Journalist. Clippings of newspaper articles by Peterson and others regarding Oklahoma cities and towns, the economy, the standard of living, and Robert V. Peterson's travels abroad.

Biographical Note:
Robert V. Peterson was born on January 19, 1904, in Ocheyedan, Iowa. He obtained a BS degree from Iowa State College in 1925 in Agricultural Journalism. In 1929, he received his MS degree in Agricultural Economics at Oklahoma A. and M. where he had already served two years as an assistant professor of journalism. From 1944 to 1944, Mr. Peterson was a visiting professor of journalism at the University of Oklahoma. In 1947 and until 1974 when he was named Professor Emeritus of Journalism, Mr. Peterson was a professor of journalism at OU. A past president of the Oklahoma Press Association and several civic organizations, Mr. Peterson has traveled extensively in all fifty states and has written hundreds of newspaper and magazine articles, specializing on history and economic aspects of cities and towns in Oklahoma. Mr. Peterson has been associated with the Wewoka Times-Democrat, the Norman Transcript, the Sulphur Times-Democrat, and the Capital Hill Beacon (OKC). He has also been a stockholder, director, and officer for the Durant Daily Democrat, Durant, Oklahoma, in addition to his position as Professor Emeritus of Journalism at the University of Oklahoma.

About the Collection:
The Robert V. Peterson Collection is composed of newspaper articles from the Durant Daily Democrat written by Mr. Peterson. The articles deal mostly with cities and towns in Oklahoma, focusing primarily on the economic mainstays of the communities, i.e. wheat, cattle, and industry, as well as the history of the area. In addition to the articles on locations in Oklahoma, there are a number of articles on Hawaii and several articles on New Orleans, Louisiana, and a few towns in Texas. Miscellaneous articles contain information about Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, and Arkansas.

The inventory to the Robert V. Peterson Collection consists of folder by folder subject index. Articles are arranged chronologically within the folders. Some of the articles have no definite subject, but contain a wealth of information nonetheless. These articles appear under subject headings such as "Oklahoma Heritage Association Tour" or "Dallas to Tulsa." These articles contain information about various locations along the routes indicated.
Folder 1

Folder 1 contains an address by Robert V. Peterson, Professor Emeritus of Journalism at the University of Oklahoma, given before the Cleveland County Historical Society, June 3, 1975. Speech entitled "Ten Towns in Oklahoma." The following are discussed: Claremore, Duncan, Enid, Kingfisher, Lawton, Lindsay, Sallisaw, Seminole, Tahlequah, and Watonga.

Folder 2

Folder 2 contains clippings from 1975 over the following subjects:

- The Ambassadors (6-29)
- Ardmore (7-13) (9-10)
- Bethany (9-14) (10-26)
- Burford Company International (10-10)
- Cement (11-7)
- Chandler (8-31) (9-10)
- Clinton (5-7)
- Coalgate (10-15) (10-26)
- Doctors (7-2)
- Drumright (6-25)
- Duncan (9-5)
- Elk City (10-5) (10-26)
- Gypsum mining (11-7)
- Healdton (6-11)
- Hennessey (12-7)
- Henryetta (8-10) (9-10)
- Hobart (9-3) (9-10)
- Jones (9-28) (10-26)
- Lawton (12-14)
- Lloyd Noble Center (10-12)
- Marietta (9-21) (10-26)
- Marland Mansion (9-16)
- Maysville (11-26)
- Mill Creek (6-5)
- Moore (8-17) (9-10)
- Museum of the Great Plains (12-14)
- Norman (6-22)
- Oil (6-11) (6-25) (7-13) (7-20)
- Okmulgee (7-20) (9-10)
- Ponca City (9-16) (10-26)
- Sayre (11-12)
- Silica mining (6-5)
Sooner Football Broadcasts (10-19)
Stillwater (7-9) (9-10)
Stillwater Municipal Hospital (7-9)
Sun Company (9-5)
Tishomingo (6-8)
University of Oklahoma (6-22)
Wetumka (11-23)
Wheat Harvest (5-7)
Yale (10-23)
Yukon (9-17) (10-26)

Folder 3

Folder 3 contains clippings from 1976 over the following subjects:

Anadarko (10-2)
Ardmore (5-12) (6-6)
Baptist Medical Center (7-4)
Blue Bell Inc. (5-19)
Carpenter Egg Co. (11-28)
Chickasaw National Recreational Area (5-30)
Chickasha (4-25) (12-22)
Clinton (11-7)
Cushing (4-20) (4-21)
Duncan (6-6)
Durant to Lexington (10-17)
Fort Cobb (9-19)
Forty-fifth Infantry Division Museum (12-19)
Gannett Company (3-24)
Garvin County (8-5)
Grandfield (6-16) (8-15)
Guthrie (10-24)
Halliburton Services (3-31)
Hennessey (1-21)
Kingfisher (8-15)
Kingfisher County (7-28)
Konawa (5-9) (6-6)
Lake Murray Lodge (5-23)
Lawton (4-25)
Marlow (1-18) (1-21)
Maysville (1-21) (6-6)
Mountain View (3-17) (4-21)
Norman Municipal Hospital (2-15) (6-23)
Okemah (10-31)
Oklahoma Auction Center (12-22)
Folder 4

Folder 4 contains clippings from 1977 over the following subjects:

Ada (4-27) (5-8)
Anadarko (6-26)
Bethany (12-21)
Broken Arrow (6-26)
Bus travel (1-5)
Capitol Hill, OKC (5-8) (6-26)
Chickasaw National Recreation Area (5-11)
Choctaw County (4-29)
Claremore (6-26)
Cleveland County (5-18)
Clinton (5-8)
Cordell (6-26)
Coalgate (6-26)
Dallas, TX (4-13)
Dallas, TX to OKC (1-12)
Dewey (6-26)
Diamond Crystal Salt Co. (1-19)
Editors, newspaper (3-2)
Elk City (12-21)
El Reno (6-26) (12-21)
Erick (12-21)
Fort Washita (6-8)
Grady County (2-16)
Guthrie (11-13)
Healdton (12-14)
Hinton (12-21)
Hi-Vi Dog Food (2-2)
Holdenville (12-7)
Industry, general (1-26)
Lexington (3-17) (5-8) (12-14)
Lindsay (11-27)
McAlester (5-8) (6-26) (12-7)
Madill (6-26)
Marietta (12-14)
Murray-Lindsay Museum (4-20)
Norman (5-8)
Pauls Valley (12-14)
Pawnee (6-26)
Pharmacists (12-4)
Pittsburg County (3-23)
Purcell (12-14)
Roadside markers (6-12)
Sand Springs (6-26)
Sayre (12-21)
Seminole (6-26) (12-7)
Shawnee (12-7)
South OKC (4-6)
Stillwater (6-26)
Stratford (5-4) (5-8)
Sulphur (6-26) (12-14)
Tecumseh (11-16)
Tulsa (6-26)
USPS Training Center (5-22)
Vinita (6-26)
Wagoner (6-26)
Weatherford (12-21)
Wewoka (12-7)
Weyerhauser (6-5)
Wynnewood (12-14)

**Folder 5**

Folder 5 contains clippings from 1978 over the following subjects:

Alva (1-13)
Anadarko (2-19)
Antler (2-12)
Apache (2-5)
Bartlesville (3-12) (9-3)
Beaver (2-26)
Bixby (3-19)
Blaine Dairy Products (11-12)
Blackwell (1-22) (3-12) (12-10) (12-13)
Blanchard (3-19) (6-25) (10-19)
Bristow (2-12) (9-3)
Broken Arrow (1-29)
Burkey's Creamery (10-15)
Carter County (11-22)
Cattle industry (10-6) (11-22)
Chandler (3-19)
Checotah (3-19)
Chelsea (1-29) (3-19)
Cherokee (4-2)
Cherokee Strip Museum (6-18)
Chickasha (2-19) (6-4) (10-19)
Chisholm Trail Historical Museum (7-30)
Claremore (1-29) (9-3)
Cleveland (1-29) (3-12)
Clinton (4-2) (12-31)
Comanche (2-5)
Coalgate (9-3)
Cordell (2-5) (9-3)
Corn (4-2)
Cushing (9-24)
Cyril (4-2) (10-19) (12-13)
Dewey (1-29)
Duncan (2-26) (7-23) (10-19)
Edmond (9-17) (10-18)
Electric Coops (5-21)
Elk City (2-26)
El Reno (10-29)
Folder 6

Folder 6 contains clippings from 1979 over the following subjects:

Ardmore (11-11) (12-2)
Atoka (9-12)
Carnegie (12-16)
Chickasha (11-4) (12-2)
Cotton (10-10)
Clinton (9-26)
Field's Pecan Pies (2-18)
Four Seasons Nursing Home, Norman (2-26)
Garvin County (8-29)
Guthrie (10-24) (12-2)
Healdton (10-25)
Henryetta (12-23)
Hugo (1-7) (9-26)
Lindsay (9-19) (12-2)
Okemah (11-18) (12-2)
Peanut Crop (11-7)
Perry (9-26)
Shawnee (8-16) (9-26)
Seminole (8-12) (9-26)

Folder 7:

Folder 7 contains clippings from the first half of 1980 over the following subjects:

Austin, TX (2-3) (2-13) (2-20) (5-25)
Belton, TX (1-23)
Carnegie (3-30)
Checotah (6-8)
Claremore (3-26) (6-4)
Cleveland County Extension Service (5-29)
Corsicana, TX (5-25)
Dallas, TX (5-7)
Fredericksburg, TX (2-17) (5-18)
Georgetown, TX (1-30) (5-22)
Henryetta (3-30)
Hillsboro, TX (1-30) (5-22)
Holdenville (6-25)
Holland, TX (5-22)
Hugo (3-5) (3-26)
Idabel (3-30)
Johnson City, TX (5-18)
Kerrville, TX (5-18)
Kingfisher County (6-15)
Laverne (3-5) (3-30)
LBJ Historical Site (5-11) (5-14)
McCurtain County (3-12)
Marble Falls, TX (5-25)
New Braunfels, TX (5-25)
New Orleans, LA (4-10) (4-13) (4-18) (4-20) (4-23) (4-27) (4-30)
Oklahoma Press Association (3-9)
Perry (3-26) (6-4)
Salado, TX (1-27) (5-22)
Sallisaw (3-23) (3-26)
San Antonio, TX (2-24) (5-18)
San Marcos, TX (2-10) (2-27) (5-25)
Sapulpa (6-29)
Sayre (6-1)
Seminole Junior College (1-13)
Stonewall, TX (3-2) (5-18)
Sulphur (4-6)
Temple, TX (1-23) (5-22)
Texas Hill Country (5-4)
Tishomingo (3-23)
Ulvalde (5-18)
Vinita (6-25)
Waco, TX (1-16) (1-23) (5-22)
Waxahachie, TX (1-20) (5-22)
Wilburton (3-16) (3-30)
Woodward (3-5) (3-26)

Folder 8:

Folder contains clippings from the second half of 1980 over the following subjects:

Broken Bow (11-12)
Checotah (10-19)
Claremore (10-19)
Cowboy Hall of Fame (11-26)
Denison, TX (12-10)
Detroit, MI (8-10)
Durant, Nursery Co. (12-14)
Effingham, IL (8-7)
Eufaula (11-19)
Five Civilized Tribes Museum (9-25)
Foreman home (10-1)
Forney, TX (12-3)
GOP convention (8-6) (8-10) (8-13)
Grove (8-31)
Hodgens (11-19)
Holdenville (10-5)
Hugo (10-5)
Illinois (8-13)
Indiana (8-13)
Kingfisher (10-19)
Laverne (10-5)
McClain County (12-24)
Michigan (8-13)
Missouri (8-13)
Morris, John W. (7-30)
Muskogee (7-2) (8-3) (8-17) (10-12)
Norman (12-7)
Okemah (7-27) (10-19)
Oklahoma Heritage Association Tour (7-9) (7-20) (10-22) (10-29) (11-2) (11-5) (11-9)
Okmulgee (10-12)
Plano, TX (12-3)
Poteau (11-19)
Sallisaw (10-5)
Sapulpa (10-19)
Sayre (10-5)
Seminole (7-27)
Seminole Nation Museum (7-16)
Southeast Oklahoma (11-23)
Stillwell (9-28) (10-12)
Tahlequah (9-25) (10-12)
Tishomingo (11-12)
Wagoner (7-22) (10-12)
Warren, MI (8-27)
Wewoka (7-27) (10-19)
Windsor, Ontario, Canada (8-20)

Folder 9

Folder 9 contains clippings from the first two months of 1981 over the following subjects:

Bryan County (1-14)
Eastern Oklahoma (1-18) (1-21)
Highway 71 (2-8)
Lake of the Ozarks (1-25)
Morgan County, Missouri (1-28)
Mt. Vernon, Missouri (2-11)
Northwest Arkansas (2-1)
Potter, J.C. (1-11)
Southwest Missouri (2-15)

Robert V. Peterson Collection
Addition September 29, 1978
Newspaper Clippings from the Durant Daily Democrat, Durant, OK.

1. Perry's Cherokee Strip Museum: Home of some 4,000 Donated Artifacts. 6-18-78.
2. Blanchard, Settled in 1908, Has Seen Big Changes In Its 70-Year Existence. 6-25-78.
3. Wheat, Oil and Housing Discussed at Newspaper Publisher's Meeting. 6-28-78.
4. Pigs are Beautiful to Page Thurston, Head of the State Pork Commission. 8-6-78.
5. State Museum Near Waurika Tells Saga of Chisolm Trail Cattle Drives. 7-30-78.
6. Duncan Group Goes After New Doctors Like Chasing Industrial Prospects. 7-23-78.
7. Vinita: Home of the Will Rogers Memorial Rodeo, Eastern State Hospital. 7-16-86.
9. Eufaula, Growing Because of Lake, Boasts a Number of State 'Firsts.' 7-5-78.
10. Bartlesville Site of State's First Commercial Oil Well -- Nellie Johnstone No. 1. 3-12-78.
11. Mission Established in 1871 by Society of Friends for Absent Shawnee Tribe. 3-8-78.
12. Oil, And Expanding Industry Keeping Northeastern Part of State Moving. 1-29-78.
13. Life in Southwestern Part of State Continues to be Centered on Agriculture. 2-5-78.
14. Vandalism, Cattle Thefts and Arson Problems for Eastern Part of State. 2-12-78.
16. Many Subjects Discussed By State Newspaper Publishers at Annual Meeting. 2-24-78.
17. State Newspaper Publishers Discuss the Problems of Their Communities. 2-26-78.
18. Territorial Museum With 3,000 Items on Display Continues Artifacts Search. 3-23-78.
20. Hughes County Ranked Second in State in Production of Peanuts. 5-28-78.
21. Chickasha Chamber, Realty Company Pushing for Revitalizing Downtown. 6-4-78.
22. 28 Electrical Cooperatives Serve Over 200,000 Customers Across the State. 5-21-78.
23. Pauls Valley Economy Based on Agriculture and Manufacturing. 4-30-78.
24. Alabaster Caverns State Park Near Woodward. Open to Public At No Charge. 4-2-78.
25. Stillwater Pleased as OSU Enrollment Higher that OU's. 8-13-78.
27. Thumbnail Sampling of What's Happening Across State. 9-3-78.
28. Weatherford; Home of Southwestern State And Strong Civic Leadership. 9-10-78.
30. Arcadia Lake Near Edmond to Cost $50 Million, Take 7 Years to Complete. 9-17-78.
32. Plano, TX -- A Booming, Modern Town Expected to Double in Population. 3-26-78.

Box P-32
Folder 1

Description: Newspaper clippings by Robert V. Peterson from Durant Daily Democrat, inclusive dates August 1982 to May 1983.

"French Island Martinique Linked to Motherland" 3-20-83
"Hugo's Chamber Manager Enthused Over Recent Growth Surge" 1-16-83
"Durant Exhibits Signs of Growth to Travelers Passing Through" 1-30-83
"Important Plants Expand Industrial Potential of SE Oklahoma" 1-26-83
"Capsule Looks at Communities in Both Texas, Oklahoma" 2-5-83
"Southeastern Electric Co-op Services 3,000 Customers in Area" 1-19-83
"Chickasha Surrounded by Excellent Farm Land, Oil Drilling Fields" 11-28-83
"Dining on Board Cruise Ship Usually Highlight of Any Voyage" 3-16-83
"Bartlesville Growth Firmly Linked to Phillips Petroleum Co." 4-3-83
"Sooner Progress Report Heard at OPA" 4-6-83
"Community Leaders Tell What's Important to Their Towns" 4-20-83
"Oil Drilling Activity Contributes to Cleveland's Economic Picture" 4-24-83
"Roger Rivard Talks About Behind-The-Scenes Lodge Operations" 5-1-83
"Southeast Oklahoma Tourism Aided by Colbert Info Center" 5-4-83
"Ardmore Writer Prominent Recorder of Carter County History" 4-10-83
"Don't Underestimate Economic Potential of Nearby Atoka County" 5-15-83
"Peanut Acres, Cattle, Small Farm Operations Dot Atoka County" 5-18-83
"Hill Country, Texas Residents Proud of Unusual Courthouse" 12-8-82
"Dallas Satellite of Plano is a Professionally Planned Community" 12-12-82
"Waco, Texas Can Boast Four Expanding Educational Institutions" 12-15-82
"Waco's Growth Has Been Consistent With Environmental Qualities" 12-1-82
"Dallas Area Offers Tremendous Variety of Goods, Services" 12-22-82

Folder 2

"Picturesque 'Old Town' A Must for Any Albuquerque Visit" 10-17-82
"Grand Tour of Albuquerque Offers Look at Atomic Museum" 10-6-82
"Rugged Sandia Mountains Fuel Tourist Industry in Albuquerque" 10-13-82
"Piper Tours Excursions Through Albuquerque Provide Variety" 10-10-82
"Spanish, German Influences Strong in Texas Towns" 9-26-82
"Flight on Southwest Airlines Provides some Useful Footnotes" 10-3-82
"A Capsule Look At Two Interesting Texas Communities on I-35" 9-19-82
"Gray Line Tour Offers Interesting Look at 10th Largest U.S. City" 9-15-82
"Informal Atmosphere Encourages Strolling Along River Walk" 9-12-82
"River Walk: San Antonio's Fascinating Gem of a Tourist Attraction" 9-1-82
"San Antonio is One of America's Four Most Unique Cities" 9-5-82
"Rapidly Growing Lawton Probably Most Under Rated City In State" 9-29-82
"Durant's Mayor Successfully Balances Two High-Pressure Jobs" 1-12-83
"Ponca City's Mansion as Interesting as the Man Who Built It" 11-10-82
"An Oil Company Town, Ponca City Eyeing Tourism Industry" 11-14-82
"Millionaire E.W. Marland's Legacy Noticed Throughout Ponca City" 11-7-82
"Traveler Offers Capsule Looks at Five Sun belt Communities" 11-21-82
"Madill's Economy Linked to Burlington Northern Railroad Growth" 1-15-83
"Historic Fort Sill Responsible For Lawton's Tremendous Growth" 11-24-82
"Madill Proud of Two Major Plants, Native Son Raymond Gary" 1-9-83
"Rain Forest, Beautiful Beaches Highlight Bus tour of Puerto Rico" 2-16-83
"Writer Describes Tour of Old San Juan, Capital of Puerto Rico" 2-13-83
"Antique, Modern Blend Compatibly in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands" 2-27-83
"San Juan Used as Filming Site for Dreamboat" 2-21-83
"Keeping Princess Spiffy is Job of Accommodation Officer" 3-2-83
"Cruise Ship Purser Has Duties, Hours Similar To Hotel Manager" 3-10-83
"St. Maarten A Rare Island Owned by Two European Nations" 3-13-83
"Trip to Caribbean Begins with Interviews At Nearby Airports" 2-6-83
"Puerto Rico Hotels Cater to Easterners Tired of Winter Weather" 2-13-83
"Writer Touches on Highlights of Memorable Caribbean Cruise" 8-23-83

Folder 3

Description" Copies of newspaper clippings by Robert V. Peterson, "Seeing…" series, Durant Daily Democrat

Brief Titles:

1. Bustling Summer Resorts at Branson, Mo. …
2. Prices…Soaring Throughout "Heart of America".
3. Broken Arrow Claims Most Growth…
4. Ponca City Proud…
5. Exploding Population Puts Moore at Top…
6. Oil and Gas Boom in Western Oklahoma Creates Housing Problems
7. Manufacturers for Oil Industry Help Economy of McAlester Expand
8. O.S.U. Students Have Good Rapport with School President
9. Huge Western Electric Plant…
10. South Oklahoma City Sets Growth Pace…
11. Thumbnail Condensations of Eight Divergent Oklahoma Communities
12. Economy of Idabel…
13. More Than 3,000 McCurtain Contains on Weyerhaeuser Payroll
14. Visitors Center Near Colbert Provides Information
15. Farming, Ranching Changes…Love County
Folder 4 - Addition Inventory

"Seeing the Emerald Isle" Series:
3. "Ireland and Wales Both Fascinating, But for Different Reasons," 11-23-83
4. "Job of European Tour Director: Challenging but Exciting," 11-6-83

"Seeing England" Series:
2. "Observing Highly-Civilized Londoners on Rainy Day in the City," 11-30-83
"Seeing Oklahoma" Series:
1. "Capsule Views of Oklahoma Congressional Delegation Offered," 2-26-84
6. "Bartlesville Feels Fortunate to Have Phillips Petroleum Co.," 2-8-84
7. "Turnpike Named After Late Governor," 2-5-84
8. "Norman's 280-Bed Hospital Stresses Patient Comfort," 1-25-84
9. "Some Interesting Historical Items About West Central Oklahoma," 6-5-83
13. "Turnpike Named After Late Governor," 2-5-84
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