## **FONDS A38**

## **GRAY FAMILY**

## AN INVENTORY OF ITS ARCHIVAL PAPERS HELD BY THE MILLET & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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A38 Gray family fonds

Provenance: Gray, John K. (family, of Millet, Alta.).

Title: Gray family fonds
Dates: [190-?]-1991.

Phys. desc.: 5 cm of textual records.

Bio / Admin History: John K. and Ellen (Ellis) Gray, from Kansas, homesteaded

southwest of Millet, Alberta in 1900. They had eight children, Leonard, Hugh L., Robert M., Charles N., Percy N., Laura, Vale, and Leona. Leonard and his bride Enola Howard also homesteaded

near his parents. Their children included Addie (Mrs. R. A.

Wagner), Phoebe (Mrs. Victor Norquist), Jim, Bert, Dave, and Don Pearl (Mrs. Stan Scott), Bob, Howard, May (Mrs. Jim Ambrose), Nellie (Mrs. Alex Lawrence), Joy (Mrs. Phil McConnell) and Mrs.

Shirley Ronaghan.

Custodial History: The fonds was donated by R. A. Wagner (Accession No. 86.13),

Alma (Mrs. Jim) Gray, and other family members.

Scope / Content: The fonds consists of family history pamphlets and essays, farm

account books, family memorabilia, and a few business receipts of the Gray, Norquist, and Wagner families. The titles of some files

were supplied by the archivist.

Title Source: Title based on content of fonds. Language: The material is in English.

Restrictions: There are no restrictions on access. Finding Aids: Box list available at repository

Associated/ Related:

Accruals: No further accruals are expected.

Record No.: A38

Repository: Millet and District Museum and Archives

Names: Gray family

John K. and Ellen Gray

Topics: Family and personal life

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Gray family tree as of 1970. -- 1966-1970. -- 1 file of textual records.
 Typewritten genealogical compilation, sketches of family home and family mailing list.
 Donated by R. A. Wagner (Accession No. 86.13.02). Other materials including sketches donated by Shirley Ronaghan.

- Family journey 1900. -- 1965-1972. -- 1 file of textual records. Account of Gray family's emigration from Kansas to Millet, Alberta. Accompanied by a reminiscence from Thomas H. Howes. Donated by R. A. Wagner (Accession No. 86.13.01).
- 3 Invitation to family picnic. -- 1976. -- 1 item of textual records.
- 4 Postcards. -- [190-?]. -- 1 file of textual records. Accessions ATR/94/111 to ATR/94/114.
- 5 Phoebe A. Gray: public school leaving diploma. -- 1919. -- 1 item of textual records.
- 6 Mrs. V. Norquist: certificates of health of Alma and Nelda Norquist. -- 1930-1936. -- 1 file of textual records.
- Victor Norquist: license and receipts. -- 1916-1927. -- 1 file of textual records. Receipt for course in gas engineering, license to practise business of auto livery in Millet, receipt from tailor, receipt for Odd Fellows dues.
- Victor Norquist: certificates, license, gasoline ration book. -- [Ca. 1942]-1954. -- 1 file of textual records.

  Gasoline ration booklet with advertising envelope, "compliments of Vic's Garage, Vic. Norquist, prop."; private radio licenses; certificate of proficiency as a motor vehicle mechanic.
- Norquist family: wartime ration books. -- [Ca. 1942-ca. 1945]. -- 1 cm of textual records.
   Donated by Nelda (Norquist) Langdon, Aug. 5, 1990.
- Greetings from Wetaskiwin, Alberta, Can. -- [191-?]. -- 1 item of textual records. Souvenir folder of views of Wetaskiwin.
- 11 Valentine card. -- 1934. -- 1 item of textual records.
- R. A. Wagner: school souvenir. -- 1917. -- 1 item of textual records.

  Souvenir card, Millet Public School District No. 555, "compliments of your teacher", with portrait of Miss E. E. Steeves, and printed names of pupils in first four grades.

  Donated by Larry Wagner.

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13 R. A. Wagner: farm account book and receipts. -- 1942-1948. -- 1 cm of textual records.

Accession No. 86.13.06.

- R. A. Wagner: farm account book and receipts. -- 1944-1955. -- 1 cm of textual records.

  Accession No. 86.13.03.
- R. A. Wagner: farm account book and receipts. -- 1948-1951. -- 1 cm of textual records.

  Accession No. 86.13.05.
- Wagner family: receipts: 1908-1932. -- Photocopied [198-?]. -- 1 file of textual records.
- Wm. Wagner: receipt. -- 1962. -- 1 item of textual records. Donated by Joe Cobb (Accession No. ATR/94/49).
- Jim and Alma (Gray): thank-you card and letter. -- 1991. -- 1 file of textual records.
- 19 Mrs. E.L. Gray: accounts. 1958-1963. 1 file of textual records. Includes milk accounts, taxes and last egg receipt.
- Millet School: photocopy of album photograph. 1907-1908. -- 1 item of non-textual records.
   Gray children are identified.
- 21 Bill of Sale for 1919 Chevrolet: Robert M. Gray. 1919. 1 item of textual records.
- Newspaper clippings concerning family events and history, business card of J.K. Gray. n.d. 1 file of textual records.
- Records of J.K. Gray as auctioneer and overseer. n.d. 1 file of textual records.