

Jessaline Scott Collection

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Summary Information

Repository	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
Creator - Author	Scott, Jessaline, 1900-1983
Title	Jessaline Scott Collection
Date	1960-1971
Extent	2.42 Linear feet
Language	English

Biography

Jessaline Scott, also known as Mrs. I. G. Scott, represented the Fourth District of Hennepin County Board of Commissioners. She first became interested in politics as a teenager, after she volunteered with the Women's Party to gain the vote for women. In 1921, she married Irving Scott, a Minneapolis alderman. After serving two terms, Irv was defeated in 1925. He decided to run again in 1929, and was successful, serving until 1937. Irving was then appointed by the city council to the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners in April 1937 to serve out the term of Emil Youngdahl, who had died in office. Irv served undefeated for 22 years until his death in August, 1960. During all this time, Jessaline remained involved in her husband's political career, assisting him with research and attending meetings with him. After his death, she felt she was more than qualified to take his spot. She ran for the board the fall of 1960 and won, becoming the first woman to serve on the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners. She served until 1970.

Collection Description

Five boxes. The Jessaline Scott Collection includes a biographical profile written in 1965, some election campaign materials, clippings and the program for a dinner honoring her in January 1971. Collection includes: Box 2: minutes, agenda, meeting packets; Box 3: Phyllis Wheatly Community Center materials, Hennepin County Commissioner meeting minutes agendas, campaign materials , child protection services, girls schools, HC General Hospital, Highway materials 1963-64, Law Library, Mosquito Control, 1964, Minneapolis Public Library, 1960s; Box 4: publications of HC and Minneapolis Social services, miscellaneous; Box 5: campaign materials 1960s, clippings, and materials pertaining to County Highway 9, HC commissioners, General Hospital, and miscellaneous.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

- Minneapolis (Minn.) -- Politics and government.

Subject(s)

- Political participation -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- Women in politics -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.

Collection Inventory

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Biographical information, campaign information, and miscellaneous correspondence and clippings 1964-1971		1
Campaign and election policies 1962-1966	2	1
Economic Opportunity Act special materials ca. 1965	2	2
Environmental issues 1966-1970	2	3
Hennepin County Social Services 1966-1973	2	4
Jordan Area Action Committee 1964-1965	2	5
Miscellaneous social services clippings 1965-1966	2	6
Phyllis Wheatley Community Center 1964-1971	2	7
Pilot Program and other youth development and neighborhood programs 1966-1969	2	8
Public employee labor relations 1965	2	9

Senior Citizens 1970-1978	2	10
Senior Citizens 1979	2	11
Senior Citizens 1979-1980	2	12
Social Services 1968-1970	2	13
Camden community development 1965-1976	3	1
Campaign materials 1964	3	2
Child protection services 1968	3	3
Compensation plan proposal 1971	3	4
Girls school 1961-1964	3	5
Hennepin County General Hospital 1963-1964	3	6
Highway correspondence and photographs 1962-1964	3	7
Highway materials 1963-1966	3	8
Hospitals 1964-1970	3	9
Law library 1961-1964	3	10

Minneapolis Public Library 1964	3	11
Miscellaneous 1960-1979	3	12
Miscellaneous 1962-1971	3	13
Mosquito control 1964	3	14
Phyllis Wheatley Community Center 1966	3	15
Phyllis Wheatley Community Center 50th anniversary 1974	3	16
AFL-CIO Community Service Action Guides 1964	4	1
A Profile of Communities Served by Hennepin County Libraries report 1970	4	2
Community Health and Welfare Council, Children in Detention study 1962	4	3
Community Health and Welfare Council, Directory of Clubs 1965	4	4
Community Health and Welfare Council, Expansion of services proposal 1971	4	5
Community Resources and Entertainment directory 1973	4	6
Elderly Social Services evaluation 1971	4	7

Election precinct maps 1961	4	8
Emergency Social Services evaluation 1971	4	9
Foster Family Group Homes position statement 1966	4	10
Governor Orville Freeman interim message 1958	4	11
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Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities 1967	4	24
Metropolitan Council water quality management plan 1980	4	25
Metropolitan Transit Commission status report 1970	4	26
Minneapolis city and county employee Constitution 1954	4	27
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Miscellaneous publications 1963-1965, 1977	4	30
North Side Senior Center report 1970	4	31
Second Annual State Community Services Conference 1964	4	32
Taxation and assessment facts from the League of Women Voters of Brooklyn Center 1964	4	33

"What Every Wife and Mother Should Know About the Health, Welfare, and Recreational Services in Our Community" basic training course for wives schedule 1965	4	34
Youth Development Project evaluation report: Group Work with AFDC Mothers and their Daughters 1966	4	35
Youth Development Project Neighborhood Survey 1965	4	36
5th Precinct Brooklyn Park Caucus attendance 1966	5	1
20th Ward DFL Caucus 1966	5	2
Campaign materials 1960s	5	3
Clippings 1944-1957	5	4
Clippings 1945-1970	5	5
Clippings 1965-1966	5	6
County Highway 9 1966	5	7
Hennepin County budget requests 1951	5	8
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