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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 344 WOMAN'S Christian Temperance Union of Bowling Green

1 box. 10 folders. 78 items. 1945-1962. Originals.

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ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORY

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Bowling Green was formed as an auxiliary of the Kentucky Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which was in turn an auxiliary of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The objective of the organizations, as stated in the bylaws of the Kentucky Woman's Christian Temperance Union, is "to educate public sentiment up to the standard of total abstinence [from alcohol], to train the young, rescue the fallen, and secure the perfect enforcement of the prohibition law."

COLLECTION NOTE

This collection consists of correspondence, membership and financial records of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Bowling Green dating primarily from 1950-1962. Some materials of the Kentucky Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union are also included.

Folder 2 contains minutes of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Bowling Green from 1952-1955 and 1957-1958, and brief membership data from 1960. Folder 3 contains the treasurer's book covering 1949-1951, which includes lists of dues-paying members. Folder 4 contains data on membership and dues covering 1950-1952.

Folder 5 contains correspondence from the Kentucky Woman's Christian Temperance Union as well as another state organization, the Temperance League of Kentucky, from 1952-1953. The correspondence consists largely of calls for political action, notices of conferences and workshops, and informational materials. A copy of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union program guide for 1951-1952 is also present.

Folder 6 contains membership, financial, and dues information for the Bowling Green organization from 1951-1962, including correspondence with the Kentucky Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Folder 7 contains further membership information from 1951.

Folder 8 contains annual convention minutes of the Kentucky Woman's Christian Temperance Union from 1951, 1953, 1958, 1960, 1961 and 1962. Folder 9 contains material relating to the state and national organizations, including the National Woman's Christian

Temperance Union's 75th anniversary handbook (1949), its 1945 handbook for local organizations, and membership application information. Also included is a 1958 speech on alcohol delivered at a national collegiate oratorical contest, and a pamphlet containing a 1959 address by the president of the Kentucky Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which includes a historical sketch of the state organization. Folder 10 contains a 1958 dues payment Honor Certificate to the Bowling Green organization from the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, abstinence pledge cards, an activity card listing work available to members, and two types of stickers advocating abstinence from alcohol.

SHELF LIST

BOX 1	Name	1945-1962	78 items
Folder 1	Inventory		1 item
Folder 2	Minute book, clipping, membership data	1952-1960	4 items
Folder 3	Treasurer's book	1949-1951	1 item
Folder 4	Record book containing membership, dues and financial information	1950-1952	2 items
Folder 5	Correspondence, brochures and guides	1951-1953, n.d.	13 items
Folder 6	Treasurer's correspondence and miscellaneous banking materials	1951-1962	37 items
Folder 7	Address book of Genevieve (Mrs. S. H.) Brown	1951	2 items
Folder 8	Kentucky Woman's Christian Temperance Union – Convention yearbooks	Oct. 10, 1951- Oct. 12, 1962	6 items
Folder 9	National Woman's Christian Temperance Union and Kentucky Woman's Christian Temperance Union – Handbooks, pamphlets	1945-1959, n.d.	6 items
Folder 10	Honor Certificate, activity cards, pledge cards, stickers	1958, n.d.	6 items

BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

MSS WOMAN'S Christian Temperance 1945-1962
344 Union of Bowling Green

Correspondence, membership and financial information of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) of Bowling Green, Kentucky, formed to promote abstinence from alcohol and enforcement of prohibition laws. Includes some materials from the state and national WCTU.

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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

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 Beach, Hazel B1,F6
 Brown, Genevieve – Correspondence B1,F5,6
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 Buchanan, Mabel – Letters to B1,F5
 Causey, Mabel – Letter to B1,F5
 Duckett, Zula (Young), 1890-1984 – Letters to B1,F6
 Hall, Betty K. – Correspondence B1,F6
 Hinkle, Fern B1,F5,6
 House, Walter C., 1913-1999 B1,F5
 Jones, Bertha, 1889-1977 – Letter to B1,F6
 Kentucky Woman's Christian Temperance Union – Letterhead B1,F5,6
 Kentucky Woman's Christian Temperance Union – Relating to B1,F5,6,8,9
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 National Woman's Christian Temperance Union – Relating to B1,F5,6,9,10
 Prohibition – Relating to
 Scott, Lucy J. B1,F6
 Smith, Harry D. – Relating to B1,F9
 Temperance
 Temperance – Speeches B1,F9
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 Temperance League of Kentucky – Relating to B1,F5

SEE or SEE ALSO

Anti-Saloon League of Kentucky
 See also:
 Temperance League of Kentucky

WCTU
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 Woman's Christian Temperance Union

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