

Burton Publishing Company Collection (AC51)

Introduction

The Burton Publishing Company Collection contains items related to an unpublished book titled *Negro Men, Women and Affairs of Greater Kansas City*, compiled between 1914 and 1915.

Descriptive Summary

Creator: Burton Publishing Company

Title: Burton Publishing Company Collection

Dates: 1914-1915

Size: 0.16 linear feet, 1 box

Collection Number: AC51

Donor Information

Found in collection.

Citation Note

Burton Publishing Company Collection (AC51), Black Archives of Mid-America, Kansas City, Missouri.

Related Collections:

AC27 Williams Photo Studio Collection

Administrative Information

Reproduction Restrictions: Unrestricted.

Access Restrictions: Unrestricted.

Historical Sketch

According to an August 1914 notice in the *Kansas City Sun* newspaper, "Mr. Burton of the Burton Publishing Co., of this city, is compiling a brief but complete and comprehensive history of the institutions, associations, societies, and clubs of Greater Kansas City, that have for their purpose the betterment and general uplift of the Colored race." Other notices the same year

solicited biographies for inclusion in the proposed volume. The book, titled *Negro Men, Women and Affairs of Greater Kansas City*, was never completed.

Scope and Content Note

Series 1: Textual Materials, 1914-1915

This series consists of textual materials concerning the publication of *Negro Men, Women and Affairs of Greater Kansas City*. The series includes prospectuses, loose sample pages, and promotional materials. The prospectuses provide information concerning proposed topics and biographies for the book.

Series 2: Photographs, ca. 1915

This series consists of photographs considered for inclusion in *Negro Men, Women and Affairs of Greater Kansas City*. The series includes paper prints and cabinet cards arranged alphabetically by surname.

Series 3: Ephemera

This series consists of two small documents, an envelope and an advertisement.

Collection Inventory

Series 1: Textual Materials, 1914-1915

- f. 1 Prospectus, 1914
- f. 2 Prospectus, 1915
- f. 3 Loose sample pages, 1915
- f. 4 Promotional materials, ca. 1915

Series 2: Photographs, ca. 1915

- f. 5 Baldwin, Mr., ca. 1915
- f. 6 Baldwin, Mrs., ca. 1915
- f. 7 Bowser, Dora J., ca. 1915
- f. 8 Bowser, James D, ca. 1915
- f. 9 Crews, Florence M., ca. 1915

- f. 10 Floyd, Mrs., ca. 1915
- f. 11 Grisham, Gabriel N., ca. 1915
- f. 12 Harsly(?), Dr., ca. 1915
- f. 13 Harsly(?), Mrs., ca. 1915
- f. 14 Jones, Anna H., ca. 1915
- f. 15 Mosly, Mrs. Willis G., ca. 1915
- f. 16 Mosly, Willis G., ca. 1915
- f. 17 Shackelford, E. A., ca. 1915
- f. 18 Smith, Lydia C., ca. 1915
- f. 19 Thompson, Bell Jane, ca. 1915
- f. 20 Unthank, Thomas C., ca. 1915
- f. 21 Wilson, J. A., ca. 1915
- f. 22 Wilson, Mrs. J. A., ca. 1915

Series: 3 Ephemera

- f. 23 Ephemera

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