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BIOGRAPHY

Warren Kress was born on April 15, 1921, in St. Paul, Minnesota. After enrolling at the University of Minnesota in 1939, he left college in 1942 to volunteer for the military draft. He participated in the D-Day offensive in World War II, landing on Juno Beach during the Normandy Invasion. After Normandy, Kress moved with his unit across France and into Germany where he stayed until the end of the war. His unit worked on the logistics problems of moving Allied forces through civilian populations of refugees and preserving functioning local governments during the war chaos. In 1946 Kress became a captain and stayed in the Army Reserve until 1964, eventually attaining the rank of major.

Upon his return from the war, Kress again entered the University of Minnesota and completed his undergraduate degree in Geography in 1946. He remained at the school from 1947 to 1955, working on his graduate degree. At the University of Minnesota, he served as an Instructor from 1947-51, a Teaching Assistant from 1951-52, and an Administrative Fellow in Science Filmstrips from 1954-55. Kress taught at St. Cloud State College as a Visiting Faculty member from 1955 to 1956, before coming to North Dakota Agricultural College to teach in September of 1957 (the name changed to North Dakota State University [NDSU] in 1960). Kress obtained his PhD from the University of Minnesota in 1962 and achieved the rank of professor at NDSU that same year. He taught at NDSU for thirty-four years. After his retirement in 1991, he was made Professor Emeritus of Geosciences.

During his thirty-four years at NDSU, Kress was an enthusiastic teacher and advocate for geography. In fact, for a number of years, he was the only geographer on the campus. During his time at NDSU, he also served on numerous college committees and was an active member of many geographic and science organizations, including the Association of North Dakota Geographers and the North Dakota Academy of Science. He was a founding member of the College of University Studies at NDSU and helped organize the college's accreditation reports in 1966 and 1968. In 1991, the year of his retirement, Kress received the Outstanding Service Award from the NDSU College of Humanities and Social Sciences. In 1993, he helped prepare the Memorial Union Rededication Program and served as Master of Ceremonies for the event. In 1995, the NDSU geosciences department honored him by opening the Warren Kress Geography Laboratory, an instructional and research facility for Geographic Information Systems. In 1999, the University of Minnesota geography department instituted the Department of Geography Warren D. Kress Distinguished Alumni Award, naming Kress as the first recipient. Also in 1999, he was honored as a fifty-year member of the Association of American Geographers.

Kress married Norma Lucille Carter, a musician, in 1960. They had one son, Donald Carter Kress. On August 23rd, 2001, at age eighty, Warren Kress passed away. He was preceded in death by his wife, who passed away in 1982.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Warren Kress papers document Kress' life from his early days at St. Paul High School and the University of Minnesota through his long teaching career at North Dakota State University. The collection reflects his life-long interest in geography. The papers have been organized into nine series: **Personal Materials Series, Military Series, National and State Geography/ Science Organizations Series, North Dakota State University (NDSU) Series, California Geography Projects Series, Talks Series, Community Activities Series, Correspondence Series, and Publications Series.**

The [Personal Materials Series](#) consists of biographical information about Kress, as well as papers describing his early educational and teaching experiences. The series contains four sub-series:

The [Biographical Materials Sub-Series](#) contains three photos of Kress, a brief biography of Kress in *American Men and Women of Science* (12th ed., 1971), and his personnel record. The President's Form 2 (used for accreditation purposes) filled out by Kress provides a listing of all of the publications, speeches,

and projects he had completed up until 1981. Articles in this series include three from *It's Happening at State*: the first announces Kress' retirement from teaching (April 24, 1991), the second describes the Warren D. Kress Distinguished Alumni Award (August 18, 1999), and the third is his obituary (August 29, 2001). Also included in this series is Kress' obituary in the *Fargo Forum* and the program from his funeral.

The St. Paul High School Sub-Series contains a newspaper article regarding Kress' acceptance into the St. Paul Central high school band and correspondence regarding his high school reunions from the 1940s through the 1960s.

The University of Minnesota Sub-Series consists of papers dealing with Kress' experience as an undergraduate student and then teacher at the University of Minnesota (1941-42, 1947-55). Materials include Kress' notes from some of the classes he took, papers regarding his participation in the campus Cosmopolitan Club, letters from his stay in Yellowstone Park in the summer of 1941, notes and correspondence from his Scandinavia Studies Trip in 1948, and general campus newspaper articles written by or about Kress while he was at the university. This sub-series also contains correspondence and notes from Kress' stay in Washington D.C. during the fall of 1952. In Washington, Kress worked for the Environmental Research Branch of the Army and spent some time researching his thesis.

The St. Cloud State Teachers College (SCSTC) Sub-Series includes materials from Kress' year spent teaching at St. Cloud State Teachers College (1955-56) in St. Cloud, Minnesota. Papers consist of lists of classes Kress taught there, the notes from one of those classes (Geography of the Russian Sphere), general correspondence written during his year at the college, and Kress' handwritten minutes from the SCSTC Faculty Association meetings and the SCSTC Division of Social Studies Committee meetings.

The Military Series focuses on Kress' activities while serving in the United States military, especially his time served during World War II. Papers include his handwritten notes from his Provost Marshal General (PMG) classes, which Kress took in 1943 as part of his training to be a military policeman. His classes centered on Traffic Control, Military Law, and Criminal Investigation. This series contains a great deal of correspondence. Kress wrote and received numerous letters as he moved around different camps in the United States and then while he was stationed in Europe. Most of Kress' military correspondence, which began in 1942 and ended in 1945, is with his parents.

The National and State Geography/Science Organizations Series demonstrates Kress' active participation in a number of geographic and science-related associations. Some of the contents of this series include correspondence, brochures, membership cards, handwritten and typed meeting minutes, organization events, and committee lists. Not content to simply be a member, Kress held various officer positions in the different groups and served on numerous committees for each of the organizations. Some of the associations, including the National Council of Geography Teachers (1946-1954), the Minnesota Council of Geography Teachers (1949, 1953-1955), the National Council for Geographic Education (1960s-1980s), the North Dakota Educational Association-Geography Section (1960s-70s), and the Action Committee for Environmental Education (1968-1971), show Kress' life-long interest in education and teaching methods. His interest in North Dakota geography is demonstrated through his membership in four state geographic/science organizations. Kress was especially active in the Association of North

Dakota Geographers (1958-1967, 1973-1984), serving as secretary and president, as well as heading many committees over the years.

The [North Dakota State University \(NDSU\) Series](#) is quite large; Kress was a very active faculty member during his years at the college. He was committed to promoting geography at NDSU and to bettering the university in whatever ways he could. The series consists of nine sub-series:

The [NDSU Teaching Sub-Series](#) contains papers from many of the classes Kress taught at NDSU, including worksheets, notes, maps, and syllabi.

The [NDSU Accreditation Sub-Series](#) contains materials dealing with NDSU's accreditation in 1966 and 1976 by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools (NCA), along with the teacher education program's accreditation by the National Council For Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) in 1968. Kress was heavily involved in helping plan all three accreditation reports and visits; he worked on NDSU's All-University Self-Study, served on the visit committees, assisted in writing NDSU's official report for NCATE, and organized the President's Forms 1 and 2.

The [NDSU Institute of Education Sub-Series](#) consists of a number of papers relating to the Institute of Education program, which defined itself as a professional faculty for teacher education. The Institute studied curriculums, revised educational procedures, and researched ways to improve professional education. Kress served on the Institute of Education Council as well as on various committees for the Institute, such as the Special Committee on Overhead Projectors and the Objectives Committee.

The [NDSU Academic Divisions Sub-Series](#) contains the meeting minutes and correspondence of specific divisions related to the department of geography, such as the School of Arts and Sciences (1958-65), the Division of Natural Sciences (1961-1972), and the College of Humanities and Social Sciences (1983, 1990-1991). Throughout his time at NDSU, Kress was continuously involved in improving the graduate school; accordingly, this series also contains minutes from the Faculty of the Graduate School meetings (1963-1976), and papers related to the Graduate Program in Community and Regional Planning (1969-80). In addition, the series consists of papers dealing with the College of University Studies, which Kress helped found, and information on the new Geosciences Department in 1990.

The [NDSU Organizations and Committees Sub-Series](#) contains papers from the many college-based groups and associations Kress belonged to while a professor at NDSU. He was a member of two academic honor societies, the science-oriented Society of the Sigma Xi and the geography-oriented Gamma Theta Upsilon. He also belonged to the NDSU chapter of the American Association of University Professors. Kress' varied interests are shown through the diverse committees he served on during his years at the college. Papers from the committee files include minutes from committee meetings, some correspondence, and other general materials from each committee. Kress sat on such committees as the Graduate Procedures Committee (1967-69), the Retirement Benefits Committee (1983-84), the Library Advisory Committee (1982-84), and the Bottineau Branch Study Committee (1972-80). Through the Committee on the Naming of Buildings, Routes, and Spaces (1973-1994), Kress was involved in naming, among others, the Reineke Fine Arts Center, Robinson Hall, Seim Hall, and Bolley Drive. Kress was also active on the Honorary Degrees Committee (1981-89) and the Camp Ritchie Advisory Committee (1967-

68), which set up courses at the North Dakota Conservation Center on Lake Ashtabula. The last committee Kress sat on was a Search Committee (1990-91) set up to find a replacement for him at NDSU after his retirement.

The NDSU University Senate Sub-Series papers demonstrate Kress' interest and active participation in this faculty organization. During his years as a member of the University Senate, Kress served on a number of committees; accordingly, materials in this sub-series include committee meeting minutes, as well as committee correspondence and other related papers. During the 1960s and early 1970s, Kress sat on the Senate Committee on Committees, served as chairman of the Senate Library Committee, and was elected secretary of the Senate Research Committee. The last part of this sub-series contains the University Senate monthly meeting minutes from 1964 to 1970; during these years, Kress attended nearly every meeting.

The NDSU Events Sub-Series consists of papers regarding the various programs and conferences Kress participated in while at NDSU. He helped plan NDSU's annual Research Conferences (1964-67), as well as the college's annual Honors Days. For the Honors Days, Kress donated the funds for two awards in the 1980s in memory of his wife, Norma: the Mayflower Geography Award and the Mayflower Music Award. Kress also worked on the Great Plains Symposium sponsored by the North Dakota Institute for Regional Studies in commemoration of the college's 75th anniversary (1965).

The NDSU Stevens Hall Sub-Series papers reveal Kress' interest in getting a new science building constructed at NDSU in the 1960s. Materials in this sub-series include a detailed architectural drawing of the new building's interior, along with two drawings and one photograph of its exterior. Papers include correspondence and articles relating to the naming of the building after O.A. Stevens (NDSU botanist) and materials related to the big dedication ceremonies on October 18, 1968. Kress was involved both in the naming of the new hall and with the planning of the ceremonies, at which he gave a speech. Also in this sub-series are photographs taken by Kress of the Stevens Hall Honors Day award recipients of 1990.

The NDSU Memorial Union Sub-Series papers document Kress' research in preparation for the Memorial Union's Rededication Program in 1993. As a member of the planning committee, Kress researched the history of the Union and compiled lists of NDSU students killed in wars. The materials in this sub-series consist of casualty lists, newspaper articles about the Memorial Union, papers describing the Charles G. French and Robert E. Phillips military awards, the final program for the Rededication Program, and several photographs of the Vietnam Wall and the Memorial Union plaques. Kress served as Master of Ceremonies for the rededication event held May 6, 1993.

The California Geography Projects Series contains papers on two large geography projects that Kress undertook in California the 1950s and 60s. In the summer of 1959, Kress served as a Visiting Planning Technician in the Department of Planning for Culver City, California. Working closely with the City Council, he studied the urban geography of the area and helped write "Our Urban Resources: An Economic Base Survey of the city of Culver City, California." Papers in this series include several reports, maps, and letters written from Kress to Culver City's Director of Planning. Kress undertook a similar project in Los Angeles in the 1960s, working on a detailed map analysis of the L.A. area from the

standpoint of settlement geography. Papers from the Los Angeles Project include numerous maps and correspondence between Kress and various Los Angeles area city managers.

The [Talks Series](#) consists of materials from presentations given by Kress at different events. Papers in this series include programs, brochures, correspondence, and personal notes. In 1958, Kress presented a paper, "Electric Power in Minnesota: A Geographical View," at an Association of American Geographers meeting in Santa Monica, California. In 1979, he traveled to the South Dakota State Geography Convention in Brookings, SD, to deliver a talk entitled, "Urban Physical Geography, Including Anthropogenic Geomorphology." Also in 1979, Kress took part in a program at Moorhead State University called "Taking the Measure of the Land." The program was created around a traveling National Archives Exhibit, which visited the Moorhead campus in early summer. As part of the program, Kress led a two day seminar in June entitled, "How the West was Found," which centered on the exhibit and instructed education students on the best ways to teach map skills in the classroom. Included in this file are the various map worksheets Kress used in the seminar. Materials from other talks Kress gave over the years are also included in this series – including presentations for such groups as the Fargo Engineers Club, the Commons Club, and the Comstock Historic House Society.

The [Community Activities Series](#) focuses on two organizations: the Boy Scouts of America and the Lutheran Church. Kress gave much of his free time to these two groups. While living in St. Paul, Kress was heavily involved with the Evangelical Lutheran Gloria Dei Church. The papers in this series demonstrate that Kress acted as editor-in-chief of the Dei Times, was chairman of the Twenty Group (a church group for men between the ages of 20 and 29), served as a deacon of the church, and was an active member of both the Church Council and the Church Luther League. Following his move to Fargo, Kress became a long-time member of the Elim Lutheran Church. Kress, who became an Explorer Senior Scout, was also a volunteer for the Boy Scouts. He helped lead Boy Scout camps, served as a Scout Master, and helped plan events such as Fathers and Sons Banquets.

The [Correspondence Series](#) is large and covers the years between 1939 and 1986. There is a gap between 1942 and 1945; letters from these years can be found under the Military Series in this collection. The Correspondence Series consists of two sub-series:

The [Personal Correspondence Sub-Series](#) (1940-1986) consists of correspondence with Kress' friends, relatives, close contemporaries, and army buddies. Much of Kress' correspondence is with his brother Robert or his parents, whom he kept in faithful contact with over the years. The varied content found in the letters reveals Kress' interests and activities over the years. Frequent topics include the military, photography, vacations/trips, and world events. Also included in the Personal Correspondence Sub-Series are specific collections of letters from three of Kress' acquaintances: Edward Patrick Moyer (1939-1950), Daniel B. Magraw (1941-1955), and Paul Hansen (1939-1955). These three men, together with Kress, were evidently all good friends who kept in frequent contact with one another through lengthy letters, most of which are filled with mentions of girls, beer, and army life.

The [Professional Correspondence Sub-Series](#) (1941-1986) consists of correspondence with academic colleagues, students, and company officials. These letters discuss Kress' various academic activities, including his teaching load, his interest in maps of all kinds, his arrangement of geographic field trips, and

his graduate work on the Geography of Electric Power in Minnesota. Also included in this sub-series are job applications from colleges around the country, letters regarding Kress' articles in *North Dakota Teacher*, charity donation notes, Army Reserve correspondence, and letters Kress wrote to magazines and newspapers. In addition, there are a few letters dealing with Kress' political involvement, including a birthday party invitation for North Dakota representative Quentin N. Burdick. Kress also served as the faculty advisor for the Young Republican Club and helped out with activities sponsored by the Republican National Committee.

The [Publication Series](#) consists chiefly of eight published works written by Kress. The publications, all about local topics relative to either Minnesota or North Dakota, show Kress' interest in regional geography. The first two are geographic bibliographies: "Modern Geography: Recommended Books and Maps for Minnesota Libraries" in *Minnesota Libraries* (1954), and "Paperback Books of Geographic Interest" in the *Bulletin of the Association of North Dakota Geographers* (1965). The next three are reports Kress wrote for the North Dakota Institute of Regional Studies: *Some Remarks Regarding the Ecology of North Dakota Together with an Initial Bibliography of the Vegetation of the State* (1963), *A List of Publications Pertaining to the Animal Life of North Dakota* (1963), and *Toward a Bibliography of Sociological Writings on North Dakota: Some Suggestions and a Working List* (1966). The last publications in this series are three 1962 articles from *North Dakota Teacher* magazine: "Hydrographic Patterns of North Dakota," "Railroads in North Dakota," and "Aspects of the Geography of Agriculture in North Dakota." Also included in this series are writing proposals written by Kress to the Institute for Regional Studies.

BOX AND FOLDER LIST

BOX 1

- 1 Finding Aid

PERSONAL MATERIALS SERIES

Biographical Materials Sub-Series

- 2 Photographs of Kress (3) – 1955, 1960
- 3 Articles, Clippings, Obituaries – 1970s-2001

St. Paul Central High School Sub-Series

- 4 School Band – Newspaper article – 1937
- 5 Reunion Correspondence – 1940s-1960s

University of Minnesota Sub-Series

- 6 History 109 – “European Overseas Expansion” - notes - Summer 1946
- 7 Geology 145 – “Use and Interpretation of Aerial Photos” – notes, worksheets – Spring 1947
- 8 Agricultural Economics 172 – tests, notes - Spring 1947
- 9 History 110 – “Middle East in the 19th and 20th Centuries” – notes – Summer 1947

- 10 History 131 – “History of American Science” – notes - Summer 1947
- 11 Agricultural Economics 110 – “Economics of Agricultural Production” - tests, notes – Fall 1947
- 12 Agricultural Economics 170 – “Land Economics” – tests, notes - Winter 1948
- 13 Geology 119 – “Geomorphology of the United States” – tests, notes, maps, pictures - Winter 1949
- 14 Geology 119 – paper written by Kress – “The Mississippi Delta: A Study in Geomorphology”
- 15 Scandinavian seminar classes – notes - 1948, 1949, 1953
- 16 Cosmopolitan Club – Minnesota Chapter – membership list, constitution, poster - 1940s
- 17 Yellowstone Park correspondence – July 1941-September 1941
- 18 Scandinavian Studies Trip – notes, newspaper article - Summer 1948
- 19 Scandinavian Studies Trip – correspondence – June 1948-September 1948
- 20 Newspaper articles – 1939, 1940s, 1950s
- 21 Washington D.C. visit – study notes and correspondence – Fall 1952

St. Cloud State Teachers College (SCSTC) Sub-Series

- 22 Class information and correspondence – August 1955-May 1956
- 23 Geography 378 – “Geography of the Russian Sphere” – class notes - 1955
- 24 SCSTC Faculty Association Minutes – October 1955-May 1956
- 25 SCSTC Division of Social Sciences – notes and correspondence – September 1955-April 1956

MILITARY SERIES

- 26 PMG (Provost Marshal General) School – “Traffic Control” – class notes – 1943
- 27 PMG School – “Military Law” – class notes – 1943
- 28 PMG School – “Criminal Investigation” – class notes – 1943
- 29 Military correspondence – August 5, 1942-August 31, 1942
- 30 Military correspondence – September 2, 1942-September 30, 1942
- 31 Military correspondence – October 1, 1942-November 12, 1942
- 32 Military correspondence – November 16, 1942-December 30, 1942
- 33 Military correspondence – January-June 1943
- 34 Military correspondence - July-December 1943
- 35 Military correspondence - January 1944-June 1945

NATIONAL AND STATE GEOGRAPHY/SCIENCE ORGANIZATIONS SERIES

- 36 National Council of Geography Teachers - brochure, constitution, correspondence - 1946-1954
- 37 Minnesota Council of Geography Teachers (MCGT) - Kress was secretary/treasurer - meeting minutes, pamphlets, correspondence - 1949, 1953-1955
- 38 National Council for Geographic Education (NCGE) - constitution, newsletters, questionnaire, correspondence - 1960s-1980s
- 39 North Dakota Education Association (NDEA) - Kress was chairman of the NDEA Geography Section - meeting minutes, newsletter, correspondence - 1960s-1970s

- 40 Action Committee for Environmental Education - minutes of meetings held by the Board of Directors, by-laws, correspondence - 1968-1971
- 41 Environmental Studies Council - correspondence - 1972
- 42 North Dakota Academy of Science - constitution, banquet information, meeting minutes, meeting pamphlets, membership list, correspondence - 1958-1974
- 43 North Dakota Social Science Association - newsletter, conference brochures, correspondence - 1959-1974
- 44 North Dakota Geographic Alliance (NDGA) - Kress was the higher education steering committee representative - correspondence - 1991
- 45 Association of North Dakota Geographers (ANDG) affairs - Kress served as secretary and president in the 1960s and was president again in the 1980s - field trip materials, correspondence, meeting minutes, committee lists - 1958-1961
- 46 ANDG affairs - 1962-1963
- 47 ANDG affairs - 1964-1967
- 48 ANDG affairs - 1973-1975
- 49 ANDG affairs - 1977-1978
- 50 ANDG affairs - 1979-1982
- 51 ANDG affairs - 1983-1984
- 52 ANDG - constitution and correspondence regarding changes in the constitution - 1960s and 1970s

NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY (NDSU) SERIES

NDSU Teaching Sub-Series

- 53 Geography 103 - "Regional Geography of the World" - syllabus - Fall Quarter 1957
- 54 Geography 134-254 - "Climate" - syllabus, lecture notes - Winter Quarter 1957
- 55 Botany 110 - syllabus - Winter Quarter 1959-1960
- 56 Geography 101 - "Introductory Geography" - lecture notes, class outlines - 1960-1961
- 57 Geography 499 - "Special Problems in the Geography of Latin America" - lecture notes, maps, magazine and newspaper articles - Spring Quarter 1961
- 58 Geography 496 - "Geography in Education" - outline, worksheets - Fall Quarter 1970
- 59 Geography 312 - "Geography of the Upper Midwest" - outlines, lecture notes - Spring Quarter 1972
- 60 Geography 496 - "Historical Geography" - lecture notes - Fall Quarter 1972
- 61 Geography 310 - "Geography of Eastern North America" - worksheets, lecture notes - Fall Quarter 1973
- 62 Geography 101 - "Introductory Geography" - syllabus, outlines - Fall Quarter 1973
- 63 Geography 401 - "Political Geography" - syllabus, lecture notes - Spring Quarter 1974
- 64 Geography 311 - "Geography of Western North America" - syllabus, worksheets - Winter Quarter 1977-1978
- 65 Geography of North America I - lecture notes, class outlines - 1970s
- 66 Geography 497 - "American Indians" - maps, lecture notes - no date
- 67 Geography 251 - "Economic Geography" - test, lecture notes - no date
- 68 Geography 103 - "Human Geography" - syllabus - Winter Quarter 1990-1991
- 69 Geography 310 - "Geography of North America" - syllabus - Winter Quarter 1990-91

- 70 Geography 101 - "World Regional Geography" - syllabus - Spring Quarter 1991
- 71 Geography 311 - "Geography of the Americas (Latin America)" - syllabus - Spring Quarter 1991
- 72 Geography 312 - "Geography of the Upper Midwest" - syllabus - Spring Quarter 1991
- 73 Class maps

BOX 2

NDSU Accreditation Sub-Series

- 1 All-University Self-Study (done in preparation for the NCA Visit) - graduate school self-study papers, committee meeting minutes, self-study memos, correspondence - 1960-1965
- 2 President's Forms 1 and 2 (used in the All-University Self-Study)
- 3 NCA (North Central Association) Accreditation Visit of May 9-12, 1966 - visit report, visit correspondence, institutional data sheets
- 4 NCA Visit of Spring 1976 - committee reports, faculty questionnaire, statement of goals for the university
- 5 Faculty Information for NCATE (National Council For Accreditation of Teacher Education) Report - hand drawn chart of faculty degrees, faculty data sheets, memos on the Faculty Member's Exhibit in the NCATE Report - 1960s
- 6 Instructions on how to organize an NCATE Report
- 7 NCATE Visit to NDSU on April 8-10, 1968 - visit schedule, visit summary, correspondence, three articles about the visit from *It's Happening at State* and the *Spectrum*
- 8 Final NDSU Report prepared for the April 1968 NCATE visit

NDSU Institute of Education Sub-Series

- 9 Organizational Structure and Members - memos, member list - 1968
- 10 Brochure - 1965
- 11 Graduate Degrees in Education – memos discussing changes in the program - 1964-1967
- 12 Special Committee on Overhead Projectors - Kress was committee chairman - papers regarding the committee's entry into a 3-M Contest in order to win 6 overhead projectors and 2 thermo-fax copy makers – 1963
- 13 Objectives Committee – memos, meeting minutes - 1964-1966

NDSU Academic Divisions Sub-Series

- 14 School of Arts and Sciences – meeting minutes of the Faculty of the School of Applied Arts and Sciences – 1958-1965
- 15 Division of Natural Sciences – memos, proposal for an audio-tutorial system for the biological sciences faculty written by Kress – 1961-1972
- 16 College of Humanities and Social Sciences – minutes of chair meetings – 1983, 1990-1991
- 17 Faculty of the Graduate School – nomination form, meeting minutes – 1963-1976
- 18 Graduate Program in Community and Regional Planning – memos and correspondence relating to this program - 1969-1980
- 19 College of University Studies – proposal for this new degree, memos, 1973 Interim Report of the College of University Studies - 1972-1982

- 20 Geosciences Department – memos describing this new program which combined the geography and geology departments – 1990

NDSU Organizations and Committees Sub-Series

- 21 Society of the Sigma Xi, NDSU Chapter – bylaws, chapter petition - 1962-1974
- 22 Gamma Theta Upsilon, tri-college Eta Chapter – correspondence, constitution, handbook, one photograph of members – 1960s, 1980s
- 23 American Association of University Professors, NDSU chapter – brochures, correspondence, one record of meeting minutes - 1950s, 1970s
- 24 Graduate Procedures Committee (within Division of Natural Sciences) – memos – 1967- 1969
- 25 Retirement Benefits Committee – meeting minutes, committee report - 1983-1984
- 26 University Library Advisory Committee – purpose statement, meeting minutes - 1982- 1984
- 27 Bottineau Branch Study Committee – memos, Kress’ personal notes on NDSU’s relationship with Bottineau’s Institute of Forestry, study committee report - 1972-1980
- 28 Committee on Naming of Buildings, Routes, and Spaces – correspondence, memos - 1973-1994
- 29 Honorary Degrees Committee – meeting notices, nomination requests, nomination booklet for honorary degree nominee Howard Olson - 1981-1989
- 30 Camp Ritchie Advisory Committee – memos, ND Conservation Center finance sheet, summer camp program notes and brochure - 1967-1968
- 31 Search Committee for Geography Professor to replace Dr. Kress – memos, job advertisement - 1990-1991

NDSU University Senate Sub-Series

- 32 Senate Committee on Committees – meeting minutes, memos - 1966-67
- 33 Senate Library Committee – Kress was committee chairman - library diagrams, meeting minutes, library profile, correspondence, 1962 Library Self-Study – 1960s
- 34 Senate Research Committee – Kress was secretary in early 1970 - meeting minutes, memos - November 1968-January 1971
- 35 University Senate Meeting Minutes - September 1964-May 1967
- 36 University Senate Meeting Minutes - September 1967-July 1969
- 37 University Senate Meeting Minutes – September 1969-May 1970

NDSU Events Sub-Series

- 38 Annual NDSU Research Conferences – brochures, correspondence, poster for the Fourth Annual Research Conference - 1964-1967
- 39 NDSU Honors Days –1984 Honors Day booklet, memos regarding the Mayflower Geography Award and the Mayflower Music Award donated by Kress - 1980s
- 40 NDSU Great Plains Symposium – presented by the ND Institute for Regional Studies to honor NDSU’s 75th anniversary – program, list of participants, purpose of the Symposium statement - April 20-22, 1965

NDSU Stevens Hall Sub-Series

- 41 Plans for a New Natural Sciences Building – memos, personal notes, - early 1960s

- 42 Stevens Hall drawings, photo - architectural drawing of the building's interior (1966) and two drawings of the exterior by Mutchler & Lynch architect firm, one photograph of Stevens Hall
- 43 Stevens Hall Dedication on October 18th, 1968 – correspondence regarding the naming of the building and the planning of the dedication ceremony, Kress' notes from his dedication speech
- 44 Stevens Hall Honors Day photos (3) of reward recipients - April 23rd, 1990

NDSU Memorial Union Sub-Series

- 45 Memorial Union history and background – newspaper and yearbook articles - 1943-1953
- 46 Names of NDAC/NDSU soldiers killed in wars (Philippines, World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam) – lists collected by Kress – three photographs of the Vietnam Memorial from August 1992
- 47 Memorial Union Plaques – proposed wording for plaques, four photographs
- 48 Charles G. French Military Science Award and Robert E. Phillips Aerospace Studies Award – memos, clippings - April 1993
- 49 Memorial Union Rededication Planning – committee minutes, memos - late 1980s, early 1990s
- 50 Memorial Union Rededication Program – ceremony schedule, Roll of Honor (listing NDSU soldiers that died in military action) - May 6th, 1993

CALIFORNIA GEOGRAPHY PROJECTS SERIES

- 51 Culver City Project – Kress was a Visiting Planning Technician – an economic base survey of the city, maps, personal notes, city council meeting minutes - summer 1959
- 52 Culver City Project - inter-departmental correspondence
- 53 Los Angeles Area Geographic Settlement Project – maps, L.A. Department of City Planning 1971-72 Annual Report, other Planning Department publications, personal notes – late 1960s, early 1970s
- 54 Los Angeles Area Project – correspondence, map orders – 1962-1969

TALKS SERIES

- 55 Association of American Geographers (AAG) meeting – Santa Monica, CA — Kress presented: “Electric Power in Minnesota: A Geographical View” – meeting schedule, speech notes - August 18-22, 1958
- 56 SD State Geography Convention – Brookings, SD - Kress presented: “Urban Physical Geography, Including Anthropogenic Geomorphology” – convention brochure, correspondence -March 1979
- 57 Moorhead State University program called "Taking the Measure of the Land" – Kress presented seminar: “How the West was Found” – maps, worksheets – June 1979
- 58 Various other talks correspondence: YMCA, Cass County Historical Society, Fargo Engineers Club, Commons Club, Comstock Historic House Society, Science and Theology Forum – 1961-1984

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SERIES

- 59 Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, St. Paul - correspondence, deacons meetings, committee lists, church council minutes, letter from Elim Lutheran Church in Fargo – 1939, 1947-1957
- 60 Boy Scouts of America – camp correspondence, Explorer Scout booklet, fathers and sons banquet program, 1947 Scout Annual Report – 1939-1940s

CORRESPONDENCE SERIES

Personal Correspondence Sub-Series

- 61 Personal Correspondence – February 1940-December 1941, February-December 1946
- 62 Personal Correspondence – February-December 1947
- 63 Personal Correspondence – January 1948-September 1950
- 64 Personal Correspondence – January 1951-December 1952
- 65 Personal Correspondence – January-December 1953
- 66 Personal Correspondence – January 1954-December 1955
- 67 Personal Correspondence – January 1956-December 1957
- 68 Personal Correspondence – January 1958-December 1960
- 69 Personal Correspondence – March 1961-July 1966
- 70 Personal Correspondence – September 1966-December 1986

BOX 3

- 1 Personal Correspondence - Edward Patrick Moyer – 1939-1950
- 2 Personal Correspondence - Daniel B. Magraw – 1941-1949, 1955
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