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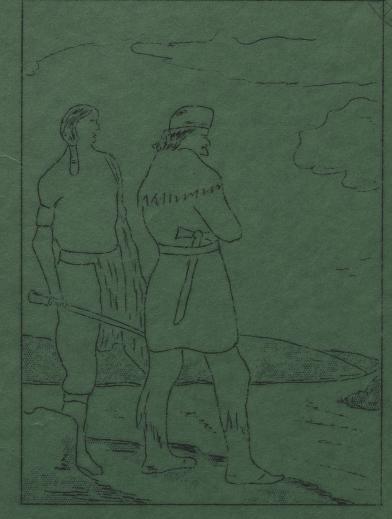
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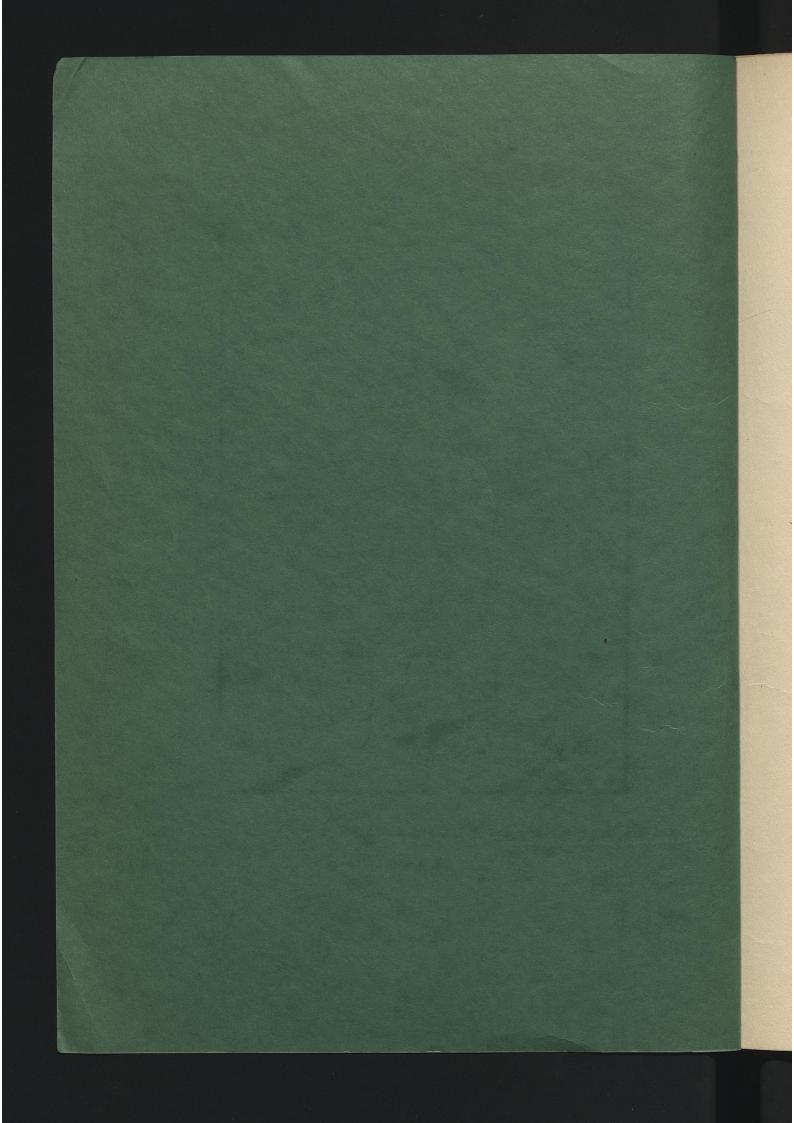
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I herewith present an annual report of the status, activities, and accomplishments of the Missouri Historical Records Survey for the calendar year January 1, 1941 to December 31, 1941.

The year (1941) was a very active one for the survey. Major emphasis was placed upon the completion of all phases of field work.

In order to expedite efficiency and increase production, a district supervisor was assigned to the Historical Records Survey in each of the five WPA districts in Missouri. Dr. Donald D. Parker, assistant state supervisor, was assigned to District 1; Miss Frances Howard, District 2; Mr. Ellis McClenning, District 3; Mr. Horace D. Pyle, District 4; and Mrs. Ruth West, District 5. Thus, adequate field supervision was provided for the Survey for the first time in its history.

A two-day conference of supervisors was held at the Project Office in St. Louis, Missouri on January 13th and 14th. This conference gave the new supervisors an opportunity to acquaint themselves with the technical details of the work, and to confer with the state supervisor on project problems. A definite program was prepared and followed through, which included special conferences with department heads, instructive talks, and a field inspection of work. The meeting was attended by Mr. William Wagenbreth, Chief Research and Records Projects from the state WPA office at Jefferson City, Missouri. On the last day of the conference Mr. Douglas McMurtrie, in charge of American Imprints Inventory, from the Chicago office, visited the project. His instructions to the supervisors

were very timely.

In February, a defense unit was opened at the Weldon Spring Ordnance Works in St. Charles County. The territory embraced about 18,000 acres and is rich in historical significance, including pioneer settlements, old buildings, churches, burying grounds, etc. Inhabitants were moved from the region, homes demolished, churches closed, and a plant erected for the manufacture of the high explosive TNT. This plant is comprised of many units, employing thousands of workers. Realizing and appreciating the wealth of historical materials that would otherwise be lost, the army officials in charge requested the Historical Records Survey through the Work Projects Administration to record and preserve the valuable historical data of the region. Two certified workers, Mr. Fugust J. Peterson and Mr. Frank W. Daschel were assigned to compile the history of the territory. The work included: (1) a brief history of the towns and villages, (2) history of the churches, (3) sketches of early settlers, (4) information concerning old buildings, and (5) transcriptions of all tombstone inscriptions and records (with pencil sketches of the stones) were made. The field work was completed September 30th.

In June another defense unit was opened at Jefferson Barracks, St.

Louis, Missouri. There were thousands of military records to be arranged, inventoried and filed. Some of these records dated from as early as 1812. The army officials were anxious to have this work done so they too contacted the Work Projects Administration officials in District 3, St. Louis Missouri. The Historical Records Survey was once more called upon and the task was undertaken. The unit at the Barracks consists of a staff of six workers with Mr. Amos Braun as foreman. The latest report of the unit shows that the work is progressing rapidly and the following is a summary of the work accomplished. Eighty-two thousand (3x5") locator cards have been arranged and alphabetized. These cards contain the names of enlisted

men from 1900 to 1941 and are being arranged preliminary to the inventory of records. They form an index to the military records of all men who have been stationed at the post. Descriptive lists (records) of enlisted men from 1876 to 1941 are being arranged alphabetically prior to being inventoried. About 950,000 records of this nature have been arranged; 950 volumes of manuscripts have been inventoried, 1814-1932. Other old records have been arranged and assorted so they can be listed and inventoried. Some of these old military records are of great historical value.

The work remaining to be done at Jefferson Barracks includes the arrangement of about 1,500,000 locator cards and descriptive lists, and the inventorying of about 975 ledgers, including the unbound materials mentioned above. When the work was first started at the Barracks, all of these old records were without arrangement and stored in boxes or piled on the floor in the attic of the post headquarters. The records are now being arranged, new shelving has been added and an adequate system of filing and arrangement installed. The army officials are very enthusiastic about the work that has been done and state that it has been of great value to them. Credit for the organization of this unit is due Mr. William H. Michell, office manager of the project in St. Louis.

During the year, the Hon. Lloyd W. King, State Superintendent of Public Schools of Missouri, was added as a member of the State Advisory Committee of the Historical Lecords Survey. Superintendent King is very much interested in the work of the Survey and it is hoped that the public schools in our State will become more interested in our publications for library and reference work. Some reprints of the historical sketches have already been made from our county inventory books for school use.

The Advisory Committee is composed of twelve outstanding and civic-minded Missourians:

Dr. John F. Herget, President, William Jewell College and Missouri Baptist Historical Society, Liberty, Missouri.

Mr. John G. Putz, President, Cape Girardeau County Historical Society, Jackson, Missouri.

Hon. Henry C. Chiles, President, Lexington Historical Society, Lexington, Missouri.

Prof. R. F. Wood, Associate Professor of History, Central Missouri State Teachers College, Warrensburg, Missouri.

Dr. Ralph P. Bieber, Professor of History, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri.

Dr. Uel W. Lamkin, President, Northwest Missouri State Teachers College, Maryville, Missouri.

Mr. George Pohlman, President, Macon County Historical Society, Macon, Missouri.

Mr. Charles H. Whitaker, Sr., Editor, The Clinton Daily Democrat, Clinton, Missouri.

Dr. C. H. McClure, Head of Division of Social Science, Northeast Missouri State Teachers College, Kirkville, Missouri.

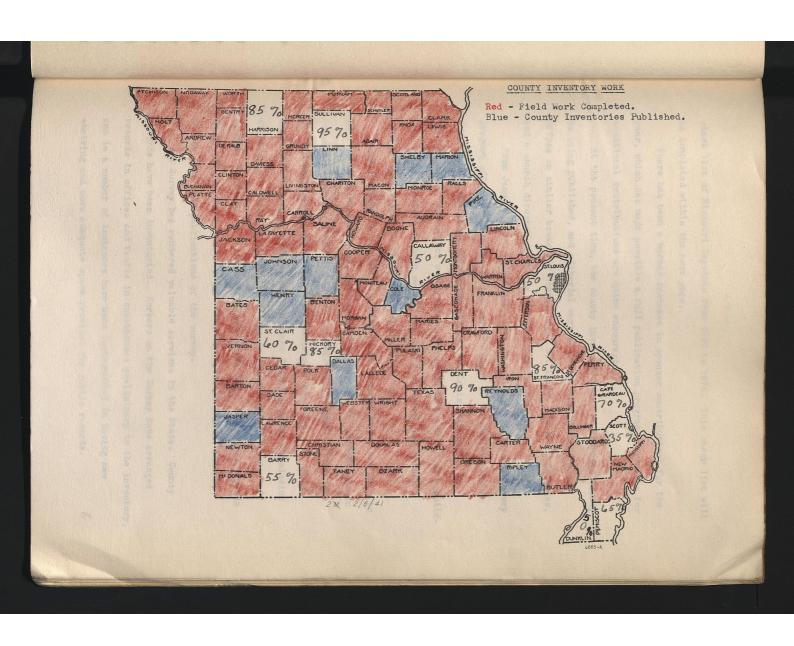
Dr. Jonas Viles, Professor of History, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri.

Dr. Earl A. Collins, Professor of Education, Southeast Missouri State Teachers College, Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Hon. Lloyd W. King, State Superintendent of Public Schools of Missouri, Jefferson City, Missouri.

Members of this committee have offered valuable suggestions in connection with the work and publications of the Survey.

Good progress has been made on the Missouri Imprints inventory under the direction of Mr. Edward A. Berra, Unit Supervisor. The field work throughout the State, with the exception of St. Louis, has been completed. The field work in St. Louis will be completed by June, 1942. At the present time, we are receiving imprints from Chicago, Illinois. These imprints are to be checked and re-edited and a check list will be issued of Missouri Imprints from the years 1850 to 1876, inclusive. Plans for the future operation of the unit include the completion of all phases of the field work as soon as possible, and the issuing of the



check list of Missouri Imprints from 1850 to 1876. This check list will be completed within the next year.

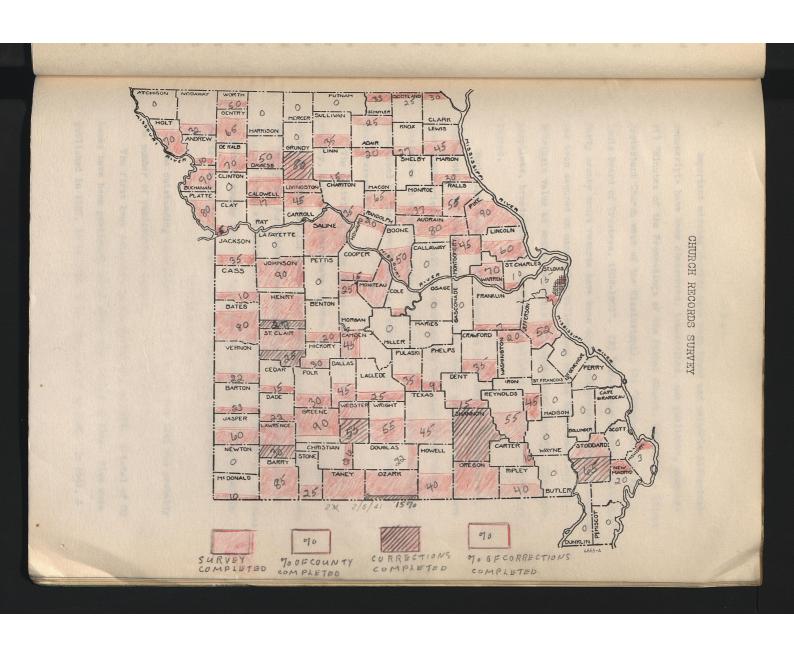
There has been a marked increase in sponsor contributions for the year, which has made possible a full publication program. Promises for additional contributions are quite encouraging.

At the present time, the county inventory book for McDonald County is being published, and editorial work is being done in the project office on similar books for Stone, Dade, St. Louis, and Ralls Counties, and a church directory is being prepared for St. Louis.

From January, 1940 to October, 1941, the Historical Records Survey project office was located on the seventh floor of the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Company Building, 2031 Olive Street, St. Louis, Missouri. In October, 1941, the office was moved to the sixth floor of the same building. This location is more convenient, better lighted, has better storage facilities for the housing of supplies, etc.

Publications of the Missouri Historical Records Survey are sent to many outstanding libraries, governmental agencies, and institutions in the United States, such as: Library of Congress, Columbia University, Harvard University, State Historical Society of Missouri, St. Louis Municipal Reference Library, and the State Social Security Commission of Missouri. Also to distant depositories such as the University of Hawaii, Honolulu, T. H., University of Puerto Rico, Rio Pedras, Puerto Rico, and the Deputy Minister of Public Archives of Canada, Ottowa, Canada, are sent publications of the survey.

The Survey has rendered valuable services in the State. County records have been inventoried. Workers on the Survey have arranged records in offices and vaults in courthouses preliminary to the inventory, and in a number of instances have been instrumental in having new shelving and more adequate space provided for public records.



Important missing records have been found and valuable historical manuscripts have been discovered, transcribed, and published, such as:

(1) "Minutes of the Proceedings of the Bethel Church, 1806-1867" - (first Protestant Church west of the Mississippi), (2) "Minutes of the St.

Louis Board of Trustees, 1808-1809". (3) "Bates Land Minutes, 1812-1814".

Early county court records have been copied and preserved, and information has been secured on manuscript collections in the State which are of intrinsic value as source materials for unpublished history. Old books, pamphlets, broadsides, and newspapers published prior to 1877 have been listed.

Much significant church history has been compiled and preserved, representing all denominations. Federal, state, and town archives have been inventoried. Valuable information has been compiled on vital statistics in connection with defense work, and the history of regions demolished by the government, as a result of the defense program, has been preserved.

The activities of the Survey have stimulated interest in local history, and our workers have written (on their own time) valuable articles on history for newspapers, magazines, and special publications. The Survey has furnished to various historical organizations types of information not available elsewhere. Reprints of the historical sketches in several county inventory books have been made and are being used in public schools in the State where they are proving quite popular.

## PUBLICATIONS

The outstanding accomplishment of the Survey for 1941 was probably the number of publications issued.

The first book published by the Survey was in 1937. A total of 60 books have been published, 28 of which were issued in 1941. Five were published in 1937, 13 in 1938, 2 in 1939, and 12 in 1940. In 1941, 3

inventory books were published, 6 church records, 4 reprints, 4 manuscript books, 10 miscellaneous publications, and a guide to vital statistics records in Missouri.

Outstanding publications of the year were: "Guide to Public Vital Statistics Records in Missouri," and "Early Missouri Archives," prepared under the able direction of Edith S. Ballard, editor.

The Survey received some very fine publicity in the Missouri press on the book on Vital Statistics. It received wide recognition.

"Early Missouri Archives' was a book listing manuscript source materials. The archives are deposited with the Missouri Historical Society, whose headquarters are located at the Jefferson Memorial, Forest Park, St. Louis, Missouri.

These archives, 1761-1821, constitute the earliest official records of Missouri, dating back to colonial times. Most of the documents are written in the French language, with a few in Spanish. Only a small percentage of the papers have been translated into English. The archives are frequently consulted by scholars, historians, and research workers; but a complete list of these valuable manuscripts had not heretofore been published or made available to anyone outside of the library of the Missouri Historical Society. They deal with practically every phase of official history, including: churches and religion, marriages, slaves, Indians, concessions, deeds and land transactions, surveys, public sales, mines and mining, town ordinances, agreements, bonds and notes, accounts and receipts, litigations, letters, inquests, boats, roads, estates and wills, tax lists, etc.

These documents were arranged according to subjects and listed by:
(1) names of principal parties, (2) dates, and (3) manuscript file numbers.

The publication of this historical manuscript list was undertaken at the suggestion of Miss Stella M. Drumm, librarian, Missouri Historical

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Society, who pointed out the importance of the collection and its great value to Colonial, early Missouri, and Western history. It was through her courtesy and cooperation that the compilation and publication of the list was made possible.

It is hoped that this inventory of early Missouri archives will call the attention of scholars and historians to a more comprehensive study, knowledge, and appreciation of them.

The publication was supervised by A. Loyd Collins, state supervisor, assisted by Edith S. Ballard, editor. Miss Marie Jensen typed and prepared the manuscript for mimeographing. Grateful acknowledgment is also due Colonel Werner John Genot, translator of foreign languages on the staff of the Historical Records Survey, who gave valuable assistance in connection with the preparation of the lists.

The following is a complete list of the various publications issued by the Historical Records Survey for 1941.

## Inventory of the County Archives of Missouri:

No. 64, Marion County	230 pp.	1941
No. 19, Cass County	142 pp.	
No. 51, Johnson County	150 pp.	

## Church Publications:

18 pp. 1941
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39 pp. 1941
13 pp. 1941
9 pp. 1941
6 pp. 1941
5 pp. 1941

# Reprints from Inventory of the County Archives of Missouri:

No. 73 (Second Reprint of Governmental Organization	
of Jasper County)	66 pp. 1941
No. 64, Historical Sketch of Marion County	20 pp. 1941
No. 73, Historical Sketch of Jasper County	30 pp. 1941

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No. 19, Historical Sketch of Cass County	15	pp.	1941
Manuscripts:			
Information Concerning Manuscript Collection of Missouri Baptist Historical Society			
(reprint from Missouri Manuscript Guide) County Court Records, St. Charles County,	8	pp.	1941
Missouri, 1821	40	pp.	1941
Documents of the Missouri Historical Society			1941
Early Missouri Archives	109	pp.	1941
Miscellaneous:			
Narrative Report of Survey (1940)	7	nn.	1941
Services and Accomplishments of the Missouri		PP.	1011
Historical Records Survey	19	pp.	1941
Sample Pages From Publications of the		rr.	
Missouri Historical Records Survey	17	pp.	1941
Manual of Instructions:	14 T	FF	
Church Archives	24	pp.	1941
Supplementary Church Instructions			1941
Inventory of Civilian Organizations			1941
The Organization of Missouri Counties			1941
Comments on the Missouri Historical Records		••	
Survey	30	pp.	1941
Early History of Missouri			1941
Historical Sketch of Macon County			1941
Vital Statistics:			
Guide to Public Vital Statistics			
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N. B. This report is to be interpreted as follows: Of the total H.R.S. work to be done in each county, it takes approximately 30% of the workers' time to complete the transcription; about 30% to complete an inventory of the church archives; about 20% to make the first check of the county archives and 10% to make the recheck; about 5% to answer the 62 county history questions; about 2% to make the courthouse plans; and about 3% to write the essay on the housing and care of the records.

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Carter*			che ck	54 of 62	Rec'd	Rec'd	1822-1856	0 of 165	46%
Crawford			check	62 of 62	Rec'd	Rec'd	1859-1878	6 of 30	65%
Dent	90%	lst	check	27 of 62	Rec'd	None	1835-1850	21 of 55	70%
Dunklin	50%		check	7 of 62	Rec'd x	None	1866 <b>-</b> 1877 1872 <b>-</b> 1876	17 of 55	64%
Howell*			check	55 of 62	None	None	1867-1879	0 of 180	41%
Iron			check	53 of 62	Rec'd	Rec'd	1857-1878	40 of 100	66%
Madison			check	58 of 62	Rec'd	Rec'd	1821-1826	23 of 50	73%
Maries			check	12 of 62	None	None	1866-1871	0 of 45	60%
Mississippi		lst	check	13 of 62	Rec'd x	None	1845-1860	0 of 40	51%
New Madrid		1st	check	56 of 62	Rec'd x	Rec'd	1866-1878	3 of 80	53%
Oregon		lst	check	20 of 62	None	None	1846-1878	0 of 150	58%
Pemiscot	65%		check	28 of 62	Rec'd x	None	1882-1888	118 of 118	82%
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Phelps		lst	check	0 of 62	None	Rec'd	1857-1861	0 of 70	50%
Reynolds		publ	ished	Complete	Complete		1872-1878	7 of 75	56%
Ripley		pub1	ished	Complete	Complete		1856-1879	35 of 45	93%
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Scott	35%	lst	check	57 of 62	Rec'd	Rec'd	1848-1878	0 of 50	55%
Shannon			chock	16 of 62	None	None	1895-1896	0 of 125	47%
Stoddard		lst	check	54 of 62	Rec'd	Rec'd		40 of 40	81%
Toxas			check	46 of 62	None	Rec'd	1845-1878	130 of 130	87%
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## MATERIALS RECEIVED FROM THE FIELD

The total number of church archives inventoried is 4,019. The total number of imprints checked for titles is4,874,858, regular and style "A" written128,737, edited112,974, typed104,450 and102,216 proofread and mailed.

County inventory work is completed in 102 of the 114 counties of the State, and is nearing completion in the remaining twelve counties. Work on the manuscript guide has been completed, together with the transcription of early county court records.

The county history questionnaire is about 90% complete.

During the year, the following materials were received from the various fieldworkers, edited and filed in the state-wide project office in St. Louis: 4,304 HR forms, 37,899 pages of early county court records, 1,743 county history questions have been answered; IMPRINTS: Checked for titles 450,734 style "A" written 27,609, edited 39,322, typed 32,080, proofread and mailed 33,226.

	CHART OF MATERIALS RECEIVED FROM FIELD								
Mo•HF	R Forms				: Checked • for : : Titles:	Style A	: Edited	: :Typed	:Proof- :read & :Mailed
Jan.	360	(9760	27		54,641	3245	£ 2115	:2488	: 3056
Feb.	1221	7303	: 46		69,921	2670	: 3330	3974	3705
Mar.	961	5819	: : 97	:388	:64,304	3283	: 5459	:3743	:4361
Apr.	732	3417	71	:217	:67,116	3451	: : 4310	:3923	3993
May	850	2986	75	:325	: 47,075 :	2949	: : 4241	: 3238	:3068
June	15	3689	: 212	:178	: :34,018 :	2527	: : 5128	; :3499	; 3408
July	165	1560	159	; :145	; :34,018 :	2627	: 4547	:3499	:3729
Aug.		2650	143	:205	; :29,027 :	2103	: : 3109	: :2866	:2871
Sept.			102	:170	: :18,970 :	1946	: : 2714	:2249	:2515
Oct.		503	59	: 90	: :19,423 :	2182	: : 3160	:1592:	1511

## CHART OF MATERIALS RECEIVED FROM FIELD (Continued)

Mo. HR Forms	:Records	:Church	:Hist.	: for	:IMPRINTS :Style A :Written	:	: :	read &
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## SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL CO-ORDINATING UNIT

There are two supervisors on the Co-ordinating Unit of the Survey -A. Loyd Collins, State Supervisor, and Donald D. Parker, Assistant State Supervisor..

A. A. Southwest Baptist College; B.S. Central Missouri State Teachers College; A. M. University of Missouri (and advanced graduate work on the Ph.D. and Ed. D. degrees); LL.D. Merwin Institute. Phi Delta Kappa. Member State Historical Society of Missouri, Charter member The American Association for State and Local History. Member State Executive Board Missouri Baptist Historical Society.

> Author and editor of various publications on historical, religious, and sociological subjects.

COLLINS, A. LOYD - - - - - State Supervisor.

1924-1936 principal and city school superintendent in Missouri; Historical Records Survey 1937 -- : county inventory worker, Henry County, Missouri, 1937; District Supervisor, 1938-39; Assistant State Supervisor, 1939-40; State Supervisor, 1940 ---



B.A. Park College; M.A. University of Washington; B.D. and Ph.D. in history, University of Chicago, 1936. Author, "Local History, How to Gather It, Write It, and Publish It." 1922-36, held various teaching positions and traveled extensively. 1937-40, professor of history, Park College, Parkville, Missouri; 1940-Assistant State Supervisor of the Missouri Historical Records Survey Project.

### ASSIGNMENTS

The number of workers on the project has fluctuated from the all high of 224 in January, 1941 to 89 in August, when the project personnel was drastically reduced in conformity with necessary reductions in all phases of WPA work in the State. Despite this handicap, the project office was so re-organized that all phases of work continued without serious interruptions or delays, and production was maintained on a high level.

When the five WPA districts were consolidated into four districts, Dr. Donald D. Parker, assistant state supervisor, who had been in charge of the supervision of the field work in what was formerly District #1, with headquarters at Moberly, Missouri, was transferred to the Project Office in St. Louis, as assistant to A. Loyd Collins, state supervisor.

ASSIGNMENT CHART FOR THE YEAR - 1941

The following chart of assignments shows, month by month, the number of workers engaged in various phases of the work of the Survey.

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June	:	20		20		46		23		8	: : 53		7	:10	:187
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This chart includes the assignment load from the 15th of one current

month to the following month.

## PUBLICITY AND ENDORSEMENTS

The Survey has received some very fine publicity and endorsements during the year. A few typical quotations are inserted from individuals and the press:

Dr. C. H. McClure, Head, Dept. Social Science, State Teachers College, Kirkville, Mo., Jan. 28, 1941 - "As head of the Division of Social Science here at the Teachers College, I am interested in getting copies of all the county inventories for our library. I received as a sample copy the Inventory of Jasper County. It seems to me it will be very valuable as source material to be used in the study of American History. Probably Missouri next to Virginia is the most important state in the Union from the standpoint of its relation to our National history. We are trying to build up the Missouri material in our library. The inventories will be very valuable in the future."

Prof. William L. Bradshaw, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo., Feb. 5, 1941 - "You are doing a splendid work in preparing these local historical surveys, and I am happy to report that my personal comments are entirely favorable."

The Clinton Daily Democrat, Clinton, Mo., March 8, 1941 - "The Missouri Historical Records Survey, which is now a division of the Community Service Programs of the Work Projects Administration, is making an outstanding record in the scope of this important work in the State. Many valuable historical materials have been published. Mr. Collins and his efficient office force are doing a splendid piece of work which will grow in importance and value as time goes on. He has been instrumental in placing the project in front rank in our state and country."

Dr. John F. Herget, President, William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., March' 21, 1941 - "Yours of March 20th just received. Thank you for the report enclosed. I have read it through with interest and congratulate you on the really fine piece of work you are doing."

Miss Stella M. Drumm, Librarian, Missouri Historical Society, St. Louis, Mo., April 8, 1941 - "These archives are a wonderful addition to our Missouri collection and we are indeed most grateful to you for them. They are a real contribution to Missouri history. We deeply appreciate your courtesy in sending these.

Prof. R. F. Wood, Associate Professor of History, State Teachers College, Warrensburg, Mo., April 18, 1941. "I want to thank you very much for the publications which you have recently sent to me. You have done a splendid piece of work, and one that was in very much need of being done. A few more years, and it would have been impossible to have made these records."

Mr. W. T. Cash, State Librarian, Florida Library Board, Tallahassee, Florida, Sept. 18, 1941 - (concerning book on vital statistics for Missouri) "This is a valuable publication and we are certainly glad to have it."

Mr. E. Chas. D. Marriage, State Librarian, Nevada State Library, Carson City, Nevada, Sept. 18, 1941 - "I desire on behalf of the Nevada State Library to express sincere thanks for the valuable donation of the copy of the Guide to Public Vital Statistics Records in Missouri, which has just been issued by the Historical Records Survey Project of the State of Missouri."

Miss Ruth O'Malley, Executive Secretary, Missouri Library Commission, Jefferson City, Missouri, Sept. 23, 1941 - "We are pleased to have received a copy of the Guide to Public Vital Statistics Records in Missouri. This will be of great value and we are glad to have it for our collection."

Mr. Justus R. Moll, Department of State, Jefferson City, Mo., Oct. 9, 1941 - "During the past few years I have watched with keen interest the progress of the work of the Historical Records Survey. You are doing a splendid piece of work and your survey will leave valuable records for future generations."

## FUTURE PLANS

The plans for the future operation of the project include: (1) the completion of all phases of the field work as soon as possible, and (2) increased production, with major emphasis on work in the state project office of the Survey, including the publication of books and the editing of all materials received from the field. It is also planned to make an inventory of municipal records and state governmental archives.

Special emphasis will be made to secure sponsor contributions during 1942, in order to publish the valuable materials assembled.

In my annual report for 1940, I stated:

"Our accomplishments during the past months have been due largely to the splendid cooperation of our personnel, both on the field and in the project office. Grateful acknowledgment and sincere appreciation is made for the same. We are all working together to get 'the job done'."

The same words are also highly appropriate for 1941. A fine spirit has been manifested by our office and field personnel, which has made possible our achievements during 1941, and has expedited efficiency, good work, and increased production.

The prospects for the future work of the Survey looks very encouraging.

Respectfully submitted,

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