

The Filson Historical Society
Garr-Garth Family
Photograph Collection, c. 1850-1941

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Size of Collection:
.33 cu. ft., 1 volume, and 1 ovsh. fld.

Location Number:
017PC32

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Scope and Content Note

The Garr-Garth Family Photograph Collection consists of one photograph box, one wrapped photograph album, and one oversized folder. The collection contains 12 folders, 1 volume, and 1 oversized folder of photographic items varying in formats including real photograph postcards, black-and-white and color photographic prints, cartes de viste, and cabinet cards. The collection primarily documents the Garr and Garth families and some other related familial lines including the Warren and Russell families. The collection primarily consists of both formal and informal family portraits, and photographs of residences and property.

Dates of photographs appear to range from the mid-nineteenth century to the mid twentieth century, but the collection primarily dates between c.1850-1941.

Folders 1-7: Photographs of or relating to the Garth family and related ancestors, including members of the Warren, Atchison, and Wood families. Members of this family most prominently represented in this collection include: Clara Lee Garth (née Atchison), her husband Dr. Charles Meredith Garth II, and their two children Charles Meredith Garth III and Helen M. Garth.

Folders 8-11: Photographs relating to the Garr family and related ancestors. Includes photographs of the Garr residence and images of various Garr family members, many of which are described as being taken at Park Lake likely near Flemingsburg, Kentucky.

Related Collections:

Garr-Garth Family Papers, 1870-1939 [Mss. A G238]

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Biographical Note

Clara Lee Garth (née Atchison) was born in Louisville in 1882 to Benjamin F. and Minnie (Warren) Atchison. Clara Lee Garth's mother, Minnie Atchison, was the daughter of Levi Legg Warren and Mary Warren (née Wood). In 1906, Clara Lee Atchison married Dr. Charles Meredith Garth II (1879-1925), with whom she had two children, Charles Meredith Garth III (1913-1967) and Helen M. Garth (1916-1974).

Dr. Charles Meredith Garth II graduated from the University of Louisville medical school and practiced medicine, becoming a specialist in the treatment of tuberculosis. During World War I, he served in field hospitals both in the United States and overseas and was promoted to the rank of captain.

Charles Russell Garr was born on November 5, 1858 in Jefferson County, Kentucky. Garr studied medicine and relocated to Fleming County where he practiced medicine in the area. Garr married Sallie Rebecca Crain (1861-1950) in 1883, with whom he had two children: Charles Crain Garr (1884-1957) and Clyde Lewis Garr (1887-1968).

The Garr and Garth families appear to be related, although the exact relationship between the families is unclear to the archivist.

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Folder List

Box 1

Folder 1: Wood, Atchison family portraits and other unidentified family photographs c. 1850-1970

Folder 2: Atchison, Warren family photographs and cabinet cards, c. 1870-1900

Folder 3: Charles Meredith Garth I and Sarah Sampkin Garth cartes-de-viste, undated

Folder 4: Charles Meredith Garth II photographs and illustrated portraits, c. 1915

Folder 5: Charles Meredith Garth III photographs and cabinet card, undated

Folder 6: Helen Meredith Garth photographs, undated

Folder 7: Garth family group photographs, 1906-1919

Folder 8: Garr residence photographs, negatives, and clippings, c. 1920s

Folder 9: Turner Matthias Garr photographs, 1922, 1941

Folder 10: Daguerreotype of Eliza Love Gist Atchison, undated

Folder 11: Photographs removed from Clyde Lewis Garr and Bernice Garr scrapbook, c.1880-1920

Folder 12: Warren family residence, undated

Volume 13: Clyde Lewis Garr and Bernice Garr scrapbook, undated

Removed and placed in Individual oversized photograph collection [box A-H]

Oversized portrait of Clara Lee Atchison, undated

Note on verso reads: "Clara Lee Atchison of Louisville Ky. Dau. Of Benjamin F. Atchison & Minnie Warren"

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Subject Headings

Fleming County (Ky.)
Flemingsburg (Ky.)
Garr, Bernice, 1889-1962.
Garr, Charles Russell, 1858-1939.
Garr, Clyde Lewis, 1887-1968.
Garth, Charles Meredith II, 1879-1924.
Garth, Charles Meredith III, 1913-1967.
Garth, Clara Lee, 1882-1962.
Garth, Helen Meredith 1916-1974.
Physicians.
World War, 1914-1918.