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Beverly Baumer was born September 23, 1926 at Hays, KS. She graduated from the William Allen White School of Journalism at the University of Kansas in 1948. She worked as a staff reporter free-lance writer for various state and national newspapers and magazines including the Hutchinson News, Salina Journal, Wichita Eagle and Kansas City Star. In 1961, she was hired by the State Centennial Commission to write about and publicize the Centennial Celebration of the State of Kansas. The following articles are found in this collection:

Title on Folder	Subject
Antiques, Ray Smith (Auction) Hutchison	1) Auction of antiques at Hutchinson sale
Statue, D. K. Baty, Liberal	2) Construction of a statue to honor pioneer women that Mr. Baty insisted should not include a "mother with a gun."
Big Barn, Jason Kirtland, New Cambria	3) Describes oversized barn built in 1880's
Slayings, Bender Family (Southeast Kansas)	4) History of the notorious Bender family murders
Box Supper, Cottonwood Falls	5) Describes reenactment of old-fashioned box suppers
Margaret Lowe Burke, Americus Woodcutter	6) Profiles woodcutter and her history of collectibles
Centenarians (2 articles)	7) Profiles women who are 100 years old--second article expands on Mary Cole, mentioned in first articles
Mule Skinner, Collier, Grace Santa Fe Trail	8) Describes caravan of celebrants, on Santa Fe Trail and leader, Grace Collier
Composer, Dale Asher Jacobus	9) Profiles life of composer of religious and other music who once accompanied Carry Nation on

a raid of a saloon in
Holton

Conservation Class, McPherson	10) Recounts first organized conservation class in Kansas, organized John Colyn
Mary Collinwood, Pretty Prairie	11) Story of Mary Collinwood, who named Pretty Prairie and whose family acquired a fortune
Davis Memorial, Hiawatha	12) Describes the controversy surrounding John Davis and the memorial he constructed in Hiawatha Cemetery for his wife
Designs, Lena Waltner, Newton	13) Profiles art instructor who was trying to preserve and duplicate early Mennonite art trends
Elevators, Hutchinson Grain Terminal Tours	14) Describes operation of one of the largest grain elevators in the world
Farms (2 articles)	15) a) How sod homes were built and furnished-- Kinsley Park b) Modern farming-- rise of larger farms and modern irrigation techniques
Artist, Mrs. Jean Fromen, Turon	16) Housewife and painter who did religious paintings for Oral Roberts and others
Game Preserve, Glen Davis, Canton	17) History of buffalo and buffalo hunts in Kansas-- Maxwell Game Preserve, Canton
Gas Museum, Hugoton	18) Describes largest natural gas field in the world and museum which celebrates it
Geology (2 articles)	19) a) Monument Rocks and Natural Bridge b) Fossils and mineral

	deposits in Kansas
Georgia Neese Clark Gray Richland	20) Profiles first woman treasurer of the U.S.
Halstead Smorgasbord	21) Describes Mennonite cooking and traditions, in context of annual Smorgasbord
Jesse Harper, Sitka, Kan., Ex-Notre Dame coach	22) Interview with former head football coach of Notre Dame who hired Knute Rockne
Hatchery, Pratt, John Murphree	23) Information on hatching fish and stocking ponds in Kansas
Hutchinson, Home Economist and Puppets	24) Profiles Jane Savage who uses puppets to teach lessons in Home Economics
Minister, Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Irvin, Highland	25) Relates history of Presbyterian Indian Mission and subsequent founding of Highland town and college
Hutchinson Jalopy Races	26) Describes National Jalopy Race to be held in Hutchinson
Hyllinings Fest, Lindsborg	27) Tells history of Svensk Hyllinings Fest held to honor the Scandinavians who founded Lindsborg in 1868
Inman Ground Hog Day	28) Describes celebration held on Feb. 2nd (Ground Hog Day) at which "ground hog" (sausages, etc.) is served at community dinner
Kaufman Museum, Newton	29) Mennonite museum operated by Charles Kaufman on Bethel College campus to preserve early Kansas and Mennonite history
V.A. Kear, Sodtown, Colby	30) Describes Sod Town, only sod village built

in

America at Colby by Verney
Kear to honor original
settlers

Ed Kirk, Sarsaparilla, Pratt

31) Relates story of Ed
Kirk, movie theater oper-
ator in Pratt

Lyons, Otto Habiger's Tin
Can Ornaments

32) Profiles folk artist,
Otto Habiger, and his
creation of tin can art

Mrs. Neil McLeod, Auctioneer,
Washington

33) Profiles Kansas' first
woman auctioneer who
received her license in
1961

Maple Trees, Hiawatha

34) Relates history of how
Theodore Korthanke became
the "Johnny Appleseed" of
maples in Hiawatha

Mrs. Meairs, Antiques, Hutchinson

35) Tells of extensive
antique collection of Mrs.
Vernon Meairs of Hutchinson

Mennonites, Newton

36) Describes America's
largest Mennonite Community
and the National
headquarters of the
Mennonite Church in Newton

Milk Parlor, Bill Bartholomew
Great Bend

37) Describes operation
of one of Kansas' few
automatic milking
operations

Roy Miller, Lucas, Picnic Area

38) Profiles Mr. and Mrs.
Roy Miller who allow the
public to picnic on grounds
they established

J.P. Morgan, Bank Cashier, Yoder

39) Interview with young
bank cashier in Yoder who
shares name with mosst
famous baker in world

Mrs. G. F. Mueller, Braille

40) Profiles Mrs Mueller
who operates a free Braille
transcription service from
her home

Clayt Myers, Trapper, Turon	41) Interview with 83 year old farmer-trapper who relates the secrets of successful trapping
Mrs. Virgil Pate, Paper Hanger	42) Describes life of lady wall-paper hanger
Frank Peppiatt, Lyons, Coronado	43) Profiles Frank Peppiatt, telephone company repairman, who will play role of Coronado in Centennial re-enactment of Santa Fe Trail Caravan
Promenaders, Hutchinson	44) Describes group of Centennial celebrants who don period clothing and march in Hutchinson.
Radio Announcer, Lois Blaine Arkansas City, KSOK	45) Profiles Lois Blaine, a radio announcer and local personality
Redi-Wheat	46) Describes evolution and promotion of Redi-Wheat--a canned whole wheat product which developers hope will revolutionize the wheat market throughout the world
Sweet William Skunk	47) Chronicles history of child's literature character, a skunk who wants to become a pet.
M.G. Stevenson, Weather	48) Profiles M.G. Stevenson a 98 yr. old volunteer observer for the U.S. Weather Bureau in Ashland
Ruth Elizabeth Tanner, Children's Author, Gypsum	49) Interview with Tanner of Gypsum who writes children's stories for magazines and novels
Claude L. Vaughan, Cherokee Strip, Arkansas City	50) Profiles Claude Vaughan who witnessed the original Cherokee Strip Run in 1893
Tepee, Satanta Kiowa Indian Tribe	51) Describes Kiowa Indian Tepee Museum in Satanta and relates the history of the Kiowa in that area

Twirler, Carolann Cox, Halstead

52) Profiles Carol Ann Cox, a twirler who teaches baton twirling in Halstead

From Washboards to Automatics

53) Tells history of "washing clothes in Kansas from pioneer days to present (1961)

Well, Greensburg, Kansas

54) Relates history of world's largest "hand-dug" well (built by Santa Fe Railway) and its role as a tourist attraction

Young's, Schmidt's and Edigers

55) Profiles three families, their homes, and the differences between pioneer and modern home life in Kansas

Zimmerman, Cedar Vale

56) Relates life of minaturist, Frank Zimmerman, and the 84 duplicates of houses and buildings in pioneer Cedar Vale which he constructed to commemorate the town and its origins