Collection Summary

Title
Alice Houts collection

Date
1952-1970

Extent
1 archival box

Name and Location of Repository
Midwest Genealogy Center, Independence (Mo.)
Reference code: MGC 1058-AHC
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Name of Creator
Houts, Alice K., 1890-1974

Biographical History
Alice K. Houts was born May 13, 1890 in Staten Island, New York. She married her husband, Henry Hale Houts, June 30, 1929 in Johnson County, Missouri. Alice was the founder of the Westport Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). From the chapter’s inception in 1937, Alice was active within the chapter as well as the state organization as historian for the Missouri DAR. She also authored Revolutionary Soldiers Buried in Missouri, a book that exists in many libraries across the United States. In addition to her DAR membership, Alice was also a member of the Colonial Dames of American. Alice passed away on November 13, 1974 in Kansas City, Missouri.

Scope and Content
This collection consists of administrative and personal papers of Alice K. Houts as well as business correspondence. Items range in date from 1952 to 1970 and mostly cover the sale and creation of her book Revolutionary Soldiers Buried in Missouri. There is also a photograph of Alice taken in the 1940s. Additionally, the collection includes clippings from newspapers and a series of articles titled “This Week in Missouri History” compiled by Floyd C Shoemaker of the State Historical Society of Missouri. The articles include biographical or burial information related to many early Missourians.
Collection Inventory

System of Arrangement
These records are arranged in 4 series.

Series 1, Administrative
  Folder 1, Book orders from individuals
  Folder 2, Book orders from libraries and other institutions
  Folder 3, Invoices from book orders

Series 2, Correspondence
  Folder 1, 1952-1960
  Folder 2, 1965
  Folder 3, 1966
  Folder 4, 1967
  Folder 5, Undated

Series 3, Personal
  Folder 1, Book Ephemera
  Folder 2, Newspaper Articles and Photograph

Series 4, Newspaper Clippings
  Folder 1, “This Week in Missouri History”
  Folder 2, Miscellaneous Newspaper clippings

Rights and Access

Conditions Governing Access
The collection is open for research use by appointment.

Physical Access
Records within this collection are housed within an archival box.

Conditions Governing Reproduction and Use
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Languages and Scripts of the Material
Materials in the collection are entirely in English.

Immediate Source of Acquisition
This collection was donated to the Midwest Genealogy Center.

Accruals
No further accruals are expected for this collection.
Existence and Location of Originals
Originals owned by the Midwest Genealogy Center.

Related Materials at the Midwest Genealogy Center
*Revolutionary Soldiers Buried in Missouri/Houts, Alice Kinyoun. 977.8 H819*

Notes
The following sources were consulted during the preparation of the biographical history: