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FIRST STATE CAPITOL SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION COMMITTEE, 1963-1973

Abstract: Records (1963-1973) of the committee include bills and resolutions, correspondence, financial records, minutes, and public relations records.

Extent: 3.6 cubic ft. (9 Hollinger boxes)

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Location: MSA Stacks

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

The First State Capitol Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee of Missouri was created by House Bill No. 262 passed by the 72nd General Assembly on July 15, 1963. At this time, its official title was the First Missouri State Capitol Restoration Commission. The reason for its establishment was “to plan appropriate commemorating ceremonies for the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of statehood and to assist in the restoration of the first Missouri state capitol” in St. Charles.

The commission consisted of fifteen members, chosen in three different ways: five members of the Senate were appointed by the president pro tem, five members of the House were appointed by the speaker, and five persons were appointed by the governor. Terms of office for these members ran for two years with initial members' terms ending on January 31, 1965. These members were to cooperate with the Missouri State Park Board in their planning of the capitol restoration and also to develop and supervise the official state plans for the sesquicentennial celebration. Other assisting state agencies included the director of the State Historical Society and the heads of other state agencies and political subdivisions. This temporary commission was to cease operations on July 1, 1971.

The commission ran in this way until May 24, 1967, when Governor Warren E. Hearnes issued an executive order assigning administrative and executive authority of the commission to the State Park Board. The director of the Park Board, Joseph Jaeger, Jr., took an active part in the commission and its subsequent activities.

The commission met on November 17, 1969 and elected F.E. "Buck" Robinson as executive director. His office at this time was located in the Missouri Tourism Commission's office. The State's Assistant Attorney General was asked to be a legal advisor to the committee. It was also at this time that the title "First State Capitol Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee" was coined. Six fundraising sub-committees were elected at this meeting. The activities they revolved around were U.S. Postage Stamp, Winchester Rifle, Medallion, Cookbook, License Plate, and Local Involvement.

The first direct appropriation found was \$4,000 for the 1968-1969 fiscal year. The 75th General Assembly increased this appropriation to \$25,000 for the 1970-1971 fiscal year through Section 14.075 of House Bill No. 14 approved on February 19, 1970. The appropriation went to the State Park Board for the First State Capitol Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee. The committee was expected refund the \$25,000 allocated for sesquicentennial events via its activities.

As the Sesquicentennial year passed, the 76th General Assembly decided to extend the committee's life. Senate Bill No. 367, which was read March 1, 1971, extended the committee until March 1, 1972, a measure necessary to allow celebrations throughout the sesquicentennial year and also give time to process all materials.

One change in the committee's leadership occurred in October of 1971 when Dortha Miller, secretary to the committee, replaced Buck Robinson in the executive post.

On March 1, 1972, the committee ceased operations. State Auditor Christopher "Kit" Bond reported later that the committee returned a total of \$35,855 to the state.

The records of the First State Capitol Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee date from 1963 to 1973. Included are correspondence, board minutes, financial records, and public relations materials. The correspondence records relate to the activities of the committee and the many events held in Missouri that they planned and coordinated. Included under

the heading Cookbook-History are several manuscripts on the history of Missouri written by various people throughout the state. These papers formed the basis for the historical data found in the Sesquicentennial Cookbook. Other records included are a file of newspaper clippings related to the celebration and a major holding of the souvenirs used throughout the sesquicentennial celebration years.

SERIES

The records are broken down into the following series:

General Correspondence, 1966 – 1972
Board Correspondence, 1969 – 1972
Correspondence Relating to Appointments 1969 – 1971
Minutes of Board Meetings, 1969 – 1972
Bills and Resolutions, 1963 – 1971
Financial Records, 1969 – 1972
Public Relations Records, 1969 – 1971

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE, 1966-1972

Extent: 0.2 cubic ft. (1 partial Hollinger box)

Arrangement: Alphabetical and thereunder chronological. One exception is the Historical Society Correspondence arranged chronologically by year and thereunder alphabetically by county.

Scope and Content

This series concerns a wide range of committee contracts with local groups and individuals about the activities of the committee and local participation in these activities.

Container List

Box	Folder	Contents
1	1	American Legion, 14 Jan 1970 – 16 May 1970
1	2	Associations, 21 Jan 1970 – 31 Mar 1970
1	3	Associations, 7 Apr 1970 – 28 Jun 1970
1	4	Associations, directories
1	5	Chamber of Commerce, 7 Jan 1970 – 24 Mar 1970
1	6	Chamber of Commerce 16 Apr 1970 – 30 Apr 1970
1	7	Chamber of Commerce 8 Sep 1970 – 20 Aug 1970
1	8	Civic Club – Churches, 16 Feb 1970 – 23 Nov 1970
1	9	Civic Club – Other, 13 Feb 1970 – 15 Dec 1970
1	10	Colleges, 17 Dec 1969 – 10 Feb 1970
1	11	Colleges, 10 Feb 1970
1	12	Colleges, 11 Feb 1970 – 13 Feb 1970
1	13	Colleges, 16 Feb 1970 – 24 Feb 1970
1	14	Colleges, 26 Feb 1970 – 27 Mar 1970
1	15	Colleges, 1 Apr 1970 – 30 Oct 1970
1	16	Colleges, 4 Nov 1970 – 5 Oct 1971
1	17	Cookbook, 6 Jan 1971 – 17 Feb 1971
1	18	Cookbook, 17 Feb 1971 – 30 Mar 1971
1	19	Cookbook, 15 Apr 1971 – 27 Jun 1971

1	20	Cookbook, 2 Jul 1971 – 21 Aug 1971
1	21	Cookbook, 26 Aug 1971 – 20 Sep 1971
1	22	Cookbook, 21 Sep 1971 – 30 Sep 1971
1	23	Cookbook, 1 Oct 1971 – 20 Nov 1971
1	24	Cookbook, 1 Dec 1971 – 22 Feb 1972
1	25	Cookbook – Corrections, 3 Mar 1971 – 9 Mar 1971
1	26	Cookbook – Corrections, 9 Mar 1971
1	27	Cookbook – History, no dates
1	28	Cookbook – History, 14 Sep 1970 – 19 Oct 1970
1	29	Cookbook, History, 21 Oct 1970 – 20 Nov 1970
1	30	Historical Society, Committee Form Letters
1	31	Historical Society, Bates County, Cole County 1970
1	32	Historical Society, Franklin County 1970
1	33	Historical Society, Greene & Johnson County, 1970
1	34	Historical Society, Knox & Platte Counties, 1970
1	35	Historical Society, Ray & Saline Counties, 1970
1	36	Historical Society, Audrain & Pulaski Counties, 1971
2	1	History of Missouri, 17 Feb 1966 – 8 Jul 1968
2	2	History of Missouri, 4 Dec 1969 – 30 Dec 1969
2	3	History of Missouri, 12 Jan 1970 – 30 Apr 1970
2	4	History of Missouri, 24 Sep 1970 – 15 Jun 1971
2	5	History of Missouri, 6 May 1970 – 18 Sep 1970
2	6	Jaycee, 9 Dec 1969 – 10 Dec 1969
2	7	Jaycee, 13 Feb 1970 – 16 Oct 1970
2	8	Kiwanis, 4 Mar 1970 – 3 May 1970
2	9	Lions, 12 Mar 1970 – 19 Aug 1971
2	10	Rotary Club, 20 Mar 1970 – 20 Aug 1971
2	11	Telephone Company, 26 Mar 1970 – 7 Apr 1970

2	12	Telephone Company, 8 Apr 1970 – 31 Jul 1970
2	13	Telephone Company, 21 Aug 1970 – 11 Mar 1971
2	14	V.F.W. Posts, Mar 1970

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE, 1969-1972

Extent: 0.2 cubic ft. (1 partial Hollinger box)

Arrangement: Alphabetical and thereunder chronological

Scope and Content

This series deals primarily with correspondence to and from the executive director and the other members of the committee. Early correspondence dealt with the formulation of plans of action by the Missouri State Park Board and the Missouri Tourism Commission. The committee meeting section is devoted mainly to informing members of upcoming meetings.

Container List

Box	Folder	Contents
2	15	Committee Appointments, 10 Dec 1969 – 13 Jul 1971
2	16	Committee Meetings, 8 Dec 1969
2	17	Committee Meetings, 6 Jan 1970 – 14 Jan 1970
2	18	Committee Meetings, 5 Feb 1970
2	19	Committee Meetings, 1 Apr 1970 – 13 Jul 1970
2	20	Committee Meetings, 15 Jul 1971 – 7 Dec 1971
2	21	Committee Meetings, 5 Jan 1971 – 31 Jan 1972
2	22	Main File, 17 Feb 1969 – 24 Nov 1969
2	23	Main File, 1 Dec 1969 – 30 Dec 1969
2	24	Main File, 14 Jan 1970 – 11 Feb 1970
2	25	Main File, 20 Mar 1970 – 30 Jun 1970
2	26	Main File, 7 Jul 1970 – 11 Dec 1970
2	27	Main File, 8 Jan 1971 – 4 Feb 1972

CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO APPOINTMENTS, 1969-1971

Extent: 1.1 cubic ft. (1 Hollinger box and 2 partials)

Arrangement: Chronological

Scope and Content

This series contains correspondence related to committee appointments.

Container List

Box	Folder	Contents
2	28	Committee Appointments, 10 Dec 1969 – 13 Jul 1971
2	29	Governor's Advisory Committee Appointment, 6 Feb 1970 – 18 Mar 1970
2	30	Governor's Advisory Committee Appointment, 19 Mar 1970
2	31	Governor's Advisory Committee Appointment, 20 Mar 1970 – 21 Mar 1970
2	32	Governor's Advisory Committee Appointment, 23 Mar 1970
2	33	Governor's Advisory Committee Appointment, 24 Mar 1970 – 25 Mar 1970
2	34	Governor's Advisory Committee Appointment, 26 Mar 1970 – 27 Mar 1970
3	1	Governor's Advisory Committee Appointment, 28 Mar 1970 – 31 Mar 1970
3	2	Governor's Advisory Committee Appointment, 1 Apr 1970 – 14 Apr 1970
3	3	Governor's Advisory Committee Appointment, 16 Apr 1970 – 14 Aug 1970
3	4	Governor's Advisory Committee Appointment, 14 Aug 1970 – 12 Feb 1971
3	5	Governor's Advisory Committee Appointment, Partial Lists of Members
9	1	Governor's Advisory Committee Appointment, 3-5 File Index of names (by city and by county)

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETINGS, 1969-1972

Extent: 0.1 cubic ft. (1 partial Hollinger box)

Arrangement: Chronological

Scope and Content

These are minutes of the regular monthly meetings of the committee concerning staff appointments, planned activities, financial matters, and other concerns.

Container List

Box	Folder	Contents
3	6	17 Nov 1969 – 22 Apr 1970
3	7	21 Jul 1970 – 24 Feb 1971
3	8	13 Apr 1971 – 10 Aug 1971
3	9	8 Oct 1971 – 15 Dec 1971
3	10	1 Jan 1972 – 18 Feb 1972

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS, 1963-1971

Extent: 0.1 cubic ft. (1 partial Hollinger box)

Arrangement: Chronological

Scope and Content

This series comprises bills and resolutions related to the committee.

Container List

Box	Folder	Contents
3	11	15 Jul 1963 – 20 Jan 1970
3	12	18 Nov 1970 – 26 Aug 1971

FINANCIAL RECORDS, 1969-1972

Extent: 0.9 cubic ft. (1 Hollinger box and 2 partials)

Arrangement: Alphabetical and thereunder chronological

Scope and Content

This series comprises the financial records of the committee, including bank statements, bills paid, contracts, correspondence, ledgers, project files, and state auditor reports.

Container List

Box	Folder	Contents
3	13	Bank Statements Cookbook Account, 21 Dec 1970 – 28 Feb 1972
3	14	Bank Statements Regular Account, 30 Sep 1971 – 30 Nov 1971
3	15	Bank Statements Regular Account, 31 Dec 1971 – 28 Apr 1972
3	16	Contracts – Colt Industries and Kolthoff Sporting Goods
3	17	Contracts – North American Press, Pat O’Neill Association
3	18	Contracts – Opticomm Inc.
3	19	Contracts – Photoplasting Co. & Pitney Bowes
3	20	Contracts – Robert Stoddard Association, Tri-State Antique and China Co.
3	21	Correspondence to Robert Stoddard Association 2 Sep 1970 – 12 Jul 1971
3	22	Correspondence, 2 Aug 1971 – 14 Jan 1972
3	23	Federal & State Payroll Deductions, Guides and Regulations
3	24	Federal & State Payroll Deductions, Wage & Tax Statements, 1970 – 1972
3	25	Federal & State Payroll Deductions, Withholding & Experience File, 1970 – 1972
3	26	General Records, 3 Dec 1970 – 31 Oct 1971
3	27	General Records, 1 Nov 1971 – 4 Nov 1971
3	28	General Records, 8 Nov 1971 – 30 Nov 1971

3	29	General Records, 1 Dec 1971 – 21 Dec 1971
3	30	General Records, 1 Jan 1972 – 16 Feb 1972
3	31	General Records, 18 Feb 1972 – 2 Jan 1973
3	32	Ledgers, 1 Nov 1969 – 28 Feb 1972
3	33	Monthly Financial Statements, 1 Nov 1970 – 30 Sep 1971
3	34	Monthly Financial Statements, 1 Nov 1971 – 29 Feb 1972
4	1	Miscellaneous-Cancelled Checks, #101 - #200
4	2	Cancelled Checks, #201 - #291
4	3	Check Stubs, #101 - #300
4	4	Deposit Receipts
4	5	Deposit Slips
4	6	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Aug – Nov 1970
4	7	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Dec 1970
4	8	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Jan 1971
4	9	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Feb 1971
4	10	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Mar 1971
4	11	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Apr 1971
4	12	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, May 1971
4	13	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Jun 1971
4	14	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Jul 1971
4	15	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Aug 1971
4	16	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Sep 1971
4	17	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Oct 1971
4	18	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Nov – Dec 1971

4	19	Paid Bills – First State Capitol Restoration and Sesquicentennial Commission, Jan – Feb 1972
4	20	Paid Bills – Park Board, 29 Oct 1969 – 9 Dec 1969
4	21	Paid Bills – Park Board, Jan – Feb 1970
4	22	Paid Bills – Park Board, Mar 1970
4	23	Paid Bills – Park Board, Apr 1970
4	24	Paid Bills – Park Board, May 1970
4	25	Paid Bills – Park Board, Jun 1970
4	26	Paid Bills – Park Board, Jul 1970
4	27	Paid Bills – Park Board, Aug 1970
4	28	Paid Bills – Park Board, Sep – Oct 1970
4	29	Paid Bills – Nov 1970 – Apr 1971
5	1	Project Files – Medallions Correspondence, 1 Jan 1970 – 23 Mar 1970
5	2	Project Files – Medallions Correspondence, 14 Apr 1970 – 12 Jun 1970
5	3	Project Files – Medallions Correspondence, Jun 1970
5	4	Project Files – Medallions Correspondence, 16 Jun 1970 – 31 Jul 1970
5	5	Project Files – Medallions Correspondence, 3 Aug 1970 – 26 Aug 1970
5	6	Project Files – Medallions Correspondence 1 Sep 1970 – 16 Dec 1970
5	7	Project Files – Medallions Correspondence, 8 Jan 1971 – 5 Feb 1971
5	8	Project Files – Medallions Correspondence, 8 Mar 1971 – 5 Dec 1971
5	9	Project Files – Medallions Deposits & Orders, 31 Aug 1970 – 7 Apr 1971
5	10	Project Files – Medallions Miscellaneous, 20 Mar 1970 – 18 Jan 1971
5	11	Project Files – Medallions Sales, 15 May 1970 – 3 Dec 1970
5	12	Project Files – Medallions Sales, 4 Jan 1971 – 12 Jul 1971
5	13	Project Files – Medallions Sales, 2 Aug 1971 – 14 Jan 1972

5	14	Project Files – Cookbooks General, 15 Jan 1970 – 21 Dec 1970
5	15	Project Files – Cookbooks General, 5 Feb 1971 – 26 Apr 1971
5	16	Project Files – Cookbooks General, 3 Jun 1971 – 19 Sep 1971
5	17	Project Files – Cookbooks Descriptive Material, no dates
5	18	Project Files – Decanters General 1970
5	19	Project Files – Decanters General 1971
5	20	Project Files – Maps General, 25 May 1971 – 29 Jun 1971
5	21	Project Files – Maps General, 1 Jul 1971 – 19 Jul 1971
5	22	Project Files – Jaycee List, 1972
5	23	Project Files – Television & Radio Lists, no dates
5	24	Project Files, Pistols General, 12 Jan 1970 – 30 Sep 1971
5	25	Project Files, Plates, Plaques, Document Package, 1971 – 1972
5	26	Project Files, Rifle General, 1 Jun 1968 – 24 Jan 1972
5	27	Project Files, Stamp, General, 21 Aug 1969 – 23 Feb 1970
5	28	Project Files, Stamp, General, 25 Feb 1970 – 27 Aug 1970
5	29	Project Files, Stamp, General, 2 Sep 1970 – 14 Oct 1970
5	30	Project Files, Stamp, General, 20 Oct 1970 – 30 Nov 1970
5	31	Project Files, Stamp, General, 14 Jan 1971 – 14 Apr 1971
5	32	State Auditor Reports, 3 Nov 1972

PUBLIC RELATIONS RECORDS, 1969-1971

Extent: 1.3 cubic ft. (3 Hollinger boxes and 1 partial)

Arrangement: Like subjects are found together and thereunder generally chronological.

Scope and Content

This series comprises the public relations records and artifacts of the committee, including cookbooks, material requests, newspaper clippings, photographs, and souvenirs.

Container List

Box	Folder	Contents
5	33	Material Requests, 14 Aug 1971 – 1 Sep 1971
5	34	Material Requests, 2 Sep 1971 – 10 Sep 1971
5	35	Material Requests, 13 Sep 1971 – 22 Sep 1971
5	36	Material Requests, 23 Sep 1971 – 7 Oct 1971
5	37	Material Requests, 10 Oct 1971 – 5 Nov 1971
5	38	Material Requests, 15 Nov 1971 – 31 Dec 1971
6	1	Pat O'Neill Associates, 13 Oct 1969 – 4 Dec 1969 (also 2 Sep 1965)
6	2	Pat O'Neill Associates, 2 Jan 1970 – 20 May 1970
6	3	Pat O'Neill Associates, 12 Jun 1970 – 19 Oct 1970
6	4	Pat O'Neill Associates, 28 Dec 1970 – 20 Jan 1971
6	5	Postal Authority, 4 May 1969 – 25 Feb 1970
6	6	Souvenirs, 23 Nov 1969 – 28 Jan 1970
6	7	Souvenirs, 2 Feb 1970 – 5 May 1970
6	8	Souvenirs, 23 Jun 1970 – 19 Sep 1970
6	9	Souvenirs, 2 Oct 1970 – 23 Oct 1970
6	10	Souvenirs, 26 Oct 1970 – 29 Oct 1970
6	11	Souvenirs, 30 Oct 1970 – 31 Dec 1970
6	12	Souvenirs, 25 Jan 1971 – 11 Mar 1971
6	13	Souvenirs, 12 Mar 1971 – 15 Mar 1971
6	14	Souvenirs, 17 Mar 1971 – 13 Apr 1971

6	15	Souvenirs, 14 Apr 1971 – 15 Oct 1971
6	16	News Releases, 1971
6	17	News Releases, 1971
6	18	Newspaper Clippings, Commemorative Stamps
6	19	Newspaper Clippings, Advisory Committee
6	20	Newspaper Clippings, Cookbook
6	21	Newspaper Clippings, Folklife Festival
6	22	Newspaper Clippings, Governor Hearnes & Sesquicentennial Plates
6	23	Newspaper Clippings, Ill. Sesquicentennial
6	24	Newspaper Clippings, Kirkpatrick Visits Sesquicentennial Exhibit
6	25	Newspaper Clippings, Local Celebrations of Sesquicentennial
6	26	Newspaper Clippings, Louisiana Governor Salutes Missouri
6	27	Newspaper Clippings, Medallions
6	28	Newspaper Clippings, St. Charles Celebrations
6	29	Newspaper Clippings, Souvenir Spoons
6	30	Newspaper Clippings, Statewide Sesquicentennial Plans
6	31	Newspaper Clippings, Supplements
6	32	Newspaper Clippings, Tourism Brochures
6	33	Projects – Sesquicentennial Booth, 30 Jun 1970 – 25 Sep 1970
6	34	Projects – Sesquicentennial Booth, 24 Oct 1970 – 5 Mar 1971
6	35	Projects – Sesquicentennial Booth, 8 Mar 1971 – 27 Aug 1971
6	36	Projects – Discarded Camera Contest, 7 Jul 1970 – 22 Dec 1970
6	37	Projects – Discarded Float, 26 Sep 1970 – 3 Apr 1971
7	1	Souvenirs, Miscellaneous
7	2	Souvenirs, Miscellaneous
7	3	Jim Bean Bottle Book, 1969 – 1970

7	4	Cookbook, Hardback
7	5	Cookbook, Softback
8	1	Sesquicentennial Banner
8	2 – 4	Photograph Files: First State Capitol, early state currency, Celebration Logo