

MARY STEELE OWEN

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Mary Steele Owen (b. 1913) was born in Indianapolis, the daughter of Perceval W. and Meta (Steele) Owen. She

graduated from Franklin College, and earned master's and doctoral degrees from Indiana University.

From 1937 to 1943 Owen taught in high schools. She then taught at Indiana University (1943-1946) and at Butler University (1946-1948). In 1948 she returned to Franklin College, becoming a full professor there in 1954. She later was chairman of the history department at Sam Houston State College in Huntsville, Texas.

Sources: *Indiana Lives*, 592

Personalities of the West and Midwest (1979), 418

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains one item, the carbon copy of a book manuscript based on Mary Steele Owen's 1954 doctoral dissertation at Indiana University, entitled "The American Frontiersman: A French Portrait." Since the latest bibliographic reference is 1959, this revision was probably done about 1960. It discusses the American frontier as seen by French travelers and commentators of the period.

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