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Summary Information

Repository	Arkansas State Archives
Title	Peter and Aileen McWilliam papers
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Biographical/Historical Note

Born on June 1, 1875, in Canada Peter McWilliam immigrated to America in 1880 and on September 7, 1896, became a naturalized citizen of the United States in Stark County, Illinois. He married Nelly May Jackson in Illinois on June 1, 1899, and by 1920 Peter moved his family to Polk County, Arkansas. McWilliam was a civil engineer, surveyor, highway commissioner on the Jefferson highway. He owned and operated a farm in Acorn, Arkansas. He also served on the County Board of Education, as well as the board of directors for the Mena Chamber of Commerce. McWilliam died on June 22, 1947, in Polk County, Arkansas, and is buried along with his wife in Pinecrest Memorial Park in Mena, Polk County, Arkansas.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains a newspaper clipping about Peter, an abstract of title, correspondence, memorial records, receipts, printed ephemera, sympathy cards, legal documents, pocket diaries, and poems.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

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Collection Inventory

File 1

Correspondence

1926 April 8: Correspondence from Peter McWilliams, Chicago (IL) to Nelly McWilliams, Mena (AR)

1927 April 7: Correspondence from Peter McWilliam, Chicago (IL) to Nelly McWilliam, Mena (AR)

1928 December 20: Correspondence from Arkansas State Board of Health, Little Rock (AR) to Nelly McWilliam, Mena (AR)

1983 August 8: Correspondence from Mena Memorials, Mena (AR) to Ethel Lester, Cincinnati (OH)

1941 December 20: Correspondence from Mr. and Mrs. Peter McWilliam, Mena (AR) to Mr. and Mrs. James Jackson, Mena (AR)

1947 June 22: Telegram from Aileen McWilliam, Mena (AR) to Wilbur Lester, Alexandria (VA)

Printed Ephemera

Poem by Aileen McWilliam "The Students Life"

Bates Brothers advertisement, Princeton (IL)

Elmira (NY) 100 years tag

1908: Mena (AR) advertisement printed by The Mena Commercial Club

1866 October 11-13: Teachers' Association Twenty-second Annual Meeting

1930 July: "The Inquiring Mind and the Seeing Eye" by Dr. A.S. Alexander"

Poems

"O, I am a donkey driver"

"Tam Gibb's Sowie"

"Our Goodman"

Untitled Poem

Newspaper clippings

Peter McWilliam memorial record

Sympathy card

File 2

Nellie Jackson autograph book, Stark County (IL)

Peter McWilliam autograph book, Stark County (IL)

Daily diary of R.T. Jackson, Osceola, Stark County (IL) 1866 August 15 - 1866 December

Legal Documents

Abstract of Title for Nellie McWilliam, Polk County (AR)

Naturalized Citizen record for Peter McWilliam, Stark County (IL)

List of names

1884 January 1: Order of the Eastern Star receipt of dues