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Summary Information

Creator
Storey, Ava Walkup, 1890 - 1985
Butcher, Dixie Anderson, 1918 - 2010

Extent (quantity/size)
3 document boxes

Language
English

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Subjects

Use/Reproduction Restrictions: The collection is open for research.

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Related Resources
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Archival Arrangement
The collection previously did not have any organization, besides the assembled scrapbook, which was organized in a binder. There were two separate but incomplete inventories completed prior to processing. Currently, the Ava Storey and Dixie Anderson Butcher Collection is arranged in four series: I. Correspondence, II. Literary Productions, III. Photographic Materials and IV. Scrapbook Materials.

Series 1: Correspondence. 1924-1957, undated

Administrative/Biographical History
The Correspondence Series consists of an invitation to a Baylor University Commencement, various greeting cards and telegrams.

Item List
Box 1. Folder 1. Correspondence (1 of 2), 1924-1957, undated
Box 1. Folder 2. Correspondence (2 of 2), 1924-1957, undated

Series 2: Literary Productions. 1907-1988, undated

Administrative/Biographical History
The Literary Productions Series includes a collection of sheet music, biographical information, obituaries and memorial records, a stock certificate, war ration books, registration cards, newspapers and a historical account of Blevin's cemetery. Blevin's cemetery is located in Falls County, Texas. This historical account includes notes and images of the cemetery before and after its restoration in 1991 and also serves as part of an application for a Texas Historical Marker for the cemetery.

Item List
Box 1. Folder 3. Sheet Music: Buttons and Bows, Grand Old Friendly Texas, undated
Box 1. Folder 4. Latest Popular Radio Hit Songs, undated
Box 1. Folder 6. Obituary: Mrs. Lena Butcher, 1944 September 29
Box 1. Folder 7. Certificate for Stock, 1910 February 5
Box 1. Folder 8. War Ration Books, undated
Box 1. Folder 9. Registration Cards, 1918-1945
Box 1. Folder 15. The Rosebud News, 1965 December 24
Box 1. Folder 17. The Rosebud News, 1966 September 8
Box 1. Folder 19. Clippings (1 of 4), 1907-1945, undated
Box 1. Folder 20. Clippings (2 of 4), 1907-1945, undated
Box 1. Folder 21. Clippings (3 of 4), 1907-1945, undated
Box 1. Folder 22. Clippings (4 of 4), 1907-1945, undated
Box 1. Folder 23. Clippings, 1944-1963
Box 1. Folder 24. Things To Remember Booklet, 1964
Box 1. Folder 25. Memorial Record: Mary Elizabeth Storey (1 of 2), 1936 June 4
Box 1. Folder 26. Memorial Record: Mary Elizabeth Storey (2 of 2), 1936 June 4
Box 2. Folder 1. Memorial Record: Ava Walkup Storey, 1965 December 14
Box 2. Folder 2. Memorial Record: Lena Maude Butcher (1 of 2), 1964 September 30
Box 2. Folder 3. Memorial Record: Lena Maude Butcher (2 of 2), 1964 September 30
Box 2. Folder 4. Memorial Record: Mrs. Alma Storey Smith (1 of 3), 1995 April 5
Box 2. Folder 5. Memorial Record: Mrs. Alma Storey Smith (2 of 3), 1995 April 5
Box 2. Folder 6. Memorial Record: Mrs. Alma Storey Smith (3 of 3), 1995 April 5

Series 3: Photographic Materials. 1903-1925, undated

Administrative/Biographical History
The Photographic Materials Series includes family photographs, vacation photographs, photographs of Pipkin Drug Store and its employees and photographs of general unidentified individuals.

Item List
Box 2. Folder 7. Photographs: Roy and Ava Storey Vacation, circa 1925
Box 2. Folder 8. Photographs: Roy and Ava Storey (1 of 2), undated
Box 2. Folder 9. Photographs: Roy and Ava Storey (2 of 2), undated
Box 2. Folder 10. Photographs: Pipkin Store, 1903, undated

Administrative/Biographical History
The Scrapbook Materials Series includes photographs and clippings concerning Pipkin Drug Stores. These photographs include images of the interior and exterior of the store, employees, special events, and groups of customers. Ava Storey is widely prevalent in the images. The clippings concern the history of the store, special events and the store's outstanding employees.

Item List
Box 2, Folder 16. Scrapbook: Clippings (1 of 2), 1948-1961, undated
Box 2, Folder 17. Scrapbook: Clippings (2 of 2), 1948-1961, undated
Box 2, Folder 18. Scrapbook: Pages 3-6, 1948-1961, undated
Box 3, Folder 17. Scrapbook: Pages 90-93, 1948-1961, undated