NEBRASKA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY COLLECTION RECORD

RG2588.AM: Stastny, Olga Frances, 1878-1952

Papers: 1892-1953
Omaha, Douglas County, Neb.: Physician
Size: 0.5 cu.ft.; 1 box

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Olga Frances Sadilek, was born in Wilber, Nebraska, in 1878. In 1895 she married Charles Stastny, also of Wilber, who died in 1907, leaving her with two children. She attended the Nebraska University College of Medicine in 1913, interned in New England for two years, and opened a practice in Omaha in 1914. In 1918 she went to France with Unit #1, American Women's Hospital for Women and Children, and in 1919 was decorated by the French government for her work.

From 1919-1921 she was in Czechoslovakia, doing reconstruction work. She was cited by the Czech government for services in the Y.M.C.A/Y.W.C.A. doing educational health work with the Czech army. Through 1922-1923 she was in charge of the refugee quarantine station on the island of Macronissi, Greece, and was decorated again by the Greek government. She resumed her practice in Omaha in 1924, working until her retirement in 1947. Olga (Sadilek) Stastny died on August 23, 1952, and is buried next to her husband at Wilber, Nebraska.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of one box of papers dating from ca. 1892-1953. The materials relate to the life and medical career of Dr. Stastny, and particularly to her work in Europe between 1918 and 1924. The collection includes correspondence, manuscripts, printed materials, certificates and other official documents, memorials and biographical sketches, clippings, etc.

Note: See the photo component [RG2588.PH] for images relating to Stastny’s work in the medical field and to her family life. Images from the refugee quarantine island of Macronissi, Greece, and of YMCA and YWCA activities in Czechoslovakia are included.

See the Nebraska History index and the NSHS Library catalog for additional published materials relating to Dr. Olga Stastny and the Stastny and Sadilek families.

DESCRIPTION

Box 1
Folder

1. Correspondence, 1907-1929
2. Correspondence, 1930-1953, n.d.
3. Manuscripts, 1909-1949
4. Printed materials by and about Dr. Stastny, 1919-1939
5. Certificates, passports, etc., 1892-1950
6. Memorials and biographical sketches
7. Newspaper clippings, ca. 1920-1952
8. Records of Macronissi Camp, Greece, 1923
9. Miscellaneous artwork
10. Miscellaneous (event programs, stationary, notes, posters, etc.) (See also oversize)

Subject headings:

American Women’s Hospitals
Medicine -- Practice
Medicine -- Study and teaching
Omaha (Neb.) -- History
Physicians -- Nebraska
Stastny, Olga Frances (Sadilek), 1878-1952
Women in Nebraska
World War, 1914-1918 -- Medical and sanitary affairs
Young Men’s Christian Association
Young Women’s Christian Association

WFS/HEK/js  09-15-1965
kfk  06-18-1996
KFK/dco  09-04-2003
TMM  01-10-2017