



Descriptive Summary:

Title: Stelle Sisters Collection – Mellette, South Dakota

Repository: Northern State University Archives and Special Collections, Beulah Williams Library

Creator: Jennie, Agnes “Opal”, Nellie “Blanche”, and Margaret “Elsie” Stelle

Dates: 1905-1930

Extent: 1 linear foot

Administrative Information

Acquisitions Information: This collection was donated by Jackie DuBois.

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Biographical Note

George Dunn Stelle and Clarissa (Clara) Adelaide from Mellette (Spink County), South Dakota had four daughters who attended Northern Normal and Industrial School in the beginning of the 20th century. Jennie (born 20 Nov 1883), Agnes “Opal” (30 Sep 1888), Nellie “Blanche” (23 Sep 1893), and Margaret “Elsie” (6 Oct 1897) all attended Northern and taught school. Jennie attended school first, around 1905, and Elsie attended last, during the 1920s. The sisters collected items from their time at Northern to create this collection.

Scope and Content

This small collection is arranged into one series: *Stelle Sisters at Northern*. The items are arranged chronologically. Items with no date are arranged alphabetically at the end of the collection. The formats within this collection include notebooks, postcards, programs, report cards, school assignments, and school publications. This collection is entirely in English.

Series Descriptions:

Series 1: Stelle Sisters at Northern

Boxes: 1, oversized

Dates: 1905-1930

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series 1: Stelle Sisters at Northern

Box #1

FF 1a The Industrial-Normal Exponent (1905 - 1906)

FF 1b Program of the Commencement Season (1906)

- FF 2 Postcards – Lincoln Hall, Central Building, Spafford Hall (1917-1924)
- Item 1 Northern Normal and Industrial School Pin – Pasque (1921)
- FF 3 Report Cards for Elsie Stelle (1920-1930)
- FF 4 SDEA Convention (November 1923)
- FF 5 Student’s Handbooks (1925-1926, 1928-1929)
- FF 6 The Exponent, Vol. XXVII No. 37 (July 11, 1929)
- FF 7 Commencement Program and Program from Baccalaureate Service (1929)
- FF 8 Invitation to Inauguration of Dr. Norbert K. Baumgart (1969)
- FF 9a “America Yesterday and Today” Program to be Presented by the Pupils of the Watertown School (n.d.)
- Items 2,3 2 Biology Lab Notebooks belonging to Elsie Stelle (n.d.)
- FF 9b Copy of Genealogy Record (n.d.)
- FF 10 Drawing book belonging to Elsie Stelle (n.d.)
- FF 11 Drawing book with photo of Graham Hall on front (n.d.)
- FF 12 Envelope addressed to Miss Elsie M. Stelle from Northern Normal and Industrial School (n.d.)
- FF 13 Graded Writing Assignments done by Elsie Stelle (n.d.)
- FF 14 Northern Normal and Industrial School Folder (n.d.)

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- FF 1 Drawing: Analysis of an Apple Blossom;
Drawing: Designs from the Apple Blossom
- Item 1 Scrapbook belonging to Margaret “Elsie” Stelle