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## Guide to MS272 Elsie McElroy Slater papers

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Circa 1900 – 1978

1 foot, 7 inches (linear)

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## Biography

Elsie McElroy Slater (1871?-1952) was a writer, artist, and naturalist. She wrote a column for the *El Paso Herald* and authored two books: *El Paso Birds* and *Thirteen Ferns of the Mexican Border at El Paso*. Slater was the first El Pasoan to collect plant specimens in El Paso.

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## Series Description or Arrangement

Materials were left in the order found by the archivist.

## Scope and Content Notes

The Elsie McElroy Slater papers date circa 1900 – 1978. Primarily consists of Slater's journals, sketches of plants, correspondence, and publications.

## Provenance Statement

Unknown provenance.

## Restrictions

None.

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## Notes to the Researcher

See also:

*El Paso Birds* (1945)

*Thirteen Ferns of the Mexican border at El Paso* (1939)

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## **Container List**

Box #	Folder #	Title	Date
1	-----	Lichens journal with handwritten notes	
1	-----	Journal	1918-1919?
1	-----	El Paso birds [sketches]	
1	1	Slater, Elsie McElroy	
1	2	Slater, Elsie McElroy	
1	3	Slater, Elsie McElroy [handwritten notes]	
1	-----	Mail	
1	4	Slater, Elsie McElroy [notes and publications found in envelope addressed to Mr. Georg H. Burrous II from Philips Exeter Bulletin]	1920?
1	-----	Journal [bird sketches and descriptions]	Undated
2	-----	<i>Thirteen Ferns of the Mexican Border at El Paso</i> [book]	1939
2	1	Piedras Verdes Riter [drawing]	September 1901
2	2	Creosote bush, covillea glutinosa, Caltrop Family [drawing]	Undated?
2	3	Violet vestments drawing	1928
2	4	Unidentified flower drawing	Undated
2	5	Unidentified flower drawing	Undated
2	6	Drawing of unidentified flowers	Undated
2	7	Bent Neck, Cirsium vinaceum Composite Family, rare	Undated
2	8	Unidentified long stem flowers	Undated
2	9	Bright pink woody below long root drawing	April 1930
2	10	Nothoalena – Cloak Fern	August 1904
2	11	Unidentified tall blue flowers	Undated
2	12	Wild Iris, iris missouriensis, iris family	Undated
2	13	Unidentified sketch of purple flowers	Undated
2	-----	Long-flowered Gilia frame (no drawing)	Undated
2	14	Long-flowered Gillias drawing	Undated
2	15	Unidentified yellow flowers drawing	Undated
2	16	Nodding Onion; Allium recurvatum; Onion family [drawing]	Undated
2	17	Unidentified long pink flower drawing	November 1978
2	18	Violet vestments drawing	Undated
2	19	Unidentified long stem yellow flower	Undated
2	20	Copper Mallows flower drawing	Undated
2	21	Copper Mallows flower drawing	Undated

2	22	Pink, Green leaves Unidentified drawing	Undated
2	23	Red unidentified flower drawing	April 1900
2	24	Unidentified yellow flowers drawing	Undated
2	25	Pompadour Mallow <i>sidalcea candida tincta</i> ; Mallow family and leaf of Meadow Rue	Undated
2	26	Unidentified flowers (landscape painting)	Undated
2	27	Yellow unidentified flowers	Undated
2	28	Apache plume <i>Verbena</i> painting	December
2	29	Tiny Tim; <i>Thymophylla hartwegi</i> Composite Family	Undated
2	30	<i>Ratibida tagetes</i> , Composite Family	Undated
2	31	Hibiscus drawing	Undated



2	22	Pink, green leaves unidentified drawing	Undated
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