

### **COLLECTION SUMMARY**

**Collection title:** Lillian Kent Scrapbook

**Dates:** 1902-1967

Size: 1 box

**Shelf location:** 

**Creator/Collector:** Lillian Kent

**Acquisition info.:** Donated by Virginia Peverly Erickson

**Accruals**: None

**Custodial history:** The scrapbook was passed to Kent's great-niece, Virginia

Peverly Erickson, who donated it to the library.

**Language(s):** English

**Repository:** Vespasian Warner Public Library District

**Processed by:** Bobbi Perryman, Trisha Benedict

**Conservation notes:** All items were removed from the scrapbook and placed in

archival folders. The album itself contained no historical

information and was disposed of.



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### **RIGHTS AND ACCESS**

#### **Access restrictions**

Collection is open for research. The collection or parts of the collection may not leave the library building.

# Physical access restrictions

None

# **Technical access restrictions**

None

# **Publication rights**

The Vespasian Warner Public Library does not establish copyright for items.



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#### INFORMATION FOR RESEARCHERS

#### **Preferred citation**

[item identification], Lillian Kent Scrapbook, Vespasian Warner Public Library District, Clinton, Illinois

#### **Related collections**

Lillian Kent Newspaper Files Vespasian Warner Public Library District Collection

# **Separated material**

None

### **Published descriptions**

Not applicable

# Location of originals

Not applicable

# **Location of copies**

Not applicable

#### **Publication note**

Not applicable

# **Subject headings**

Public Librarians – Clinton (Ill.) – Biography Librarians – Clinton (Ill.) – Biography



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#### SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Papers, publications, and documents related to businesses in DeWitt County, Illinois.

#### **BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION**

Lillian Kent (1886-1967) was a life-long resident of Clinton. She was a member of the Clinton Public Library Association before the Free Clinton Library was founded. She was a kindergarten teacher until 1910, when she was hired as a library assistant at the Vespasian Warner Library. She attended the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where she studied library science. Kent became head librarian in 1914 and retired in 1966. During her time as head librarian, Kent served on the executive board of the Illinois Library Association, help form the DeWitt County War Records Committee (WWI), and worked with the Illinois State Library and other libraries to form the Rolling Prairie Library System. Kent was a member of the Clinton Presbyterian Church, P.E.O. Chapter B, and DeWitt Clinton Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.



# **COLLECTION INVENTORY**

<u>Folder Title</u>	Box <u>Number</u>	Folder <u>Number</u>
Public Library Progress newspaper clipping, 1966	1	1
Webster School Library newspaper clipping	1	2
Librarians attend tea newspaper clipping	1	3
Lillian Kent retirement newspaper clippings, 1966	1	4
Letter of congratulations to Lillian Kent from Paul Powell, 1966	1	5
Lillian Kent school report cards, 1893-1903	1	6
Lillian Kent accepting library positions, newspaper clippings	1	7
Illinois Library Association certification, 1944	1	8
Kent family obituaries	1	9
Letter to Lillian Kent from Boerlage, 1948?	1	10
Letter from Eleanor Plain to Lillian Kent, 1960	1	11
Letter from Illinois Library Association to Lillian Kent, 1960	1	12
Photographs of library interior, west side	1	13
Photograph of Lillian Kent in the library	1	14
Photographs of Lillian Kent in the library	1	15



Photographs from Lillian Kent's retirement reception, 1966	1	16
Photograph of Lillian Kent in the library	1	17
Photographs of Lillian Kent in the library, 1960s	1	18
Photograph of library interior, north side	1	19
List of books donated to the library in memory of Lillian Kent	1	20
Postcards of the library exterior (1906 building)	1	21
Photographs, negatives, and slides of library programs	1	22
Letter from Clinton mayor Harry Schrag to Lillian Kent, 1960	1	23
Letter from Lowell M. Johnson to Lillian Kent, 1960	1	24
The Prairie Schooner, Rolling Prairie Library System newsletter, 1966 City Council resolution congratulating Lillian Kent on fifty years of service, 1960	1	25
	1	26
Lillian Kent's transcript from UIUC Library School, 1913	1	27
Leave of absence authorization for Lillian Kent, 1921	1	28
Leave of absence letter from the Illinois State Library, 1921	1	29
Clinton Public Library card, 1902 Thank you letter to Clinton mayor Harry Schrag from Lillian Kent, 1960 Employment offer letter from Vespasian Warner Library to Lillian Kent, 1910	1	30
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	1	32
Letter from George Girard to Lillian Kent, [1966]	1	33
Boy Scouts donation to Vespasian Warner Library newspaper clipping	1	34