

Lort Sisters Collection



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Summary Information

Repository	History Colorado. Stephen H. Hart Research Center
Title	Lort Sisters Collection
Date	1916-1965
Extent	0.25 Linear feet 0.25 lf
Language	English
Collection [Box]	.25 lf
Abstract	<p>The collection includes many written works of the Lort Sisters, a professor's speech, and memorial programs of the sisters education at East Denver High School. The sisters graduated from East Denver High School in 1912 and then pursued their undergraduate degree at the University of Denver, graduating in 1916. Included is Martha Lort's graduation photo from the University of Denver. After graduation the sisters taught at their mother and aunt's Park Community Church in South Denver. Three newspaper articles in the collection describe their involvement and fulfilling careers as educational and religious teachers.</p>

Preferred Citation note

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Biographical Note

The Lort Sisters Collection follows twins, Lydia and Martha Lort (b. 1895), and sister Elizabeth Lort (1901-1986) through their high school and collegiate career at both East Denver High School (1912) and the University of Denver. After obtaining their degrees at the University of Denver in 1916 the Lort Sisters went on to be Sunday School Teachers at their aunt and mother's (Hattie and Ella Lort) Church, Park Community Church, established in 1894.

Scope and Contents note

The collection has five books pertaining to the Lort Sister's high school education at East Denver High and church life. In these books several poetry books and speeches are found written by the Lort sisters and professors. Also in this collection of books is a Memorial Program for Bessi Terrell Lort (1868-1919). Many of these books were gifts from sister to sister during their high school days. In this collection three newspaper articles are also included detailing the sisters involvement in the Park Community Church established in 1894 by their mother and aunt. Finally the collection holds the graduation photo of Martha Lort from the University of Denver in 1916.

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Use note

Open to researchers without restrictions.

Provenance

Donated by Dorothy Heidman, the daughter of Lillian Alice Mole a friend and classmate of the Lort sisters.

Processing Information note

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Indexing Terms

Genres and Forms of Materials

- Newspaper clippings.
- Photographs.

Subjects - Places

- Denver City (Colo.)

Occupation(s)

- Teacher

Subjects - People

- Lort, Bessie Torrell, 1868-1919
- Lort, Elizabeth, 1901-1986
- Lort, Ella
- Lort, Hattie, 1857-1930
- Lort, Lydia, 1895
- Lort, Martha, 1895
- Moles, Lillian Alice, 1894-1990

Subjects - Topics

- Community churches.
- East Denver High School (Denver, Colo.)
- Graduation ceremonies--1910-1920.
- Poetry.
- University of Denver

General note

Accession 2012.57

Collection Inventory

Books 1951-1959 5.0 File folder(s)

FF1 *A Church Bell Rings in Denver* 1951 1.0 Item(s)

FF2 *Edith Swan and the Library that is Named for Her* 1956 2.0 Item(s)

FF3 *Professor Oscar J. Goldrick and His Denver* 1959 1.0 Item(s)

FF4 *Book of Poetry for Auld Lang Syne* by Lydia Terrell Lort N.d. 1.0 Item(s)

FF5 *Memorial Program: In Loving Memory of Bessie Terrell Lort* 1919 1.0 Item(s)

Newspaper Clippings 1965 1.0 File folder(s)

FF6 *Lort Sisters and Teachers Newspaper Articles* 1965 3.0 Item(s)

Photographs 1916 1.0 File folder(s)

FF7 *Marth Lort; DU Graduate* 1916 1.0 Item(s)