

C Shelton, Charles G. (1887-1971), Papers, 1918-1969  
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## INTRODUCTION

The papers of Charles Shelton, a farmer from Paris, Missouri, consist of notes on agricultural machinery, account books, a Modern Woodmen of America record book, personal correspondence, and miscellaneous personal material.

## DONOR INFORMATION

The Charles Shelton Papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by an unknown donor on August 24, 1977 (Accession No. 2106).

## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Shelton was born on December 3, 1887. He owned a farm near Paris, Missouri, where he raised cattle, chickens, hogs, horses, and sheep and grew barley, corn, oats, and rye. He was a member of the Modern Woodmen of America camp at Victor, Missouri, and served as its secretary from 1930 to 1948. He died in March 1971.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The notes on agricultural machinery include notes and illustrations on principles of engine mechanics and electrodynamics.

The account books include inventories of livestock, crops, and supplies, as well as records of income and expenses. They also contain notes on daily activities and information about vaccination of livestock.

The Modern Woodmen of America record book includes notes on elections of officers and records of payments from members.

The personal correspondence, arranged chronologically, consists mostly of letters written to Shelton from family members, including Amy Shelton McNutt of San Antonio, Texas, owner of Gallagher Ranch. Two letters were written in 1938, and the rest of the letters were written in the 1950s and 1960s. The collection does not contain any letters written by Shelton himself.

The miscellaneous materials include a certificate of pedigree for a horse, agricultural catalogs, and materials relating to the First Christian Church in Paris, Missouri.

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