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Sidney, Illinois Scrapbooks, 1918-1985

Collection 190

Champaign County Historical Archives

Compiled by: Sandy Kroeker, March 2024 Creator/Corporate Name: Pearl Kemp (1903-1995) Inclusive Dates: 1918-1985 Physical Description: 2 boxes, (1.0 linear ft.)

Provenance:

The Sidney, Illinois Scrapbooks were donated to the Champaign County Historical Archives.

Access:

These records are accessible to the public within applicable copyright restrictions and limited to use at the Champaign County Historical Archives of The Urbana Free Library.

Biographical Note:

The Sidney, Illinois Scrapbooks were prepared by Pearl Block Kemp, who grew up in the Sidney area. She was born to Amel and Minnie Davison Block in Sidney, Illinois on June 27, 1903. On February 20, 1922, she married Edward Kemp, who was born in Springfield, Illinois on December 21, 1890. He was raised at an orphanage in Springfield before moving to Sidney in 1912. Pearl and Edward lived in Sidney and the surrounding areas for many years before they purchased a farm northeast of Ortonville, Minnesota in 1936. They had two foster daughters and lived on their farm for 22 years before selling it in 1950 and retiring. Edward died in Minnesota on October 1, 1958, and Pearl died in Jackson, Minnesota on February 28, 1995.

Scope and Content Note:

This collection contains 6 scrapbooks of xerox copies of newspapers clippings in binders. The clippings include marriage and birth announcements, obituaries, and other news articles related to Sidney, Illinois and surrounding areas. The scrapbooks after 1936 also include some clippings from Ortonville, Minnesota and surrounding areas. Each binder is labeled with date ranges, but the dates are not absolute.

Arrangement:

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Subject Terms:

Block family Champaign County (III.) Davison family Kemp family Minnesota Scrapbooks Sidney, Illinois

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Name Terms:

Block, Pearl Kemp, Edward Kemp, Pearl

Container List

Box 1

Sidney Scrapbook: 1918-1930 Sidney Scrapbook: 1930-1939 Sidney Scrapbook: 1939-1943 Sidney Scrapbook: 1942-1949

Box 2

Sidney Scrapbook: 1950-1955 Sidney Scrapbook: 1955-1985