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### Robert "Red" Shadoan Scrapbook

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#### Collection Summary

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#### Content Note

The scrapbook contains newspaper clippings, photographs, correspondence, and documents which illustrate the life of Red Shadoan as an athlete as well as a member of the community within the Wichita area. Although most clippings and photographs do not contain dates it is believed that the scrapbook covers a time span from 1927 to 1964.

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#### Biography

Robert Shadoan, who was better known as Red because of his hair color, was born April 4, 1910 in Oklahoma. He attended high school in Indiana and then followed his family to Wichita. He enrolled at Wichita University in 1929 and quickly became a hometown hero because of his prowess in athletics. A member of the football team from 1929-32, Red was named to the All Conference Team as a Tackle three consecutive years. He was also a member of the basketball team where he won similar honors. After graduating from the university in 1933 Red was offered a coaching position with Wichita University. He served as line coach for the football team and assistant coach for the Freshmen basketball team for two years. After his coaching stint Red took a position as an agent for the New York Life Insurance Company, while continuing to work out of Wichita. His love for sports never ceased and he became well known around the area for his officiating skills. He was often hired to referee basketball games, wrestling matches, boxing matches, football games, as well as umpire

baseball games. It was during this time that he was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis and although by 1940 the paralysis caused by the disease had confined him to a wheelchair, Red was still actively involved in athletics. He was head of the National Baseball Congress advance ticket drive and continued his love for sporting events by either listening to them on the radio or attending them whenever possible. In 1959 a campus road near the basketball arena was dedicated to Red and renamed "Shadoan Drive." Red Shadoan died in 1964 and has since been elected to the Wichita State University Hall of Fame.

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## Series Listing

Series 1	Box 1	Scrapbook. This series contains a scrapbook composed of newspaper clippings, photographs, correspondence and other documents surrounding the life of Red Shadoan. The pages in the scrapbook were not numbered by the original owner; however, artificial numbers have been given to these pages and are written as close to the bottom inside corner of each page as possible. These numbers which appear in brackets correspond to those pages.
Series 2	Box 2	Loose Items. This series contains items that were found loose throughout the scrapbook. They have been divided and include photographs, newspaper clippings, correspondence, and miscellaneous items.

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## Box and Folder Listing

### Series 1 -- Scrapbook

Box 1	[Inside Cover] Clipping of Will Rogers' tribute to Knute Rockne; clipping of Gen. MacArthur's condolences message about Knute Rockne.
Box 1	[Page 1] 8" x 10" drawing of Knute Rockne.
Box 1	[2] 8" x 10" color publicity shot of Will Rogers with facsimile autograph.
Box 1	[3] 8 x 10" photograph of Red Shadoan as Wichita University football coach.
Box 1	[4] Clipping featuring Wichita University football coach Albert Gebert's son.
Box 1	[5] 8" x 10" photograph of Wichita University football coach Albert Gebert.
Box 1	[6] Clippings: brief bio with pictures featuring Shadoan (as a player), Coach Albert Gebert and Coach Joe Locke; article about Wichita vs. Washburn for the Central Conference Championship; article describing Wichita's win over Washburn for championship.

- Box 1 [7] Clippings: former Wichita University players becoming coaches; freshman players on varsity squad; Shadoan as a wrestling referee; small picture with bio about Shadoan as line coach.
- Box 1 [8] Clippings: large article about Wichita's win over Washburn for championship, with pictures; photo with caption about Wichita Vs. Southwestern; photo of Wichita lineman.
- Box 1 [9] 8-1/2" x 7" photo of Shadoan and Gebert; Clippings: All Central Conference Team with Shadoan named to 1st Team; miscellaneous clippings mentioning Shadoan.
- Box 1 [10] 5" x 8" photo of Wichita University football player (Crawley); clippings featuring photos of Shadoan including starting offensive line.
- Box 1 [11] 7" x 9-1/2" photo of Shadoan in Wichita University uniform; (2) football clippings.
- Box 1 [12] Clippings: featuring Wichita University offensive football starters with names; Beacon's 1931 All Conference Selections; Wichita University offense vs. Emporia.
- Box 1 [13] Clippings: article with pictures of Shadoan and Bobby Clark; article discussing Wichita University players summer jobs; article with photo of Joe Salvodi (former Notre Dame All American football player) during an appearance in Wichita.
- Box 1 [14] Clippings: large article with pictures of Wichita University basketball team; box score of Wichita University win over Bethel; (2) misc clippings.
- Box 1 [15] Clippings: article with picture of Wichita University defensive line; article with photo of Wichita University football team and caption discusses their use of rabbit feet for good luck.
- Box 1 [16] Large clipping with photo of Wichita University football team, headline mentions they will play Oklahoma City, October 5, 1934.
- Box 1 [17] Clippings: clipping with photo of Wichita University football team; clippings with photos and brief bios of Shadoan, "Ike" Walker, Virgil Wilson, "Kewpie" Koch, LeRoy Neeley, and Zene Fankhauser; photo clipping of Wichita University football players; small photo clipping of Shadoan; (2) small articles mentioning Shadoan.
- Box 1 [18] Large article with picture of All Conference Team from Wichita Eagle, 12-27-1932; Roster of Wichita University vs. Washburn; (2) football clippings.
- Box 1 [19] Clippings: large article with picture of Pete Gallagher (Wichita University football player); small photo clipping of Shadoan; assorted football clippings.
- Box 1 [20] Clippings: large article with photos of Wichita University players and action shot; clipping with photo of Shadoan; miscellaneous

football clippings.

- Box 1 [21] Clippings: article with photos of Technical High School football players featuring Shadoan; article about Indian high school football players playing for Ohio State University; part of program for Technical High School graduating class, 1928, lists Shadoan as graduate.
- Box 1 [22] Clippings: miscellaneous clippings mentioning Shadoan; unidentifiable photograph.
- Box 1 [23] 8" x 10" photo of Wichita University football players at blocking sled.
- Box 1 [24] Clippings: articles discuss coaching changes at Wichita University.
- Box 1 [25] Clippings: articles discuss coaching changes at Wichita University.
- Box 1 [26] Clipping: full page article from Wichita Beacon, November 26, 1933, with photos of football team, coaches; pasted on the back is page 6 of a handwritten story, rest of story can be found in Box 2 FF 4 of the collection.
- Box 1 [27] Clipping: large article from Wichita Beacon with 1932 All Conference Team selections and articles about All Conference Team and Shockers as conference champions.
- Box 1 [28] Clippings: miscellaneous football clippings.
- Box 1 [29] Clippings: miscellaneous football clippings.
- Box 1 [30] Clippings: articles discuss death of former Wichita University football coach Joe Locke.
- Box 1 [31] Clippings: articles discuss death of former Wichita University football coach Joe Locke.
- Box 1 [32] Clippings: miscellaneous football clippings.
- Box 1 [33] Clippings: photo clipping of Wichita University offensive line with Shadoan as coach standing beside; article with photo about Shadoan as new coach.
- Box 1 [34] Clipping: large page with pictures of Wichita University football team and coaches.
- Box 1 [35] Clippings: article with photos congratulating Wichita University football team as conference champions; photo clipping of Knot Hole Gang, a football camp offered to children by the Wichita University coaching staff.
- Box 1 [36] 12-1/2" x 7-1/2" photo of Wichita University football offensive line.

- Box 1 [37] 13" x 5-3/4" photo of Wichita University football team.
- Box 1 [38] 13" X 5-1/4" photograph of Wichita University offensive lineup.
- Box 1 [39] 6-1/2" x 9" photo of unidentified football player.
- Box 1 [40] 12-1/2" x 5-1/2" photo of Wichita University football team.
- Box 1 [41] 6-1/2" x 9-1/2" photograph of unidentified Wichita University football player.
- Box 1 [42] 8-1/2" x 7-1/2" photo of unidentified football player.
- Box 1 [43] 8" x 7" photo of Shadoan in wheel chair with 3 men kneeling beside him, 2 are unidentified, 1 is Wilt Chamberlain.
- Box 1 [44] Photographs: (1) 4" x 5" photo of unidentified football player; (1) 4" x 6-1/2" photo of Millard Hoefer, Wichita University football player.
- Box 1 [45] 7" x 11" photograph of unidentified football player.
- Box 1 [46] Clippings: article with photo of Wichita University football team in action; Lou Gehrig obituary.
- Box 1 [47] Clippings: (3) clippings with photos of Wichita University football team; (1) clipping with photo of Wichita University basketball player.
- Box 1 [48] 4" x 5" photo of unidentified football player; clippings: miscellaneous football articles with photos.
- Box 1 [49] 3-1/2" x 4-1/2" photo of Shadoan in uniform; 3-1/4" x 4-1/2" photo of unidentified player; (2) miscellaneous clippings.
- Box 1 [50] 8" x 10" photograph of unidentified football player.
- Box 1 [51] Clipping with photo of 1933 Shocker football team; clipping with photo of Shocker basketball team with Shadoan as coach; 4" x 3-1/2" photograph of unidentified football player.
- Box 1 [52] (2) basketball clippings; (2) photographs: 4-1/2" x 3-1/2" Shadoan as a basketball referee, 4" x 4-1/2" basketball game jump ball.
- Box 1 [53] 5" x 7" photograph of Shadoan in basketball uniform; clipping.
- Box 1 [54] Clippings discussing Wichita University basketball.
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- Box 1 [56] Clippings discuss Wichita University basketball.
- Box 1 [57] Clippings discuss Wichita University basketball trip to Mexico.
- Box 1 [58] Clippings: basketball clippings including headline in Spanish.
- Box 1 [59] Clippings discuss Wichita University basketball.

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- Box 1 [61] Clippings discuss Wichita University basketball.
- Box 1 [62] Clippings discuss Wichita University basketball.
- Box 1 [63] Photo clipping of Wichita University basketball team; announcements for basketball game Wichita University vs. Circulo in Spanish.
- Box 1 [64] Photographs: Wichita University basketball team in Mexico.
- Box 1 [65] Photographs: Wichita University basketball team in Mexico; postcard- aerial view University of Missouri.
- Box 1 [66] Clippings discuss Wichita University basketball team in Mexico; 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" photo of Shadoan on beach; Western Union telegram to Shadoan from Frank Neff, April 1934, mentions Wichita University being reinstated to Central Conference.
- Box 1 [67] Photographs: miscellaneous photographs of Mexico, includes 5" x 6" colorized photo of Shadoan on a burro.
- Box 1 [68] Clippings discuss the Technical High School football team, circa 1927.
- Box 1 [69] 5" x 3-1/2" photograph of Shadoan on fishing trip; clippings discuss fishing trip.
- Box 1 [70] (2) 3-1/2" x 5-1/2" postcards of hula girls; ticket from a bull fight.
- Box 1 [71] 7-1/2" x 9-1/2" photograph of Shadoan as referee in boxing match, one of the boxers is Joe Louis, photograph has "Joe Louis" signed on bottom right hand corner in pencil.
- Box 1 [72] Clippings discuss wrestling matches Shadoan has refereed.
- Box 1 [73] Clippings discuss boxing matches Shadoan has refereed.
- Box 1 [74] 6-1/2" x 4-1/2" photograph of 7 men labeled as Fort Leavenworth Champions, 1 of men is Shadoan; 2-1/2" x 3-1/2" photograph of Shadoan in swimming trunks; boxing clipping.
- Box 1 [75] 8" x 8" photograph of boxing match with Shadoan as referee; boxing clipping.
- Box 1 [76] 7" x 8" photograph of boxing match with Shadoan as referee.
- Box 1 [77] 2-1/2" x 3-1/2" photograph of Shadoan in swimming trunks with unidentified man; clipping discusses how Shadoan (as referee) punched a wrestler for not letting go of a hold during a match.
- Box 1 [78] Letter written to Shadoan from State of Kansas Athletic Commission, April 23, 1936, thanking him for officiating a tournament.
- Box 1 [79] Telegram to Shadoan from White Eagle, January 25, 1939.

- Box 1 [80] Letter written by Shadoan to Davis J. Walsh, Sports Editor of International News Service, in which Shadoan corrects a statement made by Walsh, November 6, 1935.
- Box 1 [81] Letter written to Shadoan by Davis J. Walsh in which he responds to Shadoan correction letter, November 12, 1935.
- Box 1 [82] Letter written by Shadoan to editor of the Sunflower to discuss an article published about football, April 9, 1934.
- Box 1 [83] Letter written to Shadoan by Mary Bowen, Editor of the Sunflower, in response to Shadoan's letter, April 15, 1934.
- Box 1 [84] Clippings: article with photo of Wichita University freshman basketball team with Shadoan as coach; miscellaneous clippings mentioning Shadoan.
- Box 1 [85] Sheet music "Forward Men!" written and autographed by Thurlow Lieuraunce, 1932.
- Box 1 [86] 2-1/2" x 4" colorized photograph of Shadoan and unidentified person; clipping discusses Shadoan's switch to insurance salesman; Press pass for Indianapolis Motor Speedway Race, May 30, 1936.
- Box 1 [87] Clippings featuring Shadoan.
- Box 1 [88] Clippings featuring Shadoan.
- Box 1 [89] Clippings featuring Shadoan.
- Box 1 [90] Clippings discuss Desmond Slattery, war pilot from Wichita.
- Box 1 [91] 8" x 10" photograph of military unit.
- Box 1 [92] Clipping about Wichitans in National Guard; Note to Shadoan from Kay Kyser.
- Box 1 [93] 8" x 5" photograph of unidentified people; clipping with photograph of William Hennigh bridal party with Shadoan as groomsman.
- Box 1 [94] Photographs: 5" x 8" photograph of unidentified person in graduating cap and gown; 3" x 7" photo of Shadoan as student; 4-1/2" x 2-1/2" photograph of Shadoan with group; 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" photo of Shadoan with Wichita University letter sweater and unidentified person.
- Box 1 [95] 8" x 10" photograph of Shadoan receiving check from Don Morris for money raised at benefit football game, 1940.
- Box 1 [96] Clippings discuss benefit game held to raise money for Shadoan.
- Box 1 [97] Clippings discuss benefit game held to raise money for Shadoan.

- Box 1 [98] Telegram to Shadoan from Pat and Tony about benefit game, 1940; Downtown Wichita Guide featuring Shadoan on the cover, September 14, 1940.
- Box 1 [99] Clippings discuss Shadoan as leader in sporting events ticket sales.
- Box 1 [100] Letter written to Shadoan from The Domestic Laundry Company thanking him for his letter of praise, January 21, 1938.
- Box 1 [101] 1st page of typed speech to elect Ralph Dewitt as Sheriff.
- Box 1 [102] 2nd page of typed speech to elect Ralph Dewitt as Sheriff.
- Box 1 [Inside Back Cover] Page 7 of written story, rest of story can be found in Box 2 FF 4 of collection.

## Series 2 -- Loose Items

- Box 2 FF 1 Photographs: 8" x 10" photo of Shadoan in car with E. C. Quigley and 3 other men, 1953, article clipping attached; 6-1/2" x 6" photo of Henry's Department Store party; 4" x 5-1/2" photo of unidentified football player; 4" x 5" photo of unidentified football player; 4-1/2" x 3-1/2" photo of young child from China with typed explanation, 1944.
- Box 2 FF 2 Clippings: full page of Wichita Beacon, September 20, 1940, with 1940 Wichita University roster as well as headline which reads "Honor Red Shadoan"; clipping from Wichita Evening Eagle and Beacon, November 9, 1962, discusses Shadoan receiving autographed football from Wichita University; Boeing Plane Talk, June 9, 1960, with phot of Shadoan receiving check as honorary chairman of Multiple Sclerosis fund drive; articles discussing death of Red Shadoan; miscellaneous articles mentioning Shadoan; (2) clippings of Irish Wolfhound; miscellaneous articles discussing former teammates of Shadoan; article about spinal damage.
- Box 2 FF 3 Correspondence: note to Shadoan from Lucille Mariam; note to Shadoan with attached clipping from Pastor of Hillside Christian Church, May 22, 1953; note to Shadoan with attached clippings from Glen Thomas; letter written to Otho Grover from Red Shadoan in which Red includes a clipping and urges Otho not to give up, July 23, 1953; letter written by Red Shadoan to Sunday School class, thanking them for the television, September 122, 1953; birthday note to Shadoan from Harry Corbin; letter written to Shadoan from E. H. Janke, August 12, 1953, discussing the naming of a football field after Shadoan; note to Shadoan from the Associate Minister of Hillside Christian Church; telegram to Shadoan from Don, December 1948; notices for donations made to the Multiple Sclerosis Society in the name of Red Shadoan.



Box 2

FF 4

Miscellaneous: Red Shadoan funeral notice; University of Wichita Alumni Magazine, April 1964; Downtown Wichita Guide with Shadoan on cover, September 14, 1940; Charter presented to Shadoan as a member of the National Association of fans, April 18, 1959; pages 1-5 of handwritten story "Pride's Percentage," page 6 can be found in scrapbook page [26] and page 7 can be found in scrapbook [inside back cover]; business card from Tom J. Kornhaus, Farmers Bank Agent.

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