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# Biographical Sketch

Margaret Stansbury Stockton was born on September 10, 1894, at Williamsport, Indiana, the daughter of Eli and Ella Fisher Stansbury. She graduated from Williamsport High School in 1912 and obtained an A.B. from Indiana University in 1917. In 1924 she obtained an A.M. degree with a major in philosophy and a minor in sociology. The subject of her thesis was "The influence of religion and ethics upon economic theory" of which there is a copy in the collection.

Mrs. Stockton married Dr. Frank Tenney Stockton in 1917. Dr. Stockton was appointed Dean of the School of Business in 1924 and they moved to Lawrence, Kansas. Two sons were born, Robert Stansbury in 1925 and Phillip Jerome in 1927.

In Lawrence, Mrs. Stockton was a pioneer in community involvement and social work. In 1948 she organized the Kansas Arts and Crafts Festival which was the first of its kind in Lawrence.

She died on July 8, 1966 at Lawrence Memorial Hospital, Lawrence, Kansas.

### INVENTORY

Box 1

Notebook 1: Vita

Notebook 2: Personal Miscellany #1 (1912-1949)
Newspaper clippings on welding
Correspondence to her children
Letter from Sinclair Lewis
Correspondence on the Community Son

Correspondence on the Community Service League's committee Lawrence Recreational Committee

Clippings dealing with the Festival of Kansas Arts and Crafts, 1948 Correspondence from the American Association of University Women, Kansas Division

Proceedings of the National Recreation Congress, New Orleans, 1949 (Mrs. Stockton-delegate from Kansas)

Photographs of school days in Williamsport, Indiana, time spent in South Dakota and Lawrence, Kansas

Notebook 3: Personal Miscellany #2 (1950-1966)

Family papers

Clippings on Alpha Phi activities in Lawrence Clippings on League of Women activities in Lawrence

Clippings on Mental Health Agency

History of the Lawrence Recreation Commission, Council of Social

Agencies and Charles Ise Humane Society

Notebook 4: Supplementary Personal Miscellany (1924-1967)

Personal correspondence (1937-1967

Mrs. Stockton's will, September 10, 1959 Information on Lawrence Parent-Teachers Council (1941)

Photographs of Lawrence playgrounds (1940-1941)

Mrs. Stockton's master's thesis "The influence of religion

upon economic theory"

Notebook 5: Tributes Received (1939-1967)

This volume is a recollection of letters of acknowledgement from different individuals as well as organizations praising the work

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Box 1: continued

Notebook 5: continued

done by Mrs. Stockton in the various fields in which she was involved. It is divided into two sections: the first one in a chronological order; the second are undated documents.

Box 2

Notebook 6: Four short stories

One Act play

Tributes - Festival of Arts and Crafts (1948)

Welcome-articles-skits

The literary skills and the creative writing of Mrs. Stockton are reflected in the contents of this volume. It includes four short stores, one act play, tributes, musings, and other specificsituation types of articles such as writings on the Kansas Festival of Arts and Crafts, Women Power potentials, 40th Anniversary of KU Business School, and Model Initiation for Zodiac Club.

Short Story Titles

1. A Finished Assignment

2. A Green Thumb for Peanut Brittle

3. Mattie

4. Mighty Few Druthers

One Act Play - My Cup Runneth Over

Notebook 7: Christmas letters (1946-1965)

Poems and other writings, chronologically ordered, dedicated

to the joy of the Christmas season

Notebook 8: Book of Verses (1917-1965)

Poems written by Mrs. Stockton

Tributes and writings:

Tribute to Kansas

Ode to Chancellor E.H. Lindley

Tribute to Lucy Lewis (April 2, 1956)

Tribute to Hannah Olivier

Tribute to Gladys Six

Funeral of Elizabeth Miller Watkins

Tribute to Gertrude Bullene Weaver

Notebook 9: Addresses, Reports, Articles, Broadcasts (1932-1964)

Divided into two sections: chronological and undated

Miscellaneous newspaper clippings (November 6-19, 1942 and Oct. 4, 1956) Folder 10:

Folder 11: Miscellaneous newspaper clippings, undated

Notebook 12: Papers on literature and philosophy

Notes and comments on George Bernard Shaw

L. Lewiston

Magazines: Maga

Contemporary Review Conheel Magazine The Criterion Quarterly

The Forenightly

Life and Letters Today The London Mercury

The New Statesman Quarterly Review

The Spectator

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Box 2: continued folder 13: Notes on T.B. McCanley folder 14: Notes on John Stuart Mill (1806-1873) Notes on James Mill (1773-1836) folder 15: Notes on Miguel de Cervantes (1547-1616) Notes on Lope de Vega (1562-1635) Notes on Calderon' de la Barca (1600-1681) folder 16: Notes on E.T. Raymond's Portraits of the Nineties folder 17: Notes on Aldoux Huxley folder 18: Notes on Herbert Spencer (1820-1903) folder 19: Notes on Dr. Samuel Johnson (1709-1784) folder 20: Comments on the English Critical Review magazine folder 21: Notes on Richard Blaher's, Here Lies a Most Beautiful Lady Notes on Frank Swinnerton's, The Georgian Scene Notes on Ruth Suchow's, The Follies Notes on Thomas Williamson's, Dis for Dutch Notes on Phil Strong's, State Fair Notes on Tiffany Thager's, Thirteen Women folder 22: Notes on Benjamin Disraeli (1804-1881) folder 23: Notes on Fielding Box 3 notebook 24: Recreation Program of Lawrence - History notebook 25: Recreation Program of Lawrence - History notebook 26: Recreation Program of Lawrence - Annual Reports 1940-1943 notebook 27: Recreation Program of Lawrence - Annual Reports 1944-1947 Manuals 1944-1947 notebook 28: Recreation Program of Lawrence - Annual Reports 1948-1950 Box 4 notebook 29: Recreation Program of Lawrence - Annual Reports 1952, 1953, 1955, 1957, 1961, 1962 Credit Reports 1950-1951 notebook 30: Recreation Program of Lawrence - Description of Projects, publicity, paper clippings 1941-1942 notebook 31: Recreation Program of Lawrence - Description of Projects, publicity, paper clippings 1943 Recreation Program of Lawrence - Description of Projects, publicity, notebook 32: paper clippings 1944-1945 notebook 33: Recreation Program of Lawrence - Description of Projects, publicity, paper clippings 1946 Box 5 Recreation Program of Lawrence - Description of Projects, publicity, notebook 34: paper clippings 1949 Recreation Program of Lawrence - Recreation Leaders Training notebook 35: Institute April 18-22, 1949 notebook 36: Recreation Program of Lawrence - Description of Projects, publicity, paper clippings 1956-1958 notebook 37: Recreation Program of Lawrence - Description of Projects, publicity,

paper clippings 1954-1960

Minutes 1941-1946

notebook 38: Lawrence Recreation Council (s.a. Lawrence Recreation Commission)

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folder 67:

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Box 5: continued folder 39: Lawrence Recreation Council, summer projects 1941 folder 40: Lawrence Recreation Council, summer projects 1942 notebook 41: Lawrence Recreation Council, minutes and other reports 1942-1948 Box 6 notebook 42: Lawrence Recreation Council, minutes 1949 notebook 43: Lawrence Recreation Council, minutes 1947-1948-1953-1955-1959 notebook 44: Lawrence Recreation Council, minutes 1950-1952 notebook 45: Lawrence Recreation Council, minutes 1962-1964 Material on Youth Center folder 46: 31st National Recreation Congress, New Orleans, Proceedings, Sept. 12-16, 1949 notebook 47: Lawrence Recreation Commission, monthly reports 1948-1951 Box 7 notebook 48: Lawrence Recreation Commission, monthly reports 1952-1953 notebook 49: Lawrence Recreation Commission, monthly reports 1954-1955 folder 50: Lawrence Council of Social Agencies, structure and purposes notebook 51: Lawrence Council of Social Agencies, minutes 1944-45, 1946-48 notebook 52: Lawrence Council of Social Agencies, letters and reports 1944-1966 notebook 53: Lawrence Council of Social Agencies, minutes 1949-1956 notebook 54: Lawrence Council of Social Agencies, minutes 1957-1961 Box 8 notebook 55: Lawrence Council of Social Agencies, minutes 1962-1966 notebook 56: Kansas Festival of Arts and Crafts, Feb. 18-22, 1948 Planning the Festival, letters and reports notebook 57: Kansas Festival of Arts and Crafts, Feb. 18-22, 1948 Planning the Festival, letters and reports notebook 58: Kansas Festival of Arts and Crafts, Feb. 18-22, 1948 Programs, publicity and reports notebook 59: Kansas Festival of Arts and Crafts, Feb. 18-22, 1948 Assembly of publicity notebook 60: Kansas Festival of Arts and Crafts The aftermath notebook 61: Kansas Festival of Arts and Crafts, Feb. 18-22, 1948 Thank you letters notebook 62: Community Service League. Publicity on parties, releases written by Margaret Stockton July 16, 1942-December 27, 1943 Box 9 notebook 63: Community Service League. Publicity and reports on operations. 1942-1945 Letters from service men and their families 1942-1945 notebook 64: Community Service League. Publicity, United Services Organization (USO) controversy. Jan. 1944-Feb. 1945 folder 65: Lawrence Women's Club 1948-1949 folder 66: Zodiac Club program and membership, 1958-1962

University Women's Club. Structure and purposes 1962-1966

notebook 69: Bert Nash Mental Clinic. History, reports, publicity 1955-1961

paper clippings, history 1943-1954

Bert Nash Mental Clinic. Letters, comments, reports, publicity,

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notebook 70: Bert Nash Mental Clinic. History, reports, publicity 1955-1961 notebook 71: Bert Nash Mental Clinic. Letters, comments, reports, publicity 1962-1965

Box 10

notebook 72: Douglas County Humane Society. History, description of projects 1953-1965

notebook 73: American Association of University Women. Structure and purpose. Includes two plays by Mrs. Stockton: "Sketch in Charcoal" and "Then and Now"

notebook 74: Activities of the Children's Theatre 1940-1961

notebook 75: Lawrence Recreation Commission, Lawrence Public Schools,
Lawrence Parent-Teacher Association. Joint Activities 1952-1961.

notebook 76: Miscellaneous events. Nov. 3, 1941-June 5, 1963

notebook 77: Freedom Train arrival in Lawrence, 1948--Preparations and Community involvement.

folder 78: The Teen-Age Project, 1943-1944