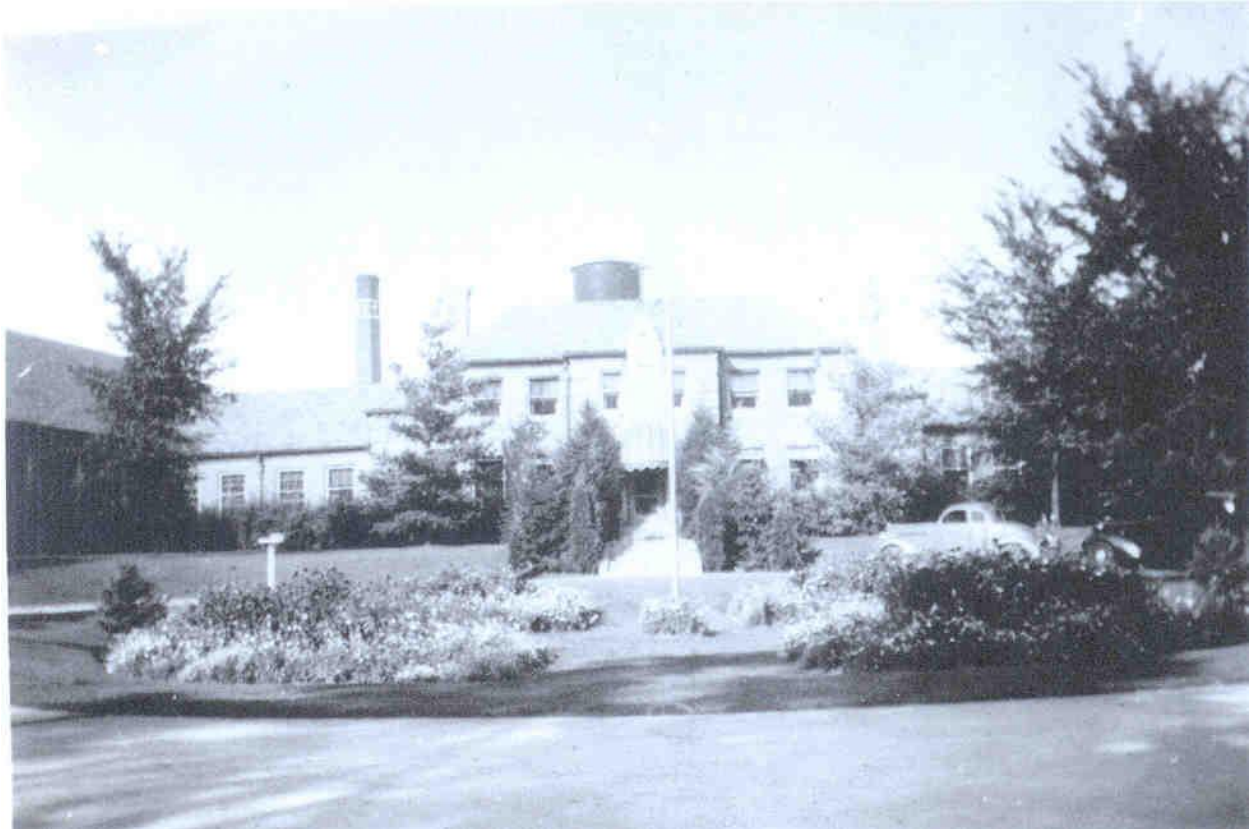


Farmington Hills, MI – St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center

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Orphan Asylums
Orphanages
Social service - Michigan - Detroit
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Historical Note

In 1928, Charles Fisher built a home for young children and named the home for his wife, Sarah. This home in Farmington Hills, Michigan acted as an orphan asylum for children up to 6 years old, before they went to either St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum in Detroit for girls or St. Francis Home for Boys after a fire destroyed the old summer home. This home was originally a summer home for the House of Providence, before it withdrew from that arrangement in 1951 when the orphanages owned and operated by the Daughters of Charity in the Archdiocese of Detroit re-aligned. St. Vincent's Home officially merged with Sarah Fisher Home and the name changed to St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Home for Children. In 1979, Marillac Hall merged into St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Home, although the name stayed the same. The purpose of the home was to provide care, health, and fresh air outside of the city for infant children. Its mission evolved from an orphan asylum to one providing child, family, and adoption services until 2005, when the center moved its offices back to Detroit in a non-residential capacity focusing on education. It has been run by a lay board since the Daughters' withdrawal in 2005.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains documents related to the ownership and operation of Sarah Fisher Home for Children and St. Vincent Sarah Fisher Center during the time that the Daughters of Charity operated the mission from 1928 to 2005. Due to the overlapping ownership and merger agreements, there may also be documents in the collection related to St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum, Marillac Hall, and House of Providence. The collection contains administrative documents, policies, and profiles; reports; fundraising and strategic plans; property documents; outreach work in Brighton, MI; documents from the Daughters local community; histories; correspondence; financial documents and reports; board of trustee minutes; wills and bequests; brochures and newsletters; newspaper clippings; photographs and slides; 50th, 60th, 100th, and 150th anniversary celebration materials; fundraising and community events; personnel lists; scrapbooks; videos; and documents related to the withdrawal of the Daughters sponsorship of the Center and its relocation back to Detroit.

This collection also contains documents related to the Seton pre-school which existed from 1972 to 1998.

System of Arrangement

Arranged in 13 Series: 1) Administration; 2) History; 3) Correspondence; 4) Financial; 5) Legal

Series 1) Administration is arranged in 5 sub-series: 1) Policies and Procedures; 2) Reports; 3) Meetings; 4) Long-range Plans; 5) Property and Construction; 6)

Publications; 7) Newspaper Clippings; 8) Audio-visual; 9) Programs/Ministries; 10) Personnel; 11) Daughter of Charity Documents; 12) Artifacts-Memorabilia; and 13) Closing of Mission.

Series 4) Financial is arranged in 3 sub-series: 1) Audit reports; 2) Budgets; 3) Insurance and Statistics.

Series 5) Legal is arranged in 5 sub-series: 1) Constitutions, Charters, and Bylaws; 2) Board of Trustee Minutes; 3) Contracts; 4) Wills and Bequests; 5) Legal Cases

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Inventory

See below. This inventory does not include restricted documents.

Manuscripts

RG Number	Title	Series Name	Sub-series	Box/Drawer	Folder	Collection Type	DateFrom	DateTo
11-4-1	Organization Charts	Administration		1	1	Manuscript		
11-4-1	Information on Sacramental and Adoption Records	Administration		1	2	Manuscript		
11-4-1-1	Policies and Procedures	Administration		1	3	Manuscript		
11-4-1-2	General Information and Program Overviews	Administration	Reports	1	4	Manuscript		
11-4-1-2	Consultant's Reports - United Community Services	Administration	Reports	1	5	Manuscript	1/1/1975	1/1/1975
11-4-1-2	Feasibility Study of Seton Nursery and Day Care Center	Administration	Reports	1	6	Manuscript	1/1/1976	1/1/1976
11-4-1-2	Social Agency Profiles	Administration	Reports	1	7	Manuscript	1/1/1981	1/1/1985
11-4-1-2	Alliance Study with Catholic Social Services of Oakland County	Administration	Reports	2	1	Manuscript	1/1/1995	1/1/1996
11-4-1-2	Child Welfare League of America	Administration	Reports	2	2	Manuscript	1/1/1983	1/1/1983
11-4-1-2	Catholic Charities USA Annual Survey	Administration	Reports	2	3	Manuscript	1/1/1986	1/1/1986
11-4-1-2	Surveys and Questionnaires	Administration	Reports	2	4	Manuscript	1/1/1944	1/1/1980
11-4-1-2	Annual State of Michigan Corporation Reports	Administration	Reports	2	5	Manuscript	1/1/1951	1/1/1987
11-4-1-4	Fundraising Plans	Administration	Long-Range Plans	4	5	Manuscript	1/1/1987	1/1/1992
11-4-1-4	Designing the Vision for the Next Decade	Administration	Long-Range Plans	4	6	Manuscript	1/1/1985	1/1/1985
11-4-1-4	5 Year Plan	Administration	Long-Range Plans	4	7	Manuscript	1/1/1991	1/1/1991
11-4-1-4	Strategic Plans	Administration	Long-Range Plans	4	8	Manuscript	1/1/1992	1/1/1995
11-4-1-4	Strategic Plans	Administration	Long-Range Plans	5	1	Manuscript	1/1/1998	1/1/2002
11-4-1-4	Strategic Planning Process	Administration	Long-Range Plans	5	2	Manuscript	1/1/1982	1/1/1986
11-4-1-4	Strategic Planning Process	Administration	Long-Range Plans	5	3	Manuscript	1/1/1986	1/1/1993
11-4-1-4	Long-Range Planning Committee	Administration	Long-Range Plans	5	4	Manuscript	1/1/1982	1/1/1984
11-4-1-4	Long-Range Planning Committee	Administration	Long-Range Plans	6	1	Manuscript	1/1/1982	1/1/1984
11-4-1-4	Continuous Quality Improvement Plan	Administration	Long-Range Plans	6	2	Manuscript	1/1/1999	1/1/1999
11-4-1-4	Viability Study	Administration	Long-Range Plans	6	3	Manuscript	1/1/1999	1/1/1999
11-4-1-5	Property and Construction	Administration	Property and Construction	6	4	Manuscript	1/1/1916	1/1/1949
11-4-1-5	Property and Construction	Administration	Property and Construction	6	5	Manuscript	1/1/1950	1/1/1959
11-4-1-5	Property and Construction	Administration	Property and Construction	7	1	Manuscript	1/1/1960	1/1/1969
11-4-1-5	Property and Construction	Administration	Property and Construction	7	2	Manuscript	1/1/1970	1/1/1979
11-4-1-5	Property and Construction	Administration	Property and Construction	7	3	Manuscript	1/1/1980	1/1/1989
11-4-1-5	Property and Construction	Administration	Property and Construction	7	4	Manuscript	1/1/1990	1/1/2005

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11-4-1-5	Brighton, MI	Administration	Property and Construction	8	1	Manuscript	1/1/1922	1/1/1995
11-4-1-5	Sisters' Residence on W. 12 Mile Road	Administration	Property and Construction	8	2	Manuscript	1/1/1985	1/1/2005
11-4-1-5	St. Vincent's Hospital - McDougall Street	Administration	Property and Construction	8	3	Manuscript	1/1/1871	1/1/1957
11-4-1-5	Development Proposal by Providence Hospital	Administration	Property and Construction	8	4	Manuscript	1/1/1985	1/1/1985
11-4-1-5	Redford Township	Administration	Property and Construction	8	5	Manuscript	1/1/1944	1/1/1951
11-4-1-5	Ecorse, MI	Administration	Property and Construction	8	6	Manuscript	1/1/1950	1/1/1951
11-4-1-5	Historic Designation	Administration	Property and Construction	8	7	Manuscript	1/1/1979	1/1/2006
11-4-1-5	Appraisal by Marshall and Stevens, Inc.	Administration	Property and Construction	8	8	Manuscript	1/1/1979	1/1/1979
11-4-1-5	Transfer of Property	Administration	Property and Construction	8	9	Manuscript	1/1/1986	1/1/1987
11-4-1-5	Renovations	Administration	Property and Construction	8	10	Manuscript	1/1/1964	1/1/1970
11-4-1-5	Renovations - Blueprints	Administration	Property and Construction	9	1	Manuscript	1/1/1972	1/1/1979
11-4-1-5	Chapel	Administration	Property and Construction	9	2	Manuscript	1/1/1966	1/1/1970
11-4-1-5	Schoolcraft and Telegraph Roads	Administration	Property and Construction	9	3	Manuscript	1/1/1929	1/1/1953
11-4-1-5	Original Construction - Summary and Specifications	Administration	Property and Construction	9	4	Manuscript	1/1/1929	1/1/1930
11-4-1-5	Original Construction	Administration	Property and Construction	9	5	Manuscript	1/1/1929	1/1/1930
11-4-1-5	Original Construction	Administration	Property and Construction	10	1	Manuscript	1/1/1929	1/1/1930
11-4-1-5	Original Construction	Administration	Property and Construction	10	2	Manuscript	1/1/1929	1/1/1930
11-4-2	History	History		10	3	Manuscript	1/1/1845	1/1/2019
11-4-2	History - Fisher Family	History		10	4	Manuscript		
11-4-3	Correspondence - President Jimmy Carter	Correspondence		10	5	Manuscript	1/1/1979	1/1/1979
11-4-3	Correspondence	Correspondence		10	6	Manuscript	1/1/1945	1/1/1959
11-4-3	Correspondence	Correspondence		10	7	Manuscript	1/1/1960	1/1/1979
11-4-3	Correspondence	Correspondence		10	8	Manuscript	1/1/1980	1/1/2010

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11-4-4	Financial	Financial		10	9	Manuscript	1/1/1934	1/1/1979
11-4-4	Financial	Financial		11	1	Manuscript	1/1/1981	1/1/2002
11-4-4-1	Audited Financial Statements	Financial	Audited Financial Statements	11	2	Manuscript	1/1/1964	1/1/1972
11-4-4-1	Audited Financial Statements	Financial	Audited Financial Statements	11	3	Manuscript	1/1/1973	1/1/1980
11-4-4-1	Audited Financial Statements	Financial	Audited Financial Statements	11	4	Manuscript	1/1/1981	1/1/1985
11-4-4-1	Audited Financial Statements	Financial	Audited Financial Statements	11	5	Manuscript	1/1/1989	1/1/1992
11-4-4-1	Audited Financial Statements	Financial	Audited Financial Statements	11	6	Manuscript	1/1/1993	1/1/1996
11-4-4-1	Audited Financial Statements	Financial	Audited Financial Statements	13	1	Manuscript	1/1/1997	1/1/2000
11-4-4-1	Part-Year Financial Statements	Financial	Audited Financial Statements	13	2	Manuscript	1/1/2001	1/1/2004
11-4-4-2	Budgets	Financial	Budgets	13	3	Manuscript	1/1/1946	1/1/1951
11-4-4-2	Budgets	Financial	Budgets	13	4	Manuscript	1/1/1985	1/1/1987
11-4-4-2	Budgets	Financial	Budgets	13	5	Manuscript	1/1/2003	1/1/2003
11-4-4-3	Insurance Review and Analysis	Financial	Insurance	13	6	Manuscript		
11-4-5	Legal - General	Legal		13	7	Manuscript	1/1/1964	1/1/1998
11-4-5	Union Organizing	Legal		13	9	Manuscript	1/1/1972	1/1/1981
11-4-5	Merger with Marillac Hall	Legal		13	10	Manuscript	1/1/1977	1/1/1979
11-4-5	Licensing and Government Relations	Legal		13	11	Manuscript	1/1/1950	1/1/1984
11-4-5	Tax Exemption	Legal		14	1	Manuscript	1/1/1926	1/1/2000
11-4-5	Transfer of Sponsorship	Legal		14	2	Manuscript	1/1/1999	1/1/2002
11-4-5	Transfer of Sponsorship	Legal		14	3	Manuscript	1/1/2003	1/1/2004
11-4-5	Transfer of Sponsorship	Legal		14	4	Manuscript	1/1/2005	1/1/2005
11-4-5-1	Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws	Legal	Constitution, Charter, Bylaws	14	5	Manuscript	1/1/1855	1/1/1987
11-4-5-1	Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws	Legal	Constitution, Charter, Bylaws	15	1	Manuscript	1/1/1990	1/1/2004
11-4-6	Booklets	Publications		24	1	Manuscript		
11-4-6	Benefit Cookbook	Publications		24	2	Manuscript		
11-4-6-1	Newsletters	Publications	Newsletters	24	3	Manuscript	1/1/1962	1/1/2001
11-4-6-1	Newsletters - Circling the Center	Publications	Newsletters	24	4	Manuscript	1/1/1983	1/1/2001
11-4-6-1	Newsletters - St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center News	Publications	Newsletters	24	5	Manuscript	1/1/1989	1/1/1996

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11-4-6-1	Newsletters - Community News	Publications	Newsletters	24	6	Manuscript	1/1/1996	1/1/2006
11-4-6-2	Brochures	Publications	Brochures	24	7	Manuscript		
11-4-6-2	Brochures	Publications	Brochures	24	8	Manuscript		
11-4-7	Newspaper Clippings	Newspaper Clippings		25	1	Manuscript	1/1/1929	1/1/1969
11-4-7	Newspaper Clippings	Newspaper Clippings		25	2	Manuscript	1/1/1970	1/1/1999
11-4-7	Newspaper Clippings	Newspaper Clippings		25	3	Manuscript	1/1/2000	1/1/2012
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Construction, Groundbreaking, Dedication	Audio-Visual	Photographs	25	4	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Chapel	Audio-Visual	Photographs	25	5	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - St. Vincent de Paul Statue	Audio-Visual	Photographs	25	6	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - CDs: Folder "Recent Pictures"	Audio-Visual	Photographs	25	7	Born-Digital		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - CDs: Folder "Employees"	Audio-Visual	Photographs	25	7	Born-Digital		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Buildings	Audio-Visual	Photographs	26	1	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Aerials	Audio-Visual	Photographs	26	2	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Interior	Audio-Visual	Photographs	26	3	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Exterior	Audio-Visual	Photographs	26	4	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Events	Audio-Visual	Photographs	26	5	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Events	Audio-Visual	Photographs	26	6	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photos: Honoring Rita O'Neil, former Child Care Worker @ SVSFC (c. late 1970's - early 1980's)	Audio-Visual	Photos	26	7	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Sisters	Audio-Visual	Photographs	27	1	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Sisters	Audio-Visual	Photographs	27	2	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Album	Audio-Visual	Photographs	27	3	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Album	Audio-Visual	Photographs	28	1	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Children and Staff	Audio-Visual	Photographs	28	2	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Children and Staff	Audio-Visual	Photographs	28	3	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Children and Staff	Audio-Visual	Photographs	28	4	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Children and Staff	Audio-Visual	Photographs	28	5	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photographs - Children and Staff	Audio-Visual	Photographs	29	1	Manuscript		
11-4-8-1	Photo: Group photo of children, Thanksgiving dinner	Audio-Visual		37	2	Manuscript	1/1/1951	
11-4-8-1	Photos: Groups of children, complex	Audio-Visual		37	3	Manuscript		
11-4-8-2	Slides of imges from 1845-1980	Audio-Visual		39	1	Manuscript	1/1/1845	1/1/1980
11-4-8-2	Slides of buildings & sisters	Audio-Visual		39	2	Manuscript		
11-4-8-2	Slides of buildings & sisters	Audio-Visual		39	3	Manuscript		
11-4-8-4	Opening mass 60th years, October 25, 1988 & celebration	Audio-Visual	VHS	38	1	Manuscript	1/1/1988	

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11-4-8-4	Open house & closing mass, September 17, 1989	Audio-Visual	VHS	38	2	Manuscript	1/1/1989	
11-4-8-4	"Building Better Futures for Our Children", 1995	Audio-Visual	VHS	38	3	Manuscript	1/1/1995	
11-4-8-4	Fox News tape - Sr. Marie Judith Haupt, DC	Audio-Visual	VHS	38	4	Manuscript		
11-4-8-4	Sarah Fisher Home (1960s)	Audio-Visual	DVD	38	5	Manuscript	1/1/1960	
11-4-8-4	Activities at the Sarah Fisher Home (1960s)	Audio-Visual	DVD	38	6	Manuscript	1/1/1960	
11-4-8-4	"Days of Caring", August 7, 2002	Audio-Visual	DVD	38	7	Manuscript	1/1/2002	
11-4-9	100th Anniversary of Providence Hospital	Programs / Ministries		29	2	Manuscript	1/1/1969	1/1/1970
11-4-9	50th Anniversary / Golden Jubilee	Programs / Ministries		29	3	Manuscript	1/1/1978	1/1/1979
11-4-9	50th Anniversary / Golden Jubilee	Programs / Ministries		29	4	Manuscript	1/1/1978	1/1/1979
11-4-9	60th Anniversary	Programs / Ministries		29	5	Manuscript	1/1/1989	1/1/1989
11-4-9	150th Anniversary of Sisters' Arrival in Detroit	Programs / Ministries		29	6	Manuscript	1/1/1994	1/1/1994
11-4-9	150th Anniversary of Orphan Care in Detroit	Programs / Ministries		29	7	Manuscript	1/1/2002	1/1/2002
11-4-9	Chapel Dedication	Programs / Ministries		30	1	Manuscript	1/1/1968	1/1/1968
11-4-9	Michigan Women's Hall of Fame	Programs / Ministries		30	2	Manuscript	1/1/1997	1/1/1997
11-4-9	Laboure Training School	Programs / Ministries		30	3	Manuscript	1/1/1945	1/1/1951
11-4-9	Fundraising Events	Programs / Ministries		30	4	Manuscript	1/1/1992	1/1/2005
11-4-9	Seton Guild	Programs / Ministries		30	5	Manuscript	1/1/1952	1/1/1974
11-4-9	Sarah Fisher Auxiliary	Programs / Ministries		30	6	Manuscript	1/1/1994	1/1/2000
11-4-9	Caboose Crafts	Programs / Ministries		30	7	Manuscript	1/1/1984	1/1/2003
11-4-9	Special Events	Programs / Ministries		30	8	Manuscript	1/1/1929	1/1/2001
11-4-9	Children of Mary Register of the Association of the Immaculate Heart of Mary	Programs / Ministries		30	9	Manuscript	1/1/1856	1/1/1919
11-4-9	Programs Overview and Planning	Programs / Ministries		31	1	Manuscript	1/1/1979	1/1/2010
11-4-9	Seton Pre-school - Legal Binder	Programs / Ministries		31	2	Manuscript		
11-4-9	Seton Pre-school - Board Minutes	Programs / Ministries		31	3	Manuscript	1/1/1990	1/1/1998
11-4-9	Seton Pre-school - Annual Reports, Audit Reports, Budgets	Programs / Ministries		31	4	Manuscript	1/1/1972	1/1/1993
11-4-9	Seton Pre-school - Annual Reports, Audit Reports, Budgets	Programs / Ministries		31	5	Manuscript	1/1/1994	1/1/1998
11-4-9	Seton Pre-school - Brochures	Programs / Ministries		31	6	Manuscript		
11-4-10-1	Personnel - Sisters	Personnel	Sisters	31	7	Manuscript		
11-4-10-2	Personnel - Staff	Personnel	Staff	32	1	Manuscript	1/1/1970	1/1/2008
11-4-10-2	Personnel - Staff - Open Letters to Staff	Personnel	Staff	32	2	Manuscript	1/1/1981	1/1/1983
11-4-10-2	Personnel - Staff - Executive Director	Personnel	Staff	32	3	Manuscript	1/1/1994	1/1/2002
11-4-12	Artifacts	Artifacts / Memorabilia		33	1	Manuscript		

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11-4-12	Artifacts - Materials from Cornerstone	Artifacts / Memorabilia		33	2	Manuscript		
11-4-12	Oval wall hanging	Artifacts / Memorabilia		33	4	Manuscript		
11-4-12	Scrapbook regarding their history, correspondence, newspaper clippings, etc.	Artifacts / Memorabilia		37	4	Manuscript		
11-4-13	Closing of Mission	Closing of Mission		33	3	Manuscript	1/1/1998	1/1/2007