INTRODUCTION
The papers contain four letters written to Irwin and Laura Kirkwood concerning business and domestic affairs.

DONOR INFORMATION
The papers were donated to the University of Missouri on 4/29/2004 (Accession No. KA1282).

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH
Irwin Kirkwood (1878-1927) and wife Laura Rockhill Nelson Kirkwood (1883-1926) ran the Kansas City Star after the death of Laura’s father, William Rockhill Nelson. William Rockhill Nelson (1841-1915) co-founded the newspaper with Samuel Morss in 1880.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE
The papers consist of four letters received by Irwin and Laura Kirkwood related to business and domestic affairs. Correspondents include A. J. Davies of A. J. Davies Motor Company; E. Sandford Miller, special agent with American Bonding Company of Baltimore; Grande Maison de Blanc; and George B. Simpson of the Chicago and Alton Railroad Company. The letters are arranged chronologically by date.

PREFERRED CITATION:
Specific item; box number; folder number; Irwin R. and Laura Kirkwood Papers (K0439); The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Kansas City [after first mention may be abbreviated to SHSMO-KC].

FOLDER LIST
f. 1 Correspondence, 1911-1914

LOCATION NOTE
The papers are stored offsite (063215) and will need to be retrieved before viewing.

SUBJECT TERMS
American Bonding Company of Baltimore
Chicago and Alton Railroad Company
Kansas City star (Kansas City, Mo.: 1885)
Nelson, William Rockhill, 1841-1915
Newspapers—Missouri—Jackson County