

INVENTORY
COLORADO MOTHERS, AMERICAN MOTHERS COMMITTEE
OF THE GOLDEN RULE FOUNDATION COLLECTION
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INTRODUCTION:

The American Mothers Committee was created in 1933 as part of the Golden Rule Foundation. Its purpose was to honor motherhood and to promote moral and spiritual values within the American home. In its capacity as the official sponsor of Mothers Day, the committee began in 1935 to choose an American Mother of the Year. By 1943, state committees were established to honor state mothers of the year, who then became the nominees for the national award. The Colorado committee chose its first state mother in 1944. Today it is one of 52 “state” groups associated with American Mothers, Inc. (The American Mothers Committee became American Mothers, Inc., In 1981.)

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Colorado Mothers association collection consists of 11 file folders, four scrapbooks, and a charter certificate. The items are dated from 1944 to 1965 and include rules for eligibility for Mother of the Year, completed nomination forms, letters, reports, transcripts of radio broadcasts, newspaper clippings, and photographs. These materials and biographical information on the mothers of the year illuminate the concerns and goals of the organization.

PROVENANCE:

The collection was donated to the Colorado Historical Society by the American Colorado Mothers Committee, Golden Rule Foundation in October 1962.

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BOX 1:

- FF 1: Correspondence / Nomination, 1947
- FF 2: Correspondence / Nomination, 1949
- FF 3: Correspondence / Nomination, 1950
- FF 4: Correspondence / Nomination, 1951
- FF 5: Correspondence / Nomination, 1952
- FF 6: Correspondence / Nomination, 1953
- FF 7: Correspondence / Nomination, 1954
- FF 8: Correspondence / Nomination, 1955
- FF 9: Correspondence / Nomination, 1956
- FF 10: Correspondence / Nomination, 1957
- FF 11: Correspondence / Nomination, 1958

BOX 2:

- Item 1: Scrapbook, Vol. 1, 1944-1953
- Item 2: Scrapbook, Vol. 2, 1944-1952
- Item 3: Scrapbook, Vol. 3, 1950-1959
- Item 4: Scrapbook, Vol. 4, 1960-1965
- Item 5: Charter certificate from the American Mothers Committee of the
Golden Rule Foundation to the Colorado Mothers Association,
5-10-1953