

Kansas City, Kansas School Newspaper Collection (KSCOLL 19)

Descriptive Summary

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Collection Description

This collection contains newspapers from USD 500 Schools including Wyandotte High School, Argentine High School, Washington High School and Northwest Junior High School.

Historical Note

Wyandotte High School

A bond issue was passed in 1897 which funded the erection of a new building for the Kansas City, Kansas High School on the west side of North 9th Street from Minnesota Ave. to State Ave. The building was designed in the Richardsonian Romanesque style by W.W. Rose and included a great peak-roofed tower that dominated the downtown skyline for many years. The construction of the school was completed in 1899 and underwent substantial additions in 1905 and 1910. Space was also provided for a junior college in 1923.

On March 3, 1934. A fire, thought to have originated in burning trash in a janitorial storage room, swept through the timber-framed, brick-walled school building. The school district had no choice but to proceed with constructing a new High School building during the height of the Great Depression. On September 10, 1937 the new Wyandotte High School building was dedicated at 25th and Minnesota. The total cost of construction was \$2.5 million and it is regarded as one of the most notable buildings in Kansas City, Kansas.

Argentine High School

Argentine High School first existed as a space in other school buildings for the very few students studying at the high school level. In 1891, Bertha May Belle was the first student to graduate high school in Argentine. By 1901, there were 88 students and the Superintendent was asking for more rooms, more books for the library, and more equipment for science instruction. The high school occupied space in a brick building at 24th and Silver, which had once housed City Hall and the City Jail.

In 1908, a new Argentine High School was constructed at 22nd and Elmwood (now Ruby) to educate the growing number of high school students in the Argentine area. The nine-room brick building school had an occupancy of six teachers and 100 students. Argentine merged with USD 500 in 1910 after the City of Argentine was annexed by the City of Kansas City, Kansas. In just eight years, enrollment reached 200. A gymnasium and cafeteria were added to accommodate the growing population. F. L. Schlagle served as principal from 1919 to 1924, when he became Superintendent of Schools. By 1935, enrollment had increased to 1,130 students and 29 teachers. The original 1908 building was demolished in 1954, and a new building was constructed in 1955-56

Washington High School

On January 4, 1932, Washington Rural High School opened on Leavenworth Road in the northwest part of Wyandotte County, Kansas. The new high school formed from the creation of Rural High School District #2 of Wyandotte County and named after the first United States President George Washington.

Arrangement Note

The collection is arranged by school, in chronological order of issue date.

Scope and content note

Newspapers in the collection include the Wyandotte High School *Pantograph* (various issues, September 1937-May 1967) the Argentine High School *Argentinian* (various issues November 1929-October 1965) and the Washington High School *Washingtonian* (September 1993-May 1995)

Related Collections

Kansas City, Kansas High School Yearbook Collection Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools Photograph Collection Argentine High School Scrapbook

Collection Inventory

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