

# Missouri State Archives

## Finding Aid [998.111]

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### MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS

#### Ralph Miller Capitol Fire Photograph Collection

*Abstract:* Four postcards featuring photographs of the 1911 Capitol fire taken by Ralph Miller.

*Extent:* 1 folder

*Physical Description:* Postcards

*Location:* Missouri State Archives; Stacks

### ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

*Alternative Formats:* TIF

*Access Restrictions:* None

*Publication Restrictions:* None

*Preferred Citation:* [Item description], 1911; *Ralph Miller Capitol Fire Photograph Collection*, Record Group 998.111; Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City.

*Acquisition Information:* Gift; Accession #1983-0148

*Processing Information:* Processing completed by EW on 12/15/2016. Updated by EW on 01/08/2021 and 03/23/2021.

### HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Ralph Miller (1891- ) was an amateur photographer. Most of his life he worked in and later owned Miller and Weiss Pool/Billiard Parlor in Jefferson City. He married Cora Huddleston (1890-1948) on September 17, 1913. Together they had two children. His daughter Martha Ann (Miller) Burton of California donated the collection to the Archives.

### ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

## Related Collections

MS006 Edwin William Stephens Collection  
MS013 Theodore Lacaff Diaries  
MS027 Thomas Garfield Cooper Photograph Collection  
MS066 Peter Herman Rackers Photograph Collection  
MS163 Blanche Leach Capitol Dedication Scrapbook  
MS268 New Capitol Day Collection  
MS313 Van Gundy Photograph Collection  
MS314 Tom Sater Capital City Collection  
MS321 James C. Worth Photograph Collection  
MS433 Dr. Joseph Summers Photograph Collection  
MS441 Alfred A. Speer Capitol Collection  
MS474 Dave DeLaney Photograph Collection  
RG395 State Capitol Commission Board  
RG395 State Capitol Commission Board Photographs  
RG395.2 Missouri State Capitol Commission  
RG395.2 Missouri State Capitol Commission Photographs

Available on the Cole County shelf in the Archives' Reference Room:

Summers, Joseph S. Jr. The Day the Capitol Burned. Jefferson City, MO: CeMoMedServ Publications, 1986.

Young, Timothy. The Life and Times of the Jefferson City, Missouri Fire Department. 2013.

## CAPITOL FIRE PHOTOGRAPHS, 1911

*Arrangement:* None

### Scope and Content

This is a series of four photo postcards of the damage done to the Missouri State Capitol Building after it was struck by lightning and burned on February 5, 1911. Photos by Ralph Miller.

These images are available on Manuscript DVD #1 in the Reference Room. They are also on the Archives Flickr page.

### Container List

Location	Box	Folder	Contents	Date
	9	12	Image #1: View of the Capitol Building	Feb. 1911
	9	12	Image #2: The crumbled façade of the entry to the Capitol Building as seen from the side	Feb. 1911
	9	12	Image #3: Interior of the building showing an archway and staircase	Feb. 1911
	9	12	Image #4: Closer view of the front of the Capitol Building showing steps, columns, and debris in the yard	Feb. 1911