

Accn. 1225

MG-341

FLORENCE LINDERMAN PAPERS

ca.1840-1948

1 cu. ft. (4 boxes, 1 oversized box)

Biographical Note

Florence Amelia Linderman was born July 17, 1893 in Fleetwood, Berks County, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Daniel Boone Linderman and Amelia Shiery. The Linderman family claims kinship with the Daniel Boone family through Florence's grandmother. The papers do have information on the Shiery, Knittle and Linderman families. Florence's father, Daniel B. Linderman married Amelia Shiery on January 29, 1891. He earned a teacher's certificate in 1887 and at the time of his marriage Linderman apparently was teaching at Keystone State Normal School in Kutztown, now known as Kutztown University. The Linderman family moved to Arizona in 1903 where Mr. Linderman taught on the Maricopa Indian Reservation for several years.

Florence was close to her father, as demonstrated by numerous photographs of them together and correspondence between the two. Florence graduated with a teaching certificate from the State Normal School in 1911 and later she received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Redlands, California in 1915. Florence eventually became a registered nurse, working in California where the Linderman family moved before World War Two. Florence Linderman served in the 1930s as a nurse in the United States Navy.

The collection was acquired by the PHMC from the Linderman estate in Santa Barbara, California in 1981.

Scope and content

This collection contains the following items:

Photographs: There is a family album on Florence Linderman. Also there are numerous family portraits of chiefly the Linderman and the Shiery families. Of special interest is a scrapbook of photographs in a "Keystone State Normal School" scrapbook dated 1890-1911. It was apparently compiled by Florence's father, Daniel while he was teaching at the school.

Documents: These range from marriage and confirmation certificates to school diplomas and date from 1877 to 1946. Some items are oversize.

Postcards: A leather-bound album of state capitol postcards and miscellaneous loose postcards and addressed to Florence. The postcards were taken out of the leather-bound album for preservation purposes and the album is now located in the museum.

Correspondence: Included are several facsimile copies of letters written by Abraham Lincoln. They were apparently ripped from a printed book.

There are also letters written by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Boone Linderman to Florence, and letters written by Florence to Santa Claus which are dated 1900-1910. They were kept in a small white leather pouch. The letters were removed, flat filed, and the pouch was given to the museum.

Miscellaneous: Various lithograph portraits, (including one of Abraham Lincoln), notes, and memorabilia belonging to Florence.

Transfers: The small pouch which originally contained Florence's letters to Santa Claus, a red and gray bow and the leather postcard book were given to the State Museum. Other items from the family are already in the Museum's collections.

Location: GM-0122

box 1 GM122

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| Family Photos, 1840's-1890 | folder 1 |
| 1891-1895 | folder 2 |
| 1900-1933 | folder 3 |
| Photos of Florence Linderman, 1893-1897 | folder 4 |
| 1899-1905 | folder 5 |
| 1905-1911 | folder 6 |
| 1912-1948 | folder 7 |
| Lithographs of Historical Figures | folder 8 |
| Certificates of Florence A. and Daniel B. Linderman, 1877-1946 | folder 9 |
| Letters, Invitations, Greeting Cards, 1890-1928 | folder 10 |

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| Letters, invitations, greeting Cards, 1929-31 | folder 11 |
| Letters, greeting cards, 1930-1936, and n.d. | folder 12 |
| Dated letters 1918-1930 | folder 13 |
| Dated letters, 1930-1938 | folder 14 |
| Keystone State Normal School Scrapbook, 190-1911 | folder 15 |
| Newspaper Articles relating to Kutztown | folder 16 |
| Duplicate lithographs and postcards | folder 17 |

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box 3 GM123

postcards-sent and unsent
wooden picture frame

GM-0124-0125

oversized box 4 GN 124-125

Certificates of Florence A. and Daniel B.

Linderman, 1893-1915

Oversized Painted Photos (enlargements of originals in collection)

folder 1

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

INTRA-COMMISSION OBJECT TRANSFER

The following items of Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission Property are hereby transferred:

From: The PA State Archives

To: The State Museum of PA / Community & Domestic Life

| NUMBER | DESCRIPTION |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 66.99 | Leather Postcard Album (MG-341) |
| 66.99 | Ribbon (MG-341) |
| 66.99 | White Leather Wallet (MG-341) |
| NC-Bucher/Hummel | Red Leather Wallet (MG-382) |
| NC-Bucher/Hummel | Small Fabric Covered Wallet (MG-382) |

APPROVALS

Curator / Site Date

Registrar Date

Bureau Date

I acknowledge the receipt of the above objects as an Intra-Commission Object Transfer.

Cynthia J. Benditt
Signature

7/24/97
Date