

In 1930, John Massey contacted all the known alumni of the Salem Academy from the period 1874-1884. He asked that each former student write something concerning the earlier days at the Academy as well as a brief biographical update. The letters were then mimeographed and bound into a small booklet for distribution. Massey's work was apparently his second such effort, but there are no copies of the first booklet known to be extant.

The letters appear in the booklet in the order in which they were received by Massey. An index to the correspondents is available. The 1930 booklet was in the papers of Salem newspaperwoman Margaret Vickery.

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## Register of Correspondents

The correspondence in this booklet was arranged in the order in which it arrived to the compiler. A list of correspondents in the order in which they appear is included at the front of the booklet.

Arthur, Andrew J.  
Arthur, John.  
Arthur, S. Fred, Mrs.  
Bennett, Ada Simmons, Mrs.  
Bevan, Annie White, Mrs.  
Blanchard, James, Mrs.  
Buttler, Mary.

Catron, Alice Massey, Mrs.  
Clark, Margaret Johnson, Mrs.  
Clark, Richard.  
Clarkson, R. A., Mrs.  
Clifford, Belle Jackson, Mrs.  
Cochran, Alice Wright  
Cook, Edwin Gilbert, Jr., Mrs.  
Cook, Frank L.  
Covert, J. Gardner, Mrs.  
Crow, Price A.  
Delaney, Emma V.  
Dunlap, Callie Byrd, Mrs.  
Elayer, Harvey, Mr. & Mrs.  
Ferguson, E. Blanche, Mrs.  
Fisher, Lee Johnson, Mrs.  
Fite, Sallie Johnson, Mrs.  
Fowler, Anna Simmons.  
Garcia, May Seay, Mrs.  
Gardner, Maud Withaup, Mrs.  
Godbey, Virginia Dinnavent, Mrs.  
Griffith, Lucy Haug, Mrs.  
Hamlin, Courtney W.  
Hilburn, Ella Peace, Mrs.  
Houston, Bessie.  
Houston, Minnie.  
Jadwin, Alice, Mrs.  
Lindsay, Ella Wilson, Mrs.  
Lindsay, Sadie.  
Loufbourrow, O. J., Mr. & Mrs.  
Lyles, Ed. K.  
Lynch, Florence.  
Malone, W. M., Mrs.  
Mants, Lydia.  
Massey, Aleck.  
Massey, George T., Mrs.  
Massey, John.  
McSpadden, Emma.  
McSpadden, Milton.  
Morrison family.  
Moore, Annie Pellett, Mrs.  
Orchard, Charles, Mr. & Mrs.  
Orchard, J. Mat.  
Parker, Joseph.  
Peace, H. C., Mrs.  
Pettit, Agnes Massey, Mrs.  
Pinto, Julia C., Mrs.  
Redford, Loulie Seay, Mrs.  
Revelle, Margaret Wilson, Mrs.  
Ripley, Edwin Sankey, Mrs.  
Rixey, Tony Haug, Mrs.  
Rockwell, Phoebe Clark, Mrs.  
Sankey, Lawrence, Mr. & Mrs.  
Sankey, Paul H., Mrs.  
Seay, Will J.  
Sherlock, S. H., Mrs.  
Short, Mattie Wilson.  
Skiles, Fannie.

Southard, Mrs.  
Stephens, John V., Mrs.  
Stevenson, Lucille Chiles, Mrs.  
Thompson, Alma Withaup, Mrs.  
Walker, Irwin B., Mrs.  
Wallop, Isa M., Mrs.  
Warren, Hallie Seay, Mrs.  
Welch, J. C., Mrs.  
Whitmire, T. J., Mr. & Mrs.  
Wood, Georgia Walker, Mrs.  
Woodruff, Maud Seay, Mrs.

**Index Cards**

Dent County (Mo.)  
Lynch, William Henry, 1839-1924  
Massey, John  
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