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Description

History of controversy on acquisition of <I>Sheep Piece, 1971-1972 bronze</I> for Kansas City. On his death on 8 June 1967 farmer N. Clyde Degginger bequeathed \$300,000 to the city to buy a sculpture. Laurence Sickman, Director of Nelson Gallery of Art, was charged with acquiring a work. In 1974 Ralph Coe of the Nelson Gallery visited Much Hadham, and on 9 September 1974 Mayor Charles Wheeler announced the commission. Lengthy deliberations took place on siting the work, which arrived on 5 June 1975, only to be placed in a warehouse. In a brief visit in April 1976 Moore rejected one planned site and requested an open air setting. The bronze was installed finally on 8 May 1976 in the grounds of the Nelson Gallery of Art.