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UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

USD BUILDINGS

RECORDS, 1888-
(bulk dates, 1900-1997)
Quantity 8 linear ft.

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- VISUAL MATERIAL:** The videocassettes are located in box.6.
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History

The University of South Dakota (USD) was established as the first university in the Dakota Territory, when the Legislature authorized its existence in Vermillion in 1862. It was not until 1882, with the added support of the citizens of Clay County, that the first classes were held in the Clay County Court House and construction began on University Hall (Old Main). Construction was completed on Old Main in 1883, and the University moved into its new building. Ephriam Epstein was the first president of the University, and the first public board governing it was appointed in 1883.

USD has grown into a major University with both undergraduate and graduate programs, including South Dakota's only Law and Medical Schools. The University began its 1882-1883 school year with 69 students, and enrollment had increased to 7,000 by the 1990s. The first academic unit at USD, the College of Arts and Sciences, was established in 1883. Academic areas were added over the course of the next several years: the School of Law was established in 1901, the School of Medicine in 1907; Continuing Education in 1916; the Schools of Education and Business in 1927; the Graduate School in 1927; and the College of Fine Arts, 1931.

Scope and Content Note

The USD Buildings Collection represents the visual history of the buildings on the University of South Dakota Campus, from the 1880's to the present. The majority of the photographs in the collection are black and white, with a small number of color images. There are a few negatives in the collection including six glass plates, five transparencies and numerous slides. No photographers are identified.

The single series, **USD Buildings**, is divided alphabetically by name of the building. Each sub series (or building name) may include correspondence, documentation and photographs, however not all buildings have all types of documentation. Buildings with few materials are filed in the first two boxes of the collection.

The building correspondence generally includes letters written by USD presidents to contractors, businessmen, financial institutions and Alumni asking for their support in various projects.

The building documentation generally contains materials such as plans for new buildings, evaluations of existing buildings, and renovations. For example, the Old Main renovation documentation includes building loan applications, contracts and financial information. The Miscellaneous sub-series is primarily made up of documentation and includes a listing of campus buildings, construction dates and architects. It also provides a brief history of campus buildings, real estate deeds, and information from the Campus Planning Committee.

The building photographs mainly consist of exterior shots of campus buildings. Of special interest in the collection are the photographs of the 1893 fire in Old Main and the building's 1995 renovation. Old Main's renovation is also documented on three videocassettes, and several slides. These are located in box 6.

Also included in the collection is a singed book that was saved from the fire. There are photographs of the airplane built by University of South Dakota students Edgar Freeman and Swen Swanson, who worked on the project in the engineering shops over an eight-month period during 1924-1925. Additional information about the Photographs can be found on the USD Photographs Database.

Subjects

University of South Dakota – History
University of South Dakota – Buildings – History
College buildings

Additional Resources

University of South Dakota web site: www.usd.edu

Cummins, Cedric Clisten 1908-1980

The University of South Dakota, 1862-1966. Publisher: Vermillion, S.D.: Dakota Press, 1975.

Circulating Collection and USD Archives LD5073 .C85x

As it was in the beginning: the University of Dakota. Vermillion, S.D.: College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Dakota, 1966. Harrington lecture; 14. Circulating Collection and USD ARCHIVES LD5071.8 .H37 1966

College of Arts and Sciences, 1882-1982: A history. By Cedric Cummins, Robert C. Hilderbrand, Stephen R. Ward. Preface by Joseph H. Cash. Circulating Collection and USD ARCHIVES LD 5079.5 .A78x C85

Box No. Description

Box 1

USD BUILDINGS

Akeley Science Hall

Dedication, 27 April 1962

Photographs

Applied Science

Documentation

Program Evaluation, 1965

Arts and Sciences

Documentation

"The Blue Print" College of Engineering Book, 1923

Armory (new) & Gym

Documentation

Appraisal Report, 1948

Armory (old)

Documentation

Building Contracts

Photographs

Dedication, Dean Belbas Center, 2004

Beede-Mickelson

Photographs

Black Hills Playhouse

Photographs

Brookman Hall

Photographs

Burgess Hall

Photographs

Campus Churches (1 folder)

Photographs

Newman Center, Luther Center, United Ministries

Campus

Documentation

Building Survey, 1949

Maps

Views (2 folders)

Building Sketches, 1931

Photographs, ca 1800-1975

Churchill-Haines

Photographs

Clay County Courthouse

Photographs, Oct. 6, 1882

Cypress Court

Photographs

Dakota Dome

Fund Raising

Planning and Design

Newspaper Clippings 1973-1991

Printed Materials

Photographs

1970-1979

Ephemera

Dakota Hall

Photographs

Box No. Description

Box 1, cont.

USD BUILDINGS, cont.
 Davidson Power Plant
 Documentation
 Clippings, 1948-1951
 Delzell Education Center
 Correspondence
 Dedication Information, 1963
 Photographs, 1963
 E. O. Lawrence Telecommunications
 Photographs
 Pamphlet
 East Hall
 Documentation
 Contracts and Clippings
 Final Building Contract, 1919
 Photographs
 Engineering Shop
 Documentation
 Clippings
 Photographs (2 folders)
 Fine Arts
 Correspondence
 Dedication Information
 Documentation
 Planning for Construction
 Photographs
 Golf and Caddy House
 Documentation and Correspondence, May 1928
 Ice Rink and Warming House
 Correspondence
 Proposal to Build, 1975
 I.D. Weeks Library
 Correspondence
 Dedication Information
 Documentation
 Building Specifications
 Building Expansion, 1992-1995
 Floor Plans
 Photographs
 Inman Field and Stadium
 Documentation
 Clippings, 1948-1951
 Photographs
 Inman/President/Alumni House
 Documentation
 Clippings
 Photographs

Box 2

USD BUILDINGS, cont.
 Julian Hall
 Documentation
 Clippings
 Photographs

Box No.	Description
Box 2, cont.	USD BUILDINGS, cont.
	KUSD
	Photographs of the Radio Tower
	Law Building (Arts and Science Building)
	Photographs
	Law Library (McKusick Library, Old)
	Negatives (large)
	Photographs
	Medical Science
	Correspondences
	PWA Application and letters, 1938
	Documentation
	Clippings
	Floor Plan, 1938
	Photographs
	North Hall
	Documentation
	Clippings, 1947-1948
	Photographs, ca 1950
	Noteboom Hall
	Documentation
	Clippings of Dedication, 1955
	Photographs
	Observatory
	Documentation
	Clippings, Feb. 8, 1966
	Guest Books (2 books)
	1954-1955
	1955-1961
	Photographs
	Pardee Chemistry Building
	Photographs
	Patterson Hall (School of Business)
	Documentation
	Building Specifications, Clippings, Dedication, 1955
	Photographs, 1958
	Physical Plant
	Correspondences
	Mission River Power, 1950-1955
	Documentation
	Plans for Bomb Threats, 1987
	Service Pamphlet
	Quirk Carillon (John P. Quirk Memorial)
	Correspondence
	Dedication
	Photographs
	Richardson-Olson Hall
	Photographs, 1968
	School of Law (new)
	Documentation
	Clipping and Dedication, April 1982
	Photographs of construction

Box No.	Description
Box 2, cont.	USD BUILDINGS, cont. Service Center (old Power Plant) Correspondence Boiler Piping Information, 1946 Photographs Exterior "Plea for a new facility" Science Hall Correspondence Contract for Chairs, 1905 Photographs Exterior Shrine to Music Photographs of the Canon Slagle Hall Correspondence PWA Application, Documentation and Clippings Slagle Hall Documentation Temperature Control Contract, 1924 Photographs Exterior "Plea for more room for classes" (Interior) South Dakota Union Documentation Appraisal Report, 1948 Trailer Camp Documentation Clippings Photographs, 1947-1948 Well House & Animal Lab Documentation Appraisal Report, 1948 West Hall Documentation Clippings Photographs, 1898-1905 W. H. Over Museum Documentation Blue Print Plants (2) Photographs
Box 3	USD BUILDINGS, cont. Carnegie Library Documents (13 folders) 1906-1910 May 1938-May 1940, 1948 Photographs

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
Box 4	USD BUILDINGS, cont. Dakota Hospital Documentation Association, Resolution, 1970 Building Contracts Contracts Hospital Board (2 folders) PWA Contracts Resolution, 1934 Specifications Danforth Chapel Correspondence Chapel Dedication Information, 1944-1954 Coordination Council (2 folders) 1938-1945 1936-1950 Danforth Foundation Design and Planning, ca 1950 Donations Financial Drive Religious Council Papers USD Religious Council Documentation Chapel Dedication Pamphlets, May 19, 1954 Clippings, 1954-1962 Religious Emphasis Week Pamphlets, 1945-1961 Organizing Information, 1950-1961 Ephemera, Chapel Mats Ledger Book Photographs Scrapbook
Box 5	USD BUILDINGS, cont. Old Main Appraisal Report, 1948 Book Rescued From Fire of 1893 Correspondence (3 folders) Letters from Pres. Mauck regarding fire of 1893 President Mauck's letters; Fire and Reconstruction World's Fair Building in Chicago and misc. Documentation (3 folders) Clippings and Photo Copies (before 1893 fire) Floor Plan (University Hall, n.d.) Project 1993, (Save Old Main) Icon Image, Calendar, 1992 Photographs (8 folders) 1893-1994 Art Department in Old Main Before Fire of 1893 Deteriorated Interior, Feb. 6, 1992 Fire of 1893 General Views

Box No.	Description
Box 5, cont.	USD BUILDINGS, cont. Old Main, cont. Photographs, cont. Reconstruction Following Fire, 1894-1895 SD Building at the Chicago World's Fair, 1893
Box 6	USD BUILDINGS, cont. Old Main, cont. Photographs, cont. Remodeling, 1995-1997(12 folders) Slides Videos (3 tapes)
Box 7	USD BUILDINGS, cont. Old Main, Save Old Main Project Correspondence Old Main Furnishings (2 Folders) Documentation Architecture Renovation Plans Clippings (Save Old Main) Donations Article, 1893 Engineering Proposals Final Report, December 22, 1997 Narrative Description (2 folders) Extra Copy Planning Proposal for Kresge Foundation Renovation Manuals (2) Renovation/Restoration (2 folders) Rehabilitation Statement, July 20, 1994 Slides (2 boxes) Display Photographs (15 color)
Box 8	USD BUILDINGS, cont. Miscellaneous Correspondence Building and Grounds Communications, 1953 State Engineer; Letters to, 1956 Miscellaneous, cont. Documentation Artesian Well Contract, 1911 Athletic Property Insurance, 1929-1930 Building and Grounds Cost Figures, 1935-1940 Buildings Inspection, 1921 Building Survey Committee, 1955 Coal Contracts, 1908-1911 Campus Buildings History, Brief Campus Planning Committee (7 folders) 1970-1973, Staff Study 1971-1972 1972-1973 1976 1977-1978

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USD BUILDINGS, cont.

Miscellaneous, cont.

Documentation, cont.

Campus Planning Committee, cont.

1980

1978

Clock System Wiring Diagram, 1911

Contract: Water System Extension, 1912

Electrical Contract, 1910-1912

Equipment Guarantees (misc.), 1910-1916

Facilities Inventory and Utilization Study, fall 1971

Floor Plans (for All Buildings)

Highway 50 Compromise Agreement

Insurance/Steam boilers, 1924, 1932

Miscellaneous Clippings (USD Flag Design Information)

Real Estate Deeds, 1902-1934

Real Estate and Insurance Contracts, 1924-1932

Remodeling PWA Application, 1938

S.D. Senate Bills

Sewer Contract, 1907

Telephone Service Analysis, 1951

Time Signal Service Contracts, 1912

USD Catalog Printing Contracts, 1904-1912

Vault and Lock Combinations plus Keys, 1911-1922

Photographs, Unidentified Locations

Box 9

USD BUILDINGS, cont.

Coyote Student Center

Documentation

Budget Preparation, FY 1979-1980

Commons Upgrade Proposal, 1968

CSC Equipment Manuals

Project Manual for CSC Expansion, 1990 (2 folders)

Scrap Book Clippings

Photographs (2 folders)

Building Images

Facility Upgrade, 1968

Food Service

Documentation

Food Storage, Warehouse Planning

Maintenance Department

Documentation

Activities Report, March 19, 1982

Student Union

Documentation

Meeting Minutes, 1931-1962

Facility Information

Promotional Pamphlets

Union Policy, 1963

Work Order and Receipts

Clippings, 1973

Union History

Photographs, Feb. 1931

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
Box 10	USD BUILDINGS, cont. State Wide Educational Services (S.W.E.S.) Correspondence Building Plans Furniture List/Costs Documentation Blue Prints (2 folders) Clippings, Pamphlets, Promo Literature, 1971 Floor Plans Planning (2 folders) Committee Information Policies Photographs
Box 11	USD BUILDINGS Negatives Glass Negatives (6) Negatives (14) Transparencies (5)