K0050

Lyle Kennedy (1922-1983) Papers

1885-1983

3 cubic feet

Research notes and papers, maps, books, newspaper clippings, photographs, and slides related to local historian Kennedy’s studies of Kansas City history.

BIOGRAPHY:

Lyle Kennedy was born in 1903. Since his early childhood, when he spent much of his time with an uncle in Westport, Kennedy had been interested in the history of that area. In 1922, after graduating from Harrisonville High School, he moved to Kansas City when he practiced engineering from 1933 until 1943. He then took a job as business manager of the Conservatory of Music. Later, Kennedy served as academic advisor, then dean of men, then dean of students, and in 1959 became associate dean during the merger of the Conservatory with the University of Missouri System.

From the time of his retirement in 1969 until his death in 1983, Lyle Kennedy was the historian for the Westport Historical Society. His extensive research covers the 19th and 20th century history of the Kansas City area.

PROVENANCE:

Lyle Kennedy donated notes and materials related to his studies of Kansas City history. They were received on April 8, 1981 as accession KA0076. Additionally, Mrs. Lyle (Alice) Kennedy donated papers on April 26, 1988 as accession KA0460.

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DESCRIPTION:

The Lyle Kennedy Papers consists of research papers, maps, books, newspaper clippings, notes, photographs, and slides related to Kennedy’s studies of Kansas City history. A minute book for the Coates House Management Company was moved to K0197, and nine books were moved to K0027.

INVENTORY:

BOX 001

BIOGRAPHICAL

Folder 1. Correspondence 1969-1983
Folder 2. Speeches and letters to the editor of the Kansas City Star/Times by Lyle Kennedy, 1976-1981
Folder 3. Awards, certificates, dinners, and other events, 1933-1980

RESEARCH PAPERS BY LYLE KENNEDY

Folder 4. Research Paper: Arthur E. Stilwell; rough draft and notes
Folder 5. Research Paper: Gold Found in Janssen Place; rough draft with editing
Folder 6. Research paper: Gold Found in Janssen Place! Fact or Fiction; rough draft
Folder 8. Research Paper: *The Mormons in Jackson County*; rough draft, notes, and newspaper clippings

Folder 9. Research Paper on Hyde Park with pencil editing and corresponding notes and clippings

Folder 10. Research Paper: *Westport and the Santa Fe Trade*; two drafts with editing

Folder 11. Research paper: *The Ill-Fated 1889 Annexation*

Folder 12. Research paper: *Who Is the Mayor of Westport?*; rough draft with pencil editing

Folder 13. Research paper: *New Deal in Old Westport and Violence in Bigtown City Hall*

Folder 14. Research paper: *Improvements, Insults and Lawsuits*


Folder 16. Research Paper: *The Klbers, the Allsupes and the Streins, Including a touch of William Rockhill Nelson, the House at 420 E. 44th Street, the 5 Fredric W. Klbers 1780-1961*; three drafts

Folder 17. Research Paper: *The Klbers and Streins Who Built the House at 44th and Locust*; rough drafts with editing

Folder 18. Research Paper: *The House at 420 East 44th Street... and William R. Nelson, Real Estate Developer of the Area*; pencil editing and notes

Folder 19. Research paper: *Strange Political Maneuvers: The Final Annexation*

**RESEARCH NOTES**

**General Research Notes**

Folder 20. Notes on Kansas City area history, 1540-1702

Folder 21. Postcards of Historic Kansas City and photocopied pictures

Folder 22. The Kansas City Inter-State Fair: Abstracts and sales transactions of tract, and formation by McGee, Werk, Armour, Webster, Coates, Ford, Bullene, Esslinger, Pratt, Bernard, Allen, and Scott, all of Jackson County

Folder 23. Research notes: Little Sisters of the Poor Home for the Aged

Folder 24. Census: 1840, 1850, 1860, and census related notes

Folder 25. Allen School Centennial Celebration 1854-1954

Folder 26. Research notes: unidentified
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Genealogical Research Notes

Folder 27. Research notes: Armour Family and Armour Boulevard
Folder 28. Family trees: Klaber-Allsup family
Folder 29. Research notes: Klaber family
Folder 30. Research notes: Klaber family
Folder 31. Court Case regarding the land of Elizabeth Klaber
Folder 32. Genealogical Research: Lond and Doub Families: with connection to McGee, Ramey, Phister, Frost, Bruun, Wren

Research Notes Regarding Specific Locations

Folder 33. Research notes: labeled “City Direc”
Folder 34. Maps and lists of ownership of various tracts of land in Kansas City, including the Broadway-Gillham Neighborhood area
Folder 35. List of lot ownership for the Broadway-Gillham, Westport areas circa 1917
Folder 36. Research notes: Broadway-Gillham area and Gillham Plaza; includes newspaper clippings and maps
Folder 37. Abstracts and sales transactions of various tracts in Westport and surrounding area: Mendel’s Murray Hill, John Harris Addition, John Campbell, etc.
Folder 38. Abstracts and court sales transactions and corresponding maps regarding an 80 acre tract of land: the east 1/2 of the southeast 1/4 of Section 19, Township 49, Range 33, Westport
Folder 39. Scenes in Roanoke with pencil notes
Folder 40. Abstracts of land titles, and maps of the Roanoke-Valentine area: Kansas City Orphan Boys, Tiernan Family, pictures of residences
Folder 41. Research notes: Janssen Place

Research Notes: Maps

Folder 42. Maps and lists of ownership of various tracts in Westport and Kansas City
Folder 43. Miscellaneous maps of Kansas City area
Folder 44. Walking Tours: Union Cemetery, Westport, Harrisonville, Greater Kansas City Area
RESEARCH PAPERS BY OTHER AUTHORS

Folder 45.  *Gleed Terrace, Hyde Park Neighborhood*, by Jo Musgrave
Folder 46.  *The Skeleton in the Garage*, by John Lear; *Can We Bust the Highway Trust?*, by Denis Hayes
Folder 47.  *The Sublettes of Kentucky*, by Doyce B. Nunis
Folder 48.  Articles about the Harris House in Westport
Folder 49.  *Chouteau-Bridger vs. Ewing-Boone*, by William A. Goff
Folder 50.  *Lenin’s Archival Decree of 1918: The Bolshevik Legacy for Soviet Archival Theory and Practice*, by Patricia Kennedy Grimsted
Folder 51.  Articles regarding the Conservatory and Opera in Kansas City
Folder 52.  Research outline: *Rascals, Respectables, and Renegades...*, by Madelyn Voights; with editing and map
Folder 55.  *A short History of South Hyde Park*, by Jim Levitt
Folder 56.  *As I Remember*, by Washington Henry Chick

LOCAL PERIODICALS IN WHICH LYLE KENNEDY PUBLISHED ARTICLES

Folder 60.  *Westport Magazine* (1979)
Folder 68.  Miscellaneous historical newsletters and pamphlets, 1974-1980

NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

Folder 69.  Index file of Sentinel Examiner 1893-1898
Folder 70.  Newspaper Clippings: Sentinel-Examiner, Kansas City Journal (1885), and notes by Lyle Kennedy
Folder 71.  Newspaper Clippings circa 1885 regarding Fourth of July Celebrations and the Inter-State Fair
Folder 72.  Newspaper Clippings: Sentinel-Examiner, Kansas City Journal (1889), and notes by Lyle Kennedy
Folder 73.  Newspaper Clippings: Sentinel-Examiner, Kansas City Journal (1890), and notes by Lyle Kennedy
Folder 74.  Newspaper Clippings: Sentinel-Examiner, Kansas City Journal (1891), and notes by Lyle Kennedy
Folder 75.  Newspaper Clippings: Sentinel-Examiner, Kansas City Journal (1893), and notes by Lyle Kennedy
Folder 76.  Newspaper Clippings: Sentinel-Examiner, Kansas City Journal (1894), and notes by Lyle Kennedy
Folder 77.  Newspaper Clippings: Sentinel-Examiner, Kansas City Journal (1895), and notes by Lyle Kennedy
Folder 78.  Newspaper Clippings: Sentinel-Examiner, Kansas City Journal (1896), and notes by Lyle Kennedy
Folder 79.  Newspaper Clippings: Sentinel-Examiner, Kansas City Journal (1897), and notes by Lyle Kennedy
Folder 80.  Newspaper Clippings: Sentinel-Examiner, Kansas City Journal (1898), and notes by Lyle Kennedy
Folder 81.  Newspaper Clippings ca 1916-1980

LOCAL HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

Folder 82.  Landmarks Commission: inventories and lists of historic sites in Kansas City, Mo., research criteria
Folder 83.  Citizen’s Capital Improvement Program, Westport Planning Commission, Greater Kansas City Alternative Futures Program, and related information about rezoning and restoration
Folder 84.  Hyde Park Neighborhood Association: list of officers 1976, general meeting notice
Folder 85. Westport Historical Society: includes inventory of abstracts, brochure, “Heritage Home-’76”, Certificate of survey, dedication ceremony

Folder 86. Westport Community Council: Executive Board duties, By Laws, list of officers, minutes, notes

Folder 87. Broadway Area Association, position paper, May 9, 1972; Broadway-Gillham Neighborhood Association, newsletter, March 7, 1979


NATIONAL HISTORIC PROGRAMS

Folder 89. National Register program for historic preservation. Procedures for evaluation and nominations of Kansas City landmarks to the National Register.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Folder 90. Slide shows and presentations that Kennedy put on for various clubs and associations (see the processing folder for the slide listing)

Folder 91. Photographs: Contact prints of 35mm negatives, architecture of Old Westport

Folder 92. Photographs: Kenwood-Janssen Residences

Folder 93. Photographs: Hyde Park Residences

Folder 94. Photographs: Kansas City Area Residences

Folder 95. Photographs: People circa 1912-1920’s -- Hosey, Henderson, Austin, Lather, and unidentified

RESEARCH NOTES

Folder 96. Notes of “The Heritage of University of Missouri-Kansas City Performing Arts and Professional Schools.”

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Folder 97-101. Lyric Opera 1958-1979

Folder 102. Photos late 19th/early 20th

Folder 103. Production History University Playhouse 1933-1973

Folder 104. Opera Report 1969

Folder 105. The Future of Adult Education 1977
Folder 106. Correspondence 1975-1976
Folder 107. University of Kansas City (UKC) Education 1959, 1977
Folder 108. Westport 1976
Folder 110. Conservatory of Music 1950-1976
Folder 111. Conservatory Clarion 1969, 1978
Folder 112. Dental History 1978
Folder 113. Federal Exemption 1955
Folder 114. K.C. Art Institute Alumni Directory 1970
Folder 115. University of Kansas City (UKC) Dentistry History 1949
Folder 116. Missouri Repertory Theatre 1975

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